

2. Exemption from second or intervening causes.

IMMEDICABLE, *a.* [L. *immedicabilis*; *in* and *medicabilis*, from *medico*, to heal.] Not to be healed; incurable. *Milton.*

IMMELODIOUS, *a.* Not melodious. *Drummond.*

IMMEMORABLE, *a.* [L. *immemorabilis*; *in* and *memorabilis*.] See *Memory*. Not to be remembered; not worth remembering. *Johnson.*

IMMEMORIAL, *a.* [Fr. from L. *in* and *memor*, *memoria*.] Beyond memory; an epithet given to time or duration, &c., whose beginning is not remembered, or cannot be traced and ascertained; as when it is said a man has possessed an estate in fee from time *immemorial*, or time out of mind. Such possession constitutes *prescription*, or *prescriptive right*. So we speak of *immemorial* use, custom or practice. In England, a thing is said to be *immemorial*, when it commenced before the reign of Edward II.

IMMEMORIALLY, *adv.* Beyond memory. *Bentley.*

IMMENSE, *a.* *immens*. [Fr. from L. *immensus*; *in* and *mensus*, *metior*, to measure.]

1. Unlimited; unbounded; infinite. O goodness infinite! goodness *immense*! *Milton.*

2. Vast in extent; very great; as an *immense* distance.

3. Huge in bulk; very large; as the *immense* body of Jupiter.

IMMENSELY, *adv.* *immensely*. Infinitely without limits or measure.

2. Vastly; very greatly.

IMMENSITY, *n.* Unlimited extension; an extent not to be measured; infinity.

By the power we find in ourselves of repeating, as often as we will, any idea of space, we get the idea of *immensity*. *Locke.*

2. Vastness in extent or bulk; greatness.

IMMENSURABILITY, *n.* [from *immensurable*.]

The quality of not being capable of measure; impossibility to be measured.

IMMENSURABLE, *a.* [L. *in* and *mensurabilis*, from *mensura*, measure; *mensus*, *metior*.] Not to be measured; immeasurable.

The law of nature—a term of *immensurable* extent. *Ward.*

IMMENSURATE, *a.* Unmeasured. *W. Mountague.*

IMMERGE, *v. t.* *immerg*. [L. *immergo*; *in* and *mergo*, to plunge.]

1. To plunge into or under a fluid. [See *Immerse*, which is generally used.]

2. *v. i.* To enter the light of the sun, as a star, or the shadow of the earth, as the moon.

IMMERIT, *n.* Want of worth. [Not used.]

IMMERITED, *a.* Unmerited. [Not used.]

IMMERITOUS, *a.* Undeserving. [Not used.]

IMMERSE, *v. t.* *immers*. [L. *immersus*, from *immergo*; *in* and *mergo*, to plunge.]

1. To put under water or other fluid; to plunge; to dip.

2. To sink or cover deep; to cover wholly; as, to be *immersed* in a wood. *Dryden.*

3. To plunge; to overwhelm; to involve;

to engage deeply; as, to *immerse* in business or cares.

It is impossible for a man to have a lively hope in another life, and yet be deeply *immersed* in the enjoyment of this. *Atterbury.*

IMMERSED, *pp.* Put into a fluid; plunged; deeply engaged; enveloped in the light of the sun, as a star, or in the shadow of the earth, as the moon.

IMMERSING, *ppr.* Plunging into a fluid; dipping; overwhelming; deeply engaging.

IMMERSION, *n.* The act of putting into a fluid below the surface; the act of plunging into a fluid till covered.

2. The state of sinking into a fluid.

3. The state of being overwhelmed or deeply engaged; as an *immersion* in the affairs of life. *Atterbury.*

4. In *astronomy*, the act of entering into the light of the sun, as a star, so as to be enveloped and invisible to the eye; or the state of being so enveloped. Also, the entrance of the moon into the shadow of the earth, at the commencement of an eclipse; or the state of being enveloped in the shadow. It is opposed to *emersion*.

The time when a star or planet is so near the sun as to be invisible; also, the moment when the moon begins to be darkened, and to enter the shadow of the earth. *Encyc.*

IMMESH, *v. t.* [in and *mesh*.] To entangle in the meshes of a net, or in a web. Observe whether the fly is completely *immeshed*. The spider used his efforts to *immesh* the scorpion. *Goldsmith.*

IMMESHED, *pp.* Entangled in meshes or webs.

IMMESHING, *ppr.* Entangling in meshes or webs.

IMMETHODOICAL, *a.* [in and *methodical*.] See *Method*. Having no method; without systematic arrangement; without order or regularity; confused. *Addison.*

IMMETHODOICALLY, *adv.* Without order or regularity; irregularly.

IMMETHODOICALNESS, *n.* Want of method; confusion.

IMMIGRANT, *n.* A person that removes into a country for the purpose of permanent residence.

IMMIGRATE, *v. i.* [L. *immigro*; *in* and *migro*, to migrate.]

To remove into a country for the purpose of permanent residence. [See *Emigrate*.] *Belknap.*

IMMIGRATION, *n.* The passing or removing into a country for the purpose of permanent residence.

IMMINENCE, *n.* [L. *imminentia*, *imminco*, to hang over.]

Properly, a hanging over, but used by Shakespeare for impending evil or danger. [Little used.]

IMMINENT, *a.* [L. *imminens*, from *imminco*, to hang over; *in* and *minor*, to threaten. See *Mence*.]

Literally, shooting over; hence, hanging over; impending; threatening; near; appearing as if about to fall on; used of evils as imminent danger; imminent judgments, evils or death. *Hooker. Milton.*

IMMIN'GLE, *v. t.* [in and *mingle*.] To mingle; to mix; to unite with numbers. *Thomson.*

IMMIN'GLED, *pp.* Mixed; mingled.

IMMIN'GLING, *ppr.* Mixing; mingling.

IMMINUTION, *n.* [L. *imminutio*, *imminuo*; *in* and *minuo*, to lessen.] A lessening; diminution; decrease. *Ray.*

IMMISCEBILITY, *n.* [L. *immisceo*; *in* and *miscere*, to mix.] Incapacity of being mixed.

IMMISCIBLE, *a.* [in and *miscible*.] Not capable of being mixed. *Med. Repos.*

IMMISS'ION, *n.* [L. *immissio*, *immitto*; *in* and *mitto*, to send.]

The act of sending or thrusting in; injection; contrary to *emission*.

IMMIT, *v. t.* [L. *immitto*; *in* and *mitto*, to send.] To send in; to inject. *Greenhill.*

IMMITTIGABLE, *a.* [in and *mitigare*.] That cannot be mitigated or appeased. *Harris.*

IMMIX, *v. t.* [in and *mix*.] To mix; to mingle.

IMMIX'ABLE, *a.* Not capable of being mixed. *Wilkins.*

IMMIXED, *a.* Unmixed. *Herbert.*

IMMIXT, *a.* [Fr. *immobilitas*, from *immobilis*; *in* and *mobilis*, from *moveo*, to move.]

Unmovableness; fixedness in place or state; resistance to motion. *Arbuthnot.*

IMMODERACY, *n.* Excess. *Brown.*

IMMODERATE, *a.* [L. *immoderatus*; *in* and *moderatus*.] See *Moderate*. Exceeding just or usual bounds; not confined to suitable limits; excessive; extravagant; unreasonable; as *immoderate* demands; *immoderate* passions, cares or grief.

IMMODERATELY, *adv.* Excessively; to an undue degree; unreasonably; as, to weep *immoderately*. *Shelford.*

IMMODERATENESS, *n.* Excess; extravagance. *Hammond.*

IMMODERATION, *n.* Excess; want of moderation. *Hammond.*

IMMODEST, *a.* [Fr. *immodeste*; L. *immodestus*; *in* and *modestus*, modest. See the latter.]

1. Literally, not limited to due bounds. Hence, in a general sense, *immoderate*; exorbitant; unreasonable; arrogant.

2. Appropriately, wanting in the reserve or restraint which decency requires; wanting in decency and delicacy. It is *immodest* to treat superiors with the familiarity that is customary among equals.

3. Wanting in chastity; unchaste; lewd; as an *immodest* female.

4. Impure; indelicate; as an *immodest* thought.

5. Obscene; as an *immodest* word.

IMMODESTLY, *adv.* Without due reserve; indecently; unchastely; obscenely.

IMMODESTY, *n.* [L. *immodestia*.] Want of modesty; indecency; unchastity.

2. Want of delicacy or decent reserve.

IMMOLATE, *v. t.* [Fr. *immoler*; L. *immolo*, to sacrifice; *in* and *mola*, meal sprinkled with salt, which was thrown on the head of the victim.]

1. To sacrifice; to kill, as a victim offered in sacrifice. *Boyle.*

2. To offer in sacrifice.