

# ROOT WORDS

MAL

**MAL = BAD & EVIL**

WORDS WITH THE ROOT WORD **MAL** :

Maladroit = Clumsy; awkward; inept

Malady = Sickness; disease

Malapert = Ill-bred; impudent

Malapropos = Inappropriate; not fitting



Malapropism = Humorous misuse of words

Malaria = A disease carried by a mosquito

Malcontent = Rebellious; discontented; bad tempered

Malediction = Slander; curse



Malefaction = An evil deed

Malefactor = One who commits an evil deed; evildoer

Malevolent = Wishing evil to others

Malevolence = The state of wishing evil to others;  
ill will; viciousness



Malfeasance = Evil conduct; especially by a public official

Maltreated = Badly treated; abused

Malice = Ill-will' as, "with malice toward none'

Malicious = Full of ill-will

Malpractice = Professional misconduct

Malignant = Injurious; extremely evil; tending to produce death

Malign = To utter slander of; to defame unjustly

Maliferous = Disease bringing; productive of evil