

**allow**, v. 1. permit, give permission *or* leave to, let; authorize, approve of, go along with, give the green light, give the go-ahead; tolerate, put up with, bear, suffer, stand, brook, abide, endure; hear of, support, sanction, *Inf.* stand for.

2. grant, give, let have, accord; allot, allocate, ration, dole out, dispense; offer, donate, contribute; provide, endow, furnish, supply; bestow, confer, vouchsafe, impart, award, present.

3. admit, acknowledge, concede, acquiesce in, yield, cede; accede to, agree to, assent to, consent to, submit to, comply with, adhere to, conform to.

4. set apart, put aside, arrange for, plan for; consider, take into consideration, take into account, keep in mind, regard; provide for, make provision *or* concessions *or* allowances for.



**impinge**, v. 1. encroach, infringe, intrude, invade, trespass, *Inf.* horn in, usurp.

2. strike, hit, dash, run against, knock against, butt against, bump against, collide with; jolt, push, prod, shove, come into conflict with.

3. affect, impress, touch, touch upon, influence, exert influence, relate to, have a relation to, bear upon, have to do with, *Inf.* tie in with, pertain to.

**auspicious**, *adj.* 1. propitious, favorable, favorable, opportune, timely, seasonable; right, apt, appropriate, felicitous, suitable, convenient; promising, bright, sunny, fair, clear, cloudless; roseate, rosy, optimistic, hopeful, encouraging.

2. fortunate, lucky, providential; prosperous, flourishing, thriving, successful, golden, halcyon, palmy.



— **superfluous**, *adj.* 1. excessive, in excess, excess, redundant, supererogatory, supererogative; immoderate, extravagant, exuberant, lavish, profuse, profusive; inordinate, exorbitant, fulsome, beyond all bounds; extreme, in extreme, superlative, overblown, overgrown, overmuch; overliberal, overgenerous, overlavish, too much, too many.

2. superabundant, overabundant, plethoric, overfull, overflowing, flowing over, overspilling, spilling over, running over, welling over; extra, spare, surplus, residuary; over and above, more than enough, more than adequate, more than one needs, enough and to spare, enough and then some.

3. unnecessary, unneeded, needless, uncalled-for, unwarranted, unrequired; unessential, inessential, nonessential, extraneous, dispensable, gratuitous; useless, of no use, worthless, valueless, *Inf.* no go.



**-irascibility**, *n.* testiness, touchiness, thin-skinnedness, irritability, edginess, hastiness, short fuse; choler, pepperiness, spleen, gall, bile, ill temper, bad temper, ill nature, ill humor; tartness, acerbity, asperity, acrimony, bitterness, harshness; crankiness, grouchiness, crabbiness, crabbedness, gruffness, moodiness, crotchetyness; crossness, surliness, churlishness, snappishness, waspishness, petulance, peevishness, huffishness, huffiness, captiousness; cantankerousness, querulousness, quarrelsomeness, contentiousness; anger, belligerence, pugnacity, volatileness, fieriness.

**avid**, *adj.* 1. desirous, greedy, cupidinous, avaricious, grasping, acquisitive, *Sl.* grabby, rapacious; selfish, hoarding, possessive; ravenous, ravening, voracious, devouring, gluttonous, gormandizing, cormorant, edacious; open-mouthed, hoggish, piggish, swinish; insatiable, insatiate, unquenchable, omnivorous, esurient.

2. enthusiastic, ardent, fervent, eager, keen, anxious,

*avid*

*Inf.* wild; breathless, impatient, longing, thirsty, athirst; ambitious, aspiring, hungry, craving; excited, *Inf.* all fired up, *Inf.* psyched or psyched up, *Sl.* hopped up, *Sl.* ape; heated, vehement, fervid, perfervid; burning, fiery, flaming, inflamed, glowing, white-hot.

3. earnest, wholehearted, devoted; zealous, agog, passionate, *Inf.* gung-ho, *Inf.* rah-rah; possessed, fanatic, fanatical, *Sl.* hung up, rabid, mad.

4. spirited, animated, vivacious, lively; vigorous, forceful, energetic, exuberant; ebullient, irrepressible, bubbling over, effervescent; demonstrative, emotive, expressive, effusive, gushing, *Inf.* gaga.



