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$\verb|\closeout| \langle number \rangle$

This command tells $T_E X$ to close the output stream numbered $\langle number \rangle$. i.e., end the association between the output stream and its file. The output stream with this number then becomes available for use with a different file. You should close an output stream once you're finished using its file.

A \closeout generates a whatsit that becomes part of a box. The \closeout does not take effect until $T_E X$ ships out that box to the .dvi file, unless you've preceded the \closeout with \immediate.

Example:

\closeout\auxfile