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PmWiki: Deleting Pages

To delete a page, edit the page, select (highlight) all text in the edit textarea and replace it with the single word

`delete`

Note that it may be a good idea to add a comment to the field `summary` explaining why you deleted the page. (The field `summary` is usually found just below the edit textarea).

After saving the changes the page is deleted. As an added safety feature, the deleted page still exists on the server (with a timestamp) and can be restored to the former page by the wiki administrator.

If you suspect that a page has been deleted but aren't sure, have a look at the wikigroup's `RecentChanges`. Erasing a page counts as editing the page, and the activity is recorded there and on [Site.AllRecentChanges](#).

The default word used for page deletion ("delete") can be changed in `config.php` by setting the variable `$DeleteKeyPattern` (see [Edit Variables](#)). If there is a danger of malicious page deletion it may be a good idea to change the delete word to something more obscure. There is also a recipe for creating a separate delete action at [Cookbook:DeleteAction](#).

Deleting [Wiki Groups & Categories](#): Once I create a Group or Category, how can I get rid of that group or category?

An admin can just remove the unwanted pages from `wiki.d/`. Normally, doing it via the wiki doesn't resolve the problem, since it counts as an "update" which causes the [Recent Changes?](#) page to be re-created, but it is possible to modify the site's configuration to allow deletion of the group's `RecentChanges` page -- see [Cookbook:RecentChangesDeletion](#).

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