

CHOWN and CHMOD Examples

Change the owner of a file

```
# ls -lart tmpfile    [ls is used to display the file/directory properties]
-rw-r--r-- 1 himanshu family 0 2012-05-22 20:03 tmpfile
# chown root tmpfile
# ls -l tmpfile
-rw-r--r-- 1 root family 0 2012-05-22 20:03 tmpfile
```

Change the group of a file

Through the chown command, the group (that a file belongs to) can also be changed.

```
# ls -l tmpfile
-rw-r--r-- 1 himanshu family 0 2012-05-22 20:03 tmpfile
# chown :friends tmpfile
# ls -l tmpfile
-rw-r--r-- 1 himanshu friends 0 2012-05-22 20:03 tmpfile
```

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