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Corporate Code Breaker

Directions: Read each sentence carefully. Each one includes a **workplace euphemism**—a polite or vague way of saying something that might sound harsh in a professional setting. Identify the euphemism in each sentence and explain what it *really means* in plain language.

1. The company announced a restructuring plan to improve efficiency.

2. Several employees were let go after the new budget was approved.

3. Management said some departments would experience downsizing next quarter.

4. The team is working on streamlining operations to cut costs.

5. After missing deadlines, the intern was told he was no longer a good fit for the company.

6. The CEO will step down at the end of the fiscal year.

7. The business decided to relocate resources to other offices.

8. The staff was told there would be a salary adjustment coming soon.

9. The manager said the office will be right-sizing to match current needs.

10. Employees who refused to move were transitioned out of the organization.
