

## Definitions

**critic** a person who disagrees with something or someone; a person whose job is to give an opinion about books, movies, etc.

**decade** a period of 10 years, especially a period such as 2010 to 2019

**expansion** the increase of something in size, number, or importance

**guarantee** a promise that something will be done or will happen, especially a written promise by a company

**launch** to begin or introduce a new plan or product

**overall** in general rather than in particular, or including all the people or things in a particular group or situation

**reduction** the act of making something less in size, amount, degree, importance, etc.

**secure** free from risk and change for the worse; safe, confident; fixed

**settlement** a place previously uninhabited where people create a community to live

**southern** in or from the south part of an area