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#### 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 reports the current state without changing it.

### FILES

/dev/tty?

#### SEE ALSO

write (I)

### DIAGNOSTICS

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

#### BUGS