

# KDE VS GNOME

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Which is better KDE or GNOME?????.I have heard this question many a times from my friends who are new to linux systems.So today i decided to write my new post aiming to choose the best one for them.

WHAT IS KDE AND GNOME???

KDE and GNOME are two kinds of linux desktop environments.Both of them contain many integrated softwares and graphical features associated with themGnome uses a window manager called metacity, KDE uses kwin. Both these desktops can be used with any other window manager if you are not comfortable with the default choice.

KDE is very similar to windows in its appearance and interface.It is very customisable and 'flashy' compared to Gnome.It is provided with many graphical tools to assist you.Most Linux programs written for the X-display are designed for KDE.However it is a bit slower in loading compared to GNOME.The latest version of KDE is KDE 4.3 which includes many window animation techniques and addons .It has a different theme called Air which replaced the earlier one -Oxygen.

KDE-4-3

GNOME on the other hand is linux's 'own' desktop environment.It is more popular through linux ditros like ubuntu and is more common to normal linux users.It is much more simple than KDE and gives more importance on performance rather than on look.Also Nautilus is quoted as being more stable than Konqueror, file manager of KDE.  
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WHICH IS BETTER FOR ME

If you are a complete newbie to linux and prefers appearance better than performance then KDE is for you.It has features very similar to windows environment.On the other hand if you're running an old machine and just require stability and a simple desktop then you're best looking into Gnome.

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