

OCCUPATIONAL HAZARDS

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Nobody gets fired anymore. They are now victims of 'involuntary resignations' or 'temporary cutbacks' or 'job classification eliminations' ... or any of a dozen other euphemistic descriptions for summary dismissal.

In the continuing search for newer, softer, more ambiguous terms with which to deliver the final blow to unsatisfactory workers, some industries are digging into their own terminology. Thus a Yellow Pages employee on the way out may be 'declassified', 'unlisted' or 'disconnect-ed'. A deposed nobleman may be 'discounted', 'distributed' or subjected to 'delivery'.

You get the idea. Now try it yourself. What would be the proper term to describe the career closing of each of the following people?

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| 1. Jeweler | 11. Barkeeper |
| 2. Ambassador | 12. Auto Racer |
| 3. Antique Dealer | 13. Elk Member |
| 4. Electrician | 14. Clergyman |
| 5. Baseball Player | 15. Short Order Cook |
| 6. Railroad Worker | 16. Tennis Player |
| 7. Lavatory Attendant | 17. Bridge Champion |
| 8. Politician | 18. Stenographer |
| 9. Model | 19. Musician |
| 10. Seamstress | 20. Banker |

For two to four suggested answers apiece, see Answers and Solutions at the end of this issue.

Editor's Note: Readers who would like more of this kind of wordplay are urged to read Chapter Nine of John G. Fuller's Games for Insomniacs (Doubleday, 1966).