

Battle over more than peanuts. Guardian Weekly, 16 April 2010, by Philippe Bernard (Le Monde)

malnourished [n] = weak and in bad health because of having too little food or too little of the types of food necessary for good health (= undernourished)

hinge on [ph.v] = if one thing hinges on another, the first thing depends on the second thing or is very influenced by it; if a story or situation hinges on an idea or subject, it develops from that idea or that is the most important subject in it

foil [n] = metal sheets that are as thin as paper, used for wrapping food

irreparable [adj] = impossible to repair or make right again

therapeutic [adj] = relating to the treatment or cure of an illness

transmit [vt] = to send or pass something from one person, place or thing to another

infection [n] = a disease that affects a particular part of your body and is caused by bacteria or a virus

come into existence [idiom] = to begin existence; to begin to be

paediatric [adj] = the area of medicine that deals with children and their illnesses

upset [vt] = to change a plan or situation in a way that causes problems; to make someone feel unhappy or worried

surplus [n] = an amount of something that is more than what is needed or used/ [adj] = more than what is needed or used

recognition [n] = the act of realizing and accepting that something is true or important; the act of officially accepting that an organization, government, person etc has legal or official authority

plaintiff [n] = someone who brings a legal action against another person in a court of law (= complainant)

confectionery [n] = sweets, chocolates etc

lodge a complaint/protest/appeal [idiom] = to make a formal or official complaint, protest, appeal, etc.

allege [vt] = to say that something is true or that someone has done something wrong, although it has not been proved

make a difference [idiom] = to have an effect

dispose of [ph.v] = to get rid of something, especially something that is difficult to get rid of; to sell something, especially part of a business; to deal with something such as a problem or question successfully

prevent [vt] = to stop something from happening, or stop someone from doing something

bother [vt/vi] = to make the effort to do something; to make someone feel slightly worried, upset, or concerned; to annoy someone, especially by interrupting them when they are trying to do something

manufacture [n] = the process of making goods or materials using machines, usually in large numbers or amounts < **manufacture** [vt] = to use machines to make goods or materials, usually in large numbers or amounts

grant [vt] = to give someone something or allow them to have something that they have asked for

one-off [adj] = happening or done only once, not as part of a regular series

disregard [vt] = to ignore something or treat it as unimportant

belated [adj] = happening or arriving late

tribute [n] = something that you say, do, or give in order to express your respect or admiration for someone

exceptional [adj] = unusual and likely not to happen often

deployment [n] = the use of something or someone in an effective way < **deploy** [vt] = to organize or move soldiers, military equipment etc so that they are in the right place and ready to be used

procurement [n] = the process of getting supplies < **procure** [vt] = to obtain something, especially something that is difficult to get

sovereignty [n] = complete freedom and power to govern; the power that an independent country has to govern itself

source [vt] = to get something from a particular place