1. **Palindrome**: a word or phrase which reads the same backward and forward
2. **Adage**: an old saying now accepted as truthful
3. **Convent**: to meet, come together, assemble
4. **Hyperbole**: an exaggeration, not to be taken seriously
5. **Lurid**: 1. glowing through haze; 2. Shocking; sensational
6. **Disparity**: contrast, dissimilarity
7. **Vitiate**: 1. To spoil; 2. To cause moral weakness
8. **Explode**: to debunk, disprove; blow up, burst
9. **Crass**: crude, unrefined
10. **Inimical**: hostile, unfriendly
11. **Eminence**: a lofty place; superiority
12. **Injunction**: command, order
13. **Amorphous**: with no shape; unorganized
14. **Monastic**: extremely plain or secluded, as in monastery
15. **Immaculate**: perfectly clean; correct
16. **Untoward**: unexpected and inappropriate inconvenient
17. **Presumptuous**: rude, improperly bold
18. **Subsequent**: following in time or order
19. **Educe**: to draw out; to infer from information
20. **Whet**: to sharpen by rubbing; to stimulate
21. **Precocious**: unusually advanced at an early age
22. **Relegate**: to assign to an inferior position; to commit to an action
23. **Lucid**: shiny; clear-minded
24. **Mores**: customs or manners
25. **Hone**: something used to sharpen; to sharpen
26. **Cascade**: a small series of waterfalls
27. **Stratify**: to arrange into layers
28. **Precision**: state of being precise
29. **Fervid**: intensely hot; fervent; impassioned
30. **Imperious**: arrogant; urgent
31. **Strident**: loud, harsh, unpleasantly noisy
32. **Chafe**: to annoy; to irritate
33. **Innate**: natural, born
34. **Goad**: a driving impulse; to push into action
35. **Ideology**: speculation; representative way of thinking
36. **Innuendo**: indirect and subtle criticism, insinuation
37. **Recluse**: solitary; a person who lives in seclusion
38. **Censure**: a strong expression of disapproval
39. **Servile**: a slave-like manner
40. **Burlesque**: to imitate in a non-serious manner
41. **Astute**: having good judgment
42. **Waive**: to give up; to put off until later
43. **Visionary**: not realistic; impractical
44. **Auspicious**: of good omen; successful
45. **Fathom**: to understand; a nautical unit of depth equal to 6 feet
46. **Copious**: abundant, plentiful
47. **Atrocious**: monstrous, shockingly bad, wicked
48. **Subliminal**: subconscious; imperceptible
49. **Pensive**: engaged in deep thought; expressing thoughtfulness with some sadness
50. **Dispel**: to drive out or scatter
51. **Ulterior**: regarding the future; undisclosed
52. **Wanton**: unmanageable; unjustifiably malicious
53. **Odium**: hatred; the disgrace from a grateful action
54. **Superfluous**: excessive; unnecessary
55. **Duress**: imprisonment; the use of threats
56. **Lacerate**: to tear or mangle
57. **Predicate** **(v.)**: to found or base on
58. **Respire**: to breathe
59. **Virile**: masculine; manly
60. **Ignominious**: contemptible; disgraceful; degrading
61. **Impiety**: irreverence toward God; lack of respect
62. **Extol**: to praise
63. **Predilection**: preference, liking
64. **Implicit**: understood but not plainly stated
65. **Colloquial**: having to do with conversation; informal speech
66. **Problematic**: being hard to deal with; unsolved situation
67. **Divine** **(v.)**: to foretell or know by inspiration
68. **Cosset**: to pamper, treat with great care
69. **Effluvium**: an outflow of vapor of invisible particles; a noxious odor
70. **Dissociate**: to separate; remove from an association
71. **Esoteric**: understood by only a chosen few; confidential
72. **Stymie**: to block or thwart
73. **Execute**: to put to death; kill; to carry out; fulfill
74. **Attain**: to accomplish, gain
75. **Travail**: very hard work; intense pain or agony
76. **Residue**: remainder, leftover, remnant
77. **Fatuous**: lacking in seriousness
78. **Reticent**: not speaking freely; reserved
79. **Subsidiary**: giving a service; being in a subordinate position
80. **Moot**: debatable; previously decided
81. **Preponderance**: majority in number; dominance
82. **Impetuous**: moving with great force
83. **Autonomous**: separate, independent
84. **Subterranean**: hidden, secret; underground
85. **Feint**: to pretend to throw a punch, as in boxing
86. **Haggard**: untamed; having a worn look
87. **Levity**: lack of seriousness; instability
88. **Vituperate**: to abuse verbally
89. **Inquest**: investigation; court or legal proceeding
90. **Expedient**: convenient in obtaining a result; guided by self-interest
91. **Palliate**: to alleviate or ease pain but not cure; to make appear less serious
92. **Mite**: a very small sum of money; a very small creature
93. **Preposterous**: absurd, illogical
94. **Teem**: to be stocked to overflowing; to pour out
95. **Noisome**: harmful to health; having a foul odor
96. **Resplendent**: splendid, brilliant
97. **Austere**: having a stern look; having strict self-discipline
98. **Substantive**: existing independently of others; a large quantity; essential
99. **Oscillate**: to move back and forth; to have a wavering opinion
100. **Culmination**: climax, final stage
101. **Restrained**: controlled, repressed, restricted
102. **Cupidity**: greed
103. **Doleful**: sad, mournful
104. **Enfranchised**: to free from obligation; to admit to citizenship
105. **Quirk**: a twist; a peculiar trait
106. **Ferret**: to force out of hiding; to search for
107. **Auditory**: having to do with hearing
108. **Prodigious**: wonderful; enormous
109. **Coven**: group of witches
110. **Propinquity**: closeness in time or place; closeness of relationship
111. **Insidious**: sly, treacherous, devious
112. **Harbor**: a place of safety or shelter; to give shelter or protect
113. **Rampart**: a defense; to defend
114. **Fraudulent**: deceitful, dishonest, unethical
115. **Redolent**: sweet-smelling
116. **Insoluble**: not able to be solved or explained
117. **Innocuous**: harmless; dull
118. **Zeal**: eager enthusiasm
119. **Dank**: chilly and wet
120. **Abdicate**: renounce; give up