

## The White Stripes – Seven Nation Army

I'm gonna fight \_\_\_\_\_ off  
A seven nation army couldn't hold me back  
They're gonna \_\_\_\_\_ it off  
Takin' their time right behind my back  
And I'm \_\_\_\_\_ to myself at night  
Because I can't forget  
Back and \_\_\_\_\_ through my mind  
Behind a cigarette

And the message \_\_\_\_\_ from my eyes  
Says, " \_\_\_\_\_ it alone"

Don't wanna hear about it  
Every single one's got a story to tell  
Everyone knows about it  
From the Queen of England to the \_\_\_\_\_ of Hell  
And if I catch it coming back my way  
I'm gonna \_\_\_\_\_ it to you  
And that \_\_\_\_\_ what you want to hear  
But that's what I'll do

And the feeling coming from my bones  
Says, "Find a home"

I'm going to Wichita  
Far from this opera forevermore  
I'm gonna work the \_\_\_\_\_  
Make the \_\_\_\_\_ drip out of every pore  
And I'm bleeding, and I'm bleeding, and I'm bleeding  
Right before the \_\_\_\_\_  
All the words are gonna bleed from me  
And I will think no more

And the stains coming from my \_\_\_\_\_  
Tell me, "Go back home"

## **Vocabulary**

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- ✚ to find a home
- ✚ to hold back
- ✚ to make the sweat drip out of every pore
- ✚ to rip off
- ✚ to take time
- ✚ to talk to myself
- ✚ to work the straw
- ✚ a seven nation army couldn't hold me back
- ✚ back and forth
- ✚ right before the Lord
- ✚ to bleed from every pore

## **Match the phrase with the definition**

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- A. To not rush and do something slowly or carefully
- B. To defend yourself against someone or something
- C. To remove something quickly or steal something
- D. To keep something under control or stop yourself
- E. To speak out loud when you are alone
- F. To express that nothing can stop you (strong exaggeration)
- G. To move repeatedly from one side to another (especially thoughts)
- H. To discover a place or situation where you feel you belong
- I. To work extremely hard physically
- J. To feel completely exhausted, giving all your energy
- K. To do very hard, often physical or unpleasant work
- L. In front of God

## **Fill in the gaps**

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1. He had \_\_\_\_\_ his emotions and not cry in front of everyone.
2. She tried \_\_\_\_\_ the attacker and run away.
3. Someone managed \_\_\_\_\_ my bag when I was shopping.
4. Don't rush, you just need \_\_\_\_\_ and think about your decision carefully.
5. Sometimes I like \_\_\_\_\_ when I'm alone, just to organize my thoughts.
6. Nothing could stop him — even \_\_\_\_\_.
7. That thought kept going \_\_\_\_\_ all night, and I couldn't sleep.
8. After years of searching, she finally managed \_\_\_\_\_ in a new city.
9. They had \_\_\_\_\_ during the summer, working long hours in the heat.
10. By the end of the project, I seem \_\_\_\_\_.
11. He grew up in poverty and had \_\_\_\_\_ from a very young age.
12. He swore \_\_\_\_\_ that he was telling the truth.

## **Speaking**

1. Have you ever had to fight off unwanted attention or pressure in your personal life?
2. Is it easy for you to hold back your emotions, or do you usually express everything you feel?
3. Have you ever felt like someone tried to rip off your trust or take advantage of your kindness?
4. Do you prefer to take time before making important decisions, or act quickly?
5. Do you ever talk to yourself when you're trying to understand your feelings?
6. Is there something in your life that you believe a seven nation army couldn't hold you back from achieving?
7. Do you ever have thoughts going back and forth through your mind about a person or situation?
8. What helped you find a home — not just a place, but a feeling of belonging?
9. Have you ever worked so hard for a relationship or goal that you felt like you made the sweat drip out of every pore?
10. Have you ever given so much emotionally that you felt like you were bleeding from every pore? Was it worth it?
11. Have you ever had a period in life when you had to work the straw just to survive or achieve something important?
12. Have you ever made a promise right before the Lord (or just very seriously)?