

PERL LINK FUNCTION

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Description

This function creates a new file name, NEWFILE, linked to the file OLDFILE. The function creates a hard link; if you want a symbolic link, use the symlink function.

Syntax

Following is the simple syntax for this function –

```
link OLDFILE, NEWFILE
```

Return Value

This function returns 0 on failure and 1 on success.

Example

Following is the example code showing its basic usage, this will create new file using existing file –

```
#!/usr/bin/perl

$existing_file = "/usr/home/test1";
$new_file = "/usr/home/test2";
$retval = link $existing_file, $new_file ;
if( $retval == 1 ){
    print"Link created successfully\n";
}else{
    print"Error in creating link $!\n";
}
```

When above code is executed, it produces the following result –

```
Link created successfully
```