

e-mail with elm

NAME: _____ GROUP: _____

One of the fastest ways to exchange information today is via *electronic mail*(e-mail). As part of the Upward Bound program you've got an *account* on a UNIX computer that gives you the ability to send and receive e-mail. Because the mail is transmitted electronically, your message can arrive in another state, country, or continent as fast as it travels to a computer in the next room! This hand-out will help you follow along in class today.

First, We'll look at how to "log in" to your computer account on the UCSD network. Here is some information you'll need:

Logging in	
computer (host) we connect to:	infs1
login:	ub600xxx
Password:	(stays blank, even when you type here)

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Mailbox is '/var/spool/mail/sean' with 11 messages [ELM 2.4 PL23]

1 Jul 13 AC3@delphi.com (41) Re: Chips won't pay?
2 Jul 13 Joslyn E. Parenti (22) Re: Guest Speaking...
3 Jul 12 AC3@delphi.com (33) okay, got the duplex happening now..
4 Jul 12 Glenn Little (38) Re: postmaster lessons
5 Jul 12 Sean Eric Dreiling (30) Re: interview
6 Jul 12 Valerie E Polichar (33) interview
7 Jul 12 Sean Eric Dreiling (47) Re: Programmer/Analyst I position
8 Jul 11 Valerie E Polichar (23) Programmer/Analyst I position
9 Jun 25 To sed@netcom.com (36) Where do I find the Beta OS/2 3.1?
10 Jun 20 Phil Agre (61) community networking -- please pass

|=pipe, !=shell, ?=help, <n>=set current to n, /=search pattern
a)alias, C)opy, c)hange folder, d)delete, e)dit, f)orward, g)roup reply, m)ail,
n)ext, o)ptions, p)rint, q)uit, r)eply, s)ave, t)ag, u)ndelete, or e(x)it

Command:
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After you've successfully logged in, you can start the *elm* electronic mail program:

elm	e-mail program
m)ail	to send someone a message
I)ndex	to look at your list of incoming messages
r)eply	to respond to messages

When composing a message in elm, you actually write it in another computer program, called a *text editor*. Since this is an old program, *vi*, you'll need to enter a few mysterious commands to get it to work for you:

vi	text editor
i	to begin inserting text
<esc>:wq	to save (wq=write and quit)
<esc>:q!	quit now no matter what!

Once you know someone's address, you can send them a message. Here are some examples

of electronic mail addresses that you may need for today's in-class assignment:

PERSON	USER	@	COMPUTER	DOMAIN	ORG
Mr. D.	sed	@		netcom	com
Upward Bound students	ub600xxx	@	infs1	ucsd	edu
Newsweek magazine	editor	@		newsweek	com
Mademoiselle Magazine	mllemag	@		aol	com
Vogue Magazine	voguemail	@		aol	com

In-class Assignment: Try writing *your opinion* about one of our photocopied current view articles and mailing it to the editors of that magazine. The electronic addresses of several are listed above. Let us know if anyone writes you back!

:) = computer smiley face (sideways)