

# FAMILIAL DUMPSTER

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Able

*Reablement*

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Abundant

*Abound*

[ ə'baʊnd ]

- [ v ] To exist in large numbers
- – *In the vibrant forest where countless species reside, wildlife **abounds**.*

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Add

*Addendum*

[ ə'den.dəm ]

- [ n ] Additional material added at the end of a book/document in order to correct/clarify/supplement sth
- – *The author included an **addendum** at the end of the book to address questions frequently raised by readers.*

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Allergy

*Hypoallergenic*

# Allot

## **Allot**

[ ə'lɑ:t ]

- [ v ] To allocate a proportion of sth for a particular purpose
  - They **allotted** everyone a separate desk.
  - The ministry of culture will be **allotted** about 15% less this year.
  - Three hours have been **allotted** to/for this task.
  - The museum is planning to increase the amount of space **allotted** to modern art.

## **Allotment**

[ ə'lɒtm(ə)nt ]

- [ n ] The allotted amount / The act of allotting
  - Each student received an **allotment** of supplies for the art class.
  - We have used up this year's **allotment** of funds.

## **Allotmenteer**

[ ə'lɑ:t.mən'tɪr ]

- [ n ] Sb who rents an allotment (a piece of ground for gardening)
  - As an enthusiastic **allotmenteer**, she spends most weekends tending to her plot, ensuring a bountiful harvest.

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# Arch

## **Overarching**

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# Audacity

## **Audacious**

[ ɔ:'deɪʃəs ]

- [ adj ] The quality of being bold / having the balls
  - My **audacious** plan to climb the mountain surprised everyone.

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# Bear

## **Forbear**

# Bed

## ***Interbed***

[ ,ɪn.təˈbed]

- [ v ] To form layers between different types of rock/other substances
- – *The research paper discussed how fossil-rich strata were often **interbedded with** sterile layers, demonstrating cycles of life and extinction.*
- – *Limestone beds **interbedded with** volcanic ash layers provide evidence of periodic volcanic activity in the region.*

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## Beguile

## ***Laudatory***

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## Bid

## ***Biddable***

[ 'bɪd.ə.bəl]

- [ adj ] Able to be led / controlled easily
- – *He was a **biddable** employee, always ready to take on any task given by his boss.*
- – *The **biddable** child always listened to her parents and teachers.*

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## Bowel

## ***Disembowel***

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## Breed

## ***Ill-breeding***

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## Burn

## ***Back-burner***

# Candid

## ***Candor***

[ 'kan.də]

- [ n ] The quality of being candid
- – *The chairman was a young lad of refreshing **candor**.*

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# Capsule

## ***Capsular***

[ 'kæp.sə.lə]

- [ adj ] [Usually of human body] Resembling a capsule
- – *The surgeon examined the **capsular** tissue around the knee to ensure there was no damage.*
- – *The **capsular** shape of the spaceship allowed it to re-enter the Earth's atmosphere safely.*
- – *In botany, certain fruits have **capsular** structures that enclose their seeds.*

## ***Encapsulate***

[ ɪn'kæp.sjə.leɪt]

- [ v ] To express/show the most important characteristics
- – *The keynote speaker **encapsulated** the main points of the conference in his closing remarks.*
- – *She **encapsulates** the stereotyped image that the British have of Americans.*

# Cease

## ***Cessation***

[ se'seɪʃn]

- [ n ] The act of ceasing
- – They called for an immediate **cessation** of hostilities.

## ***Ceaseless***

[ 'si:sləs]

- [ adj ] Unceasing
- – The **ceaseless** waves crashed against the shore.

## ***Incessant***

[ ɪn'ses.ənt]

- [ adj ] Gratingly ceaseless
- – The **incessant** whining of the mosquitoes kept me up all night.

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Close

## ***Foreclose***

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Coal

## ***Coalface***

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Combat

## ***Non-combatant***

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Command

## ***Commandeer***

# Company

## **Companionable**

[ kəm'pænjənəbl ]

- [ adj ] Friendly and sociable
- – The dog was **Companionable** and loved being around people.

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# Conscience

## **Conscientious**

[ ˌkɑ:n.ʃi'en.ʃəs ]

- [ adj ] Being responsible and putting effort into one's work
- – Greg Dick is a **conscientious** worker who will be an asset to our company.

## **Unconscionable**

[ ʌn'kɑ:n.ʃən.ə.bəl ]

- [ adj ] Morally unacceptable
- – The decision to continue with this destructive nuclear project is just **unconscionable**.

## **Conscionable**

[ 'kɑ:n.ʃən.ə.bəl ]

- [ adj ] Morally acceptable
- – The decision to continue with this destructive nuclear project is just not **conscionable**.

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# Continue

## **Continuum**

[ kən'tɪn.ju.əm ]

- [ n ] Sth that extends into slight stages with no clear diving points
- – Temperature can be viewed as a **continuum**, with no sharp boundaries between hot and cold.

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# Cry

## **Lachrymose**

## Culprit

***Exculpate***

***Culpable***

***Inculcate***

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## Custom

***Customary***

[ 'kʌstəməri ]

- [ adj ] Usual
  - *She is not her **customary** cheerful self today.*
- [ adj ] Traditional
  - *It is **customary** to take off your shoes upon entering a Japanese house.*

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## Dejected

***Dejection***

[ dɪ'dʒek.ʃən ]

- [ n ] The state of being dejected (unhappy/disappointed with no hope)
  - *He wandered around the house in utter **dejection**.*
- – *She felt **dejected** after receiving the disappointing news.*

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## Delete

***Indelible***

# Demon

## ***Pandemonium***

[ ˌpæn.dəˈmɒn.i.əm ]

- [ n ] A situation of wild & noisy disorder due to excitement/anger/fear
- – ***Pandemonium*** reigned in the hall as the unbelievable election results were read out.
- – The teacher's absence led to ***pandemonium*** in the classroom, with students running around and shouting.
- – During the holiday sale, the shopping mall was ***in pandemonium***, with people scrambling to grab the best deals.

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## Determine

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## Diet

## ***Dietetics***

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## Direct

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## ***Directive***

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## Dole

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## ***Doleful***

[ ˈdɒl.fəl ]

- [ adj ] Very sad
- – The ***doleful*** melody of the violin set a somber tone for the evening.
- – He gave a ***doleful*** sigh as he looked at the empty house.

## ***Dolorous***

[ ˈdɒl.ə.əs ]

- [ adj [formal] [literary] ] Doleful
- – The ***dolorous*** news of the tragedy cast a shadow over the entire community.



Doubt

***Indubitable***

***Redoubtable***

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Draw

***Drawdown***

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Dread

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Elephant

***Elephantine***

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Equal

***Restrict***

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Equilibrium

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Equity

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Equivocate

***Equivoque***

**[ 'ɛkwɪvəʊk ]**

- [ n ] An expression with more than one meaning / A pun
- – The politician's speech was full of ***equivokes***, leaving the audience unsure of his true stance.
- – The poet's clever ***equivoque*** made the audience smile as they picked up on the double meaning.

## Extra

### ***Extraneous***

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## Fool

### ***Foolhardy***

[ 'fu:l,hɑ:r.di]

- [ adj ] Brave in a foolish way, taking unnecessary risks
- – His ***foolhardy*** attempt to climb the mountain without proper gear ended in disaster.

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## Grace

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## Hibernate

### ***Aestivate***

[ 'i:stɪvɪt]

- [ v ] To remain dormant during a prolonged hot, dry period
- – The tortoises ***aestivate*** during the summer.

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## House

### ***Hothouse***

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## Illustrate

### ***Illustrious***

[ ɪ'ləs.tri.əs]

- [ adj ] Famous, well-respected, and admired
- – The scientist's ***illustrious*** career was marked by numerous groundbreaking discoveries.
- – She comes from an ***illustrious*** political family that includes two former ministers.

# Indigenous

## ***Indigene***

[ 'ɪndɪdʒiːn]

- [ n ] Sb / Sth that is native to a particular place or region
- – The **indigenes** of the island have a rich cultural heritage passed down through generations.

## ***Indigenous***

[ ɪn'dɪdʒ.ə.nəs]

- [ adj ] Being an indigene
- – Many **indigenous** cultures have rich traditions and deep connections to their ancestral lands.
- – The panda is **indigenous** to certain mountainous regions in China.

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# Ingenious

## ***Ingenious***

[ ɪn'dʒiːniəs]

- [ adj ] Clever and resourceful
- – She came up with an **ingenious** plan to solve the issue quickly.

## ***Ingenuity***

[ ɪndʒɪ'njuːɪti]

- [ n ] The quality of being ingenious
- – Her **ingenuity** led to the creation of a device that could solve multiple problems at once.

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# Intuition

## ***Intuitive***

[ ɪn'tuː.ɪ.tɪv]

- [ adj ] Based on intuition rather than facts/proof
- – Her **intuitive** sense of direction often helped them find their way.

## ***Intuit***

[ ɪn'tuː.ɪt]

- [ v ] To understand/work out using intuition
- – She could **intuit** without him having to say a word.

# Invest

## ***Disinvestment***

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## Laminate

## ***Lamination***

[ ˌlɑːmɪˈneɪʃn ]

- [ n ] The process of laminating
- – **Lamination** of the kitchen countertops not only adds durability but also enhances their aesthetic appeal.

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## Lay

## ***Parlay***

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## Letter

## ***Unlettered***

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## Lip

## ***Bilabial***

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## Mass

## ***Amass***

[ əˈmæs ]

- [ v ] To accumulate over a long period into a large amount
- – She has **amassed** a huge fortune from her novels.
- – The company **amassed** a large database of customer information to improve their services.

Mean

*Misdemeanor*

*Demean*

*Demeanor*

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Mix

*(Im)Miscible*

[ (ɪ)'mɪsɪbl]

- [ adj ] [Of liquids] Able to combine into a homogeneous mixture
- – Oil and water are **immiscible**, i. e. they form separate layers once combined.

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Morph

*Polymorphous*

*Amorphous*

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Music

*Unmusical*

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Nose

*Rhinoplasty*

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Office

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Operate

*Interoperability*

# Oracle

## ***Oracular***

[ ɔːr'æk.jə.ləʃ ]

- [ adj ] Mysterious and difficult to understand, but probably wise
- – The author's **oracular** writing style made her novels feel like they were filled with ancient wisdom and prophecy.
- – His **oracular** pronouncements often left his followers pondering their deeper meanings for days.

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## Orb

## ***Orbicular***

[ ɔːr'bɪk.jə.ləʃ ]

- [ adj ] Shaped like an orb
- – The **orbicular** shape of the ancient coins made them easy to stack and store.

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## Out

## ***Outing***

[ 'aʊ.tɪŋ ]

- [ n ] A trip taken for pleasure, lasting for a day or less
- – We planned a family **outing** to the beach for this weekend.

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## Oxygen

## ***Anoxia***

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## Plant

## ***Implantable***

# Platform

## ***Deplatform***

[ ,di:'plæt.fɔ:rm]

- [ v ] Remove / Deny access to a (social media) platform
- – *He was **deplatformed** for his toxic behavior.*

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## Plus

## ***Surplus***

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## Profuse

## ***Profusion***

[ prə'fju:..ʒən]

- [ n ] An extremely large amount of smth
- – *The artist's work was celebrated for its **profusion** of colors.*
- – *I was remarking on the recent **profusion** of books and articles on the matter.*

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## Prompt

## ***Teleprompter***

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## Purge

## ***Purgatory***

[ 'pɜ:..gə.tɔ:r.i]

- [ n ] An extremely unpleasant experience
- – *I have been on a diet for two weeks now, and it's **purgatory**!*

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## Recap

## ***Recapitulate***

- [ v ] This is the original word. "Recap" is a shorthand.

# Redeem

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## Reveal

### **Revelation**

[ ,rev.ə'leɪ.ʃən]

- [ n ] The act of revealing
- – The **revelation** of the secret plan shocked everyone in the room.

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## Scrutiny

### **Scrutineer**

[ ,skruː.tən'ɪr]

- [ n ] The one who counts the votes/recheck the votes in an election
- – The **scrutineer** was inculpated for fraud after an investigation revealed tampering with the election results.

### **Scrutinize**

[ 'skruː.tən.aɪz]

- [ v ] To examine/inspect closely and carefully
- – The government's record will be closely **scrutinized** in the weeks before the election.

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## Serpent

### **Serpentine**

[ 'sɜː.pən.taɪn]

- [ adj ] Curving/Twisting like a serpent
- – We followed the **serpentine** course of the river.
- – Her **serpentine** movements on the dance floor mesmerized everyone in the room.
- [ adj ] Complicated/Difficult to understand
- – The film's **serpentine** plot was difficult to follow.



# Silver

## **Silvery**

[ 'sɪl.və.i]

- [ **adj** ] Lookin' like silver
    - *The grass was **silvery** with frost.*
    - *Her **silvery** hair shimmered in the sunlight.*
  - [ **adj** ] [Of sounds] Clear, pleasant and metallic
    - *The wind chimes produced a **silvery** melody that was both soothing and enchanting.*
    - *Her **silvery** laughter filled the room, bringing smiles to everyone around.*
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## Step

## **Stepwise**

# Tact

## ***Untactful***

[ ʌn'tækt.fəl]

- [ **adj** [rarely used] ] Tactless / Not being tactful
  - At that point it seemed **untactful** to remind them about the money they owed.
  - The minister always managed to make a problem worse with further **untactful** remarks.

## ***Tactful***

[ 'tækt.fəl]

- [ **adj** ] Careful not to say/do anything that could upset sb
  - The manager was **tactful** when addressing the team's concerns, ensuring everyone's opinions were respected.
  - It wasn't very **tactful** of you to mention his baldness.

## ***Tactlessness***

[ 'taktləsnəs]

- [ **n** ] The quality of being tactless
  - His **tactlessness** in dealing with customer complaints earned him a notoriety for terrible service.
  - Her **tactlessness** was evident when she made an insensitive remark about the recent tragedy.

## ***Tactless***

[ 'tækt.ləs]

- [ **adj** ] Not careful about saying/doing sth that could upset sb
  - It was **tactless** of you to invite his ex-girlfriend to his goddamn wedding.

## ***Tactfulness***

[ 'taktf(ə)lnəs]

- [ **n** ] The quality of being tactful
  - The diplomat's **tactfulness** was evident in the way he navigated the complex negotiations.
  - His **tactfulness** in dealing with customer complaints earned him a reputation for excellent service.

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# Tear

## ***Tearaway***

# Tempest

## ***Tempestuous***

[ tɛm'pɛs.tju.əs ]

- [ **adj** ] Characterized by strong/turbulent/conflicting emotions
- – Their **tempestuous** relationship was marked by frequent arguments.

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## Tend

## ***Superintendent***

## ***Portend***

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## Tread

## ***Downtrodden***

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## Tribute

## ***Tribute***

[ 'trib.ju:t ]

- [ **n** ] Sth that shows gratitude/respect/admiration for sb
- – The community built a statue as a **tribute** to the firefighter's bravery.
- – **Tributes** have been pouring in from all over the world for the famous actor who died yesterday.
- – Floral **tributes** piled up at the scene of the tragic accident.

## ***Tributary***

[ 'trib.jə.ter.i ]

- [ **n** ] A river/stream that flows into a larger one
- – The Đà River is a lesser **tributary** of The Red River.
- [ **adj** ] Paying tribute to another greater force
- – The **tributary** states were required to send annual payments to the ruling empire.
- – In medieval times, many small kingdoms existed in a **tributary** relationship with their more powerful neighbors.

# Vehicle

## ***Vehicular***

[ vi:'hɪk.jə.ləʃ ]

- [ adj ] Relating to vehicles
- – *Barricades were put in place to block all **vehicular** traffic.*
- – *The house has no **vehicular** access but can be reached by a short walk across the fields.*

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## View

## ***Purview***

## ***Permacrisis***

[ 'pə:məkrʌɪsɪs ]

- [ n ] A situation characterized by constant & significant turmoil/instability
- – *That region is trapped in a state of **permacrisis** (a never-ending period of crisis), perpetually afflicted with instability and insecurity.*

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## *Ragged*

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## *Pathology*

- [ n ] The scientific study of disease
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## *Abetment*

[ ə'bet.mənt ]

- [ n ] The act of abetting
  - He was charged with **abetment of fraud** for his role in helping to falsify financial records.
  - The teacher's **abetment of cheating** by ignoring it during exams led to widespread dishonesty among students.

## *Abet*

[ ə'bet ]

- [ v ] To help or encourage sb to do sth wrong/illegal
  - His accountant had aided and **abetted** him in the fraud.
  - The hacker was accused of **abetting** cybercriminals by sharing security vulnerabilities.

## *Abettor*

[ ə'bet.ə ]

- [ n ] The one who abets
  - The court found the accomplice guilty of being an **abettor** to the crime, having provided critical support to the main perpetrator.

# Abject

[ 'æb.dʒekt]

- [ adj ] Existing in a low state/condition; Very bad or severe
  - I lived in **abject** poverty, struggling to find enough food each day.
- [ adj ] Showing/Expressing a state of hopelessness/degradation/misery
  - He felt **abject** humiliation after being publicly scolded by his manager.
- [ adj ] Lacking pride/dignity / Showing submissiveness/fear
  - Her **abject** apology was filled with tears and desperate pleas for forgiveness.

# Abjection

[ æb'dʒek.ʃən]

- [ n ] The state of being abject
    - The actor did a great job in portraying the **abjection** of this most pitiful of characters.
    - Working-class women led a life of **abjection** and unending toil at that time.
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# Abjuration

[ ,æb.dʒʊ'reɪ.ʃən]

- [ n ] A formal/public statement of the act of abjuring sth
  - Her **abjuration** of her belief in independence for the country came as a major shock.
  - After years of dedication to the cause, her sudden **abjuration** left many of her followers feeling betrayed and confused.

# Abjure

[ əb'dʒʊr]

- [ v ] To renounce/reject formally/solemnly
  - She **abjured** her allegiance to the old regime and pledged loyalty to the new government.

## **Obtuse**

[ ɑ:b'tu:s]

- [ adj ] Dull / Blunt
- – *The knife was too **obtuse** to cut the vegetables properly.*
- [ adj ] To be slow on the uptake
- – *He was often accused of being **obtuse**, taking forever to fully grasp even the simplest mathematical concepts.*

## **Acute**

[ ə'kju:t]

- [ adj ] Sharp / Intense
  - – *He felt an **acute** pain in his chest.*
  - – *The patient was in **acute** distress.*
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## **Unalloyed**

[ ʌn.ə'lɔɪd]

- [ adj ] Not spoiled by negative feelings / Pure
- – *We had the perfect holiday - two weeks of **unalloyed** bliss.*
- – *The child's laughter was a sound of **unalloyed** joy, pure and untainted by any worries.*

## **Alloy**

[ 'æl.ɔɪ]

- [ n ] A metal made by mixing metals with other substances/metals
- – *Brass is an **alloy** of copper and zinc.*

## **Alluvium**

[ əˈluː.vi.əm ]

- [ n ] Sediment left behind by rivers/flood (Phù sa)
  - The fertile fields along the riverbank were covered with rich **alluvium**, deposited during the annual floods.

## **Alluvial**

[ əˈluː.vi.əl ]

- [ adj ] Made up of alluvium
    - The Mekong Delta is an **alluvial** plain with highly fertile soil.
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## **Attestation**

[ ,æʧ.es'teɪ.ʃən ]

- [ n ] The process of attesting
  - The **attestation** of his identity was required before he could access the secure facility.
  - The contract needed an official **attestation** to be legally binding.

## **Attest**

[ ə'test ]

- [ v ] Testify
  - Witnesses **attested** that he was at the scene of the crime
  - The number of old German cars still on the road **attests to** the excellence of their manufacture.



## Austerity

[ 'ɑː.ster.ə.ti ]

- [ n ] The condition/practice/experience/habit of an austere lifestyle
  - The wartime **austerity** of my early years prepared me for later hardships.
- [ n ] The quality of being austere in appearance
  - The **austerity** of her short hair and plain grey suit was a far cry from her night job.
- [ n ] A difficult economic situation caused by the government reducing the money it spends
  - The government implemented **austerity** measures to address the national debt, leading to widespread protests.

## Austere

[ ɑː'stɪr ]

- [ adj ] Very plain with only the absolutely necessary things, especially because of severe limits on money/goods
    - The soldiers endured **austere** conditions during their winter training exercises.
  - [ adj ] Plain with no auxiliary decorations
    - The church's **austere** façade featured plain stonework, devoid of any ornate details.
  - [ adj ] Very severe and unfriendly in manner
    - The headmaster was known for his **austere** demeanor, enforcing the school rules with no exceptions.
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## Banal

[ bə'næl ]

- [ adj ] Lacking originality/freshness/novelty
  - The novel's plot was so **banal** that I could predict every twist and turn well in advance.

## Banality

[ bə'naː.lə.ti ]

- [ n ] The quality of being banal
  - The critics panned the movie for its **banality**, calling it unoriginal and predictable.

## Banalize

[ 'beɪn laɪz ]

- [ v ] To make banal
  - The director feared that the stereotypical elements would **banalize** the story, turning it into just another predictable drama.

## ***Beget-Begot-Begotten***

### **[ br'get ]**

- [ v ] To cause
  - Poverty **begets** hunger; and hunger **begets** crime.
  - He **begot** many children, ensuring his family's lineage would continue.

## ***Misbegotten***

### **[ ,mɪs.br'gɑ:.tən ]**

- [ adj ] Badly/Stupidly planned/designed
    - The **misbegotten** scheme to quickly get rich ended in disaster for all involved.
    - Her **misbegotten** belief that she could cheat her way to success eventually led to her downfall.
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## ***Benign***

### **[ br'nain ]**

- [ adj ] Pleasant and kind
  - She had a **benign** smile that made everyone feel welcome.
- [ adj ] [Of tumors] Not cancer
  - The biopsy results showed that the tumor was **benign** and not life-threatening.

## ***Benignancy***

### **[ ]**

## ***Benignant***

### **[ br'nɪg.nənt ]**

- [ adj ]

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## ***Benignity***

### **[ br'.nɪg.nɪ.ti ]**

## ***Clamor***

[ 'klæm.ə ]

- [ v ] To make a loud complaint/demand.
- – She **clamors** to go home as soon as she gets to school.
- – The children were all **clamoring** for attention.

## ***Clamorous***

[ 'klæm.ə.əs ]

- [ adj ] Clamoring
  - – The **clamorous** children were difficult to control during the assembly.
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## ***Commencement***

[ kə'mens.mənt ]

- [ n ] The beginning of sth
- – Please turn off your mobile phones before the **commencement** of the flight.

## ***Recommencement***

[ ,ri:kə'mens.mənt ]

- [ v ] The beginning of sth again
- – The pipeline was replaced prior to **recommencement** of operations at the factory.

## ***Recommence***

[ ,ri:kə'mens ]

- [ v ] To commence again
- – Courses have stopped for the summer, but will **recommence** in September.

## ***Commence***

[ kə'mens ]

- [ v ] To begin/start
- – The ceremony shall **commence** at noon.

## Conciliate

[ kən'sɪl.i.ət ]

- [ v ] To placate / appease
- – He tried to **conciliate** her with flowers and an apology.

## Conciliatory

[ kən'sɪl.i.ə.tɔːr.i ]

- [ adj ] Showing willingness to conciliate.
  - – The UK government was not in a **conciliatory** mood and decided to nuke France.
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## Concussion

[ kən'kʌʃ.ən ]

- [ n ] A brain injury caused by a blow/jolt to the head
- – After the accident, he was diagnosed with a **concussion**.

## Concuss

[ kən'kʌs ]

- [ v ] To injure the brain by a sudden, violent impact
- – The player was **concussed** during the game after a hard tackle.

## Confluence

[ 'kɑ:n.flu:.əns]

- [ n ] The quality of being confluent
  - The **confluence** of the two rivers created a powerful current.
- – The **confluence** of different cultures in the city has led to a unique cultural tapestry.
- – The conference was a **confluence** of experts from various fields.

## Confluent

[ 'kɑ:n.flu.ənt]

- [ adj ] [Of rivers/streams/liquid] Flowing together
    - The two rivers became **confluent** at the base of the mountain.
  - [ adj ] Merging together to form a unified whole
    - Their ideas were **confluent**, resulting in a cohesive plan
  - [ adj ] [Medical] Skin lesions/rashes that merge or coalesce.
    - In some cases, the blisters merge together into sheets, forming a **confluent** rash.
  - – During development, this cavity becomes **confluent with** the aortic sac.
- 

## Dally

[ 'dali]

- [ v ] To waste time or do sth slowly
  - She **dallied** over her morning coffee.
- [ v ] Flirt
  - It's cruel the way she just **dallies with** his affections.

## Dalliance

- [ n ] Involvement in an activity with a dallying manner
  - The manager was frustrated with the team's **dalliance** during critical project deadlines.
- [ n ] A flirtatious relationship
  - It seems likely that his **dalliance** with another woman was the real cause of their divorce.

## ***Deterrence***

[ dɪ'ter.ənts]

- [ n ] The act/fact of deterring
  - Parents often use **deterrence** by setting rules and consequences to prevent their children from misbehaving.

## ***Undeterred***

[ ,ʌn.dɪ'tɜːd]

- [ adj ] Not deterred by difficulty/danger/disappointment
  - Despite the heavy rain, the hikers remained **undeterred** and continued their journey.

## ***Deterrent***

[ dɪ'ter.ənt]

- [ n ] Sth that deters
  - The new security system acts as a strong **deterrent** against theft.
  - High taxes on cigarettes are meant to be a **deterrent** to smoking.

## ***Deter***

[ dɪ'tɜː]

- [ v ] Discourage/prevent sb from doing sth by instilling fear/doubt/other negative consequences
    - This defense mechanism was designed to **deter** enemy attacks.
    - The high cost of the project didn't **deter** the team from pursuing their goal.
- 

## ***Detergent***

[ dɪ'tɜː.dʒənt]

- [ n ] A substance for cleaning dirt from clothes/dishes
  - She added a scoop of **detergent** to the washing machine before starting it.

## ***Detergency***

[ dɪ'tɜː.dʒən.si]

- [ n ] The quality/power of cleaning/purifying
  - The high **detergency** of the new laundry soap made it very effective at removing tough stains from clothes.

## ***Dishevelled***

[ dɪʃevld]

- [ adj ] Very untidy/unkempt
- – *He came back from his night shift looking terribly **dishevelled**.*

## ***Dishevelment***

[ dɪʃevld]

- [ adj ] The state/quality of being dishevelled
  - – *After the chaotic party, the living room was left in utter **dishevelment**.*
  - – *His hair, always in a state of **dishevelment**, gave him a rugged charm.*
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## ***Elongation***

[ ɪləŋ'geɪ.ʃən]

- [ n ] The process of elongating
- – *Myopia is caused by an **elongation** of the eye as it grows.*

## ***Elongate***

[ ɪ'louŋgeɪt]

- [ v ] Make/Become longer & thinner, especially unusually so
- – *The shadows began to **elongate** as the sun set behind the mountains.*

## ***Encumbrance***

[ ɪnˈkʌm.brəns ]

- [ n ] Sth that encumbers
- – The financial **encumbrance** of student loans made it challenging for her to save for a house.

## ***Encumber***

[ ɪnˈkʌmbər ]

- [ v ] To restrict/burden sth, hampering movement
- – Men tennis players aren't **encumbered** with/by high-necked blouses.

## ***Unencumbered***

[ ʌn.ɪnˈkʌm.bəd ]

- [ v ] With no encumbrance
- – Traveling light, he moved through the city **unencumbered** by heavy luggage.
- – Living an **unencumbered** lifestyle, he enjoyed the freedom to pursue his passions without financial worries.

## ***Cumbersome***

[ ˈkʌm.bə.səm ]

- [ adj ] Awkward because of being large/heavy/ineffective
- – The **cumbersome** assembly of the new furniture required several hours and multiple tools.
- – Her dress, though beautiful, was quite **cumbersome**, making it difficult to dance gracefully.
- – The **cumbersome** bureaucratic procedures led to delays and frustration.



## ***Endorsee***

[ ɛndɔː'siː ]

- [ n ] Sb to whom a cheque/bill of exchange is made payable instead of the stated payee
  - *The bank had to verify the authenticity of the signature of the **endorsee** before processing the check.*

## ***Endorse***

[ ɪn'dɔːrs ]

- [ v ] Support publicly
  - *She refused to **endorse** any political candidate, preferring to stay neutral.*

## ***Endorser***

[ ɪn'dɔːsər ]

- [ n ] Sb who endorses
  - *The famous athlete is a highly sought-after **endorser** for various sports brands.*
  - *As an **endorser** of the new tech startup, she has helped raise its profile significantly.*

## ***Endorsement***

[ ɪn'dɔːrs.mənt ]

- [ n ] The act of endorsing
  - *The athlete's **endorsement** of the new running shoes significantly boosted sales.*

## ***Eulogistic***

[ 'juː.lə'dʒɪs.tɪk ]

- [ adj ] Having the qualities of a eulogy
- – Her **eulogistic** remarks during the ceremony highlighted the many accomplishments of the honored guest.
- – The article was filled with **eulogistic** language, praising the artist's groundbreaking work.
- – His **eulogistic** at the memorial service brought tears to the eyes of many attendees.

## ***Eulogize***

[ 'juː.lə.dʒaɪz ]

- [ v ] To praise highly in speech/writing (not necessarily about dead people)
- – At the award ceremony, the speaker **eulogized** the achievements of the winner.

## ***Eulogy***

[ 'juː.lə.dʒi ]

- [ n ] A tribute for sb who has recently passed away
- – She delivered a heartfelt **eulogy**, paying tribute to her father's life and legacy.
- – He **gave the eulogy** at his father's funeral.
- – The song was a **eulogy** to the joys of travelling.

## ***Eulogist***

[ 'juː.lə.dʒɪst ]

- [ n ] Sb who delivers a eulogy
- – He had chosen the **eulogists** for his funeral.
- – The **eulogists'** words were filled with admiration, painting a vivid picture of the life that was lost.

## ***Evoke***

**[ ɪˈvəʊk ]**

- **[ v ]** Make sb remember/feel sth
  - *That smell always **evokes** memories of my old school.*
  - *The detergent was designed to **evoke** the fresh smell of summer meadows.*

## ***Evocative***

**[ ,ev.əˈkeɪ.ʃən ]**

- **[ adj ]** Able to evoke sth pleasant
  - *The **evocative** smell of pine trees always reminds her of holidays in the mountains.*
  - *The artist's work is highly **evocative**, capturing the essence of childhood innocence.*
- **[ n ]** The act of evoking a feeling
  - *The film director's skillful **evocation** of the past brought history to life on the screen.*
  - *The scent of jasmine in the air was an immediate **evocation** of her childhood garden.*

## ***Fathomless***

[ 'fæð.əm.ləs]

- [ adj ] Too deep to be measured
  - *The ocean's **fathomless** depths hold many mysteries yet to be discovered.*
  - *She gazed into the **fathomless** depths of his brown eyes.*

## ***Fathom***

[ 'fæð.əm]

- [ n ] A unit for measuring water depths (1 fath = 1.8288 m)
- [ v ] Comprehend/Understand
  - *She couldn't **fathom** why he had left so suddenly.*
  - *I still haven't **fathomed out** how to put this bookcase together.*

## ***(Un)Fathomable***

[ (ʌn'fæð.ə.mə.bəl) 'fæð.ə.mə.bəl]

- [ adj ] Possible to understand
  - *The scene takes place, for no easily **fathomable** reason, in a bath tub.*
  - *The reasons behind the ancient civilization's decline are now more **fathomable** thanks to recent archaeological discoveries.*
  - *The author's intricate plot was made **fathomable** through careful reading and analysis*
  - *The depths of the universe remain **unfathomable** to even the most advanced astronomers.*

## ***Hasty***

[ 'heɪ.stɪ]

- [ **adj** ] Done in haste with insufficient care/thought
  - His ***hasty*** decision to quit his job led to financial difficulties.

## ***Haste***

[ heɪst]

- [ **n** ] Too much speed
  - His father had just died and he didn't want to marry with indecent ***haste***.
  - Unfortunately the report was prepared ***in haste*** and contained several inaccuracies.
  - ***In her haste*** to get up from the table, she knocked over a cup.

## ***Hasten***

[ 'heɪ.sən]

- [ **v** ] To make sth happen sooner/more quickly
  - There is little doubt that poor medical treatment ***hastened*** her death.
  - These recent poor results have ***hastened*** the manager's departure.
- [ **v + to inf** ] To quickly do sth
  - The president ***hastened to*** reassure his people that he was in perfect health.
- [ **v + somewhere** ] To go somewhere quickly
  - Reporters ***hastened from the press conference*** to call their editors.
  - From her office on the first floor, she ***hastened upstairs*** to speak to her boss.

## ***Hastiness***

[ 'heɪ.stɪ.nəs]

- [ **n** ] The quality of saying/doing things in haste
  - His ***hastiness*** in making decisions often led to mistakes.

## ***Hermitage***

[ 'hɜːr.mɪ.tɪdʒ ]

- [ n ] The dwelling of a hermit
- – She visited the **hermitage** to experience the peace and solitude it brings.

## ***Hermit***

[ 'hɜːr.mɪt ]

- [ n ] Sb who chooses to live in solitude for various reasons
  - – The old **hermit** lived alone in a secluded cabin in the woods.
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## ***Ignominious***

[ ɪg.nə'mɪn.i.əs ]

- [ adj ] Embarrassing because of being a complete failure
- – The soldier's **ignominious** retreat from the battlefield was a blow to his honor.
- – The team's **ignominious** defeat in the championship game was unexpected and humiliating.

## ***Ignominy***

[ 'ɪg.nə.mɪ.nɪ ]

- [ n ] Public embarrassment
- – The incumbent party experienced the **ignominy** of total defeat in the last election.

## ***Incumbent***

[ ɪnˈkʌm.bənt ]

- [ adj ] Officially having the named position
  - The **incumbent** president faces problems which began many years before he took office.
  - The **incumbent** senator is campaigning for re-election this fall.
- [ adj ] To be necessary for sb
  - She felt it was **incumbent upon/on** her to raise the subject at their meeting.
  - It is **incumbent upon/on** all employees to adhere to the company's code of conduct.

## ***Incumbency***

[ ɪnˈkʌm.bən.si ]

- [ n ] The period during which sb has a particular official position
    - During her **incumbency**, the mayor successfully implemented several key infrastructure projects that benefited the city.
    - His **incumbency** was marked by a period of significant growth and development within the company.
- 

## ***Equipoise***

[ ˈek.wɪ.pɔɪz ]

- [ n ] A situation in which things are perfectly balanced
  - There is in the artist's landscapes a delicate **equipoise between** the natural and the man-made.
  - If the evidence for and against the defendant's guilt is **in equipoise**, then the burden of proof is on the prosecution.

## **Mesmerize**

[ 'mez.mə.raɪz ]

- [ v ] To captivate sb completely
  - She was **mesmerized** by the beauty of the sunset, unable to look away from the vibrant colors.

## **Mesmerism**

[ 'mez.mər.ɪ.zəm ]

- [ n ] The act of hypnotizing sb into a deeper mental state
  - In literature, characters who possess a magnetic or hypnotic charm often evoke the concept of **mesmerism**.

## **Mesmerist**

[ 'mez.mər.ɪst ]

- [ n ] Sb who mesmerizes
    - The **mesmerist** performed a series of hypnotic inductions, fascinating the audience with his skills.
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## **Meticulous**

[ mə'tɪk.jə.ləs ]

- [ adj ] Very careful with great attention to detail
  - Many hours of **meticulous** preparation have gone into writing the book.
  - The artist's **meticulous** brushstrokes brought the portrait to life with incredible realism.

## **Meticulousness**

[ mə'tɪk.jə.ləs.nəs ]

- [ n ] The quality of being meticulous
  - He was known for the quality of his observation and the **meticulousness** of his technique.
  - Her **meticulousness** in her work ensures that every project is completed to the highest standard.



# ODD

## ***Would (just) as soon***

- Same as “Would rather” but with a weaker preference, can even be used to indicate indifference
    - – *She **would just as soon that** we cancel the meeting if most people can’t attend.*
    - – *She **would just as soon** read a book **as** watch TV.*
    - – *I **would just as soon** starve than eat there again.*
- 

## ***Odium***

[ 'ou.di.əm ]

- [ n ] Hate and strong disapproval
  - – *The politician’s corrupt actions brought **odium** upon him.*
  - – *He faced **odium** from the public after the revelation of his scandalous actions.*

## ***Odious***

[ 'ou.di.əs ]

- [ adj ] Causing the others to feel odium
  - – *The **odious** stench from the garbage made everyone cover their noses.*
  - – *His **odious** remarks during the meeting offended everyone present.*

## ***Plaintive***

[ 'plem.tɪv]

- [ adj ] Slightly sad
  - The **plaintive** tone of the song resonated deeply with those who had experienced heartbreak.

## ***Plaint***

[ plemt]

- [ n [law] ] An official accusation/charge
  - The plaintiff filed a **plaint** against the defendant, alleging breach of contract
- [ n [literary] ] A complaint/lamentation
  - The **plaint** of the widow moved everyone at the memorial service to tears.

## ***Plaintiff***

[ 'plem.tɪf]

- [ n ] Sb making a legal complaint against sb else in court
    - The **plaintiff** filed a **plaint** against the defendant, alleging breach of contract
- 

## ***Propensity***

[ prə'pen.sə.ti]

- [ n ] The quality of being propense to sth (usually sth bad)
  - She's inherited from her father a **propensity to** talk too much.
  - He's well-known for his natural **propensity** for indiscretion.

## ***Propense***

[ prɒu'pens]

- [ adj ] Inclined/Prone
  - She is **propense** to anxiety in stressful situations.
  - He is **propense** to acts of kindness, always willing to help those in need.

## ***Punctiliousness***

[ ˌpʌŋk'tɪl.i.əs.nəs ]

- [ n ] The quality of being punctilious
  - The manager's **punctiliousness** in reviewing each report ensured that no errors were overlooked.
  - Her **punctiliousness** in following etiquette made her a model guest at every formal event.

## ***Punctilious***

[ ˌpʌŋk'tɪl.i.əs ]

- [ adj ] Very careful to behave correctly/to give attention to details
    - He was always **punctilious** in his manners, ensuring he followed every social convention.
    - The event coordinator was **punctilious** in arranging every aspect of the gala, ensuring everything was perfect.
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## ***Rash***

[ ræʃ ]

- [ n ] A lot of small red spots on the skin
  - She developed a **rash** after touching the poison ivy.
  - He came out/up in a **rash** after he fell in a patch of nettles.
- [ adj ] Careless/unwise/imprudent
  - I think it was a bit **rash** of them to get married when they'd only known each other for a few weeks.
  - His **rash** decision to invest all his money in one stock led to significant losses.
- [ A rash of ] A large number of unpleasant events of the same type
  - There has been a **rash of** robberies/accidents/complaints in the last two months.
  - Following the CEO's resignation, there was a **rash of** employee departures from the company.

## ***Rashness***

[ 'ræʃ.nəs ]

- [ n ] The quality of being rash
  - In a moment of **rashness**, I agreed to go skydiving for charity.
  - Her **rashness** often put her in difficult situations, as she rarely thought through her actions.

## ***Rashly***

[ 'ræʃ.li ]

- [ adv ] In a rash way
  - He **rashly** decided to invest all his savings in the risky venture.

## ***Reclusive***

[ rɪ'kluː.sɪv]

- [ adj ] Characterized by a preference for solitude and isolation from society
- – His **reclusive** lifestyle made him a mystery to his neighbors.

## ***Recluse***

[ 'rek.luːs]

- [ n ] A socially anxious fellow who is avoidant of other people
  - – The old man was known as a **recluse**, rarely seen outside his home.
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## ***Reconcile***

[ 'rɛ.kən.saɪl]

- [ v ] To restore friendly relations.
- – The siblings managed to **reconcile** their differences and become close again.

## ***Irreconcilable***

## Reverent

[ 'rev.ə.ənt]

- [ **adj** ] Showing reverence internally
  - *The audience sat in **reverent** silence during the moving speech.*
  - *He looked at the historical artifacts with **reverent** eyes, appreciating their cultural significance.*

## Reverential

[ ,rev.ə'ren.ʃəl]

- [ **adj** ] Showing reverence outwardly
  - *She spoke in a **reverential** tone when discussing the achievements of her late grandfather.*

## Reverence

[ 'rev.ə.əns]

- [ **n** ] A feeling of deep respect
  - *She expressed deep **reverence** for the traditions passed down through generations.*
  - *His **reverence** for nature was evident in the way he carefully tended his garden.*

## Revere

[ rɪ'veɪr]

- [ **v** ] To respect/admire sb deeply
    - *Nelson Mandela is **revered** for his brave fight against apartheid.*
    - *In many cultures, children are taught to **revere** their elders and ancestors.*
- 

## Sacred

[ 'seɪ.krɪd]

- [ **adj** ] Deemed as holy due to being connected to gods
  - *At the **sacred** temple, visitors are expected to show reverence and respect.*
  - *She felt a **sacred** bond with nature, finding peace and solace in the forest.*

## Secular

[ 'sek.jə.lə]

- [ **adj** ] Not having any connection with religion
  - *The school follows a **secular** curriculum, focusing on academic subjects rather than religious teachings.*
  - *In many countries, **secular** laws ensure that government and religion are kept separate.*

## Seclude

[ sə'klu:d ]

- [ v ] To keep sb/sth away from the others
  - Typically, the bride would **seclude** herself in another room.
  - He decided to **seclude** himself in a remote cabin to finish his novel without distractions.

## Seclusive

[ sr'klu:.sɪv ]

- [ v ] Preferring to be secluded
  - His **seclusive** nature meant that he often spent weekends alone, enjoying the solitude of his countryside home.
  - After the highly publicized incident, the actress became more **seclusive**, avoiding the spotlight and media attention.

## Seclusion

[ sə'klu:.ʒən ]

- [ v ] The state of being secluded
    - After months of busy city life, he craved the peace and **seclusion** of the countryside.
    - The artist's retreat offered perfect **seclusion** for those seeking inspiration in solitude.
    - The monk lived in **seclusion**, dedicating his life to meditation and prayer.
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## Sermonize

[ 'sɜ:.mə.naɪz ]

- [ v ] To deliver a sermon
  - Rather than chatting friendly, he would often **sermonize**, making conversations feel more like a moral lesson.
  - Whenever the topic of conservation came up, he would **sermonize** at length, emphasizing the need for immediate action.

## Sermon

[ 'sɜ:.mən ]

- [ n ] A long yap in which sb advises other people how to behave in order to be better people
  - The pastor's **sermon** on compassion moved many members of the congregation to tears.
  - I really don't think it's a politician's job to go delivering **sermons** on public morality.

## Subdivide

[ ,sʌb.dr'vaɪd]

- [ v ] To divide sth that's already divided
  - The heading was **subdivided** into eight separate sections.
  - The report was **divided** into main sections and then **subdivided** into more detailed subsections.

## Subdivision

[ ,sʌb.dr'vɪʒ.ən]

- [ n ] One of the subdivided parts / The act of subdividing
    - The **subdivision** of the document into chapters made it easier to read.
  - [ n ] [Real estate] A land containing homes built at about the same time
    - The new housing **subdivision** will have over 69 homes and several parks.
- 

## Subsidence

[ səb'saɪ.dəns]

- [ n ] The act of subsiding
  - The **subsidence** of the soil due to groundwater extraction has caused significant damage to buildings in the area.
  - The building had to be demolished because of **subsidence**.

## Subside

[ səb'saɪd]

- [ v ] [Of a condition/situation] Becomes less strong/extreme
  - The police are hoping that the violence will soon **subside**.
  - As the pain in my foot **subsided**, I was able to walk the short distance to the car.
- [ v ] [Of buildings/land/water] Goes down to a lower level
  - There is a danger that many homes will **subside** because of the drought.
  - Eventually the flood waters began to **subside**.

## Subsidiary

[ səb'sɪd.i.ər.i ]

- [ n ] A company owned by a larger one
    - *Alphabet Inc has several **subsidiaries** operating in different industries worldwide, including Google.*
  - [ adj ] Less important than but related/supplementary to sth
    - *While the main focus was on research, there were several **subsidiary** tasks that needed attention.*
    - *Her contributions were **subsidiary** to the main objectives of the project.*
- 

## Subsist

[ səb'sɪst ]

- [ v ] To get just enough food/money to stay alive
  - *The prisoners were **subsisting on** a diet of bread and water.*
  - *The family had to **subsist on** a small income after the father lost his job.*
- [ v ] To persist/remain in existence
  - *Traditional crafts, such as hand-weaving, still **subsist** in many villages, passed down through generations.*

## Subsistence

[ səb'sɪs.təns ]

- [ n ] The state of subsisting
  - *Many people in the town feed their families by **subsistence**, an economic lifestyle characterized by living off the land.*
- [ n ] What a person needs to subsist
  - *Art satisfies a need beyond mere **subsistence**.*
  - *Many rural families rely on **subsistence** farming to provide for their basic needs.*



## ***Urbane***

[ ʊrˈbeɪn]

- [ adj ] Confident, comfortable, polite in social settings
  - Their **urbane** lifestyle included attending exclusive events and dining at the finest restaurants.
  - The diplomat was known for his **urbane** demeanor and ability to navigate delicate situations with grace.

## ***Urbanity***

[ ʊrˈbæn.ə.ti]

- [ n ] The quality of being urbane
    - She admired his **urbanity**, noting how effortlessly he blended into the sophisticated circles of the city.
    - Despite his rugged appearance, his **urbanity** shone through in his courteous behavior and sophisticated speech.
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## ***Jagged***

[ ˈdʒæɡ.ɪd]

- [ adj ] Rough with sharp edges
  - Be careful of that **jagged** piece of glass on the floor.

# MONO DUMPSTER

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## **Bawl**

### [ ba:l ]

- [ v ] To shout loudly
    - She **bawled** at me to sit down.
    - After hearing the sad news, she **bawled** her eyes out for hours.
    - The toddler started to **bawl** when his toy was taken away.
- 

## **Bleak**

### [ bli:k ]

- [ adj ] [Of scenery] Empty, not welcoming/attractive
    - The **bleak** landscape stretched out for miles, with not a single tree in sight.
  - [ adj ] [Of situations] With little to no hope for the future
    - The company's financial situation appeared rather **bleak**, leaving the employees worried about their jobs.
- 

## **Blight**

### [ blart ]

- [ n+v ] A disease that damages & kills plants
  - The tomato plants were affected by **blight**, resulting in a poor harvest.
  - The crops **blighted** and died out quickly due to the unexpected disease outbreak.
- [ v ] To spoil sth
  - A broken leg **blighted** her chances of winning the championship.
  - The harsh economic policies **blighted** the once-thriving town.
- [ n ] Sth that blights
  - The abandoned buildings were a **blight** on the landscape, making the neighborhood look rundown.
  - The city stopped urban **blight** by rebuilding neighborhoods.

## Bray

### [ brɛɪ]

- [ v ] To make a cry resembling that of a donkey/mule
    - The donkey **brayed** loudly, echoing across the fields.
    - His **braying** laughter was so loud that it drew everyone's attention in the room.
    - The politician's **bray** was heard over the clamor of the crowd, making his presence known.
- 

## Brine

### [ brɪn]

- [ n ] Water with salt in it (literally) (nác mõi reference) (used for cookery)
    - She prepared a **brine** with water, salt, and spices to soak the turkey overnight.
- 

## Brusque

### [ brʌsk]

- [ adj ] Quick/Rude in manner/speech
    - He **brusquely** dismissed the question without further explanation.
    - As the president's chief of staff, he offended many with his **brusque** manner.
- 

## Bulk

### [ bʌlk]

- [ n ] The main part of smth
    - The **bulk** of the work was done by volunteers.
  - [ n ] Size, mass
    - He struggled to lift the **bulk** of the package.
- 

## Curt

### [ kɜːt]

- [ adj ] Brusque but not necessarily offensive
  - He gave a **curt** nod before walking away hurriedly.
  - His **curt** response left no room for further discussion, making it clear he was not interested.

## **Deem**

[ di:m ]

- [ v ] To consider/judge sth
    - The committee will **deem** the proposal worth funding if it meets all the criteria.
    - The judge **deemed** the evidence insufficient to convict the defendant.
- 

## **Dock**

[ dɒk ]

- [ n ] A part of a port, where ships are repaired/laden with goods
    - The **dock** was full of ships.
  - [ v ] To bring a ship into a dock
    - The ship was **docked** in Japan, and he took the other to Korea.
  - [ v ] To remove part of sth
    - The soldiers' wages were **docked** by 20%.
    - The lambs' tails are **docked** for hygiene reasons.
- 

## **Dole**

[ dɔ:l ]

- [ n ] Government aid (for the unemployed)
    - He lost his job and had to go on the **dole**.
    - The charity provided a weekly **dole** of food to the homeless.
- 

## **Don**

[ da:n ]

- [ v ] Put on
  - He **donned** his jacket before stepping out into the cold.

## ***Fare***

### **[ fɛ:]**

- **[ n ]** Public transport fee
    - *We should go to Seville, but we cannot afford the air **fare**.*
  - **[ v ]** To perform
    - *How did you **fare** on your finals?*
    - *His business has **fared** badly in recent years.*
    - *After moving, she **fared** well and quickly made new friends.*
- 

## ***Feud***

### **[ fju:d]**

- **[ n ]** A prolonged/violent conflict/rivalry between two parties (families/groups/clans) characterized by retaliatory acts
    - *The corporate **feud** over the patent rights escalated into a lengthy legal battle.*
    - *The bitter **feud** between the rival gangs resulted in street fights and vandalism.*
    - *The family **feud** has been ongoing since the death of their mother.*
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## ***Foal***

### **[ foul]**

- **[ n ]** A young horse
    - *The mare gave birth to a healthy **foal** in the early hours of the morning.*
- 

## ***Gauche***

### **[ gouʃ]**

- **[ adj ]** Tactless, unsophisticated and socially awkward
  - *She had grown from a **gauche** teenager to a self-assured young woman.*
  - *It was a bit **gauche** of him to bring up politics during the family gathering.*
  - *His **gauche** manners at the dinner party made everyone feel uncomfortable.*

## Gross

### [ ɡrɒs ]

- [ n ] Twelve dozen
    - We ordered **a gross of** pencil for the school. (12 x 12 = 144 pencils)
  - [ v ] To earn a particular amount before deductions
    - The movie **grossed** over \$1 billion worldwide.
  - [ adj ] The total amount before deductions
    - Her **gross** income before taxes is quite high.
  - [ adj ] Repulsive
    - The public restroom was in **gross** condition.
  - [ adj ] Blatant
    - His **gross** negligence led to the accident.
- 

## Hoard

### [ hɔːrd ]

- [ n ] A largely accumulated stockpile of hidden items
    - The dragon guarded its **hoard** of gold and jewels deep within the cave.
    - He had a **hoard** of old coins collected over many years.
  - [ v ] To amass & store away
    - She likes to **hoard** magazines & newspapers, filling her attic with them.
    - During the pandemic, people **hoarded** essential supplies like food and water.
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## Hump

### [ hʌmp ]

- [ n ] A rounded protuberance on the back of some animals (e.g. camel) / A raised & rounded part of something
  - The camel's **hump** stores fat which it can use as a source of energy.
  - They sat down on **a hump of** cropped grass.
- [ v ] Carry (a heavy object) with difficulty
  - He continued to **hump** cases up and down the hotel corridor.
- [ v ] Make hump-shaped
  - He turned and **humped** his body to avoid a rope.

## Jig

[ dʒɪg]

- [ n ] An energetic traditional dance of Great Britain & Ireland / The music played for such a dance
    - *The musicians played a traditional Irish **jig**, and the dancers moved energetically to the rhythm.*
  - [ v ] To move quickly horizontally/vertically / To make sb/sth do that
    - *He gave the door handle a quick **jig** to see if it was locked.*
- 

## Jolt

[ dʒoʊlt]

- [ v ] To (cause sb/sth to) move suddenly and violently
    - *The train stopped unexpectedly and we were **jolted** forward.*
    - *The truck **jolted** along the rough track through the field.*
  - [ v ] To shock sb to change their behavior/way of thinking
    - *The charity used photos of starving children in an attempt to **jolt** the public conscience.*
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## Jug

[ dʒʌg]

- [ n ] A liquid container with a handle & a shaped opening at the top for pouring
    - *The **jug** of lemonade was passed around the picnic blanket.*
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## Kiln

[ kɪln]

- [ n ] An oven to make bricks & clay objects hard after they have been shaped
    - *The factory uses a large **kiln** to dry lumber before it is used for construction.*
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## Lithe

[ laɪð]

- [ adj ] Young, healthy, attractive, and able to move & bend smoothly
  - *He had the **lithe**, athletic body of a ballet dancer.*
  - *The dancer's **lithe** movements captivated the audience as she glided effortlessly across the stage.*

## ***Lope***

### **[ loup]**

- [ v ] To move with long, bounding strides
    - The lion **loped** across the grass.
- 

## ***Maim***

### **[ mem]**

- [ v ] To wound or injure permanently.
    - The vicious attack by the animal **maimed** the hiker, resulting in the loss of a limb.
    - The criminal's brutal actions **maimed** his victims, causing severe physical and emotional trauma.
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## ***Maize***

### **[ meɪz]**

- [ n ] = Corn
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## ***Malt***

### **[ mɑ:lt]**

- [ n ] Grain left in water until it starts to grow and is then dried (Mạch nha means Malt syrup)
    - The brewer selected a high-quality **malt** to ensure the beer had a rich and full flavor.
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## ***Mare***

### **[ mɛ:]**

- [ n ] Female equine animal (Horse, zebra, donkeys,...)
    - The **mare** gave birth to a healthy foal in the early hours of the morning.
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## ***Mope***

### **[ moup]**

- [ v ] To be gloomy/depressed
  - After hearing the bad news, he spent the whole day **moping** around the house.
  - She **moped** in her room, feeling sorry for herself after the argument with her friend.



# Mount

## [ maunt]

- [ n ] Sth that you ride
    - *The knight rode his **mount** valiantly into battle.*
  - [ v ] To gradually increase/rise/enlarge
    - *The children's excitement is **mounting** as Christmas gets nearer.*
  - [ v ] To get on sth to ride it
    - *She **mounted** her horse and rode off.*
  - [ v ] To go up/onto
    - *He **mounted** the platform and began to speak to the assembled crowd.*
    - *The queen **mounted the throne** 5 years ago.*
  - [ v ] To organize/initiate
    - *They **mounted** a campaign to raise awareness about environmental issues.*
  - [ v ] To fix/secure in position
    - *He **mounted** the TV on the wall to save space in the living room.*
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# Net

## [ net]

- [ adj ] Remaining after deductions
    - *Her **net** income after taxes is so low that she has set her sights on tax evasion.*
  - [ adj ] Final / overall, after all the important aspects have been considered
    - *The **net** effect of the changes was positive.*
- 

# Niche

## [ nɪtʃ]

- [ n ] A shallow recess, especially one in a wall to display a statue/other ornament
  - *The art gallery had a beautiful marble statue displayed in a **niche** in the main hall.*
- [ n ] A comfortable & suitable position in life or employment
  - *After years of job hunting, she finally found her **niche** as a graphic designer.*
- [ n ] The role/function of an organism/species within an ecosystem
  - *The frog occupies an important **niche** in the wetland ecosystem, helping control insect populations.*
- [ n ] A distinctive segment of a particular market/social environment.
  - *The blog caters to a **niche** audience interested in medieval history and artifacts.*

## ***Nook***

### **[ nuk]**

- **[ n ]** A cozy/secluded corner/recess, often in a room or a garden
    - *She curled up with a book in the **nook** by the window.*
    - *The café had a cozy **nook** with soft chairs and a warm fireplace.*
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## ***Pare***

### **[ per]**

- **[ v ]** To peel the outer layer using a knife
    - *Remember to **pare** the apple before eating it.*
  - **[ v ]** To reduce sth to its essential elements
    - *We need to **pare** the report down to its most important points.*
  - **[ v ]** To diminish or reduce sth in size, extent, or quantity gradually
    - *The company plans to **pare** down its workforce by 10%.*
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## ***Plough***

### **[ plau]**

- **[ v ]** To turn over the soil for crops
  - *They **ploughed** the field early in the morning.*
- **[ n ]** A tool used for ploughing
  - *The farmer used a **plough** to prepare the fields for sowing seeds.*

## **Ply**

### **[ plai]**

- [ n ] A layer/fold/thickness of material such as wood/yarn
    - The plywood is made of several **plies** glued together.
    - The rope is made of three **plies** twisted together.
  - [ v ] To work at sth persistently
    - The fisherman **plied** his trade from dawn till dusk.
    - She **plied** her needlework with great care and dedication.
  - [ v ] To travel over a route regularly
    - The ferry **plies** between the island and the mainland many times a day.
    - The bus **plies** the streets of the city, picking up passengers along the way.
  - [ v ] To offer/give sth repeatedly/insistently.
    - He **plied** his guests with food and drink throughout the evening.
    - The vendors **plied** their wares to the crowd.
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## **Purge**

### **[ ɜːdʒ]**

- [ v ] Rid sb / sth of an unwanted quality, condition, or feeling
    - Bob had helped **purge** Martha of the terrible guilt that haunted her.
  - [ v ] = Expel abruptly
    - He **purged** all but 26 of the central committee members.
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## **Quaint**

### **[ kweɪnt]**

- [ adj ] Attractive because of being unusual & especially old-fashioned
  - The **quaint** charm of the small town attracted many tourists.
  - The village was **quaintly** decorated for the holiday season.
  - The **quaintness** of the seaside cottage made it the perfect getaway.

## **Rave**

### **[ reɪv]**

- **[ n ]** A lively party, involving dancing to electronic music
    - *They attended a **rave** that last until the early hours of the morning*
  - **[ n ]** Praise
    - *Her inspiring speech drew **raves** from everyone.*
  - **[ v ]** To express praise/admiration enthusiastically
    - *Everyone is **raving** about that new Vietnamese restaurant.*
  - **[ v ]** To speak in an uncontrolled way, because of being upset/angry/ill
    - *He's always **raving** on about the government*
    - *She was ranting and **raving** about some imagined insult.*
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## **Ruse**

### **[ ru:z]**

- **[ n ]** A trick intended to deceive
    - *The detective saw through the criminal's **ruse** and caught him red-handed.*
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## **Rut**

### **[ rʌt]**

- **[ n ]** Deep, narrow tracks made on soft ground by a wheel
    - *The heavy trucks left deep **ruts** in the muddy road.*
  - **[ n ]** The period of mating in certain male mammals, especially deer/sheep
    - *During the **rut**, stags can be seen fighting for females.*
    - *The bull elephant seal only puts on this display when in **rut**.*
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## **Sac**

### **[ sæk]**

- **[ n ]** A bag-like enclosure, often containing fluid/air
  - *The insect trapped in the spider's silk **sac** struggled to escape*
  - *The lung is surrounded by a thin **sac** called the pleura.*
- **[ n ]** A part of an organism that resembles a pouch/bag, often involved in holding/transporting substances.
  - *The amniotic **sac** protects the fetus during pregnancy.*

## Shirk

[ʃɜːk]

- [ v ] To avoid duty / work / responsibilities
    - He was accused of **shirking** his duties at the office, often leaving tasks unfinished.
    - She always finds a way to **shirk** her household chores, leaving them for others to complete.
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## Silt

[ sɪlt]

- [ n ] Sand/Soil that is carried along by flowing water and then dropped, especially at a river's bend/opening
    - The delta is formed by the deposition of **silt** carried by the river as it flows into the sea.
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## Singe

[ sɪndʒ]

- [ n ] A slight burn or scorch mark
    - A **singe** could be seen on the edge of the table.
  - [ v ] To burn superficially or lightly
    - She **singed** her hair while trying to light the candle.
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## Snatch

[ snætʃ]

- [ v ] To take hold suddenly & roughly, often by force
  - He **snatched** the photos out of my hand before I could look at them.
  - The six-year-old girl was **snatched** from a playground and her body was found two days later.
  - She had her purse **snatched** (= **stolen**) while she was shopping.
- [ v ] To do/get sth quickly because you have little time
  - Maybe you'll be able to **snatch** a couple of hours' sleep before dinner.

## Spar

### [ spa:r]

- [ n ] A stout pole used for the masts/yards of a ship.
    - *The sailors climbed the **spar** to adjust the sails.*
  - [ v ] To engage in a light, non-serious argument/fight
    - *The siblings often **spar** over trivial matters.*
    - *They often **sparred** over trivial matters, but it was all in good fun.*
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## Spate

### [ spet]

- [ n ] A larger number of events than usual, especially unpleasant ones, happening at about the same time
    - *Police are investigating a **spate of** burglaries in the Kingsland Road area.*
  - [ n ] A sudden outburst
    - *A **spate of** anger erupted during the heated debate.*
  - [ In full spate ] [Of a river] Has more water and is faster than usual
    - *The stream was **in full spate**, so we struggled to cross it.*
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## Spleen

### [ spli:n]

- [ n ] A feeling of anger/disagreement
    - *The poet wrote of his **spleen** and sorrow, capturing the depth of his emotional turmoil.*
  - [ n ] An organ near the stomach that produces & cleans body (lá lách)
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## Squire

### [ skwair]

- [ n [archaic] [british] ] A man who owned most of the land around a village
- [ n ] A friendly form of address by one man to another of a higher social class
  - *“I don’t know if all my luggage is going to fit in the back of the taxi.” “Don’t worry, **squire**, I’ll get it in.”*
- [ v ] To take someone places
  - *The local historian **squires** tourists through the ancient ruins, sharing fascinating stories and historical facts.*
  - *When his mother was recovering from surgery, he **squied** her to her physical therapy sessions and doctor’s appointments.*

## Stag

### [ stæg]

- [ n ] A male deer
    - *The majestic **stag** stood tall in the clearing, its antlers silhouetted against the morning light.*
  - [ adj [Social gatherings] ] Men-only
    - *It was a **stag** event, so no partners were invited.*
  - [ adv [Social gatherings] ] Without a female partner
    - *He decided to go **stag** to the wedding since his date had to cancel at the last minute.*
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## Stark

### [ stɑ:k]

- [ adj ] Severe or bare in appearance or outline
    - *The ridge formed a **stark** silhouette against the sky.*
  - [ adj ] Unpleasantly or sharply clear
    - *His ideals are in **stark** contrast to that of his opponent.*
  - [ adj ] Complete, sheer
    - *He came running back in **stark** terror.*
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## Stash

### [ stæʃ]

- [ n ] An amount of sth that has been stashed
  - *They discovered a **stash** of money hidden at the back of a drawer.*
  - *Quilters are notorious for having big **stashes** of fabrics.*
- [ v ] To store/hide sth, especially a large amount
  - *He needed a place to **stash** some cash.*
  - *The stolen pictures were **stashed away** in a warehouse.*
  - *Extra blankets are **stashed** in the closet.*

## Stern

### [ stɜːn ]

- [ adj ] Strict
    - The teacher gave the class a **stern** warning about cheating on the exam.
    - His **stern** expression left no room for argument.
  - [ adj ] Harsh/severe in manner/character
    - The judge's **stern** sentence was meant to serve as a deterrent to others.
    - The **stern** measures were necessary to ensure compliance with the new regulations.
  - [ n ] The back part of a ship/boat
    - The captain stood at the **stern**, overseeing the crew's activities.
    - They painted the ship's name on the **stern** before setting sail.
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## Stout

### [ staut ]

- [ adj ] Having a strong, sturdy, & thick build
    - The **stout** oak door withstood the force of the storm.
    - Mrs Blower was the **stout** lady - She's been gaining weight recently.
  - [ adj ] Made from strong, thick materials
    - I bought myself a pair of good **stout** hiking boots.
  - [ adj ] Brave, courageous, & resolute
    - He needed a **stout** heart and nerves of steel.
    - The soldiers made a **stout** defense of the fortress.
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## Strait

### [ streɪt ]

- [ n ] A narrow area of sea that connects two larger areas of sea
- [ n ] [Usually of finance] A difficult situation
  - So many companies are in such difficult **straits** that their prices have to come right down.
  - The company found itself in financial **straits** after the market crash.
- [ adj ] Narrow / Confined
  - The **strait** pathway through the forest was hard to navigate.



## Strut

### [ strʌt ]

- [ v ] To walk around arrogantly
    - The models **strutted** down the runway, wearing the latest fashion designs.
    - The peacock **strutted around** the yard, showing off its vibrant feathers
    - The boys **strutted** around trying to get the attention of a group of girls who were nearby.
- 

## Tack

### [ tæk ]

- [ n ] A small sharp nail with a flat end
    - He pinned the poster to the wall with a **tack**.
  - [ v ] To fasten sth with tacks
    - The artist **tacked** the canvas to the wooden frame before painting.
  - [ n ] A long loose stitch
    - She used a **tack** stitch to keep the hem in place before sewing it properly.
  - [ v ] To sew with a tack stitch holding two pieces of material together temporarily, before they are sewn together in a more tidy/permanent way
    - Before sewing the dress's side seams permanently, she **tacked** the pieces together to check the fit and alignment.
  - [ n ] All the objects that the rider of a horse needs, including saddles & bridles
    - She purchased new **tack** for her horse, including a saddle and reins.
    - She cleaned her horse's **tack** thoroughly after the ride.
  - [ n ] To change the direction of a sailing vessel by turning its bow
    - The sailors had to **tack** the boat to head back toward the shore.
    - To avoid the rocks, the captain had to **tack** sharply to the left.
  - [ n ] A course of action or policy, especially one differing from a former course
    - After receiving the feedback, the manager decided to change **tack** and approach the project differently.
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## Tact

### [ tækt ]

- [ n ] The ability to say/do the right thing without upsetting sb
  - He's never had much **tact** and people don't like his blunt manner.

## Tare

### [ ter]

- [ n ] The weight of an empty container
  - – *The **tare** weight of the container and the **net** weight of the products inside add up to the **gross** weight of the truck.*
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## Trill

### [ trɪl]

- [ n ] [Of birds] A series of quickly repeated high notes sung out
  - – *We heard the familiar **trill** of the lark.*
  - [ n ] A rapid alternation between two adjacent notes, usually in music
  - – *The musician ended the piece with an impressive **trill** that echoed through the hall.*
  - [ v ] To speak in very high voice
  - – *The canary began to **trill** a beautiful melody as the sun rose.*
  - – *She could **trill** perfectly, making her the standout performer in the choir.*
- 

## Vamp

### [ væmp]

- [ n ] The front part of the top of a shoe
  - – *A short **vamp** in a slip-on shoe may make you curl your toes to keep the shoe on.*
  - [ v ] To talk in public without preparation in order to pass the time because you are waiting for sth else to happen
  - – *He just kept **vamping** until the director showed up to give him some clear instructions.*
  - – *They had to **vamp** for a few minutes to keep the audience amused.*
  - [ v ] Move/act/dance confidently in public, showing that you know that you're sexually attractive
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## Waltz

### [ wɑ:lts]

- [ v ] To walk confidently, quickly, annoying the others
- – *You can't just **waltz** into my bedroom without knocking - it's private!*

## Ware

### [ wer]

- [ n ] Products / Goods
    - *The market was bustling with vendors selling their **wares**, from fresh produce to handmade crafts.*
  - [ n ] [In sales] Used to refer to objects of the same material or type
    - *The factory produces a variety of **glassware**, including bottles and jars.*
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## Weir

### [ wir]

- [ n ] A wall built under the water across a river to control the way the water flows from one level to another
    - *By adjusting the **weir**, they were able to direct water into the irrigation channels for the crops.*
    - *The engineers constructed a **weir** across the river to manage the flow and prevent flooding.*
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## Whizz

### [ wɪz]

- [ v ] To move / do smth very fast
    - *A police car **whizzed** by, on its way to the accident.*
    - *We **whizzed** through the rehearsal, so that we'd be finished by lunchtime.*
  - [ n ] A highly proficient individual
    - *He's a **whizz** at poker.*
    - *An Arch user is invariably a computer **whizz**.*
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## Yarn

### [ ja:rn]

- [ n ] A type of thread used for making cloth/knitting
  - *She bought some colorful **yarn** to knit a sweat.*
- [ n ] A long and interesting story
  - *He knew how to **spin a good yarn**.*

# Yearn

[ jɜːn ]

- [ v ] To desire sth difficult to get strongly
  - *Despite his great commercial success he still **yearns for** critical approval.*
  - *Sometimes I just **yearn to** be alone.*

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## ***Alcove***

[ 'æl.kouv]

- [ n ] A small space in a room, formed by one part of a wall being further back
    - – We've put some bookshelves in the **alcove**.
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## ***Allay***

[ ə'leɪ]

- [ v ] To diminish/alleviate negative feelings
    - – The CEO tried to **allay** the employee's concerns about job security.
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## ***Anchorite***

[ 'æŋ.kə.ait]

- [ n ] A religious recluse who chooses to live in solitude
    - – During the Middle Ages, many **anchorites**, such as Julian of Norwich, were well-known for their spiritual writings and profound insights.
    - – Though rare today, some individuals still embrace an **anchoritic** lifestyle, seeking solitude and quiet contemplation away from the distractions of modern society.
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## ***Ancillary***

[ 'æn.sə.lər.i]

- [ adj ] Providing help/support
    - – The company offers several **ancillary** services, such as technical support and customer training.
    - – The court case involved **ancillary** issues, such as property disputes and child custody arrangements.
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## ***Aperitif***

[ ə'per.ə'tɪ:f]

- [ n ] An alcoholic drink before the main meal
  - – Would you like an **aperitif** before dinner?

## Arsenal

[ 'ɑ:r.sən.əl]

- [ n ] A building where weapons & military equipment are stored
    - The army's main **arsenal** was heavily guarded and stocked with a wide array of weaponry.
  - [ n ] A collection of weapons
    - The country's nuclear **arsenal** is a crucial part of its defense strategy.
  - [ n ] A collection of anything that can be used for a specific purpose, often referring to tools/skills/strategies
    - She had an impressive **arsenal** of negotiation tactics that helped her close the deal.
    - The software comes with an **arsenal** of features to enhance productivity.
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## Auxiliary

[ ɑ:g'zɪl.i.ər.i]

- [ adj ] Giving help/support to a more important person/thing:
    - The **auxiliary** nurse assisted the primary surgeon during the complex operation.
    - The army called in **auxiliary** troops to support the main forces during the mission.
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## Barley

[ 'bɑ:r.li]

- [ n ] A kind of cereal grain (Lúa mạch)
    - I love Ovaltine, a hybrid **barley**-choco milk brand.
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## Barring

[ 'bɑ:rɪŋ]

- = Should there be no
    - **Barring** accidents, we should win.
    - We should arrive at 10, **barring** any unexpected delays.
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## Beset

[ br'set]

- [ adj ] To trouble
  - The small village was **beset** by a series of natural disasters over the course of the year.
  - Many problems have **beset** the team in recent months.

## **Blather**

[ 'blæð.ə ]

- [ n ] Silly yapping
    - Her endless **blather** about celebrity gossip was getting on everyone's nerves.
  - [ v ] Yap sillily
    - What on earth are you **blathering** on about?
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## **Botany**

[ 'bɒtəni ]

- [ n ] The science of plants
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## **Brittle**

[ 'brɪt.əl ]

- [ adj ] Delicate / Easily broken
    - The pond was covered in a **brittle** layer of ice.
    - With old age come **brittle** bones.
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## **Castigate**

[ 'kæs.tə.ɡeɪt ]

- [ v ] To criticize severely
    - Health inspectors **castigated** the kitchen staff for poor standards of cleanliness.
    - The coach was known to **castigate** his players in public, a method that some found motivating and others found humiliating.
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## **Communiqué**

[ kə'mju:.ni.keɪ ]

- [ n ] An official announcement to the public/press
  - The president issued a **communiqué** announcing new measures to combat the economic crisis.
  - The palace has issued a **communiqué** denying the rumour.

## Corpulent

[ 'kɔːr.pjə.lənt ]

- [ adj ] Fat
  - – The **corpulent** merchant waddled down the cobblestone street, his belly jiggling with each step.
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## Cranny

[ 'kræ.n.i ]

- [ n ] A small & narrow opening in sth solid
  - – Tiny plants grew in the **crannies** between the rocks.
  - – They searched every **cranny** of the attic to find the missing book.
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## Crowdsourcing

[ 'kraʊd.sɔːrs ]

- [ v ] To obtain information/input from many people
  - – The project was **crowdsourced**, allowing many people to contribute ideas.
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## Dawdle

[ 'dɑː.dəl ]

- [ v ] To do sth/go somewhere very slowly, taking more time than is necessary
  - – Stop **dawdling**! You'll be late for school!
  - – He **dawdled over** his homework, taking much longer than necessary.
  - – She **dawdled** on her way to school, stopping to look at every flower and bird.
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## Debacle

[ dɪ'baː.kəl ]

- [ n ] A sudden and ignominious failure / A fiasco
- – The collapse of the company was describe as the greatest financial **debacle** in US history.
- – The launch turned into a **debacle** when technical issues prevented the new product from working as advertised.



## Divagate

[ 'dʌɪ.və.ɡeɪt]

- [ v ] To move away from a set path/direction
    - During their hike, they **divagated** off the main trail and got lost in the forest.
  - [ v ] To stray from the main topic in speaking/writing (= Digress)
    - The professor often **divagated** into personal anecdotes during his lectures.
    - As she narrated the story, she began to **divagate** into unrelated details about her childhood.
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## Docile

[ 'dɔː.səl]

- [ n ] Quiet and easy to influence, persuade, or control
    - The **docile** dog obeyed every command.
    - The once **docile** population finally rose up against the regime.
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## Downcast

[ 'daʊn.kæst]

- [ adj ] Sad and without hope, with eyes/gaze directed downward
    - His **downcast** eyes avoided meeting hers, revealing his disappointment.
    - Despite the good news, he remained **downcast**, unable to shake off his earlier mood.
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## Elate

[ i'leɪt]

- [ v ] Make sb feel extremely happy and excited, especially because sth good has happened or been achieved.
    - The news of her promotion **elated** her.
    - She felt **elated** after hearing that she had passed the exam with flying colors.
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## Equable

[ 'ek.wə.bəl]

- [ adj ] Always being pleasant
  - Graham has a fairly **equable** temperament; He is never angry.
  - Despite the stressful environment, she remained **equable** and composed.
- [ adj ] Not changing suddenly
  - The region is known for its **equable** climate, with mild temperatures year-round.

## ***Eschew***

[ ɪs'tʃuː ]

- [ v ] To avoid sth intentionally
    - He decided to **eschew** fast food in favor of a healthier diet.
    - He **eschewed** the trappings of wealth, wearing scruffy clothes and travelling around by bus.
    - We won't have discussions with this group unless they **eschew** violence.
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## ***Fiasco***

[ fi'æs.kou ]

- [ n ] A plan that turned into a complete failure
    - The company experienced several **fiascoes** before finally raking in.
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## ***Grotesque***

[ grou'tesk ]

- [ adj ] Unnaturally odd or distorted in a way that is silly or repulsive
    - By now she'd had so much cosmetic surgery that she looked quite **grotesque**.
    - Gothic churches are full of devils and **grotesque** figures.
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## ***Implore***

[ ɪm'plɔːr ]

- [ v ] Ask someone to do/not do something in a sincere/emotional/determined way

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## ***Incarcerate***

[ ɪn'kɑːr.sə.reɪt ]

- [ v ] To imprison/confine sb
  - We were **incarcerated** in that elevator for hours on end.
  - During the war, many political dissidents were **incarcerated** for their beliefs and actions against the government.

## Indigent

[ 'ɪndɪdʒ(ə)nt]

- [ adj ] Poor, needy
  - – The charity organization provides food and shelter for **indigent** people.
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## Ingenuous

[ ɪn'dʒɛnjuəs]

- [ adj ] Candid and innocent
  - – He gave an **ingenuous** response, without any hesitation or pretense.
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## Ingénue

[ 'ɛ̃ʒən(j)u:]

- [ n ] [In films and plays] An innocent or naive woman
  - – She was cast as the **ingénue** in the new Broadway production, capturing the audience's hearts with her portrayal of innocence.
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## Jabroni

[ dʒə'brəʊni]

- [ n ] A foolish or contemptible person
  - – Don't listen to him; He's just a **jabroni** who likes to cause trouble.
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## Jeopardy

[ 'dʒɛp.ə.di]

- [ n ] Danger of loss, harm, or failure
  - – The lives of thousands of birds are in **jeopardy** as a result of the oil spill.
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## Laminate

[ 'læm.ən.ət]

- [ v ] To cover with a thin layer of sth
- – You might want to **laminate** the cards after printing to protect them.
- [ n ] A material made by laminating layers of the same material onto together
- – Wooden skis were replaced by metal, then by plastic **laminate** and, later, carbon fibre.

## ***Lesion***

[ 'li:.ʒən]

- [ n ] An injury to a person's body or to an organ inside their body
    - The MRI revealed a **lesion** in the patient's brain.
    - The dermatologist examined the **lesion** on her skin to determine if it was benign.
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## ***Limber***

[ 'lɪm.bə]

- [ adj ] Flexible & supple
    - After warming up, the gymnast felt **limber** and ready for her routine.
    - The yoga instructor's **limber** body impressed all her students.
  - [ phr. v ] To make oneself flexible / to warm up by exercising.
    - The athletes **limbered up** before the race to avoid injuries.
    - She spent a few minutes **limbering up** her muscles before the dance class.
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## ***Lintel***

[ 'lɪn.təl]

- [ n ] A long piece of stone/wood at the top of a door/window frame that supports the wall above
    - The old stone **lintel** above the doorway was carved with intricate designs.
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## ***Lissome***

[ 'lɪs.əm]

- [ adj ] Attractively thin & able to move quickly, smoothly
  - The dancer's **lissome** movements captivated the audience
  - The model's **lissome** figure was perfect for the runway.
  - The cat's **lissome** body twisted and turned effortlessly as it jumped onto the ledge.

## Livery

[ 'lɪv.ə.i ]

- [ n ] Special uniforms of servants/officials
    - *The **livery** of the palace guards was striking.*
    - *A young man dressed in green **livery** opened the door.*
  - [ n ] The colours/pattern/design used on a company's products or on the vehicles, etc. that they use
    - *The TV channel has a new **livery**, which is cleaner and less cluttered.*
    - *The aircraft was painted in the airline's blue and gold **livery**.*
    - *The airline's new planes feature a striking **livery** with bold blue and green stripes, making them easily recognizable.*
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## Loiter

[ 'lɔɪ.tə/ ]

- [ v ] To move slowly/idly around a public place with no obvious reason
    - *Those who **loiter** in busy areas obstruct the foot traffic.*
    - *He **loitered** in the park, watching people pass by to while away his time.*
    - *The teenagers were warned not to **loiter** outside the convenience store.*
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## Maritime

[ 'mer.ə.taɪm ]

- [ adj ] Connected with human activity at sea
    - *Amalfi and Venice were important **maritime** powers.*
    - ***Maritime** trade routes are essential for global commerce, facilitating the transport of goods across the oceans.*
  - [ adj ] Near the sea/coast
    - *The temperature change in winter is less pronounced in **maritime** areas.*
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## Mayhem

[ 'meɪ.hem ]

- [ n ] Violent/Extreme disorder; Chaos
  - *With 20 kids running around and only two adults to supervise, it was complete **mayhem**.*
  - *The sudden power outage caused **mayhem** in the office, with everyone scrambling to save their work.*

## Millet

[ 'mɪl.ɪt ]

- [ n ] A kind of cereal grain (Kê)
  - – *Birds are particularly fond of **millet**, which is often included in birdseed mixtures.*
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## Nautical

[ 'nɑː.tɪ.kəl ]

- [ adj ] Relating to ships/sailing/sailors
  - – *You're looking very **nautical** in your navy blue sweater.*
  - – *The beach house was decorated in a **nautical** style, with anchors and ship wheels adorning the walls.*
  - – *The museum had an impressive collection of **nautical** artifacts, including old maps and ship models.*
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## Nuisance

[ 'nuː.səns ]

- [ n ] Sb/Sth that annoys you or causes troubles
  - – *The malfunctioning printer was a real **nuisance**, disrupting the office workflow.*
  - – *She considered the mosquitoes to be a **nuisance** whenever she tried to enjoy her evening in the garden..*
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## Ornery

[ 'ɔːr.nə.i ]

- [ adj ] Quick to get angry / Bad-tempered
  - – *The **ornery** cat hissed at anyone who came too close.*
  - – *The **ornery** old man refused to let anyone help him, despite clearly needing assistance.*
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## Padlock

[ 'pæd.lɒk ]

- [ n ] A small metal lock with a U-shaped bar
- – *She used a **padlock** to secure the bicycle to the rack.*
- [ v ] To fasten sth using a padlock
- – *The box was securely **padlocked** and no one had the key.*

## Palpable

[ 'palpəbl ]

- [ adj ] So intense as to seem almost tangible
    - The **palpable** excitement lingered in the air as the concert about to start.
  - [ adj ] Plain to see or comprehend
    - The disappointment in the audience was **palpable**, as their collective sigh filled the room.
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## Palpitate

[ 'palpitert ]

- [ v ] [Of the heart] To shake / tremble
    - Her heart **palpitated** with excitement.
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## Parole

[ pə'roul ]

- [ n ] Permission for the prisoner to be released before the finish of their sentence
    - He's been released on **parole**.
    - She hopes to be eligible for **parole** in three years.
    - Reynolds was sentenced to life without **parole**.
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## Peculiar

[ pr'kju:l.jə ]

- [ adj ] Unusual & strange, sometimes in an unpleasant way
    - His **peculiar** sense of humor often left his friends puzzled but amused.
  - [ adj ] Characteristic of only particular people/things
    - He gets on with things in his own **peculiar** fashion.
    - They noted that manner of walking that was **peculiar to** her alone.
    - This type of building is **peculiar to** the south of the country.
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## Placid

[ 'plæs.id ]

- [ adj ] Having a calm appearance or characteristics.
  - She was a very **placid** child who slept all night and hardly ever cried.

## Propane

[ 'prou.pem]

- [ n ] [C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>8</sub>] A gas used as fuel for cooking/heating
    - The forklift in the warehouse operates on **propane**, making it more environmentally friendly than diesel.
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## Quagmire

[ 'kwæg.mair]

- [ n ] Quicksand but wet and is made out of dirt
    - I fell into a **quagmire**, created by the torrential rain.
  - [ n ] A difficult and dangerous situation
    - He found himself in a **quagmire** after investing in a failing company.
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## Quandary

[ 'kwɒn.dəri]

- [ n ] A state of perplexity/uncertainty over what to do
    - She was in a **quandary** about whether to accept the job offer.
  - – The committee faced several **quandaries** in deciding how to allocate the budget effectively.
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## Quaver

[ 'kwei.və]

- [ v ] [Of voices] Shake because of emotions
    - Her voice began to **quaver** and I thought she was going to cry.
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## Quiver

[ 'kwɪv.ə]

- [ n ] A long, thin container for carrying arrows
  - The archer reached into his **quiver** and drew an arrow, readying himself for the next shot.
- [ n ] A slight, rapid shaking movement/sound
  - The **quiver** in his voice revealed his nervousness about the presentation.
- [ v ] Shake with a slight, rapid motion; To tremble
  - As she waited for the results, her hands began to **quiver** with anxiety.



## Recess

[ 'rɪ.ses ]

- [ n ] A period of time when formal activity, such as school or court sessions, is temporarily suspended.
    - The students eagerly awaited **recess** to play outside.
  - [ n ] A small, hollow space set back from a larger area
    - The door had a small **recess** for the keyhole.
    - There was a small **recess** in the wall where the statue was placed.
  - [ n ] A remote, hidden, or secluded place or part.
    - They explored the deep **recesses** of the cave.
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## Resuscitate

[ rɪ'sʌs.ə.teɪt ]

- [ v ] To revive (from unconsciousness/apparent death)
    - The paramedics were able to **resuscitate** the drowning victim using CPR.
    - The volunteers are working to **resuscitate** the old traditions and festivals of the town.
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## Serrate

[ 'seret ]

- [ adj ] Having a notched/saw-like edge
    - The **serrate** leaves of the plant helped it trap water efficiently.
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## Shimmer

[ 'ʃɪm.ə ]

- [ v ] To shine with a subtle, wavering light, creating a sense of movement/sparkle
    - The lake's surface **shimmered** under the moonlight, creating a magical scene.
    - Her dress was covered in sequins that **shimmered** as she moved.
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## Shudder

[ 'ʃʌd.ə ]

- [ v ] Tremble/shake with a sudden movement, as a result of fear/cold/revulsion
  - She **shuddered** at the thought of walking through the dark, abandoned house.
- [ n ] The act of shuddering
  - He gave a slight **shudder** as he considered how close he had come to death.

## Smokestack

[ 'smouk.stæk]

- [ n ] A tall pipe that pumps exhaust gas out of a factory
  - – Residents complained that fumes from the **smokestacks** made breathing difficult.
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## Spartan

[ 'spɑ:r.tən]

- [ adj ] Simple & severe with no comfort
  - – The accommodations were **spartan**, with just a bed, a chair, and a small table.
  - – Our **spartan** way of life included hard beds, hard work, and no TV.
  - [ adj ] Pertaining to the city of Sparta in ancient Greece or its citizens.
  - – The **spartan** warriors were renowned for their bravery and military skill.
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## Steadfast

[ 'sted.fæst]

- [ adj ] Staying the same for a long time, unwavering
  - – They had a **steadfast** friendship, always standing up for each other.
  - – The group remained **steadfast** in its support for the new system, even when it was criticized in the newspapers.
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## Supplant

[ sə'plænt]

- [ v ] To supersede
  - – Printed books will soon be **supplanted** by e-books.
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## Supple

[ 'sʌp.əl]

- [ adj ] Able to bend easily
- – I'm not **supple** enough (= my body bend easily enough) to touch the floor.
- – She moved with the **grace** of a dancer, her body supple and agile.
- [ adj ] Easily adaptable/responsive to new situations.
- – The fabric felt **supple** against her skin, perfect for the delicate dress.

## Tapestry

[ 'tæp.ə.stri]

- [ n ] A strong cloth with colored threads woven into it to create a picture/design
    - The medieval castle was adorned with a beautiful **tapestry** depicting a hunting scene.
  - [ n ] Sth made of many different parts
    - The instruments blend together, weaving **tapestries** of sound, while the pace of the music changes constantly.
    - The city's culture is a **tapestry** of various traditions and influences.
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## Tenure

[ 'tɛnjə]

- [ n ] The duration during which sb holds a position/role.
    - During her **tenure** as CEO, the company saw unprecedented growth.
  - [ n ] The terms or conditions under which land/buildings are held/occupied.
    - The **tenure** of the lease required the tenant to maintain the property in good condition.
  - [ n ] The right to remain permanently in a job.
    - After years of dedicated research and teaching, he finally achieved **tenure** at the university.
    - **Tenure-track** professors (= **those likely to get tenure**) who don't publish enough work may not be offered **tenure**.
    - Her profile in the college is unusually high for an **untenured** assistant professor. (= **those who don't have a tenure**)
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## Unkempt

[ ʌn'kempt]

- [ adj ] Untidy, not cared for
    - His **unkempt** hair made him look like he had just rolled out of bed.
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## Valiant

[ 'væl.i.ənt]

- [ adj ] Bravely determined in gravely despondent situations
  - The **valiant** firefighter entered the burning building to rescue the trapped family.
  - The knight's **valiant** efforts in battle earned him great honor.

## Vernacular

[ vəˈnæk.jə.lə ]

- [ n ] The language spoken by ordinary people in a particular country/region
    - *The Spanish I learned at school is very different from the local **vernacular** of this Mexican village.*
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## Vicarious

[ vrɪˈker.i.əs ]

- [ adj ] Experienced through observation
    - *She felt a **vicarious** thrill watching her friend skydive, imagining the rush of adrenaline herself.*
    - *He lived **vicariously** through his children's achievements, taking pride in their accomplishments as if they were his own.*
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## Waddle

[ ˈwɑː.dəl ]

- [ v ] [Of a short-legged & corpulent human/animal] To walk with short steps, moving the body from one side to the other
    - *The ducks **waddled** behind their mother adorably.*
    - *I shouted my order and a short, chubby waiter **waddled** over.*
    - *The costume made him **waddle** awkwardly, much to the amusement of the children.*
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## Warble

[ ˈwɔːr.bəl ]

- [ n ] A melodic/quavering sound, especially of a bird.
  - *The nightingale's **warble** filled the evening air with a soothing melody.*
  - *His voice had a natural **warble** that added charm to his folk music performances.*
  - *The nightingale began to **warble** a sweet, enchanting melody as the sun set.*
  - *She could **warble** beautifully, her voice rising and falling with ease.*