

Word	Definition	Example Sentence			
Abate	v. to become less active, less intense, or less in amount	As I began my speech, my feelings of nervousness quickly abated .	Basic	<i>adj.</i> relating to the foundation or basis of something	You have to start with basic Russian before you can move on to the advanced level.
Abstract	<i>adj.</i> existing purely in the mind; not representing actual reality	Julie had trouble understanding the appeal of the abstract painting.	Bear	v. to have as a characteristic v. to have (a child) v. to bring forth v. to put up with	She bears a strong resemblance to your mother. Judy will bear her first child last year. My garden is going to bear pumpkins this year. I can't bear her complaining any longer!
Abysmal	<i>adj.</i> extremely bad	I got an abysmal grade on my research paper!	Benevolent	<i>adj.</i> kind, generous	Many cultures believe in benevolent spirits.
Accordingly	<i>adv.</i> in accordance with	All students must behave accordingly .	Bias	<i>n.</i> a preconception that prevents objectivity	It's important to avoid bias when investigating a crime.
Acquisition	<i>n.</i> the act of gaining a skill or possession of something	Language acquisition is easier for kids than it is for adults.	Bittersweet	<i>adj.</i> tinged with a feeling of sadness	The ending of the romance movie was bittersweet .
Adapt	v. to make suit a new purpose v. to accommodate oneself to a new condition, setting, or situation	The US has adapted many foreign foods to better suit the tastes of Americans. Dogs are known for their ability to quickly adapt to their environments.	Bolster	v. to support, strengthen, or fortify	If we work together, we should be able to lift and then bolster the couch.
Adept	<i>adj.</i> having knowledge or skill (usu. in a particular area)	Beth loves playing the piano, but she's especially adept at the violin.	Boost	<i>n.</i> an increase or growth v. to increase or make grow	The boost in profits was a welcome change. In order to boost profits, you need to cater to your customers.
Adequate	<i>adj.</i> having sufficient qualifications to meet a specific task or purpose	Though his resume was adequate , the company doubted whether he'd be a good fit.	Brawl	<i>n.</i> an intense, loud fight v. to fight loudly and disruptively	A brawl broke out at school today after one student accused another of cheating. The two students brawled for an hour.
Advent	<i>n.</i> the arrival or creation of something (usu. historic)	The world has never been the same since the advent of the light bulb.	Brevity	<i>n.</i> the quality of being brief or terse	The brevity of their time together made it all the more romantic.
Adversarial	<i>adj.</i> relating to hostile opposition <i>n.</i> someone who promotes or defends something	An adversarial attitude will make you many enemies in life.	Candid	<i>adj.</i> direct, blunt	Josh is candid about his desire to become an actor.
Advocate	v. to defend or promote something (usu. a belief, theory, opinion, etc.)	I am an advocate for free higher education. Environmental protesters often advocate for cleaner energy practices.	Candor	<i>n.</i> the trait of being honest and frank	I admire her candor , especially when nobody else bothers to speak up.
Aesthetic	<i>adj.</i> relating to beauty or refined taste	The aesthetic decorations at the wedding reception made you feel as if you were a character in a fairy tale.	Capitalize	v. to use to your advantage	I'd like to capitalize on your math skills by having your work the cash register.
Afford	v. to be able to buy v. to be able to spare	He's saving money so he can afford to buy a new car. I can't afford to lose any more pencils!	Capture	v. to trap or take possession of v. to successfully represent or imitate v. to captivate, mesmerize v. to catch or seize	The spy was captured by the enemy. Your painting beautifully captures the ephemerality of life. I was captured by her beauty.
Agitate	v. to promote something (usu. a cause)	They're agitating for better health care.	Civic	<i>adj.</i> relating to the city or citizens	The cops captured the criminal three days after the incident.
Allow	v. to permit or consent to	US law allows citizens to speak freely.	Clinical	<i>adj.</i> emotionally unattached (usu. used in medical or scientific setting)	Voting is a civic duty. Her clinical approach to situations allows her to handle them more effectively.
Allude	v. to make a secretive mention of something	She alluded to the problem at hand but didn't say anything more about it.	Clout	<i>n.</i> special advantage or power	Children of rich and famous people often believe they have a lot of clout .
Altercation	<i>n.</i> a noisy argument or confrontation	Greg got into an altercation with a stranger at the bar.	Coarse	<i>adj.</i> indicating a rough texture <i>adj.</i> lacking refinement or sophistication	The horse's mane was coarse , as if it had never been washed. The queen's coarse way of speaking surprised the other members of royalty.
Ambiguous	<i>adj.</i> unclear or vague in meaning	Her ambiguous statement made me question whether she could be trusted.	Coincide	v. to happen at the same time	It wasn't until after I booked my ticket that I realized the concert coincided with my finals.
Ambitious	<i>adj.</i> having a powerful desire for success or achievement	Penny is so ambitious , she wants to be president someday.	Commission	<i>n.</i> the use of payment to request something (e.g., a service or product)	This painting was commissioned by a rich merchant in 1589.
Ambivalence	<i>n.</i> the state of being uncertain or stuck between two or more options	His ambivalence prevented him from immediately signing the contract.	Comparable	<i>adj.</i> able to be compared	This novel is comparable to <i>Huckleberry Finn</i> .
Analogous	<i>adj.</i> similar but not identical	Green onions are considered analogous to spring onions.	Competent	<i>adj.</i> sufficiently qualified	We need to hire a competent web developer to create a good website for our company.
Annihilate	v. to destroy or cause devastating destruction	The dictator sent orders to annihilate the group of rebels.	Complacent	<i>adj.</i> satisfied, with no desire to change or improve	Though he had never won any awards or even been published, he was complacent with his life as a poet.
Anomaly	<i>n.</i> something different from the norm	This result is an anomaly and very rarely happens.	Complement	v. to make perfect or complete	This wine perfectly complements this platter of gourmet cheese.
Anticipate	v. assume to be likely to happen	The party was just as fun as I had anticipated it would be.	Concede	v. to be forced to agree or surrender v. to admit to a transgression	With no chance of winning the battle, the army at last conceded . Dan conceded to pranking his sister.
Antipathy	<i>n.</i> a strong feeling of dislike	Her antipathy toward the professor was obvious: she rolled her eyes whenever he entered the classroom.	Conceive	v. to imagine or come up with	The plan to build the city was originally conceived in the early 1900s.
Apex	<i>n.</i> the highest point of something	The spring play was the apex of our school year.	Condone	v. to overlook, approve, or allow	She couldn't condone her daughter's rebellious behavior.
Apprehension	<i>n.</i> fearful expectation of something	Her apprehension to leave her house resulted in her missing the train.	Conducive	<i>adj.</i> able to bring about or be suitable for	The noisy students hardly made the campus library conducive to studying.
Articulate	v. to clearly express in words	She articulated her opinion on the price of the house.	Conduct	v. to control or manage v. to behave a certain way v. to share something secretive with someone	The group conducted their research abroad last year. Be sure to conduct yourself accordingly.
Artificial	<i>adj.</i> something made; not occurring naturally	Many candies use artificial flavors to make them taste fruity.	Confide	v. to put limits on; to restrict	She confided all of her biggest secrets in her best friend.
Assertion	<i>n.</i> a strong declaration	His assertion that sharks are mammals made everyone laugh.	Confine	<i>n.</i> overall agreement	We are going to confine the use of this drinking fountain.
Austere	<i>adj.</i> extremely plain <i>adj.</i> stern and forbidding <i>adj.</i> relating to self-denial	He lived in a small, austere cabin in the middle of the woods. My boss had an austere expression on her face. An austere lifestyle, like that of monks, isn't for everybody.	Consensus	v. to form or compose (part of) something	After weeks of debating, the panel finally came to a consensus .
Authenticity	<i>n.</i> the quality of being real and true instead of fake and contrived	The police officer doubted the authenticity of the suspect's story.	Constitute	v. to think deeply about	The desire for equality constituted the civil rights movement. She contemplated telling her teacher about the cheating student.
Avenue	<i>n.</i> an intangible path or approach to something	The company has decided to pursue other avenues .	Contemplate	v. to maintain or assert (an opinion)	The president contends that the US government will not negotiate with terrorists.
Avid	<i>adj.</i> actively interested in or enthusiastic about something	Gerald is an avid soccer fan.	Contradict	v. to be in contrast with	The camera footage contradicts his alibi.

Controversial	<i>adj.</i> highly debatable and causing contention	Millions of viewers watched the controversial debate take place.	Emit	<i>v.</i> to discharge, give forth, or release	Plants consume carbon dioxide and emit oxygen.
Conventional	<i>adj.</i> abiding by accepted standards	She lives a conventional life in the suburbs.	Emphatic	<i>adj.</i> very expressive; using emphasis	Her emphatic smile told me she was excited to ride the roller coaster.
Convey	<i>v.</i> to pass on or transfer (information)	I have trouble conveying my thoughts in French.	Empirical	<i>adj.</i> derived from experience, observation, or an experiment	You need empirical evidence to support your claim.
Conviction	<i>n.</i> a firm belief in something	Her religious convictions prevent her from eating meat.	Endow	<i>v.</i> to equip or bestow (usu. a quality or ability)	According to the myth, the gods endowed him with the gift of healing.
Corroborate	<i>v.</i> to provide evidence for; to back up (a claim)	The note signed by her father corroborates her claim that she was absent from class that day.	Endure	<i>v.</i> to withstand, sustain, or hold out against	I can't endure this wait any longer. Will Stanford accept or reject me?
Counteract	<i>v.</i> to work in opposition to	This ingredient seems to counteract the other ones.	Entail	<i>v.</i> to involve or include	A doctoral program entails long nights and a heavy workload.
Counterargument	<i>n.</i> an argument used to criticize or dismantle another argument	Make sure to include a counterargument in your essay so that you can show you've considered the topic from all perspectives.	Entrenched	<i>adj.</i> firmly established	Her face will forever be entrenched in my memory.
Counterproductive	<i>adj.</i> hindering the achievement of a goal	Bill's idea to take a shortcut was ultimately counterproductive : it took us twice as long to get to the train station.	Enumerate	<i>v.</i> to specify or count	I can't enumerate how many times I've had to remind my students when their papers are due.
Culmination	<i>n.</i> the final act or climax	The culmination of the performance was unforgettable.	Envy	<i>n.</i> excessive jealousy <i>v.</i> to admire and be jealous of	His envy of her is quite obvious.
Cultivate	<i>v.</i> to foster the growth of	Teachers don't just pass on new information to students—they cultivate their academic potential.	Erratic	<i>adj.</i> having no fixed course; deviating from the norm	She envies her coworker's social skills.
Decree	<i>v.</i> to declare formally and with authority	The president decreed that Halloween would henceforth be a national holiday.	Establish	<i>v.</i> to enact <i>v.</i> to found (a business, group, school, etc.)	The car became erratic after slipping on ice.
Deference	<i>n.</i> respect; regard	Her deference to the elderly makes her the perfect candidate for an internship at the retirement center.	Evoke	<i>v.</i> to draw forth or call up	They established a law that made it illegal to drive after drinking any amount of alcohol.
Deficient	<i>adj.</i> not enough in degree or amount	I feel as though the sources for my paper are deficient .	Exacerbate	<i>v.</i> to make worse or increase the severity of	Our group established a new branch in Chicago.
Demonstrate	<i>v.</i> to do as an example <i>v.</i> gives evidence for	Could you demonstrate the dance move for me? This book's use of words such as "grim" and "bleak" demonstrates the author's mournful tone.	Excel	<i>v.</i> to do something extremely well or to be superior in	Horror movies are great at evoking fear.
Demur	<i>v.</i> to object to	She demurred at my request to transfer to a different department.	Exert	<i>v.</i> to put into use (usu. as effort)	The doctor told me not to run as it can exacerbate my knee injury.
Deplete	<i>v.</i> to (over)use over time (usu. resources)	The lost campers quickly depleted their supply of food.	Exhilarating	<i>adj.</i> invigorating, stimulating, or exciting	She was a well-rounded student but excelled especially in science.
Desolate	<i>adj.</i> bare, barren, empty	The moon is one giant, desolate landscape.	Expend	<i>v.</i> to use up (as in energy or money)	Don't exert all of your energy at once.
Devise	<i>v.</i> to come up with (a plan)	Lana devised a plan to make herself famous.	Exploit	<i>v.</i> to use selfishly or for profit	The music playing at the club was catchy and exhilarating .
Dilemma	<i>n.</i> a problem, usually requiring a choice between two options	The main dilemma is whether to pay for a commercial or not.	Facilitate	<i>v.</i> to aid the progress of	Be careful not to expend all your energy in the first half of a marathon.
Diligence	<i>n.</i> conscientiousness; the quality of being committed to a task	Diligence and confidence will get you far in life.	Feasibility	<i>n.</i> the practicality or possibility of something	The shoddy company exploited its workers by paying them extremely low wages.
Diminish	<i>v.</i> to become smaller in scope or degree	The itchiness of mosquito bites usually starts to diminish after a few days.	Ferocity	<i>n.</i> viciousness, violence	In grad school, advisors facilitate students' research and offer constructive criticism.
Dire	<i>adj.</i> hopeless and dangerous or fearful	When the police didn't explain what was happening right away, Jane knew that the situation must be dire .	Fiscal	<i>adj.</i> related to (government) money	The feasibility of her project was doubtful; she'd have to go all the way to Antarctica and back before the school year ended.
Discord	<i>n.</i> disagreement	Disputes over money caused intense discord in the family.	Flourish	<i>v.</i> to prosper, grow, or make fast progress	The lion is just one wild animal known for its ferocity .
Disdain	<i>n.</i> a lack of respect and strong dislike (toward something or someone)	He looked at me with such disdain that I immediately knew the job wouldn't work out.	Fluctuate	<i>v.</i> to be unstable; to rise and fall	Fiscal policy is how the government uses money to influence the economy.
Dismay	<i>n.</i> hopelessness, stress, or consternation <i>v.</i> to fill with woe or apprehension	To Nick's dismay , he got an F on the test. Many were dismayed by the town's implementation of metered parking.	Foment	<i>v.</i> to stir up	After one year, the tiny plants had flourished into a breathtaking garden.
Disparage	<i>v.</i> to belittle or speak down to	A good boss is stern but never disparages his or her employees.	Foreseeable	<i>adj.</i> capable of being predicted or anticipated	Stocks can fluctuate on a daily basis, making it difficult to determine when to buy or sell one.
Dispatch	<i>v.</i> to send off a message or messenger	The mother dispatched her daughter to their neighbor's house.	Frankly	<i>adv.</i> directly, clearly	The civilians accused their leader of fomenting political unrest.
Diversification	<i>n.</i> the act of becoming diverse	Lately, there's been noticeable diversification of students at higher institutions.	Freewheeling	<i>adj.</i> carefree	I can't imagine aliens visiting us in the foreseeable future.
Doctrine	<i>n.</i> a principle, theory, or position, usu. advocated by a religion or gov't	Devoutly religious people often live their lives according to their doctrines .	Fundamental	<i>adj.</i> the most essential or most basic part	I frankly don't see the point in learning to drive.
Dominion	<i>n.</i> power and authority (usu. over a territory) <i>n.</i> a legal territory	The country claimed to have dominion over parts of Russia.	Galvanizing	<i>adj.</i> thrilling, exciting, stimulating	His freewheeling attitude often got him in trouble at work.
Dreary	<i>adj.</i> sad, gloomy, dull	Puerto Rico is a dominion of the US.	Geriatric	<i>adj.</i> relating to old age	A thesis is arguably the most fundamental part of an essay.
Dubious	<i>adj.</i> doubtful, questionable	The gray clouds in the sky made the day feel dreary . The man's claims to the throne were dubious since nobody knew where he'd come from.	Hostile	<i>adj.</i> harmful, dangerous	The galvanizing performance left everyone spellbound.
Eccentric	<i>adj.</i> peculiar or odd; deviating from the norm	She's a little eccentric but still fun to be around.	Hypothetical	<i>adj.</i> supposed; related to a hypothesis	I became interested in geriatric medicine shortly after my grandfather passed away from cancer.
Egregious	<i>adj.</i> extremely bad	After cheating on the exam, Emily began to feel as though she'd made an egregious mistake.	Ignominious	<i>adj.</i> publicly shameful or humiliating	The voices around the corner sounded angry, hostile even.
Eloquent	<i>adj.</i> having refined or expressive communication skills (in speaking or writing)	His speech was not only eloquent but also extremely compelling.	Impart	<i>v.</i> to transmit, bestow, or disclose	For my physics homework, I must come up with a hypothetical situation.
Eminent	<i>adj.</i> superior or distinguished; high in position or status	Our town made news when the eminent magician came to perform at our local theater.	Impartiality	<i>n.</i> the equal and objective treatment of opposing views	The politician's expensive campaign ultimately ended in ignominious defeat.
			Imposing	<i>adj.</i> impressive (esp. in size or appearance)	Parents must impart common sense to their children.
			Imposition	<i>n.</i> an unnecessary burden	To ensure impartiality , we require everyone to follow these general guidelines.
					The old mansion was imposing in its huge size and gothic architecture.
					If it's not too much of an imposition , could you proofread my paper?

Imprudent	<i>adj.</i> not cautious or prudent; rash
Incite	<i>v.</i> to encourage or stir up
Indifference	<i>n.</i> apathy, emotional detachment
Indiscriminately	<i>adv.</i> randomly; with little or no distinction
Indulge	<i>v.</i> to give into; to satisfy or gratify
Infer	<i>v.</i> to guess, conclude, or derive by reasoning
Innovative	<i>adj.</i> novel or new (esp. as an idea or invention)
Insatiable	<i>adj.</i> can't be satisfied
Inversion	<i>n.</i> a reversal
Invoke	<i>v.</i> to call on; to appeal to (e.g., a higher power)
Irreconcilable	<i>adj.</i> incapable of being in harmony or agreed upon
Lament	<i>v.</i> to feel sorrow for; to mourn
Locomotion	<i>n.</i> movement
Lucrative	<i>adj.</i> capable of making a lot of money; profitable
Malicious	<i>adj.</i> harmful, spiteful
Malleable	<i>adj.</i> capable of being molded or changed
Materialistic	<i>adj.</i> superficial; focus on material possessions
Melodramatic	<i>adj.</i> extravagant or exaggerated (as of a melodrama)
Modest	<i>adj.</i> simple and humble <i>adj.</i> small in size or amount
Modify	<i>v.</i> to change, alter, or tweak
Momentous	<i>adj.</i> historically significant
Novel	<i>adj.</i> new, innovative
Nuance	<i>n.</i> a subtle difference in meaning
Null	<i>adj.</i> legally void and ineffective
Objectivity	<i>n.</i> judgment based on observations instead of emotions or opinions
Obsolete	<i>adj.</i> no longer used; rare or uncommon
Omnipotent	<i>adj.</i> almighty and all powerful
Onset	<i>n.</i> the beginning or early stages
Opine	<i>v.</i> to openly express an opinion
Ornate	<i>adj.</i> highly detailed and decorated
Oust	<i>v.</i> to remove or force out of (usu. a position or office)
Paramount	<i>adj.</i> predominant, superior, most important
Peculiar	<i>adj.</i> strange, bizarre
Perish	<i>v.</i> to die; to pass away
Persecute	<i>v.</i> to cause suffering to
Petulant	<i>adj.</i> cranky, pouty, irritable
Pinnacle	<i>n.</i> highest level or degree
Pitiable	<i>adj.</i> deserving pity
Plausible	<i>adj.</i> reasonable and possibly true
Postulate	<i>v.</i> to assert

Backpacking abroad can be fun, but don't be **imprudent** about money.

Her hateful words **incited** anger in the crowd.

The girl's **indifference** toward her brother upset their parents.

Lottery winners are chosen **indiscriminately**.

My friend loves to **indulge** in cheesy romance movies.

You can **infer** from this quotation that the writer didn't care for "pretty" language.

Her invention was incredibly **innovative** and won her multiple awards.

A vampire's thirst for blood is said to be **insatiable**.

The culture's norms were an **inversion** of our own.

The shaman attempted to **invoke** a demon.

The couple's differences were ultimately **irreconcilable**, giving them no choice but to break up.

Susan **lamented** her missed chance at going to Europe with her high school class.

Physics involves the study of **locomotion**.

Writing books isn't a particularly **lucrative** career, unless you're J.K. Rowling.

The **malicious** spirit drove out the inhabitants from their home.

Children's minds are **malleable** but only for so long.

Many people accuse Americans of being **materialistic**.

The **melodramatic** play was well liked by the audience.

They moved into a **modest** house in the countryside.

I received a **modest** sum of money for my help at the company event.

Dr. Nguyen **modified** the gene so that it wouldn't carry the disease.

Her win in the election was **momentous**.

We are looking for **novel** ways to approach the project.

Body-language experts even understand the **nuances** of facial expressions.

The government declared their marriage **null**.

In scientific research, **objectivity** is of utmost importance.

Historians assumed record players would be **obsolete** by now, but in fact they're making a huge comeback.

Gods are **omnipotent** beings who can control human destiny.

At the **onset** of her career as a lawyer, things were looking up.

The new employee **opined** at the company meeting.

That **ornate** silverware must be worth thousands of dollars!

Sick and tired of putting up with his bad moods, the pirates **ousted** their captain.

Our **paramount** concern is the safety of our employees.

Upon entering the abandoned house, Kate experienced a **peculiar** feeling, as if someone was watching her.

According to the news, nobody **perished** in the fire.

They will **persecute** anyone who doesn't agree with their views of the world.

Petulant children are especially difficult to care for.

Many believe that composers such as Beethoven and Mozart represent the **pinnacle** of classical music.

The frail-looking dog was **pitiable**, so I gave it some food and took it inside to care for it.

Her story is **plausible**, but that doesn't mean she's telling the truth.

The literary critic **postulates** that romanticism and naturalism are actually interconnected.

Potent	<i>adj.</i> having great influence <i>adj.</i> having a strong, chemical effect
Pragmatic	<i>adj.</i> practical, useful
Precedent	<i>n.</i> an example or subject from earlier in time
Predecessor	<i>n.</i> someone who comes before you (usu. in position or office)
Prescribe	<i>v.</i> to command orders <i>v.</i> to issue authorization for medications
Principle	<i>n.</i> basic truth, assumption, or rule
Prohibit	<i>v.</i> to command against, to outlaw
Prompt	<i>adj.</i> punctual, on time <i>n.</i> a cue to begin something; instructions <i>v.</i> to incite, propel, or cause to act
Promulgate	<i>v.</i> to put into law or formally declare
Prosecute	<i>v.</i> to bring criminal action against someone (in a trial)
Provocative	<i>adj.</i> intending to provoke, inspire, or arouse
Qualitative	<i>adj.</i> involving qualities of something (features and content)
Quantitative	<i>adj.</i> involving quantities (numbers and amounts)
Quirk	<i>n.</i> a strange habit
Ramify	<i>v.</i> to split into two or more branches
Rash	<i>adj.</i> without attention to danger or risk
Raw	<i>adj.</i> unrefined <i>adj.</i> not processed; uncooked (as in food)
Readily	<i>adv.</i> right away and without difficulty
Reconsideration	<i>n.</i> thinking again about a previously made choice
Reform	<i>n.</i> a change for the better; improvement <i>v.</i> to improve via change
Refute	<i>v.</i> to prove to be untrue, unfounded, or incorrect
Reinforce	<i>v.</i> to strengthen or add support to
Reluctantly	<i>adv.</i> somewhat unwillingly
Renounce	<i>v.</i> to give up (usu. power or a position) <i>v.</i> to cast off
Reproach	<i>v.</i> to criticize
Repudiate	<i>v.</i> to refuse to recognize as true <i>v.</i> to cast off
Retention	<i>n.</i> the act of keeping something
Satiated	<i>adj.</i> satisfied (usu. in hunger)
Savvy	<i>adj.</i> having practical intelligence or knowledge
Scandalous	<i>adj.</i> morally offensive, often causing damage to one's reputation
Scorn	<i>v.</i> to look down on with disdain
Scrupulous	<i>adj.</i> paying great attention to detail

The bald eagle is a **potent** symbol of the US.

The potion was definitely **potent**—it healed my wounds immediately!

It's not necessarily more **pragmatic** to study engineering than it is to study philosophy.

This change in law is without historical **precedent**.

My **predecessor** gave me many tips for running the office.

The directions for our essay **prescribe** a length of at least ten pages.

A doctor must **prescribe** you this medication before you can begin taking it.

Remember the universal **principle**: treat others as you want them to treat you.

Alcohol was **prohibited** in the US in the 1920s.

She is always **prompt** when it comes to turning in her homework.

I had to write an essay based on a **prompt**.

The possibility of a scholarship **prompted** him to apply to Harvard.

The ruler will at last **promulgate** an amnesty with the neighboring countries.

The suspect was **prosecuted** yesterday.

Her nude paintings are considered quite **provocative**.

I noticed a **qualitative** change in her paintings.

We must conduct a **quantitative** analysis.

His biggest **quirk** is his love of old marbles.

Cars **ramified** throughout the world in the twentieth century.

Her **rash** decision to pass the car nearly resulted in a crash.

He's got **raw** talent as a singer, but he needs to work on his performance skills.

In some countries, such as Japan, it is normal to eat **raw** fish.

Water was **readily** available at different points in the race.

The judges' **reconsideration** of her performance resulted in her victory.

The **reform** made it so that only those 18 and older can legally drive.

The government **reformed** its vague policies on marijuana use.

The student **refuted** the professor's claim in class.

We can use these pipes to **reinforce** the structure.

Max **reluctantly** agreed to see the horror movie with his friends.

Our CEO **renounced** her position yesterday.

He **renounced** his friend after he caught her stealing money from him.

The mother **reproached** her daughter's school for making students come in during a blizzard.

The father **repudiated** his son's marriage.

She **repudiated** her son once she found out he'd married someone without telling her.

Water **retention** can make you weigh more on certain days.

I felt **satiated** after eating a snack.

My brother is not very **savvy** when it comes to using public transportation.

The **scandalous** politician decided it was best to resign from office.

It's difficult for me not to **scorn** those who use improper grammar.

I am a **scrupulous** proofreader and never miss an error.

Scrutinize	v. to examine carefully and critically	The teacher scrutinized her students' essays.			their stomachs.
Secrete	v. to produce or release (a substance)	Trees secrete a sticky substance called sap. I am of the sentiment that you should never give out your passwords to anyone. Even though I'm not a big fan of porcelain dolls, I appreciated the sentiment .	Unilateral	<i>adj.</i> one-sided	The unilateral decision was deemed unfair by the other party involved.
Sentiment	<i>n.</i> opinion <i>n.</i> a tender or moving gesture	The curtains on the window were so sheer you could clearly see inside the house. This math problem is so simple even a first grader can solve it. The simple beauty of the ocean is what makes it memorable. Medieval peasants believed sinister demons could harm humans.	Unjust	<i>adj.</i> unfair; not justified	The court's decision is unjust —he should not go free.
Sheer	<i>adj.</i> so thin that light can shine through	I stood in solidarity with other female students by refusing to wear the school's sexist uniform.	Unmitigated	<i>adj.</i> downright, utter, total <i>adj.</i> completely new and never having happened before; historic	My speech was an unmitigated disaster!
Simple	<i>adj.</i> easy; not complex <i>adj.</i> undecorated	Due to my condition, I must eat salt sparingly .	Unprecedented		The number of protestors was unprecedented .
Sinister	<i>adj.</i> ominous, evil	Frogs typically spawn in ponds. The topic spawned an ongoing debate among his family members. Her bravery spurred others to act.	Unveil	v. to make visible; to reveal	We plan to unveil our plans for the new company project on Sunday.
Solidarity	<i>n.</i> the joining of commonalities or common purposes among a group	The squalid cabin needed a new roof and an exterminator.	Urge	<i>n.</i> desire or impulse v. to encourage or persuade	He had the urge to tell his parents about his acceptance to Columbia but decided against it.
Sparingly	<i>adv.</i> insufficiently, meagerly, or in a restricted manner	Looking out at the stark landscape, I felt a keen sense of isolation.	Validate	v. to prove or declare valid	She urged her sister to apply to Stanford.
Spawn	v. to release eggs v. to call forth or generate	The ball is static . Her life has been static for the past three years.	Viability	<i>n.</i> ability to be done in a practical or useful way	Your selfish actions do not validate your feelings for me.
Spur	v. to stimulate or incite	The subordinate officers work every day. My subordinate will check you in.	Vital	<i>adj.</i> urgently necessary	The viability of the solution is questionable.
Squalid	<i>adj.</i> run-down, sordid, or sleazy	You aren't my boss—you can't subordinate me to the role of receptionist!	Vow	v. to promise	It is vital that you respond by the deadline.
Stark	<i>adj.</i> very plain; devoid of any details or features	I subsequently went home.	Warrant	v. to prove to be reasonable	My brother quickly broke his vow to never eat chocolate again.
Static	<i>adj.</i> motionless <i>adj.</i> changeless <i>adj.</i> lower in rank	I was shocked to find a substantial amount of money beneath the park bench.	Yield	<i>n.</i> production of an amount v. to give way to or surrender to v. to produce or supply	Wanting to look cool in front of your friends doesn't warrant breaking the law.
Subordinate	<i>n.</i> someone lower in rank v. to make dependent on or put at a lower rank	It is important for scientists to substantiate their theories whenever possible.			The farmer's annual pumpkin yield exceeded 10,000.
Subsequently	<i>adv.</i> happening later or after something	I detected in her expression a subtle hint of irritation.			Cars turning right on red must yield to oncoming traffic.
Substantial	<i>adj.</i> very large in amount or degree	These boxes should be sufficient for our move.			Our experiment yielded many unique-looking vegetables.
Substantiate	v. to strengthen with new evidence or facts	The bartender was a surly fellow who wasn't afraid to start a fight.			
Subtle	<i>adj.</i> hard to detect or analyze	They managed to surmount the language barrier by using a translation app.			
Sufficient	<i>adj.</i> enough; just meeting a requirement	Children are more susceptible to certain illnesses than adults are.			
Surly	<i>adj.</i> unfriendly; inclined to anger	Her tactful attitude toward our class made her one of my favorite teachers.			
Surmount	v. to get on top of or overcome	The rubberband was taut and ready to be fired.			
Susceptible	<i>adj.</i> to be vulnerable (to something)	Doorknobs are not as clean as they look and are often teeming with germs.			
Tactful	<i>adj.</i> skilled at dealing with people	She had a hostile temperament , making her intimidating to most people.			
Taut	<i>adj.</i> pulled tight	We haven't made any official arrangements yet, but the tentative location for our wedding is Hawaii.			
Teeming	<i>adj.</i> abundantly filled (usu. with living organisms)	Stained window glass isn't as transparent as regular window glass is.			
Temperament	<i>n.</i> usual mood or feelings	She was transparent about her plans to end her marriage.			
Tentative	<i>adj.</i> not yet finalized	The journey was becoming treacherous , but they continued on regardless.			
Transparent	<i>adj.</i> see-through; so thin that light can shine through <i>adj.</i> truthful or easy to perceive	Tremendous news! You don't have to repay your loans!			
Treacherous	<i>adj.</i> dangerous and unstable	Cell phones are ubiquitous these days.			
Tremendous	<i>adj.</i> very large, good, or bad in degree or size	Though the dress was cheap and unadorned , it was by far her favorite one on the rack.			
Ubiquitous	<i>adj.</i> being everywhere at once	Parents should take care not to constantly undermine their children.			
Unadorned	<i>adj.</i> undecorated, plain	This sentence seems to underscore the overall meaning of the passage.			
Undermine	v. to weaken or subvert (usu. gradually or secretly)	Belly dancers are known for their ability to skillfully undulate			
Underscore	v. to emphasize or give additional weight to				
Undulate	v. to move as ripples or in a wavy pattern				