

THE HORRIBLY SLOW MURDERER WITH THE EXTREMELY INEFFICIENT WEAPON

1. *The Horribly Slow Murderer with the Extremely Inefficient Weapon* by Richard Gale

Match the words to their definitions. The first word is an example

Menace	to threaten with violence, danger.
a. Supple	1. hit, strike hard.
b. Merciless	2. bending easily, making flexible.
c. Relentlessly	3. break into pieces.
d. Shattering	4. Injury, break of the skin or an organ part
e. Wound	5. without compassion.
f. Inflict	6. never stopping
g. Pound	7. deliver a blow, hit
h. Begone	8. cause of annoyance or bother.
i. Nuisance	9. go away
j. Rampage	10. sounds like thunder when going down.
k. Endure	11. bare
l. Thunder down	12. angry or destructive behavior.

Only one of these three answer keys is right. Check the meanings and choose just one

A	B	C
1.b	1.g	1.h
2.l	2.a	2.b
3.h	3.d	3.c
4.e	4.e	4.a
5.g	5.b	5.f
6.j	6.c	6.d
7.f	7.f	7.k
8. i	8. i	8. l
9.d	9.h	9.g
10.a	10.l	10.i
11.k	11.k	11.e
12.c	12.j	12.j

2. Here's some other useful words. Can you give a definition of them?

Break into, lunatic, squad (of policemen), theatre (American)

3. Black humour is a form of humor that regards human suffering as absurd rather than pitiable. Do you like it or do you find it stupid or ridiculous? Can you remember of a time you watched something similar?

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The answer is B

- 1.g
- 2.a
- 3.d
- 4.e
- 5.b
- 6.c
- 7.f
- 8. i
- 9.h
- 10.l
- 11.k
- 12.j