

The curse of pleonexia

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Wikipedia [explains the word pleonexia](#) like this:

Pleonexia, sometimes called pleonexy, originating from the Greek [πλεονεξία](#), is a philosophical concept which roughly corresponds to greed, covetousness, or avarice, and is strictly defined as "the insatiable desire to have what rightfully belongs to others."

A surfeit of pleonexia is the cause of most suffering in our society.

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