Word of the Day

Autumn Term 2026

Week 11 – 16th November 2026





'Words unlock the doors to a world of understanding...'

This Week's Words

Grasshopper

untidy

dive

alarm

choose

hurt

Shinobi

trace

circle

texture

pierce

satisfy

VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper (Tier 1)

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VOCABULARY NINJA

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: untidy

Word Class
(adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(un-ti-dy)

Definition:

If you describe something as untidy, you mean that it is not neat or well arranged.



The classroom had become very **untidy**.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
messy	tidy	Friday	desk
chaotic	orderly	tidy	person

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: dive

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(dive)

Definition:

If you dive in a particular direction or into a particular place, you jump or move there quickly.



Alice **dived** to catch the ball.

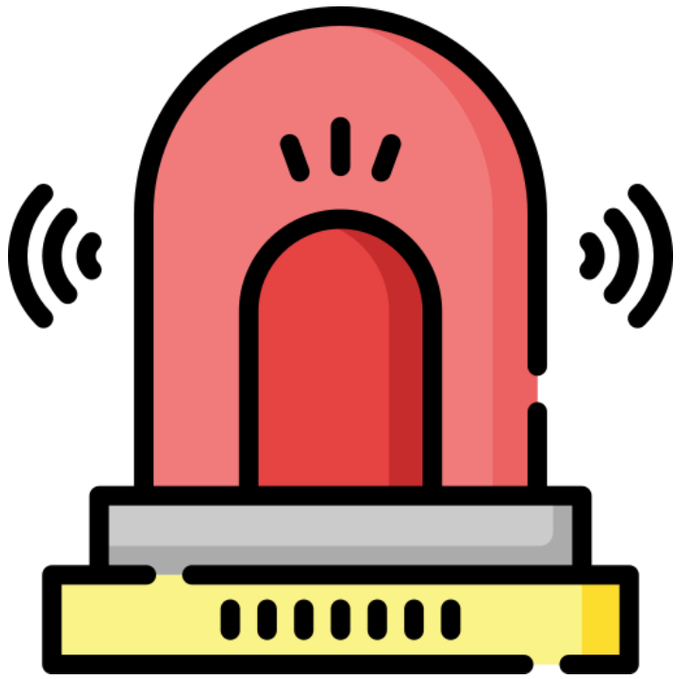
Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
leap	remove	alive	into
jump		drive	under

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: alarm

Word Class
(noun / verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(a-larm)



Definition:

Alarm is a feeling of fear or anxiety that something unpleasant or dangerous might happen.

Jeremy was **alarmed** by the loud crashing noise.

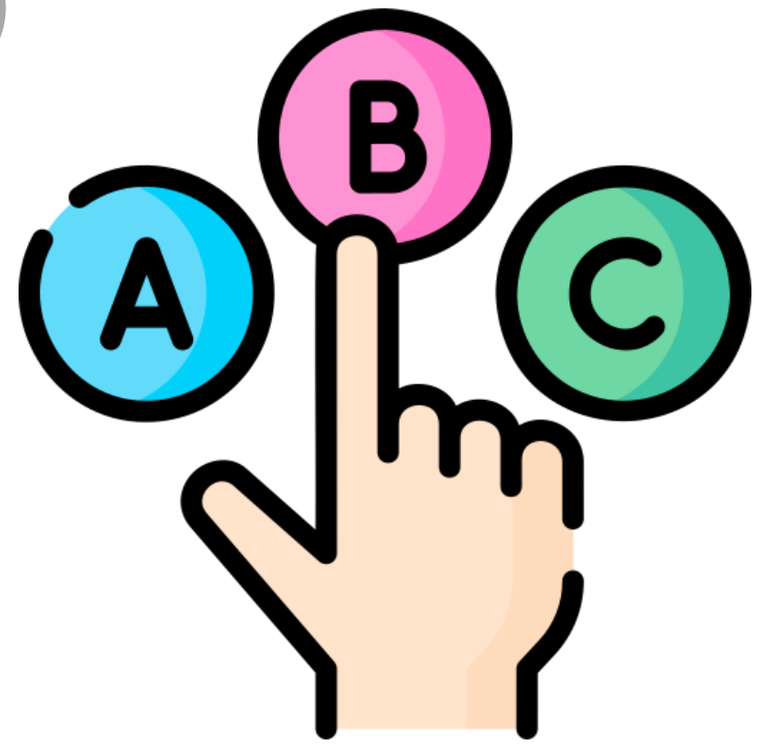
Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
fear	calmness	farm	noise
panic		harm	feeling

Grasshopper Word of the Day

Word of the Day: choose

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(choose)



Definition:

If you choose someone or something from several people or things that are available, you decide which person or thing you want to have.

Everyone needed to **choose** their favourite book.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
select	reject	views	book
pick	decline	news	food

Grasshopper Word of the Day

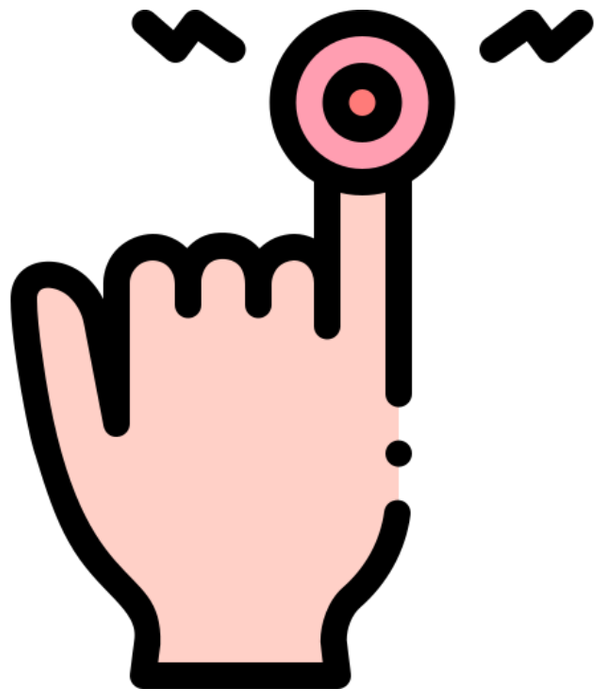
Word of the Day: hurt

Word Class
(verb / adjective)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(hurt)

Definition:

If you hurt yourself or hurt a part of your body, you feel pain because you have injured yourself.



Nancy had hurt her **finger**.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
injure	heal	alert	finger
damage		dirt	feelings

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: trace

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(trace)

Definition:

A trace is a sign which shows you that someone or something has been in a place.



There was no **trace** of dirt; the pots were clean.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
evidence		-s	space	amounts
indication		-ed	grace	of

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: circle

Word Class
(verb / noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(cir-cle)

Definition:

If something circles an object or a place, or circles around it, it forms a circle around it.



The red team **circled** Mia. Could she survive?

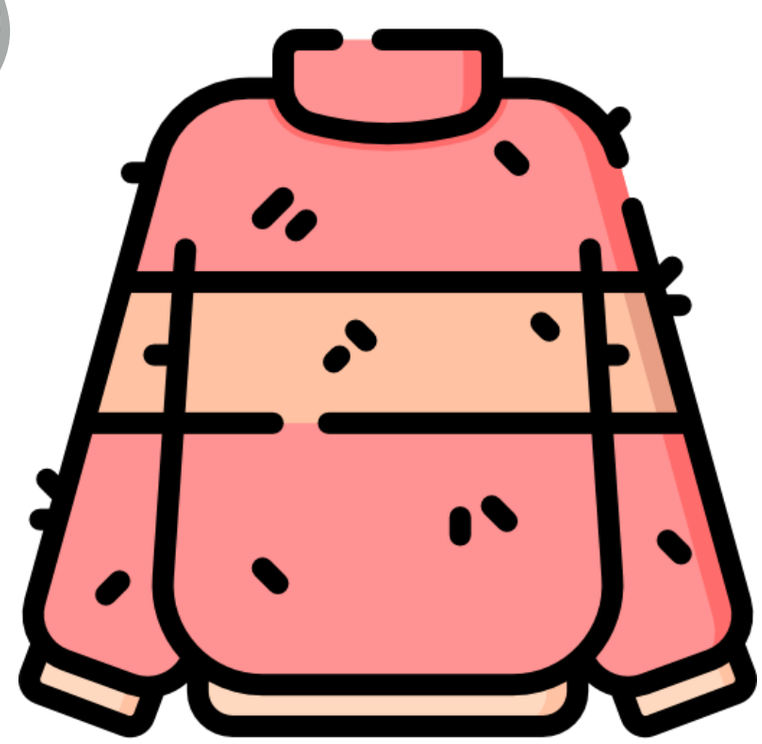
Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
surround		en-	purple	around
encircle		-ed	encircle	sport

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: texture

Word Class
(noun)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(tex-ture)



Definition:

The texture of something is the way that it feels when you touch it, for example how smooth or rough it is.

The **texture** of the new jumper was rough and scratchy.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
feel		-s	lecture	rough
touch		-ed	gesture	smooth

Shinobi Word of the Day

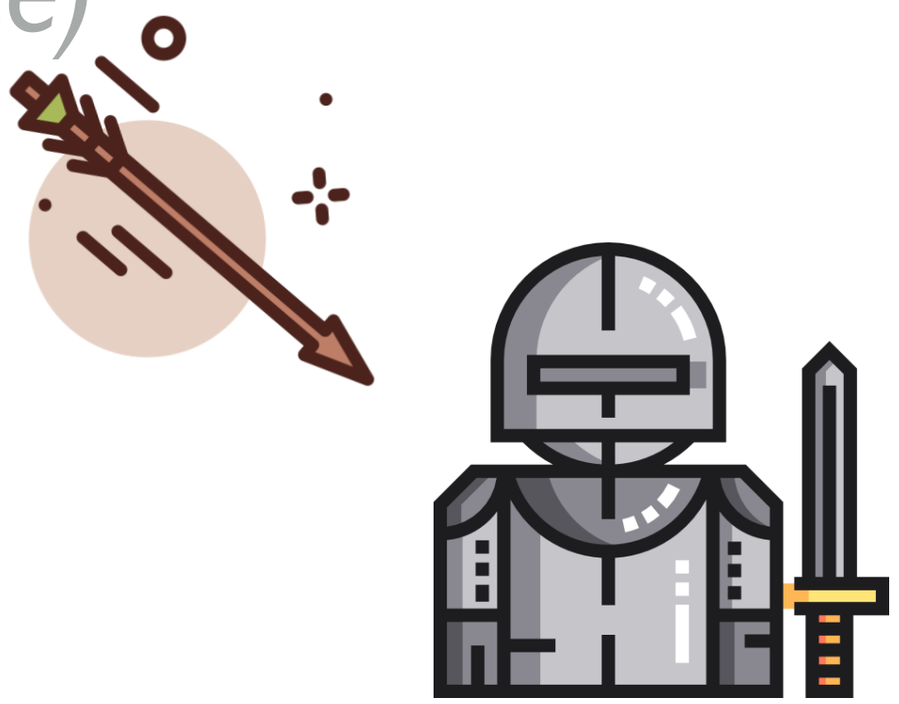
Word of the Day: pierce

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(pierce)

Definition:

If a sharp object pierces something, or if you pierce something with a sharp object, the object goes into it and makes a hole in it.



The arrow easily **pierced** the knight's armour.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix:	Rhyme:	Link Word:
penetrate		-ed	fierce	defence
puncture		-ing		armour

Shinobi Word of the Day

Word of the Day: satisfy

Word Class
(verb)

Pronunciation / Syllables
(sat-is-fy)



Definition:

If someone or something satisfies you, they give you enough of what you want or need to make you pleased or contented.

Mr Breads was **satisfied** with our handwriting.

Synonym:	Antonym:	Prefix / Suffix	Rhyme:	Link Word:
please	frustrate	-ied	dissatisfy	demands
		-ing	gratify	expectations

Vocabulary Laboratory

Describe / Definition:

Use it in a sentence:

Focus Word (write below):

Word Class:

Synonyms: (words with same / similar meaning)	Antonyms: (words with opposite meaning)
Rhymes: (words that sound the same)	**Link Words:** (Example: football = pitch, team, player)

Draw your sentence:

Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Grasshopper** words and bring them to life.



Word: untidy	Word: dive
Word: choose	Word: hurt

Vocabulary Visualiser

Draw the **Shinobi** words and bring them to life.



Word: trace	Word: circle
Word: pierce	**Word:** satisfy

Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Grasshopper** words to their definitions.



Grasshopper Word	Grasshopper Definitions	
untidy	If you *** in a particular direction or into a particular place, you jump or move there quickly.	
dive	If you *** someone or something from several people or things that are available, you decide which person or thing you want to have.	
alarm	If you describe something as ***, you mean that it is not neat or well arranged.	
choose	If you *** yourself or *** a part of your body, you feel pain because you have injured yourself.	
hurt	*** is a feeling of fear or anxiety that something unpleasant or dangerous might happen.	

Matching Meanings

Draw lines from the **Shinobi** words to their definitions.



Shinobi Word	Shinobi Definitions
trace	If a sharp object *** something, or if you *** something with a sharp object, the object goes into it and makes a hole in it. 
circle	If someone or something *** you, they give you enough of what you want or need to make you pleased or contented. 
texture	A *** is a sign which shows you that someone or something has been in a place. 
pierce	The *** of something is the way that it feels when you touch it, for example how smooth or rough it is. 
satisfy	If something *** an object or a place, or *** around it, it forms a *** around it. 

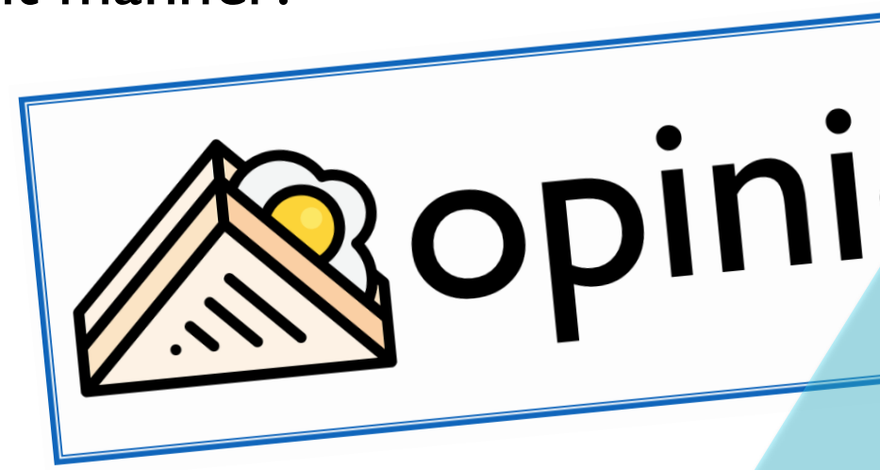




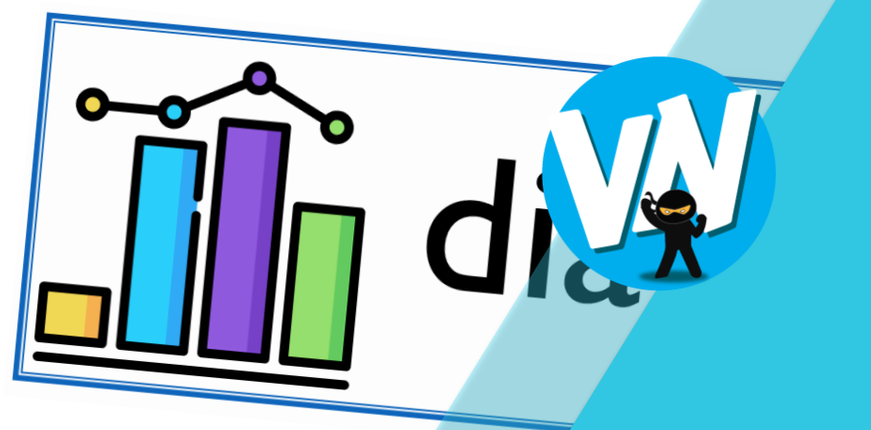
Display Slips

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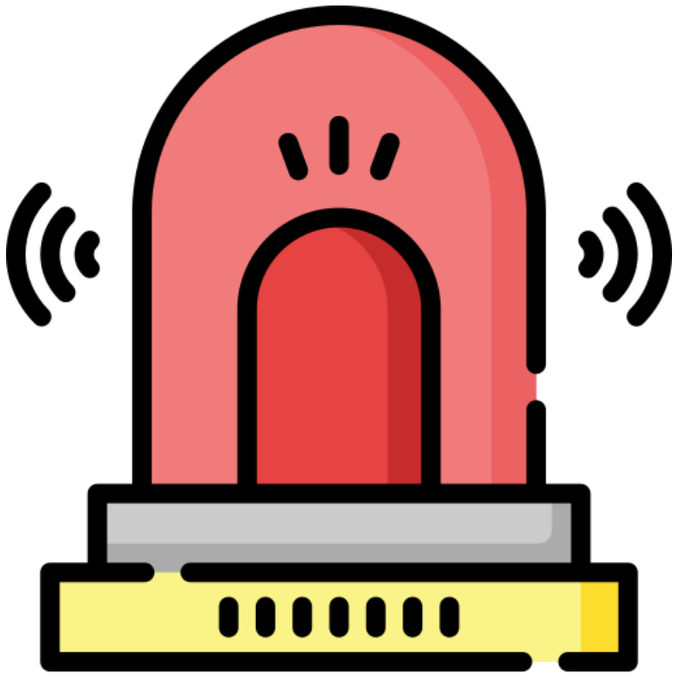
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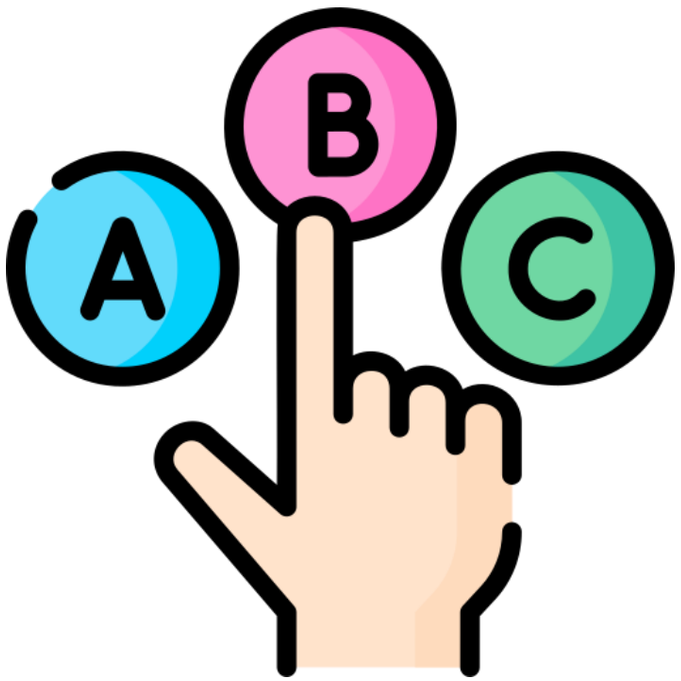




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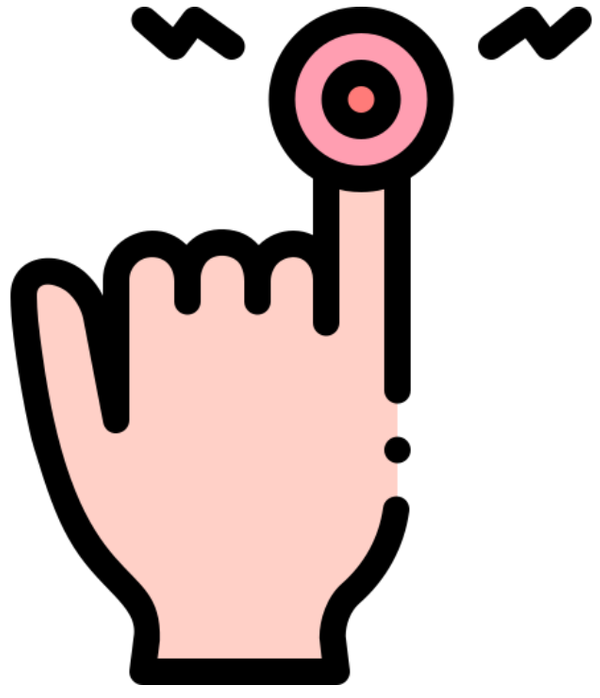
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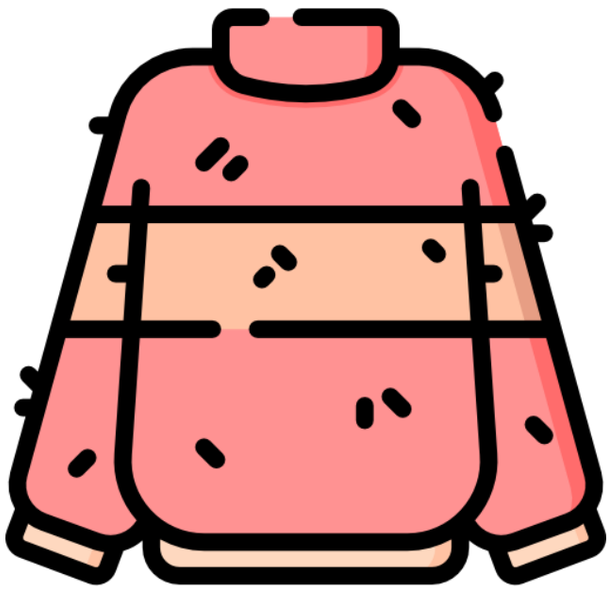




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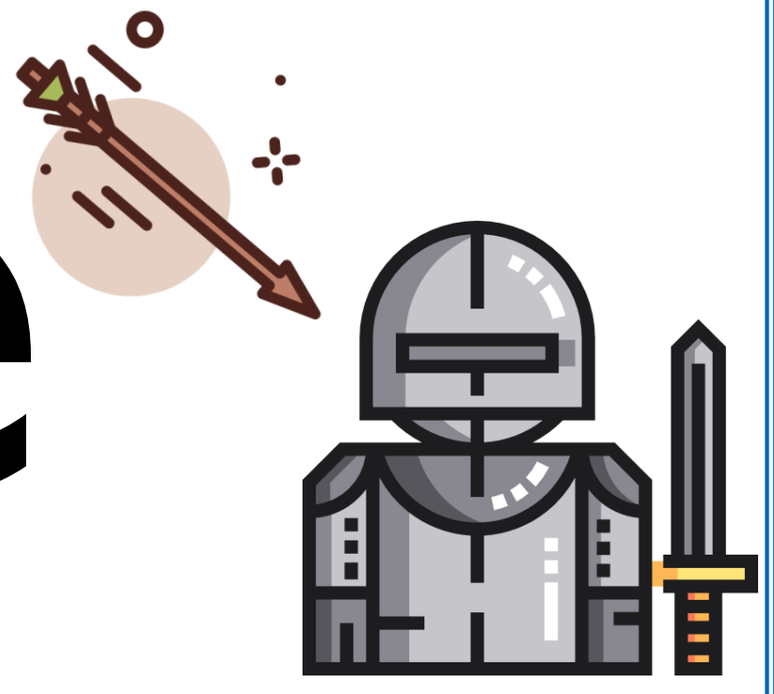
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