

JOE: Old-School Text Editor Teaches New Lessons

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Joe's Own Editor is an endearing text editor that brings old-school charm to any Linux distro.

Do not mistake being old-school for being outdated: JOE has been in use on the Linux desktop since 1988. It is a standard item in most distro repositories and is readily available in the Synaptic Package Manager as well.

Unless you know about JOE, however, you will not be drawn to it, because it runs in a terminal window and has no fancy GUI. Almost everything you do in Joe keeps your fingers on the keyboard, and for new users, that is the user experience that may get in the way.

Its old-school appeal is readily noticeable when you first run it.

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