

Folders and files

Short reference guide / illustrative learning material

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Start with three ideas

A file stores content. A folder groups files and other folders. A relative path describes a location from a starting folder.

Hint

Start by identifying the starting folder. Say “relative to which folder?” before following a relative path.

A small reference table

term	meaning	example
File	A saved item of content	notes.md
Folder	A group of files or folders	data/
Relative path	A location from a starting folder	data/cards.csv

A small project

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project/  
  notes.md  
  data/  
    cards.csv  
  assets/  
    diagram.mmd
```

From project/, `data/cards.csv` refers to the CSV in data/. The names are illustrative.

Look up and check

When you edit a file

1. Open the intended folder.
2. Check the file name before editing.
3. Save the change.
4. Inspect the result in the application that uses it.

Questions for the reader

Question	Example answer
Where are the cards stored?	data/cards.csv
Where are the notes stored?	notes.md
What groups the files?	The project folder

Adapt this reference

Replace the terms and examples with your own topic. Keep the same heading order so readers know where to look. Add reviewed citations when the topic needs sources.

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