

Setup

Here is how to install zsh with a custom theme and some basic plugins.

Install zsh with the package manager of your choice

Install ohmyzsh with

```
sh -c "$(wget -O- https://raw.githubusercontent.com/ohmyzsh/ohmyzsh/master/tools/install.sh)"
```

Install the powerlevel10k theme with

```
git clone --depth=1 https://github.com/romkatv/powerlevel10k.git ${ZSH_CUSTOM:-$HOME/.oh-my-zsh/custom}/themes/powerlevel10k
```

Set `ZSH_THEME="powerlevel10k/powerlevel10k"` in `~/.zshrc`

Restart your terminal or use the command

```
p10k configure
```

Go through the configuration and customize it to your liking

In this guide we will install history-substring-search, zsh-syntax-highlighting and zsh-autocomplete

```
git clone https://github.com/zsh-users/zsh-history-substring-search ${ZSH_CUSTOM:-~/.oh-my-zsh/custom}/plugins/zsh-history-substring-search
```

```
git clone https://github.com/zsh-users/zsh-syntax-highlighting.git ${ZSH_CUSTOM:-~/.oh-my-zsh/custom}/plugins/zsh-syntax-highlighting
```

```
git clone https://github.com/zsh-users/zsh-autosuggestions ${ZSH_CUSTOM:-~/.oh-my-zsh/custom}/plugins/zsh-autosuggestions
```

When all of them are downloaded you will need to activate them, you do that by adding their names to the plugins section in your `~/.zshrc`

This is how it can look like

```
plugins=(
  git
  history-substring-search
```

```
zsh-syntax-highlighting
```

```
zsh-autosuggestions
```

```
)
```

Git was preinstalled when we installed ohmyzsh

To use the plugins now you will need to type `source ~/.zshrc` or restart your terminal

Now you have a working install of zsh with plugins and a theme `▯▯`

For an even better experience I would recommend that you try out the [Meslo nerd font for powerlevel10k](#)

How to install that is highly depended on your distro, but on arch it is available in the [aur](#)

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