

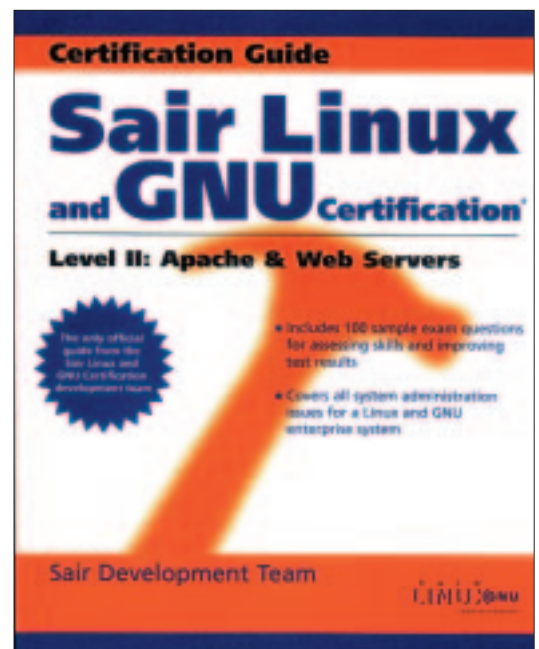
SAIR LINUX AND GNU CERTIFICATION:

The Sair/GNU Linux certification program is aimed as a vendor neutral exam system to give Linux a more credible training path. To become a certified engineer you are required to pass the core concepts and practices exam plus three elective exams. This book covers the Apache and Web servers elective exam and is split into separate sections, which deal with distinct topics such as installation or security. Each section is given a chapter, which explains the basic information. There then follows detailed exercises to walk you through all areas you need to cover and practice questions and answers to prepare for the exam. At the end of the book you'll find a sample exam, which is in multichoice format.

The book covers Red Hat, Debian and

Slackware distributions and provides reference data of where to download utilities and files. As a study book the chapters cover enough information to complete the test exam supplied. As a reference book for Apache it does surprisingly well. As the information is aimed to be a crammer it means all information is relevant and so gets you up to speed quickly. Some slight Americanisation of spelling is noticeable but a nice glossary at the back is worth reading.

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A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO LINUX

For all the new users of Linux out there who are looking for a good introduction to the subject (and anyone else who has not already come across it), although it has been around since 1997, there is still nothing better than A Practical Guide to Linux by Mark Sobell.

The book has a forward by Linus Torvalds and he recommends it to anyone interested in learning about Linux.

The first part of the book is perfect for new users as it features an overview of Linux and then an extensive tutorial to guide the new user through starting to use the system. The latter part of the book is aimed at the more experienced user and goes into more detail on subjects

such as GUI's, networking and systems administration.

The second section of the book describes various utilities including examples to be downloaded from the Internet. There is a very comprehensive appendix, written as FAQ's to help the new user with troubleshooting. All in all, this is a classic textbook, clearly written and with much to recommend it even to experienced users, which has retained its place at the front of the field.

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