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('ps:pəs) n1. the reason for which anything is done, created, or exists 2. a fixed design, outcome, or idea that is the object of an action or other effort 3. fixed intention in doing something; determination: a man of purpose. 4. practical advantage or use: to work to good purpose. 5. that which is relevant or under consideration (esp in the phrase to or from the purpose)7. on purpose intentionallyvb (tr) to intend or determine to do (something)[C13: from Old French porpose, from porpose to plan, from Latin propose to propose]Collins English Dictionary - Complete and Unabridged, 12th Edition 2014 © HarperCollins Publishers 1991, 1994, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2014 ('par pas) n., v. -posed, -poseing. n. 1. the reason for which something exists or is done, made, etc. 2. an intended or desired result; aim; goal. 3. determination; resolve. v.i. Idioms: 1. on purpose, intentionally. 2. to the purpose, to the point; relevant. [1250-1300; (n.) 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Tell a friend about us, add a link to this page, or visit the webmaster's page for free fun content. Link to this page: Only by renouncing our claim to discern a purpose immediately intelligible to us, and admitting the ultimate purpose to be beyond our ken, may we discern the sequence of experiences in the lives of historic characters and perceive the cause of the effect they produce (incommensurable with ordinary human capabilities), and then the words chance and genius become superfluous. "In this state of dark isolation a new resolution came to her, and grew until it became a fixed definite purpose. She would face Caswall and call him to account for

his murder of Lilla-that was what she called it to herself. In these cases, one of the two organs might with ease be modified and perfected so as to perform all the work by itself, being aided during the process of modification by the other organ; and then this other organ might be modified for some other and quite distinct purpose, or be quite obliterated. His wife used to insist upon our calling him so, but to no purpose. In August, 1832, my master attended a Methodist camp-meeting held in the Bay-side, Tal- bot county, and there experienced religion. He had seemed to love it little in the years when every penny had its purpose for him; for he loved the purpose then. The act from Annapolis recommends the "appointment of commissioners to take into consideration the situation of the United States; to devise SUCH FURTHER PROVISIONS as shall appear to them necessary to render the Constitution of the federal government ADEQUATE TO THE EXIGENCIES OF THE UNION; and to report such an act for that purpose, to the United States in Congress assembled, as when agreed to by them, and afterwards confirmed by the legislature of every State, will effectually provide for the same. "For all these reasons then, and others perhaps too analytic to be verbally developed here, Ahab plainly saw that he must still in a good degree continue true to the natural, nominal purpose of the Pequod's voyage; observe all customary usages; and not only that, but force himself to evince all his well known passionate interest in the general pursuit of his profession. It has either dropped

purposefulness, resoluteness, resolution, resolve, toughness, will, willpower.verb The American Heritage® Roget's Thesaurus. Copyright © 2013, 2014 by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. Published by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt Publishing Company. All rights reserved. عَزْم، تَصْمِيمَعَرَضِقَصْد، هَدَّفُوطَيقَة،

night." 1817, Legh Richmond, A Selection from the Writings of the Reformers and Early Protestant Divines of the Church of England, page 296:But now, forasmuch as you have stopt up a few shards in these your last tedious commentaries, though very hardly and guite from the purpose, [...]

from the writer's pen in pure ignorance, or it has been carefully set where it appears to serve the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of rendering visible on the surface of the moon any object exceeding nine feet in diameter. Blifil bowed and stammered, and looked like a fool; but Western, without giving him time to form a speech for the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of a snare. This instrument was designed for the purpose of a snare. well, I am to blame, if you will, I always am, certainly; but come, let the girl be fetched back again, or let Mr Blifil go to her.It is natural to regard desire as in its essence an attitude towards something which is imagined, not actual; this something is called the END or OBJECT of the desire, and is said to be the PURPOSE of any action resulting from the desire. The present page holds the title of a primary topic, and an article needs to be written about it. It is believed to qualify as a broad-concept article. It may be written directly at this page or drafted elsewhere and then moved to this title. Related titles should be moved to this title. Related titles should be moved to purpose, intentional, intentionally, or purport in Wiktionary, the free dictionary. Purpose is the end for which something is done, created or for which it exists. 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Related concepts and subjects: Goal, a desired result or possible outcome Intention, the state of intending something or the action intended Motivation, a driving factor for actions, willingness, and goals Determination or resolve Meaningful life — a life of purpose Purpose elause, in grammar a dependent adverbial clause expressing purpose Purpose of living or existence in general Teleology, the philosophical attempt to describe things in terms of their apparent purpose or goal Teleonomy, the apparent purpose (Gurtis Lundy album), 2002 Purpose (Film), a 2001 American independent drama thriller film Darryl Purpose, American singer-songwriter Accidentally on Purpose (disambiguation) All-purpose (disambiguation) Dual-purpose (disambiguation) On Purpose (disambiguation) On Pur purpose This disambiguation page lists articles associated with the title Purpose. If an internal link led you here, you may wish to change the link to point directly to the intended article. 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I do this, on purpose to give you a more sensible impression of the imperfection of your knowledge. Isaac Watts. Where men err against this method, it is usually on purpose, and to shew their learning. Jonathan Swift.2. Effect; consequence. To small purpose to give you a more sensible impression of the imperfection of your knowledge. Isaac Watts. once their determination being set down, men might afterwards have defended their former opinions. Richard Hooker. The ground will be like a wood, which keepeth out the sun, and so continueth the wet, whereby it will never graze, to purpose that year. Francis Bacon, Nat. Hist. Their design is a war, whenever they can open it with a prospect of succeeding to purpose. William Temple. Such first principles will serve us to very little purpose, and we shall be as much at a loss with, as without them, if they may, by any human power, such as is the will of our teachers, or opinions of our companions, be altered or lost in us. John Locke. He that would relish success to purpose, should keep his passion cool, and his expectation low. Jeremy Collier, on Desire. What the Romans have done is not worth notice, having had little occasion to make use of this art, and what they have of it to purpose being borrowed from Aristotle. Thomas Baker.3. Instance; example. 'Tis common for double-dealers to be taken in their own snares, as for the purpose in the matter of power. Roger L'Estrange. To Purpose being borrowed from Aristotle and their own snares, as for the purpose in the matter of power. Roger L'Estrange. 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Richard Hooker. It is a purpos'd thing, and grows by plot, To curb the nobility. William Shakespeare, Coriolanus. I am purposed in the spirit, to go to Jerusalem. Acts xix. 21. The christian captains, purposing to retire home, placed on each side of the army four ranks of waggons. Richard Knolles. The whole included race his purpos'd more than law, To keep the good and just in awe, But to confine the bad and sinful, Like moral cattle in a pinfold. Hudibras. Doubling my crime, I promise and deceive, Purpose to slay, whilst swearing to forgive Matthew Prior. Scroll To Top To psychologists, purpose is an abiding intention to achieve a long-term goal that is both personally meaningful and makes a positive mark on the world. The goals that foster a sense of purpose will change

of person we want to be—and act to become that a sense of purpose as we navigate milestones and transitions, suggests this research, then we can look forward to more satisfying, meaningful lives. Researchers have discovered that a sense of purpose is linked to a number of good outcomes, across the lifespan, for both individuals and organizations. Youth who have a sense of purpose also report higher levels of happiness and life satisfaction—which seems associated with better educational outcomes. One study looked at college students who wanted to help others, create art, or achieve financial success. The researchers didn't find significant differences in positive outcomes among the groups. For young people, it was just good to have a goal, no matter what it was. For young and old alike, the physical benefits of a sense of purpose at one point in time have objectively better physical agility four years later than those who report less purpose. Patrick Hill and his Washington University colleagues have found important advantages for more purposeful adults, including better cognitive functioning and greater longevity. They're more likely to floss their teeth, exercise, and get to the doctor. Why? Researchers suggest that people take better care of themselves when they feel like they have something to live for. Having a purpose also seems to be associated with lower stress levels, overall, which contributes to better health. Do some purposes confer more benefits than others? The answer so far is yes—if you are older. One study found that young adults with a more "prosocial" purpose—one aimed at helping others—experienced greater personal growth, integrity, and health later in adulthood. This result was echoed by a 2019 study by Anne Colby and colleagues at Stanford University. They surveyed almost 1,200 Americans in their midlife about their well-being among people who were involved in pursuing beyond-the-self goals, compared to those who were pursuing other types of goals. In other words, engaging in prosocial goals had more impact on well-being than engaging in non-prosocial goals. Indeed, looking beyond individual lives, a sense of purpose appears to have evolved in humans so that we can cooperate and accomplish big things together. A 2007 study suggests that managers can effectively boost the work experience and well-being of their employees by helping them connect to a job-related higher purpose. The 2013 study suggests that managers to have evolved in humans so that we can cooperate and accomplish big things together. A 2007 study suggests that managers can effectively boost the work experience and well-being of their employees by helping them connect to a job-related higher purpose. Core Beliefs and Culture Survey revealed that 91 percent of respondents who believe that their company has a strong sense of purpose is adaptive, in an evolutionary sense. It helps both individuals and thrive. Purpose of strong financial performance. Purpose is often a symptom of isolation. Once you find your path, you'll almost certainly find others traveling along with you, hoping to research by Kendall Cotton Bronk, finding one's purpose requires four key components: dedicated commitment, personal meaningfulness, goal directedness, and a vision larger than one's self. Often, finding our purpose involves a combination of finding meaning in the experiences we've had, while assessing our values, skills, and hopes for a better world. It means taking time for personal reflection while imagining our ideal future. Here are some exercises purpose researchers recommend for finding your purpose in life: The Magic Wand: Think about the world around you — your home, community, the world at large—and visualize what you would change if you had a magic wand and could change anything. Then ask yourself, why you chose what you did and consider concrete steps you might take to move the world a little closer to that ideal. This exercise has been used to foster purpose in youth and young adults, in particular. Best Possible Self: Imagine yourself at some future age — like 10 or 20 years down the road—and think about what your life would be like if everything went as well as possible. Then ask yourself these questions: What are you doing? What do you really care about, and why? Focusing on an ideal self can increase optimism for the future, which researchers believe is tied to purpose Clarify your values: If it's hard to figure out what matters most to you, affirming your values can help. Three values surveys—the Valued Living Questionnaire, and the Personal Values Questionnaire, and the Personal Values Surveys—the VIA Character Strengths Survey to see what it reveals about you. Or, you can contact people who know you—teachers, friends, family, colleagues, and mentors—and ask them what you're good at, what you seem to like to do, and how you might make your mark on the world. Sometimes an outsider's opinion can help clarify your personal strengths and help you figure out how best to apply them. Volunteer: Finding purpose is aided by having a broad set of meaningful experiences that can point you in the right direction. Volunteering expands your experience, while also improving your well-being and helping the world. Not only that, volunteering puts you in touch with people who have similar values, who may inspire you or point you toward other opportunities for making a difference that you hadn't thought of before. Cultivate positive emotions: Positive emotions: Positive emotions help us to broaden our outlook on the world and feel energized to take action for the greater good; so they can be useful for finding purpose. Gratitude and awe, in particular, help us care about others, build relationships, and feel energized to take action for the greater good; so they can be useful for finding purpose. Gratitude and awe, in particular, help us care about others, build relationships, and feel energized to take action for the greater good; so they can be useful for finding purpose. Greater Good in Action, to find exercises that will help bolster your sense of purpose — and make you happier, too. View synonyms for purposethe reason for which something exists or is done, made, used, etc. Synonyms: target, object in hand; the point at issue practical result, effect, or advantage to set as an aim, intention, or goal for oneself to intend; design. Synonyms: plan, contemplate, meanto resolve (to do something). He purposed to change his way of life radically the reason for which anything is done, created, or exists fixed design, outcome, or idea that is the object of an action or other effortfixed intention in doing something; determination practical advantage or

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over the course of our lifetime. As we grapple with our identity as teens, settle into the responsibilities of adulthood, and make the shift to retirement, the research finds that our sense of purpose will naturally wax and wane. Like happiness, purpose is not a destination, but a journey and a practice. That means it's accessible at any age, if we're willing to explore what matters to us and what kind

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