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Crisis: The Journal of Crisis Intervention and Suicide
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Aims and Scope of Crisis – The Journal of Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention

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Stigmatizing Language	Neutral Language
to commit / complete suicide	to die by suicide; to end his/her life
a successful suicide / attempt	a fatal suicide attempt
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suicide victims	those who died by suicide

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