

**NAME**

**nologin** - politely refuse a login

**SYNOPSIS**

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**DESCRIPTION**

The **nologin** is intended as a replacement shell field for accounts that have been disabled.

When executed, **nologin** first writes about the login attempt to syslog(3) and then displays a message that an account is not available.

To disable all logins, investigate nologin(5).

**EXIT STATUS**

The **nologin** utility always exits non-zero.

**EXAMPLES**

Here is a demonstration of executing **nologin**:

```
$ nologin
This account is currently not available.
$ tail -n 1 /var/log/messages
Mar 30 21:53:07 example.org nologin[65992]: Attempted login by beastie on /dev/pts/18
```

**SEE ALSO**

login(1), nologin(5)

**HISTORY**

The **nologin** utility appeared in 4.4BSD.