

**Match each word (1–14) with the correct definition (A–N). One definition is extra to make it trickier**

Extra Challenge: One of the movement-related definitions fits two different but close words. Decide carefully which goes where

1. condemn
2. internal
3. sustain
4. roam
5. wander
6. abstruse
7. wantonly
8. bumptious
9. haughty
10. abolition
11. deplorable
12. abominable
13. abolishing
14. allude

- A. behaving in a proud or arrogant way, especially when showing off knowledge or abilities
- B. to maintain, keep alive, or support over time
- C. extremely bad or offensive; causing disgust or hatred
- D. to cancel, officially end, or get rid of something (such as a law or practice)
- E. inside something; occurring within the body, mind, or organization
- F. to hint at or mention something indirectly
- G. to criticize strongly or express complete disapproval of someone or something
- H. to move aimlessly, without a fixed path or purpose
- I. behaving recklessly or cruelly without reason
- J. arrogant and looking down on others, showing contempt
- K. ending a system or practice, especially slavery or a law
- L. extremely bad and deserving strong condemnation; shameful
- M. to move around an area without a particular direction or plan, often in search of food or employment
- N. very difficult to understand; obscure or deep

**Connect each word/phrase to the expression or context it most naturally fits. One extra option is added to make it trickier**

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| A. gnaw      | G. bankrupt                        | L. to force out / to knock out of action |
| B. abstruse  | H. fresh off the boat and straight | M. obnoxious                             |
| C. unanimous | I. limelight                       | N. saving grace                          |
| D. greedy    | J. hustle and bustle               | O. seller                                |
| E. distorted |                                    |  |
| F. retort    | K. to be reckoned with             |  |

Collocations / Definitions (!**just write a letter!**)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ approval / verdict / decision
2. \_\_\_\_\_ ambition / appetite / desire for power
3. to \_\_\_\_\_ at a problem / at doubts / at someone's conscience
4. an \_\_\_\_\_ theory / argument / explanation
5. a \_\_\_\_\_ market / top \_\_\_\_\_ / best-\_\_\_\_\_ of the year
6. to twist or give a \_\_\_\_\_ version of the truth
7. a witty and sharp \_\_\_\_\_ during an argument
8. emotional \_\_\_\_\_ of a busy city
9. a person who is difficult to deal with but still a force \_\_\_\_\_
10. sudden fame; to be in the \_\_\_\_\_
11. to push someone out of a job or competition; to \_\_\_\_\_ a rival
12. an unpleasantly loud and \_\_\_\_\_ neighbor
13. the one positive quality that makes up for faults; the \_\_\_\_\_ of an otherwise bad plan
14. someone who has just arrived in a new country: \_\_\_\_\_ into a new life
15. a company declared legally \_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the blanks**

Complete each sentence with the correct word or phrase from the box.

(enthraling • indignant • to rove • to roam • exaggerate • to commute • strained • tense • fostered • to select • to gather up • perks • incentive • go off the rails • obscurantism)

1. Before leaving the picnic area, we stopped to \_\_\_\_\_ our things.
2. The regime was criticized for promoting \_\_\_\_\_ to keep citizens uninformed.
3. Don't \_\_\_\_\_ the story just to make it sound more dramatic.
4. Wild horses are free to \_\_\_\_\_ across the wide plains.
5. A cash bonus is a strong \_\_\_\_\_ for employees to reach their targets.
6. As a young artist, he loved to \_\_\_\_\_ across Europe, searching for inspiration.
7. After losing his job, he began to drink heavily and completely \_\_\_\_\_.
8. Many people \_\_\_\_\_ long distances every day to work in the city.
9. The atmosphere in the meeting room grew increasingly \_\_\_\_\_ as the deadline approached.
10. The teacher \_\_\_\_\_ creativity by giving students freedom to explore their own ideas.
11. She looked \_\_\_\_\_ when accused of something she clearly hadn't done.
12. The novel was so \_\_\_\_\_ that I read it in a single night, unable to put it down.
13. After the argument, their friendship became \_\_\_\_\_ and awkward.
14. Please \_\_\_\_\_ the best candidate for the scholarship based on merit.
15. The company offers great \_\_\_\_\_ like free gym membership and flexible hours.