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Hi,

I'm an experienced C/C++ developer with a little UNIX experience years ago, but a complete newbie to Linux and GNOME. I just installed Debian 4.0r1 with gnome 2.14.3 and I'm having trouble with the terminal. Problem one, is that it does not seem to run the .bash_profile script at start up. Problem two, is that I shot myself in the foot experimenting with fixing it. I modified some parameters in the terminal profile (I don't remember which, but I modified some check boxes) and now it just flashes on and immediately exits before I can undo my changes. I can get a root terminal, but not my user terminal. Any help would be appreciated.

Thanks,
Lowell Thomas

I think that problem 1 is a shell problem. When gnome-terminal begins, it starts an interactive shell. An interactive shell reads ~/.bashrc as its profile. Adding a line in ~/.bashrc:

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source ~/.bash_profile
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should execute the commands in .bash_profile. See the man page for bash and seek INVOCATION for an explanation.

For problem 2, see if you can find a configuration file for gnome-terminal in the ~/.gnome directory tree. If there is one, either fix it or rename it something else. It should be recreated when you start gnome-terminal. If it doesn't fix the problem, you can rename it back to its original name.

good luck

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