

BOILER-ROOM TONY /2/ MY JOB AND I

what did you do that got you fired?

I was **bored** just sitting in the boiler room doing nothing so I began **watching people play** water polo in the pool. I **became interested in** the game **although all** I could see through this little window was the players' legs. I got a rulebook and **found out** that if **a player's foot touches** the bottom of the pool, the game **gets canceled**.

I still don't understand how you got yourself fired

let me finish. the pool is **too deep for this to ever** happen. I began feeling **kind of** sorry **for** the rule. I **wished it got** applied, **even if** it happened just once. so **one time** I **got pretty drunk on** beer and **while** there was a game **going on**, I began **letting** the water out.

oh. well, I see how that would make someone mad

I'm **not done yet**. I was sitting there **laughing** as I watched the players get nearer and nearer the bottom **without knowing** it. they were **too involved in** the game to notice. then **all of a sudden** they were all standing in the pool looking around all **confused**.

so you ruined an actual game?

well, **what I didn't know was** that this was not **any old** game. **it turned out** it was a european championship final. I **could tell** how important it was **by the way** everyone **was screaming at** me. I **figured I'd better not** argue or make jokes and I **sneaked out** quietly. I **was lucky to** only lose my job. I **could have gone** to jail for that. anyway, that's my story. hope you liked it.