NAME

mesg – permit or deny messages

SYNOPSIS

mesg [**n**] [**y**]

DESCRIPTION

Mesg with argument **n** forbids messages via *write*(I) by revoking non-user write permission on the user's terminal. *Mesg* with argument **y** reinstates permission. All by itself, *mesg* reverses the current permission. In all cases the previous state is reported.

FILES

/dev/tty?

SEE ALSO

write(I)

DIAGNOSTICS

'?' if the standard input file is not a terminal.