

There are many expressions and phrases used to express various degrees of **determination**, and you might choose to use some of those listed below to add variety to your speech or writing.

### things people say to show determination

over my dead body  
not for all the tea in China  
where there's a will there's a way  
at all costs

not for love nor money  
never say die  
come hell or high water  
do or die

### doing something with determination

grasp the nettle  
move heaven and earth to do  
something

take the bull by the horns  
go to great lengths to do  
something

### continue doing something with determination

stay the course  
hold your ground  
dig your heels in  
rise to the occasion  
stop at nothing  
put your foot down  
put up a good fight  
keep a stiff upper lip

hang on like grim death  
stick to your guns  
keep at it  
stay the pace  
pull out all the stops  
stand fast  
hang tough (US)  
leave no stone unturned

### being determined

hell bent on (doing) something  
set one's mind on (doing) something

dead-set on (doing) something  
mean business