

Rename multiple files

rename or **prename** is Perl a tool which can rename multiple files using regular expression.
For example: remove underline mark () from file name

```
rename -v 's/_/g' *  
-v, --verbose  
-n, --no-act
```

's/_/g' means substitute '_' with nothing (which means remove the '_' mark). Without the 'g' at the end, it will only deal with the first '_' mark in a filename.



Test before action

Usually you should use **-n** and **-v** option to test your expression. After you make sure that it works as you expected, remove the **-n** option to do the real job.

Another example: to rename ??mp3 files to 0??mp3

```
rename -v 's/(\d{2}).mp3/0$1.mp3/' ??mp3
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