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Show Name: CompTIA Linux+ (XK0-004) Topic: Performing Basic Linux Tasks Episode Name: Introduction to Linux

Description: In this episode, Zach and Don introduce the viewers to the GNU/Linux operating system. They discuss the origins and history of

the OS and review some of the primary Linux distributions available.

### **Introduction to Linux**

### [?] What is the history of Linux? Who created it?

- Created by Linus Torvalds
  - o 1991
  - o Student in Finland
  - Original comp.os.minix post (https://groups.google.com/forum/#!msg/comp.os.minix/dINtH7RRrGA/SwRavCzVE7gJ)

### [?] Why did he stress "free" so much in his post?

- · Commercial Software
- Open Source vs Free Software

## [?] Did Linus write the entire operating system?

- Linux Kernel vs GNU Software
- GNU Software (https://www.gnu.org/software/software.en.html)
- Richard Stallman vs Linux
  - Why we don't endorse other systems (https://www.gnu.org/distros/common-distros.html)
- GNU Hurd (https://www.gnu.org/software/hurd/)

# [?] So who combines GNU with Linux?

- Red Hat
- Canonical
- Debian
- Slackware
- Linux Family Tree (https://distrowatch.com/dwres.php?resource=family-tree)

## [?] How do we pick which distribution to run?

- Commercial vs Free
- Available Packages
- Available Architectures

## [?] Which distributions should we be familiar with for the exam?

- CentOS
- Ubuntu