

1 Match the words in the box with the correct definitions.

adversity against all odds break down barriers
overcome self-discipline setback
suffer defeat thrive

- to fail to win a competition or solve a problem
..... *suffer defeat*
- to succeed in dealing with a problem
.....
- a difficult or unlucky situation or event
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- to grow, develop, or be successful
- to succeed even when faced with a lot of difficulties
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- a problem that delays or makes progress difficult
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- to remove or reduce the obstacles that stop people interacting successfully
- the ability to control your behaviour so that you do what you should do

2 Find TEN words in the wordsearch. (horizontal, vertical and diagonal)

S	P	A	S	T	A	R	D	O	M	J	Y	P
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3 Complete the text with the correct form of the words in brackets.

The Invictus Games is a tournament that was founded in 2014 to provide ¹..... *inspiration* (inspire) to injured servicemen and women. Many people suffer terrible injuries fighting for their country and have to fight for ²..... (survive). The main idea of the Invictus Games is that sport has a huge role to play in the ³..... (recover) from injury or illness. The founders of Invictus believe if injured servicemen and women take part in a sport, it will help them overcome ⁴..... (adverse). It offers them the ⁵..... (motivate) to rejoin life and to replace any ⁶..... (negative) they may have. It demonstrates how sport can give them back their ⁷..... (free). Sports include athletics, swimming and wheelchair games like basketball and

rugby. The games have ⁸..... (sponsor) from some big companies and are now a regular ⁹..... (occur) on the sporting calendar and take place every two years.

4 Complete the conversation with the words in the box.

against all odds disapproval interference
main character neighbourhood overcomes
scholarship self-belief stardom

- Teddy:** Have you ever seen the film *Blind Side*?
Sasha: I love that film. It's about that American footballer Michael Oher, right?
Teddy: Yes, that's the one. It focuses on how he ¹..... *overcomes* adversity and goes on to reach football ².....
Sasha: Sandra Bullock plays the female ³....., a wealthy lady who finds out that Oher is homeless and takes him to live in her rich ⁴.....
Teddy: Yes! Oher is a very tall, well-built boy, so the football coach thinks he'll be a great defender. However, he's not that good at the start. Then after Sandra Bullock's ⁵....., you know when she takes Oher aside and explains the team is like his family, he does really well.
Sasha: She is so good in that film. I love the scene where she deals with her friends' ⁶..... You know, the lunch where they clearly disagree with what she's doing.
Teddy: It's so inspiring. If it hadn't been for the support of his new family, his ⁷..... wouldn't have increased and he wouldn't have gone on to get a college ⁸....., that was ⁹.....
Sasha: Let's watch it again some time!

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- 2 overcome
- 3 adversity
- 4 thrive
- 5 against all odds
- 6 setback
- 7 break down barriers
- 8 self-discipline

2

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3

- 2 survival
- 3 recovery
- 4 adversity
- 5 motivation
- 6 negativity
- 7 freedom
- 8 sponsorship
- 9 occurrence

4

- 2 stardom
- 3 main character
- 4 neighbourhood
- 5 interference
- 6 disapproval
- 7 self-belief
- 8 scholarship
- 9 against all odds