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 b: the working parts of a machine
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a piece of farm machinery

Something was clogging the *machinery*.

The United Nations has set up machinery for mediation.

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- Christopher Knight, Los Angeles Times, 22 Dec. 2023

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Surrounded by sheer silk-organza drapes onto which are sewn hundreds of silken insects, the installation contains a series of hourglasses, which are periodically refilled, not by *machinery* but by people.

- Robb Report Studio, Robb Report, 13 Dec. 2023

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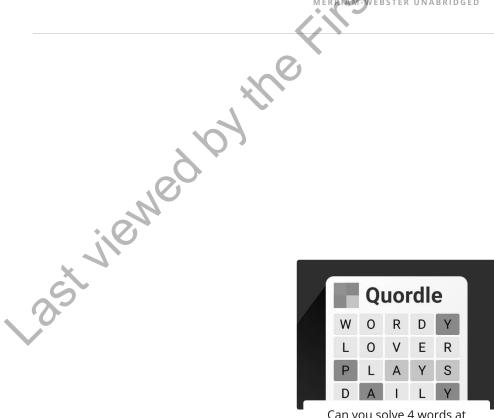
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