

Alacrity

Prosaic

Veracity

Paucity

Maintain

Contrite

Laconic

Pugnacious

Disparate

truthfulness; accuracy n.	dull and ordinary; lacking imagination adj.	eager, cheerful readiness to do something n.
deeply sorry for having done wrong adj.	to firmly assert or insist (a claim) v.	a shortage; too little of something n.
fundamentally different; not comparable adj.	eager to fight or argue adj.	using very few words; terse adj.

Egregious

Innocuous

Candid

Erratic

Bleak

Profuse

Extant

Contentious

Auspicious

frank and honest; straightforward adj.	harmless; unlikely to offend adj.	outstandingly bad; shockingly wrong adj.
given or flowing in great amounts adj.	gloomy; offering little hope adj.	irregular and unpredictable adj.
promising good luck; favorable adj.	likely to cause argument; quarrelsome adj.	still existing; not lost or extinct adj.

Enervate

Equivocate

Ambivalent

Sedulous

Stem

Blinkered

Unchecked

Checkered

Raft

having mixed or conflicting feelings adj.	to speak vaguely to avoid the truth v.	to drain of energy; weaken (not energize) v.
having a narrow, limited outlook adj.	to stop or hold back (a flow) v.	hardworking and diligent adj.
a large number or amount n.	marked by mixed fortunes or dubious episodes adj.	not stopped or controlled adj.

Involved

Retiring

Expansive

Moment

Base

Imbibe

Inundate

Scintillating

Benighted

wide-ranging; open and talkative adj.	shy; avoiding company adj.	complicated; intricate adj.
to drink; to absorb (ideas) v.	morally low; contemptible adj.	importance or significance (of great moment) n.
ignorant; lacking knowledge or culture adj.	brilliantly lively, witty, or sparkling adj.	to flood; to overwhelm v.

Galvanize

Hedge

Flush

Fell

Arch

Beg

Tender

Intimate

Wanting

having plenty, especially of money adj.	to avoid committing; limit one's risk n./v.	to shock or stir into action v.
to dodge or wrongly assume (beg the question) v.	deliberately playful or sly adj.	fierce; deadly (one fell swoop) adj.
lacking; falling short adj.	to hint or suggest subtly adj./v.	to formally offer or present v.

Becoming

Start

Fleece

Telling

Wax

Check

Qualify

Miserly

Frugal

to swindle; cheat out of money v.	to jump or flinch in surprise v.	flattering; fitting adj.
to restrain or limit v.	to grow larger or stronger (wax and wane) n./v.	revealing; strikingly significant adj.
sensibly economical with money (positive) adj.	extremely unwilling to spend; stingy adj.	to limit or soften (a statement) v.

Prevaricate

Variance

Histrionic

History

Demur

Demure

Beatific

Beautiful

Perfunctory

overly dramatic or theatrical adj.	difference; the state of disagreeing n.	to speak evasively to mislead v.
modest, reserved, and shy adj.	to object or hesitate politely v.	the study or record of past events n.
done routinely, with little care adj.	very pleasing to the senses adj.	radiantly blissful; serenely happy adj.

Preemptive

Peremptory

Indigent

Indigenous

Indignant

Errant

Arrant

Errand

Err

very poor; needy adj.	bossy; allowing no refusal adj.	done to stop an action before it happens adj.
straying; wandering from the right path adj.	angry at unfair treatment adj.	native to a particular place adj.
to make a mistake v.	a short trip to do a small task n.	complete; utter (usually of something bad) adj.

Artless

Artful

Artifice

Expurgate

Expunge

Censure

Censor

Ponderous

Imponderable

clever trickery or deception n.	cunning; cleverly deceptive adj.	innocent and sincere; without guile adj.
to criticize or blame formally v.	to erase or wipe out completely v.	to remove objectionable parts from a text v.
impossible to estimate or assess adj./n.	heavy and dull; laboriously slow adj.	to remove unacceptable content v.

Kowtow

Powwow

Junta

Imbroglia

Juggernaut

Schadenfreude

Amuck

Pariah

Nabob

a group ruling after seizing power n.	a meeting for discussion n./v.	to behave with excessive submission v.
pleasure at another's misfortune n.	an unstoppable, crushing force n.	a confused, embarrassing situation n.
a very rich or important person n.	a social outcast n.	in a wild, uncontrolled way (run amuck) adv.

Zeitgeist

Sangfroid

Parvenu

Arriviste

Melee

Lagniappe

Picayune

Mesmerize

Gerrymander

an upstart newly risen to wealth or status n.	calm composure under pressure n.	the spirit or mood of a period n.
a small extra gift or bonus n.	a confused, chaotic fight or crowd n.	a ruthlessly ambitious social climber n.
to redraw voting lines for unfair advantage v.	to hold spellbound; fascinate v.	petty; of little value adj.

Hector

Pollyannaish

Chauvinist

Pyrrhic

Kafkaesque

Quixotic

Maudlin

Panglossian

Malapropism

someone with blind, excessive loyalty to a group n.	foolishly or blindly optimistic adj.	to bully or pester aggressively v.
wildly idealistic and impractical adj.	nightmarishly complex and absurd adj.	won at too great a cost (Pyrrhic victory) adj.
a comic misuse of a similar-sounding word n.	naively sure all is for the best adj.	tearfully or excessively sentimental adj.

Quisling

Byzantine

Supercilious

Protean

Sartorial

Saturnine

Mercurial

Thrifty

Spendthrift

haughtily superior; disdainful adj.	excessively complex and devious adj.	a traitor who helps an occupying enemy n.
gloomy and sullen in temperament adj.	relating to clothing or tailoring adj.	readily taking many forms; versatile adj.
a person who wastes money n.	careful and economical with money adj.	quick to change mood; volatile adj.

Parsimonious

Sybarite

Impecunious

Penurious

Insolvent

Affluent

Profligate

Prodigal

Avarice

having little money; habitually broke adj.	a person devoted to luxury and pleasure n.	stingy to a fault; excessively frugal adj.
wealthy; prosperous adj.	unable to pay one's debts adj.	miserly; or extremely poor adj.
extreme greed for wealth n.	wastefully extravagant with money adj.	recklessly wasteful or immoral adj./n.

Cupidity

Defray

Stipend

Pittance

Dupe

Mulct

Jaundice

Jejune

Bilious

a fixed, regular allowance or payment n.	to pay or cover (a cost) v.	greed; a strong craving for possessions n.
to cheat or extract money from by fraud v.	to deceive; or a person who is fooled n./v.	a very small amount of money n.
peevish and ill-tempered adj.	naive and simplistic; or dull adj.	bitterness or prejudice that distorts judgment n.

Choleric

Sanguine

Martinet

Curmudgeon

Misanthrope

Reprobate

Virago

Cardinal

Syncretic

a strict disciplinarian; stickler for rules n.	cheerfully optimistic; hopeful adj.	quick to anger; hot-tempered adj.
an unprincipled, immoral person n.	a person who hates or distrusts people n.	a bad-tempered, grumpy person n.
merging different beliefs or practices adj.	most important; fundamental adj.	a fierce, domineering woman n.

Parochial

Catholic

Anathema

Desecrate

Apostasy

Sanctimonious

Iconoclast

Malfeasance

Lascivious

something or someone intensely disliked n.	broad; wide-ranging in tastes adj.	narrow in outlook; provincial adj.
making a show of being morally superior adj.	abandonment of one's belief or faith n.	to treat something sacred with disrespect v.
openly lustful; lewd adj.	wrongdoing, especially by an official n.	one who attacks cherished beliefs or institutions n.

Embroided

Venality

Turpitude

Zenith

Summit

Acme

Pinnacle

Apex

Apogee

depraved, wicked behavior n.	willingness to be bribed; corruptibility n.	deeply caught up in conflict adj.
the peak of perfection or achievement n.	the very top; highest level n.	the highest point; peak of success n.
the farthest or highest point reached n.	the very tip or topmost point n.	the highest point of success or development n.

Apotheosis

Nadir

Untoward

Upbraid

Underwrite

Overweening

Bellicose

Truculent

Jingoist

unexpected and inappropriate; unfavorable adj.	the lowest point n.	the perfect example; elevation to glory n.
arrogant; excessively self-confident adj.	to financially support or guarantee v.	to scold or criticize sharply v.
an aggressively nationalistic person; extreme patriot n.	aggressively defiant; savage adj.	eager to fight; warlike adj.

Badger

Hound

Dog

Cow

Ferret

Mellifluous

Palimpsest

Serendipity

Defenestrate

to follow or trouble persistently v.	to pursue or harass relentlessly v.	to pester or nag persistently v.
sweet and smooth-sounding adj.	to search out by persistent effort v.	to frighten into submission v.
to throw out of a window v.	a lucky discovery made by chance n.	something reused yet still showing earlier traces n.

Invective

Diatribes

Screed

Tirade

Harangue

Vituperation

Precipitate

Amalgam

Solvent

a long, ranting piece of writing or speech n.	a bitter, abusive verbal attack n.	abusive, insulting language n.
sustained bitter, abusive criticism n.	a long, aggressive lecture or scolding n./v.	a long, angry outburst of criticism n.
able to pay one's debts adj.	a blend or mixture of different things n.	to trigger suddenly; (adj.) hasty, rash adj./n./v.

Catalyst

Slapdash

Heyday

Hodgepodge

Aboveboard

Thoroughgoing

Telltale

Cadaverous

Macabre

the period of greatest success or vigor n.	careless and hasty adj.	something that speeds up or sparks change n.
complete and absolute; very thorough adj.	honest and open; without deception adj.	a confused mixture; jumble n.
disturbing; concerned with death adj.	pale and gaunt; corpse-like adj.	revealing; giving away a secret adj.

Goosebumps

Diabolical

Phantasmagorical

Gregarious

Ingenuous

Peruse

Disabuse

Mettlesome

Amiable

dreamlike and constantly shifting; surreal adj.	extremely wicked; devilish adj.	bumps on the skin from cold or fear n.
to read carefully and thoroughly v.	innocent, trusting, and frank (not ingenious) adj.	sociable; fond of company adj.
friendly and good-natured (of a person) adj.	spirited and courageous adj.	to free someone of a mistaken belief v.

Affable

Amenable

Attenuate

Animosity

Anomalous

Acrimony

Aberration

Ambiguous

Amorphous

to weaken or reduce in force v.	willing to cooperate or agree adj.	warm and easy to talk to; approachable adj.
bitterness and harshness, especially in speech n.	abnormal; deviating from the norm adj.	strong hostility; ill will n.
shapeless; without clear form adj.	open to more than one meaning; unclear adj.	a departure from what is normal n.

Conciliate

Corroborate

Calumny

Commensurate

Churlish

Castigate

Chastise

Cogent

Chary

a false statement meant to ruin a reputation n.	to confirm with evidence; support v.	to win over or soothe; reconcile v.
to criticize or punish severely v.	rude and bad-tempered adj.	in proportion; corresponding in size adj.
cautious; wary; reluctant adj.	clear, logical, and convincing adj.	to scold or punish harshly v.

Fractious

Factionous

Factitious

Vindictive

Vindicate

Vicarious

Vicissitude

Venal

Venial

artificial; not genuine adj.	causing dissent; given to infighting adj.	irritable and quarrelsome; unruly adj.
experienced secondhand, through another adj.	to clear of blame; prove right v.	seeking revenge; spiteful adj.
minor and forgivable (of a fault) adj.	open to bribery; corrupt adj.	an unpredictable change in circumstances n.

Veracious

Voracious

Venerate

Excoriate

Extenuating

Execrate

Exegesis

Exhort

Insufferable

to regard with deep respect v.	having a huge appetite; greedy for adj.	truthful; accurate adj.
to detest; denounce bitterly v.	making an offense seem less serious adj.	to criticize harshly; censure severely v.
unbearable; intolerably annoying adj.	to strongly urge or encourage v.	a critical explanation of a text n.

Impertinent

Unconscionable

Immaterial

Inflammable

Unnerve

Belie

Disinterested

Equivocal

Undermine

irrelevant; unimportant adj.	unreasonable; morally unacceptable adj.	rudely disrespectful; impudent adj.
to give a false impression of; contradict v.	to make anxious; rob of courage v.	easily set on fire (means flammable) adj.
to weaken gradually or secretly v.	ambiguous; open to two interpretations adj.	impartial; unbiased (not uninterested) adj.

Sententious

Propitiate

Feckless

Tendentious

Limpid

Betray

Remiss

Restive

Repine

weak, irresponsible, and ineffective adj.	to appease; win the goodwill of v.	preachy; given to pompous moralizing adj.
to reveal unintentionally; or be disloyal to v.	clear and transparent; easily understood adj.	biased; pushing a particular viewpoint adj.
to fret or complain; long discontentedly v.	restless and impatient; hard to control adj.	negligent; careless in one's duty adj.

Remonstrate

to protest or argue in
objection

v.