

BEHOLD

Verb - old use or literary

to see or look at someone or something:

- The new bridge is an incredible sight to behold.
- They beheld a bright star shining in the sky.

Phrase

a joy/marvel/pleasure/wonder, etc. to behold

- The team's performance was a joy to behold.
- The beauty of the garden was a pleasure to behold.

Idiom - *lo and behold*

(humorous) used for calling attention to a surprising or annoying thing.

- As soon as we went out, lo and behold, it began to rain.
- We had just been talking about John when, lo and behold, he walked into the room

BEHOLDEN

Adjective / Formal - used after verb

feel/be beholden to somebody

to feel that you have a duty to someone because they have done something for you

- I don't like to be beholden to anybody.
- She wanted to be independent and beholden to no one.
- We feel really beholden to them for what they've done.
- I won't accept the gift because I don't want to be beholden to them.