Emacs Cheat Sheet

Notation

`C-x`	Hold down CONTROL and press *x*
`M-x`	Press and release ESC, then press *x* (On some machines, you can hold down ALT and press *x*)

Starting, Quitting, and Help

`emacs file`	From the UNIX command line, open `file` in emacs.
`C-x C-c`	Quit emacs
`C-g`	Abort current command
`C-x u`	Undo last command
`C-h t`	Run tutorial

Moving Around

`C-a`	Beginning of line
`C-e`	End of line
`M-v`	Page up
`C-v`	Page down
`M-<`	Beginning of file
`M->`	End of file
`C-l`	Center window on cursor

Files, Buffers, and Windows

`C-x C-f`	Open (or create a new file)
`C-x C-s`	Save
`C-x C-w`	Save as (write)
`C-x b`	Switch to another buffer
`C-x 2`	Split window in two
`C-x 1`	Return to a single window
`C-x o`	Move to other window

Editing

`C-s`	Search
`M-%`	Find and replace, with verification of each instance
`M-x replace-string`	Find and replace
`C-SPACE`	Set mark Commands below affect either mouse-highlighted region or region between mark and cursor
`C-w`	Cut
`M-w`	Copy
`C-y`	Paste ("yank" something into existence)
`C-k`	Cut rest of current line (use again to cut end-of-line too)

Intermediate Tricks

`M-;`	Insert comment in code
`M-x comment-region`	Comment selected region
`M-x uncomment-region`	Uncomment selected region
`C-u 5 command`	Perform *command* 5 times (Any other number works, too)
`C-x (`	Begin recording keyboard macro
`C-x )`	End recording keyboard macro
`C-x e`	Run last keyboard macro
`M-/`	Complete the current word (If emacs guesses wrong, try again)
`M-x dunnet`	Play dungeon adventure game