



LPI201—LPIC-2 Exam Prep (Course 1) (LPI201) HL965S

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This course prepares students to take the LPI 201 exam of the LPIC-2 certification. The Linux® Professional Institute (LPI) is the go-to certification body for vendor independent Linux certifications. This course covers more advanced Linux skills such as system management and networking. Students will feel confident taking the LPI LPIC-2 201 exam with in classroom assessments and practice exams.

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Supported distributions

Red Hat® Enterprise Linux 7
SUSE Linux Enterprise 12

Prerequisites

LPIC-1 certification or [HL963S](#) "LPIC-1 Exam Prep (Course 1)" and [HL964S](#) "LPIC-1 Exam Prep (Course 2)".

Detailed course outline

Module 1: Capacity planning

- LPI objectives covered
- Troubleshooting resource usage
- Gathering system info
- Viewing processes
- Process management tools
- Troubleshooting processes: Top
- Network I/O: iptraf-ng
- uptime & w
- Isof and fuser
- System status – memory
- System status – I/O
- System status – CPU
- Performance trending with sar
- Network monitoring solutions
- Graphing SNMP data with MRTG
- Nagios overview
- Nagios configuration

Lab tasks

- Process management basics
- Nagios (Web interface)

Module 2: Boot process and SysV Init

- LPI objectives covered
- Booting Linux on PCs
- GRUB 2 configuration
- Boot parameters
- init
- Linux runlevels aliases
- /etc/inittab (Legacy)
- Systemd local-fs.target and sysinit.target
- Typical SysV Init script (legacy)
- Legacy local bootup script support
- Managing SysV Init daemons (legacy)
- Controlling SysV Init service startup (legacy)
- systemd system and service manager
- Modifying systemd services
- Using systemd
- Systemd local-fs.target and sysinit.target
- Systemd basic.target and multi-user.target
- Shutdown and reboot

Lab tasks

- Boot process
- GRUB command line
- Basic GRUB security
- Managing services with Systemd's systemctl
- Creating a systemd unit file
- Introduction to troubleshooting labs
- Troubleshooting practice: Boot process

Module 3: System recovery and bootloaders

- LPI objectives covered
- Diagnostic/recovery
- Rescue procedures
- Recovery: Mount & chroot
- Recovery examples
- Recovery: Network utilities
- GRUB 2
- systemd-boot & U-Boot
- SYSLINUX
- Network booting with PXE

Lab tasks

- Recovery runlevels
 - Recovering damaged MBR
 - Recover from deleted critical files
 - Using SUSE auto repair mode
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Module 4: Linux Kernel: Components and compile

- LPI objectives covered
- Why compile?
- Getting kernel source
- Preparing to compile
- Configuring kernel compilation options
- Available kernel compile options
- Compiling the kernel
- Install compiled kernel modules
- Initial RAM filesystem
- Tips and tricks
- Installing the kernel
- Troubleshooting with GRUB 2
- Boot process troubleshooting
- Troubleshooting: Linux and Init
- Hardware discovery tools
- Configuring new hardware with hwinfo
- Configuring kernel components and modules
- Kernel modules
- Handling module dependencies
- Dynamic Kernel Module System (DKMS)
- Kernel modules troubleshooting
- Configuring the kernel via `/proc/`
- `udev`

Lab tasks

- Adjusting kernel options
- Linux kernel driver compilation
- Linux kernel compilation

Module 5: Filesystem administration

- LPI objectives covered
- Filesystem support
- Mounting filesystems
- Filesystem table (`/etc/fstab`)
- AutoFS
- AutoFS configuration
- Managing optical media
- Partitioning disks with `fdisk` & `gdisk`
- Resizing a GPT partition with `gdisk`
- Partitioning disks with `parted`
- Non-interactive disk partitioning with `sfdisk`
- Btrfs introduction
- Filesystem creation
- Filesystem maintenance
- `smartmontools`
- Resizing filesystems
- Managing an XFS filesystem
- Swap
- File encryption with `encfs`
- Linux Unified Key Setup (LUKS)
- Persistent block devices
- List block devices

Lab tasks

- Accessing NFS shares
- On-demand filesystem mounting with AutoFS
- Hot adding Swap
- Creating ISO images for backups
- `smartd` and `smartctl`
- LUKS-on-disk format encrypted filesystem

Module 6: LVM & RAID

- LPI objectives covered
 - Logical Volume Management
 - Implementing LVM
 - Creating logical volumes
 - Activating LVM VGs
 - Exporting and importing a VG
 - Examining LVM components
 - Changing LVM components
 - Advanced LVM overview
 - Advanced LVM: Components & object tags
 - Advanced LVM: Automated storage tiering
 - Advanced LVM: Thin provisioning
 - Advanced LVM: Striping & mirroring
 - Advanced LVM: RAID volumes
 - SLES graphical disk tool
 - RAID concepts
 - Array creation with `mdadm`
 - Software RAID monitoring
 - Software RAID control and display
 - Lab tasks
 - Creating and managing a RAID-5 array
 - Creating and managing LVM volumes
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Module 7: Adjusting storage device access and iSCSI

- LPI objectives covered
 - Tuning with hdparm
 - SCSI devices
 - SSD and NVMe storage
 - Remote storage overview
 - Remote filesystem protocols
 - Remote block device protocols
 - iSCSI architecture
- Open-iSCSI initiator implementation
 - iSCSI initiator discovery
 - iSCSI initiator node administration
 - Mounting iSCSI targets at boot
 - iSCSI multipathing considerations
- Lab tasks**
- iSCSI initiator configuration

Module 8: Client networking

- LPI objectives covered
 - Linux network interfaces
 - Ethernet hardware tools
 - Network configuration with ip command
 - Configuring routing tables
 - IP to MAC address mapping with ARP
 - Network configuration with ip command
 - Starting and stopping interfaces
 - IPv6
 - Linux wireless extensions and tools
 - Wireless tools discovery
 - NetworkManager SUSE YaST network configuration tool
 - Network diagnostics
- Information from ss and netstat
 - Discovering reachable services
 - nmap
 - Netcat
 - tcpdump and wireshark
 - Networking troubleshooting
 - Networking troubleshooting
- Lab tasks**
- Basic client networking
 - Wireless fundamentals
 - NMAP

Module 9: System maintenance

- LPI objectives covered
 - System messaging commands
 - Controlling system messaging
 - Archives with tar
 - Controlling login sessions
 - The gzip compression utility
 - The bzip2 compression utility
 - The XZ compression utility
 - Comparing file changes
 - Compiling/installing from source
- Tape libraries
 - Backup software
 - Backup examples
- Lab tasks**
- Command line messaging
 - Messaging with talkd
 - Archiving and compression
 - Using tar for backups
 - Using cpio for backups
 - Using rsync and ssh for backups
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