

## Viewing files in a human-readable format

As you may have noticed, the file and folder sizes displayed are not easy to decipher and make sense of at first glance. To easily identify the file sizes as kilobytes (kB), Megabytes (MB) or Gigabytes (GB), append the `-lh` flag as shown

### Syntax

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$ls -lh
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jamie@debian:~$ ls -lh
total 19M
-rwxr-xr-x 1 root root 4.5M Dec 17 07:01 Battle.net-Setup.exe
drwxr-xr-x 3 jamie jamie 4.0K Nov  5 03:30 Desktop
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Jun  5 2018 Documents
drwxr-xr-x 3 jamie jamie 4.0K Dec 17 06:49 Downloads
-rw-r--r-- 1 jamie jamie 176K Dec 17 07:01 Linux_for_beginners.pdf
-rw-r--r-- 1 jamie jamie 449K Dec 17 06:59 metamorphose2_0.8.2-1_all.d
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Apr 30 2018 Music
-rw-r--r-- 1 jamie jamie 1.5K Dec 17 07:01 Neofetch
-rw-r--r-- 1 root root 14M Dec 17 07:01 pdfsam_3.3.6-1_all.deb
-rw----- 1 root root 367K Dec 17 07:01 PDFsam_merge.pdf
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Apr 30 2018 Pictures
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Apr 30 2018 Public
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Apr 30 2018 Templates
drwxr-xr-x 2 jamie jamie 4.0K Apr 30 2018 Videos
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