

# Gordian knot *(Gor-di-an-knot)*

## Definition

n. 1 any very difficult problem; insoluble in its own terms; 2 an intricate knot tied by Gordius the king of Phrygia and cut by the sword of Alexander the Great

## Example Sentence

He compared the conflict in the middle east to a **Gordian knot**.

## Synonyms

complicated situation; Pandora's box; can of worms;  
very difficult problem

## Antonyms

easy solution

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