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**NAME**

explain\_truncate\_or\_die – truncate a file and report errors

**SYNOPSIS**

#include &lt;libexplain/truncate.h&gt;

void explain\_truncate\_or\_die(const char \*pathname, long long length);

**DESCRIPTION**

The **explain\_truncate\_or\_die** function is used to call the *truncate(2)* system call. On failure an explanation will be printed to *stderr*, obtained from *explain\_truncate(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_truncate_or_die(pathname, length);
```

*pathname*The pathname, exactly as to be passed to the *truncate(2)* system call.*length*The length, exactly as to be passed to the *truncate(2)* system call.

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

**SEE ALSO***truncate(2)*

truncate a file to a specified length

*explain\_truncate(3)*explain *truncate(2)* errors*exit(2)*

terminate the calling process

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