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Adding a Linux User

Adding a user to a Linux system is a task I do frequently enough that I wanted keep the steps handy:

Add the user account:

```
sudo useradd [USER_NAME]
```

Lock the user account:

```
sudo usermod -L [USER_NAME]
```

Setup the user's initial password:

```
sudo passwd [USER_NAME]
```

Add the user to a group (optional):

```
sudo usermod -a -G [GROUP_NAME] [USER_NAME]
```

Require the user to immediately change their password upon first login:

```
sudo chage -d 0 [USERNAME]
```

Unlock the useraccount:

```
sudo usermod -U [USERNAME]
```

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