

## CONFUSED WORDS WITH M-N 1

### MANIAC / MANIACAL / MANIC

1. I won't get in the car with Richard - he drives like a \_\_\_\_\_!
2. He's kind of \_\_\_\_\_ - I wish he'd calm down.
3. This was one for the war buffs amongst the motoring \_\_\_\_\_.
4. He suddenly exploded into \_\_\_\_\_ laughter.
5. This is the perfect place to relax as it's busy but never too \_\_\_\_\_.
6. She is hunched forward over the wheel with a \_\_\_\_\_ expression.

### MANNER / MANOR

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ house dating from before 1150 is Britain's oldest continually occupied house, it was claimed today.
2. As soon as he realized that we weren't going to buy anything, his whole \_\_\_\_\_ changed.
3. They were the undisputed rulers of their \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I tried all \_\_\_\_\_ of different approaches - I wheedled, threatened, demanded, cajoled.

### MARITAL / MARTIAL / MARSHAL

1. The \_\_\_\_\_, or fighting arts are among humankind's oldest avocations.
2. If the wife deferred to the husband because of the \_\_\_\_\_ relationship, that is another thing.
3. It is unlikely that the rebels will be able to \_\_\_\_\_ as much firepower as the government troops.
4. You can't expect to live in a state of \_\_\_\_\_ bliss.
5. The organisers need \_\_\_\_\_ and bucket collectors to help them on the day.
6. In the opening part there are fight scenes woven around him to introduce us to his \_\_\_\_\_ skills.

### MARRY / MERRY

1. The shop assistant wished me a \_\_\_\_\_ Christmas.
2. You know what they say - \_\_\_\_\_ in haste, repent at leisure.
3. She is so \_\_\_\_\_ because she's going to \_\_\_\_\_ her beloved.
4. You got a bit \_\_\_\_\_ last night, didn't you Cath?
5. We need to \_\_\_\_\_ up the names on your list with those on my list and see what the overlap is.

### MASTERFUL / MASTERLY

1. By your \_\_\_\_\_ speech I can tell you are an expert on teaching students.
2. He has a deep, \_\_\_\_\_ voice.
3. She gave a \_\_\_\_\_ performance as Kate in 'The Taming of the Shrew'.
4. Once she became a prosecutor, she quickly established herself as a \_\_\_\_\_ trial lawyer.

### MAY BE / MAYBE

1. He \_\_\_\_\_ forty, but he is acting like a child.
2. Where is Julie? I don't know. \_\_\_\_\_ she's in the dining room.
3. This \_\_\_\_\_ the last match that he plays for Barcelona.
4. I think \_\_\_\_\_ I ought to go round there and apologize for what I said.

### MERCENARY / MISSIONARY

1. He had some \_\_\_\_\_ scheme to marry a wealthy widow.
2. He did \_\_\_\_\_ work for the Presbyterian Church in Alaska.

- When the public purse snapped shut, they resorted to ever more \_\_\_\_\_ ways of earning a crust.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ established schools as a principal method of teaching and preaching.

### MEASURE / MEASUREMENT

- Which \_\_\_\_\_ should I take first - the width or the length of the room?
- There was a large \_\_\_\_\_ of agreement between the candidates.
- What \_\_\_\_\_ do they use for diamonds?
- The machine makes thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ every day.
- These \_\_\_\_\_ were designed to improve car safety.

### MESSAGE / NEWS

- We've had no \_\_\_\_\_ of them since they left for Australia.
- I even used birds to send my \_\_\_\_\_ from here directly to Devlin.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ that Dan had resigned took everyone by surprise.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ on the card said 'Be my Valentine'.

### METAL / METTLE

- The explosion sent pieces of \_\_\_\_\_ and glass hurtling through the air.
- The real test of her political \_\_\_\_\_ came in the May elections.
- Cooking for such important people really puts you on your \_\_\_\_\_.
- As the hot \_\_\_\_\_ passed between the huge rollers it was pressed into thin sheets.

### MISFIT / UNFIT

- He is dishonest and \_\_\_\_\_ to be in charge of young children.
- He disagrees with everything in modern society. In short, he's a \_\_\_\_\_.
- I used to take plenty of exercise, but now I'm terribly \_\_\_\_\_.
- I didn't really know anyone at the party, so I felt like a \_\_\_\_\_.

### MISSAL / MISSILE

- The \_\_\_\_\_ strike was devastating - the target was totally obliterated.
- He hastily opened the \_\_\_\_\_ and started the opening prayer.'
- Edith responded immediately by buying a \_\_\_\_\_ and a catechism and preparing for baptism.
- Stones, bottles, and other \_\_\_\_\_ were thrown at the police.

### MOBILE / MOVABLE

- As I understand it they are \_\_\_\_\_ and can easily be transferred if the need arises.
- It's a vinyl doll with \_\_\_\_\_ arms and legs.
- They will be able to invite \_\_\_\_\_ bankers to their homes and offices.
- There are three kinds of freely \_\_\_\_\_ joints that play a big part in voluntary movement.

### MOMENT / MOMENTUM

- The falcon seemed to hang in the air for a \_\_\_\_\_ before diving onto its prey.
- In an attempt to give new \_\_\_\_\_ to their plans, the committee set a date for starting detailed discussions.
- If you want a private conversation with her you'll have to choose your \_\_\_\_\_.
- The spacecraft will fly around the earth to gather \_\_\_\_\_ for its trip to Jupiter.
- He was staring out of the window and he didn't answer me - I think he was just having a \_\_\_\_\_.

### MOMENTARY / MOMENTOUS

- What took place was a \_\_\_\_\_ loss of temper and he struck out in anger.
- She took advantage of his \_\_\_\_\_ weakness to drive her elbows into his stomach..
- Whether or not to move overseas was a \_\_\_\_\_ decision for the family.
- The past three years have been among the most \_\_\_\_\_ in world history.

### **MONOGRAM / MONOGRAPH**

- They are publishing a series of \_\_\_\_\_ on music in late medieval and Renaissance cities.
- The maker's mark on the dishes is a distinctive \_\_\_\_\_, clearly composed of the initials 'RF'.
- It was the first book on this subject since the \_\_\_\_\_ of L. Eisenhart in 1926.
- It is signed with a \_\_\_\_\_, or perhaps a small drawing, which I will not even attempt to describe.

### **MORAL / MORALE**

- A couple of victories would improve the team's \_\_\_\_\_ enormously.
- It's her \_\_\_\_\_ obligation to tell the police what she knows.
- How on earth can you say that? Do you have no \_\_\_\_\_ values?
- There have been a lot of job losses recently so \_\_\_\_\_ is fairly low.

### **MORTAR / MORTISE**

- Drill a hole and chisel a shallow \_\_\_\_\_ in that jamb for the strike plate.
- They can be ground easily in a \_\_\_\_\_ and pestle or in an electric spice or coffee grinder.
- A car bomb and a \_\_\_\_\_ rip through a commercial area in central Baghdad.
- Then cut a V-channel across the mortise anywhere within the \_\_\_\_\_.
- The buildings are all made of either sandstone blocks or \_\_\_\_\_ with heavy sand content.

### **MULTIFARIOUS / MULTITUDINOUS**

- The newspaper report detailed the fraudster's \_\_\_\_\_ business activities.
- The performers displayed their \_\_\_\_\_ talents.
- And if you have an aversion to the colour brown in all its \_\_\_\_\_ shades, be warned: it's everywhere - flooring, panelling, furniture etc.'
- When one looks at Nature as a whole, there are \_\_\_\_\_ diversities contained within it, and many wholes that exist within it.

### **NAUSEATED / NAUSEOUS**

- If the patient is poorly nourished, the drugs make them feel \_\_\_\_\_.
- She could not eat anything without feeling \_\_\_\_\_.
- The bride's mother was wearing a \_\_\_\_\_ combination of green and yellow.
- He was \_\_\_\_\_ at the sight of such cruelty.

### **NOTE / NOTICE**

- I saw a \_\_\_\_\_ in the paper announcing their marriage.
- He left a \_\_\_\_\_ to say he would be home late.
- The reporter took \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the interview.
- There was a large \_\_\_\_\_ on the wall saying "No Parking".

### **NUTRITIONAL / NUTRITIOUS**

- Some readymade meals are \_\_\_\_\_ and very easy to prepare.
- Cooking vegetables reduces their \_\_\_\_\_ value.
- It does sometimes help to know the \_\_\_\_\_ content of foods.
- It is always important to choose enjoyable, \_\_\_\_\_ foods.