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Gentle Truth Check

Directions: Read each phrase carefully. Decide if it says the truth in a **direct** way or if it uses a **euphemism** to soften the meaning. Write **D** for Direct or **E** for Euphemistic on the line beside each sentence.

1. Grandpa passed away peacefully last night. _____
2. The company is downsizing next month. _____
3. She lost her job yesterday. _____
4. The garbage collector arrived early this morning. _____
5. Our teacher said the quiz was less than successful. _____
6. The soldier was killed in battle. _____
7. He's a senior citizen who loves gardening. _____
8. The cat died after getting very sick. _____
9. They're going through financial difficulties right now. _____
10. My best friend stretched the truth to avoid trouble. _____
11. The town built a correctional facility outside the city. _____
12. The test was a total failure. _____
13. She broke up with her boyfriend last week. _____
14. The coach said we need to make personnel adjustments. _____
15. The team suffered a devastating loss. _____