

## Question about the ln command

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Hello Everyone,

I've just installed FreeBSD 4.8. I must say installing FreeBSD is fairly easy. I've manage to dual boot with Win2K and FreeBSD. I'm now in the process of trying to configuring my kernel and getting my ports directory up to date via cvsup. I've notice while reading the FreeBSD HandBook 2nd Edition p.178 it was suggested to copy the kernel file to the root directory. Configuring the kernel seems to be straight forward. The problem I have is the following:

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*cd /usr/src/sys/i386/conf
mkdir /root/kernels
cp GENERIC /root/kernels/MYKERNEL
ln -s /root/kernels/MYKERNEL*
```

I have a problem with the last command. From my understanding and reading through the man pages should it the `*ln*` command take in 3 paramaters (`*ln [option] [source] [dest]*`) ? Is it even possible to create a symbolic link with so few parameters?

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