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**Topic-**  
**Causes of Unemployment**

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# UNEMPLOYMENT:

People who are available for and willing to work but do not have paid employment.

## Causes of Unemployment :

### 1. Recession:

- ☐ Companies moving abroad.
- ☐ Downsizing.

### 2. Reduced Demand For Goods And Services

- ☐ Cheaper imported products.
  - ☐ Fall off in demand for Irish goods.
  - ☐ Closure of indigenous firms.
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### 3. Low Wages

- ❑ Little incentive for long term unemployed to return to work.
- ❑ Loss of benefits e.g. rent supplement, and a drop in income.

### 4. AUTOMATION AND NEW TECHNOLOGIES

- ❑ Fewer workers needed to run more technologically advanced companies.
- ❑ Technical difficulty adapting to changing requirements of industry.
- ❑ Unskilled workers made redundant.

### 5. SEASONAL VARIATION

- ❑ Some employment is seasonal.
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❑Agriculture, tourism and construction.

❑Off-season workers are laid off.

❑Students return to full-time education.

## **SOLUTIONS-**

1.A Change in the pattern of investment

2. Encouragement to small enterprises as against big enterprises

3. Problem of Choice of technique

4. Encouragement of New Growth Centers in Small

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5. Towns and Rural Areas

6. Subsidies on the Basis of Employment

7. Reorientation of Educational Policy

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