

- crucial If something is crucial, it is extremely important.
- **crisis** A crisis is a situation that suddenly becomes very dangerous or difficult.
- maneuvered To have maneuvered something is to have moved it or guided it very carefully.
- **perseverance** If you try hard and don't give up, you are showing perseverance.
- **encountered** If you encountered someone, you met that person unexpectedly.
- persuading Persuading someone means trying to get him or her to agree with your plan or opinion.
- **appealed** If you have appealed to someone, you have made a request with a lot of feeling.
- **destiny** To believe in destiny is to feel that certain things will happen because they were meant to be.

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