NAME
>   chgrp - change group ownership

SYNOPSIS
>   **chgrp** [*OPTION*]... *GROUP FILE...*
>   **chgrp** [*OPTION*]... *--reference=RFILE FILE...*

DESCRIPTION
>   Change the group of each FILE to GROUP. With **--reference**, change the group of each FILE
>   to that of RFILE.

>   **-c**, **--changes**
>   like verbose but report only when a change is made

>   **-f**, **--silent**, **--quiet**
>   suppress most error messages

>   **-v**, **--verbose**
>   output a diagnostic for every file processed

>   **--dereference**
>   affect the referent of each symbolic link (this is the default), rather than the symbolic link
>   itself

>   **-h**, **--no-dereference**
>   affect symbolic links instead of any referenced file (useful only on systems that can change
>   the ownership of a symlink)

>   **--no-preserve-root**
>   do not treat '/' specially (the default)

>   **--preserve-root**
>   fail to operate recursively on '/'

>   **--reference**=*RFILE*
>   use RFILE's group rather than specifying a GROUP value

>   **-R**, **--recursive**
>   operate on files and directories recursively

>   The following options modify how a hierarchy is traversed when the **-R** option is also specified. If
>   more than one is specified, only the final one takes effect.

>   **-H**   if a command line argument is a symbolic link to a directory, traverse it

>   **-L**   traverse every symbolic link to a directory encountered

>   **-P**   do not traverse any symbolic links (default)

>   **--help** display this help and exit

>   **--version**
>   output version information and exit

EXAMPLES
>   chgrp staff /u
>   Change the group of /u to staff.

>   chgrp -hR staff /u
>   Change the group of /u and subfiles to staff.

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REPORTING BUGS
>   GNU coreutils online help: <http://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/>
>   Report chgrp translation bugs to <http://translationproject.org/team/>

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SEE ALSO

chown(1), chown(2)

Full documentation at: <http://www.gnu.org/software/coreutils/chgrp>
or available locally via: info (coreutils) chgrp invocation