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 - places the arguments in stack / register
 - traps the kernel

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On success, the pid of the child process that ended

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- Note:

If this call executes properly it will end the current process (which makes the process a zombie). If the call did not execute properly the process will stay alive.

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```
char * command [10];
command [0] = "df";
command [1] = "-h";
command [2] = NULL;
pid = fork();
if (pid == 0)
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• Example:

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char *str, buf[80];
int fd [2];
pipe (fd);
pid=fork();
if(pid ==0)
str = "Hello! This is from child \n";
close (fd [0]);
write(fd[1], str,(strlen(str))+1);
exit(0);
else if (pid > 0)
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read (fd [0], buf, size of (buf));
printf("%s", buf);
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Returns the buf argument on success.

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 - tcflag_t c_cflag Control modes.
 - tcflag_t c_lflag Local modes.
 - cc_t c_cc[NCCS] Control characters.

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- Flags:
 - c_lflag
 - ICANON canonical input(enables special characters)
 - ECHO Whether to output every character to the screen as it is typed (we will turn this off and manually output characters)
 - Example:

```
c_Iflag &= ~(ICANON|ECHO);
```

- c cc
 - V_MIN The minimum amount of characters to read
 - V_TIME The amount of time between returns (tenths of a second)
 - Example:

```
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termios....

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```
// get the original configuration
struct termios origConfig;
tcgetattr(0, &origConfig):
// create a copy of the original configuration
struct termios newConfig = origConfig;
// adjust the new configuration
newConfig.c_lflag &= ~(ICANON|ECHO);
newConfig.c_cc[VMIN] = 10;
newConfig.c_cc[VTIME] = 2;
// set the new configuration
tcsetattr(0, TCSANOW, &newConfig);
// restore the original configuration when done
tcsetattr(0, TCSANOW, &origConfig);
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int bytesRead;
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Returns:

The number of bytes.

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