

NAME

readlink – print resolved symbolic links or canonical file names

SYNOPSIS

readlink [*OPTION*]... *FILE*...

DESCRIPTION

Note **realpath**(1) is the preferred command to use for canonicalization functionality.

Print value of a symbolic link or canonical file name

-f, --canonicalize

canonicalize by following every symlink in every component of the given name recursively; all but the last component must exist

-e, --canonicalize-existing

canonicalize by following every symlink in every component of the given name recursively, all components must exist

-m, --canonicalize-missing

canonicalize by following every symlink in every component of the given name recursively, without requirements on components existence

-n, --no-newline

do not output the trailing delimiter

-q, --quiet**-s, --silent**

suppress most error messages (on by default)

-v, --verbose

report error messages

-z, --zero

end each output line with NUL, not newline

--help display this help and exit

--version

output version information and exit

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REPORTING BUGS

GNU coreutils online help: <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>>

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SEE ALSO

readlink(2), **realpath**(1), **realpath**(3)

Full documentation <<https://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/readlink>> or available locally via: info '(coreutils) readlink invocation'