

Re: source from within a script

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Thanks Bob,

of course if I source the shell-script or .profile at the command prompt it will work, but the problem is how to do that from within the shell-script. if I use the source scriptname the script would go on forever and if I append the constructed alias to my .profile file and source it, the command is not recognised as if the source command was not executed at all.

Thanks

"Bob" <bob@dont.spam.me> schrieb im Newsbeitrag
news:pan.2004.06.13.14.38.59.459811@dont.spam.me...
> On Sun, 13 Jun 2004 16:22:02 +0200, Bishara Sabbagh wrote:
>
> > *Hallo Bob,*
> > *I tried your script and bash answers : bash: x: command not found*
> > *that's why I appended the generated alias to .profile and tried to*
> *source*
> > *it.*
>
> *Be sure you source the "xxx" script. Use either of the following:*
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> *. xxx*
> *source xxx*
>
> *Don't execute the script:*
>
> *./xxx # NO!*
>
> *Also, in my script the first line ("#!/bin/bash") is not needed. I just*
> *put it there by habbit.*
>
> <clip>
>
> > *The following works for me...*
> >>
> >> *#!/bin/bash*

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> >> echo -n "enter alias... "  
> >> read alias command  
> >> alias $alias="$command"  
> >>  
> >> I put the above in a scriped named xxx and used it like this:  
> >>  
> >> $. xxx  
> >> enter alias... x ls -la  
> >> $x  
> >>  
> >> the "x" command was properly aliased to "ls -la"  
> >>  
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