

		AIX			BSD			LINUX			Solaris			Solaris 8		
Command	Description	bsh	ksh	csH	sh	ksh	csH	bash	tcsh	ash	sh / jsh	ksh	csH	bash	tcsh	zsh
#	Marks a comment.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
.	Run scripts in the current environment.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
<i>var=value</i>	Assign values to variable.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
alias	Command alias.		•	•		•	•	•	•			•	•	•	•	•
alloc	Shows memory usage.								•						•	
autoload	Marks function for auto loading.															•
bg	Place job in background.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	• ¹	•	•	•	•	•	•
bind	Binds editor keys.							•						•		
bindkey	Binds editor keys.								•						•	
break	Break out from a loop.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
breaksw	Break from a switch.			•			•		•				•		•	
builtin	Shows builtins commands.									•						
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bye	Will leave the shell.															•
case label:	Defines a label in a switch.			•			•		•				•		•	
case	Starts a switch statement.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
cd	Change directory.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
chdir	Change directory.	•		•	•		•		•		•		•		•	•
command	Runs commands without shell function lookup.		•			•		•				•		•		
compgen	Shows possible command completions.							•								
complete	Will define completions.							•	•						•	
continue	Continues execution of a loop.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
declare	Sets variables and/or variable attributes.							•						•		•
default:	Specifies default choice in a switch.			•			•		•				•		•	
dirs	Shows directory stack.			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
disown	Remove active jobs from the job list.							•						•		•
disable	Disable builtin commands.															•
echo	Show text on screen.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
echotc	Sends commands to the terminal.								•						•	•
enable	Will enable or disable built in commands.							•						•		•
emulate	Emulate other shells.															•
eval	Evaluate the command.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
exec	Execute the command.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
exit	Leave the shell.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
export	Export shell variables to the environment.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
false	Returns a false value.															•
fc	Will fix command in the history list.		•			•		•				•		•		•
fg	Place a job in the foreground.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	• ¹	•	•	•	•	•	•
filetest	Will test file attributes.								•						•	
function	Declares functions	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
functions	Manipulate function attributes.															•
for	Perform a loop.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
foreach	Perform a loop.			•			•		•				•		•	

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getln	Reads from the buffer stack.															•
getopts	Gets options from the arguments.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
glob	Expands the given filenames.			•			•		•				•		•	
goto	Go to the specified label.			•			•		•				•		•	
hash	Shows remembered commands.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
hashstat	Shows statistics from the hash table.			•			•		•				•		•	
help	Shows help information.							•						•		
history	Shows the history list.			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
hup	Runs command and allow hang up signals.								•						•	
integer	Manipulates integer variable attributes.															•
if	Make decisions.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
jobid	Shows processid for the job.									•						
jobs	Shows active jobs.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	• ¹	•	•	•	•	•
kill	Kill a process.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
lc	Rerun last command.									•						
let	Performs arithmetic operations.		•			•		•				•		•		•
limit	Sets system resource.			•			•		•				•		•	•
local	Creates local variables.							•						•		•
log	Shows logged in user from \$watch.								•						•	•
login	Log in.	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•		•	
logout	Log out			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
ls-F	Shortcut for ls -F.								•						•	
newgrp	Change effective group.	•	•						•		•	•			•	
nice	Change scheduling priority.			•			•		•				•		•	
nohup	Runs command and ignore hang up signals.			•			•		•				•		•	
noglob	Will not perform any file globbing.															•
notify	Notify the user when a job is finish.			•			•		•				•		•	
onintr	Tells the shell to go to label on interrupt.			•			•		•				•		•	
print	Show text on screen.		•			•						•				•
popd	Pops directory from the directory stack.			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
pushd	Push directory to the directory stack.			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
pushln	Push line to the editor stack.															•
printenv	Shows environment variables.								•						•	
printf	Shows formatted text on screen							•						•		
pwd	Shows working directory.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
r	Rerun last command.															•
read	Read from the keyboard.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
readonly	Marks a variable read only.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
rehash	Will make the hash table recomputed.			•			•		•				•		•	•
return	Return from a function.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
repeat	Repeat a specified number of times.			•			•		•				•		•	
sched	Simple scheduler.								•						•	
select	Makes interactive selection from a list.		•			•		•				•		•		•
set var=value	Sets shell variable.			•			•		•				•		•	

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set options	Sets shell options.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
setenv	Sets environment variables.			•			•		•				•		•	
setopt	Sets shell options.															•
setvar	Sets shell variable.									•						
settc	Specifies terminal capability.								•						•	
setty	Will control tty modes.								•						•	
shift	Shifts shell arguments.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
shopt	Sets shell options.							•						•		
source	Runs a script in the current environment.			•			•	•	•				•	•	•	•
stop	Stops a job.	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•	•	•		•	
suspend	Suspend the execution of the shell.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•
switch	Starts a switch selection.			•			•		•				•		•	
telltc	Shows terminal capability.								•						•	
test	Tests file status and other things.	•	•		•	•		•			•	•		•		•
time	Shows execution time for commands.			•			•		•				•		•	
times	Shows shell times.	•	•		•	•		•			•	•		•		•
trap	Defies behavior on interrupts.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
true	Returns true.															•
ttctl	Will freeze or un freeze the tty.															•
type	Shows the command type.	•	•		•	•		•			•	•		•		•
typeset	Sets variables and/or variable attributes.		•			•		•				•		•		•
ulimit	Sets system resource.	•	•		•	•		•			•	•		•		•
umask	Sets and shows the umask.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
unalias	Removes command alias.		•	•		•	•	•	•		•	•		•	•	•
unfunction	Removes the function.															•
unhash	Disable the internal hash table.			•			•		•				•		•	•
uncomplete	Will remove completions.								•						•	
unlimit	Unsets system resource.			•			•		•				•		•	•
unset	Unsets shell variables.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
unsetenv	Unsets environments variables.			•			•		•				•		•	
unsetopt	Will unset shell options.															•
until	Repeat until condition is met.	•	•		•	•		•		•	•	•		•		•
wait	Wait for background jobs.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
where	Shows all known commands in path.								•						•	•
which	Shows which command is to be executed.								•						•	•
while	Repeat while condition is met.	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
whence	Shows how command is interpreted.		•			•						•				•

¹ The shell must be started as jsh to enable job controll.