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NAME

explain_link_or_die – make a new name for a file and report errors

SYNOPSIS

```
#include <libexplain/link.h>
```

```
void explain_link_or_die(const char *oldpath, const char *newpath);
```

DESCRIPTION

The **explain_link_or_die** function is used to call the *link(2)* system call. On failure an explanation will be printed to *stderr*, obtained from *explain_link(3)*, and then the process terminates by calling `exit(EXIT_FAILURE)`.

This function is intended to be used in a fashion similar to the following example:

```
explain_link_or_die(oldpath, newpath);
```

oldpath The oldpath, exactly as to be passed to the *link(2)* system call.

newpath The newpath, exactly as to be passed to the *link(2)* system call.

Returns: This function only returns on success. On failure, prints an explanation and exits.

SEE ALSO

link(2) make a new name for a file

explain_link(3)
explain *link(2)* errors

exit(2) terminate the calling process

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