

1. create a new directory under your home directory.

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mkdir ~/myPERL_LIB
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mkdir ~/myPERL_LIB/prefs
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2. run command cpan.

Note: the first time you run cpan, you will be prompted to answer multiple questions. You can choose the default answers by click return key.

3. configure the cpan, by using the following commands under the cpan prompt.

```
o conf makepl_arg INSTALL_BASE=~ /myPERL_LIB
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o conf mbuild_arg INSTALL_BASE=~ /myPERL_LIB
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o conf prefs_dir ~/ myPERL_LIB/prefs
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```
o conf commit
```

4. Add the following line in the .bash_profile file under your home directory.

```
PERL5LIB=~ / myPERL_LIB /lib/perl5
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export PERL5LIB
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You will need to log out and log in to change the setting.

5. You are ready to install PERL modules. To install a PERL module, simply type "install myModuleName".