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## PREFACE FROM THE EDITOR

Designed for school districts, educators, and students seeking to maximize performance on standardized tests, Webster's paperbacks take advantage of the fact that classics are frequently assigned readings in English courses. By using a running thesaurus at the bottom of each page, this edition of *The Merchant of Venice* by William Shakespeare was edited for students who are actively building their vocabularies in anticipation of taking PSAT®, SAT®, AP® (Advanced Placement®), GRE®, LSAT®, GMAT® or similar examinations.<sup>1</sup>

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## PERSONS REPRESENTED

THE DUKE OF VENICE

THE PRINCE OF MOROCCO,  
THE PRINCE OF ARRAGON, } suitors to Portia

ANTONIO, a **merchant** of Venice

BASSANIO, his **friend**

SALANIO,  
SALARINO, } friends to Antonio and Bassanio  
GRATIANO, }

LORENZO, in love with Jessica

SHYLOCK, a **rich** Jew

TUBAL, a Jew, his friend

LAUNCELOT GOBBO, a **clown**, **servant** to Shylock

OLD GOBBO, **father** to Launcelot

LEONARDO, servant to Bassanio

BALTHASAR, }  
STEPHANO, } servants to Portia

PORTIA, a rich **heiress**

NERISSA, her waiting-maid

JESSICA, **daughter** to Shylock

MAGNIFICOES OF VENICE, OFFICERS OF THE COURT OF JUSTICE,  
GAOLER, SERVANTS TO PORTIA, and other ATTENDANTS

### Thesaurus

**clown:** (*n*) fool, joker, jester, boor, harlequin, joke, comedian, rustic, comic, acrobat; (*v*) antic.

**daughter:** (*n*) child, son, maiden, young woman, daughterly, lass, unmarried woman, damsel, miss, missy, virgin.

**father:** (*n*) dad, begetter, creator, abba, patriarch, beginner, founder, padre; (*n, v*) sire; (*v*) engender, generate. ANTONYMS: (*n*) disciple, follower.

**friend:** (*adj, n*) associate, comrade,

companion, fellow, ally; (*n*) acquaintance, colleague, boyfriend, crony, brother, mate. ANTONYMS: (*n*) foe, stranger, rival, nemesis, adversary, antagonist.

**heiress:** (*n*) inheritress, inheritrix, inheritor, heritor, owner, beneficiary.

**merchant:** (*n*) trader, seller, businessman, shopkeeper, vendor, retailer, merchandiser, storekeeper, broker, grocer; (*n, v*) chapman. ANTONYM: (*n*) buyer.

**rich:** (*adj, n*) copious, luxurious; (*adj*) productive, fruitful, full, deep, prolific, opulent, fat, affluent; (*adj, v*) fertile. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) poor, impoverished, destitute, broke, light, plain, lean, delicate, infertile, weak, barren.

**servant:** (*n*) manservant, domestic, lackey, maid, employee, flunkie, retainer, boy, footman, flunky, menial. ANTONYMS: (*n*) master, mistress.





## ACT I

### SCENE I. VENICE. A STREET

[Enter ANTONIO, SALARINO, and SALANIO]

ANTONIO.

In **sooth**, I know not why I am so sad;  
It wearies me; you say it wearies you;  
But how I **caught** it, found it, or **came** by it,  
What stuff 'tis made of, whereof it is born,  
I am to learn;  
And such a want-wit **sadness** makes of me  
That I have much ado to know myself.

SALARINO.

Your mind is **tossing** on the ocean;  
There where your argosies, with **portly** sail--  
Like signiors and rich burghers on the flood,  
Or as it were the pageants of the sea--  
Do overpeer the **petty** traffickers,  
That **curtsy** to them, do them reverence,  
As they fly by them with their **woven wings**.

### Thesaurus

**came:** (*v*) arrive, come.

**caught:** (*adj*) fixed, guilty, accomplished, wedged, trapped, interested, exposed, defenseless, culpable; (*v*) seize, get. ANTONYM: (*adj*) loose.

**curtsy:** (*n, v*) bob, curtsey; (*adj, n, v*) courtesy, kowtow; (*v*) nod, kneel, bow submission, recognize; (*n*) obeisance; (*adj*) salaam, kotow.

**petty:** (*adj*) insignificant, trivial, little, frivolous, paltry, puny, negligible,

light, mean, minute, exiguous.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) important, serious, generous, profound, significant, expansive, crucial, considerable, broadminded, enormous.

**portly:** (*adj*) plump, stout, corpulent, heavy, obese, chubby, fleshy, overweight; (*adj, adv*) burly, stately; (*adv*) plumply. ANTONYMS: (*adj, adv*) thin, slim; (*adj*) skinny.

**sadness:** (*n, v*) melancholy,

despondency; (*adj, n*) grief, distress; (*n*) misery, sorrow, desolation, regret, gloom, mourning, affliction.

ANTONYMS: (*n*) joy, amusement, cheerfulness, laughter, contentment, comfort, cheer, hopefulness.

**sooth:** (*n*) verity, soothsaying, fact, truth, reality.

**tossing:** (*n*) cast; (*adj*) moving.

**venice:** (*n*) Venezia.

**wings:** (*n*) insignia, agency.

**woven:** (*adj*) plaited.

SALANIO.

Believe me, sir, had I such venture forth,  
 The better part of my **affections** would  
 Be with my hopes abroad. I should be still  
 Plucking the grass to know where **sits** the wind,  
 Peering in maps for ports, and **piers**, and roads;  
 And every object that might make me fear  
 Misfortune to my ventures, out of doubt  
 Would make me sad.

SALARINO.

My wind, **cooling** my broth  
 Would blow me to an **ague**, when I thought  
 What harm a wind too great might do at sea.  
 I should not see the sandy hour-glass run  
 But I should think of **shallows** and of flats,  
 And see my wealthy Andrew dock'd in sand,  
 Vailing her high top lower than her ribs  
 To kiss her burial. Should I go to church  
 And see the holy **edifice** of stone,  
 And not **bethink** me straight of dangerous rocks,  
 Which, touching but my gentle vessel's side,  
 Would **scatter** all her spices on the stream,  
 Enrobe the **roaring** waters with my silks,  
 And, in a word, but even now worth this,  
 And now worth nothing? Shall I have the thought  
 To think on this, and shall I lack the thought  
 That such a thing bechanc'd would make me sad?  
 But tell not me; I know Antonio  
 Is sad to think upon his **merchandise**.

ANTONIO.

Believe me, no; I thank my fortune for it,

## Thesaurus

**affections:** (*n*) bosom.

**ague:** (*n*) acute, symptom, sickness, malady, illness, malaria, paludism, swamp fever, chills and fever; (*adj*) appendicitis, angina pectoris.

**bethink:** (*v*) recollect, mull, remind, recall, think, reflect, ponder, speculate, ruminate, consider, contemplate.

**cooling:** (*n*) freezing, refrigeration, cooler, mechanism, quenching, temperature reduction, coolant

system, cooling system; (*adj*) caller, refrigerant, allaying heat.

**edifice:** (*n*) building, structure, house, hall, fabric, aviary, bagnio, bathhouse, abattoir, bawdyhouse, clubhouse.

**merchandise:** (*v*) market, deal; (*n*) freight, cargo, product, commodity, goods, consignment, wares; (*adj*) commodities, ware.

**piers:** (*n*) jetties.

**roaring:** (*n*) bellowing, roar, bellow,

thunder; (*adj*) booming, prosperous, thriving, flourishing, deafening, noisy, boisterous.

**scatter:** (*n, v*) spread, spray; (*v*) disperse, dispel, disseminate, distribute, break up, dissipate, sprinkle, circulate, diffuse.  
 ANTONYMS: (*v*) collect, reform, attract, concentrate.

**shallows:** (*n*) shelf, shoals.

**sits:** (*n*) sat.

My ventures are not in one bottom trusted,  
Nor to one place; nor is my whole estate  
Upon the fortune of this present year;  
Therefore my merchandise makes me not sad.

SALARINO.

Why, then you are in love.

ANTONIO.

Fie, fie!

SALARINO.

Not in love neither? Then let us say you are sad  
Because you are not **merry**; and 'twere as easy  
For you to laugh and leap and say you are merry,  
Because you are not sad. Now, by two-headed Janus,  
Nature hath fram'd strange **fellows** in her time:  
Some that will **evermore peep** through their eyes,  
And laugh like parrots at a bag-piper;  
And other of such **vinegar** aspect  
That they'll not show their teeth in way of smile  
Though Nestor **swear** the **jest** be **laughable**.

[Enter BASSANIO, LORENZO, and GRATIANO.]

SALANIO.

Here comes Bassanio, your most noble kinsman,  
Gratiano, and Lorenzo. Fare ye well;  
We leave you now with better company.

SALARINO.

I would have stay'd till I had made you merry,  
If worthier friends had not **prevented** me.

ANTONIO.

Your worth is very dear in my regard.

## Thesaurus

**evermore:** (*adj, adv*) always, forever, ever; (*adv*) everlastingly, forevermore, perpetually, ever and again, for all time, until the end of time. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) temporarily, suddenly.

**fellows:** (*n*) fellow, membership, faculty.

**jest:** (*n*) gag, gibe, quip, game; (*n, v*) jape; (*v*) banter, jeer, deride, gird, sneer, clown.

**laughable:** (*adj*) absurd, amusing,

humorous, comical, ludicrous, ridiculous, farcical, droll, comic, foolish, jocular. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) serious, tragic, adequate, generous, impressive.

**merry:** (*adj*) joyful, lively, cheerful, glad, jolly, facetious, frolicsome, lighthearted, festive; (*adj, n*) convivial, jovial. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) gloomy, miserable, serious, uptight.

**peep:** (*n, v*) glance, peek, look, gaze, glint, squeal; (*n*) glimpse, cheep; (*v*)

chirp, peer, pry. ANTONYMS: (*v*) stare, gaze; (*n*) examination.

**prevented:** (*adj*) disallowed, barred, banned. ANTONYM: (*adj*) legitimate.

**swear:** (*v*) declare, assure, assert, affirm, curse, pledge; (*n, v*) promise, avow, depone, depose, aver. ANTONYMS: (*v*) distrust, refute, deny, compliment.

**vinegar:** (*n*) verjuice, eisels, crab, condiment, chili vinegar, brine, cider vinegar, acetum, acetic acid, alum.

I take it your own business calls on you,  
And you **embrace** th' occasion to depart.

SALARINO.

Good **morrow**, my good lords.

BASSANIO.

Good signiors both, when shall we laugh? Say when.  
You grow **exceeding** strange; must it be so?

SALARINO.

We'll make our leisures to attend on yours.  
[Exeunt SALARINO and SALANIO.]

LORENZO.

My Lord Bassanio, since you have found Antonio,  
We two will leave you; but at dinner-time,  
I **pray** you, have in mind where we must meet.

BASSANIO.

I will not fail you.

GRATIANO.

You look not well, Signior Antonio;  
You have too much respect upon the world;  
They lose it that do buy it with much care.  
Believe me, you are **marvellously** chang'd.

ANTONIO.

I hold the world but as the world, Gratiano;  
A stage, where every man must play a part,  
And mine a sad one.

GRATIANO.

Let me play the fool;  
With **mirth** and laughter let old **wrinkles** come;  
And let my **liver** rather heat with wine  
Than my heart cool with **mortifying** groans.

## Thesaurus

**embrace:** (*v*) comprise, adopt, comprehend, contain, admit, espouse, include; (*n*, *v*) clasp, hug, grip, bosom. ANTONYMS: (*v*) reject, exclude, spurn, shun, renounce, release, loose, disbelieve.  
**exceeding:** (*prep*) beyond, more than, greater than; (*adj*) excessive, transcendent, extraordinary, exceptional, prodigious, surpassing, Olympian; (*v*) exceed.  
**liver:** (*n*) dweller, livers, resident,

inhabitant, person, human, someone, soul, individual, hepatic.  
**marvellously:** (*adv*) wondrously, wonderfully, terrifically, superbly, fantastically, miraculously, terrificly, phenomenally, gloriously, tremendously, tally.  
**mirth:** (*adj*, *n*) merriment, jollity; (*n*) amusement, happiness, delight, joy, hilarity, cheerfulness, festivity, gladness, exhilaration. ANTONYMS: (*n*) gloom, sadness, misery.

**morrow:** (*n*) morning, future, mean solar day, day.  
**mortifying:** (*adj*) embarrassing, demeaning, humbling, undignified, off, awkward, unpleasant; (*v*) annoying, aggravating, irritating, stinging. ANTONYM: (*adj*) dignified.  
**pray:** (*v*) beg, implore, entreat, crave, invite, plead, beseech, appeal, importune, adjure, invoke. ANTONYM: (*v*) reject.  
**wrinkles:** (*n*) crow's feet.

Why should a man whose blood is warm within  
 Sit like his **grandsire** cut in alabaster,  
 Sleep when he wakes, and creep into the jaundice  
 By being **peevish**? I tell thee what, Antonio--  
 I love thee, and 'tis my love that speaks--  
 There are a sort of men whose visages  
 Do cream and mantle like a standing pond,  
 And do a **wilful** stillness entertain,  
 With purpose to be dress'd in an opinion  
 Of wisdom, gravity, profound conceit;  
 As who should say 'I am Sir Oracle,  
 And when I ope my lips let no dog bark.'  
 O my Antonio, I do know of these  
 That therefore only are **reputed** wise  
 For saying nothing; when, I am very sure,  
 If they should speak, would almost damn those ears  
 Which, hearing them, would call their brothers fools.  
 I'll tell thee more of this another time.  
 But fish not with this **melancholy** bait,  
 For this fool **gudgeon**, this opinion.  
 Come, good Lorenzo. Fare ye well awhile;  
 I'll end my **exhortation** after dinner.

LORENZO.

Well, we will leave you then till dinner-time.  
 I must be one of these same dumb wise men,  
 For Gratiano never lets me speak.

GRATIANO.

Well, keep me company but two years moe,  
 Thou shalt not know the sound of thine own tongue.

ANTONIO.

Fare you well; I'll grow a **talker** for this gear.

## Thesaurus

**exhortation:** (*n*) warning, monition, persuasion, suggestion, counsel, incitement, sermon, admonition, exhort, hortation, admonishment.

**grandsire:** (*n*) grandfather, ancestor.

**gudgeon:** (*n*) gull, Gobio Gobio, goby, percoid, percoidean, seduction, enticement, axle, pigeon, cyprinid fish, victim.

**melancholy:** (*adj, v*) dreary; (*adj, n*) gloom, melancholic; (*adj*) depressed, dejected, dismal, gloomy, doleful; (*n*,

*v*) low spirits; (*n*) gloominess, depression. ANTONYMS: (*n*) happiness, cheerfulness, hopefulness, optimism; (*adj*) happy, bright, cheery, satisfied.

**peevish:** (*adj*) fretful, fractious, morose, testy, irascible, moody, captious, petulant, cross, cantankerous, touchy.

**reputed:** (*adj*) supposed, renowned, famous, conjectural, assumed, famed, eminent, prominent, alleged, well-

known, distinguished. ANTONYM: (*adj*) known.

**talker:** (*n*) speaker, conversationalist, orator, chatterbox, babbler, raver, stammerer, chatterer, speechmaker, caller, mutterer.

**wilful:** (*adj*) headstrong, deliberate, intentional, knowing, designed, wayward, obstinate, willful, stubborn, studied, persistent.

GRATIANO.

Thanks, i' faith, for silence is only commendable  
In a neat's tongue **dried**, and a **maid** not vendible.  
[Exeunt GRATIANO and LORENZO.]

ANTONIO.

Is that anything now?

BASSANIO.

Gratiano **speaks** an **infinite** deal of nothing, more than any man in all Venice.  
His reasons are as two grains of **wheat** hid in, two bushels of **chaff**: you shall  
seek all day ere you find them, and when you have them they are not worth  
the search.

ANTONIO.

Well; tell me now what lady is the same  
To whom you swore a secret pilgrimage,  
That you to-day promis'd to tell me of?

BASSANIO.

'Tis not unknown to you, Antonio,  
How much I have disabled mine estate  
By something showing a more **swelling** port  
Than my faint means would grant continuance;  
Nor do I now make **moan** to be abridg'd  
From such a noble rate; but my chief care  
Is to come fairly off from the great debts  
Wherein my time, something too prodigal,  
Hath left me gag'd. To you, Antonio,  
I owe the most, in money and in love;  
And from your love I have a warranty  
To **unburden** all my plots and purposes  
How to get clear of all the debts I owe.

## Thesaurus

**chaff:** (*v*) tease, jest, rally, mock, kid, jolly, joke; (*n*) bran, raillery, husk; (*n, v*) ridicule.  
**dried:** (*adj*) arid, desiccated, dehydrated, shriveled, shrunken, drained, torrid, parched, withered; (*n*) drier, dryer.  
**infinite:** (*adj*) absolute, eternal, endless, countless, immense, incalculable, boundless, innumerable, immeasurable, everlasting, spaceless. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) finite, limited,

restricted, small, tiny, slight.  
**maid:** (*n*) damsel, chambermaid, lass, lassie, girl, domestic, amah, virgin, maiden, housemaid, handmaid.  
**moan:** (*n, v*) grumble, gripe, whine, lament, cry, howl; (*v*) bewail, complain, mourn; (*n*) complaint, lamentation. ANTONYMS: (*v*) compliment; (*n*) praise.  
**speaks:** (*n*) talks.  
**swelling:** (*n*) protuberance, lump, swell, intumescence, growth,

projection, prominence, bulge, dropsy; (*adj, v*) inflated; (*adj*) growing. ANTONYM: (*n*) decline.  
**unburden:** (*v*) discharge, relieve, unload, free, clear, lighten, take away, throw away, unburthen, shoot, soothe. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) hide, conceal; (*v*) harbor, load.  
**wheat:** (*n*) corn, spelt, bulgur, emmer, hard wheat, maize, bulghur, wheat berry, soft wheat, food grain, Indian corn.

ANTONIO.

I pray you, good Bassanio, let me know it;  
And if it stand, as you yourself still do,  
Within the eye of honour, be assur'd  
My **purse**, my person, my extremest means,  
Lie all unlock'd to your occasions.

BASSANIO.

In my school-days, when I had lost one shaft,  
I shot his fellow of the **self**-same flight  
The self-same way, with more advised watch,  
To find the other forth; and by adventuring both  
I oft found both. I urge this childhood proof,  
Because what follows is pure innocence.  
I owe you much; and, like a wilful youth,  
That which I owe is lost; but if you please  
To **shoot** another **arrow** that self way  
Which you did shoot the first, I do not doubt,  
As I will watch the aim, or to find both,  
Or bring your latter **hazard** back again  
And **thankfully** rest **debtor** for the first.

ANTONIO.

You know me well, and **herein** spend but time  
To wind about my love with circumstance;  
And out of doubt you do me now more wrong  
In making question of my uttermost  
Than if you had made waste of all I have.  
Then do but say to me what I should do  
That in your knowledge may by me be done,  
And I am prest **unto** it; therefore, speak.

BASSANIO.

In Belmont is a lady **richly** left,

## Thesaurus

**arrow:** (*n*) missile, bolt, dart, barb, gun, spear, bullet, cursor; (*adj*, *n*) rocket; (*adj*) hydrargyrum, quicksilver.  
**debtor:** (*n*) obligor, defaulter, borrower, debtor, bankrupt, deadbeat, debit, welsher, levanter, lame duck, stag.  
**hazard:** (*n*, *v*) chance, venture, endanger, peril, adventure, bet, wager; (*n*) danger, fortune, jeopardy, accident. ANTONYMS: (*n*) safety,

security; (*v*) protect.  
**herein:** (*adv*) here, therein.  
**purse:** (*n*) bag, pouch, money, handbag, sac, currency, pocketbook, pelf; (*v*) wrinkle, pucker, crease.  
**richly:** (*adv*) wealthily, copiously, opulently, lavishly, abundantly, sumptuously, affluently, profusely, amply, plentifully, fully.  
ANTONYMS: (*adv*) meagerly, poorly, simply, barely.  
**self-same:** (*adj*) uniform, twin.

**shoot:** (*v*) discharge, flash, drive, dart, dash, send, photograph; (*n*) scion, branch; (*n*, *v*) sprout, hunt.  
ANTONYM: (*v*) trickle.  
**thankfully:** (*adv*) gratefully, obligedly, beholdenly, indebtedly, pleasedly, fortunately, happily, unreservedly, with enthusiasm, with pleasure, freely. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) unfortunately, unwillingly.  
**unto:** (*prep*, *v*) to, till, up to; (*prep*) towards, before.



And she is fair and, fairer than that word,  
Of **wondrous virtues**. Sometimes from her eyes  
I did receive fair **speechless** messages:  
Her name is Portia--nothing undervalu'd  
To Cato's daughter, Brutus' Portia:  
Nor is the wide world **ignorant** of her worth,  
For the four winds blow in from every coast  
Renowned suitors, and her sunny locks  
Hang on her **temples** like a golden fleece;  
Which makes her seat of Belmont Colchos' strond,  
And many Jasons come in quest of her.  
O my Antonio! had I but the means  
To hold a rival place with one of them,  
I have a mind presages me such thrift  
That I should **questionless** be fortunate.

ANTONIO.

Thou know'st that all my **fortunes** are at sea;  
Neither have I money nor commodity  
To raise a present sum; therefore go forth,  
Try what my credit can in Venice do;  
That shall be rack'd, even to the uttermost,  
To **furnish** thee to Belmont to fair Portia.  
Go presently **inquire**, and so will I,  
Where money is; and I no question make  
To have it of my trust or for my sake.  
[Exeunt]

SCENE II. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE

Thesaurus

**fortunes:** (*n*) adventures, fortune, personal narrative, life, journal.  
**furnish:** (*v*) afford, provide, contribute, render, offer, accommodate, supply, outfit, yield, decorate; (*n, v*) give. ANTONYMS: (*v*) divest.  
**ignorant:** (*adj*) unconscious, unwitting, rude, illiterate, uneducated, blind, dull, unaware, uninformed, unlearned, innocent. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) conscious, versed, cultured,

educated, informed, wary, literate, aware, polite.  
**inquire:** (*v*) demand, ask, explore, enquire, inspect, research, consult, pry, request, wonder; (*n, v*) question. ANTONYM: (*v*) answer.  
**questionless:** (*adj*) incontrovertible, unquestionable, certain, indubitable; (*adv*) certainly.  
**speechless:** (*adj*) silent, mute, dumb, dumbfounded, voiceless, quiet, tongueless, tacit, noiseless, mum,

wordless. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) loquacious, eloquent, talkative.  
**temples:** (*n*) brow.  
**virtues:** (*n*) brawn, sinew, qualities, nerve, manner, habit, disposition, custom.  
**wondrous:** (*adj*) marvelous, miraculous, marvellous, astonishing, tremendous, fantastic, phenomenal, extraordinary, rattling; (*adv*) wonderfully, marvellously.

[Enter PORTIA and NERISSA.]

PORTIA.

By my **troth**, Nerissa, my little body is **awearry** of this great world.

NERISSA.

You would be, sweet madam, if your miseries were in the same abundance as your good fortunes are; and yet, for **ought** I see, they are as sick that **surfeit** with too much as they that starve with nothing. It is no mean happiness, therefore, to be seated in the mean: **superfluity** come sooner by white **hairs**, but **competency** lives longer.

PORTIA.

Good sentences, and well pronounced.

NERISSA.

They would be better, if well followed.

PORTIA.

If to do were as easy as to know what were good to do, chapels had been churches, and poor men's cottages princes' palaces. It is a good divine that follows his own instructions; I can easier teach twenty what were good to be done than to be one of the twenty to follow mine own teaching. The brain may devise laws for the blood, but a hot temper leaps **o'er** a cold decree; such a hare is madness the youth, to skip o'er the **meshes** of good counsel the **cripple**. But this reasoning is not in the fashion to choose me a husband. O me, the word 'choose!' I may neither choose who I would nor refuse who I dislike; so is the will of a living daughter curb'd by the will of a dead father. Is it not hard, Nerissa, that I cannot choose one, nor refuse none?

NERISSA.

Your father was ever virtuous, and holy men at their death have good inspirations; therefore the lott'ry that he hath devised in these three chests, of gold, silver, and lead, whereof who chooses his meaning chooses you, will no doubt never be chosen by any rightly but one who you shall rightly love. But

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**ought:** (*n*) nil, zero, anything, ought, cypher, nix, cipher, naught, null, zip; (*adj*) any.

**awearry:** (*adj*) tired.

**competency:** (*n*) competence, capability, ability, fitness, proficiency, faculty, power, expertise, eligibility, efficiency, skill.  
ANTONYM: (*n*) incompetence.

**cripple:** (*adj, v*) maim, prostrate; (*v*) mutilate, enfeeble, injure, incapacitate, weaken, b cripple; (*n, v*)

damage; (*n*) invalid; (*adj*) paralyze.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) support, strengthen, invigorate, help, fortify, enable, aid.

**hairs:** (*n*) hair.

**meshes:** (*n*) cobweb, mouse trap, toils, maze; (*adj*) awkwardness, knot, Gordian knot, delicacy, ticklish card to play.

**o'er:** (*adv*) on, upon, across.

**superfluity:** (*n*) plethora, redundancy, superabundance, nimety,

overabundance, overplus, embarrassment, redundancy, extravagance, surplus, glut.  
ANTONYM: (*n*) shortfall.

**surfeit:** (*n*) overabundance, excess, repletion, satiety, plethora, overflow, congestion; (*v*) cloy, gorge, satiate, pall. ANTONYMS: (*n*) shortage, need, necessity, deficit; (*v*) deplete.

**troth:** (*n*) faith, engagement, betrothal, plight, vow, loyalty, espousal, fidelity, truth, verity, veracity.

what warmth is there in your affection towards any of these **princely** suitors that are already come?

PORTIA.

I pray thee over-name them; and as thou namest them, I will describe them; and **according** to my description, level at my affection.

NERISSA.

First, there is the Neapolitan prince.

PORTIA.

Ay, that's a **colt** indeed, for he doth nothing but talk of his horse; and he makes it a great appropriation to his own good parts that he can shoe him himself; I am much **afeard** my lady his mother play'd false with a smith.

NERISSA.

Then is there the County Palatine.

PORTIA.

He doth nothing but frown, as who should say 'An you will not have me, choose.' He **hears** merry tales and smiles not: I fear he will prove the weeping philosopher when he grows old, being so full of **unmannerly** sadness in his youth. I had rather be married to a **death's-head** with a bone in his mouth than to either of these. God defend me from these two!

NERISSA.

How say you by the French lord, Monsieur Le Bon?

PORTIA.

God made him, and therefore let him pass for a man. In truth, I know it is a sin to be a **mock**er, but he! why, he hath a horse better than the Neapolitan's, a better bad habit of frowning than the Count Palatine; he is every man in no man. If a **throstle** sing he falls straight a-capering; he will fence with his own shadow; if I should marry him, I should marry twenty husbands. If he would **despise** me, I would forgive him; for if he love me to madness, I shall never **requite** him.

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**according:** (*adj*) pursuant, consonant, equal, agreeable, harmonious, conformable, consistent, corresponding, respondent; (*adv*) correspondingly, accordingly.  
**afeard:** (*adj*) afraid.  
**colt:** (*n*) novice, filly, foal, calf, horse, beginner, kitten, pup, fledgling, freshman, greenhorn.  
**death's-head:** (*n*) memento Mori.  
**despise:** (*v*) disdain, loathe, depreciate, abhor, dislike, detest,

slight, hate; (*n, v*) contempt; (*n*) contempt, deride. ANTONYMS: (*v*) respect, love, adore, appreciate, cherish, like, praise, accept.  
**hears:** (*v*) hear.  
**mock**er: (*n*) derider, mockingbird, scoffer, flouter, oscine, banterer, tease, mock, teaser, jester, joker.  
**princely:** (*adj, v*) August, grand, great, lordly, dignified, stately; (*adj*) generous, munificent, majestic, magnificent, gorgeous. ANTONYM:

(*adj*) ungenerous.  
**requite:** (*adj, v*) pay, gratify, satisfy; (*v*) recompense, reciprocate, compensate, reward, remunerate, reimburse, return, refund.  
**throstle:** (*n*) song thrush, thrush, flyer eye.  
**unmannerly:** (*adj*) impolite, unmannered, uncivil, impertinent, insolent, ill-mannered, discourteous, ungracious, rustic, disrespectful, churlish.

NERISSA.

What say you, then, to Falconbridge, the young baron of England?

PORTIA.

You know I say nothing to him, for he understands not me, nor I him: he hath neither Latin, French, nor Italian, and you will come into the court and swear that I have a poor **pennyworth** in the English. He is a proper man's picture; but alas, who can **converse** with a dumb-show? How oddly he is suited! I think he bought his **doublet** in Italy, his round **hose** in France, his **bonnet** in Germany, and his behaviour everywhere.

NERISSA.

What think you of the Scottish lord, his neighbour?

PORTIA.

That he hath a **neighbourly** charity in him, for he **borrowed** a box of the ear of the Englishman, and swore he would pay him again when he was able; I think the Frenchman became his **surety**, and sealed under for another.

NERISSA.

How like you the young German, the Duke of Saxony's nephew?

PORTIA.

Very **vilely** in the morning when he is sober, and most vilely in the afternoon when he is drunk: when he is best, he is a little worse than a man, and when he is worst, he is little better than a beast. An the worst fall that ever fell, I hope I shall make shift to go without him.

NERISSA.

If he should offer to choose, and choose the right **casket**, you should refuse to perform your father's will, if you should refuse to accept him.

PORTIA.

Therefore, for fear of the worst, I pray thee set a deep glass of Rhenish wine on the contrary casket; for if the devil be within and that temptation without, I know he will choose it. I will do anything, Nerissa, ere I will be married to a sponge.

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**bonnet:** (*n*) cap, protection, chapeau, tile, wimple, beret, lid, cowl, castor, poke bonnet, sunbonnet.

**borrowed:** (*adj*) foreign, rubato, secondary.

**casket:** (*n*) box, coffin, chest, sarcophagus, coffer, caddy, bier, gasket, reliquary, desk; (*v*) enclose.

**converse:** (*n, v*) chat, discourse, argue; (*v*) confer, confabulate, speak; (*n*) conversation, colloquy, contrast; (*adj, n*) opposite; (*adj*) counter.

ANTONYMS: (*adj, n*) equal; (*adj*) similar, complementary; (*n*) similarity.

**doublet:** (*n*) pair, couple, waistcoat, CHUDDER, barbe, gabardine, double, jacket, jubbah, oilskins, camisole.

**hose:** (*n*) stocking, pipe, tights, hosepipe, hosiery, fire hose, airline, trunk hose; (*v*) water, cheat; (*n, v*) wash.

**neighbourly:** (*adj*) amicable, friendly,

gracious, obliging, attentive, benign, courteous, complaisant, helpful; (*adv*) neighboringly.

**pennyworth:** (*n*) bargain.

**surety:** (*n*) collateral, pledge, hostage, guarantee, earnest, guaranty, guarantor, certainty, assurance, sponsor, bail.

**vilely:** (*adv*) dirtily, wickedly, meanly, foully, disgustingly, grossly, sordidly, worthlessly, infamously, nauseatingly, revoltingly.

NERISSA.

You need not fear, lady, the having any of these lords; they have **acquainted** me with their determinations, which is indeed to return to their home, and to trouble you with no more suit, unless you may be won by some other sort than your father's imposition, depending on the caskets.

PORTIA.

If I live to be as old as Sibylla, I will die as **chaste** as Diana, unless I be obtained by the manner of my father's will. I am glad this parcel of wooers are so reasonable; for there is not one among them but I **dote** on his very absence, and I pray God grant them a fair departure.

NERISSA.

Do you not remember, lady, in your father's time, a Venetian, a scholar and a soldier, that came **hither** in company of the Marquis of Montferrat?

PORTIA.

Yes, yes, it was Bassanio; as I think, so was he called.

NERISSA.

True, madam; he, of all the men that ever my foolish eyes looked upon, was the best **deserving** a fair lady.

PORTIA.

I remember him well, and I remember him worthy of thy praise. [Enter a SERVANT.] How now! what news?

SERVANT.

The four strangers seek for you, madam, to take their leave; and there is a **forerunner** come from a fifth, the Prince of Morocco, who brings word the Prince his master will be here to-night.

PORTIA.

If I could bid the fifth welcome with so good heart as I can bid the other four farewell, I should be glad of his approach; if he have the condition of a saint and the **complexion** of a devil, I had rather he should **shrive** me than wive

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<b>acquainted:</b> ( <i>adj</i> ) knowledgeable, informed, aware, cognizant, conversant, hand and glove, intimate, thick; ( <i>adv</i> ) abreast; ( <i>v</i> ) inform, acquaint.	character, appearance, look, hue, aspect, flush, glow, dye, fashion.	harbinger, messenger, predecessor, antecedent, augury, progenitor, prodrome, parent, leader.
<b>chaste:</b> ( <i>adj</i> ) virtuous, moral, virgin, modest, unsullied, austere, vestal, severe, continent, spotless, decent.	<b>deserving:</b> ( <i>adj</i> ) meritorious, admirable, creditable, commendable, laudable, fit, good, deserved, condign; ( <i>v</i> ) deserve, worthy of.	ANTONYMS: ( <i>n</i> ) successor, descendant.
ANTONYMS: ( <i>adj</i> ) corrupt, wanton, lewd, sleazy, promiscuous, immoral, dirty, defiled, impure, tainted.	ANTONYMS: ( <i>adj</i> ) unworthy, undeserving, unimpressive.	<b>hither:</b> ( <i>adv</i> ) here, whither, hitherward, thither.
<b>complexion:</b> ( <i>n, v</i> ) tint; ( <i>n</i> ) cast,	<b>dote:</b> ( <i>adj, v</i> ) drivel; ( <i>v</i> ) maturate, fond, doat; ( <i>adj</i> ) ramble, wander, rave, trifle.	<b>shrive:</b> ( <i>v</i> ) confess, absolve, repair, ransom, redeem, purge, reclaim, stand in a white sheet, profess, acknowledge, administer holy penance.
	<b>forerunner:</b> ( <i>n</i> ) ancestor, herald,	

me. Come, Nerissa. Sirrah, go before. **Whiles** we **shut** the **gate** upon one **wooer**, another knocks at the door.

[Exeunt]

### SCENE III. VENICE. A PUBLIC PLACE

[Enter BASSANIO and SHYLOCK.]

SHYLOCK.

Three thousand ducats; well?

BASSANIO.

Ay, sir, for three months.

SHYLOCK.

For three months; well?

BASSANIO.

For the which, as I told you, Antonio shall be **bound**.

SHYLOCK.

Antonio shall become bound; well?

BASSANIO.

May you **stead** me? Will you pleasure me? Shall I know your answer?

SHYLOCK.

Three thousand ducats, for three months, and Antonio bound.

BASSANIO.

Your answer to that.

SHYLOCK.

Antonio is a good man.

BASSANIO.

Have you **heard** any **imputation** to the **contrary**?

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**bound:** (*n, v*) leap, jump, border, bounce, limit, edge, vault, recoil; (*n*) boundary, barrier, compass. ANTONYMS: (*v*) allow, amble, crawl, limp, permit; (*adj*) permitted, released, unbound, allowed, unlikely. **contrary:** (*adj, n*) contradictory, reverse; (*adj*) adverse, conflicting, unfavorable, perverse, cross, disobedient, alien, different, obstinate. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) similar, harmonious, helpful, obliging,

compatible, complaisant, concordant, parallel, agreeable, cooperative, favorable. **gate:** (*n*) door, mouth, entry, doorway, port, exit, goal, barrier, approach, inlet, threshold. **heard:** (*n*) hearing. **imputation:** (*n*) blame, charge, accusation, impeachment, attribution, ascription; (*adj, n*) slur; (*adj*) blot, reproach, stain, spot. **shut:** (*v*) seal, bar, fasten, obstruct,

lock, exclude; (*adj*) closed, cut; (*n*) shutting, end, finish. ANTONYMS: (*v*) admit, undo. **stead:** (*n*) behalf, room, lieu, spot, location, station, space, seat, position, office, locality. **whiles:** (*n*) while. **wooer:** (*adj, n*) admirer, lover; (*n*) petitioner, swain, applicant, boyfriend, suer, prince charming; (*adj*) adorer, follower.

SHYLOCK.

Ho, no, no, no, no: my meaning in saying he is a good man is to have you understand me that he is sufficient; yet his means are in **supposition**: he hath an **argosy** bound to Tripolis, another to the Indies; I understand, moreover, upon the Rialto, he hath a third at Mexico, a fourth for England, and other ventures he hath, **squandered** abroad. But ships are but boards, sailors but men; there be land-rats and water-rats, land-thieves and water-thieves,--I mean pirates,--and then there is the peril of waters, winds, and rocks. The man is, notwithstanding, sufficient. Three thousand ducats- I think I may take his bond.

BASSANIO.

Be assured you may.

SHYLOCK.

I will be assured I may; and, that I may be assured, I will bethink me. May I speak with Antonio?

BASSANIO.

If it please you to **dine** with us.

SHYLOCK.

Yes, to smell pork; to eat of the **habitation** which your prophet, the Nazarite, **conjured** the devil into. I will buy with you, sell with you, talk with you, walk with you, and so following; but I will not eat with you, drink with you, nor pray with you. What news on the Rialto? Who is he comes here?

[Enter ANTONIO]

BASSANIO.

This is Signior Antonio.

SHYLOCK.

[Aside]

How like a **fawning publican** he looks!

I hate him for he is a Christian;

But more for that in low simplicity

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<p><b>argosy:</b> (<i>n</i>) fleet.</p> <p><b>conjured:</b> (<i>adj</i>) invented, made up, pretended, untrue. ANTONYM: (<i>adj</i>) factual.</p> <p><b>dine:</b> (<i>v</i>) feed, lunch, breakfast, dining, meal, give, have supper, take tea, grub, consume, entertain. ANTONYM: (<i>v</i>) abstain.</p> <p><b>fawning:</b> (<i>adj</i>) obsequious, sycophantic, servile, sniveling, subservient, flattering, ingratiating, soapy; (<i>adj, n</i>) toadying; (<i>n</i>)</p>	<p>adulation, sycophancy. ANTONYMS: (<i>adj</i>) authoritative, assertive, domineering, forthright.</p> <p><b>habitation:</b> (<i>adj, n</i>) abode; (<i>n</i>) domicile, residence, house, home, habitat, lodging, place, occupancy, inhabitation, inhabitancy. ANTONYM: (<i>n</i>) vacancy.</p> <p><b>publican:</b> (<i>n</i>) bartender, barman, landlord, cafe proprietor, barkeep, caf owner, cafe owner, caf proprietor, tapster, mixologist, tapper.</p>	<p><b>squandered:</b> (<i>adj</i>) wasted, dissipated, emaciated, devastated, dissolute, diminished, desolated, desolate, cadaverous; (<i>v</i>) bewildered, employed ineffectually.</p> <p><b>supposition:</b> (<i>n, v</i>) conjecture; (<i>n</i>) assumption, hypothesis, presumption, premise, speculation, surmise, guess, supposal, thought, imagination. ANTONYMS: (<i>n</i>) fact, knowledge, proof, reality, practice.</p>
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He **lends** out money **gratis**, and brings down  
 The rate of **usance** here with us in Venice.  
 If I can catch him once upon the hip,  
 I will feed fat the ancient **grudge** I bear him.  
 He hates our sacred nation; and he rails,  
 Even there where merchants most do congregate,  
 On me, my bargains, and my well-won thrift,  
 Which he **calls** interest. **Cursed** be my tribe  
 If I **forgive** him!

BASSANIO.

Shylock, do you hear?

SHYLOCK.

I am debating of my present store,  
 And, by the near guess of my memory,  
 I cannot instantly raise up the gross  
 Of full three thousand ducats. What of that?  
 Tubal, a wealthy Hebrew of my tribe,  
 Will furnish me. But soft! how many months  
 Do you desire?  
 [To ANTONIO]

Rest you fair, good signior;  
 Your worship was the last man in our mouths.

ANTONIO.

Shylock, albeit I neither lend nor borrow  
 By taking nor by giving of excess,  
 Yet, to supply the **ripe wants** of my friend,  
 I'll break a custom.  
 [To BASSANIO]

Is he yet possess'd  
 How much ye would?

## Thesaurus

**calls:** (*n*) securities, puts, bonds,  
 preferred stock, common stock.

**cursed:** (*adj*) damned, doomed,  
 execrable, cussed, wretched, unlucky,  
 accursed, blamed, blasted,  
 confounded; (*v*) accurst.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) commendable,  
 honorable, nice, sweet, kine.

**forgive:** (*v*) absolve, excuse, acquit,  
 remit, pardon, justify, to forgive,  
 exonerate, overlook, clear, to excuse.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) condemn, punish,

castigate.

**gratis:** (*adv*) for free, free of charge,  
 gratuitously; (*adj*) gratuitous,  
 complimentary, costless, buckshee,  
 unsolicited; (*adj, adv*) without charge,  
 freely, at no cost.

**grudge:** (*v*) begrudge, covet; (*n, v*)  
 spite; (*n*) malice, anger, umbrage,  
 resentment, rancor, gall, pique, feud.

**lend:** (*v*) grant, give, advance, impart,  
 bestow, contribute, borrow, bring,  
 add, confer; (*n*) lending.

**ripe:** (*adj*) adult, ready, advanced,  
 prepared, good, grown, perfect,  
 matured, finished, consummate; (*adj,*  
*v*) mellow. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) green,  
 unripe, immature, dry, poisonous,  
 young, unsuitable, sweet.

**usance:** (*n*) usage, custom, use,  
 consumption, habit, economic  
 consumption, employment,  
 Americanism, duration, rite; (*v*)  
 practice.

**wants:** (*n*) need, necessities.



SHYLOCK.

Ay, ay, three thousand ducats.

ANTONIO.

And for three months.

SHYLOCK.

I had forgot; three months; you told me so.  
Well then, your bond; and, let me see. But hear you,  
Methought you said you neither lend nor borrow  
Upon advantage.

ANTONIO.

I do never use it.

SHYLOCK.

When Jacob graz'd his uncle Laban's sheep,--  
This Jacob from our holy Abram was,  
As his wise mother **wrought** in his behalf,  
The third **possessor**; ay, he was the third,--

ANTONIO.

And what of him? Did he take interest?

SHYLOCK.

No, not take interest; not, as you would say,  
Directly interest; mark what Jacob did.  
When Laban and himself were compromis'd  
That all the eanlings which were streak'd and pied  
Should fall as Jacob's **hire**, the ewes, being rank,  
In end of autumn turned to the rams;  
And when the work of generation was  
Between these **woolly** breeders in the act,  
The **skilful shepherd** peel'd me certain wands,  
And, in the doing of the **deed** of kind,  
He **stuck** them up before the **fulsome** ewes,

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**deed:** (n) accomplishment, act, feat, behavior, action, exploit, covenant, doing, document, title, fact.  
**ANTONYM:** (n) failure.  
**fulsome:** (adj) excessive, foul, immoderate, bad, plentiful, undue, smarmy, repugnant, rank, high; (v) loathsome. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) shy, scanty.  
**hire:** (v) employ, charter, enlist, take, rent, take on, retain; (n, v) wage; (n) employment, salary, engagement.

**ANTONYM:** (v) fire.  
**possessor:** (n) owner, holder, proprietor, householder, occupant, landowner, landholder, proprietary, somebody, someone, soul.  
**shepherd:** (n) clergyman, sheepman, minister, herdsman, shepherd, priest, presbyter; (v) lead, conduct, guide, guard.  
**skilful:** (adj) adroit, practised, experienced, cunning, expert, dextrous, clever, adept, proficient,

practiced, good.  
**stuck:** (adj) stranded, jammed, delayed, fast; (adj, adv) aground; (n) stuck ware, thrust, sticking; (v) stuck, fasten, attach. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unstuck, loose.  
**woolly:** (adj) flocculent, fuzzy, hairy, downy, confused, wooly, hirsute, addled, befuddled, velvety; (n) Woolly bear. **ANTONYM:** (adj) clear.  
**wrought:** (adj) shaped, done, worked, worked up, formed.

Who, then **conceiving**, did in eaning time  
 Fall parti-colour'd lambs, and those were Jacob's.  
 This was a way to **thrive**, and he was blest;  
 And **thrift** is blessing, if men steal it not.

ANTONIO.

This was a venture, sir, that Jacob serv'd for;  
 A thing not in his power to bring to pass,  
 But sway'd and fashion'd by the hand of heaven.  
 Was this inserted to make interest good?  
 Or is your gold and silver ewes and rams?

SHYLOCK.

I cannot tell; I make it breed as fast.  
 But note me, **signior**.

ANTONIO.

Mark you this, Bassanio,  
 The devil can **cite** Scripture for his purpose.  
 An evil soul producing holy witness  
 Is like a **villain** with a smiling cheek,  
 A **goodly** apple rotten at the heart.  
 O, what a goodly outside **falsehood** hath!

SHYLOCK.

Three thousand ducats; 'tis a good round sum.  
 Three months from twelve; then let me see the rate.

ANTONIO.

Well, Shylock, shall we be **beholding** to you?

SHYLOCK.

Signior Antonio, many a time and oft  
 In the Rialto you have **rated** me  
 About my **moneys** and my usances;  
 Still have I borne it with a patient shrug,

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**beholding:** (n) fusion, seeing, visual perception, look.

**cite:** (v) quote, excerpt, summon, call, allege, mention, refer, name, repeat; (adj, v) exemplify; (n) citation.

**conceiving:** (n) fantasy, daydream; (adj) imaginant, original.

**falsehood:** (n) fable, fabrication, deception, untruth, lie, fib, fiction, invention, dishonesty; (adj, n) deceit, falsity. ANTONYMS: (n) fact, honesty, reality.

**goodly:** (adv) benignly, kindly, strongly, rightly, graciously, virtuously, soundly, uprightly; (adj) sizable, handsome, respectable.

**moneys:** (n) finances, means, funds.

**rated:** (adj) specified.

**signior:** (n) don, man, Mr, adult male, signor.

**thrift:** (n) economy, parsimony, husbandry, frugality, prosperity, prudence, thriftiness, parsimoniousness, sea pink, welfare;

(v) gain. ANTONYMS: (n) generosity, spending, waste.

**thrive:** (adj, v) prosper; (v) flourish, grow, advance, blossom, succeed, increase, bloom, get ahead, boom; (adj) luxuriate. ANTONYMS: (v) deteriorate, fail, languish, struggle, decrease.

**villain:** (n) rascal, scoundrel, rogue, knave, miscreant, criminal, bandit, crook, reprobate, varlet, rapsallion. ANTONYMS: (n) heroine, hero.

For suff'rance is the **badge** of all our tribe;  
 You call me **misbeliever**, cut-throat dog,  
 And spet upon my Jewish gaberdine,  
 And all for use of that which is mine own.  
 Well then, it now **appears** you need my help;  
 Go to, then; you come to me, and you say  
 'Shylock, we would have moneys.' You say so:  
 You that did void your **rheum** upon my beard,  
 And foot me as you **spurn** a stranger cur  
 Over your threshold; moneys is your suit.  
 What should I say to you? Should I not say  
 'Hath a dog money? Is it possible  
 A cur can lend three **thousand** ducats?' Or  
 Shall I bend low and, in a bondman's key,  
 With **bated** breath and whisp'ring humbleness,  
 Say this:--  
 'Fair sir, you **spit** on me on Wednesday last;  
 You spurn'd me such a day; another time  
 You call'd me dog; and for these courtesies  
 I'll lend you thus much moneys?'

ANTONIO.

I am as like to call thee so again,  
 To spet on thee again, to spurn thee too.  
 If thou **wilt** lend this money, lend it not  
 As to thy friends,--for when did friendship take  
 A breed for **barren** metal of his friend?--  
 But lend it rather to thine enemy;  
 Who if he break thou mayst with better face  
 Exact the penalty.

SHYLOCK.

Why, look you, how you storm!

## Thesaurus

**appears:** (*n*) appearing.

**badge:** (*n*) sign, emblem, insignia, medal, token, plaque, symbol, logo, indication, identification, characteristic.

**barren:** (*adj*, *n*) sterile; (*adj*) infertile, deserted, arid, void, dry, stark, meagre, fruitless, abortive; (*n*) waste.  
 ANTONYMS: (*adj*) productive, lush, fruitful, developing, growing, profitable, rewarding, rich, sheltered, humid, populous.

**bated:** (*adj*) weak, faint, decreased.

**misbeliever:** (*n*) outcast, pariah, miscreant, castaway, nonconformist, religious outcast, sectarian, skeptic, dissident.

**rheum:** (*adj*) juice, humor, gravy, lymph, blood, sanies, serosity, serum, sap; (*n*) genus rheum, saliva.

**spit:** (*v*) drizzle, expectorate, sprinkle, spew, drool, spike, spatter; (*n*) broach, saliva, cape; (*n*, *v*) skewer.

**spurn:** (*v*) scorn, rebuff, repulse,

disdain, reject, refuse, snub, kick, decline, deny; (*n*, *v*) slight.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) admire, court, respect.

**thou:** (*n*) chiliad, grand, m, g, one thousand, gramme, gram, gm, gigabyte, Gb, curtilage.

**wilt:** (*v*) flag, shrivel, sag, weaken, fade, languish, dry, wither, collapse, tire; (*n*) wilting. ANTONYMS: (*v*) flourish, rise, rally.

I would be friends with you, and have your love,  
 Forget the shames that you have stain'd me with,  
 Supply your present wants, and take no doit  
 Of usance for my moneys, and you'll not hear me:  
 This is kind I offer.

BASSANIO.

This were **kindness**.

SHYLOCK.

This kindness will I show.

Go with me to a **notary**, **seal** me there  
 Your single bond; and, in a merry sport,  
 If you **repay** me not on such a day,  
 In such a place, such sum or sums as are  
 Express'd in the condition, let the **forfeit**  
 Be **nominated** for an equal pound  
 Of your fair flesh, to be cut off and taken  
 In what part of your body pleaseth me.

ANTONIO.

Content, in faith; I'll seal to such a bond,  
 And say there is much kindness in the Jew.

BASSANIO.

You shall not seal to such a bond for me;  
 I'll rather **dwell** in my necessity.

ANTONIO.

Why, fear not, man; I will not forfeit it;  
 Within these two months, that's a month before  
 This bond expires, I do expect return  
 Of **thrice** three times the value of this bond.

SHYLOCK.

O father Abram, what these Christians are,

## Thesaurus

**dwell:** (*adj, v*) inhabit; (*v*) reside, bide, live, stay, lodge, delay, occupy, continue, be, settle. ANTONYM: (*v*) wander.

**forfeit:** (*n*) penalty, deprivation, cost; (*v*) abandon, forgo, relinquish, waive; (*n, v*) sacrifice, pawn; (*adj*) confiscate, lost. ANTONYMS: (*n*) retention; (*v*) claim, redeem, receive, maintain.

**kindness:** (*n*) generosity, clemency, compassion, grace, good will, graciousness, humanity, goodness,

affection; (*adj, n*) courtesy, gentleness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) miserliness, spite, nastiness, callousness, cruelty, unfriendliness, maliciousness, thoughtlessness, sourness, severity, disservice.

**nominated:** (*adj*) named, appointive, selected, nominal, listed, elected, designated, chosen, voted, nominative.

**notary:** (*n*) clerk, official, lawyer, scrivener, scribe, recorder, legal

representative, draughtsman, copyist, brief, attorney.

**repay:** (*v*) recompense, reward, pay, reimburse, compensate, refund, render, requite, remunerate, return, redeem. ANTONYM: (*v*) penalize.

**seal:** (*n, v*) stamp; (*v*) plug, bar, caulk, stop, shut; (*n*) cachet, hallmark, imprint, signet; (*adj*) conclude.

ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) open; (*v*) unseal.

**thrice:** (*adv*) three times, thirdly.

Whose own hard **dealings** teaches them suspect  
The thoughts of **others**. Pray you, tell me this;  
If he should break his day, what should I gain  
By the **exaction** of the forfeiture?  
A pound of man's flesh, taken from a man,  
Is not so **estimable**, profitable neither,  
As flesh of muttuns, beefs, or **goats**. I say,  
To buy his favour, I extend this friendship;  
If he will take it, so; if not, adieu;  
And, for my love, I pray you wrong me not.

ANTONIO.

Yes, Shylock, I will seal unto this bond.

SHYLOCK.

Then meet me **forthwith** at the notary's;  
Give him direction for this merry bond,  
And I will go and purse the ducats straight,  
See to my house, left in the fearful guard  
Of an **unthrifty knave**, and presently  
I'll be with you.

ANTONIO.

Hie thee, gentle Jew.

[Exit SHYLOCK]

This Hebrew will turn Christian: he grows kind.

BASSANIO.

I like not fair terms and a villain's mind.

ANTONIO.

Come on; in this there can be no dismay;  
My ships come home a month before the day.

[Exeunt]

Thesaurus

**dealings:** (*n*) business, dealing, relations, traffic, proceedings, transaction, affairs, contact, intercourse, trade, communication.  
**estimable:** (*adj*) creditable, reputable, valuable, admirable, respectable, computable, honorable, good; (*adj, n*) worthy, meritorious, deserving.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) dishonorable, disliked, disregarded, disreputable, disrespected, scorned, contemptible, lamentable, unimpressive.

**exaction:** (*n*) extortion, demand, blackmail, reclamation, revendication, tax, requirement, enforcement, force, imposition, assessment.  
**forthwith:** (*adv*) directly, immediately, at once, now, instantly, straight, presently, straightaway, incontinently; (*adj, adv*) quickly; (*adj*) immediate.  
**goats:** (*n*) suborder Ruminantia, Ruminantia, giraffes, deer, frank

Capra, genus Capra, bison, antelopes, family Bovidae, camels, Capra.  
**knave:** (*n*) cheat, jack, blackguard, crook, rascal, villain, cad, scalawag, scallywag, scoundrel, varlet.  
**others:** (*n*) rest, cessation, lie, lave, LAN, ease, acquiesce, intermission.  
**unthrifty:** (*adj, v*) improvident; (*adj*) prodigal, thriftless, profuse, unguarded, unthrift, wasteful, dismantled, dissipated, extravagant; (*v*) shiftless.

## ACT II

### SCENE I. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Flourish of cornets. Enter the PRINCE of MOROCCO, and his FOLLOWERS; PORTIA, NERISSA, and OTHERS of her train.]

PRINCE OF Morocco.

Mislike me not for my complexion,  
 The shadow'd **livery** of the burnish'd sun,  
 To whom I am a **neighbour**, and near bred.  
 Bring me the fairest **creature northward** born,  
 Where Phoebus' fire **scarce** thaws the icicles,  
 And let us make **incision** for your love  
 To prove whose blood is reddest, his or mine.  
 I tell thee, lady, this aspect of mine  
 Hath fear'd the **valiant**; by my love, I swear  
 The best-regarded virgins of our clime  
 Have lov'd it too. I would not change this hue,  
 Except to **steal** your thoughts, my gentle queen.

PORTIA.

In terms of choice I am not **solely** led

### Thesaurus

**creature**: (*n*) being, brute, animal, tool, individual, person, body, entity, human, puppet, somebody.

**incision**: (*n*) dent, cut, gash, groove, score, scratch, furrow, slice; (*n, v*) crack, split; (*v*) fissure.

**livery**: (*adj*) liverish, bilious; (*n*) clothing, accouterment, uniform, complexion, legal transfer, color, hue, dye, bailment.

**neighbour**: (*adj*) neighboring, neighbouring, neighborly, adjacent,

contiguous; (*v*) abut, populate, adjoin, butt on, butt against; (*n*) neighbourhood.

**northward**: (*adj, adv*) north; (*adj*) northbound; (*adv*) northerly, northwards, in the north, to the north.

**scarce**: (*adj*) rare, insufficient, deficient, infrequent, uncommon, scant, scanty, few, sparse; (*adv*) just, barely.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) plentiful, common, adequate, strong, usual,

extensive.

**solely**: (*adj, adv*) exclusively, merely, only, alone, barely; (*adv*) just, but, entirely, wholly, purely, completely.

**steal**: (*v*) purloin, abstract, sneak, filch, pinch, creep, misappropriate, rob, pilfer; (*n*) bargain; (*n, v*) snatch.

**valiant**: (*adj*) brave, courageous, intrepid, fearless, heroic, audacious, gallant, daring, dauntless, stout, stalwart. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) afraid, despicable.

By nice direction of a maiden's eyes;  
 Besides, the **lottery** of my destiny  
 Bars me the right of voluntary choosing;  
 But, if my father had not scanted me  
 And hedg'd me by his wit, to yield myself  
 His wife who **wins** me by that means I told you,  
 Yourself, renowned Prince, then stood as fair  
 As any **comer** I have look'd on yet  
 For my affection.

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

Even for that I thank you:  
 Therefore, I pray you, lead me to the caskets  
 To try my fortune. By this scimitar,--  
 That **slew** the Sophy and a Persian prince,  
 That won three fields of Sultan Solymán,--  
 I would o'erstare the sternest eyes that look,  
 Outbrave the heart most **daring** on the earth,  
 Pluck the young **sucking** cubs from the she-bear,  
 Yea, **mock** the lion when he roars for prey,  
 To win thee, lady. But, **alas** the while!  
 If Hercules and Lichas play at dice  
 Which is the better man, the greater throw  
 May turn by fortune from the weaker hand:  
 So is Alcides beaten by his page;  
 And so may I, blind Fortune leading me,  
 Miss that which one unworthier may attain,  
 And die with **grieving**.

PORTIA.

You must take your chance,  
 And either not attempt to choose at all,  
 Or swear before you choose, if you choose wrong,

## Thesaurus

**alas:** (*adv*) unluckily, regrettably, sadly, unhappily, sorry to say; (*n*) oh; (*int*) lackaday. ANTONYM: (*adv*) luckily.  
**comer:** (*n*) newcomer, arriver, traveler, traveller, contender, competitor, competition, visitor, whiz kid, Young Turk; (*adj*) fresh.  
**daring:** (*adj, n*) bold, courageous, adventurous; (*adj*) audacious, venturesome, intrepid; (*n*) bravery, audacity, boldness, courage,

adventurousness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) cowardice, timidity; (*adj*) timid, cautious, dull, afraid, chicken, fearful, unadventurous, wimpy.  
**grieving:** (*adj*) sorrowful, bereft, bereaved, mournful, aggrieved, sad, teenful, despondent; (*v*) grief, affliction; (*n*) sorrow.  
**lottery:** (*n*) drawing, raffle, sweepstakes, draft, chance, allotment, tombola, draw, bet, brag, cassino.  
**mock:** (*adj, v*) counterfeit; (*n, v*)

ridicule, jeer, gibe, laugh at, flout; (*adj, n, v*) burlesque, sham; (*v*) mimic, ape, taunt. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) real, natural; (*v*) praise, applaud, respect, approve.  
**slew:** (*n*) wad, turning, sight, heap, stack, lot, flock; (*v*) rotate, slue, swerve, veer.  
**sucking:** (*n*) suck, intake, uptake, aspiration, ingestion, consumption.  
**wins:** (*n*) Windows Internet name service.

Never to speak to lady afterward  
In way of marriage; therefore be advis'd.

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

Nor will not; come, bring me unto my chance.

PORTIA.

First, forward to the temple: after dinner  
Your hazard shall be made.

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

Good fortune then!  
To make me **blest** or cursed'st among men!  
[Cornets, and exeunt.]

## SCENE II. VENICE. A STREET

[Enter LAUNCELOT GOBBO.]

LAUNCELOT.

Certainly my conscience will serve me to run from this Jew my master. The **fiend** is at mine elbow and tempts me, saying to me 'Gobbo, Launcelot Gobbo, good Launcelot' or 'good Gobbo' or 'good Launcelot Gobbo, use your legs, take the start, run away.' My conscience says 'No; take **heed**, honest Launcelot, take heed, honest Gobbo' or, as **aforesaid**, 'honest Launcelot Gobbo, do not run; **scorn** running with thy heels.' Well, the most courageous fiend bids me pack. 'Via!' says the fiend; 'away!' says the fiend. 'For the **heavens**, **rouse** up a brave mind,' says the fiend 'and run.' Well, my conscience, hanging about the neck of my heart, says very wisely to me 'My honest friend Launcelot, being an honest man's son'--or rather 'an honest woman's son';--for indeed my father did something **smack**, something grow

### Thesaurus

**aforesaid:** (*adj*) aforesaid, said, foregoing, above-mentioned, same, preceding, former, foresaid.  
**blest:** (*adj*) blessed, fortunate, beatified, blissful, blame, blasted, blamed, golden, glorious, favored.  
**fiend:** (*n*) monster, devil, fanatic, brute, deuce, incubus, goblin, ogre, enthusiast, daemon, addict.  
ANTONYM: (*n*) angel.  
**heavens:** (*n*) firmament, heaven, sky, welkin, sphere, atmosphere, celestial

sphere, space, skies, area, vault of heaven.  
**heed:** (*n, v*) consideration, concern, regard, mind, attention, notice; (*n*) caution, advertence, advertency; (*v*) attend, hear. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) disregard; (*n*) inattentiveness.  
**rouse:** (*v*) provoke, excite, arouse, kindle, awaken, instigate, actuate, disturb, move, agitate, incite.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) dampen, dishearten, suppress, douse, inhibit,

stifle, quench.  
**scorn:** (*v*) despise, contemn, reject; (*n, v*) ridicule, neglect, disregard, deride, slight; (*n*) contempt, derision, mockery. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) respect, praise; (*v*) appreciate, revere, value, approve, admire, accept; (*n*) admiration, commendation, humility.  
**smack:** (*adv, n, v*) slap, bang; (*n, v*) savor, knock, kiss, hit, buss, wallop; (*n*) flavor, blow; (*adj, n*) dash.



to, he had a kind of taste;--well, my conscience says 'Launcelot, **budge** not.' 'Budge,' says the fiend. 'Budge not,' says my conscience. 'Conscience,' say I, (you **counsel** well.' 'Fiend,' say I, 'you counsel well.' To be **ruled** by my conscience, I should stay with the Jew my master, who, God **bless** the mark! is a kind of devil; and, to run away from the Jew, I should be ruled by the fiend, who, saving your **reverence**! is the devil himself. Certainly the Jew is the very devil incarnal; and, in my conscience, my conscience is but a kind of hard conscience, to offer to counsel me to stay with the Jew. The fiend gives the more friendly counsel: I will run, fiend; my heels are at your **commandment**; I will run.

[Enter OLD GOBBO, with a basket]

GOBBO.

Master young man, you, I pray you; which is the way to Master Jew's?

LAUNCELOT.

[Aside]

O heavens! This is my true-begotten father, who, being more than sand-blind, high-gravel blind, knows me not: I will try confusions with him.

GOBBO.

Master young gentleman, I pray you, which is the way to Master Jew's?

LAUNCELOT.

Turn up on your right hand at the next turning, but, at the next turning of all, on your left; marry, at the very next turning, turn of no hand, but turn down **indirectly** to the Jew's house.

GOBBO.

Be God's sonties, 'twill be a hard way to hit. Can you tell me whether one Launcelot, that dwells with him, dwell with him or no?

LAUNCELOT.

Talk you of young Master Launcelot? [Aside] Mark me now; now will I raise the waters. Talk you of young Master Launcelot?

## Thesaurus

**bless:** (*v*) consecrate, celebrate, sanctify, anoint, eulogize, sign, praise, keep, grant, glorify; (*n*) blessing. ANTONYMS: (*v*) curse, condemn, disapprove, damn, disallow, deny.

**budge:** (*adj, v*) move, go; (*v*) stir, agitate, change, sway, dislodge, bump, rouse, push; (*adj*) flit. ANTONYMS: (*v*) remain, stay.

**commandment:** (*n*) order, command, fiat, edict, law, regulation, bidding,

decree, caution, behest, prescription.

**counsel:** (*v*) advise, consult, admonish, confer, warn; (*n, v*) caution, advocate; (*n*) barrister, advisement, consultation, admonition. ANTONYMS: (*v*) betray, trick, deceive, conceal, oppose; (*n*) warning.

**indirectly:** (*adv*) circuitously, roundaboutly, collaterally, tortuously, windingly, sidelongly, incidentally, meanderingly,

secondarily, discursively; (*n*) curved shape. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) straight, personally, frankly.

**reverence:** (*n, v*) respect, regard, fear, worship, honor, esteem, adore; (*n*) deference, adoration, admiration, awe. ANTONYMS: (*n*) despise, disrespect, irreverence, disdain, disparagement, contempt; (*v*) dishonor.

**ruled:** (*adj*) lined, lawful, subordinate, subject.

GOBBO.

No master, sir, but a poor man's son; his father, though I say't, is an honest exceeding poor man, and, God be thanked, well to live.

LAUNCELOT.

Well, let his father be what 'a will, we talk of young Master Launcelot.

GOBBO.

Your worship's friend, and Launcelot, sir.

LAUNCELOT.

But I pray you, **ergo**, old man, ergo, I **beseech** you, talk you of young Master Launcelot?

GOBBO.

Of Launcelot, an't please your **mastership**.

LAUNCELOT.

Ergo, Master Launcelot. Talk not of Master Launcelot, father; for the young gentleman,--according to Fates and Destinies and such odd sayings, the Sisters Three and such **branches** of learning,--is indeed **deceased**; or, as you would say in **plain** terms, gone to heaven.

GOBBO.

Marry, God **forbid**! The boy was the very staff of my age, my very **prop**.

LAUNCELOT.

Do I look like a **cudgel** or a hovel-post, a staff or a prop? Do you know me, father?

GOBBO.

Alack the day! I know you not, young gentleman; but I pray you tell me, is my boy--God rest his soul!--alive or dead?

LAUNCELOT.

Do you not know me, father?

GOBBO.

Alack, sir, I am sand-blind; I know you not.

## Thesaurus

**beseech**: (*v*) beg, crave, implore, ask, request, adjure, pray, sue, appeal, solicit, plead. ANTONYMS: (*v*) give, offer, grant, reject.

**branches**: (*n*) branch, brushwood.

**cudgel**: (*n*) bludgeon, truncheon, stick, staff, switch, mace, baton; (*v*) beat, bat, hit, drub.

**deceased**: (*adj, n*) departed; (*n*) dead person, cadaver, decedent; (*adj*) defunct, asleep, passed away, passed on, extinct, lifeless, late.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) living, awake, animated.

**ergo**: (*adv*) consequently, accordingly, therefore, then, thus, so, as a consequence, as a result.

**forbid**: (*v*) prohibit, ban, disallow, bar, obstruct, exclude, deny, avert, frustrate, to prohibit, enjoin.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) allow, let, approve, authorize, stand.

**mastership**: (*n*) dominion, command, situation, office, skill, superiority,

excellence, knack, masterdom; (*adj*) panurgy.

**plain**: (*adj*) ordinary, comprehensible, intelligible, apparent, manifest, obvious, clear, simple; (*adj, n*) flat, homely, humble. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) elaborate, unclear, multicolored, mottled, ornate, concealed, attractive, confused, fussy, obscure, patterned.

**prop**: (*n, v*) support, buttress, brace, shore, rest; (*n*) post, fulcrum, property, mainstay; (*v*) bolster, hold.

LAUNCELOT.

Nay, indeed, if you had your eyes, you might fail of the knowing me: it is a wise father that knows his own child. Well, old man, I will tell you news of your son. Give me your **blessing**; truth will come to light; murder cannot be hid long; a man's son may, but in the end truth will out.

GOBBO.

Pray you, sir, stand up; I am sure you are not Launcelot, my boy.

LAUNCELOT.

Pray you, let's have no more **fooling** about it, but give me your blessing; I am Launcelot, your boy that was, your son that is, your child that **shall** be.

GOBBO.

I cannot think you are my son.

LAUNCELOT.

I know not what I shall think of that; but I am Launcelot, the Jew's man, and I am sure Margery your wife is my mother.

GOBBO.

Her name is Margery, indeed: I'll be **sworn**, if thou be Launcelot, thou art mine own flesh and blood. Lord **worshipped** might he be, what a beard hast thou got! Thou hast got more hair on thy chin than Dobbin my thill-horse has on his tail.

LAUNCELOT.

It should seem, then, that Dobbin's tail grows **backward**; I am sure he had more hair on his tail than I have on my face when I last saw him.

GOBBO.

Lord! how art thou changed! How dost thou and thy master agree? I have brought him a present. How 'gree you now?

LAUNCELOT.

Well, well; but, for mine own part, as I have set up my rest to run away, so I will not rest till I have run some ground. My **master's** a very Jew. Give him a present! Give him a **halter**. I am **famished** in his service; you may tell every

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**backward:** (*adj, adv*) late, behindhand; (*adj*) tardy, retarded, reluctant, coy, slow, laggard, dilatory; (*adv*) behind, backwardly. ANTONYMS: (*adj, adv*) ahead; (*adv*) onward; (*adj*) quick, developing, advanced, confident, brilliant, bold.  
**blessing:** (*n*) benediction, approval, mercy, felicity, benison, benefit, luck, advantage, boon, bless, godsend. ANTONYMS: (*n*) curse, misfortune, disaster, condemnation, adversity,

desecration, refusal, veto, disadvantage.  
**famished:** (*adj*) ravenous, starving, starved, empty, voracious, greedy, malnourished, thin; (*adj, v*) esurient; (*v*) peckish, lickerish. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) full, satisfied, satiated, gorged, healthy.  
**fooling:** (*n*) farce, tomfoolery, horseplay, joking, prank; (*adj*) casual, accidental, everyday, effortless, cursory.

**halter:** (*n*) gibbet, rein, bridle, gallows, rope, noose, cestus, collar, drop; (*v*) confine, cramp.  
**master's:** (*n*) postgraduate degree.  
**shall:** (*n*) must, necessity; (*v*) require, bequeath, leave.  
**sworn:** (*adj*) extreme, mortal, implacable, engaged, dedicated, committed, betrothed, bespoken, affianced, inveterate.  
**worshipped:** (*adj*) adored, idolized, venerable.

finger I have with my **ribs**. Father, I am glad you are come; give me your present to one Master Bassanio, who indeed **gives** rare new liveries. If I serve not him, I will run as far as God has any ground. O rare **fortune**! Here comes the man: to him, father; for I am a Jew, if I serve the Jew any longer.

[Enter BASSANIO, with LEONARDO, with and other FOLLOWERS.]

BASSANIO.

You may do so; but let it be so hasted that **supper** be ready at the **farthest** by five of the clock. See these letters delivered, put the liveries to making, and desire Gratiano to come **anon** to my **lodging**.

[Exit a SERVANT]

LAUNCELOT.

To him, father.

GOBBO.

God bless your **worship**!

BASSANIO.

Gramercy; wouldst thou aught with me?

GOBBO.

Here's my son, sir, a poor boy--

LAUNCELOT.

Not a poor boy, sir, but the rich Jew's man, that would, sir,--as my father shall specify--

GOBBO.

He hath a great infection, sir, as one would say, to serve--

LAUNCELOT.

Indeed the short and the long is, I serve the Jew, and have a desire, as my father shall specify--

GOBBO.

His master and he, **saving** your worship's reverence, are scarce cater-cousins-

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## Thesaurus

**anon:** (*adv*) directly, immediately, early, readily, soon, instantly, again, forthwith, promptly, shortly, rath.

**farthest:** (*adj*) ultimate, extreme, farthestmost, utmost, uttermost, last, furthestmost, endmost, greatest, most distant; (*adj, adv*) remotest.

ANTONYMS: (*adv*) closest, nearest. **fortune:** (*n*) estate, fate, fluke, destiny, luck, accident, means, assets, riches, abundance, doom. ANTONYM: (*n*) design.

**gives:** (*n*) give, offer, provide, grant, accord.

**lodging:** (*n*) abode, apartment, accommodation, housing, hostel, residence, quarter, home, lodgement, address, hospice.

**ribs:** (*n*) dinner, chest, bosom.

**saving:** (*adj, n*) frugal, economical; (*adj*) thrifty, save; (*n*) economy, conservation, salvation, rescue, preservation, cut, retrenchment. ANTONYMS: (*n*) extravagance,

expenditure; (*adj*) spendthrift.

**supper:** (*n*) meal, tea, lunch, repast, reception, mealtime, siesta, social affair; (*v*) dejeuner, bever, whet.

**worship:** (*n*) adoration, veneration, adulation, cult, homage; (*n, v*) reverence, respect, honor, revere, adore, glorify. ANTONYMS: (*v*) disrespect, dishonor, despise, deprecate, scorn; (*n*) disdain, disparagement, contempt, detestation.

LAUNCELOT.

To be brief, the very truth is that the Jew, **having** done me wrong, doth cause me,--as my father, being I hope an old man, shall frutify unto you--

GOBBO.

I have here a **dish** of **doves** that I would **bestow** upon your worship; and my suit is--

LAUNCELOT.

In very brief, the suit is **impertinent** to myself, as your worship shall know by this honest old man; and, though I say it, though old man, yet poor man, my father.

BASSANIO.

One speak for both. What would you?

LAUNCELOT.

Serve you, sir.

GOBBO.

That is the very defect of the matter, sir.

BASSANIO.

I know thee well; thou hast obtain'd thy suit.  
Shylock thy master spoke with me this day,  
And hath preferr'd thee, if it be preferment  
To leave a rich Jew's service to become  
The **follower** of so poor a gentleman.

LAUNCELOT.

The old **proverb** is very well **parted** between my master Shylock and you, sir: you have the grace of God, sir, and he hath enough.

BASSANIO.

Thou speak'st it well. Go, father, with thy son.  
Take leave of thy old master, and inquire  
My lodging out. [To a SERVANT] Give him a livery  
More **guarded** than his fellows'; see it done.

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**bestow:** (*v*) give, confer, grant, impart, contribute, donate, apply, award; (*adj, v*) accord, allow, present. ANTONYMS: (*v*) deprive, refuse, withhold, retrieve, withdraw.  
**dish:** (*n*) basin, disk, plate, meal, platter, food, saucer, beauty, meat, repast; (*n, v*) hollow.  
**doves:** (*n*) Columbiformes, order Columbiformes.  
**follower:** (*n*) backer, devotee, fan, admirer, adherent, cohort, apostle,

partisan, believer, attendant; (*adj*) lover. ANTONYMS: (*n*) detractor, rebel, superior, disbeliever, cynic, leader.  
**guarded:** (*adj*) wary, careful, chary, circumspect, cagey, vigilant, watchful, conditional, discreet, gingerly, conservative. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) frank, careless, trusting, reckless, open, unwary, natural.  
**having:** (*n*) estate, possession, acceptance, enjoyment.

**impertinent:** (*adj*) fresh, pert, saucy, forward, audacious, brash, brazen, extraneous, discourteous, disrespectful, flippant. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) respectful, polite, courteous.  
**parted:** (*adj*) divided, separate, distributed, separated, divisible, disunited, compounder, compound, dividable.  
**proverb:** (*n*) adage, byword, aphorism, dictum, saying, axiom, parable, motto, expression; (*n, v*) maxim, saw.

LAUNCELOT.

Father, in. I cannot get a service, no! I have **ne'er** a tongue in my head! [Looking on his palm] Well; if any man in Italy have a fairer table which doth offer to swear upon a book, I shall have good fortune. Go to; here's a simple line of life: here's a small **trifle** of **wives**; alas, fifteen wives is nothing; a'leven widows and nine maids is a simple coming-in for one man. And then to **scape** **drowning** thrice, and to be in **peril** of my life with the edge of a feather-bed; here are simple 'scapes. Well, if Fortune be a woman, she's a good **wench** for this gear. Father, come; I'll take my leave of the Jew in the **twinkling** of an eye.

[Exeunt LAUNCELOT and OLD GOBBO.]

BASSANIO.

I pray thee, good Leonardo, think on this:  
These things being **bought** and **orderly** bestow'd,  
Return in **haste**, for I do feast to-night  
My best esteem'd acquaintance; hie thee, go.

LEONARDO.

My best endeavours shall be done herein.

[Enter GRATIANO.]

GRATIANO.

Where's your master?

LEONARDO.

Yonder, sir, he walks.

[Exit.]

GRATIANO.

Signior Bassanio!--

BASSANIO.

Gratiano!

GRATIANO.

I have suit to you.

## Thesaurus

**bought:** (*n*) crook, hook.

**drowning:** (*n*) masking, demersion.

**haste:** (*n, v*) hurry, dash, dispatch, rush; (*n*) celerity, expedition, rapidity, speed, bustle, hastiness, quickness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) delay, patience, forethought, caution.

**ne'er:** (*adv*) never, certainly not.

**orderly:** (*adj*) neat, tidy, exact, regular, ordered, systematic, logical, coherent, businesslike; (*adv*) systematically; (*n*) attendant. ANTONYMS: (*adj*)

unmanageable, rowdy, wild, disorganized, untidy, disorderly, confused, lawless, messy, defiant, haphazard.

**peril:** (*n, v*) hazard, risk, endanger, menace, adventure; (*n*) danger, jeopardy, chance; (*v*) imperil, expose, compromise. ANTONYM: (*n*) security.

**scape:** (*n*) flower stalk, peduncle, shaft, scapus, ray, perspective, Peter, prick, prospect, barb, rotating shaft.

**trifle:** (*n, v*) play; (*adj, n, v*) trinket; (*v*) dally, fiddle, flirt, fool, frivol; (*n*) nothing, triviality, detail; (*adj, n*) bagatelle.

**twinkling:** (*n*) moment, jiffy, minute, second, flash, trice, twinkle, wink, split second, breath; (*adj*) sparkling. ANTONYM: (*adj*) dull.

**wench:** (*n*) miss, damsel, strumpet, trollop, Trull, missy, quean, slut, nymph, dame; (*n, v*) drab.

**wives:** (*n*) woman.

BASSANIO.

You have obtain'd it.

GRATIANO.

You must not deny me: I must go with you to Belmont.

BASSANIO.

Why, then you must. But hear thee, Gratiano;  
Thou art too wild, too rude, and bold of voice;  
Parts that become thee happily enough,  
And in such eyes as ours appear not faults;  
But where thou art not known, why there they show  
Something too liberal. Pray thee, take pain  
To **allay** with some cold **drops** of modesty  
Thy **skipping** spirit, lest through thy wild behaviour  
I be **misconstrued** in the place I go to,  
And lose my hopes.

GRATIANO.

Signior Bassanio, hear me:

If I do not put on a **sober** habit,  
Talk with respect, and swear but now and then,  
Wear prayer-books in my pocket, look demurely,  
Nay more, while grace is saying, **hood** mine eyes  
Thus with my hat, and **sigh**, and say 'amen';  
Use all the **observance** of civility,  
Like one well studied in a sad ostent  
To please his **grandam**, never trust me more.

BASSANIO.

Well, we shall see your bearing.

GRATIANO.

Nay, but I bar to-night; you shall not **gauge** me  
By what we do to-night.

## Thesaurus

**allay:** (*n, v*) ease; (*adj, v*) still, quell, lay, appease, quiet; (*v*) abate, mitigate, moderate, quench, alleviate.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*v*) arouse, excite, heighten, intensify, magnify, provoke, stir, exacerbate, aggravate.  
**drops:** (*n*) tear.  
**gauge:** (*v*) estimate, calculate, make, assess, reckon; (*n, v*) gage, measure; (*n*) criterion, caliber, calibre, metre.  
**grandam:** (*n*) grandmother, grannam.  
**hood:** (*n*) bonnet, cowl, hat, headdress,

coif, hoodlum, thug, lid, kerchief, malefactor; (*n, v*) cover.  
**misconstrued:** (*adj*) wrong.  
**observance:** (*n*) ceremony, commemoration, observation, rite, fulfillment, obedience, manner, compliance, discharge, conformity, custom. **ANTONYMS:** (*n*) breaking, disobedience, disregard, nonobservance, inattention, omission.  
**sigh:** (*n, v*) groan, suspire, murmur; (*v*)

breathe, languish, pine; (*n*) breath, wail, whimper, whine, suspiration.  
**skipping:** (*n*) jumping, leaping, absenteeism; (*adv*) skippingly, leapingly.  
**sober:** (*adj, v*) grave, sedate; (*adj*) sane, earnest, quiet, solemn, moderate, modest, serene, dull, somber. **ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) intoxicated, unrestrained, drunk, playful, sensational, emotional, cheerful, frivolous, funny, muddled, delirious.

BASSANIO.

No, that were pity;  
I would **entreat** you rather to put on  
Your boldest suit of mirth, for we have friends  
That purpose **merriment**. But **fare** you well;  
I have some business.

GRATIANO.

And I must to Lorenzo and the rest;  
But we will visit you at supper-time.  
[Exeunt.]

### SCENE III. THE SAME. A ROOM IN SHYLOCK'S HOUSE.

[Enter JESSICA and LAUNCELOT.]

JESSICA.

I am sorry thou wilt leave my father so:  
Our house is hell, and thou, a merry devil,  
Didst rob it of some taste of tediousness.  
But fare thee well; there is a **ducat** for thee;  
And, Launcelot, soon at supper shalt thou see  
Lorenzo, who is thy new master's guest:  
Give him this letter; do it secretly.  
And so farewell. I would not have my father  
See me in talk with thee.

LAUNCELOT.

Adieu! tears exhibit my tongue. Most beautiful **pagan**, most sweet Jew! If a  
Christian do not play the knave and get thee, I am much **deceived**. But,  
**adieu**! these foolish drops do something **drown** my **manly** spirit; adieu!

### Thesaurus

**adieu:** (*int, n*) farewell; (*n*) valediction, goodbye, leave, cheerio, adios, bye, so long, parting; (*int*) bon voyage. ANTONYM: (*n*) greeting.  
**deceived:** (*adj*) mistaken, misguided.  
**drown:** (*v*) drench, submerge, overwhelm, choke, engulf, flood, swamp, inundate, suffocate, asphyxiate; (*adj, n, v*) sink. ANTONYMS: (*v*) float, swim, amplify, dry.  
**ducat:** (*n*) coin, warrant.

**entreat:** (*v*) beg, beseech, ask, implore, pray, adjure, appeal, request, conjure, crave, bid. ANTONYMS: (*v*) demand, reject.  
**fare:** (*n, v*) do; (*n*) food, aliment, board, table, charge, chow, menu, traveller; (*v*) come, eat. ANTONYM: (*v*) stop.  
**manly:** (*adj*) manlike, masculine, manful, virile, brave, gallant; (*adv*) manfully, boldly, hardily, virilely; (*adj, adv*) stately. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) weak, unmanly, cowardly; (*adv*)

unmanfully.  
**merriment:** (*n*) fun, amusement, cheerfulness, hilarity, glee, jollity, frolic, gaiety, happiness, festivity; (*adj, n*) mirth. ANTONYMS: (*n*) misery, gloom, seriousness, despondency, boredom.  
**pagan:** (*adj, n*) gentile, ethnic, agnostic; (*n*) idolater, infidel, paynim, heretic; (*adj*) heathenish, irreligious, ethnical, profane.



JESSICA.

Farewell, good Launcelot.  
[Exit LAUNCELOT]  
Alack, what **heinous** sin is it in me  
To be asham'd to be my father's child!  
But though I am a daughter to his blood,  
I am not to his **manners**. O Lorenzo!  
If thou keep promise, I shall end this strife,  
Become a Christian and thy **loving** wife.  
[Exit]

SCENE IV. THE SAME. A STREET

[Enter GRATIANO, LORENZO, SALARINO, and SALANIO.]

LORENZO.

Nay, we will **slink** away in supper-time,  
Disguise us at my lodging, and return  
All in an hour.

GRATIANO.

We have not made good **preparation**.

SALARINO.

We have not spoke us yet of torch-bearers.

SALANIO.

'Tis **vile**, unless it may be **quaintly** order'd,  
And better in my mind not undertook.

LORENZO.

'Tis now but four **o'clock**; we have two hours  
To furnish us.

Thesaurus

**heinous:** (*adj*) atrocious, grievous, evil, wicked, flagrant, flagitious, monstrous, hateful; (*adj, v*) gross, nefarious, infamous. ANTONYM: (*adj*) good.  
**loving:** (*adj*) fond, devoted, amorous, kind, friendly, ardent, attached, admiring, gentle, fatherly; (*adj, v*) tender. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) cold, uncaring, malicious, cruel, unloving, rough, paternal, indifferent, distant, disapproving, callous.

**manners:** (*n*) conduct, etiquette, propriety, behavior, deportment, manner, courtesy, custom, decorum, good manners, usage. ANTONYM: (*n*) vulgarity.  
**o'clock:** (*n*) period, hours.  
**preparation:** (*n*) concoction, provision, training, readiness, practice, homework, formulation, planning, prep, instruction, drill.  
**quaintly:** (*adv*) unusually, oddly, curiously, weirdly, singularly,

peculiarly, queerly, strangely, outlandishly, charmingly, pleasingly.  
**slink:** (*n, v*) sneak; (*v*) creep, lurk, slip, prowl, steal, glide, slide; (*n*) flinch, fight shy, shy.  
**vile:** (*adj, n*) contemptible, dirty, low; (*adj, v*) base; (*adj*) despicable, ignoble, evil, sorry, revolting, offensive, nasty. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) attractive, kind, nice, lovely, lovable, gentle, honorable, good, delightful, admirable, noble.

[Enter LAUNCELOT, With a letter.]

Friend Launcelot, what's the news?

LAUNCELOT.

An it shall please you to break up this, it shall seem to signify.

LORENZO.

I know the hand; in faith, 'tis a fair hand,

And whiter than the paper it **writ** on

Is the fair hand that writ.

GRATIANO.

Love news, in faith.

LAUNCELOT.

By your leave, sir.

LORENZO.

Whither goest thou?

LAUNCELOT.

Marry, sir, to bid my old **master**, the Jew, to sup to-night with my new master, the Christian.

LORENZO.

Hold, here, take this. Tell **gentle** Jessica

I will not **fail** her; speak it privately.

Go, gentlemen,

[Exit LAUNCELOT]

Will you **prepare** you for this **masque** to-night?

I am provided of a torch-bearer.

SALARINO.

Ay, **marry**, I'll be gone about it straight.

SALANIO.

And so will I.

## Thesaurus

**fail:** (*adj, v*) fade, decline, cease; (*v*) abort, die, break, bust, want, disappoint, deteriorate, default. ANTONYMS: (*v*) succeed, triumph, win, thrive, procure, accomplish, achieve, attain, boom, complete, continue.

**gentle:** (*adj*) easy, friendly, soft, kind, affable, balmy, mild, feeble, compassionate; (*adj, adv*) calm; (*adj, v*) tame. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) harsh, loud, fierce, caustic, violent, rough,

hardhearted, abrupt, heavy, steep, sheer.

**marry:** (*n, v*) wed, espouse; (*v*) get married, link, conjoin, wife, splice, tie, unite, couple; (*n*) marriage. ANTONYMS: (*v*) divorce, separate, split.

**masque:** (*n*) masquerade, guiser, guisard, masked ball, party, mummary, mummer, interlude, lever de rideau, opera, opera bouffe.

**master:** (*n*) captain, instructor, lord; (*v*)

control, conquer, command, dominate, defeat; (*adj, n*) original, head, ace. ANTONYMS: (*n*) underling, servant, novice, amateur.

**prepare:** (*n, v*) arrange, form, plan, make; (*v*) dress, set, lay, devise, groom, equip; (*adj, v*) coach. ANTONYM: (*v*) perform.

**writ:** (*n*) edict, assize, certiorari, judicial writ, injunction, order, act, prescription, scripture, writing, ukase.

LORENZO.

Meet me and Gratiano  
At Gratiano's lodging some **hour** hence.

SALARINO.

'Tis good we do so.  
[Exeunt SALARINO and SALANIO.]

GRATIANO.

Was not that letter from fair Jessica?

LORENZO.

I must needs tell thee all. She hath directed  
How I shall take her from her father's house;  
What **gold** and **jewels** she is furnish'd with;  
What page's **suit** she hath in readiness.  
If **e'er** the Jew her father come to heaven,  
It will be for his gentle daughter's sake;  
And never **dare misfortune** cross her foot,  
Unless she do it under this excuse,  
That she is issue to a **faithless** Jew.  
Come, go with me, **peruse** this as thou goest;  
Fair Jessica shall be my torch-bearer.  
[Exeunt]

SCENE V. THE SAME. BEFORE SHYLOCK'S HOUSE

[Enter SHYLOCK and LAUNCELOT.]

SHYLOCK.

Well, thou shalt see; thy eyes shall be thy judge,  
The difference of old Shylock and Bassanio:--

Thesaurus

**dare:** (*n, v*) venture; (*v*) defy, brave, hazard, confront, risk, resist, make bold; (*n*) adventure, daring, defiance. ANTONYMS: (*v*) avoid, flee, pass, refrain, retreat, obey.  
**e'er:** (*adv*) ever, forever.  
**faithless:** (*adj*) dishonest, false, traitorous, treacherous, unfaithful, deceitful, untrustworthy, untrue, truthless, mendacious, perfidious. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) loyal, steadfast, true, honest.

**gold:** (*n*) Au, money, riches, wealth, bullion, treasure, yellow, amber; (*adj*) aureate, gilt, golden.  
**hour:** (*n*) clock, o'clock, hours, time, hr, term, nonce, moment, occasion, dawn, dusk.  
**jewels:** (*n*) jewelry, gems, wealth, hoops, Perrie, riches, studs, fortune, fineness, earrings, decoration.  
**misfortune:** (*n*) accident, hardship, misadventure, disaster, calamity, mischance, catastrophe, mishap, bad

luck, misery, affliction. ANTONYMS: (*n*) joy, bonus, opportunity, privilege, success, happiness.  
**peruse:** (*v*) examine, look through, inspect, study, leaf, flip, flick, learn, review, to read, browse. ANTONYM: (*v*) skim.  
**suit:** (*adj, v*) fit, please; (*adj, n, v*) correspond; (*n*) lawsuit, plea, action, case; (*v*) adapt, accommodate, become; (*n, v*) answer. ANTONYM: (*v*) clash.

What, Jessica!--Thou shalt not gormandize,  
As thou hast done with me;--What, Jessica!--  
And sleep and **snore**, and **rend** **apparel** out--  
Why, Jessica, I say!

LAUNCELOT.

Why, Jessica!

SHYLOCK.

Who bids thee call? I do not bid thee call.

LAUNCELOT.

Your worship was **wont** to tell me I could do nothing without bidding.

[Enter JESSICA.]

JESSICA.

Call you? What is your will?

SHYLOCK.

I am bid forth to supper, Jessica:  
There are my keys. But **wherefore** should I go?  
I am not bid for love; they flatter me;  
But yet I'll go in hate, to feed upon  
The **prodigal** Christian. Jessica, my girl,  
Look to my house. I am right **loath** to go;  
There is some ill a-brewing towards my rest,  
For I did dream of money-bags to-night.

LAUNCELOT.

I beseech you, sir, go: my young master doth expect your **reproach**.

SHYLOCK.

So do I his.

LAUNCELOT.

And they have conspired together; I will not say you shall see a masque, but  
if you do, then it was not for nothing that my nose fell a-bleeding on Black

## Thesaurus

**apparel:** (*n, v*) garb, attire, garment, array, vesture; (*n*) clothing, finery, costume, clothes; (*v*) adorn, clothe.  
**loath:** (*adj*) unwilling, disinclined, reluctant, loth, indisposed, backward, hesitant, antipathetic, antipathetical, loathe, shy of. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) eager, willing, disposed, keen.  
**prodigal:** (*adj*) extravagant, improvident, generous, lavish, wasteful, excessive, exuberant, liberal, profuse, dissipated; (*adj, n*)

profligate. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) economical, cautious.  
**rend:** (*v*) pull, lacerate, break, divide, rive, tear, disrupt, mangle; (*n, v*) rip, split, slash.  
**reproach:** (*n, v*) blame, rebuke, charge, abuse, disgrace, reprimand, invective; (*v*) accuse, chide, condemn; (*n*) condemnation. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) praise; (*v*) commend, approve; (*n*) compliment, commendation, approval.

**snore:** (*n*) snoring; (*v*) snort, saw logs, snooze, siesta, hibernation, breathe, doze, saw wood, coma, dream.  
**wherefore:** (*adv, conj*) therefore; (*adv, n*) why; (*n*) reason, proof; (*adv*) accordingly, consequently, so, wherefor, hence, whence; (*conj*) then.  
**wont:** (*adj, n*) use, custom, usage; (*n*) practice, tradition, cleanliness, assuetude, assuefaction, convention, rut; (*v*) practise.

Monday last at six o'clock i' the morning, falling out that year on Ash-Wednesday was four year in the afternoon.

SHYLOCK.

What! are there masques? Hear you me, Jessica:  
 Lock up my doors, and when you hear the drum,  
 And the vile **squealing** of the wry-neck'd fife,  
 Clamber not you up to the casements then,  
 Nor **thrust** your head into the public street  
 To gaze on Christian **fools** with varnish'd faces;  
 But stop my house's **ears**- I mean my casements;  
 Let not the sound of **shallow** fopp'ry enter  
 My sober house. By Jacob's staff, I swear  
 I have no mind of **feasting forth** to-night;  
 But I will go. Go you before me, sirrah;  
 Say I will come.

LAUNCELOT.

I will go before, sir.

**Mistress**, look out at window for all this;  
 There will come a Christian by  
 Will be worth a Jewess' eye.

[Exit LAUNCELOT.]

SHYLOCK.

What says that fool of Hagar's **offspring**, ha?

JESSICA.

His words were 'Farewell, mistress'; nothing else.

SHYLOCK.

The **patch** is kind enough, but a huge feeder;  
 Snail-slow in profit, and he sleeps by day  
 More than the wild-cat; drones **hive** not with me,  
 Therefore I part with him; and part with him

## Thesaurus

**ears:** (*n*) antenna.

**feasting:** (*n*) carnival, eating.

**fool:** (*n*) blockhead, dunce, clown, idiot, ass, booby, buffoon; (*v*) deceive, bamboozle; (*n, v*) joke, gull.

ANTONYM: (*n*) savant.

**forth:** (*adv*) away, along, onward, ahead, before, on, off, on the high road, on the road, on the way, under way.

**hive:** (*adj*) swarm, herd; (*v*) store, SE nicher; (*n*) concourse, hiding place,

cave, cell, den, aerie, eyry.

**mistress:** (*n*) dame, concubine, madame, inamorata, lady, lover, fancy woman, doxy, girl, kept woman, missis.

**offspring:** (*n, v*) issue, breed, brood; (*n*) progeny, family, children, child, successor, lineage, young; (*v*) fruit. ANTONYM: (*n*) parent.

**patch:** (*v*) piece; (*n*) plot, fleck, darn, blot, freckle, bed, maculation, field; (*n, v*) botch, repair.

**shallow:** (*adj*) superficial, low, cursory, petty, little, sketchy, flimsy, frivolous, simple, surface, perfunctory.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) bottomless, profound, intense, pensive, serious, inner, weighty.

**squealing:** (*adj*) squeaky, screechy, creaky, creaking; (*n*) betrayal, state's evidence.

**thrust:** (*n, v*) poke, stab, jab, drive, shove, force, punch, boost, cast, dig; (*v*) ram. ANTONYM: (*n*) inertia.

To one that I would have him help to waste  
 His borrow'd purse. Well, Jessica, go in;  
 Perhaps I will return immediately:  
 Do as I bid you, shut doors after you:  
 'Fast **bind**, fast find,'  
 A proverb never **stale** in **thrifty** mind.  
 [Exit.]

JESSICA.

Farewell; and if my fortune be not crost,  
 I have a father, you a daughter, lost.  
 [Exit.]

## SCENE VI. THE SAME.

[Enter GRATIANO and SALARINO, masqued.]

GRATIANO.

This is the pent-house under which Lorenzo  
 Desir'd us to make stand.

SALARINO.

His hour is almost past.

GRATIANO.

And it is **marvel** he out-dwells his hour,  
 For lovers ever run before the clock.

SALARINO.

O! ten times faster Venus' **pigeons** fly  
 To seal love's **bonds** new made than they are wont  
 To keep **obliged** faith unforfeited!

## Thesaurus

**bind:** (*adj, v*) attach, fix, fasten, affix;  
 (*n*) band; (*v*) bandage, lace, fetter,  
 bundle, truss, combine.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) untie, unbind, free,  
 unfasten, unravel, permit, loosen,  
 loose, let; (*n, v*) release; (*n*) pleasure.

**bonds:** (*n*) securities, stock, stocks,  
 handcuffs, irons, chains, servitude,  
 common stock, confinement,  
 preferred stock.

**marvel:** (*n, v*) wonder; (*n*) prodigy,  
 curiosity, phenomenon, amazement,

miracle, portent, marl, surprise,  
 admiration; (*v*) admire. ANTONYMS:  
 (*v*) disregard; (*n*) nightmare.

**obliged:** (*adj*) grateful, thankful,  
 appreciative, forced, accountable,  
 compelled; (*adj, v*) bound, under  
 obligation; (*adj, prep*) indebted; (*v*)  
 oblige, binding. ANTONYM: (*adj*)  
 ungrateful.

**pigeons:** (*n*) order Columbiformes,  
 Columbiformes.

**stale:** (*adj, n*) musty, moldy; (*adj*) old,

commonplace, hackneyed, insipid,  
 trite, corny, flat, stagnant; (*adj, v*) dry.  
 ANTONYMS: (*adj*) fresh, original,  
 innovative, airy, new, exceptional,  
 imaginative.

**thrifty:** (*adj*) careful, economical,  
 provident, sparing, prudent, stingy,  
 saving, spare, parsimonious, chary,  
 scotch. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) wasteful,  
 spendthrift, profligate, extravagant,  
 generous.

GRATIANO.

That ever holds: who riseth from a feast  
With that keen **appetite** that he sits down?  
Where is the horse that doth **untread** again  
His **tedious** measures with the unbated fire  
That he did pace them first? All things that are  
Are with more spirit chased than enjoy'd.  
How like a **younger** or a prodigal  
The scarfed **bark puts** from her native bay,  
Hugg'd and **embraced** by the **strumpet** wind!  
How like the prodigal doth she return,  
With over-weather'd ribs and **ragged** sails,  
Lean, rent, and beggar'd by the strumpet wind!

SALARINO.

Here comes Lorenzo; more of this hereafter.

[Enter LORENZO.]

LORENZO.

Sweet friends, your patience for my long abode;  
Not I, but my affairs, have made you wait:  
When you shall please to play the thieves for wives,  
I'll watch as long for you then. Approach;  
Here dwells my father Jew. Ho! who's within?  
[Enter JESSICA, above, in boy's clothes.]

JESSICA.

Who are you? Tell me, for more certainty,  
Albeit I'll swear that I do know your **tongue**.

LORENZO.

Lorenzo, and thy love.

JESSICA.

Lorenzo, certain; and my love indeed,

Thesaurus

**appetite:** (*n, v*) desire; (*n*) appetite, appetency, relish, inclination, stomach, taste, thirst, passion, liking, gusto. ANTONYMS: (*n*) dislike, repulsion, revulsion, apathy, distaste.  
**bark:** (*n, v*) skin, yelp, snarl, cry, rind, shout; (*v*) growl, roar; (*n*) bay, peel, crust. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) whisper.  
**embraced:** (*adj*) popular.  
**puts:** (*n*) stocks, securities, preferred stock, common stock, bonds.  
**ragged:** (*adj, n*) shabby; (*adj*) seedy,

worn, hoarse, jagged, scruffy, torn, untidy, unkempt; (*adj, v*) threadbare; (*n*) harsh. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) smart, elegant, smooth, new, even.  
**strumpet:** (*n*) courtesan, punk, harlot, hussy, slut, adulteress, wench, whore, loose woman, advoutress, fornicatress.  
**tedious:** (*adj*) tiresome, boring, dreary, slow, heavy, humdrum, irksome, lifeless; (*adj, v*) monotonous, arid, dry. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) exciting,

varied, easy, readable, lively, entertaining, enthralling, brisk, concise, exotic, pleasant.  
**tongue:** (*n*) lingua, speech, idiom, dialect, clapper, glossa, natural language, striker, talk; (*v*) lick; (*adj*) flowing.  
**untread:** (*v*) retrace.  
**younger:** (*n*) juvenile, stripling, puppy, blade, hobbledohoy, young person, pup, youngster, young, lad, early days.

For who love I so much? And now who knows  
But you, Lorenzo, whether I am **yours**?

LORENZO.

Heaven and thy thoughts are **witness** that thou art.

JESSICA.

Here, catch this casket; it is worth the pains.  
I am glad 'tis night, you do not look on me,  
For I am much ashamed of my exchange;  
But love is **blind**, and lovers cannot see  
The pretty follies that themselves commit,  
For, if they could, Cupid himself would blush  
To see me thus **transformed** to a boy.

LORENZO.

Descend, for you must be my torch-bearer.

JESSICA.

What! must I hold a **candle** to my shames?  
They in themselves, good sooth, are **too-too** light.  
Why, 'tis an office of discovery, love,  
And I should be obscur'd.

LORENZO.

So are you, sweet,  
Even in the lovely **garnish** of a boy.  
But come at once;  
For the close night doth play the runaway,  
And we are stay'd for at Bassanio's **feast**.

JESSICA.

I will make fast the doors, and **gild** myself  
With some more ducats, and be with you straight.  
[Exit above.]

## Thesaurus

**blind:** (*n*) curtain, shutter, veil, drape, awning, trick; (*v*) bedazzle, dazzle, daze; (*adj*) sightless; (*adj*, *v*) obscure. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) sighted, uncovered, understanding, sharp, seeing, revealed, quick, perceptive, open, controlled, cautious.  
**candle:** (*n*) candela, light, taper, bougie, CD, candlepower, lamp, wax light, Standard candle; (*v*) examine, illuminate.  
**feast:** (*n*, *v*) junket, fete; (*n*)

entertainment, dinner, binge, spread, celebration, jamboree, carousal; (*v*) feed, eat. ANTONYMS: (*v*) abstain, starve; (*n*) snack.  
**garnish:** (*v*) decorate, embellish, beautify, adorn, dress, deck; (*n*) adornment, embellishment, decoration; (*n*, *v*) trim, ornament.  
**gild:** (*v*) embellish, ornament, beautify, decorate, begild, engild, paint, whitewash, varnish; (*n*) club, fraternity. ANTONYM: (*v*) strip.

**too-too:** (*adj*) ultra, unreasonable, mincing, immoderate, exaggerated, inordinate, utmost; (*adv*) overly.  
**transformed:** (*adj*) changed, malformed, rehabilitated, bewitched, misshapen, distorted, reformed.  
**witness:** (*n*, *v*) testimony, attest, evidence; (*n*) bystander, eyewitness, onlooker, observer; (*v*) observe, notice, see, view. ANTONYMS: (*v*) deny, participate, refute.  
**yours:** (*adj*) own.



GRATIANO.

Now, by my hood, a Gentile, and no Jew.

LORENZO.

Beshrew me, but I love her heartily;  
For she is **wise**, if I can judge of her,  
And fair she is, if that mine eyes be true,  
And true she is, as she hath prov'd herself;  
And therefore, like herself, wise, fair, and true,  
Shall she be placed in my constant soul.

[Enter JESSICA.]

What, art thou come? On, **gentlemen**, away!  
Our masquing **mates** by this time for us stay.  
[Exit with JESSICA and SALARINO.]

[Enter ANTONIO]

ANTONIO.

Who's there?

GRATIANO.

Signior Antonio!

ANTONIO.

Fie, fie, Gratiano! where are all the rest?  
'Tis nine o'clock; our **friends** all stay for you.  
No masque to-night: the wind is come about;  
Bassanio **presently** will go aboard:  
I have sent twenty out to seek for you.

GRATIANO.

I am **glad** on't: I desire no more **delight**  
Than to be under **sail** and gone to-night.  
[Exeunt.]

Thesaurus

**delight:** (*n*) joy, pleasure, amusement, rejoicing, gladness; (*v*) ravish, amuse, please, captivate, transport, enrapture. ANTONYMS: (*n*) misery, dismay, dissatisfaction, sadness, nuisance, discontent; (*v*) depress, displease, sadden, irk; (*n, v*) bore.  
**friends:** (*n*) circle, associates, connections, links, support group, acquaintances.  
**gentlemen:** (*n*) sirs, messieurs.  
**glad:** (*adj*) jubilant, cheerful, gay,

blithe, delighted, festive, content, delightful, genial, bright, willing. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unhappy, apologetic, dismayed, unwilling, disappointed, sorry.  
**mates:** (*n*) match, couple, mate, pair, Lucifer, friction match, family unit, family, equal, dyad, duo.  
**presently:** (*adv*) instantly, directly, currently, before long, shortly, soon, now, at present, readily, just, actually. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) later,

now, formerly.  
**sail:** (*n, v*) cruise, float, voyage, sheet; (*v*) navigate, run, glide, drift, cross, sweep, travel. ANTONYM: (*v*) struggle.  
**wise:** (*adj*) reasonable, sensible, sound, rational, sagacious, intelligent, prudent, shrewd, discreet; (*adj, n*) knowing; (*n*) method. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unwise, stupid, ignorant, mistaken, illogical, reckless, naive, irrational, dense.

## SCENE VII. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Flourish of cornets. Enter PORTIA, with the PRINCE OF MOROCCO, and their trains.]

PORTIA.

Go draw aside the **curtains** and discover  
The several caskets to this **noble** prince.  
Now make your choice.

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

The first, of gold, who this **inscription** bears:  
'Who chooseth me shall gain what many men desire.'  
The second, silver, which this promise carries:  
'Who chooseth me shall get as much as he deserves.'  
This third, **dull** lead, with warning all as blunt:  
'Who chooseth me must give and hazard all he hath.'  
How shall I know if I do choose the right?

PORTIA.

The one of them contains my picture, prince;  
If you choose that, then I am yours **withal**.

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

Some god direct my judgment! Let me see;  
I will survey the inscriptions back again.  
What says this **lead**en casket?  
'Who chooseth me must give and hazard all he hath.'  
Must give: for what? For lead? Hazard for lead!  
This casket threatens; men that hazard all  
Do it in hope of fair advantages:  
A golden mind stoops not to shows of dross;  
I'll then nor give nor hazard aught for lead.  
What says the silver with her **virgin** hue?

## Thesaurus

**curtains:** (*n*) passing, demise, finish, decease, tragedy, termination, calamity, cataclysm; (*adj*) last, ultimate, terminal.

**dull:** (*adj*) dreary, dense, sluggish, dismal, slack, torpid; (*adj, v*) blunt, stupid; (*v*) deaden, dampen; (*adj, n*) cold. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) lively, sharp, stimulating, exciting, lustrous, interesting, exhilarating, varied, glossy, glittery, luminous.

**inscription:** (*n*) epigraph, entry,

dedication, autograph, epitaph, registration, lettering, writing, record, superscription, title.

**lead**en: (*adj*) heavy, gray, sluggish, grey, inert, torpid, grave, languid, drab, burdensome, livid.

ANTONYM: (*adj*) bright.

**noble:** (*adj, n*) grand, glorious, patrician; (*adj*) imposing, impressive, elevated, majestic, generous, high; (*adj, v*) dignified, great. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) shameful, humble, dishonorable,

lowly, lowborn, disgraceful, unimpressive, ignoble, modest, petty; (*n*) lady.

**virgin:** (*adj*) pure, new, chaste, innocent, fresh, untouched, intact, virginal; (*adj, n*) vestal; (*n*) maid, girl. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) defiled, sullied.

**withal:** (*adv*) nevertheless, notwithstanding, however, even so, all the same, nonetheless, with; (*adj*) likewise; (*n*) sufficiency, adequacy, enough.

'Who chooseth me shall get as much as he deserves.'  
 As much as he deserves! Pause there, Morocco,  
 And weigh thy value with an even hand.  
 If thou be'st rated by thy estimation,  
 Thou dost deserve enough, and yet enough  
 May not extend so far as to the lady;  
 And yet to be afeard of my deserving  
 Were but a weak **disabling** of myself.  
 As much as I deserve! Why, that's the lady:  
 I do in birth deserve her, and in fortunes,  
 In graces, and in qualities of breeding;  
 But more than these, in love I do deserve.  
 What if I stray'd no **farther**, but chose here?  
 Let's see once more this saying grav'd in gold:  
 'Who chooseth me shall gain what many men desire.'  
 Why, that's the lady: all the world desires her;  
 From the four corners of the earth they come,  
 To kiss this shrine, this mortal-breathing saint:  
 The Hyrcanian **deserts** and the **vasty** wilds  
 Of wide Arabia are as throughfares now  
 For princes to come view fair Portia:  
 The **watery** kingdom, whose ambitious head  
 Spits in the face of heaven, is no bar  
 To stop the foreign spirits, but they come  
 As o'er a **brook** to see fair Portia.  
 One of these three contains her **heavenly** picture.  
 Is't like that lead contains her? 'Twere damnation  
 To think so base a thought; it were too gross  
 To rib her **cerecloth** in the obscure grave.  
 Or shall I think in silver she's immur'd,  
 Being ten times undervalu'd to tried gold?  
 O **sinful** thought! Never so rich a gem

## Thesaurus

**brook:** (*v*) endure, abide, stomach, stand, tolerate, digest, suffer, support, undergo; (*n, v*) creek; (*n*) stream. ANTONYMS: (*v*) spurn, resist, reject, prohibit.  
**cerecloth:** (*n*) textile, material, fabric, cloth, winding sheet, sparadrap, searcloth, graveclothes.  
**deserts:** (*n*) desert, just deserts, due, compensation, comeupance.  
**disabling:** (*adj*) incapacitating, disqualifying.

**farther:** (*adj, adv, prep*) beyond; (*adj*) additional, more, distant; (*adv*) furthermore, besides, abroad, in addition, too; (*adj, prep*) outside; (*pron*) another. ANTONYMS: (*prep*) within; (*adv*) nearer, closer.  
**heavenly:** (*adj*) celestial, blissful, ethereal, delightful, angelic, blessed, elysian, holy, unearthly, godlike, sacred. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) worldly, miserable, infernal, hellish, unappealing, dreadful, turbulent.

**sinful:** (*adj*) wicked, impious, bad, iniquitous, ungodly, depraved, immoral, profane, criminal, wrong, unholy. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) pious, virtuous, moral, right, pure.  
**vasty:** (*adj*) immense.  
**watery:** (*adj*) moist, diluted, wet, dilute, washy, thin, damp, fluid, aqueous, weak, insipid. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) strong, solid, dry, soft, dehydrated, lively, dark, clear, thick, hard.

Was set in worse than gold. They have in England  
 A **coin** that **bears** the figure of an **angel**  
 Stamped in gold; but that's insculp'd upon;  
 But here an angel in a golden bed  
 Lies all within. **Deliver** me the key;  
 Here do I choose, and thrive I as I may!

PORTIA.

There, take it, prince, and if my form lie there,  
 Then I am yours.

[He unlocks the golden casket.]

PRINCE OF MOROCCO.

O hell! what have we here?  
 A **carriion** Death, within whose empty eye  
 There is a written **scroll**! I'll read the writing.

'All that glisters is not gold,  
 Often have you heard that told;  
 Many a man his life hath sold  
 But my outside to behold:  
 Gilded tombs do worms infold.  
 Had you been as wise as bold,  
 Young in limbs, in judgment old,  
 Your answer had not been inscroll'd:  
 Fare you well, your suit is cold.'

Cold indeed; and labour lost:

Then, **farewell**, heat, and welcome, frost!

Portia, adieu! I have too griev'd a heart  
 To take a tedious leave; thus **losers** part.  
 [Exit with his train. **Flourish** of cornets.]

## Thesaurus

**angel:** (*n, v*) sponsor, support; (*n*) backer, cherub, messenger, patron, benefactor, saint; (*adj*) Dulcinea, goddess; (*adj, n*) darling.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*n*) fiend, devil, jerk, demon.  
**bears:** (*n*) fished, badgers, Carnivora, order Carnivora.  
**carriion:** (*n*) carcass, offal, dead body, corpse, filth, ket, any filth, caraigne; (*adj*) garbage.  
**coin:** (*v*) invent, mint, originate, create,

strike, cast; (*n, v*) forge; (*n*) specie, money, penny, piece.  
**deliver:** (*v*) consign, bear, carry, save, rescue, abandon, send, pronounce, hand over, bring; (*adj, v*) utter.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*v*) capture, confine, imprison, hold, oppress, enslave, restrain, retain, collect, withhold, shackle.  
**farewell:** (*int, n*) adieu; (*n*) bye, leave, valediction, adios, parting, goodbye, separation, departure, aloha; (*int*) bon

voyage. **ANTONYMS:** (*n*) hello, salutation, welcome.  
**flourish:** (*n, v*) display; (*v*) thrive, prosper, boast, wave, brag, wield, boom, grow; (*adj, v*) bloom; (*adv, v*) shake. **ANTONYMS:** (*v*) decline, struggle, deteriorate, wilt, pine, fade, flounder, decrease, dwindle.  
**losers:** (*n*) scum.  
**scroll:** (*n, v*) roll, list, roller, record; (*n*) curlicue, curl, archive, helix, book, whorl; (*v*) role.

PORTIA.

A gentle **riddance**. Draw the curtains: go.  
Let all of his complexion choose me so.  
[Exeunt.]

SCENE VIII. VENICE. A STREET

[Enter SALARINO and SALANIO.]

SALARINO.

Why, man, I saw Bassanio under sail;  
With him is Gratiano gone along;  
And in their ship I am sure Lorenzo is not.

SALANIO.

The villain Jew with outcries rais'd the Duke,  
Who **went** with him to search Bassanio's ship.

SALARINO.

He came too late, the ship was under sail;  
But there the duke was given to understand  
That in a **gondola** were seen together  
Lorenzo and his **amorous** Jessica.  
Besides, Antonio **certified** the duke  
They were not with Bassanio in his ship.

SALANIO.

I never heard a passion so confus'd,  
So strange, **outrageous**, and so variable,  
As the dog Jew did **utter** in the streets.  
'My daughter! O my ducats! O my daughter!  
Fled with a Christian! O my Christian ducats!  
Justice! the law! my ducats and my daughter!  
A sealed bag, two sealed bags of ducats,

Thesaurus

**amorous:** (*adj*) amatory, romantic, amative, affectionate, passionate, fond, warm, ardent, erotic, tender, impassioned. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) cold, hateful, repulsed, unfriendly, cool.  
**certified:** (*adj*) accredited, official, guaranteed, authorized, approved, certificated, certifiable, verified, assured, licensed, clear.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) informal, uncertified, amateur, uncertain,

unqualified.  
**gondola:** (*n*) boat, coracle, catamaran, basket, hydroplane, compartment, auto, hovercraft, gundelet, gondola lift, elevator car.  
**outrageous:** (*adj*) inordinate, atrocious, ridiculous, monstrous, offensive, gross, excessive, extravagant, absurd, unconscionable; (*adj, v*) furious.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) acceptable, reasonable, normal, credible, good, honorable, lovely, complimentary,

appealing, commendable, admirable.  
**riddance:** (*n*) removal, exclusion, freedom, ousting, barring, ejection, expulsion, ouster, ostracism, clearance; (*v*) rid.  
**utter:** (*v*) say, state, speak, breathe, articulate, deliver, voice, pronounce; (*adj, n, v*) express, declare; (*adj, v*) tell.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) qualified, incomplete, uncertain, rather, slight; (*v*) conceal, hide, block.  
**went:** (*v*) walked, proceeded.

Of double ducats, stol'n from me by my daughter!  
 And jewels! two **stones**, two rich and **precious** stones,  
 Stol'n by my daughter! Justice! find the girl!  
 She hath the stones upon her and the ducats.'

SALARINO.

Why, all the boys in Venice follow him,  
 Crying, his stones, his daughter, and his ducats.

SALANIO.

Let good Antonio look he keep his day,  
 Or he shall pay for this.

SALARINO.

Marry, well remember'd.

I reason'd with a Frenchman yesterday,  
 Who told me,--in the narrow seas that part  
 The French and English,--there miscarried  
 A **vessel** of our country richly fraught.  
 I thought upon Antonio when he told me,  
 And wish'd in silence that it were not his.

SALANIO.

You were best to tell Antonio what you hear;  
 Yet do not suddenly, for it may **grieve** him.

SALARINO.

A kinder gentleman treads not the earth.  
 I saw Bassanio and Antonio part:  
 Bassanio told him he would make some speed  
 Of his return. He answer'd 'Do not so;  
 Slubber not business for my **sake**, Bassanio,  
 But stay the very riping of the time;  
 And for the Jew's **bond** which he hath of me,  
 Let it not enter in your mind of love:  
 Be merry, and **employ** your chiefest **thoughts**

## Thesaurus

**bond:** (*n*) association, alliance, deed, agreement, bail, attachment, joint; (*v*) bind; (*n, v*) cement, band, link.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) unstick, open, unfasten, loosen, disconnect, clash; (*n*) separation, divorce.

**employ:** (*v*) use, apply, exploit, consume, wield, hire, engage, exercise, work, busy, utilize.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) fire, dismiss, can, ignore, misuse, sack, underuse; (*n*) unemployment.

**grieve:** (*n, v*) distress, aggrieve, afflict, sorrow, annoy; (*v*) trouble, lament, deplore, bemoan, fret, bewail.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) rejoice, celebrate, encourage.

**precious:** (*adj, n*) beloved; (*adj*) valuable, costly, cherished, invaluable, expensive, golden, choice, inestimable, exquisite; (*n*) darling.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) cheap, hated, shabby.

**ground;** (*v*) advantage, cause; (*n*) object, account, design, purpose, saki.

**stones:** (*n*) shingle, grit.

**thoughts:** (*n*) mind, opinion, depth of thought, feelings, reflection, ideas, workings of the mind, view, stance, position, considered opinion.

**vessel:** (*n*) ship, pot, jar, duct, vas, boat, craft, container, bowl, barrel, canal.

To **courtship**, and such fair ostents of love  
As shall **conveniently** become you there.'  
And even there, his eye being big with tears,  
Turning his face, he put his hand behind him,  
And with **affection** wondrous sensible  
He wrung Bassanio's hand; and so they parted.

SALANIO.

I think he only loves the world for him.  
I pray thee, let us go and find him out,  
And **quicken** his embraced heaviness  
With some delight or other.

SALARINO.

Do we so.

[Exeunt.]

SCENE IX. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Enter NERISSA, with a SERVITOR.]

NERISSA.

Quick, quick, I pray thee, draw the **curtain** straight;  
The Prince of Arragon hath ta'en his oath,  
And comes to his **election** presently.

[Flourish of cornets. Enter the PRINCE OF ARRAGON, PORTIA, and their  
Trains.]

PORTIA.

Behold, there stand the caskets, noble Prince:  
If you choose that **wherein** I am contain'd,  
Straight shall our **nuptial rites** be solemniz'd;

Thesaurus

**affection:** (*n*) charity, attachment, fondness, heart, love, disease, nature, feeling, affectionateness, tenderness, kindness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) disgust, neglect, malice, loathing, dislike, detachment, coldness, roughness.  
**conveniently:** (*adv*) easily, opportunely, expediently, usefully, fitly, properly, practically, timely, helpfully, commodiously; (*adv, v*) advantageously. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) awkwardly, clumsily.

**courtship:** (*n*) courting, wooing, love, bundling, the soft impeachment, prayer, entreaty, gallantry, addresses, cause, affection.  
**curtain:** (*n, v*) cover; (*n*) barrier, drapery, blind, screen, mantle, mask, shade, pall, shroud; (*v*) hide.  
**election:** (*n*) choice, ballot, poll, vote, volition, selection, preference, option, doom, predestination, referendum.  
**nuptial:** (*adj, n*) bridal, marriage; (*adj*) marital, matrimonial, spousal,

connubial, hymeneal, conjugal, wedding, married; (*n*) matrimony.  
**quicken:** (*v*) accelerate, hasten, hurry, dispatch, animate, expedite, advance, enliven, precipitate; (*n, v*) forward, speed. ANTONYMS: (*v*) decelerate, delay.  
**rites:** (*n*) money, finances, wake, religion.  
**wherein:** (*adv*) in what, in which, where.

But if you fail, without more speech, my lord,  
You must be gone from hence immediately.

ARRAGON.

I am enjoin'd by **oath** to observe three things:  
First, never to **unfold** to any one  
Which casket 'twas I chose; next, if I fail  
Of the right casket, never in my life  
To woo a maid in way of marriage;  
Lastly,  
If I do fail in fortune of my choice,  
Immediately to leave you and be gone.

PORTIA.

To these injunctions every one doth swear  
That comes to hazard for my **worthless** self.

ARRAGON.

And so have I address'd me. Fortune now  
To my heart's hope! Gold, **silver**, and base lead.  
'Who chooseth me must give and hazard all he hath.'  
You shall look fairer ere I give or hazard.  
What says the golden chest? Ha! let me see:  
'Who chooseth me shall gain what many men desire.'  
What many men desire! that 'many' may be meant  
By the fool **multitude**, that choose by show,  
Not learning more than the fond eye doth teach;  
Which pries not to th' interior, but, like the martlet,  
Builds in the weather on the **outward** wall,  
Even in the force and road of casualty.  
I will not choose what many men desire,  
Because I will not jump with common spirits  
And rank me with the **barbarous** multitudes.  
Why, then to thee, thou silver treasure-house;

## Thesaurus

**barbarous:** (*adj*) barbaric, savage, gothic, brutal, heathen, truculent, rude, fell, ferocious, fierce, uncivilized. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) nice, cultured, civilized, sophisticated, refined, humane.  
**multitude:** (*n*) flock, horde, crowd, host, throng, concourse, mob, masses, mass, herd, swarm. ANTONYM: (*n*) trickle.  
**oath:** (*n*) expletive, malediction, imprecation, promise, affidavit, cuss,

swearing, pledge, assurance, asseveration; (*v*) swear.  
**outward:** (*adj*) external, apparent, extrinsic, outer, superficial, surface, outside, ostensible, foreign, outdoor; (*adv*) out. ANTONYMS: (*adj, adv*) inward; (*adj*) inner, internal, deep.  
**silver:** (*n*) money, gold, bullion, precious Metals; (*adj*) silvery, argent, white, silvern, gray, neutral tint; (*v*) plate.  
**unfold:** (*v*) spread, open, extend,

develop, stretch, spread out, reveal, display, stretch out; (*adj, v*) expound, explain. ANTONYMS: (*v*) fold, block, stagnate, stop, hide, withhold, check, wrap, conceal.  
**worthless:** (*adj, v*) futile, vain; (*adj*) vile, idle, empty, trifling, void, trivial, cheap, miserable, null. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) precious, useful, worthwhile, priceless, meaningful, helpful, invaluable, deserving, valid, worthy, substantial.



Tell me once more what title thou dost bear:  
 'Who chooseth me shall get as much as he deserves.'  
 And well said too; for who shall go about  
 To **cozen** fortune, and be honourable  
 Without the **stamp** of merit? Let none presume  
 To wear an **undeserved** dignity.  
 O! that estates, degrees, and offices  
 Were not deriv'd **corruptly**, and that clear honour  
 Were purchas'd by the merit of the wearer!  
 How many then should cover that stand bare;  
 How many be **commanded** that command;  
 How much low **peasantry** would then be glean'd  
 From the true seed of honour; and how much honour  
 Pick'd from the chaff and **ruin** of the times  
 To be new varnish'd! Well, but to my choice:  
 'Who chooseth me shall get as much as he deserves.'  
 I will assume desert. Give me a key for this,  
 And instantly **unlock** my fortunes here.  
 [He opens the silver casket.]

PORTIA.

Too long a pause for that which you find there.

ARRAGON.

What's here? The portrait of a **blinking** idiot,  
 Presenting me a schedule! I will read it.  
 How much unlike art thou to Portia!  
 How much unlike my hopes and my deservings!  
 'Who chooseth me shall have as much as he deserves.'  
 Did I deserve no more than a fool's head?  
 Is that my prize? Are my deserts no better?

## Thesaurus

**blinking:** (*adj*) flickering, bally, blooming; (*adj, n*) winking; (*n*) shimmer, blink, wink, twinkling, nictation, blink of an eye, nictitation.  
**commanded:** (*adj*) lawful.  
**corruptly:** (*adv*) adulterately, depravedly, wickedly, dishonestly, foully, fraudulently, corruptedly, dissolutely, perversely, venally, viciously. ANTONYM: (*adv*) honestly.  
**cozen:** (*v*) cheat, do, defraud, deceive,

jockey, con, befool, betray, gouge, chouse, chisel.  
**peasantry:** (*n*) farmers.  
**ruin:** (*n*) devastation, desolation; (*adj, n*) downfall; (*v*) break, consume, demolish, destroy; (*n, v*) doom, ravage, destruction, damage. ANTONYMS: (*v*) conserve, enhance, save, restore, improve; (*n, v*) respect; (*n*) making, success, triumph, rise, preservation.  
**stamp:** (*n, v*) print, imprint, mark, seal,

brand, impress, cast, punch, shape; (*v*) trample; (*n*) impression.  
**undeserved:** (*adj*) unfair, unearned, unjust, inequitable, undue, excessive, iniquitous, wrong, unreasonable, unwarranted. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) rightful, fair, just.  
**unlock:** (*v*) open, unfasten, disclose, unbar, reveal, free, release, disengage, unbolt, unclose, withdraw. ANTONYMS: (*v*) fasten, lock, close.

PORTIA.

To **offend**, and **judge**, are distinct offices,  
And of opposed natures.

ARRAGON.

What is here?

'The fire seven times tried this;  
Seven times tried that judgment is  
That did never choose amiss.  
Some there be that **shadows** kiss;  
Such have but a shadow's bliss;  
There be fools alive, I wis,  
Silver'd o'er, and so was this.  
Take what wife you will to bed,  
I will ever be your head:  
So be gone; you are sped.'

Still more fool I shall appear  
By the time I **linger** here;  
With one fool's head I came to woo,  
But I go away with two.  
Sweet, adieu! I'll keep my oath,  
Patiently to bear my **wroth**.  
[Exit ARAGON with his train.]

PORTIA.

Thus hath the candle sing'd the moth.  
O, these **deliberate** fools! When they do choose,  
They have the **wisdom** by their wit to lose.

NERISSA.

The ancient saying is no heresy:  
'Hanging and wiving goes by destiny.'

## Thesaurus

**deliberate:** (*v*) cogitate, consult, debate, think, confer, contemplate; (*adj*) careful, circumspect, slow, thoughtful, calculated. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unintentional, accidental, hasty, ingenuous, involuntary, spontaneous, rushed, automatic, unwitting, unstudied, subliminal.  
**judge:** (*v*) consider, think, evaluate, believe, condemn, assess, calculate, guess; (*n*) arbitrator, arbiter; (*n, v*) umpire. ANTONYM: (*v*) doubt.

**linger:** (*v*) loiter, delay, dally, hover, stay, hesitate, hang around, procrastinate, dawdle, tarry, saunter. ANTONYMS: (*v*) hurry, end, rush, depart, lead.  
**offend:** (*v*) irritate, affront, insult, contravene, injure, disgust, infringe, displease, abuse, wound, anger. ANTONYMS: (*v*) please, delight, praise, attract.  
**shadows:** (*n*) dark, darkness, night, dimness, dusk, fogginess, mistiness,

gloom, cloudiness. ANTONYM: (*n*) brightness.  
**wisdom:** (*n*) judiciousness, knowledge, sapience, sagacity, sense, prudence, discernment, insight, learning, depth, reasonableness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) stupidity, folly, inexperience, ignorance, flippancy, banality.  
**wroth:** (*adj*) wrathful, angry, irate, indignant, raging, furious, hot, enraged, incensed, choleric, fury.

PORTIA.

Come, draw the curtain, Nerissa.

[Enter a SERVANT.]

SERVANT.

Where is my lady?

PORTIA.

Here; what would my lord?

SERVANT.

Madam, there is alighted at your gate  
A young Venetian, one that comes before  
To **signify** th' approaching of his lord;  
From whom he bringeth sensible regreets;  
To wit,--besides commends and **courteous** breath,--  
Gifts of rich value. Yet I have not seen  
So likely an **ambassador** of love.  
A day in April never came so sweet,  
To show how **costly** summer was at hand,  
As this fore-spurrer comes before his lord.

PORTIA.

No more, I pray thee; I am half afeard  
Thou wilt say anon he is some kin to thee,  
Thou spend'st such high-day wit in **praising** him.  
Come, come, Nerissa, for I long to see  
Quick Cupid's **post** that comes so **mannerly**.

NERISSA.

Bassanio, lord Love, if thy will it be!  
[Exeunt.]

## Thesaurus

**ambassador:** (*n*) emissary, minister, messenger, envoy, agent, delegate, representative, ambassador, herald, ambassadress, deputy.  
**costly:** (*adj*) dear, precious, valuable, pricey, high, luxurious, sumptuous, extravagant, rich, invaluable, beloved. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) worthless, inexpensive, painless, economical, harmless, helpful, reasonable, aiding, meager.  
**courteous:** (*adj, v*) civil; (*adj*) affable,

attentive, gracious, decorous, chivalrous, bland, thoughtful, urbane, mannerly, gentlemanly. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) rude, impolite, boorish, insulting, unmannerly, gruff, improper, vulgar, unhelpful, neglectful, graceless.  
**mannerly:** (*adj*) civil, polite, genteel, urbane, decent, decorous, refined, courtly, gentlemanly; (*adv*) kindly, sortly. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) rude, common, vulgar, impolite.

**post:** (*n, v*) place, position, stake, station; (*n*) office, function, pillar, attitude; (*v*) locate, enter, lay.  
**praising:** (*adj*) praiseful, commending, praise, flattering, admiring, kind, complimentary, bestowing praise, eulogistic, commendatory, encomiastical.  
**signify:** (*n, v*) intend, mark; (*adj, n, v*) import; (*v*) imply, indicate, denote, point, stand for, express, intimate, matter.

## ACT III

### SCENE I. VENICE. A STREET

[Enter SALANIO and SALARINO.]

SALANIO.

Now, what news on the Rialto?

SALARINO.

Why, yet it lives there **unchecked** that Antonio hath a ship of rich **lading** wrack'd on the narrow seas; the Goodwins, I think they call the place, a very dangerous flat and **fatal**, where the carcasses of many a tall ship lie buried, as they say, if my **gossip** Report be an honest woman of her word.

SALANIO.

I would she were as lying a gossip in that as ever knapped **ginger** or made her **neighbours** believe she wept for the death of a third husband. But it is true,--without any **slips** of **prolixity** or **crossing** the plain **highway** of talk,--that the good Antonio, the honest Antonio,--O that I had a title good enough to keep his name company!--

SALARINO.

Come, the full stop.

### Thesaurus

**crossing:** (*n*) transit, ford, intersection, hybridization, crossbreeding, passage, voyage, mating, crossway, crosswalk, cruise.

**fatal:** (*adj*) deadly, pestilent, lethal, disastrous, destructive, dangerous, deathly, fateful, murderous, critical; (*adj, v*) mortal. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) harmless, nourishing, healthful, benign, uncritical, mild.

**ginger:** (*n*) fire, pep, galangal, vim, zest, zing, courage; (*adj*) gingery,

auburn, carrot, red.

**gossip:** (*n, v*) chatter, rumor, chitchat, gab, talk, babble, natter, tattle; (*n*) chatterbox, conversation, small talk. ANTONYM: (*n*) truth.

**highway:** (*n*) highroad, way, path, route, street, thoroughfare, course, main road, expressway, bus, freeway.

**lading:** (*n, v*) load, burden, weight; (*n*) freight, consignment, shipment, loading, shipping, freightage, product, wares.

**neighbours:** (*n*) neighborhood.

**prolixity:** (*n*) verbosity, verbiage, flatulence, prolixness, verbalization, lengthiness, verboseness, diffuseness, copiousness, length, circumlocution. ANTONYM: (*n*) conciseness.

**slips:** (*n*) pad.

**unchecked:** (*adj*) unbridled, uncontrolled, rampant, uncaught, unbuttoned, uninhibited, unconstrained, unprevented, untrammelled, wild, unrestricted.

SALANIO.

Ha! What sayest thou? Why, the end is, he hath lost a ship.

SALARINO.

I would it might prove the end of his losses.

SALANIO.

Let me say 'amen' **betimes**, lest the **devil** cross my **prayer**, for here he comes in the **likeness** of a Jew.

[Enter SHYLOCK.]

How now, Shylock! What news among the merchants?

SHYLOCK.

You **knew**, none so well, none so well as you, of my daughter's flight.

SALARINO.

That's certain; I, for my part, knew the **tailor** that made the wings she flew withal.

SALANIO.

And Shylock, for his own part, knew the bird was **fledged**; and then it is the complexion of them all to leave the dam.

SHYLOCK.

She is **damned** for it.

SALARINO.

That's certain, if the devil may be her judge.

SHYLOCK.

My own flesh and blood to **rebel**!

SALANIO.

Out upon it, old carrion! Rebels it at these years?

SHYLOCK.

I say my daughter is my flesh and my blood.

SALARINO.

There is more difference between thy flesh and **hers** than between jet and

Thesaurus

**betimes:** (*adv*) early, soon, anon, rath, betime, ahead of time, rathe.  
**damned:** (*adj*) accursed, doomed, blasted, condemned, damn, cussed, wretched, infernal, hateful, goddamned; (*adv*) damnably.  
ANTONYM: (*adj*) saved.  
**devil:** (*n*) fiend, demon, ghost, monster, Lucifer, Satan, Beelzebub, deuce, daemon; (*v*) torment, rag.  
ANTONYM: (*n*) angel.  
**fledged:** (*adj*) feathered, ripe, vaned,

fledge, flidge.  
**hers:** (*pron*) she, his; (*adj*) own.  
**knew:** (*adj*) known; (*v*) recognize, wist.  
**likeness:** (*n*) resemblance, copy, effigy, image, affinity, similarity, correspondence, facsimile; (*adj, n*) figure, form, semblance.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) difference, diversity, dissimilarity, unlikeness, contrast.  
**prayer:** (*n*) invocation, plea, entreaty, appeal, orison, request, suit, litany,

devotion, supplication, asking.  
**rebel:** (*v*) mutiny, disobey, arise; (*adj, n*) nonconformist, insurgent; (*adj, n, v*) renegade; (*n, v*) revolt; (*adj*) mutineer; (*n*) traitor, insurrectionist, anarchist. ANTONYMS: (*adj, n*) conformist; (*n*) stalwart; (*adj*) compliant, content, obedient; (*v*) agree, obey.  
**tailor:** (*v*) sew, fashion, shape, accommodate, design, cut, adjust, fit; (*n*) snip, dressmaker, sartor.

ivory; more between your bloods than there is between red wine and Rhenish. But tell us, do you hear whether Antonio have had any loss at sea or no?

SHYLOCK.

There I have another bad match: a bankrupt, a prodigal, who dare scarce show his head on the Rialto; a **beggar**, that used to come so smug upon the **mart**; let him look to his bond: he was wont to call me **usurer**; let him look to his bond: he was wont to lend money for a Christian courtesy; let him look to his bond.

SALARINO.

Why, I am sure, if he forfeit, thou wilt not take his flesh: what's that good for?

SHYLOCK.

To bait fish withal: if it will feed nothing else, it will feed my revenge. He hath disgrac'd me and hind'ed me half a million; laugh'd at my losses, mock'd at my gains, **scorned** my nation, **thwarted** my bargains, cooled my friends, heated mine enemies. And what's his reason? I am a Jew. Hath not a Jew eyes? Hath not a Jew hands, organs, dimensions, senses, affections, passions, fed with the same food, hurt with the same weapons, subject to the same diseases, **healed** by the same means, warmed and cooled by the same winter and summer, as a Christian is? If you **prick** us, do we not **bleed**? If you **tickle** us, do we not laugh? If you poison us, do we not die? And if you wrong us, shall we not revenge? If we are like you in the rest, we will resemble you in that. If a Jew wrong a Christian, what is his humility? Revenge. If a Christian wrong a Jew, what should his **sufferance** be by Christian example? Why, revenge. The villaiy you teach me I will execute; and it shall go hard but I will better the instruction.

[Enter a SERVANT.]

SERVANT.

Gentlemen, my master Antonio is at his house, and desires to speak with you both.

## Thesaurus

**beggar:** (*n*) mendicant, mumper, pauper, tramp, sponger, joker, poor man, cadger, bloke; (*v*) beg, pauperize. ANTONYM: (*n*) giver.  
**bleed:** (*v*) run, ooze, phlebotomize, leak, percolate, shed blood, trickle, hemorrhage, fleece; (*n*) ache, smart.  
**healed:** (*adj*) recovered, heal, recover, whole, corned, well, aged.  
**mart:** (*n*) emporium, market, marketplace, bazar, agora, forum, grocery, sale, center, outlet, store.

**prick:** (*n, v*) puncture, stab, cock, twinge, spur, bite; (*v*) impale, pierce, needle; (*n*) Dick, pricking.  
**scorned:** (*adj*) detested, hated, abject, neglected, contemptuous, despicable, insolent, undesirable, unloved, unpopular, mean.  
**sufferance:** (*n*) allowance, patience, permission, forbearance, leave, toleration, suffering, resignation, acceptance; (*n, v*) tolerance; (*adj, v*) supportance.

**thwarted:** (*adj*) disappointed, foiled, discomfited, defeated, not victorious, baffled, balked, beaten, upset, embarrassed, saddened. ANTONYM: (*adj*) satisfied.  
**tickle:** (*v*) titillate, indulge, thrill, prickle, please, tingle, humor, flatter, vellicate, divert; (*n*) titillation.  
**usurer:** (*n*) moneylender, cambist, loan shark, Shylock, banker; (*adj*) extortioner, codger, lickpenny, crib, churl, curmudgeon.

SALARINO.

We have been up and down to seek him.

[Enter TUBAL.]

SALANIO.

Here comes another of the **tribe**: a third cannot be match'd, unless the devil himself turn Jew.

[Exeunt SALANIO, SALARINO, and SERVANT.]

SHYLOCK.

How now, Tubal! what news from Genoa? Hast thou found my daughter?

TUBAL.

I often came where I did hear of her, but cannot find her.

SHYLOCK.

Why there, there, there, there! A **diamond** gone, cost me two thousand ducats in Frankfort! The **curse** never fell upon our nation till now; I never felt it till now. Two thousand ducats in that, and other precious, precious jewels. I would my daughter were dead at my foot, and the jewels in her ear; would she were hearsed at my foot, and the ducats in her coffin! No news of them? Why, so: and I know not what's spent in the search. Why, thou--loss upon loss! The **thief** gone with so much, and so much to find the thief; and no satisfaction, no **revenge**; nor no ill luck **stirring** but what **lights** on my shoulders; no sighs but of my breathing; no tears but of my **shedding**.

TUBAL.

Yes, other men have ill luck too. Antonio, as I heard in Genoa,--

SHYLOCK.

What, what, what? Ill luck, ill luck?

TUBAL.

--hath an argosy cast away, coming from Tripolis.

SHYLOCK.

I thank God! I thank God! Is it true, is it true?

Thesaurus

**curse**: (*n, v*) blight, plague; (*n*) anathema, blasphemy, malediction, denunciation; (*adj, v*) beshrew; (*v*) swear, ban, damn, vituperate.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) blessing, benediction, making; (*v*) communicate.  
**diamond**: (*n*) lozenge, infield, square, rhombus, rectangle, ball field, carbonado, baseball diamond; (*adj*) brilliant, jewel, bijou.  
**lights**: (*n*) illumination, burn, lung,

spacing material.  
**revenge**: (*n*) retribution, vengeance, reprisal, retaliation, repayment, grudge, punishment; (*v*) retaliate, repay, requite, vindicate.  
**shedding**: (*n*) molting, abscission, fluffing, effusion, moulting, biological process, desquamation, sloughing, emission; (*adj, n*) peeling; (*adj*) flaking.  
**stirring**: (*adj*) lively, exciting, alive, rousing, spirited, touching, thrilling,

active; (*n*) agitation; (*v*) eventful, brisk. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) depressing, boring, inactive, dull, conciliatory, asleep, uninspiring, unimpressive; (*n*) suppression.  
**thief**: (*n*) burglar, bandit, pirate, plunderer, filcher, stealer, pickpocket, pilferer, crook, brigand, despoiler.  
**tribe**: (*n*) clan, house, race, kin, nation, people, kindred, folk, stock, lineage, breed.

TUBAL.

I spoke with some of the sailors that escaped the wrack.

SHYLOCK.

I thank thee, good Tubal. Good news, good news! ha, ha! Where? in Genoa?

TUBAL.

Your daughter spent in Genoa, as I heard, one night, fourscore ducats.

SHYLOCK.

Thou stick'st a **dagger** in me: I shall never see my gold again: fourscore ducats at a sitting! Fourscore ducats!

TUBAL.

There came **divers** of Antonio's creditors in my company to Venice that swear he cannot choose but break.

SHYLOCK.

I am very glad of it; I'll **plague** him, I'll torture him; I am glad of it.

TUBAL.

One of them showed me a ring that he had of your daughter for a monkey.

SHYLOCK.

Out upon her! Thou torturest me, Tubal: It was my **turquoise**; I had it of Leah when I was a **bachelor**; I would not have given it for a wilderness of **monkeys**.

TUBAL.

But Antonio is certainly **undone**.

SHYLOCK.

Nay, that's true; that's very true. Go, Tubal, fee me an officer; **bespeak** him a fortnight before. I will have the heart of him, if he forfeit; for, were he out of Venice, I can make what merchandise I will. Go, Tubal, and meet me at our **synagogue**; go, good Tubal; at our synagogue, Tubal.

[Exeunt.]

## Thesaurus

**bachelor**: (*adj*) single, unmarried, unattached; (*n*) unmarried man, graduate, knight bachelor, widower, old bachelor, spinster, adult male, agamist. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) married; (*n*) husband.  
**bespeak**: (*v*) augur, reserve, point, engage, betoken, auspicate, mark, prefigure, foreshadow; (*n, v*) argue, imply.  
**dagger**: (*n*) bodkin, sword, blade, obelisk, knife, stiletto, dirk, cutlass,

grapheme, saber, skean.  
**divers**: (*adj, v*) sundry, various, separate; (*adj*) several, many, diverse, miscellaneous, not a few, varied; (*v*) diversified; (*n*) diver.  
**monkeys**: (*n*) Anthropeidea, hominids, suborder Anthropeidea.  
**plague**: (*v*) molest, harass, afflict, hassle, annoy, badger, pester, disturb, beleaguer; (*n, v*) worry; (*adj, n, v*) bother. ANTONYM: (*v*) comfort.  
**synagogue**: (*n*) tabernacle, house of

worship, place of worship, temple, church, Mormon tabernacle, house of prayer, house of God.  
**turquoise**: (*n*) turquois, peacock blue, greenish blue, blue, aquamarine, aqua, blueness, opaque gem, turkois; (*adj*) sapphire, lapis lazuli.  
**undone**: (*adj*) ruined, unfinished, sunk, done for, finished, behindhand, decayed; (*adj, v*) doomed; (*v*) accursed, to be pitied, devoted.



SCENE II. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Enter BASSANIO, PORTIA, GRATIANO, NERISSA, and ATTENDANTS.]

PORTIA.

I pray you **tarry**; **pause** a day or two  
 Before you hazard; for, in **choosing** wrong,  
 I lose your company; therefore **forbear** a while.  
 There's something tells me, but it is not love,  
 I would not lose you; and you know yourself  
 Hate counsels not in such a quality.  
 But lest you should not understand me well,--  
 And yet a **maiden** hath no tongue but thought,--  
 I would **detain** you here some month or two  
 Before you venture for me. I could teach you  
 How to choose right, but then I am **forsworn**;  
 So will I never be; so may you miss me;  
 But if you do, you'll make me wish a sin,  
 That I had been forsworn. **Beshrew** your eyes,  
 They have o'erlook'd me and divided me:  
 One half of me is yours, the other half yours,  
 Mine own, I would say; but if mine, then yours,  
 And so all yours. O! these **naughty** times  
 Puts **bars** between the owners and their rights;  
 And so, though yours, not yours. Prove it so,  
 Let fortune go to hell for it, not I.  
 I speak too long, but 'tis to peise the time,  
 To eke it, and to draw it out in length,  
 To stay you from election.

### Thesaurus

**bars:** (*n*) grinding media, gymnastics, parallel bars.  
**beshrew:** (*v*) curse, damn, imprecate, bedamn, anathematize, anathematize, execrate, maledict; (*adj*) shrew.  
 ANTONYM: (*v*) bless.  
**choosing:** (*n*) picking, pick, selection, option, election, appointment, volition; (*v*) choose.  
**detain:** (*v*) arrest, confine, catch, capture, apprehend, stay, keep, jail, imprison, incarcerate, retard.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) free, liberate, rush.  
**forbear:** (*v*) refrain, desist, help, tolerate, abide, eschew, endure, relinquish; (*n*) predecessor, progenitor, forbear.  
**forsworn:** (*adj*) perjured, untrue.  
**maiden:** (*n*) maid, girl, demoiselle, damosel, wench, fille, lass, miss; (*adj*) first, initiatory, unmarried.  
**naughty:** (*adj*) mischievous, impish, blue, improper, disobedient, insubordinate, wicked, evil, lewd,

dark, unruly. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) decent, behaved, obedient, clean.  
**pause:** (*n, v*) halt, interruption, adjournment, delay, respite, stop; (*adj, n, v*) rest; (*n*) intermission, gap; (*adj, v*) discontinue; (*v*) hesitate.  
 ANTONYMS: (*n*) decisiveness, continuation, start; (*v*) proceed.  
**tarry:** (*v*) linger, loiter, stay, remain, delay, lag, dally, dawdle, bide, rest; (*adj*) pitchy. ANTONYMS: (*v*) complete, finish.

BASSANIO.

Let me choose;

For as I am, I live upon the **rack**.

PORTIA.

Upon the rack, Bassanio! Then **confess**

What **treason** there is **mingled** with your love.

BASSANIO.

None but that ugly treason of mistrust,

Which makes me fear th' **enjoying** of my love:

There may as well be **amity** and life

'Tween snow and fire as treason and my love.

PORTIA.

Ay, but I fear you speak upon the rack,

Where men enforced do speak anything.

BASSANIO.

Promise me life, and I'll confess the truth.

PORTIA.

Well then, confess and live.

BASSANIO.

'Confess' and 'love'

Had been the very sum of my confession:

O happy **torment**, when my torturer

Doth **teach** me answers for deliverance!

But let me to my fortune and the caskets.

PORTIA.

Away, then! I am lock'd in one of them:

If you do love me, you will find me out.

Neerissa and the rest, stand all aloof;

Let music sound while he doth make his choice;

Then, if he lose, he makes a swan-like end,

## Thesaurus

**amity:** (*n*) friendship, concord, companionship, benevolence, peace, harmony, friendliness, brotherhood, fellowship, sympathy, camaraderie.

**confess:** (*adj, v*) own, allow, admit, avow; (*v*) concede, profess, recognize, divulge, disclose, reveal, receive.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) suppress, hide, dispute, conceal, repress, harbor.

**enjoying:** (*n*) relish, enjoyment; (*adj*)

comfortable, fruitive.

**mingled:** (*adj*) miscellaneous, complex, indiscriminate, heterogeneous, medley, confused, eclectic, motley, different; (*v*) blended, blent.

**rack:** (*n, v*) torment, wrack, Scud; (*n*) manger, grid, cage, bracket, stand; (*v*) excruciate, afflict, agonize.

**teach:** (*v*) enlighten, educate, instruct, coach, indoctrinate, drill, learn, lecture, school; (*adj, v*) guide, show.

**torment:** (*n, v*) tease, distress, harass,

afflict, pain, annoy; (*n*) agony, anguish, suffering; (*v*) persecute, oppress. ANTONYMS: (*v*) please, delight, placate, comfort, soothe; (*n*) contentment, happiness, pleasure, calm, content.

**treason:** (*n*) treachery, perfidy, high treason, sabotage, lese majesty, traitorousness, subversiveness, duplicity; (*adj, n*) disloyalty, sedition, proditron. ANTONYMS: (*n*) loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity.

Fading in music: that the comparison  
 May stand more proper, my eye shall be the stream  
 And watery death-bed for him. He may win;  
 And what is music then? Then music is  
 Even as the flourish when true subjects bow  
 To a new-crowned monarch; such it is  
 As are those **dulcet** sounds in break of day  
 That **creep** into the **dreaming** bridegroom's ear  
 And **summon** him to marriage. Now he goes,  
 With no less presence, but with much more love,  
 Than young Alcides when he did redeem  
 The virgin tribute paid by **howling** Troy  
 To the sea-monster: I stand for sacrifice;  
 The rest **aloof** are the Dardanian wives,  
 With bleared visages come forth to view  
 The issue of th' exploit. Go, Hercules!  
 Live thou, I live. With much much more dismay  
 I view the fight than thou that mak'st the fray.  
 [A Song, whilst BASSANIO comments on the caskets to himself.]  
 Tell me where is fancy bred,  
 Or in the heart or in the head,  
 How **begot**, how nourished?  
 Reply, reply.  
  
 It is engend'ed in the eyes,  
 With **gazing** fed; and fancy dies  
 In the **cradle** where it lies.  
 Let us all ring fancy's knell:  
 I'll begin it.--Ding, **dong**, bell.  
 [ALL.]  
 Ding, dong, bell.

## Thesaurus

**aloof:** (*adj*) distant, reserved, cool, standoffish, unconcerned, indifferent, unfriendly, frigid, arrogant, cold; (*adv*) afar. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) friendly, involved, approachable, sociable, outgoing, open, enthusiastic, relaxed, communicative, affable, respectful.  
**begot:** (*v*) beget.  
**cradle:** (*n*) cot, birthplace, nursery, berth, crib, nest, hammock, bassinet, origin; (*v*) hold, groundwork.

**creep:** (*v*) grovel, sneak, steal, fawn, lurk, truckle, cringe; (*n*) creeping, crawling, toady, sycophant.  
 ANTONYMS: (*v*) race, dash, hasten, hurry, speed, fly.  
**dong:** (*v*) ding, dingdong, chime.  
**dreaming:** (*n*) reverie, ambition, nightmare, conception, castle in the air; (*adj*) absent-minded, asleep, visionary, vacant, wistful, rapt.  
**dulcet:** (*adj, n*) sweet; (*adj*) musical, melodious, harmonious, melodic,

honied, candied, mellifluous, canorous, mellow, honeyed.  
**gazing:** (*adj*) fixed.  
**howling:** (*n*) howl, cry; (*adj*) fierce, fantastic, gross, glaring, marvelous, wonderful, wondrous; (*adj, n*) weeping, sniveling.  
**summon:** (*v*) assemble, convene, demand, ask, invoke, evoke, invite, muster, page, rally, convoke.  
 ANTONYM: (*v*) disband.

BASSANIO.

So may the outward shows be least themselves:  
 The world is still deceiv'd with ornament.  
 In law, what plea so tainted and corrupt  
 But, being season'd with a gracious voice,  
 Obscures the show of evil? In religion,  
 What damned error but some sober brow  
 Will bless it, and approve it with a text,  
 Hiding the **grossness** with fair ornament?  
 There is no vice so simple but assumes  
 Some mark of virtue on his outward parts.  
 How many cowards, whose **hearts** are all as false  
 As stairs of sand, wear yet upon their chins  
 The beards of Hercules and frowning Mars;  
 Who, inward search'd, have livers white as milk;  
 And these assume but valour's excrement  
 To render them **redoubted**! Look on beauty  
 And you shall see 'tis purchas'd by the weight:  
 Which **therein** works a miracle in nature,  
 Making them lightest that wear most of it:  
 So are those **crisp'd snaky** golden locks  
 Which make such wanton **gambols** with the wind,  
 Upon supposed fairness, often known  
 To be the dowry of a second head,  
 The skull that bred them, in the sepulchre.  
 Thus ornament is but the guiled shore  
 To a most dangerous sea; the **beauteous** scarf  
 Veiling an Indian beauty; in a word,  
 The seeming truth which cunning times put on  
 To **entrap** the wisest. Therefore, thou **gaudy** gold,  
 Hard food for Midas, I will none of thee;  
 Nor none of thee, thou pale and common **drudge**

### Thesaurus

**beauteous:** (*adj*) pretty, lovely, fair, comely, good-looking, handsome, stunning.

**crisp'd:** (*adj*) done.

**drudge:** (*n, v*) slave, work; (*v*) toil, fag, moil, dig, grub, sweat, plod, grind; (*n*) hack. ANTONYMS: (*v*) dawdle, putter, loaf, idle, lounge.

**entrap:** (*v*) enmesh, catch, ensnare, trap, decoy, deceive, entice, inveigle, delude, frame; (*n, v*) tangle.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) liberate, clear, free.

**gambols:** (*n*) behave, play, frolic, employment, disport, act, action, amusement.

**gaudy:** (*adj*) flashy, loud, showy, garish, flamboyant, tasteless, colorful, tacky, brassy, tawdry, florid.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) tasteful, restrained, muted, drab, modest, dull, quality.

**grossness:** (*n*) commonness, vulgarism, inelegance, obscenity, vulgarity, corpulence, indecency,

crassitude, crassness, crudity, density.

**hearts:** (*n*) Black Maria, spades.

**redoubted:** (*adj*) bold, stalworth, brave, eminent, noted, renowned, reputable, respectable, daring.

**snaky:** (*adj*) insidious, sinuous, curved, colubrine, twisting, meandering, tortuous, zigzag, anguine, deceitful; (*v*) circling. ANTONYM: (*adj*) straight.

**therein:** (*adv*) in this, in there.

'Tween man and man: but thou, thou meagre lead,  
Which rather threaten'st than dost promise aught,  
Thy **plainness** moves me more than eloquence,  
And here choose I: joy be the consequence!

PORTIA.

[Aside]

How all the other passions fleet to air,  
As doubtful thoughts, and rash-embrac'd despair,  
And **shuddering** fear, and green-ey'd jealousy!  
O love! be moderate; allay thy ecstasy;  
In measure rain thy joy; **scant** this excess;  
I feel too much thy blessing; make it less,  
For fear I surfeit!

BASSANIO.

What find I here?

[Opening the leaden casket.]  
Fair Portia's **counterfeit**! What demi-god  
Hath come so near creation? Move these eyes?  
Or whether riding on the balls of mine,  
Seem they in motion? Here are sever'd lips,  
Parted with sugar breath; so sweet a bar  
Should **sunder** such sweet friends. Here in her hairs  
The painter plays the **spider**, and hath woven  
A golden mesh t' entrap the hearts of men  
Faster than **gnats** in cobwebs: but her eyes!--  
How could he see to do them? Having made one,  
Methinks it should have power to steal both his,  
And leave itself unfurnish'd: yet look, how far  
The substance of my praise doth wrong this shadow  
In underprizing it, so far this shadow  
Doth **limp** behind the substance. Here's the scroll,

## Thesaurus

**counterfeit**: (*adj, n, v*) sham; (*n, v*) copy, duplicate; (*adj, v*) mock, falsify; (*adj*) false, artificial, assumed; (*adj, n*) imitation; (*v*) forge, ape.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) genuine, real, authentic, true, actual; (*n*) original.  
**gnats**: (*n*) fungus gnats, Nematocera, suborder Nematocera.  
**limp**: (*adv, n, v*) hobble; (*adj, v*) flabby; (*n, v*) hitch; (*adj*) flaccid, slack, flexible, drooping, flimsy, weak, loose; (*v*) hop. ANTONYMS: (*adj*)

taut, firm, hard, rigid, upright, alive, strong, stiff, tight.  
**plainness**: (*n*) perspicuity, clearness, homeliness, austerity, simplicity, lucidity, perspicuousness, directness, bareness, drabness, chasteness.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) warmth, splendor.  
**scant**: (*adj*) insufficient, scanty, skimpy, poor, few, inadequate, narrow, little; (*adj, v*) meager, bare; (*v*) skimp. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) plentiful, extensive.

**shuddering**: (*adj, n*) quivering, shaking; (*adv*) shudderingly; (*n*) cold sweat, tremor; (*adj*) rough, shaky, jumpy, quaking, shivery, bumpy.  
ANTONYM: (*adj*) smooth.  
**spider**: (*n*) spiders, tarantula, arachnid, mussuk, chatti, lota, schooner, wedge ring, spinner, star handle, terrine.  
**sunder**: (*n, v*) divide, sever, part, share, divorce; (*v*) separate, dis sever, tear, detach, cleave; (*n*) fragment.

The **continent** and summary of my fortune.

'You that choose not by the view,  
 Chance as fair and choose as true!  
 Since this fortune falls to you,  
 Be content and seek no new.  
 If you be well pleas'd with this,  
 And hold your fortune for your **bliss**,  
 Turn to where your lady is  
 And claim her with a loving kiss.'

A gentle scroll. Fair lady, by your leave;  
 [Kissing her.]

I come by note, to give and to receive.  
 Like one of two **contending** in a prize,  
 That thinks he hath done well in people's eyes,  
 Hearing **applause** and universal shout,  
 Giddy in spirit, still gazing in a doubt  
 Whether those peals of praise be his or no;  
 So, thrice-fair lady, stand I, even so,  
 As **doubtful** whether what I see be true,  
 Until confirm'd, sign'd, **ratified** by you.

PORTIA.

You see me, Lord Bassanio, where I stand,  
 Such as I am: though for myself alone  
 I would not be ambitious in my wish  
 To wish myself much better, yet for you  
 I would be trebled **twenty** times myself,  
 A thousand times more fair, ten thousand times  
 More rich;  
 That only to stand high in your account,  
 I might in virtues, beauties, livings, friends,  
 Exceed account. But the full sum of me

## Thesaurus

**applause:** (*n, v*) acclaim, praise; (*n*) admiration, approval, eulogy, compliment, plaudit, commendation, clapping, clap, ovation.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*n*) disapproval, Boos, booing, denigration, hisses, hissing, rejection, condemnation, criticism, jeering.  
**bliss:** (*n*) happiness, joy, ecstasy, pleasure, paradise, blessedness, felicity, elation, beatitude, heaven, blessing. **ANTONYMS:** (*n*) misery,

sorrow, agony, grief, anguish, sadness, suffering, gloom, hell, dissatisfaction.  
**contending:** (*adj*) contentious, conflicting, competitive, competing, competitory, combatant, challenging, factious, militant, warlike, fighting.  
**continent:** (*adj*) chaste, celibate, abstemious, pure, temperate, abstinent, sober, austere; (*n*) land, peninsula, delta. **ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) impure, unchaste.

**doubtful:** (*adj*) dubious, debatable, distrustful, questionable, queer, suspicious, tentative, disputable, diffident, unsettled, unsure.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) trusting, convinced, reliable, confident, persuaded, provable, sure, hopeful, promising, likely, indubitable.  
**ratified:** (*adj*) sanctioned, legal, canonical, canonic.  
**twenty:** (*adj*) vigesimal; (*n*) large integer, twenty dollar bill.

Is sum of something which, to term in gross,  
Is an unlesson'd girl, unschool'd, unpractis'd;  
Happy in this, she is not yet so old  
But she may learn; happier than this,  
She is not bred so dull but she can learn;  
Happiest of all is that her gentle spirit  
Commits itself to yours to be directed,  
As from her lord, her governor, her king.  
Myself and what is mine to you and yours  
Is now converted. But now I was the lord  
Of this fair mansion, master of my **servants**,  
Queen o'er myself; and even now, but now,  
This house, these servants, and this same myself,  
Are yours- my lord's. I give them with this ring,  
Which when you part from, lose, or give away,  
Let it **presage** the ruin of your love,  
And be my **vantage** to **exclaim** on you.

BASSANIO.

Madam, you have **bereft** me of all words,  
Only my blood speaks to you in my veins;  
And there is such confusion in my powers  
As, after some **oration** fairly spoke  
By a **beloved** prince, there doth appear  
Among the **buzzing** pleased multitude;  
Where every something, being **blent** together,  
Turns to a wild of nothing, save of joy,  
Express'd and not express'd. But when this ring  
Parts from this finger, then parts life from hence:  
O! then be bold to say Bassanio's dead.

NERISSA.

My lord and lady, it is now our time,

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**beloved:** (*adj, n*) dear, darling, favorite, pet; (*adj*) precious, loved, cherished; (*n*) love, dearest, honey, sweetheart. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) detested, despised, disliked.  
**bereft:** (*adj, v*) cut off; (*adj*) destitute, devoid, forlorn, void, deprived, lovelorn, grieving, deserted, insufficient; (*v*) reft. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) fulfilled, supplied, happy, consoled, satisfied.  
**blent:** (*adj*) mixed.

**buzzing:** (*n*) noise, murmur; (*adj*) humming, abuzz, bustling, lively, droning, purring, vibrant, vivacious, full of beans.  
**exclaim:** (*v*) call out, call, shout, cry out, ejaculate, clamor, outcry, scream, shout out, speak, vociferate.  
**oration:** (*n*) discourse, harangue, lecture, speech, declamation, homily, tirade, say, recitation, oratory, language.  
**presage:** (*v*) foretell, foreshadow,

indicate, portend, augur, prognosticate, predict; (*n, v*) forebode; (*n*) foreboding, portent, sign.  
**servants:** (*n*) staff, suite.  
**vantage:** (*n*) superiority, preference, start, handicap, expediency, expedience, advantageousness, odds, asset, tax advantage, head start. ANTONYM: (*n*) disadvantage.

That have stood by and seen our **wishes** prosper,  
To cry, good joy. Good joy, my lord and lady!

GRATIANO.

My Lord Bassanio, and my gentle lady,  
I wish you all the joy that you can wish;  
For I am sure you can wish none from me;  
And when your **honours** mean to solemnize  
The **bargain** of your faith, I do beseech you  
Even at that time I may be married too.

BASSANIO.

With all my heart, so thou canst get a wife.

GRATIANO.

I thank your **lordship**, you have got me one.  
My **eyes**, my lord, can look as **swift** as yours:  
You saw the mistress, I **beheld** the maid;  
You lov'd, I lov'd; for intermission  
No more pertains to me, my lord, than you.  
Your fortune stood upon the caskets there,  
And so did mine too, as the matter falls;  
For **wooing** here until I **sweat** again,  
And **swearing** till my very roof was dry  
With oaths of love, at last, if promise last,  
I got a promise of this fair one here  
To have her love, provided that your fortune  
Achiev'd her mistress.

PORTIA.

Is this true, Nerissa?

NERISSA.

Madam, it is, so you stand pleas'd withal.

## Thesaurus

**bargain:** (*adj, n, v*) cheap; (*n, v*) covenant, deal; (*n*) agreement, treaty, arrangement, buy, chaffer; (*v*) exchange, stipulate, agree.  
ANTONYM: (*adj*) inflated.  
**beheld:** (*adj*) visual.  
**eyes:** (*n*) sight, eye, vision, view, baby blues, guard, propensity, eyen.  
**honours:** (*n*) first, honors, degree, academic degree.  
**lordship:** (*n*) ownership, supremacy, domain, dominance, manor, worship,

authority, power, dynasty, grandeeship, headship.  
**swearing:** (*n*) curse, expletive, profanity, oath, abuse, blasphemy, swearword, execration, adjuration, asseveration; (*v*) swear.  
**sweat:** (*n, v*) work, toil, struggle; (*v*) perspire, drudge, exude; (*n*) perspiration, lather, sudor, effort; (*adj*) perspiring. ANTONYMS: (*v*) ignore; (*n*) entertainment, ease, relaxation.

**swift:** (*adj, adv, v*) fast; (*adj*) quick, fleet, speedy, alert, nimble, hasty, prompt, sudden, hurried; (*adj, v*) rapid. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) considered, leisurely, sluggish, gradual, delayed, clumsy.  
**wishes:** (*n*) desires, requirements, requests, needs, will.  
**wooing:** (*n*) courting, suit, bundling, suit of clothes, the soft impeachment, entreaty, prayer, cause, causa, case; (*adj*) amatory.



BASSANIO.

And do you, Gratiano, mean good **faith**?

GRATIANO.

Yes, **faith**, my lord.

BASSANIO.

Our feast shall be much **honour'd** in your marriage.

GRATIANO.

We'll play with them the first boy for a thousand ducats.

NERISSA.

What! and **stake** down?

GRATIANO.

No; we shall ne'er win at that **sport**, and stake down.

But who comes here? Lorenzo and his infidel?

What, and my old Venetian friend, Salanio!

[Enter LORENZO, JESSICA, and SALANIO.]

BASSANIO.

Lorenzo and Salanio, **welcome** hither,

If that the **youth** of my new interest here

Have power to bid you welcome. By your leave,

I bid my very friends and countrymen,

Sweet Portia, welcome.

PORTIA.

So do I, my lord;

They are entirely welcome.

LORENZO.

I **thank** your honour. For my part, my lord,

My purpose was not to have seen you here;

But meeting with Salanio by the way,

He did entreat me, past all saying nay,

To come with him along.

## Thesaurus

**faith:** (*n*) confidence, belief, conviction, trust, credence, credit, creed, assurance, cult, expectation, dependence. ANTONYMS: (*n*) disbelief, distrust, dubiousity, skepticism, despair, uncertainty, doubt, independence.  
**honour:** (*n*) fame, award, dignity, homage, celebrity, accolade, reputation; (*n, v*) honor; (*v*) respect, celebrate, dignify. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) dishonor; (*v*) disrespect.

**sport:** (*n, v*) play, pastime, jest, diversion, romp, joke, disport, gambol; (*n*) fun, amusement, recreation. ANTONYMS: (*n*) work; (*v*) conceal.  
**stake:** (*n, v*) risk, chance, venture, bet, wager, post, pole, gamble, support; (*n*) interest, shaft.  
**thank:** (*v*) give thanks, recognize, bless, thanks, give thanks to, convey, acknowledged, remercy, impart.  
**welcome:** (*adj*) pleasant, acceptable,

pleasing, agreeable; (*n, v*) accept; (*n*) hospitality, reception; (*v*) receive, greet, invite, hail. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unwelcome, unwanted, unacceptable, displeasing, disagreeable, unpleasant; (*v*) reject, evict, bar; (*n*) unfriendliness, goodbye.  
**youth:** (*n*) youngster, young person, lad, juvenile, boy, adolescence, kid, younker, stripling, juvenility; (*adj, n*) young. ANTONYMS: (*n*) adulthood, adult, ripeness, maturity, aged.

SALANIO.

I did, my lord,  
And I have reason for it. Signior Antonio  
Commends him to you.  
[Gives BASSANIO a letter]

BASSANIO.

Ere I ope his letter,  
I pray you tell me how my good friend doth.

SALANIO.

Not sick, my lord, unless it be in mind;  
Nor well, unless in mind; his letter there  
Will show you his estate.

GRATIANO.

Nerissa, **cheer** yon **stranger**; bid her welcome.  
Your hand, Salanio. What's the news from Venice?  
How doth that royal merchant, good Antonio?  
I know he will be glad of our success:  
We are the Jasons, we have won the **fleece**.

SALANIO.

I would you had won the fleece that he hath lost.

PORTIA.

There are some **shrewd contents** in yon same paper.  
That steal the colour from Bassanio's cheek:  
Some dear friend dead, else nothing in the world  
Could turn so much the constitution  
Of any constant man. What, worse and worse!  
With leave, Bassanio: I am half yourself,  
And I must **freely** have the half of anything  
That this same paper brings you.

## Thesaurus

**cheer:** (*v*) animate, applaud, amuse, hearten, inspire, lighten; (*n, v*) comfort, delight, cry; (*adj, v*) embolden; (*n*) consolation.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) sadness, boo, uncheerfulness, hiss, pessimism, raspberry; (*v*) depress, discourage, dissuade, complain, jeer.  
**contents:** (*n*) substance, content, matter, inside, subject matter, list, volume, synopsis, conspectus, cargo, catalogue.

**fleece:** (*v*) extort, bilk, pluck, deceive, rip off, swindle, strip, pigeon, shear; (*adj, v*) bleed; (*n*) wool.  
**freely:** (*adv*) loosely, frankly, openly, generously, independently, gratuitously, voluntarily, liberally, free, sparely; (*adj, adv*) spontaneously.  
ANTONYMS: (*adv*) reluctantly, deceitfully, accurately, meagerly, parsimoniously, secretly, stingily, unwillingly; (*adj*) restricted.  
**shrewd:** (*adj*) sharp, astute, keen,

piercing, clever, cunning, bright; (*adj, v*) sagacious, knowing, crafty, prudent. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) foolish, gullible, naive, soft, candid, dim, innocent, guileless, obtuse, indiscriminate.  
**stranger:** (*n*) foreigner, outsider, newcomer, outlander, immigrant, intruder, unknown, tramontane, trespasser; (*adj*) foreign, strange. ANTONYMS: (*n*) pal, native, associate, resident, familiar.

BASSANIO.

O sweet Portia!

Here are a few of the unpleasant'st words  
That ever blotted paper. Gentle lady,  
When I did first **impart** my love to you,  
I freely told you all the wealth I had  
Ran in my veins, I was a gentleman;  
And then I told you true. And yet, dear lady,  
Rating myself at nothing, you shall see  
How much I was a **braggart**. When I told you  
My state was nothing, I should then have told you  
That I was worse than nothing; for indeed  
I have engag'd myself to a dear friend,  
Engag'd my friend to his **mere** enemy,  
To feed my means. Here is a letter, lady,  
The paper as the body of my friend,  
And every word in it a **gaping** wound  
Issuing life-blood. But is it true, Salanio?  
Hath all his ventures fail'd? What, not one hit?  
From Tripolis, from Mexico, and England,  
From Lisbon, Barbary, and India?  
And not one vessel scape the dreadful touch  
Of merchant-marring rocks?

SALANIO.

Not one, my lord.

Besides, it should appear that, if he had  
The present money to discharge the Jew,  
He would not take it. Never did I know  
A creature that did bear the shape of man,  
So keen and **greedy** to **confound** a man.  
He plies the duke at morning and at night,  
And doth **impeach** the freedom of the state,

Thesaurus

**braggart:** (*n*) boaster, braggadocio, blowhard, bragger, vaunter, egoist; (*v*) magniloquent, Thrasonic; (*adj*) boastful, vainglorious, braggy.  
**confound:** (*v*) bewilder, baffle, nonplus, perplex, astonish, puzzle, amaze, astound, mistake; (*adj, v*) confuse, stupefy. ANTONYMS: (*v*) explain, clarify, comfort, lose, distinguish; (*n*) understanding.  
**gaping:** (*adj, n*) agape; (*adj*) vast, yawning, cavernous, discontinuous,

wide, ajar, drowsy, hollow, wide open; (*adj, v*) oscitant. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) cramped, narrow.  
**greedy:** (*adj*) avid, gluttonous, desirous, grasping, acquisitive, glutton, piggish, voracious, selfish; (*adj, v*) avaricious, covetous. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) temperate, ascetic, unconcerned, abstemious, moderate.  
**impart:** (*v*) give, convey, disclose, communicate, announce, grant,

reveal, hand, bestow, divulge, confer. ANTONYMS: (*v*) withhold, withdraw.  
**impeach:** (*v*) accuse, criminate, blame, censure, query, denounce, challenge, question, condemn; (*n, v*) arraign, indict.  
**mere:** (*adj, n*) entire; (*adj*) bare, simple, pure; (*n*) loch, tarn, boundary, absolute; (*n, v*) downright; (*adv*) merely; (*adj, v*) clear.

If they deny him justice. Twenty merchants,  
The **duke** himself, and the magnificoes  
Of greatest port, have all **persuaded** with him;  
But none can drive him from the **envious** plea  
Of **forfeiture**, of justice, and his bond.

JESSICA.

When I was with him, I have heard him swear  
To Tubal and to Chus, his countrymen,  
That he would rather have Antonio's flesh  
Than twenty times the value of the sum  
That he did owe him; and I know, my lord,  
If law, authority, and power, deny not,  
It will go hard with poor Antonio.

PORTIA.

Is it your dear friend that is thus in trouble?

BASSANIO.

The **dearest** friend to me, the kindest man,  
The best condition'd and **unwearied** spirit  
In doing courtesies; and one in whom  
The ancient Roman honour more appears  
Than any that draws breath in Italy.

PORTIA.

What sum owes he the Jew?

BASSANIO.

For me, three thousand ducats.

PORTIA.

What! no more?

Pay him six thousand, and **deface** the bond;  
Double six thousand, and then **treble** that,  
Before a friend of this description

## Thesaurus

**dearest:** (*n*) dear, darling, love, honey, lover, sweetheart, loved one, baby; (*adj*) precious, intimate, sweet.

**deface:** (*adj, v*) blemish, mutilate, mangle, maim; (*v*) damage, spoil, destroy, ruin, injure, mar, scar.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) beautify, restore, conserve, deck, decorate, embellish, fix, freshen, mend, repair, enhance.

**duke:** (*n*) lord, prince, hand, nobleman, fist, chief; (*v*) pass, box, deliver.

**envious:** (*adj*) covetous, invidious, jaundiced, malicious, begrudge, greedy, resentful, grudging, green, begrudging, enviable. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) fulfilled, satisfied, undesirous, contented.

**forfeiture:** (*n*) penalty, fine, confiscation, deprivation, sacrifice, mulct, loss, seizure, expense, cost; (*adj*) disfranchisement.

**persuaded:** (*adj*) sure, satisfied, easily affected, impressive, positive,

delicate, sensible, intelligent, certain, in no doubt, definite. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unsure, uncertain.

**treble:** (*adj*) threefold, ternary, triplex, thribble, double, dual, high, voce di testa, shrill; (*adj, v*) triple; (*v*) sing.

**unwearied:** (*adj*) indefatigable, untiring, tireless, untired, indomitable, unflagging, industrious, tolerant, persistent, persevering, laborious. ANTONYM: (*adj*) impatient.

Shall lose a hair through Bassanio's fault.  
First go with me to church and call me wife,  
And then away to Venice to your friend;  
For never shall you lie by Portia's side  
With an **unquiet** soul. You shall have gold  
To pay the petty debt twenty times over:  
When it is paid, bring your true friend along.  
My maid Nerissa and myself meantime,  
Will live as maids and widows. Come, away!  
For you shall hence upon your wedding day.  
Bid your friends welcome, show a merry cheer;  
Since you are dear bought, I will love you dear.  
But let me hear the letter of your friend.

BASSANIO.

'Sweet Bassanio, my ships have all miscarried, my creditors grow **cruel**, my estate is very low, my bond to the Jew is forfeit; and since, in paying it, it is impossible I should live, all **debts** are clear'd between you and I, if I might but see you at my death. **Notwithstanding**, use your pleasure; if your love do not **persuade** you to come, let not my letter.'

PORTIA.

O love, **dispatch** all business and be gone!

BASSANIO.

Since I have your good leave to go away,  
I will make haste; but, till I come again,  
No bed shall e'er be guilty of my stay,  
Nor rest be interposer 'twixt us **twain**.

[Exeunt.]

SCENE III. VENICE. A STREET

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**cruel:** (*adj, v*) hard, harsh, sharp, severe; (*adj*) barbarous, unkind, brutal, bloody, bitter, savage, atrocious. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) merciful, gentle, sympathetic, humane, liberal, compassionate, charitable, friendly, caring, considerate, libertarian.  
**debts:** (*n*) amount overdue, amount outstanding. ANTONYM: (*n*) credit.  
**dispatch:** (*n, v*) speed, rush; (*n*) consignment, expedition, celerity,

quickness; (*v*) send, accelerate, deliver, quicken, slay. ANTONYMS: (*n*) receiving, receipt, dawdling, delay, loitering, silence; (*v*) keep, start, begin, hold, retain.  
**notwithstanding:** (*adv, conj*) nevertheless, although, even though, yet, but; (*conj*) albeit; (*adv*) nonetheless, though, still, all the same; (*prep*) despite.  
**persuade:** (*v*) convince, coax, assure, allure, entice, influence, induce,

cajole, argue, exhort, lure. ANTONYMS: (*v*) discourage, dissuade, deter, restrain, force.  
**twain:** (*n*) pair, brace, dyad, deuce, twosome, duo, straddle, bitstock, coupling, braces, yoke.  
**unquiet:** (*adj*) restless, anxious, nervous, turbulent, unsettled, disturbed, fussy, tumultuous; (*v*) movable, saltatory, shifting. ANTONYM: (*adj*) quiet.

[Enter SHYLOCK, SALARINO, ANTONIO, and GAOLER.]

SHYLOCK.

Gaoler, look to him. Tell not me of mercy;  
This is the fool that **lent** out money gratis:  
Gaoler, look to him.

ANTONIO.

Hear me yet, good Shylock.

SHYLOCK.

I'll have my bond; speak not against my bond.  
I have sworn an oath that I will have my bond.  
Thou call'dst me dog before thou hadst a cause,  
But, since I am a dog, **beware** my fangs;  
The Duke shall grant me justice. I do wonder,  
Thou naughty **gaoler**, that thou art so fond  
To come **abroad** with him at his **request**.

ANTONIO.

I pray thee hear me speak.

SHYLOCK.

I'll have my bond. I will not hear thee speak;  
I'll have my bond; and therefore speak no more.  
I'll not be made a soft and dull-eyed fool,  
To **shake** the head, **relent**, and sigh, and yield  
To Christian intercessors. Follow not;  
I'll have no speaking; I will have my bond.  
[Exit.]

SALARINO.

It is the most **impenetrable** cur  
That ever kept with men.

## Thesaurus

**abroad:** (*adj, adv*) overseas, away; (*adv*)  
afield, forth, beyond seas, yonder,  
farther, at large, further; (*adj*) foreign,  
out. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) remaining,  
nearby.

**beware:** (*v*) look out, caution, be  
careful, guard, pay attention, take  
care, watch out, mind, keep, care,  
careful. ANTONYMS: (*v*) risk,  
disregard, invite.

**gaoler:** (*n*) keeper, screw, turnkey,  
warder, jailor, custos, custodian,

lawman, guard, ass, ranger.

**impenetrable:** (*adj*) impassable, thick,  
incomprehensible, hard, mysterious,  
unfathomable, unintelligible,  
impervious, opaque, heavy, obscure.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) penetrable,  
readable, straightforward, apparent,  
simple, sparse, vulnerable, accessible,  
transparent, understandable, open.

**lent:** (*n*) Quadragesima, Lententide.

**relent:** (*v*) give, give in, melt, soften,  
moderate, ease, submit, cede, relax,

capitulate; (*adj*) remit. ANTONYMS:  
(*v*) worsen, strengthen, resist, stand.

**request:** (*n, v*) demand, bid, invite,  
wish, appeal; (*v*) ask, order, pray, call  
for; (*n*) prayer, application.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) command, grant,  
insist, force, supply, reject; (*n*) ruling,  
response.

**shake:** (*n, v*) jolt, beat, jar, quiver,  
wave; (*v*) agitate, excite, disturb; (*adv*,  
*v*) brandish; (*adj, v*) quake, totter.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) soothe, steady.

ANTONIO.

Let him alone;  
I'll follow him no more with **bootless** prayers.  
He seeks my life; his reason well I know:  
I oft deliver'd from his forfeitures  
Many that have at times made moan to me;  
Therefore he hates me.

SALARINO.

I am sure the Duke  
Will never grant this forfeiture to hold.

ANTONIO.

The Duke cannot **deny** the course of law;  
For the **commodity** that **strangers** have  
With us in Venice, if it be denied,  
'Twill much impeach the justice of the state,  
Since that the trade and **profit** of the city  
Consisteth of all nations. Therefore, go;  
These griefs and **losses** have so bated me  
That I shall hardly **spare** a **pound** of flesh  
To-morrow to my bloody creditor.  
Well, gaoler, on; pray God Bassanio come  
To see me pay his **debt**, and then I care not.  
[Exeunt.]

SCENE IV. BELMONT. A ROOM IN PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Enter PORTIA, NERISSA, LORENZO, JESSICA, and BALTHASAR.]

LORENZO.

Madam, although I speak it in your presence,

Thesaurus

**bootless:** (*adj*) futile, useless, vain, idle, inefficacious, inutile, unavailing, sleeveless, abortive, ineffective, feckless.  
**commodity:** (*n*) article, product, object, thing, good, goods, stuff, wares, ware, basic, item.  
**debt:** (*n*) score, debit, loan, liability, obligation, due, bill, commitment, arrears, pocket, hole. ANTONYMS: (*n*) asset, cash, credit.  
**deny:** (*v*) controvert, rebuff, contradict,

disavow, gainsay, reject, oppose, refuse, disown, abnegate, renounce. ANTONYMS: (*v*) affirm, claim, acknowledge, declare, maintain, agree, spoil, accept, accede, allow, argue.  
**losses:** (*n*) loss, losings, damage, detriment, victims, fatalities, financial loss, harm, wounded, toll, net loss.  
**pound:** (*n, v*) pen, hammer, thump; (*v*) palpitate, grind, maul, crush, bang, flap, mash, buffet.

**profit:** (*n, v*) gain, produce, net, increase, help; (*adj, n, v*) benefit, advantage; (*n*) account, earnings, lucre; (*adj, n*) good. ANTONYMS: (*n*) loss, detriment, insignificance.  
**spare:** (*adj, v*) free, reserve, save, thin; (*adj*) slender, slight, additional, lean; (*adj, n*) extra, excess; (*v*) exempt. ANTONYMS: (*n*) shortfall, original; (*adj*) principal, fat, basic, abundant, stout; (*v*) need, include.  
**strangers:** (*n*) stranger.

You have a noble and a true conceit  
 Of **godlike** amity, which appears most strongly  
 In bearing thus the absence of your lord.  
 But if you knew to whom you show this honour,  
 How true a gentleman you send relief,  
 How dear a lover of my lord your husband,  
 I know you would be prouder of the work  
 Than customary **bounty** can enforce you.

PORTIA.

I never did **repent** for doing good,  
 Nor shall not now; for in companions  
 That do converse and waste the time together,  
 Whose souls do bear an equal **yoke** of love,  
 There must be needs a like proportion  
 Of **lineaments**, of manners, and of spirit,  
 Which makes me think that this Antonio,  
 Being the bosom lover of my lord,  
 Must needs be like my lord. If it be so,  
 How little is the cost I have bestowed  
 In purchasing the **semblance** of my soul  
 From out the state of **hellish** cruelty!  
 This comes too near the praising of myself;  
 Therefore, no more of it; hear other things.  
 Lorenzo, I commit into your hands  
 The **husbandry** and manage of my house  
 Until my lord's return; for mine own part,  
 I have toward heaven breath'd a secret vow  
 To live in prayer and contemplation,  
 Only attended by Nerissa here,  
 Until her husband and my lord's return.  
 There is a **monastery** two miles off,  
 And there we will abide. I do desire you

## Thesaurus

**bounty:** (*adj, n*) largesse; (*n*) abundance, bounteousness, premium, blessing, prize, munificence, beneficence, generosity; (*v*) benefaction; (*n, v*) gift.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*n*) miserliness, fine, insufficiency, penalty, meanness.  
**godlike:** (*adj*) celestial, heavenly, seraphic, holy, angelic, godly, divine worship, deified, elysian, foreboding, divine songs.  
**hellish:** (*adj, v*) diabolic, satanic; (*adj*)

infernal, diabolical, fiendish, demonic, beastly, wicked, unholy, detestable; (*v*) mephistophelian.  
**husbandry:** (*n*) cultivation, farming, economy, frugality, culture, conservation, thrift, tillage, dairying, horticulture, gardening.  
**lineaments:** (*v*) exposition, tract, length, expanse, area, extent; (*n*) face.  
**monastery:** (*n, v*) abbey, cloister, convent; (*n*) friary, temple, lamasery, nunnery, priory; (*adj*) abbatial.

**repent:** (*v*) deplore, bewail, rue, mourn, lament, atone, sorry, bemoan, feel remorse, grieve, be sorry.  
**semblance:** (*adj, n*) color; (*n*) resemblance, appearance, look, aspect, air, image, similarity, pretense, guise, pretext. **ANTONYM:** (*n*) difference.  
**yoke:** (*adj, n, v*) couple, link; (*n, v*) pair, tie; (*adj, n*) brace; (*v*) connect, join, bind, attach; (*n*) coupling, team. **ANTONYMS:** (*v*) disconnect, disjoin.



Not to deny this imposition,  
The which my love and some necessity  
Now lays upon you.

LORENZO.

Madam, with all my heart  
I shall **obey** you in an fair **commands**.

PORTIA.

My people do already know my mind,  
And will **acknowledge** you and Jessica  
In place of Lord Bassanio and myself.  
So fare you well **till** we shall meet again.

LORENZO.

Fair thoughts and happy hours **attend** on you!

JESSICA.

I wish your **ladyship** all heart's content.

PORTIA.

I thank you for your wish, and am well pleas'd  
To wish it back on you. Fare you well, Jessica.  
[Exeunt JESSICA and LORENZO.]  
Now, Balthasar,  
As I have ever found thee honest-true,  
So let me find thee still. Take this same letter,  
And use thou all th' **endeavour** of a man  
In speed to Padua; see thou **render** this  
Into my cousin's hands, Doctor Bellario;  
And look what notes and **garments** he doth give thee,  
Bring them, I pray thee, with imagin'd speed  
Unto the **traject**, to the common ferry  
Which trades to Venice. Waste no time in words,  
But get thee gone; I shall be there before thee.

Thesaurus

**acknowledge:** (v) recognize, confess, accept, profess, own, admit, concede, appreciate, notice, declare, approve.  
ANTONYMS: (v) ignore, overlook, reject, repudiate, snub, refuse, renounce, abjure, disavow, disregard, refute.  
**attend:** (n, v) tend, escort, nurse, conduct; (v) assist, serve, minister, aid, look, partake, follow.  
ANTONYMS: (v) neglect, leave, ignore, disregard, desert, abandon.

**commands:** (n) orders, instructions, information, guidelines.  
**endeavour:** (n) attempt, effort, pains, trial, try, enterprise, striving, contribution, braving; (v) exert, strive.  
**garments:** (n) attire, clothing, dress, apparel, raiment, outfit, costume, garb, array, gear, anything worthless.  
**ladyship:** (n) madam.  
**obey:** (v) comply, listen, keep, fulfill, hear, conform, abide by, serve,

comply with; (n, v) mind, heed.  
ANTONYMS: (v) disobey, defy, break, transgress, infringe, challenge, deny.  
**render:** (v) interpret, explain, give, offer, furnish, pay, construe, return, provide, impart, translate.  
**till:** (conj, prep) until, unto; (v) plow, hoe, farm, dig; (adj) up to; (n) tiller, drawer; (adv) so far; (prep) to.  
**traject:** (n) passage; (v) convey, channel, carry, funnel, pipe.

BALTHASAR.

Madam, I go with all convenient speed.

[Exit.]

PORTIA.

Come on, Nerissa, I have work in hand

That you yet know not of; we'll see our husbands

Before they think of us.

NERISSA.

Shall they see us?

PORTIA.

They shall, Nerissa; but in such a habit

That they shall think we are accomplished

With that we lack. I'll hold thee any wager,

When we are both accoutred like young men,

I'll prove the prettier fellow of the two,

And wear my dagger with the braver grace,

And speak between the change of man and boy

With a reed voice; and turn two **mincing** steps

Into a manly **stride**; and speak of frays

Like a fine **bragging** youth; and tell **quaint** lies,

How honourable ladies sought my love,

Which I **denying**, they fell sick and died;

I could not do withal. Then I'll repent,

And wish for all that, that I had not kill'd them.

And twenty of these **puny** lies I'll tell,

That men shall swear I have discontinu'd school

About a **twelvemonth**. I have within my mind

A thousand raw **tricks** of these bragging Jacks,

Which I will **practise**.

NERISSA.

Why, shall we turn to men?

## Thesaurus

**bragging:** (*n*) brag, swagger, bluff, bluster, conceit, arrogance; (*adj*) arrogant, boastful, big, overweening, braggish. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) modest; (*n*) timidity.

**denying:** (*v*) deny; (*adv*) denyingly; (*adj*) opposed, recusative, unselfish, abnegative.

**mincing:** (*adj*) mince, prim, mannered, twee, pretentious, foppish, affected, la-di-da, simpering, nice, sentimental.

**practise:** (*v*) execute, practice, perform,

exercise, drill, do, rehearse, learn, take, work out, read.

**puny:** (*adj*) weak, petty, feeble, frail, tiny, small, minute, measly, runty, paltry, trivial. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) muscular, brawny, strong, significant, fit, huge, enormous, robust, considerable.

**quaint:** (*adj*) odd, funny, picturesque, comical, fanciful, curious, whimsical, strange, queer, peculiar, droll.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) modern,

ordinary, dull.

**stride:** (*n, v*) pace, tread, walk, stalk, rate, toddle, stump; (*n*) footstep, gait, progress; (*v*) march.

**tricks:** (*n*) actions, behavior, thing, clowning around, fooling, magic, plunder, possession, activities.

**twelvemonth:** (*n*) calendar year, civil year, financial year, common year, amount of time, time period, period of time, bissextile year, class, yr, period.

PORTIA.

Fie, what a question's that,  
If thou wert near a **lewd** interpreter!  
But come, I'll tell thee all my whole device  
When I am in my **coach**, which **stays** for us  
At the park gate; and therefore haste away,  
For we must measure twenty miles to-day.  
[Exeunt.]

SCENE 5. THE SAME. A GARDEN.

[Enter LAUNCELOT and JESSICA.]

LAUNCELOT.

Yes, **truly**; for, look you, the sins of the father are to be **laid** upon the children; therefore, I promise you, I fear you. I was always plain with you, and so now I speak my **agitation** of the matter; therefore be of good cheer, for truly I think you are damn'd. There is but one hope in it that can do you any good, and that is but a kind of **bastard** hope **neither**.

JESSICA.

And what hope is that, I pray thee?

LAUNCELOT.

Marry, you may partly hope that your father got you not, that you are not the Jew's daughter.

JESSICA.

That were a kind of bastard hope indeed; so the sins of my mother should be visited upon me.

LAUNCELOT.

Truly then I fear you are damn'd both by father and mother; thus when I

Thesaurus

**agitation:** (*n*) disturbance, excitement, tumult, stirring, convulsion, stir, commotion, emotion, unrest, shake, turmoil. ANTONYMS: (*n*) serenity, calm, equanimity, rest, peace, deterrent.  
**bastard:** (*adj, n*) illegitimate, fake; (*adj*) spurious, phony, misbegotten, bastardly, adulterine, impure; (*n*) whoreson, love child, illegitimate child. ANTONYM: (*adj*) fathered.  
**coach:** (*adj, v*) prime; (*n*) trainer,

teacher, instructor, stagecoach, charabanc, carriage, autobus, bus; (*v*) train, educate. ANTONYMS: (*v*) listen, learn; (*n*) pupil, student.  
**laid:** (*adj*) layed, lay, place, placed, put, situated, arranged, determined, dictated, hardened, ordered.  
**lewd:** (*adj*) indecent, dirty, bawdy, filthy, abandoned, carnal, lustful, impure, debauched; (*adj, v*) lecherous, dissolute. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) decent, refined, chaste, clean.

**neither:** (*conj*) either, no-one, not either, nor, nother.  
**stays:** (*n*) bodice, stay, girdle, panty girdle, stayed, staying, foundation, corselette, sash, slip, corselet.  
**truly:** (*adj, adv*) really; (*adv*) sincerely, in truth, exactly, in fact, indeed, in reality, genuinely, right, certainly, honestly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) insincerely, dubiously, doubtfully, apparently, inaccurately, indefinite, dishonestly, mildly, wrongly.

**shun** Scylla, your father, I fall into Charybdis, your mother; well, you are gone both ways.

JESSICA.

I shall be **saved** by my husband; he hath made me a Christian.

LAUNCELOT.

Truly, the more to blame he; we were Christians enow before, e'en as many as could well live one by another. This making of Christians will raise the price of **hogs**; if we grow all to be **pork**-eaters, we shall not shortly have a **rasher** on the **coals** for money.

JESSICA.

I'll tell my husband, Launcelot, what you say; here he comes.

[Enter LORENZO.]

LORENZO.

I shall grow jealous of you shortly, Launcelot, if you thus get my wife into **corners**.

JESSICA.

Nay, you need nor fear us, Lorenzo; Launcelot and I are out; he tells me **flatly** there's no mercy for me in heaven, because I am a Jew's daughter; and he says you are no good member of the commonwealth, for in **converting** Jews to Christians you raise the price of pork.

LORENZO.

I shall answer that better to the commonwealth than you can the getting up of the negro's **belly**; the Moor is with child by you, Launcelot.

LAUNCELOT.

It is much that the Moor should be more than reason; but if she be less than an honest woman, she is indeed more than I took her for.

LORENZO.

How every fool can play upon the word! I think the best grace of wit will shortly turn into silence, and discourse grow **commendable** in none only but parrots. Go in, sirrah; bid them prepare for dinner.

## Thesaurus

**belly:** (*n*) stomach, inside, pregnancy, maw, bowels, intestines, waist, corporation; (*v*) balloon, swell, bloat.  
**coals:** (*n*) ashes, fire, residue, embers.  
**commendable:** (*adj, n*) praiseworthy; (*adj*) admirable, creditable, good, worthy, deserving, meritorious, applaudable; (*adv*) praiseworthily, laudably, admirably. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unworthy, despicable, contemptible, disgraceful, rotten, lamentable, poor.

**converting:** (*n*) conversion, converting operation.  
**corners:** (*adj*) cornered.  
**flatly:** (*adv*) categorically, smoothly, plainly, levelly, insipidly, evenly, firmly, monotonously, horizontally, peremptorily, directly. ANTONYM: (*adv*) animatedly.  
**hogs:** (*n*) Suidae, boars, family Suidae, stock.  
**pork:** (*n*) pig, hog, swine, pork barrel, porc, red meat, white meat, animal

protein, appropriation, beef, cochon de lait.  
**rasher:** (*n*) slice, Sebastodes miniatus, rockfish, shaving, part, shive, vermillion rockfish, integument.  
**saved:** (*adj*) protected, economized, rescued, blessed.  
**shun:** (*v*) evade, escape, elude, dodge, flee, refuse, shirk, ostracize, banish, parry; (*adj, v*) eschew. ANTONYMS: (*v*) befriend, invite, seek, welcome, woo, court, participate, include.

LAUNCELOT.

That is done, sir; they have all stomachs.

LORENZO.

Goodly Lord, what a wit-snapper are you! Then bid them prepare dinner.

LAUNCELOT.

That is done too, sir, only 'cover' is the word.

LORENZO.

Will you cover, then, sir?

LAUNCELOT.

Not so, sir, neither; I know my duty.

LORENZO.

Yet more **quarrelling** with **occasion**! Wilt thou show the whole wealth of thy wit in an **instant**? I pray thee understand a plain man in his plain meaning: go to thy fellows, bid them cover the table, serve in the **meat**, and we will come in to dinner.

LAUNCELOT.

For the table, sir, it shall be served in; for the meat, sir, it shall be covered; for your coming in to dinner, sir, why, let it be as humours and conceits shall govern.  
[Exit.]

LORENZO.

O dear **discretion**, how his words are suited!  
The fool hath **planted** in his memory  
An army of good words; and I do know  
A many fools that stand in better place,  
Garnish'd like him, that for a **tricksy** word  
Defy the matter. How cheer'st thou, Jessica?  
And now, good **sweet**, say thy opinion,  
How dost thou like the Lord Bassanio's wife?

Thesaurus

**discretion:** (*n*) circumspection, prudence, delicacy, diplomacy, calculation, free will, discernment, discreetness, tact, confidentiality, choice. ANTONYMS: (*n*) tactlessness, rashness, indiscretion, foolishness, vulgarity, openness, clumsiness.  
**instant:** (*adj, n*) present; (*adj*) immediate, prompt; (*n*) flash, minute, jiffy, point, second; (*adj, v*) exigent; (*adj, n, v*) pressing, urgent.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) age, eternity; (*adj*)

considered, delayed, slow.  
**meat:** (*n*) food, gist, essence, core, kernel, heart, substance, marrow, crux, matter, beef.  
**occasion:** (*n, v*) cause; (*n*) case, event, juncture, episode, incident; (*v*) bring about, create, beget, make, induce.  
**planted:** (*adj*) ingrained, established, set, concealed.  
**quarrelling:** (*adj*) at variance, in dispute, in disagreement, in conflict; (*n*) dissension.

**sweet:** (*adj*) fresh, mellow, lovable, dear, pleasant, musical, melodious, pleasing, sugary; (*adj, v*) lovely; (*adj, n*) beloved. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) discordant, bitter, acid, sharp, acidic, pungent, salty, harsh, detestable, cacophonous, dry.  
**tricksy:** (*adj*) foxy, slick, cunning, frolicsome, wily, crafty, neat, tidy, spruce, smart, sly.

JESSICA.

Past all **expressing**. It is very meet  
 The Lord Bassanio live an **upright** life,  
 For, having such a blessing in his lady,  
 He finds the joys of heaven here on earth;  
 And if on earth he do not **merit** it,  
 In reason he should never come to heaven.  
 Why, if two **gods** should play some heavenly match,  
 And on the **wager** lay two **earthly** women,  
 And Portia one, there must be something else  
 Pawn'd with the other; for the poor rude world  
 Hath not her fellow.

LORENZO.

Even such a husband  
 Hast thou of me as she is for a wife.

JESSICA.

Nay, but ask my opinion too of that.

LORENZO.

I will anon; first let us go to dinner.

JESSICA.

Nay, let me praise you while I have a stomach.

LORENZO.

No, pray thee, let it serve for table-talk;  
 Then howsoe'er thou speak'st, 'mong other things  
 I shall **digest** it.

JESSICA.

Well, I'll set you forth.

[Exeunt.]

## Thesaurus

**digest:** (*n*) resume, compilation, epitome, compendium, condensation, collection; (*v*) stomach, absorb, summarize, apprehend; (*adj*) brook. ANTONYMS: (*v*) misinterpret, lengthen, expand, enlarge, elaborate, misunderstand, avoid, succumb, misapprehend, detail, reject.  
**earthly:** (*adj, n*) terrestrial; (*adj*) carnal, worldly, conceivable, human, geotic, secular, terrene, temporal, telluric, sublunary. ANTONYMS: (*adj*)

spiritual, divine, ethereal, immortal, impossible, improbable, inconceivable, celestial.  
**expressing:** (*adj*) significant; (*n*) speech.  
**gods:** (*n*) gallery.  
**merit:** (*n, v*) deserve; (*adj, n*) excellence, worth, desert; (*n*) virtue, credit, significance, value, goodness, quality; (*v*) rate. ANTONYMS: (*n*) demerit, disgrace, fault, insignificance, mediocrity,

commonness.  
**upright:** (*adj*) perpendicular, erect, fair, good, righteous, just, virtuous, true, honorable, plumb; (*adj, n*) vertical. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) prone, disreputable, degenerate, hanging, unwholesome, dishonest, dishonorable, lying, horizontal, falling; (*adv*) horizontally.  
**wager:** (*n, v*) stake, hazard, risk, venture, gamble, chance; (*v*) lay, pledge, pawn, play; (*n*) stakes.



## ACT IV

### SCENE I. VENICE. A COURT OF JUSTICE

[Enter the DUKE: the Magnificoes; ANTONIO, BASSANIO, GRATIANO, SALARINO, SALANIO, and OTHERS.]

DUKE.

What, is Antonio here?

ANTONIO.

Ready, so please your Grace.

DUKE.

I am sorry for thee; thou art come to answer

A **stony adversary**, an **inhuman** wretch,

Uncapable of pity, **void** and empty

From any **dram** of mercy.

ANTONIO.

I have heard

Your Grace hath ta'en great **pains** to qualify

His rigorous course; but since he stands obdurate,

And that no **lawful** means can carry me

### Thesaurus

**adversary**: (*n*) antagonist, foe, enemy, competitor, rival, opposition, opposer, contestant, match, somebody; (*adj*) hostile.

ANTONYMS: (*n*) ally, supporter, friend, partner, helper, assistant.

**dram**: (*n*) drachma, nip, ankus, spot, dynamic random access memory, snifter, blast, apothecaries' weight; (*n, v*) potion; (*v*) drench, swill.

**inhuman**: (*adj*) heartless, cruel, atrocious, brutal, cold, harsh,

ferocious, remorseless, barbarous, relentless, barbaric. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) sympathetic, kind, humane.

**lawful**: (*adj*) legal, just, rightful, constitutional, true, right, justifiable, licit, regular; (*n, v*) allowable; (*adj, v*) permissible. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unlawful, prohibited, unconstitutional.

**pains**: (*n*) nisis, labor, trouble, effort, exertion, labour, pain, care, struggle, attempt, strain.

**stony**: (*adj*) rocky, hard, rough, callous, cold, pitiless, flinty, unfeeling, obdurate, bleak, icy. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) smooth, kind.

**void**: (*adj, n*) hollow, null, blank; (*n*) emptiness, vacancy; (*adj, v*) vacant; (*v*) nullify, quash, rescind; (*adj*) invalid, vacuous. ANTONYMS: (*v*) validate, sanction, permit, keep, allow; (*adj*) full, occupied, filled, meaningful, solid; (*n*) fullness.



Out of his envy's reach, I do oppose  
My patience to his fury, and am arm'd  
To suffer with a **quietness** of spirit  
The very tyranny and rage of his.

DUKE.

Go one, and call the Jew into the court.

SALARINO.

He is ready at the door; he comes, my lord.

[Enter SHYLOCK.]

DUKE.

Make room, and let him stand before our face.  
Shylock, the **world** thinks, and I think so too,  
That thou but ledest this fashion of thy malice  
To the last hour of act; and then, 'tis thought,  
Thou'lt show thy mercy and **remorse**, more strange  
Than is thy strange apparent cruelty;  
And where thou now exacts the penalty,--  
Which is a pound of this poor merchant's flesh,--  
Thou wilt not only loose the forfeiture,  
But, touch'd with human gentleness and love,  
Forgive a **moiety** of the principal,  
Glancing an eye of pity on his losses,  
That have of late so **huddled** on his back,  
Enow to press a royal merchant down,  
And **pluck commiseration** of his state  
From **brassy** bosoms and rough hearts of flint,  
From stubborn Turks and Tartars, never train'd  
To **offices** of tender courtesy.  
We all expect a gentle answer, Jew.

SHYLOCK.

I have possess'd your Grace of what I purpose,

Thesaurus

**brassy:** (*adj*) barefaced, brazen, garish, audacious, loud, arrogant, impertinent, insolent, brash, showy, blatant. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) timid, shy, retiring, respectful, muted, humble, restrained, soft.  
**commiseration:** (*n*) pity, compassion, sympathy, condolence, ruth, mercy, commiserate, bowels, consolation, fellow feeling, acknowledgement.  
**huddled:** (*adj*) crouched, crouching, hunkered down, hunkered.

**moiety:** (*n*) mediety, portion, part, parcel, section, piece, bit, division, cut, class.  
**offices:** (*n*) kitchen, pantry, scullery.  
**pluck:** (*adj, n*) nerve; (*v*) cull, jerk, gather, pick, fleece, grab; (*n*) grit, courage, boldness; (*n, v*) pull. ANTONYMS: (*n*) cowardice, gutlessness; (*v*) undercharge.  
**quietness:** (*n*) quiet, serenity, calm, calmness, peacefulness, repose, hush, composure, quietude, silence,

stillness. ANTONYMS: (*n*) volume, disturbance, loudness, bustle, wildness, turbulence, noise, turmoil, brashness, boldness, movement.  
**remorse:** (*n*) penitence, contrition, repentance, regret, guilt, penance, sorrow, grief, qualm, ruefulness, compassion. ANTONYM: (*n*) shamelessness.  
**world:** (*n*) cosmos, nature, creation, earth, public, sphere, society, realm, globe, macrocosm; (*adj*) global.

And by our holy Sabbath have I sworn  
 To have the due and forfeit of my bond.  
 If you deny it, let the danger light  
 Upon your charter and your city's freedom.  
 You'll ask me why I rather choose to have  
 A weight of carrion flesh than to receive  
 Three thousand ducats. I'll not answer that,  
 But say it is my **humour**: is it answer'd?  
 What if my house be troubled with a rat,  
 And I be pleas'd to give ten thousand ducats  
 To have it ban'd? What, are you answer'd yet?  
 Some men there are love not a gaping pig;  
 Some that are mad if they **behold** a cat;  
 And others, when the **bagpipe** sings i' the nose,  
 Cannot contain their **urine**; for affection,  
 Mistress of passion, sways it to the mood  
 Of what it likes or loathes. Now, for your answer:  
 As there is no firm reason to be render'd,  
 Why he cannot **abide** a gaping pig;  
 Why he, a **harmless** necessary cat;  
 Why he, a wauling bagpipe; but of force  
 Must yield to such inevitable shame  
 As to offend, himself being offended;  
 So can I give no reason, nor I will not,  
 More than a lodg'd hate and a certain loathing  
 I bear Antonio, that I follow thus  
 A losing suit against him. Are you answered?

BASSANIO.

This is no answer, thou **unfeeling** man,  
 To excuse the current of thy cruelty.

## Thesaurus

**abide**: (*v*) endure, bide, undergo, tolerate, take, suffer, stomach, bear, brook; (*adj*, *v*) stay, dwell.  
 ANTONYMS: (*v*) check, depart, disallow, disapprove, disbelieve, journey, dodge, leave, migrate, move, pass.  
**bagpipe**: (*n*) wind, bagpipes, musette.  
**behold**: (*v*) see, view, contemplate, regard, perceive, observe, look, consider, discern, descry, watch.  
 ANTONYMS: (*v*) Miss, disregard,

ignore, overlook.  
**harmless**: (*adj*) safe, benign, inoffensive, hurtless, innocent, innoxious, intact, simple; (*n*) silly; (*adj*, *n*) foolish; (*v*) weaponless.  
 ANTONYMS: (*adj*) lethal, damaging, destructive, poisonous, toxic, serious, offensive, malicious, hurtful, noxious, unpleasant.  
**humour**: (*n*) fun, wit, witticism, body fluid, temper, mood, amiability, drollery, disposition; (*adj*) humorous;

(*v*) gratify.  
**unfeeling**: (*adj*) harsh, impassive, cold, cruel, callous, merciless, pitiless, ruthless, numb, insensible, insensitive. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) caring, sympathetic, sensitive, kind, understanding, merciful, feeling, warm, tactful, concerned, compassionate.  
**urine**: (*n*) piss, pee, water, piddle, weewee, pissing, lanterloo, excreta, excretion; (*v*) urinate, Sig.

SHYLOCK.

I am not bound to please thee with my answer.

BASSANIO.

Do all men kill the things they do not love?

SHYLOCK.

Hates any man the thing he would not kill?

BASSANIO.

Every offence is not a **hate** at first.

SHYLOCK.

What! wouldst thou have a **serpent sting** thee twice?

ANTONIO.

I pray you, think you question with the Jew:  
 You may as well go stand upon the beach,  
 And bid the main **flood bate** his usual height;  
 You may as well use question with the wolf,  
 Why he hath made the ewe **bleat** for the lamb;  
 You may as well forbid the mountain pines  
 To wag their high **tops** and to make no noise  
 When they are fretten with the gusts of heaven;  
 You may as well do anything most hard  
 As seek to **soften** that--than which what's harder?--  
 His Jewish heart: therefore, I do beseech you,  
 Make no more offers, use no farther means,  
 But with all brief and plain conveniency.  
 Let me have judgment, and the Jew his will.

BASSANIO.

For thy three thousand ducats here is six.

SHYLOCK.

If every ducat in six thousand ducats

## Thesaurus

**bate:** (*v*) abate, curtail, discount, deduct, dequantitate, douse, contain, drench, detract; (*n*) battue, bath.  
**bleat:** (*v*) blat, kvetch, gripe, moan, whimper, cry, blate, quetch, utter, emit; (*n*) baaing.  
**flood:** (*n, v*) flow, torrent, pour, stream, glut, rush, gush; (*v*) drench, inundate, drown; (*n, prep*) tide.  
 ANTONYMS: (*n*) drought, shortage, slump, deficit; (*v*) disperse, dry.  
**hate:** (*v*) abhor, detest, loathe,

abominate; (*n*) enmity, abhorrence, detestation, hatred, animosity, antipathy, aversion. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) like; (*v*) adore, cherish, admire; (*n*) attraction, liking, delight, adoration.  
**serpent:** (*n*) snake, ophidian, viper, snake in the grass, reptile, rattlesnake, colubrid, contrafagotto, cor anglais, hautboy; (*v*) goose.  
**soften:** (*adj, v*) moderate, mitigate, mollify, assuage, relieve; (*v*) melt, dull, relent, mute, alleviate; (*adj, n, v*)

palliate. ANTONYMS: (*v*) harden, solidify, set, congeal, exacerbate, freeze, sharpen, stand, increase.  
**sting:** (*n, v*) bite, hurt, con, pain; (*v*) prick, itch, irritate, prickle, goad, provoke, smart. ANTONYMS: (*v*) calm; (*n*) honesty.  
**tops:** (*n*) apex, pinnacle, pick; (*adj*) champion, elite, fabulous, leading, outstanding, uppermost, superb, superlative.

Were in six parts, and every part a ducat,  
I would not draw them; I would have my bond.

DUKE.

How shalt thou hope for mercy, **rendering** none?

SHYLOCK.

What judgment shall I **dread**, doing no wrong?  
You have among you many a purchas'd slave,  
Which, fike your **asses** and your dogs and mules,  
You use in **abject** and in **slavish** parts,  
Because you bought them; shall I say to you  
'Let them be free, marry them to your heirs?  
Why sweat they under burdens? let their beds  
Be made as soft as yours, and let their palates  
Be season'd with such **viands**? You will answer  
'The **slaves** are ours.' So do I answer you:  
The pound of flesh which I demand of him  
Is **dearly** bought; 'tis mine, and I will have it.  
If you deny me, fie upon your law!  
There is no force in the decrees of Venice.  
I stand for judgment: answer; shall I have it?

DUKE.

Upon my power I may dismiss this court,  
Unless Bellario, a learned doctor,  
Whom I have sent for to determine this,  
Come here to-day.

SALARINO.

My lord, here stays without  
A messenger with letters from the doctor,  
New come from Padua.

DUKE.

Bring us the letters; call the messenger.

## Thesaurus

**abject:** (*adj*) contemptible, pitiful, low, wretched, despicable, sordid, base, mean, vile; (*n*) ignominious, dirty.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) honorable, hopeful, magnificent, esteemed, proud, dignified, commendable, noble, exalted, worthy, happy.

**asses:** (*n*) equidae.

**dearly:** (*adv*) affectionately, precious, darlingsly, sweetly, petly, expensively, belovedly, intimately, highly, heartfelty, lovely.

**dread:** (*n, v*) apprehension, fear, panic; (*n*) anxiety, awe, consternation, alarm, trepidation, dismay, foreboding, terror. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) pleasing, welcomed, pleasant; (*v*) welcome, want; (*n*) reassurance, fearlessness, confidence, security, ease, calm.

**rendering:** (*n*) interpretation, translation, rendition, reading, representation, version, interpreting, depiction, execution, construction,

explanation.

**slaves:** (*n*) helotry, bondsmen.

**slavish:** (*adj*) servile, menial, fawning, cringing, abject, obsequious, subservient, submissive, ignoble, contemptible, pliant.

**viands:** (*n*) provender, victuals, provisions, food, sustenance, commissariat, larder, cates, diet, nourishment, edible.

BASSANIO.

Good cheer, Antonio! What, man, courage yet!  
The Jew shall have my flesh, blood, bones, and all,  
Ere thou shalt lose for me one drop of blood.

ANTONIO.

I am a **tainted wether** of the flock,  
Meetest for death; the **weakest** kind of fruit  
Drops earliest to the ground, and so let me.  
You cannot better be employ'd, Bassanio,  
Than to live still, and write mine **epitaph**.  
[Enter NERISSA dressed like a lawyer's clerk.]

DUKE.

Came you from Padua, from Bellario?

NERISSA.

From both, my lord. Bellario greets your Grace.  
[Presents a letter.]

BASSANIO.

Why dost thou **whet** thy knife so **earnestly**?

SHYLOCK.

To cut the forfeiture from that **bankrupt** there.

GRATIANO.

Not on thy sole, but on thy soul, harsh Jew,  
Thou mak'st thy knife keen; but no metal can,  
No, not the hangman's axe, bear half the keenness  
Of thy sharp envy. Can no prayers **pierce** thee?

SHYLOCK.

No, none that thou hast wit enough to make.

GRATIANO.

O, be thou damn'd, inexecrable dog!  
And for thy life let justice be accus'd.

### Thesaurus

**bankrupt:** (*v*) ruin, break, impoverish, deprive; (*adj*) broke, destitute, poor, impoverished; (*n*) bankruptcy, failure, insolvency. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) rich, profiting, flourishing, wealthy; (*v*) enrich.  
**earnestly:** (*adj, adv*) seriously; (*adv*) eagerly, intently, zealously, solemnly, ardently, fervently, heartily, gravely, warmly, passionately. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) indifferently, insincerely, unconcernedly, jokingly.

**epitaph:** (*n*) memorial, lettering, inscription, commemoration, epitaphic, legend.  
**pierce:** (*n, v*) cut, prick, stick; (*v*) perforate, bore, enter, thrust, puncture, penetrate; (*adj, v*) stab, wound. ANTONYM: (*v*) seal.  
**tainted:** (*adj, v*) rotten, rancid, bad, musty, reasty, vitiated; (*adj*) rank, contaminated, faulty, putrid, dirty. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unadulterated, unchanged, untarnished, clean.

**weakest:** (*adj*) ridiculous, suggestion, supposes, notions, plainly, irrational, incongruous, project, foolish, fatuity, inconsistent.  
**wether:** (*n*) sheep, wedder.  
**whet:** (*v*) quicken, excite, grind, stir, stimulate, hone; (*n*) goad, spur, fillip, stimulus; (*adj*) point. ANTONYMS: (*v*) blunt, dishearten, dull, dampen, quench.

Thou almost mak'st me **waver** in my faith,  
 To hold opinion with Pythagoras  
 That souls of animals **infuse** themselves  
 Into the **trunks** of men. Thy **currish** spirit  
 Govern'd a wolf who, hang'd for human slaughter,  
 Even from the **gallows** did his fell soul fleet,  
 And, whilst thou lay'st in thy unhallow'd dam,  
 Infus'd itself in thee; for thy desires  
 Are **wolfish**, bloody, starv'd and ravenous.

SHYLOCK.

Till thou canst rail the seal from off my bond,  
 Thou but offend'st thy lungs to speak so loud;  
 Repair thy wit, good youth, or it will fall  
 To **cureless** ruin. I stand here for law.

DUKE.

This letter from Bellario doth commend  
 A young and learned doctor to our court.  
 Where is he?

NERISSA.

He attendeth here hard by,  
 To know your answer, **whether** you'll admit him.

DUKE OF VENICE.

With all my heart: some three or four of you  
 Go give him courteous conduct to this place.  
 Meantime, the court shall hear Bellario's letter.

CLERK.

'Your Grace shall understand that at the receipt of your letter I am very sick;  
 but in the instant that your **messenger** came, in loving **visitation** was with  
 me a young doctor of Rome; his name is Balthazar. I acquainted him with the  
 cause in controversy between the Jew and Antonio the merchant; we turn'd  
 o'er many books together; he is furnished with my opinion which, bettered

## Thesaurus

**cureless:** (*adj*) remediless,  
 immedicable, irremediable, beyond  
 remedy, impossible, irreparable.

**currish:** (*adj*) contemptible, crabbed,  
 ignoble, contentious, acid,  
 quarrelsome, snappish, harsh,  
 churlish, peevish, malignant.

**gallows:** (*n*) gibbet, gallous, gallows-  
 bits, hanging, noose, scaffold, halter,  
 tree, rope, gallowstree, bough.

**infuse:** (*v*) implant, inculcate, instill,  
 steep, imbue, impregnate, brew,

indoctrinate, engraft, fill, soak.

ANTONYM: (*v*) dip.

**messenger:** (*n, v*) herald; (*n*) harbinger,  
 runner, emissary, bearer,  
 ambassador, precursor, courier,  
 carrier, apostle, errand.

**trunks:** (*n*) short pants, pants, luggage,  
 Jockey shorts, Jamaica shorts,  
 Bermuda shorts, bathing trunks,  
 bathing suit, costume, drawers,  
 swimming trunks.

**visitation:** (*v*) visit, examination; (*n*)

tribulation, calamity, annoyance,  
 misfortune, irritation, infliction,  
 inspection, test, ordeal.

**waver:** (*v*) vacillate, fluctuate, hesitate,  
 totter, hover, wave; (*n, v*) quiver,  
 flicker, shake, flutter, tremble.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) resolve, continue.

**whether:** (*pron*) where.

**wolfish:** (*adj*) edacious, esurient,  
 voracious, ravening, rapacious,  
 predatory, ferocious, savage,  
 wolflike, greedy; (*n*) lupine.

with his own learning,--the **greatness** whereof I cannot enough commend,-- comes with him at my **importunity** to fill up your Grace's request in my stead. I beseech you let his lack of years be no **impediment** to let him lack a reverend **estimation**, for I never knew so young a body with so old a head. I leave him to your **gracious** acceptance, whose trial shall better publish his commendation.'

DUKE.

YOU hear the learn'd Bellario, what he writes;  
And here, I take it, is the doctor come.  
[Enter PORTIA, dressed like a doctor of laws.]  
Give me your hand; come you from old Bellario?

PORTIA.

I did, my lord.

DUKE.

You are welcome; take your place.  
Are you acquainted with the difference  
That holds this present question in the court?

PORTIA.

I am informed **thoroughly** of the cause.  
Which is the merchant here, and which the Jew?

DUKE OF VENICE.

Antonio and old Shylock, both stand forth.

PORTIA.

Is your name Shylock?

SHYLOCK.

Shylock is my name.

PORTIA.

Of a strange nature is the suit you follow;  
Yet in such rule that the Venetian law

### Thesaurus

**estimation:** (*n*) deference, assessment, calculation, approximation, appraisal, attention; (*n, v*) esteem, consideration, regard, reputation, credit. ANTONYMS: (*n*) calculation, disbelief, doubt.  
**gracious:** (*adj*) genial, benign, good, courteous, compassionate, kind, accommodating, civil; (*adj, n*) benevolent, congenial, gentle. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) ungracious, boorish, discourteous, reserved, rude,

abrupt, critical, unkind, hardhearted, harsh, poor.  
**greatness:** (*n*) excellence, dimension, dignity, bulk, size, enormousness, bigness, enormity, grandness, magnitude, fame. ANTONYMS: (*n*) obscurity, austerity, commonness, mildness, moderation, simplicity.  
**impediment:** (*n, v*) hindrance, check, difficulty, delay; (*n*) bar, hitch, barrier, obstruction, drawback, encumbrance, block. ANTONYMS:

(*n*) benefit, boost, incentive, strength.  
**importunity:** (*n, v*) entreaty, supplication; (*n*) urgency, appeal, earnestness; (*v*) solicitation, obsecration, interpellation, instance, obtestation, invocation.  
**thoroughly:** (*adv*) completely, thoroughly, nonstoply, directly, overly, readily, endedly, completely, straightly, perfectly, forward.

Cannot **impugn** you as you do proceed.

[To ANTONIO.] You stand within his danger, do you not?

ANTONIO.

Ay, so he says.

PORTIA.

Do you confess the bond?

ANTONIO.

I do.

PORTIA.

Then must the Jew be **merciful**.

SHYLOCK.

On what **compulsion** must I? Tell me that.

PORTIA.

The quality of mercy is not strain'd;  
It droppeth as the gentle rain from heaven  
Upon the place beneath. It is **twice** blest:  
It blesseth him that gives and him that takes.  
'Tis mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes  
The throned **monarch** better than his crown;  
His **sceptre** shows the force of **temporal** power,  
The **attribute** to awe and majesty,  
Wherein doth sit the dread and fear of kings;  
But mercy is above this **sceptred** sway,  
It is enthroned in the hearts of kings,  
It is an attribute to God himself;  
And earthly power doth then show likest God's  
When mercy seasons justice. Therefore, Jew,  
Though justice be thy plea, consider this,  
That in the course of justice none of us  
Should see salvation; we do pray for mercy,

## Thesaurus

**attribute**: (*adj*, *n*) quality, property; (*n*, *v*) assign; (*n*) feature, emblem, characteristic, peculiarity, mark; (*v*) credit, impute, accredit.

**compulsion**: (*n*) force, enforcement, urge, constraint, pressure, restraint, necessity, duress, obligation, requirement, oppression.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) persuasion, coaxing, disinclination.

**impugn**: (*v*) censure, dispute, charge, assail, challenge, question, gainsay,

doubt, contradict, contest, impeach.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) support, accept.

**merciful**: (*adj*) humane, gracious, lenient, compassionate, kind, clement, benign, kindly, gentle, beneficent, forgiving. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) pitiless, merciless, unforgiving, spiteful, harsh, impatient, severe, hardhearted.

**monarch**: (*n*) sovereign, lord, emperor, ruler, czar, despot, autocrat, tsar, tzar, Danaus Plexippus; (*adj*) prince.

**sceptre**: (*n*) sovereignty, verge, wand, bauble, mace, brink.

**sceptred**: (*adj*) sceptered, authorized, hegemonic, ruling.

**temporal**: (*adj*) secular, earthly, profane, lay, carnal, mortal, fleeting, temporary, transient, impermanent, mundane. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) spiritual, otherworldly, mental, permanent, perpetual, lasting.

**twice**: (*adv*) doubly, bis, two times, in two ways, once more; (*adj*) twenty.



And that same prayer doth teach us all to render  
The **deeds** of mercy. I have spoke thus much  
To **mitigate** the justice of thy plea,  
Which if thou follow, this strict court of Venice  
Must needs give sentence 'gainst the merchant there.

SHYLOCK.

My deeds upon my head! I **crave** the law,  
The **penalty** and forfeit of my bond.

PORTIA.

Is he not able to discharge the money?

BASSANIO.

Yes; here I tender it for him in the court;  
Yea, twice the sum; if that will not **suffice**,  
I will be bound to pay it ten times o'er  
On forfeit of my hands, my head, my heart;  
If this will not suffice, it must appear  
That **malice** bears down truth. And, I beseech you,  
Wrest once the law to your authority;  
To do a great right do a little wrong,  
And **curb** this cruel devil of his will.

PORTIA.

It must not be; there is no power in Venice  
Can alter a **decree** established;  
'Twill be recorded for a precedent,  
And many an error by the same example  
Will rush into the state. It cannot be.

SHYLOCK.

A Daniel come to judgment! Yea, a Daniel!  
O wise young judge, how I do honour thee!

## Thesaurus

**crave:** (*v*) covet, ask, want, beseech, implore, wish, long, entreat, desire, fancy, claim. ANTONYMS: (*v*) dislike, spurn, loathe, hate, detest, grant.  
**curb:** (*n, v*) control, limit, bridle; (*v*) restrict, suppress, contain, conquer, restrain, confine; (*adv, v*) moderate; (*n*) kerb. ANTONYMS: (*v*) encourage, push, help, foster, spur, assist, aid, unbridle, facilitate; (*n*) incentive, encouragement.

**decree:** (*n, v*) command, award, rule, act, will, dictate; (*v*) decide, enact, ordain; (*n*) edict, decision.  
**deeds:** (*n*) works, activity, actions, conduct, background, events, happenings, performance, activities.  
**malice:** (*n*) spite, animosity, enmity, venom, ill will, hatred, malevolence, cruelty, envy, hate, spleen. ANTONYMS: (*n*) goodwill, benevolence, affection, goodness.  
**mitigate:** (*n, v*) alleviate, palliate,

appease; (*adj, n, v*) assuage, allay; (*v*) lessen, relieve, abate, lighten; (*adj, v*) moderate, soften. ANTONYMS: (*v*) increase, intensify, aggravate.  
**penalty:** (*n*) fine, forfeit, forfeiture, amercement, penalization, penance, handicap, sentence, castigation; (*n, v*) condemnation, judgment. ANTONYMS: (*n*) advantage, prize.  
**suffice:** (*v*) satisfy, do, answer, content, fulfill, be sufficient, qualify, function, be enough, suit, fulfil.

PORTIA.

I pray you, let me look upon the bond.

SHYLOCK.

Here 'tis, most **reverend** doctor; here it is.

PORTIA.

Shylock, there's thrice thy money offer'd thee.

SHYLOCK.

An oath, an oath! I have an oath in heaven.

Shall I lay **perjury** upon my soul?

No, not for Venice.

PORTIA.

Why, this bond is forfeit;

And **lawfully** by this the Jew may claim

A pound of **flesh**, to be by him cut off

Nearest the merchant's heart. Be merciful.

Take thrice thy money; bid me **tear** the bond.

SHYLOCK.

When it is paid according to the tenour.

It doth appear you are a **worthy** judge;

You know the law; your exposition

Hath been most sound; I charge you by the law,

Whereof you are a well-deserving pillar,

Proceed to judgment. By my soul I swear

There is no power in the tongue of man

To alter me. I stay here on my bond.

ANTONIO.

Most **heartily** I do beseech the court

To give the judgment.

## Thesaurus

**flesh:** (*adj*) carnality, concupiscence; (*n*) mortality, beef, form, figure, frame, person, mankind, humanity, meat.

**heartily:** (*adv*) cordially, sincerely, enthusiastically, warmly, strongly, earnestly, vigorously, ardently, soundly, devoutly, eagerly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) feebly, languorously.

**lawfully:** (*adv*) justly, legally, rightfully, licitly, statutorily, fairly,

validly, de jure, officially, rightly, truly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) unlawfully, illegitimately.

**perjury:** (*v*) mendacity; (*n*) bearing false witness, lying under oath, false evidence, violation, lie, infringement, infraction, falsehood, offense, offence.

**reverend:** (*n*) preacher, clergyman, parson, rector, vicar, pastor, priest, minister, churchman; (*adj*) respectable, honourable.

**tear:** (*n, v*) rip, break, split, rupture,

crack, run, slit; (*v*) pull, rend, lacerate; (*adj, v*) rush. ANTONYMS: (*v*) wait, mend, idle, fix, amble, dawdle.

**worthy:** (*adj*) noble, good, meritorious, valuable, estimable, respectable, deserving, worthwhile, virtuous, honorable; (*adj, n*) celebrity.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) bad, unrespected, disreputable, mediocre, petty, poor, unimpressive, insignificant, dishonorable, despicable; (*n*) nobody.

PORTIA.

Why then, thus it is:

You must prepare your **bosom** for his knife.

SHYLOCK.

O noble judge! O **excellent** young man!

PORTIA.

For the **intent** and purpose of the law  
Hath full **relation** to the penalty,  
Which here appeareth due upon the bond.

SHYLOCK.

'Tis very true. O wise and upright judge,  
How much more **elder** art thou than thy looks!

PORTIA.

Therefore, lay **bare** your bosom.

SHYLOCK.

Ay, 'his breast':

So says the bond:--doth it not, noble judge?--  
'Nearest his heart': those are the very words.

PORTIA.

It is so. Are there balance here to weigh  
The flesh?

SHYLOCK.

I have them ready.

PORTIA.

Have by some **surgeon**, Shylock, on your charge,  
To stop his wounds, lest he do bleed to death.

SHYLOCK.

Is it so nominated in the bond?

## Thesaurus

**bare:** (*adj*) naked, austere, bald, stark, bleak, exposed, desolate, plain; (*adj, v*) empty, vacant; (*v*) show.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) cultivated, ornate, concealed, elaborate, adorned, decorated, dressed, clothed, embellished; (*v*) cover, conceal.  
**bosom:** (*n*) heart, interior, boob, thorax, chest, bust, tit; (*n, v*) embrace; (*v*) cherish, hug; (*adj*) intimate.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) outside, exteriority.  
**elder:** (*adj*) older, big, adult; (*n*) dean,

doyen, patriarch, ancient, boss, elderberry, superior, presbyter.  
ANTONYMS: (*n*) youngster, minor, child, inferior; (*adj*) youngest, younger, little.  
**excellent:** (*adj, n*) estimable, worthy, capital; (*adj*) superior, admirable, beautiful, distinctive, superb, great, good, splendid. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) poor, abysmal, awful, mediocre, terrible, imperfect, inadequate, middling, shoddy, bad, used.

**intent:** (*n*) idea, intention, design, spirit, meaning, import, goal, purpose; (*adj, n*) attentive; (*adj*) absorbed, engrossed.  
**relation:** (*n*) narration, recital, association, affinity, description, rehearsal, kin, relative; (*n, v*) account, report, regard.  
**surgeon:** (*n*) doctor, sawbones, doc, reed, operating surgeon, medicine, neurosurgeon, plastic surgeon, medico, lister, general practitioner.

PORTIA.

It is not so express'd; but what of that?  
'Twere good you do so much for charity.

SHYLOCK.

I cannot find it; 'tis not in the bond.

PORTIA.

You, merchant, have you anything to say?

ANTONIO.

But little: I am arm'd and well prepar'd.  
Give me your hand, Bassanio: fare you well!  
Grieve not that I am fallen to this for you,  
For herein Fortune shows herself more kind  
Than is her custom: it is still her use  
To let the **wretched** man **outlive** his wealth,  
To view with **hollow** eye and **wrinkled** brow  
An age of poverty; from which **lingering** penance  
Of such misery doth she cut me off.  
Commend me to your **honourable** wife:  
Tell her the process of Antonio's end;  
Say how I lov'd you; speak me fair in death;  
And, when the **tale** is told, bid her be judge  
Whether Bassanio had not once a love.  
Repent but you that you shall lose your friend,  
And he repents not that he pays your debt;  
For if the Jew do cut but deep enough,  
I'll pay it instantly with all my heart.

BASSANIO.

Antonio, I am married to a wife  
Which is as dear to me as life itself;  
But life itself, my wife, and all the world,  
Are not with me esteem'd above thy life;

## Thesaurus

**hollow:** (*adj, n*) blank; (*n*) cavity, depression, cave, dell; (*adj*) empty, false; (*adj, n, v*) concave; (*n, v*) excavate, dent, scoop. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) convex, sincere, true, full, meaningful, cramped, valid; (*n*) hump, bump, hill, lump.  
**honourable:** (*adj*) estimable, reverend, venerable, glorious, honorable, distinguished, above-board, good, worthy, right, noble.  
**lingering:** (*adj*) long, chronic,

extended, dilatory, protracted, prolonged, residual, lengthy, inactive, dull; (*n*) delay. ANTONYM: (*adj*) quick.  
**outlive:** (*v*) survive, live, endure, overlive, live through, make it, overbide, overcome, remain, supervive, subsist.  
**tale:** (*n*) account, narrative, narration, recital, fib, fable, report, fiction, lie, relation, yarn. ANTONYM: (*n*) fact.  
**wretched:** (*adj*) unfortunate, pitiful,

sad, pitiable, woeful, pathetic, piteous, lamentable; (*adj, v*) poor, unhappy, forlorn. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) fine, strong, fortunate, overjoyed, nice, admirable, good, cheery, joyous, lucky, comfortable.  
**wrinkled:** (*adj, n*) rough, rugged; (*adj*) puckered, creased, wrinkly, wizened, crumpled, lined, gnarled, unironed, crinkled. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unwrinkled, ironed, straight.

I would lose all, ay, **sacrifice** them all  
Here to this devil, to deliver you.

PORTIA.

Your wife would give you little **thanks** for that,  
If she were by to hear you make the offer.

GRATIANO.

I have a wife whom, I **protest**, I love;  
I would she were in **heaven**, so she could  
Entreat some power to change this currish Jew.

NERISSA.

'Tis well you offer it behind her back;  
The wish would make else an unquiet house.

SHYLOCK.

These be the Christian husbands! I have a daughter;  
Would any of the stock of Barabbas  
Had been her husband, rather than a Christian!  
We trifle time; I pray thee, **pursue** sentence.

PORTIA.

A pound of that same merchant's flesh is thine.  
The court awards it and the law doth give it.

SHYLOCK.

Most **rightful** judge!

PORTIA.

And you must cut this flesh from off his breast.  
The law allows it and the court awards it.

SHYLOCK.

Most **learned** judge! A sentence! Come, prepare.

PORTIA.

Tarry a little; there is something else.  
This bond doth give thee here no jot of blood;

## Thesaurus

**heaven:** (*n*) Eden, firmament, bliss, Elysium, sky, nirvana, glory, Elysian Fields, Garden of Eden, utopia; (*adj*) celestial. ANTONYM: (*n*) misery.  
**learned:** (*adj*) educated, knowledgeable, scholarly, academic, cultured, literary, bookish, lettered; (*adj, v*) enlightened, wise, knowing. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) innate, unconditioned, foolish, unlearned.  
**protest:** (*n*) demonstration, objection, complaint, challenge, question; (*v*)

assert, object, complain, remonstrate, demur; (*n, v*) moan. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) support, praise; (*n*) approval, acceptance; (*v*) approve, agree.  
**pursue:** (*v*) follow, dog, prosecute, hunt, course, tail, stalk, persist, hound, haunt, go after. ANTONYMS: (*v*) shun, eschew, avoid, discourage, lead, precede, find.  
**rightful:** (*adj*) right, lawful, just, justifiable, proper, legal, equitable, licit, real, genuine, true.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) wrongful, illegal, unlawful, fake.  
**sacrifice:** (*n, v*) oblation, forfeit; (*v*) offer, immolate, offer up, give, give up, relinquish; (*n*) immolation, loss, forfeiture.  
**thanks:** (*n*) acknowledgment, gratitude, blessing, grace, praise, gratefulness, recognition, credit, benediction, thankfulness; (*int*) thank you. ANTONYMS: (*n*) criticism, blame.

The words **expressly** are 'a pound of flesh':  
 Take then thy bond, take thou thy pound of flesh;  
 But, in the **cutting** it, if thou dost shed  
 One **drop** of Christian blood, thy **lands** and goods  
 Are, by the **laws** of Venice, confiscate  
 Unto the state of Venice.

GRATIANO.

O upright judge! Mark, Jew: O learned judge!

SHYLOCK.

Is that the law?

PORTIA.

Thyself shalt see the act;  
 For, as thou urgest **justice**, be assur'd  
 Thou shalt have justice, more than thou desir'st.

GRATIANO.

O learned judge! Mark, Jew: alearned judge!

SHYLOCK.

I take this offer then: pay the bond thrice,  
 And let the Christian go.

BASSANIO.

Here is the money.

PORTIA.

Soft!  
 The Jew shall have all justice; **soft!** no haste:--  
 He shall have nothing but the penalty.

GRATIANO.

O Jew! an upright judge, a learned judge!

PORTIA.

Therefore, prepare thee to cut off the flesh.  
 Shed thou no blood; nor cut thou less nor more,

## Thesaurus

**cutting:** (*adj*) biting, keen, caustic, bitter, acrimonious, incisive, raw; (*adj, n*) acute; (*n*) cut, slip; (*adj, v*) satirical. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) blunt, complimentary, flattering, kind, pleasant, hot, consoling; (*n*) extension, freedom, expansion, addition.  
**drop:** (*n, v*) decline, dribble, deposit, decrease, jump, ebb; (*adj, n, v*) collapse; (*v*) droop, sink, cast, drip. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) increase; (*v*) lift,

pour, sharpen, raise, recuperate; (*n*) growth, mass, lot, upswing, elevation.  
**expressly:** (*adv*) specially, particularly, distinctly, specifically, explicitly, especially, utterly, clearly, precisely, telly, exactly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) ambiguously, conditionally, implicitly, indirectly, vaguely.  
**justice:** (*adj, n*) equity, right, integrity, honesty; (*n*) judge, impartiality, judicature, jurist, morality, justness;

(*adj*) just. ANTONYMS: (*n*) unfairness, wickedness.  
**lands:** (*n*) park, estate, kingdom.  
**laws:** (*n*) Pentateuch, Torah.  
**soft:** (*adj, adv*) easy, quiet; (*adj*) limp, light, balmy, delicate, slack, loose, smooth; (*adj, v*) feeble; (*adj, adv, v*) low. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) hard, firm, harsh, loud, hoarse, stiff, rough, solid, strong, shrill, alcoholic.

But just a pound of flesh: if thou tak'st more,  
Or less, than a just pound, be it but so much  
As makes it light or heavy in the substance,  
Or the division of the twentieth part  
Of one poor **scruple**; nay, if the **scale** do turn  
But in the estimation of a hair,  
Thou diest, and all thy goods are confiscate.

GRATIANO.

A second Daniel, a Daniel, Jew!  
Now, **infidel**, I have you on the hip.

PORTIA.

Why doth the Jew pause? Take thy forfeiture.

SHYLOCK.

Give me my **principal**, and let me go.

BASSANIO.

I have it ready for thee; here it is.

PORTIA.

He hath refus'd it in the open court;  
He shall have **merely** justice, and his bond.

GRATIANO.

A Daniel still say I; a second Daniel!  
I thank thee, Jew, for **teaching** me that word.

SHYLOCK.

Shall I not have **barely** my principal?

PORTIA.

Thou shalt have nothing but the forfeiture  
To be so taken at thy peril, Jew.

SHYLOCK.

Why, then the devil give him good of it!  
I'll stay no **longer** question.

## Thesaurus

**barely**: (*adv*) merely, just, nakedly, scantily, simply, nudely, baldly, purely, narrowly; (*adj, adv*) scarcely, only. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) enough, amply, sufficiently, abundantly; (*adv*) much, thoroughly, well, easily, obviously, clearly, strongly.  
**infidel**: (*adj, n*) heathen, pagan, unbeliever, skeptic, deist; (*n*) gentile, idolater, freethinker, paynim, miscreant; (*adj*) pyrrhonist.  
**longer**: (*adj*) longest, better, lengest;

(*adv*) farther; (*n*) yearner, thirster.  
**merely**: (*adj, adv*) only, barely, purely, simply, exclusively; (*adv*) but, absolutely, entirely, simply, completely, unmixedly. ANTONYM: (*adv*) intensely.  
**principal**: (*adj, n*) chief, master, cardinal, primary, leading, capital, prime, main; (*adj*) grand; (*n*) manager, leader. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) secondary, subordinate, peripheral, trivial, marginal, side.

**scale**: (*adj*) balance; (*v*) mount, climb, ascend; (*n*) gamut, yardstick, graduation, degree; (*n, v*) flake, gauge, measure.  
**scruple**: (*adj, v*) hesitate, demur, pause; (*n*) hesitation, qualm, misgiving, distrust, objection; (*n, v*) mistrust; (*v*) falter, question.  
**teaching**: (*n*) education, instruction, indoctrination, precept, pedagogy, schooling, doctrine, training, lesson, advice, tuition.

## PORTIA.

Tarry, Jew.

The law hath yet another hold on you.  
 It is enacted in the laws of Venice,  
 If it be prov'd against an alien  
 That by direct or indirect attempts  
 He seek the life of any citizen,  
 The party 'gainst the which he doth contrive  
 Shall **seize** one half his goods; the other half  
 Comes to the **privy coffer** of the state;  
 And the offender's life lies in the mercy  
 Of the duke only, 'gainst all other voice.  
 In which **predicament**, I say, thou stand'st;  
 For it appears by **manifest** proceeding  
 That indirectly, and directly too,  
 Thou hast **contrived** against the very life  
 Of the defendant; and thou hast incurr'd  
 The danger formerly by me rehears'd.  
 Down, therefore, and beg mercy of the duke.

## GRATIANO.

Beg that thou mayst have leave to hang thyself;  
 And yet, thy wealth being forfeit to the state,  
 Thou hast not left the value of a cord;  
 Therefore thou must be hang'd at the state's charge.

## DUKE.

That thou shalt see the difference of our spirits,  
 I pardon thee thy life before thou ask it.  
 For half thy wealth, it is Antonio's;  
 The other half comes to the general state,  
 Which **humbleness** may drive unto a fine.

## Thesaurus

**coffer:** (*n*) box, chest, case, caisson, casket, trunk, safe, strongbox, treasury, crate, coffers.

**contrived:** (*adj*) affected, unnatural, false, forced, labored, spurious, feigned, unreal, strained, built, artificially formal. ANTONYM: (*adj*) sincere.

**humbleness:** (*n*) submission, obscurity, modesty, meekness, trait, humble, submissiveness, lowliness, obscureness, humblesse,

abstruseness. ANTONYM: (*n*) pride.

**manifest:** (*adj*) evident, distinct, conspicuous, clear, patent, plain; (*v*) display, demonstrate, exhibit, evidence; (*n, v*) declare.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) hide; (*adj*) hidden, obscure, secret, inconspicuous, veiled, furtive, avoidable, ambiguous; (*adv*) absent.

**predicament:** (*n*) dilemma, fix, plight, crisis, difficulty, mess, quandary, case, category, impasse; (*n, v*)

condition.

**privy:** (*adj*) confidential, covert, personal, clandestine, ulterior, occult, latent, secret; (*n*) outhouse, lavatory, loo.

**seize:** (*v*) catch, capture, grab, arrest, clutch, get, apprehend, receive, annex, clasp; (*n, v*) grapple.

ANTONYMS: (*v*) baulk, relinquish, restore, surrender, give, remove.



PORTIA.

Ay, for the state; not for Antonio.

SHYLOCK.

Nay, take my life and all, pardon not that:  
You take my house when you do take the prop  
That doth sustain my house; you take my life  
When you do take the means **whereby** I live.

PORTIA.

What **mercy** can you render him, Antonio?

GRATIANO.

A halter gratis; nothing else, for God's sake!

ANTONIO.

So please my lord the Duke and all the court  
To **quit** the fine for one half of his goods;  
I am content, so he will let me have  
The other half in use, to render it  
Upon his death unto the gentleman  
That **lately stole** his daughter:  
Two things **provided** more, that, for this favour,  
He presently become a Christian;  
The other, that he do record a gift,  
Here in the court, of all he dies possess'd  
Unto his son Lorenzo and his daughter.

DUKE.

He shall do this, or else I do recant  
The pardon that I late **pronounced** here.

PORTIA.

Art thou **contented**, Jew? What dost thou say?

SHYLOCK.

I am content.

## Thesaurus

**contented:** (*adj*) content, happy, comfortable, quiet, cheerful, smug, complacent, satisfied, easy, proud, delighted. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) discontented, unhappy, depressed, unsatisfied, sad, anxious.  
**lately:** (*adv*) tardily, newly, freshly, belatedly, slowly, latterly, deadily; (*adj, adv*) anew, late, afresh; (*adj*) recent.  
**mercy:** (*n*) kindness, compassion, pity, favor, leniency, pardon, forgiveness,

grace, charity, humanity; (*n, v*) quarter. ANTONYMS: (*n*) cruelty, harshness, unkindness, severity, mercilessness, ruthlessness, impatience, inhumanity.  
**pronounced:** (*adj*) clear, emphatic, distinct, prominent, notable, obvious, salient, evident, definite, bold, palpable. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) faint, inconspicuous, indefinite, loose, slight, small.  
**provided:** (*adv*) in case, provided

always; (*conj*) if; (*n*) conditionally, as if, quasi; (*adj*) fitted, instructed, enlightened, arranged; (*v*) foreseen.  
**quit:** (*adj, n, v*) leave; (*v*) go, drop, break, cease, give up, depart, end, discontinue; (*adj, v*) discharge; (*n, v*) part. ANTONYMS: (*v*) stay, occupy, enter, maintain, start, come, arrive.  
**stole:** (*n*) wrap, stolen, scarf, stolon, stealing, robe, alb, tunicle, surplice, alba, cassock.  
**whereby:** (*adv*) how, hereby.

PORTIA.

Clerk, draw a deed of gift.

SHYLOCK.

I pray you, give me leave to go from hence;  
I am not well; send the deed after me  
And I will sign it.

DUKE.

Get thee gone, but do it.

GRATIANO.

In **christening** shalt thou have two god-fathers;  
Had I been judge, thou shouldst have had ten more,  
To bring thee to the gallows, not to the **font**.  
[Exit SHYLOCK.]

DUKE.

Sir, I entreat you home with me to dinner.

PORTIA.

I **humbly** do desire your Grace of pardon;  
I must away this night **toward** Padua,  
And it is meet I presently set forth.

DUKE.

I am sorry that your leisure serves you not.  
Antonio, **gratify** this gentleman,  
For in my mind you are much bound to him.  
[Exeunt DUKE, Magnificoes, and Train.]

BASSANIO.

Most worthy gentleman, I and my friend  
Have by your wisdom been this day acquitted  
Of **grievous penalties**; in **lieu** whereof  
Three thousand ducats, due unto the Jew,  
We freely cope your courteous pains withal.

## Thesaurus

**christening:** (*n*) naming, denomination, chrism, designation, identification.

**font:** (*n*) type, fountain, baptistery, typeface, spring, print, well, boldface, black letter, baptistry, baptismal font.

**gratify:** (*v*) delight, please, appease, accommodate, satisfy, amuse, suit, indulge, cater; (*n, v*) humor; (*adj*) contented. ANTONYMS: (*v*) dissatisfy, displease, disappoint.

**grievous:** (*adj*) bitter, dolorous,

dreadful, deplorable, sad, tough, pitiful, atrocious, regrettable, sorrowful, sorry. ANTONYM: (*adj*) successful.

**humbly:** (*adv*) lowly, meanly, modestly, submissively, low, shyly, lowlily, naturally, regretfully, remorsefully, repentantly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) conceitedly, haughtily, pompously, ostentatiously, unrepentantly, affluently, brashly, pretentiously.

**lieu:** (*n*) office, position, locality, stead, behalf, part, role, berth, station, site, seat.

**penalties:** (*n*) penalty.

**toward:** (*prep*) to, towards, approaching, headed for, just before, of, in the direction of; (*adv, prep*) on; (*adv*) about, around, by.

ANTONYMS: (*prep*) from, away.

ANTONIO.

And stand **indebted**, over and above,  
In love and service to you evermore.

PORTIA.

He is well paid that is well satisfied;  
And I, **delivering** you, am satisfied,  
And therein do account myself well paid:  
My mind was never yet more mercenary.  
I pray you, know me when we meet again:  
I wish you well, and so I take my leave.

BASSANIO.

Dear sir, of force I must attempt you further;  
Take some **remembrance** of us, as a tribute,  
Not as fee. Grant me two things, I pray you,  
Not to deny me, and to **pardon** me.

PORTIA.

You press me far, and therefore I will yield.  
[To ANTONIO]  
Give me your **gloves**, I'll wear them for your sake.  
[To BASSANIO]  
And, for your love, I'll take this ring from you.  
Do not draw back your hand; I'll take no more;  
And you in love shall not deny me this.

BASSANIO.

This ring, good sir? alas, it is a trifle;  
I will not **shame** myself to give you this.

PORTIA.

I will have nothing else but only this;  
And now, **methinks**, I have a mind to it.

## Thesaurus

**delivering:** (*adv*) deliverly; (*n*) childbirth, presentation; (*adj*) unfailling.  
**gloves:** (*n*) gauntlet, mitten, mittens, gauntlets, scarf, ornament, handbag, belt, batting glove, boxing glove, baseball mitt.  
**indebted:** (*adj*) grateful, appreciative, thankful, obliged, liable, insolvent, broke; (*prep*) beholden, debted; (*n*) debtor; (*v*) owe. ANTONYM: (*adj*) ungrateful.

**methinks:** (*adv*) meseems.  
**pardon:** (*v*) excuse, condone, forgive, acquit, spare; (*n*) amnesty, forgiveness, grace; (*adj, v*) justify, exonerate, exculpate. ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) blame; (*v*) punish, castigate, condemn, convict; (*n*) intolerance.  
**remembrance:** (*n, v*) recollection, mind; (*n*) commemoration, memorial, recall, relic, monument, keepsake, reminiscence, recognition; (*adj, n*) memento.

**ring:** (*n, v*) encircle, peal, call, loop, jingle; (*v*) resound, echo, reverberate; (*n*) gang, band, rim.  
**shame:** (*n, v*) disgrace, dishonor, discredit, humiliate, degrade, chagrin; (*n*) humiliation, modesty, scandal, insult; (*v*) abash. ANTONYMS: (*n*) pride, glorification, making, worthiness; (*v*) acknowledge, glorify, respect, dignify.

BASSANIO.

There's more depends on this than on the value.  
The dearest ring in Venice will I give you,  
And find it out by proclamation:  
Only for this, I pray you, pardon me.

PORTIA.

I see, sir, you are **liberal** in offers;  
You **taught** me first to beg, and now methinks  
You teach me how a beggar should be answer'd.

BASSANIO.

Good sir, this ring was given me by my wife;  
And, when she put it on, she made me vow  
That I should neither sell, nor give, nor **lose** it.

PORTIA.

That 'scuse serves many men to save their gifts.  
And if your wife be not a mad-woman,  
And know how well I have deserv'd this ring,  
She would not hold out **enemy** for ever  
For giving it to me. Well, peace be with you!  
[Exeunt PORTIA and NERISSA.]

ANTONIO.

My Lord Bassanio, let him have the ring;  
Let his deservings, and my love withal,  
Be **valued** 'gainst your wife's commandment.

BASSANIO.

Go, Gratiano, run and **overtake** him;  
Give him the ring, and bring him, if thou canst,  
Unto Antonio's house. Away! make haste.  
[Exit GRATIANO.]  
Come, you and I will **thither** presently;

## Thesaurus

**enemy:** (*n*) antagonist, opponent, foe, opposition, competitor, enmity, assailant, foeman, hostile, besieger; (*adj, n*) rival. ANTONYMS: (*n*) ally, friend, supporter, benefactor, defender, fan.  
**liberal:** (*adj*) bountiful, handsome, benevolent, large, abundant, big, kind, broad, charitable, tolerant; (*adj, n*) free. ANTONYMS: (*adj, n*) conservative; (*adj*) totalitarian, oppressive, intolerant, reactionary,

proactive, miserly, rigid, insufficient, stingy, tightfisted.  
**lose:** (*v*) drop, forfeit, mislay, miss, sacrifice, fall behind, fail, to lose, forget, clear, hurt. ANTONYMS: (*v*) find, secure, recover, earn, obtain, acquire, get, win, beat, keep, succeed.  
**overtake:** (*v*) catch, attain, catch up with, exceed, overpower, overcome, go by, gain, devastate, outstrip, beat.  
**taught:** (*adj*) instructed, educated, schooled, instruct, well-bred,

scholarly, provided; (*v*) firm, fast, close, taut.  
**thither:** (*adv*) hither, whither, on that point, in that respect, at that place, in that location; (*adj*) further, ulterior, remoter, succeeding, more distant.  
**valued:** (*adj*) precious, appreciated, respected, dear, prized, priced, treasured, value, esteemed, loved, beloved.

And in the **morning** early will we both  
Fly toward Belmont. Come, Antonio.  
[Exeunt.]

SCENE II. THE SAME. A STREET

[Enter PORTIA and NERISSA.]

PORTIA.  
Inquire the Jew's house out, give him this deed,  
And let him **sign** it; we'll away tonight,  
And be a day before our husbands home.  
This deed will be well welcome to Lorenzo.  
[Enter GRATIANO.]

GRATIANO.  
Fair sir, you are well o'erta'en.  
My Lord Bassanio, **upon** more advice,  
Hath **sent** you here this ring, and doth entreat  
Your company at **dinner**.

PORTIA.  
That cannot be:  
His ring I do **accept** most thankfully;  
And so, I pray you, tell him: furthermore,  
I pray you show my youth old Shylock's house.

GRATIANO.  
That will I do.

NERISSA.  
Sir, I would **speak** with you.  
[Aside to PORTIA.]

Thesaurus

**accept:** (*v*) acknowledge, take, admit, recognize, yield, abide, accede, acquiesce, adopt, believe, assume.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) refuse, reject, deny, snub, renounce, oppose, resist, disbelieve, dispute, repudiate, quibble.  
**dinner:** (*n*) banquet, lunch, dinner party, meal, party, beanfeast, spread; (*v*) tiffin, dejeuner, bever; (*adj*) dinnerly.  
**morning:** (*n*) dawn, sunrise, morn,

forenoon, daylight, first light, am, dayspring, aurora, cockcrow, dawning. ANTONYMS: (*n*) sunset, nighttime, nightfall.  
**sent:** (*adj*) dispatched, imported, ecstatic, blissful, fascinated, intoxicated; (*v*) transmit.  
ANTONYM: (*adj*) unsent.  
**sign:** (*n, v*) mark, motion, gesture; (*n*) portent, indication, manifestation, imprint, presage, brand, poster; (*v*) indicate. ANTONYMS: (*n*) successor;

(*v*) dismiss.  
**speak:** (*adj, v*) pronounce, utter; (*v*) converse, say, deliver, articulate, recite, talk, discourse, lecture; (*n*) language.  
**upon:** (*adv, prep*) above; (*prep*) up, onto, against, towards; (*adv*) on, on that occasion, then, before, by; (*n*) at.

I'll see if I can get my husband's ring,  
Which I did make him swear to **keep** for ever.

PORTIA.

[To NERISSA]

Thou Mayst, I **warrant**. We shall have old swearing  
That they did give the **rings away** to men;  
But we'll **outface** them, and outswear them too.  
Away! make haste: thou know'st **where** I will tarry.

NERISSA.

Come, good sir, will you **show** me to this house?

[Exeunt.]

## Thesaurus

**away:** (*adj, adv*) abroad, absent; (*adj, adv, int*) out; (*adj*) distant; (*adv*) aside, aloof, afar, way, by, forth; (*adv, int*) off. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) adjacent, neighboring, nearby, near, close; (*adv*) intermittently, haltingly, discontinuously, in.

**keep:** (*n, v*) hold; (*v*) preserve, retain, defend, guard, maintain, continue, have, save, confine, observe. ANTONYMS: (*v*) lose, neglect, entrust, return, let, discontinue,

reimburse, allow, stop, destroy, break.

**outface:** (*v*) brave, dip slope, gaze, outscout, stare down.

**rings:** (*n*) ornaments, necklaces, jewels, costume jewelry, charms, bracelets.

**show:** (*adj, n, v*) present, appearance; (*n, v*) exhibit, produce, broadcast, indicate, parade; (*v*) point out; (*n*) presentation, ostentation; (*adj, v*) guide. ANTONYMS: (*v*) disprove, hide, withhold, suppress, disappear,

cover, absorb; (*n*) concealment.

**warrant:** (*n, v*) permit, vouch, license, assure, sanction, empower; (*n*) authority, authorization, security; (*v*) justify, ensure. ANTONYMS: (*n*) break; (*v*) debar.

**where:** (*adv*) there, here, wherever, whither, in which, wherein, in what; (*adv, pron*) anywhere; (*pron*) everywhere; (*n*) point, spot.



## ACT V

### SCENE I. BELMONT. THE AVENUE TO PORTIA'S HOUSE.

[Enter LORENZO and JESSICA.]

LORENZO.

The **moon** shines bright: in such a night as this,  
When the sweet wind did gently **kiss** the trees,  
And they did make no noise, in such a night,  
Troilus methinks **mounted** the Trojan walls,  
And sigh'd his **soul** toward the Grecian tents,  
Where Cressid lay that night.

JESSICA.

In such a night

Did Thisby **fearfully** o'ertrip the dew,  
And saw the lion's **shadow** ere himself,  
And ran dismay'd away.

LORENZO.

In such a night

Stood Dido with a **willow** in her hand

### Thesaurus

**fearfully:** (*adv*) timidly, timorously, awfully, apprehensively, horrendously, hideously, anxiously, appallingly, terribly; (*adj, adv*) shockingly, dreadfully. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) bravely, calmly, confidently, wonderfully, rationally, unconcernedly.  
**kiss:** (*n, v*) caress, brush, embrace, touch; (*n*) osculation, salute, lip, Kiss of peace, kiss hands; (*v*) osculate, love.

**moon:** (*adj*) lunar; (*n*) month, moonshine, satellite, moonlight, luck, lunar month, GHURRY, epoch, orb of night; (*v*) daydream.  
**mounted:** (*adj*) equestrian, mounting, mounts, set, firm, affixed, decorated. ANTONYM: (*adj*) unmounted.  
**shadow:** (*n*) ghost, darkness, apparition, follower, gloom, reflection; (*n, v*) eclipse, trace, tail, hint; (*v*) follow. ANTONYMS: (*v*) brighten, lead; (*n*) brightness, pallor.

**soul:** (*n*) creature, human, person, personification, ghost, individual, mind, essence, life, self; (*adj, n*) heart. ANTONYMS: (*n*) surface, body.  
**willow:** (*n*) willow tree, black willow, arctic willow, arroyo willow, balsam willow, bay willow, bearberry willow, white willow, silver willow; (*adj*) mourning, weeds.



Upon the **wild** sea-banks, and **waft** her love  
To come **again** to Carthage.

JESSICA.

In such a night

Medea gather'd the **enchanted** herbs  
That did **renew** old AEson.

LORENZO.

In such a night

Did Jessica steal from the **wealthy** Jew,  
And with an **unthrift** love did run from Venice  
As far as Belmont.

JESSICA.

In such a night

Did young Lorenzo swear he lov'd her well,  
Stealing her soul with many vows of faith,--  
And ne'er a true one.

LORENZO.

In such a night

Did pretty Jessica, like a little shrew,  
Slander her love, and he **forgave** it her.

JESSICA.

I would out-night you, did no body come;  
But, **hark**, I hear the **footing** of a man.  
[Enter STEPHANO.]

LORENZO.

Who comes so fast in silence of the night?

STEPHANO.

A friend.

LORENZO.

A friend! What friend? Your name, I pray you, friend?

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**again:** (*adv*) more, then, repeatedly, anew, encore, furthermore, yet, also, often, once again, once more.  
**enchanted:** (*adj*) bewitched, delighted, charmed, fascinated, rapt, spellbound, blissful, happy, enamored, possessed; (*v*) entranced. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) disenchanting, unhappy.  
**footing:** (*n*) foothold, base, bottom, foundation, status, rank, foot, pedestal, situation, relation, root.

ANTONYM: (*n*) top.  
**forgave:** (*v*) to excuse.  
**hark:** (*v*) harken, hear, hearken, heed, listen in; (*n*) look here, look you, look.  
**renew:** (*v*) renovate, rejuvenate, restore, refresh, refurbish, modernize, revive, overhaul, reinstate, reiterate, mend. ANTONYMS: (*v*) reduce, kill.  
**unthrift:** (*n*) extravagance.  
**waft:** (*v*) blow, float, drift, glide, wave, gust; (*n*) whiff, puff, vivda, vifda, pennoncelle.

**wealthy:** (*adj, adv*) moneyed; (*adj*) flush, opulent, affluent, prosperous, loaded, substantial, generous, ample, abundant, abounding. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) poor, impoverished, needy.  
**wild:** (*adj, n, v*) waste, desert; (*adj, v*) fierce, violent, reckless, raging; (*adj*) boisterous, untamed, stormy, rude, desolate. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) calm, orderly, manageable, sane, domestic, cultivated, tame, restrained, mild, sensible, passive.

STEPHANO.

Stephano is my name, and I bring word  
My mistress will before the **break** of day  
Be here at Belmont; she doth **stray** about  
By **holy** crosses, where she kneels and prays  
For **happy wedlock** hours.

LORENZO.

Who comes with her?

STEPHANO.

None but a holy **hermit** and her maid.  
I pray you, is my master yet return'd?

LORENZO.

He is not, nor we have not heard from him.  
But go we in, I pray thee, Jessica,  
And **ceremoniously** let us prepare  
Some welcome for the mistress of the house.

[Enter LAUNCELOT.]

LAUNCELOT.

**Sola**, sola! wo ha, ho! sola, sola!

LORENZO.

Who calls?

LAUNCELOT.

Sola! Did you see Master Lorenzo? Master Lorenzo! Sola, sola!

LORENZO.

Leave holloaing, man. Here!

LAUNCELOT.

Sola! Where? where?

LORENZO.

Here!

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**break:** (*n, v*) crack, fracture, breach, burst, rupture, stop, pause; (*n*) interruption, respite, suspension; (*v*) infringe. ANTONYMS: (*v*) obey, honor, lose, make, observe, resume, stay, strengthen; (*n, v*) mend; (*n*) continuation, misfortune.

**ceremoniously:** (*adv*) ceremonially, precisely, punctiliously, solemnly, stiffly, stately, majestically, gravely, primly, conventionally, grandly.

**happy:** (*adj*) felicitous, contented, gay,

buoyant, content, gleeful, gratified, pleasant, glad, carefree; (*adj, n*) auspicious. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) sad, depressed, dejected, sorrowful, miserable, unlucky, sorry, reluctant, irritable, unfortunately, gloomy.

**hermit:** (*n*) anchorite, ascetic, solitary, anchoret, eremite, monk, troglodyte, solitaire, loner, caveman, cave man.

**holy:** (*adj*) devout, divine, heavenly, religious, blessed, hallowed, spiritual, devotional, pure; (*adj, adv*)

saintly; (*adv*) sacredly. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) irreligious, unholy.

**sola:** (*n*) shola.

**stray:** (*v*) wander, ramble, range, digress, straggle, meander, depart, deviate, rove, drift, err. ANTONYM: (*v*) settle.

**wedlock:** (*n, v*) marriage, matrimony; (*n*) union, wedding, polygyny, bigamy, intermarriage, exogamy, endogamy, polyandry, misalliance.

LAUNCELOT.

Tell him there's a post come from my master with his **horn** full of good news; my master will be here ere morning.

[Exit]

LORENZO.

Sweet soul, let's in, and there expect their coming.

And yet no matter; why should we go in?

My friend Stephano, signify, I pray you,  
Within the house, your mistress is at hand;  
And bring your music forth into the air.

[Exit STEPHANO.]

How sweet the **moonlight** sleeps upon this bank!

Here will we sit and let the sounds of music

Creep in our ears; soft **stillness** and the night

Become the touches of sweet harmony.

Sit, Jessica: look how the floor of heaven

Is thick **inlaid** with patines of bright gold;

There's not the smallest orb which thou behold'st

But in his motion like an angel sings,

Still quiring to the young-eyed cherubins;

Such harmony is in **immortal** souls;

But, whilst this **muddy vesture** of decay

Doth **grossly** close it in, we cannot hear it.

[Enter Musicians.]

Come, ho! and wake Diana with a hymn;

With sweetest touches pierce your mistress' ear.

And draw her home with music.

[Music.]

JESSICA.

I am never merry when I hear sweet music.

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**grossly:** (*adv*) rudely, roughly, commonly, heavily, bluntly, disgustingly, shamefully, rankly, totally, uncouthly, obscenely.  
**ANTONYM:** (*adv*) appealingly.  
**horn:** (*n*) car horn, antler, klaxon, cornet, French horn, ivory, foghorn, cornu, alarm, trumpet, arm.  
**immortal:** (*adj*) eternal, enduring, undying, endless, monumental; (*adj, v*) deathless, imperishable, celebrated; (*n*) deity, God, divinity.

**ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) obscure, earthly, forgettable, perishable, temporary.  
**inlaid:** (*adj*) decorated.  
**moonlight:** (*adj, n*) moonshine; (*n*) moonbeam, moonglade, occupation, lunation, lunar month, labor; (*n, v*) work; (*v*) pilfer, do work; (*adj*) moonshiny.  
**muddy:** (*adj*) turbid, filthy, boggy, cloudy, dark, unclean, dingy, grimy, miry; (*adj, v*) foul, sloppy.  
**ANTONYMS:** (*adj*) clean, dry; (*v*)

clarify, cleanse.  
**stillness:** (*n*) hush, calmness, immobility, serenity, silence, quietness, peacefulness; (*adj, n*) calm, quiet, peace, still. **ANTONYMS:** (*n*) bustle, movement, uproar, motion, turbulence, turmoil, vigor, disturbance, chaos, agitation.  
**vesture:** (*n*) clothing, raiment, dress, clothes, apparel, garment, vestment, garb, attire, array, togs.

LORENZO.

The reason is, your spirits are attentive;  
 For do but note a wild and **wanton** herd,  
 Or race of youthful and unhandled colts,  
 Fetching mad bounds, **bellowing** and neighing loud,  
 Which is the hot condition of their blood;  
 If they but hear **perchance** a **trumpet** sound,  
 Or any air of music touch their ears,  
 You shall perceive them make a mutual stand,  
 Their savage eyes turn'd to a modest gaze  
 By the sweet power of music: therefore the poet  
 Did **feign** that Orpheus **drew** trees, stones, and floods;  
 Since nought so stockish, hard, and full of rage,  
 But music for the time doth change his nature.  
 The man that hath no music in himself,  
 Nor is not mov'd with **concord** of sweet sounds,  
 Is fit for treasons, stratagems, and spoils;  
 The motions of his spirit are dull as night,  
 And his affections dark as Erebus.  
 Let no such man be trusted. Mark the music.  
 [Enter PORTIA and NERISSA, at a distance.]

PORTIA.

That light we see is burning in my hall.  
 How far that little candle throws his beams!  
 So shines a good deed in a naughty world.

NERISSA.

When the moon shone, we did not see the candle.

PORTIA.

So doth the greater glory dim the less:  
 A substitute shines **brightly** as a king  
 Until a king be by, and then his state

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**bellowing:** (*n*) roaring, roar, bellows, hollo, holloa, rout, yowl, boation, mugieny, hollering; (*adj*) mugient.  
**brightly:** (*adv*) vividly, luminously, radiantly, gaily, clearly, shiningly, intensely, cheerfully, smartly, bright, lustroously. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) gloomily, drearily, bleakly, stupidly, dully, blankly, seriously, pessimistically.  
**concord:** (*n*) agreement, accordance, unity, harmony, union, unison,

alliance, tune; (*n, v*) concert, peace; (*v*) agree. ANTONYMS: (*n*) discord, conflict, war, disunity, disarray; (*v*) disagree.  
**drew:** (*n*) move, John Drew.  
**feign:** (*v*) dissemble, simulate, affect, pretend, assume, dissimulate, counterfeit, act, sham, fabricate; (*adj, v*) deceive.  
**perchance:** (*adv*) maybe, possibly, by chance, peradventure, accidentally, incidentally, mayhap, chance,

haphazard, probably, haply.  
**trumpet:** (*n*) horn, cornet, bugle, clarion, trump, brass, trombone; (*v*) proclaim, promulgate, show off, blare.  
**wanton:** (*adj*) loose, dissolute, light, licentious, unchaste, lewd, debauched, unprovoked; (*v*) dally; (*n, v*) sport; (*adj, v*) flirt. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) moral, wise, nice, kind, gentle, decent, clean, careful, observant, justifiable, involuntary.

Empties itself, as doth an inland brook  
Into the main of waters. Music! hark!

NERISSA.

It is your music, **madam**, of the house.

PORTIA.

Nothing is good, I see, without respect:  
Methinks it sounds much sweeter than by day.

NERISSA.

Silence bestows that virtue on it, madam.

PORTIA.

The **crow** doth sing as **sweetly** as the lark  
When neither is **attended**; and I think  
The **nightingale**, if she should sing by day,  
When every **goose** is cackling, would be thought  
No better a **musician** than the wren.  
How many things by season season'd are  
To their right **praise** and true perfection!  
Peace, ho! The moon sleeps with Endymion,  
And would not be awak'd!

[Music ceases.]

LORENZO.

That is the voice,

Or I am much deceiv'd, of Portia.

PORTIA.

He knows me as the blind man knows the cuckoo,  
By the bad voice.

LORENZO.

Dear lady, welcome home.

PORTIA.

We have been **praying** for our husbands' welfare,

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**attended:** (*adj*) attent, fraught, tended to.

**crow:** (*n, v*) brag, cry, snigger; (*v*) exult, triumph, cackle, chuckle, talk big; (*n*) gasconade, crowing; (*adj*) raven.

**goose:** (*n*) goof, fathead, cuckoo, barnacle, fool, jackass, brent, brant, goosecap; (*n, v*) spur; (*v*) serpent.

**madam:** (*n*) dame, lady, ma'am, gentlewoman, missis, Mrs, brothel keeper, madames, signora, female,

bawd.

**musician:** (*n*) singer, composer, instrumentalist, minstrel, clarinetist, lutenist, director, choirmaster, accompanist, harpsichordist, harpist.

**nightingale:** (*n*) bulbul, nurse, philomel, the lady with the lamp, singer, nighthawk, night bird, Florence nightingale, etc.

**praise:** (*v*) approve, extol, flatter, celebrate, glorify; (*n, v*) commend, compliment, honor, glory, acclaim;

(*n*) applause. ANTONYMS: (*n*) criticism, disparagement; (*v*) reprimand, disparage, reproach, scold, belittle, rebuke, chastise, denigrate, sully.

**praying:** (*n*) prayer.

**sweetly:** (*adv*) pleasantly, sweet, mildly, melodically, melodiously, softly, syrupily, beautifully, pleasingly, dulcetly, fairly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) discordantly, horribly, sharply, harshly, unkindly.

Which **speed**, we hope, the better for our words.  
Are they return'd?

LORENZO.

Madam, they are not yet;  
But there is come a messenger before,  
To signify their coming.

PORTIA.

Go in, Nerissa:  
Give order to my servants that they take  
No note at all of our being **absent** hence;  
Nor you, Lorenzo; Jessica, nor you.  
[A **tucket** sounds.]

LORENZO.

Your husband is at hand; I hear his trumpet.  
We are no tell-tales, madam, **fear** you not.

PORTIA.

This night methinks is but the **daylight** sick;  
It looks a little paler; 'tis a day  
Such as the day is when the sun is hid.

[Enter BASSANIO, ANTONIO, GRATIANO, and their FOLLOWERS.]

BASSANIO.

We should hold day with the Antipodes,  
If you would walk in **absence** of the sun.

PORTIA.

Let me give light, but let me not be light,  
For a light wife doth make a heavy husband,  
And never be Bassanio so for me:  
But God sort all! You are welcome home, my lord.

BASSANIO.

I thank you, madam; give welcome to my friend:

## Thesaurus

**absence:** (*n*) absenteeism, deficiency, lack, default, dearth, want, nonattendance, scarcity, paucity, shortage, privation. ANTONYMS: (*n*) attendance, existence, fulfillment, inclusion, occurrence, abundance, glut, confirmation, supply, excess.  
**absent:** (*adj*) wanting, inattentive, not present, preoccupied, lost, missing, faraway, nonexistent, absentminded, out; (*adj, adv*) off. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) alert, attendant, attending, existing,

here, real, attentive; (*adv*) in, visible.  
**daylight:** (*n*) dawn, daybreak, light, morning, sunrise, clearance, sunup, daytime, broad daylight, first light, afternoon. ANTONYMS: (*n*) night, sunset, dusk, dark, sundown, twilight, darkness, nightfall.  
**fear:** (*n*) awe, dismay, alarm, fright, consternation, care, anguish; (*n, v*) apprehension, doubt, concern, reverence. ANTONYMS: (*n*) fearlessness, reassurance, confidence,

courage, valor, calm, boldness, security, equanimity, peace; (*v*) brave.  
**speed:** (*n, v*) hurry, hasten, rush, race, dispatch; (*v*) quicken, run, dash, expedite; (*n*) velocity, rapidity. ANTONYMS: (*n*) amble, tardiness; (*v*) decelerate, hinder, linger, delay, crawl.  
**tucket:** (*n*) flourish, brandish.

This is the man, this is Antonio,  
To whom I am so infinitely bound.

PORTIA.

You should in all sense be much bound to him,  
For, as I hear, he was much bound for you.

ANTONIO.

No more than I am well **acquitted** of.

PORTIA.

Sir, you are very welcome to our house.  
It must appear in other ways than words,  
Therefore I scant this breathing courtesy.

GRATIANO.

[To NERISSA]  
By **yonder** moon I swear you do me wrong;  
In faith, I **gave** it to the judge's clerk.  
Would he were **gelt** that had it, for my part,  
Since you do take it, love, so much at heart.

PORTIA.

A **quarrel**, ho, already! What's the matter?

GRATIANO.

About a **hoop** of gold, a **paltry** ring  
That she did give me, whose **posy** was  
For all the world like cutlers' poetry  
Upon a knife, 'Love me, and leave me not.'

NERISSA.

What talk you of the posy, or the value?  
You swore to me, when I did give it you,  
That you would wear it till your hour of death,  
And that it should lie with you in your grave;  
Though not for me, yet for your **vehement** oaths,

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**acquitted:** (*adj*) not guilty, guiltless; (*v*) acquit, absolved.

**gave:** (*v*) deliver, allow, allot, provide, furnish, impart, administer; (*n*) gives.

**gelt:** (*n*) dough, pelf, lucre, kale, cabbage, bread, dinero, money, emasculate, gelding, castrate.

**hoop:** (*n*) circle, band, ring, loop, annulus, round, sphere, wheel, circlet, halo; (*v*) encircle.

**paltry:** (*adj, n*) mean; (*adj*) contemptible, measly, trifling, abject,

insignificant, inconsiderable, puny, little, trivial, low. ANTONYMS: (*adj*)

generous, substantial, plentiful, enormous, important, profound.

**posy:** (*n*) bouquet, nosegay, bunch, flower, garland, motto, wreath, chaplet, corsage, epigraph, festoon.

**quarrel:** (*adj, n, v*) dispute; (*n, v*) fight, feud, brawl, row, altercation, argue, conflict, squabble; (*n*) dissension, difference. ANTONYMS: (*n*)

agreement, reconciliation,

acceptance, concord, consensus; (*v*) agree.

**vehement:** (*adj*) fierce, intense, violent, strong, furious, passionate, ferocious, eager, hot, fervent, fervid.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) impassionate, indifferent, mild, calm.

**yonder:** (*adv*) beyond, further, farther, abroad, thither, further away, at that place; (*adj*) distant, yond, furious, fierce.

You should have been **respective** and have kept it.  
 Gave it a judge's **clerk**! No, God's my judge,  
 The clerk will ne'er wear **hair** on's face that had it.

GRATIANO.

He will, an if he live to be a man.

NERISSA.

Ay, if a woman live to be a man.

GRATIANO.

Now, by this hand, I gave it to a youth,  
 A kind of boy, a little **scrubbed** boy  
 No higher than thyself, the judge's clerk;  
 A **prating** boy that begg'd it as a fee;  
 I could not for my heart deny it him.

PORTIA.

You were to blame,--I must be plain with you,--  
 To part so slightly with your wife's first gift,  
 A thing stuck on with oaths upon your **finger**,  
 And so **riveted** with faith unto your flesh.  
 I gave my love a ring, and made him swear  
 Never to part with it, and here he stands,  
 I dare be sworn for him he would not leave it  
 Nor pluck it from his finger for the wealth  
 That the world **masters**. Now, in faith, Gratiano,  
 You give your wife too **unkind** a cause of grief;  
 An 'twere to me, I should be mad at it.

BASSANIO.

[Aside]

Why, I were best to cut my left hand off,  
 And swear I lost the ring **defending** it.

## Thesaurus

**clerk:** (*n, v*) writer, secretary, transcriber; (*n*) servant, shop assistant, salesclerk, employee, accountant, recorder; (*v*) scrivener, scribe.

**defending:** (*v*) defend; (*adj*) caring, shielding, protective, opposed, protecting; (*n*) patrol.

**finger:** (*v*) feel, handle, touch, thumb, indicate, point; (*n*) digit, dactyl, forefinger, pointer; (*n, v*) hand.  
 ANTONYM: (*v*) clear.

**hair:** (*n*) coat, coma, haircloth, pile, locks, filament, fleece, fur, hairbreadth, down, forelock.

**masters:** (*n*) Edgar lee Masters.

**prating:** (*n*) trash, drivel, report; (*v*) click, clack.

**respective:** (*adj*) individual, proper, relative, several, appropriate, peculiar, singular, corresponding, private, personal, regardful.

**riveted:** (*adj*) immovable, immobile, irremovable, rooted, wrapped up,

intent; (*v*) wrapped in, engrossed in, rapt, absorbed, transfixed.

ANTONYM: (*adj*) detached.

**scrubbed:** (*adj*) deferred, clean, cleaner.

**unkind:** (*adj*) cruel, harsh, unfeeling, inconsiderate, pitiless, heartless, inhuman, hard, thoughtless, brutal, mean. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) kind, considerate, pleasant, friendly, thoughtful, tactful, mild, gentle, generous, flattering, compassionate.



GRATIANO.

My Lord Bassanio gave his ring away  
Unto the judge that begg'd it, and indeed  
Deserv'd it too; and then the boy, his clerk,  
That took some pains in writing, he begg'd mine;  
And neither man nor master would take aught  
But the two rings.

PORTIA.

What ring gave you, my lord?  
Not that, I hope, which you receiv'd of me.

BASSANIO.

If I could add a lie **unto** a fault,  
I would deny it; but you see my finger  
Hath not the ring upon it; it is gone.

PORTIA.

Even so void is your false heart of truth;  
By heaven, I will **ne'er** come in your bed  
Until I see the ring.

NERISSA.

Nor I in yours  
Till I again see mine.

BASSANIO.

Sweet Portia,  
If you did know to whom I gave the ring,  
If you did know for whom I gave the ring,  
And would **conceive** for what I gave the ring,  
And how **unwillingly** I left the ring,  
When **nought** would be accepted but the ring,  
You would **abate** the strength of your **displeasure**.

## Thesaurus

**abate:** (*v*) bate, weaken, decline, remit, slack, slake, wane, relax, lessen, diminish, allay. ANTONYMS: (*v*) rise, grow, magnify, surge, intensify, expand, enlarge, enhance, amplify, prolong, extend.  
**conceive:** (*v*) think, imagine, comprehend, design, apprehend, realize, discover, cogitate, appreciate, invent, catch. ANTONYMS: (*v*) destroy, doubt, misunderstand, question, ruin.

**displeasure:** (*n*) resentment, discomfort, dissatisfaction, dislike, discontent, exasperation, disfavor, annoyance, offense, pique, disapproval. ANTONYMS: (*n*) satisfaction, pleasure, enjoyment, happiness, delight, contentment, equanimity, approval.  
**ne'er:** (*adv*) never, certainly not.  
**nought:** (*adj, n*) nil, naught, zero; (*n*) cipher, cypher, nobody, aught, nix, null, nada; (*adj*) no.

**unto:** (*prep, v*) to, till, up to; (*prep*) towards, before.  
**unwillingly:** (*adv*) grudgingly, loathly, aversely, unenthusiastically, indisposedly, resentfully, involuntarily, recalcitrantly, refractorily, lothly, hesitatingly. ANTONYM: (*adv*) wholeheartedly.

PORTIA.

If you had known the virtue of the ring,  
 Or half her **worthiness** that gave the ring,  
 Or your own honour to contain the ring,  
 You would not then have parted with the ring.  
 What man is there so much unreasonable,  
 If you had pleas'd to have **defended** it  
 With any terms of **zeal**, wanted the modesty  
 To **urge** the thing held as a ceremony?  
 Nerissa teaches me what to believe:  
 I'll die for't but some woman had the ring.

BASSANIO.

No, by my honour, madam, by my soul,  
 No woman had it, but a civil doctor,  
 Which did refuse three thousand ducats of me,  
 And begg'd the ring; the which I did deny him,  
 And suffer'd him to go displeas'd away;  
 Even he that had held up the very life  
 Of my dear friend. What should I say, sweet lady?  
 I was enforc'd to send it after him;  
 I was **beset** with shame and courtesy;  
 My honour would not let ingratitude  
 So much **besmear** it. Pardon me, good lady;  
 For, by these **blessed** candles of the night,  
 Had you been there, I think you would have begg'd  
 The ring of me to give the worthy doctor.

PORTIA.

Let not that doctor e'er come near my house;  
 Since he hath got the **jewel** that I loved,  
 And that which you did swear to keep for me,  
 I will become as liberal as you;

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**beset:** (*v*) beleaguer, afflict, assault, siege, molest, worry, attack, plague, obsess, assail; (*adv, v*) surround.

**besmear:** (*v*) bedaub, bemire, daub, begrime, smear, soil, befoul, foul, contaminate, taint, cover.

**blessed:** (*adj*) happy, holy, cursed, sacred, damned, hallowed, blasted, fortunate, saintly, lucky, divine.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) unlucky, condemned, damned, disapproved, unhappy, unholy, secular.

**defended:** (*adj*) shielded, secured, watched over, secure, sacred.

**jewel:** (*n*) gemstone, darling, diamond, jewelry, trinket, treasure, ornament, idol; (*adj, n*) bijou, precious stone; (*adj*) brilliant.

**urge:** (*v*) push, press, advocate, persuade, impel, induce; (*n, v*) spur, drive, force; (*n*) impulse; (*adj, v*) incite. ANTONYMS: (*n*) dislike, hate, aversion, disinclination; (*v*) dissuade, oppose, demand, prevent, restrain.

**worthiness:** (*n*) merit, virtue, praiseworthiness, deservingness, roadworthiness, respectability, quotability, nobility; (*adj*) dignity, respect; (*adj, n*) honor. ANTONYMS: (*n*) shamefulfulness, unworthiness, immorality.

**zeal:** (*adj, n*) eagerness; (*n*) fervor, enthusiasm, devotion, passion, vehemence, fire, fervency, heat, fervour, ardour. ANTONYMS: (*n*) apathy, lethargy, patience.

I'll not deny him anything I have,  
 No, not my body, nor my husband's bed.  
 Know him I shall, I am well sure of it.  
 Lie not a night from home; watch me like Argus;  
 If you do not, if I be left alone,  
 Now, by mine honour which is yet mine own,  
 I'll have that doctor for mine bedfellow.

NERISSA.

And I his clerk; therefore be well advis'd  
 How you do leave me to mine own protection.

GRATIANO.

Well, do you so: let not me take him then;  
 For, if I do, I'll mar the young clerk's pen.

ANTONIO.

I am the **unhappy** subject of these quarrels.

PORTIA.

Sir, grieve not you; you are welcome notwithstanding.

BASSANIO.

Portia, forgive me this **enforced** wrong;  
 And in the **hearing** of these many friends  
 I swear to thee, even by thine own **fair** eyes,  
 Wherein I see myself,--

PORTIA.

Mark you but that!  
 In both my eyes he **doubly** sees himself,  
 In each eye one; swear by your **double** self,  
 And there's an oath of credit.

BASSANIO.

Nay, but hear me:

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**double:** (*adj, n*) twin; (*adj*) dual, duple, twofold; (*v*) fold, bend, geminate; (*adj, v*) reduplicate; (*n*) substitute, mate, image. ANTONYMS: (*adj, n*) single; (*v*) decrease, divide, halve; (*adj*) multivalent, univalent, lone.  
**doubly:** (*adv*) twice, twofold, two times, in two ways, dualistically.  
**enforced:** (*adj*) required, obligatory, compulsory, applied, compelled, binding, essential, requisite, necessary, mandatory, legal.

ANTONYMS: (*adj*) optional, unenforced, voluntary.  
**fair:** (*adj*) clear, beautiful, sweet, reasonable, dispassionate, average, fine, impartial; (*adj, v*) bright; (*adj, adv*) clean; (*n*) blonde. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) biased, unjust, exceptional, dark, partial, mismatched, unwarranted, foul, imbalanced, prejudiced, poor.  
**hearing:** (*n*) audition, ear, auditory sense, trial, consultation, reach, auscultation, inquiry; (*n, v*) earshot,

sound; (*adj, n*) audience.  
**unhappy:** (*adj*) gloomy, dismal, depressed, melancholy, sad, miserable, sorrowful, distressed, disconsolate, infelicitous, low. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) happy, cheerful, satisfied, pleased, glad, euphoric, fortunate, contented, joyful, timely, lucky.

Pardon this **fault**, and by my soul I swear  
I never more will break an oath with thee.

ANTONIO.

I once did lend my body for his wealth,  
Which, but for him that had your husband's ring,  
Had quite miscarried; I dare be bound again,  
My soul upon the forfeit, that your lord  
Will never more break faith **advisedly**.

PORTIA.

Then you shall be his surety. Give him this,  
And bid him keep it better than the other.

ANTONIO.

Here, Lord Bassanio, swear to keep this ring.

BASSANIO.

By heaven! it is the same I gave the **doctor**!

PORTIA.

I had it of him: pardon me, Bassanio,  
For, by this ring, the doctor lay with me.

NERISSA.

And pardon me, my gentle Gratiano,  
For that same scrubbed boy, the doctor's clerk,  
In lieu of this, last night did lie with me.

GRATIANO.

Why, this is like the **mending** of high **ways**  
In **summer**, where the ways are fair enough.  
What! are we cuckolds ere we have deserv'd it?

PORTIA.

Speak not so grossly. You are all amaz'd:  
Here is a **letter**; read it at your leisure;  
It comes from Padua, from Bellario:

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**advisedly**: (*adv*) intentionally, purposely, on purpose, designedly, wittingly, knowingly, studiously, by choice; (*adj*) pointedly, studiously, freely.

**doctor**: (*v*) cure, mend, repair, remedy, attend, adulterate, fix, heal; (*n*) doc, Dr; (*adj*) doctorly. ANTONYMS: (*v*) purify, clean, distill, harm, hurt, injure, wound.

**fault**: (*adj, n, v*) deficiency; (*n*) error, blot, delinquency, flaw, break,

blunder; (*adj, n*) failing, blemish; (*n, v*) blame, crime. ANTONYMS: (*n*) strength, virtue, capability, innocence, perfection, credit, ease; (*v*) praise, absolve.

**letter**: (*n*) epistle, mail, character, communication, alphabetic character, dispatch, note, message, memorandum, type, memo.

**mending**: (*n*) fix, repair, fixing, maintenance, restoration, reparation, improvement, darning, mend,

amendment, correction.

**summer**: (*n*) summertime, joist, rafter, beam, scaffold, season, skeleton, corner stone, lintel, transom, girder. ANTONYM: (*n*) winter.

**ways**: (*n*) behavior, process, shipway, slipway, means, childbearing, conduct, construction, demeanor, direction, traveling.

There you shall find that Portia was the doctor,  
Nerissa there, her clerk: Lorenzo here  
Shall witness I set forth as soon as you,  
And even but now return'd; I have not yet  
Enter'd my house. Antonio, you are welcome;  
And I have better news in **store** for you  
Than you expect: **unseal** this letter soon;  
There you shall find three of your argosies  
Are richly come to **harbour** suddenly.  
You shall not know by what strange accident  
I chanced on this letter.

ANTONIO.

I am **dumb**.

BASSANIO.

Were you the doctor, and I knew you not?

GRATIANO.

Were you the clerk that is to make me **cuckold**?

NERISSA.

Ay, but the clerk that never means to do it,  
Unless he live until he be a man.

BASSANIO.

Sweet doctor, you shall be my bedfellow:  
When I am absent, then lie with my wife.

ANTONIO.

Sweet **lady**, you have given me life and living;  
For here I read for certain that my ships  
Are **safely** come to road.

PORTIA.

How now, Lorenzo!  
My clerk hath some good **comforts** too for you.

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**comforts:** (*n*) amenities, bread and butter, convenience, conveniences.  
**cuckold:** (*v*) deceive, cheat on, cheat, delude, cuckoldize, abandon, chouse, cornute, cozen; (*n*) hubby, cokewold.  
**dumb:** (*adj*) mute, speechless, dense, dim, silent, dull, slow, stupid, inarticulate, foolish, obtuse.  
ANTONYMS: (*adj*) bright, communicative, intelligent, loquacious, sharp, smart, speaking, brilliant, talkative.

**harbour:** (*n, v*) harbor; (*v*) conceal, entertain, cherish, contain, bear, shield; (*n*) anchorage, pier, sanctuary, haven.  
**lady:** (*n*) gentlewoman, Mrs, duchess, countess, spouse, madam, ma'am, milady, matron, woman; (*v*) squaw.  
ANTONYM: (*n*) Lord.  
**safely:** (*adv*) surely, safe, certainly, cautiously, soundly, strongly, sure, steadily, harmlessly, unharmedly, unhurtly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*)

harmfully, hazardingly, loosely.  
**store:** (*n, v*) stock, hoard, bank, cache, supply; (*n*) shop, market, business; (*v*) accumulate, garner, keep.  
ANTONYMS: (*v*) spend, delete; (*n*) dearth.  
**unseal:** (*v*) uncover, unfold, unmask, open up, unkennel, unveil.  
ANTONYMS: (*n, v*) seal.

NERISSA.

Ay, and I'll give them him without a fee.  
There do I give to you and Jessica,  
From the rich Jew, a special deed of gift,  
After his death, of all he dies possess'd of.

LORENZO.

Fair ladies, you drop **manna** in the way  
Of **starved** people.

PORTIA.

It is almost morning,  
And yet I am sure you are not satisfied  
Of these **events** at full. Let us go in;  
And charge us there upon inter'gatories,  
And we will answer all things **faithfully**.

GRATIANO.

Let it be so: he first inter'gatory  
That my Nerissa shall be sworn on is,  
Whe'r till the next night she had rather stay,  
Or go to bed now, being two hours to day:  
But were the day come, I should wish it dark,  
Till I were couching with the doctor's clerk.  
Well, while I live, I'll fear no other thing  
So **sore** as **keeping safe** Nerissa's ring.

[Exeunt.]

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**events:** (*n*) athletics, plot, activities, actions.

**faithfully:** (*adv*) exactly, accurately, sincerely, staunchly, precisely, truly, authentically, dutifully, literally, steadfastly, truly. ANTONYMS: (*adv*) unfaithfully, approximately, falsely, insincerely, carelessly, inaccurately.

**keeping:** (*n*) care, conservation, charge, guardianship, maintenance, holding, observance, storage,

conformation, consistency, conformity.

**manna:** (*n*) honey, nutrient, sap, godsend, miraculous food, treacle, syrup, sugar, molasses, bonanza, boom.

**safe:** (*adj*) reliable, cautious, good, dependable, sound, harmless, innocuous, correct, innocent, inoffensive; (*n*) closet. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) dangerous, risky, unprotected, vulnerable, hurt, insecure, harmful,

reckless, unreliable, toxic, injured.

**sore:** (*adj, n, v*) hurt; (*adj*) sensitive, angry, grievous, raw; (*n*) injury, lesion, cut, boil; (*v*) acute; (*adj, v*) sharp. ANTONYMS: (*adj*) happy, healthy, pleased, comfortable.

**starved:** (*adj*) famished, starving, ravenous, meager, emaciated, malnourished, thin, esurient, hungerly, lean, starveling. ANTONYM: (*adj*) healthy.



## GLOSSARY

**abate:** (v) bate, weaken, decline, remit, slack, slake, wane, relax, lessen, diminish, allay.

ANTONYMS: (v) rise, grow, magnify, surge, intensify, expand, enlarge, enhance, amplify, prolong, extend

**abide:** (v) endure, bide, undergo, tolerate, take, suffer, stomach, bear, brook; (adj, v) stay, dwell.

ANTONYMS: (v) check, depart, disallow, disapprove, disbelieve, journey, dodge, leave, migrate, move, pass

**abject:** (adj) contemptible, pitiful, low, wretched, despicable, sordid, base, mean, vile; (n) ignominious, dirty. ANTONYMS: (adj) honorable, hopeful, magnificent, esteemed, proud, dignified, commendable, noble, exalted, worthy, happy

**able:** (adj) dexterous, competent, clever, ingenious, accomplished, gifted, effective, fit, expert; (adj, n) talented, efficient. ANTONYMS: (adj) incapable, incompetent, weak, untrained, inept, delicate, feeble, infirm, clumsy, ineffective, ineffectual

**above:** (adv, prep) beyond, aloft, on, in excess of; (adv) up, supra, on top; (adj) preceding, former; (adj, prep) past; (prep) surpassing.

ANTONYMS: (prep) beneath, under, deficient, underneath; (adj) inferior, following

**abroad:** (adj, adv) overseas, away; (adv) afield, forth, beyond seas, yonder, farther, at large, further; (adj) foreign, out. ANTONYMS: (adj) remaining, nearby

**absence:** (n) absenteeism, deficiency, lack, default, dearth, want, nonattendance, scarcity, paucity, shortage, privation. ANTONYMS: (n) attendance, existence, fulfillment, inclusion, occurrence,

abundance, glut, confirmation, supply, excess

**absent:** (adj) wanting, inattentive, not present, preoccupied, lost, missing, faraway, nonexistent,

absentminded, out; (adj, adv) off. ANTONYMS: (adj) alert, attendant, attending, existing, here, real, attentive; (adv) in, visible

**abundance:** (adj) plenty; (n) plenitude, store, richness, profusion, amplitude, exuberance, affluence, treasure, enough; (adj, n) riches.

ANTONYMS: (n) scarcity, shortage, insufficiency, lack, aridity, scarceness, paucity, emptiness, fruitlessness, bareness

**accept:** (v) acknowledge, take, admit, recognize, yield, abide, accede, acquiesce, adopt, believe, assume.

ANTONYMS: (v) refuse, reject, deny, snub, renounce, oppose, resist, disbelieve, dispute, repudiate, quibble

**acceptance:** (n) recognition, acknowledgment, adoption, confirmation, assumption, approval, credence, welcome, accession, receipt, acquiescence. ANTONYMS:

(n) refutation, dispatch, reprisal, protest, opposition, intolerance, disagreement, defiance, refusal, resistance, wildness

**accepted:** (adj) standard, acceptable, orthodox, acknowledged, assumed, established, understood, received, approved, current, proper.

ANTONYMS: (adj) concealed, unusual, unorthodox, unconventional, refused, questionable, irregular, rejected, unknown, innovative, incorrect

**according:** (adj) pursuant, consonant, equal, agreeable, harmonious, conformable, consistent, corresponding, respondent; (adv) correspondingly, accordingly

**account:** (n) narrative, score, tale, reckoning, narration, description, tally, tab, reason; (n, v) regard, report

**acknowledge:** (v) recognize, confess, accept, profess, own, admit, concede, appreciate, notice, declare, approve. ANTONYMS: (v) ignore, overlook, reject, repudiate, snub, refuse, renounce, abjure, disavow, disregard, refute

**acquaintance:** (n) connection, friend, acquaintanceship, mate, awareness, associate, buddy, friendship, intercourse, companion; (n, v) knowledge. ANTONYMS: (n)

ignorance, inexperience, unfamiliarity, animosity, enemy

**acquainted:** (adj) knowledgeable, informed, aware, cognizant, conversant, hand and glove, intimate, thick; (adv) abreast; (v) inform, acquaint

**acquitted:** (adj) not guilty, guiltless; (v) acquit, absolved

**adieu:** (int, n) farewell; (n) vale, valediction, goodbye, leave, cheerio, adios, bye, so long, parting; (int) bon voyage. ANTONYM: (n) greeting

**admit:** (n, v) allow; (adj, v) acknowledge; (v) concede, accede, grant, affirm, confess, include, permit, take, welcome.

ANTONYMS: (v) reject, exclude, bar, dispute, gainsay, withhold, refuse, oust, hide, eject, dismiss

**advantage:** (n) privilege, behalf, profit, good, preponderance, account, lead, virtue, expediency, perk; (n, v) boot. ANTONYMS: (n, v) disadvantage; (n) drawback, difficulty, detriment, hindrance, minus, restriction, obstacle, loss, inferiority, inconvenience

**adversary:** (n) antagonist, foe, enemy, competitor, rival, opposition, opposer, contestant, match,



somebody; (adj) hostile.  
**ANTONYMS:** (n) ally, supporter, friend, partner, helper, assistant  
**advised:** (adj) studied, considered, premeditated, deliberate, calculated, intended; (v) determinate, express, designed  
**advisedly:** (adv) intentionally, purposely, on purpose, designedly, wittingly, knowingly, studiously, by choice; (adj) pointedly, studiously, freely  
**afear:** (adj) afraid  
**affairs:** (n) dealings, concern, circumstances, transaction, occupation, duty, matters, matter, personal business, gear, finances  
**affection:** (n) charity, attachment, fondness, heart, love, disease, nature, feeling, affectionateness, tenderness, kindness. **ANTONYMS:** (n) disgust, neglect, malice, loathing, dislike, detachment, coldness, roughness  
**affections:** (n) bosom  
**aforsaid:** (adj) aforementioned, said, foregoing, above-mentioned, same, preceding, former, foresaid  
**afternoon:** (n) Pm, farewell, greeting, P, salutation, in the afternoon, daytime, noon, postmeridian, midday, daylight. **ANTONYMS:** (n) morning, nighttime  
**again:** (adv) more, then, repeatedly, anew, encore, furthermore, yet, also, often, once again, once more  
**against:** (adj, adv) counter; (prep) toward, versus, from; (pref) by; (v) oppose; (adv, prep) on; (n) opposition; (adj) unwilling, repugnant; (adv) athwart. **ANTONYMS:** (prep) for; (adj) eager  
**agitation:** (n) disturbance, excitement, tumult, stirring, convulsion, stir, commotion, emotion, unrest, shake, turmoil. **ANTONYMS:** (n) serenity, calm, equanimity, rest, peace, deterrent  
**agree:** (v) admit, acknowledge, acquiesce, adjust, concord, bargain, suit, accede, harmonize, fit; (n, v) coincide. **ANTONYMS:** (v) oppose, differ, argue, refuse, object, refute, conflict, fight, dispute, decline, contend  
**ague:** (n) acute, symptom, sickness, malady, illness, malaria, paludism, swamp fever, chills and fever; (adj) appendicitis, angina pectoris  
**alas:** (adv) unluckily, regretably, sadly, unhappily, sorry to say; (n) oh; (int) lackaday. **ANTONYM:**

(adv) luckily  
**albeit:** (conj) though, even though, Albee, albe, all; (adv) whilst, however, nevertheless, notwithstanding, but; (n) while  
**alcides:** (n) Heracles, Herakles, Hercules  
**alive:** (adj) live, vivacious, living, sensible, delicate, snappy, animated, lively, spry, responsive; (n) life. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) deceased, inanimate, unanimated, dispirited, dull, inactive, lethargic, lifeless, listless, nonfunctioning, sluggish  
**allay:** (n, v) ease; (adj, v) still, quell, lay, appease, quiet; (v) abate, mitigate, moderate, quench, alleviate. **ANTONYMS:** (v) arouse, excite, heighten, intensify, magnify, provoke, stir, exacerbate, aggravate  
**almost:** (adj, adv, prep) about; (adj, adv) nearly, all but, near, nigh; (adv, prep) just about, approximately; (adv) just, mostly, virtually, most. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) surely, exactly, definitely, certainly  
**along:** (adv) ahead, alongside, forwards, forth, throughout, lengthwise, onward, before; (prep) beside, from; (n) at. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) across, separate, apart, far  
**aloof:** (adj) distant, reserved, cool, standoffish, unconcerned, indifferent, unfriendly, frigid, arrogant, cold; (adv) afar. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) friendly, involved, approachable, sociable, outgoing, open, enthusiastic, relaxed, communicative, affable, respectful  
**already:** (adv) beforehand, previously, before, formerly, even now, just now, at present, once, heretofore, yet, in advance  
**alter:** (v) change, adapt, move, convert, adjust, amend, affect, transform, correct, vary, shift. **ANTONYMS:** (v) continue, keep, leave, preserve, worsen, retain, standardize, straighten, clarify  
**although:** (adv, prep) notwithstanding; (prep) in spite of, even though, however; (adv, conj) though; (conj) whereas; (adv) even, tho, when, anyway, tho'  
**always:** (adv) continuously, whenever, permanently, ever, usually, eternally, unceasingly; (adj) perpetual, still, eternal; (adj, adv) without exception. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) erratically, intermittently, temporarily

**ambassador:** (n) emissary, minister, messenger, envoy, agent, delegate, representative, ambassador, herald, ambassadress, deputy  
**ambitious:** (adj) eager, difficult, energetic, competitive, desirous, grandiose, enterprising, pushy, challenging; (adj, v) aspiring, vaulting. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) fulfilled, undemanding, unambitious, slothful, simple, satisfied, lazy, humble, facile, easy, content  
**amen:** (adj) right, correct; (n) Amon; (adv) positively, yes  
**amity:** (n) friendship, concord, companionship, benevolence, peace, harmony, friendliness, brotherhood, fellowship, sympathy, camaraderie. **ANTONYMS:** (n) hostility, discord, antagonism, war, animosity  
**among:** (prep) between, amidst, mid, in, amongst, in the middle of, inter, in the midst of, with, within, middle. **ANTONYM:** (prep) outside  
**amorous:** (adj) amatory, romantic, amative, affectionate, passionate, fond, warm, ardent, erotic, tender, impassioned. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) cold, hateful, repulsed, unfriendly, cool  
**ancient:** (adj) old, obsolete, antiquated, former, past, archaic, antique, primitive, bygone, hoary; (adj, n) elder. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) contemporary, young, recent, fresh, new, present, youthful, current  
**andrew:** (n) St andrew, Saint andrew, saint Andrew the apostle  
**angel:** (n, v) sponsor, support; (n) backer, cherub, messenger, patron, benefactor, saint; (adj) Dulcinea, goddess; (adj, n) darling. **ANTONYMS:** (n) fiend, devil, jerk, demon  
**animals:** (n) beast, nature, natural world, flora and fauna, stock, animal kingdom  
**anon:** (adv) directly, immediately, early, readily, soon, instantly, again, forthwith, promptly, shortly, rath  
**another:** (adj) second, more, alternative, additional, new, further, fresh, extra; (adj, v) other; (adj, pron) some other; (n) the other.  
**ANTONYMS:** (n, pron) same  
**answer:** (n, v) respond, retort; (v) counter, serve, resolve, acknowledge, correspond; (n) solution, defence, return, reaction. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) question; (v) ask, differ, fail, ignore; (n) request,

problem, invitation, poison

**answers:** (n) replies; (adj) answering

**anything:** (adv) any, somewhat; (n) thing, aught, everything, something, any part; (adj) whatsoever; (pron) suchlike

**apparel:** (n, v) garb, attire, garment, array, vesture; (n) clothing, finery, costume, clothes; (v) adorn, clothe

**apparent:** (adj, adv) visible; (adj) discernible, patent, plain, open, obvious, ostensible, clear, definite, evident, perceptible. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unclear, real, obscure, mysterious, hidden, ambiguous, unlikely, questionable, uncertain, imperceptible, doubtful

**appear:** (v) occur, seem, sound, come out, turn up, show, emerge, break, arrive, feel, arise. **ANTONYMS:** (v) vanish, hide, stop, sink, recede, go, depart

**appears:** (n) appearing

**appetite:** (n, v) desire; (n) appetite, appetency, relish, inclination, stomach, taste, thirst, passion, liking, gusto. **ANTONYMS:** (n) dislike, repulsion, revulsion, apathy, distaste

**applause:** (n, v) acclaim, praise; (n) admiration, approval, eulogy, compliment, plaudit, commendation, clapping, clap, ovation. **ANTONYMS:** (n) disapproval, Boos, booing, denigration, hisses, hissing, rejection, condemnation, criticism, jeering

**apple:** (n) *Malus pumila*, pome, earth, city, world, orchard apple tree; (v) apple slump, ball; (adj) green

**approach:** (n) access, entry, means, advent, coming, entrance, arrival; (n, v) advance; (v) accost, address; (adv, v) near. **ANTONYMS:** (n) departure, withdrawal, leaving, distancing; (v) end, withdraw, finish, distance, depart, conclude, close

**approaching:** (adj) future, forthcoming, impending, imminent, oncoming, near; (adj, n) coming; (n, v) approach; (adv) nearly, almost; (prep) toward

**appropriation:** (n) adoption, seizure, annexation, embezzlement, assumption, allocation, requisition, theft, capture, assignment; (v) abstraction. **ANTONYMS:** (n) refusal, rejection, repayment, restoration, return, surrender

**approve:** (v) adopt, allow, accept, acknowledge, ratify, let, agree,

endorse, admit, support, applaud.

**ANTONYMS:** (v) condemn, censure, disapprove, veto, forbid, invalidate, disallow, disrespect, deny, desecrate, oppose

**april:** (n) Apr

**argosy:** (n) fleet

**army:** (n) troop, host, armed forces, battery, swarm, navy, multitude, force, flock; (adj, n) military; (adj) array

**arrow:** (n) missile, bolt, dart, barb, gun, spear, bullet, cursor; (adj, n) rocket; (adj) hydrargyrum, quicksilver

**aside:** (adv) apart, away, beside, alongside, in reserve, off, abreast; (adj, adv) by; (n) digression, divagation, parenthesis.

**ANTONYMS:** (adv) erectly, uprightly, vertically

**aspect:** (n) look, surface, view, prospect, expression, side, manner, bearing, vista, feature; (n, v) regard

**asses:** (n) equidae

**assume:** (v) accept, adopt, take, appropriate, arrogate, suppose, simulate, sham, presume, usurp; (adv, v) feign. **ANTONYMS:** (v) relinquish, abandon, return, renounce, know, doubt, defer, appreciate, despair, speculate, surrender

**assured:** (n, v) certain, sure; (adj) confident, guaranteed, positive, definite, assertive, confirmed, convinced, reliable, safe. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) uncertain, doubtful, unsure, troubled, timid, questionable, hesitant, confused, halting, unlikely

**attempt:** (n, v) endeavor, offer, struggle, assay, essay, attack; (n) effort, trial; (v) undertake, chance, aim. **ANTONYMS:** (n) success, fulfillment, achievement, accomplishment; (v) succeed, fulfill, achieve, accomplish, perform

**attend:** (n, v) tend, escort, nurse, conduct; (v) assist, serve, minister, aid, look, partake, follow.

**ANTONYMS:** (v) neglect, leave, ignore, disregard, desert, abandon

**attendants:** (n) entourage, followers, retinue, tendance, persons present, suite

**attended:** (adj) attent, fraught, tended to

**attribute:** (adj, n) quality, property; (n, v) assign; (n) feature, emblem, characteristic, peculiarity, mark; (v) credit, impute, accredit

**aught:** (n) nil, zero, anything, ought, cypher, nix, cipher, naught, null, zip; (adj) any

**authority:** (n) ascendancy, sanction, warrant, administration, authorization, professional, judge, hold, domination, dominance; (adj, n) rule. **ANTONYMS:** (n) novice, neophyte, weakness, apprentice, servility, servitude, refusal, powerlessness, insecurity, inferiority, indecisiveness

**autumn:** (n) fall, season, downfall, descent, declivity, harvest

**avenue:** (n) road, route, sort, path, passage, approach, way, means, boulevard, course, lane

**away:** (adj, adv) abroad, absent; (adj, adv, int) out; (adj) distant; (adv) aside, aloof, afar, way, by, forth; (adv, int) off. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) adjacent, neighboring, nearby, near, close; (adv) intermittently, haltingly, discontinuously, in

**awear:** (adj) tired

**bachelor:** (adj) single, unmarried, unattached; (n) unmarried man, graduate, knight bachelor, widower, old bachelor, spinster, adult male, agamist. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) married; (n) husband

**backward:** (adj, adv) late, behindhand; (adj) tardy, retarded, reluctant, coy, slow, laggard, dilatory; (adv) behind, backwardly. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, adv) ahead; (adv) onward; (adj) quick, developing, advanced, confident, brilliant, bold

**badge:** (n) sign, emblem, insignia, medal, token, plaque, symbol, logo, indication, identification, characteristic

**bagpipe:** (n) wind, bagpipes, musette

**bags:** (n) plenty, many, belongings, loads, luggage, heaps; (adj) numberless

**bait:** (v) badger, tease; (adj, v) molest, harass, harr; (n, v) lure, bribe; (n) decoy, snare, temptation, attraction. **ANTONYMS:** (v) repel, repulse, pacify, mollify, please

**balance:** (n, v) counterbalance, adjust, poise, settle; (v) offset, compensate, contrast; (n) symmetry, Libra, remainder, excess. **ANTONYMS:** (v) unbalance, neglect, surmise, suppose, guess; (n) asymmetry, inequality, instability, irrationality, nervousness, bias

**balls:** (n) guts, family jewels, intestinal fortitude, nerve, spirit,

tenacity, valor, audacity, prowess

**balthazar:** (n) Balthasar

**bankrupt:** (v) ruin, break, impoverish, deprive; (adj) broke, destitute, poor, impoverished; (n) bankruptcy, failure, insolvency.

ANTONYMS: (adj) rich, profiting, flourishing, wealthy; (v) enrich

**barbarous:** (adj) barbaric, savage, gothic, brutal, heathen, truculent, rude, fell, ferocious, fierce, uncivilized. ANTONYMS: (adj) nice, cultured, civilized, sophisticated, refined, humane

**bare:** (adj) naked, austere, bald, stark, bleak, exposed, desolate, plain; (adj, v) empty, vacant; (v) show.

ANTONYMS: (adj) cultivated, ornate, concealed, elaborate, adorned, decorated, dressed, clothed, embellished; (v) cover, conceal

**barely:** (adv) merely, just, nakedly, scantily, simply, nudely, baldly, purely, narrowly; (adj, adv) scarcely, only. ANTONYMS: (adj) enough, amply, sufficiently, abundantly; (adv) much, thoroughly, well, easily, obviously, clearly, strongly

**bargain:** (adj, n, v) cheap; (n, v) covenant, deal; (n) agreement, treaty, arrangement, buy, chaffer; (v) exchange, stipulate, agree.

ANTONYM: (adj) inflated

**bark:** (n, v) skin, yelp, snarl, cry, rind, shout; (v) growl, roar; (n) bay, peel, crust. ANTONYMS: (n, v) whisper

**baron:** (n) king, magnate, earl, lord, tycoon, businessman, thane, nobleman, top executive, man of means; (v) man

**barren:** (adj, n) sterile; (adj) infertile, deserted, arid, void, dry, stark, meagre, fruitless, abortive; (n) waste. ANTONYMS: (adj) productive, lush, fruitful, developing, growing, profitable, rewarding, rich, sheltered, humid, populous

**bars:** (n) grinding media, gymnastics, parallel bars

**base:** (adj) abject, mean, dishonorable, low, vile, ignoble, bad, contemptible; (n) foundation; (n, v) ground; (v) found.

ANTONYMS: (n) top, summit, frill, ceiling, apex; (adj) noble, honest, good, principled, grand, pleasant

**basket:** (n) cage, hamper, basketful, creel, Corf, coop, bucket, spinner basket, bassinet, containerful, cradle

**bastard:** (adj, n) illegitimate, fake;

(adj) spurious, phony, misbegotten, bastardly, adulterine, impure; (n) whoreson, love child, illegitimate child. ANTONYM: (adj) fathered

**bate:** (v) abate, curtail, discount, deduct, dequantitate, douse, contain, drench, detract; (n) battue, bath

**bated:** (adj) weak, faint, decreased

**bear:** (v) accept, take, stand, acquit, abide, allow, wear, comport, tolerate, convey, team.

ANTONYMS: (v) release, avoid, destroy, dodge, take, eradicate, evade, kill, refuse, erase; (n) bull

**beard:** (v) defy, dare; (adj, v) brave; (adj, n) hair; (n) whiskers, moustache, sloven, facial hair; (n, v) camouflage, disguise, mask.

ANTONYM: (n) shaven

**bearing:** (n, v) demeanor; (n) manner, direction, deportment, conduct, attitude, aspect, approach, appearance, respect, air.

ANTONYMS: (n) insignificance, irrelevance; (adj) nonbearing

**bears:** (n) spipped, badgers, Carnivora, order Carnivora

**beast:** (n) animal, monster, swine, fiend, creature, scavenger, savage, critter, animate being, barbarian; (adj) bear. ANTONYM: (n) man

**beaten:** (adj) overpowered, routed, conquered, overcome, prostrate, frothy, trounced, worsted; (v) beat, lose, fail. ANTONYMS: (adj) heartened, uplifted, triumphant, encouraged, loose

**beauteous:** (adj) pretty, lovely, fair, comely, good-looking, handsome, stunning

**beautiful:** (adj) attractive, good-looking, bright, neat, beauteous, pleasant, picturesque, fine, pretty, lovely; (n) beauty. ANTONYMS: (adj) unattractive, homely, grotesque, plain, repulsive, awkward, ordinary, dull

**beauty:** (n) attractiveness, beaut, charm, pulchritude, loveliness, exquisiteness, grace, grandeur, looker, good looks; (adj) beautiful.

ANTONYMS: (n) hag, plainness, shortcoming, flaw, witch, dog, disadvantage, detraction, repulsiveness, eyesore, awkwardness

**become:** (v) grow, suit, be, match, come about, arise, get, sit, to become, fall; (adj) becoming. ANTONYMS: (v) halt, stay, lower, stop, reduce, clash

**bedfellow:** (n) friend, bedmate, someone, somebody, person, mortal, individual, human, soul, partner, amigo

**before:** (adv) ahead, ago, in front, previously, already, forth; (adv, prep) fore, afore; (adj) preceding, prior; (adj, adv) earlier.

ANTONYMS: (adv, prep) later, behind, afterward, after; (adv) subsequently, ahead; (adj) subsequent

**beggar:** (n) mendicant, mumper, pauper, tramp, sponger, joker, poor man, cadger, bloke; (v) beg, pauperize. ANTONYM: (n) giver

**begin:** (v) commence, arise, initiate, become, enter, rise, originate, undertake, create, dawn, set out. ANTONYMS: (v) end, stop, cease, terminate, die, delay, complete, conclude

**beget:** (v) beget

**behaviour:** (n) behavior, action, bearing, activity, act, dealing, deed, character, proceeding, moral conduct, conduct

**beheld:** (adj) visual

**behind:** (adj, n) back, rear; (adj, adv) backward, late; (adv) backwards, later, aback, beyond; (n) backside, can; (prep) abaft. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) early; (adv) fore; (adj) prompt

**behold:** (v) see, view, contemplate, regard, perceive, observe, look, consider, discern, descry, watch. ANTONYMS: (v) Miss, disregard, ignore, overlook

**beholding:** (n) fusion, seeing, visual perception, look

**believe:** (n) belief, believing; (v) assume, conceive, consider, reckon, guess, accredit, to believe, understand; (n, v) trust.

ANTONYMS: (v) distrust, doubt, question, suspect, reject, discredit, deny, despair

**bell:** (n, v) chime; (n) gong, Alexander Graham Bell, ring, doorbell, handbell, tocsin, alarum, Alexander Bell, buzz, angelus

**bellowing:** (n) roaring, roar, bellows, hollo, holloa, rout, yowl, boation, mugency, hollering; (adj) mugient

**belly:** (n) stomach, inside, pregnancy, maw, bowels, intestines, waist, corporation; (v) balloon, swell, bloat

**beloved:** (adj, n) dear, darling, favorite, pet; (adj) precious, loved, cherished; (n) love, dearest, honey, sweetheart. ANTONYMS: (adj) detested, despised, disliked

**bend:** (n, v) bow, turn, arch, crook, twist, elbow; (adj, n, v) curve; (v) stoop, crouch; (adj, v) flex.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) square; (v) align, unbend, leave

**beneath:** (adv, prep) below, under; (adj) low, inferior; (adv) downward, infra, at a lower place; (prep) lower than, less than, unworthy of, unbecoming. ANTONYMS: (adv, prep) over; (adv) higher

**bereft:** (adj, v) cut off; (adj) destitute, devoid, forlorn, void, deprived, lovelorn, grieving, deserted, insufficient; (v) reft. ANTONYMS: (adj) fulfilled, supplied, happy, consoled, satisfied

**beseech:** (v) beg, crave, implore, ask, request, adjure, pray, sue, appeal, solicit, plead. ANTONYMS: (v) give, offer, grant, reject

**beset:** (v) beleague, afflict, assault, siege, molest, worry, attack, plague, obsess, assail; (adv, v) surround

**bespew:** (v) curse, damn, imprecate, bedamn, anathematize, anathematize, execrate, maledict; (adj) shrew. ANTONYM: (v) bless

**besmear:** (v) bedaub, bemire, daub, begrime, smear, soil, befoul, foul, contaminate, taint, cover

**bespeak:** (v) augur, reserve, point, engage, betoken, auspicate, mark, prefigure, foreshadow; (n, v) argue, imply

**best:** (adj, n) supreme, most, elite; (adj) superior, great, leading, choice, superlative; (v) beat, outdo; (adj, n, v) top. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) worst; (v) lose, surrender; (adj) minimum, lowest, least, inferior, incorrect, fewest; (n) loser; (adv) insincerely

**bestow:** (v) give, confer, grant, impart, contribute, donate, apply, award; (adj, v) accord, allow, present. ANTONYMS: (v) deprive, refuse, withhold, retrieve, withdraw

**bethink:** (v) recollect, mull, remind, recall, think, reflect, ponder, speculate, ruminate, consider, contemplate

**betimes:** (adv) early, soon, anon, rath, betime, ahead of time, rather

**better:** (adj, v) improve, mend; (adj, adv, v) best; (v) recover, ameliorate, emend, reform, advance, enhance, surpass; (n) bettor. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) worse; (adj, n) inferior; (v) worsen, deteriorate; (adj) lesser, lower, tinier, ill, unhealthy, smaller, sicker

**beware:** (v) look out, caution, be

careful, guard, pay attention, take care, watch out, mind, keep, care, careful. ANTONYMS: (v) risk, disregard, invite

**bidding:** (n) behest, order, dictate, charge, bid, request, call, dictation, direction, fiat; (adj) imperative

**bind:** (adj, v) attach, fix, fasten, affix; (n) band; (v) bandage, lace, fetter, bundle, truss, combine.

ANTONYMS: (v) untie, unbind, free, unfasten, unravel, permit, loosen, loose, let; (n, v) release; (n) pleasure

**bird:** (n) wench, poultry, fowl, girl, birdie, hen, chick, Bronx cheer, shuttlecock, archaeornis, archeopteryx

**birth:** (n) beginning, genesis, ancestry, descent, extraction, start, onset, parentage, origin; (v) delivery; (n, v) parturition.

ANTONYMS: (n) death, bereavement, ending, finale, finish, passing, end, decease, conclusion, demise

**black:** (adj) sable, dark, ebony, colored, bleak, dirty, evil, nigger, darkie, unclean; (adj, n) blackamoor.

ANTONYMS: (v) whiten; (adj) spotless, snowy, saintly, pale, optimistic, merry, light, angelic, ivory, bright

**blame:** (v) arraign, chide; (n, v) reprimand, censure, attack, charge, reproach, rap, rebuke, fault; (n) onus. ANTONYMS: (n, v) praise; (v) absolve, exonerate, commend, clear, acquit; (n) vindication, exoneration, honor, absolution, glory

**bleat:** (v) blat, kvetch, gripe, moan, whimper, cry, blate, quetch, utter, emit; (n) baaing

**bleed:** (v) run, ooze, phlebotomize, leak, percolate, shed blood, trickle, hemorrhage, fleece; (n) ache, smart

**blent:** (adj) mixed

**bless:** (v) consecrate, celebrate, sanctify, anoint, eulogize, sign, praise, keep, grant, glorify; (n) blessing. ANTONYMS: (v) curse, condemn, disapprove, damn, disallow, deny

**blessed:** (adj) happy, holy, cursed, sacred, damned, hallowed, blasted, fortunate, saintly, lucky, divine. ANTONYMS: (adj) unlucky, condemned, damned, disapproved, unhappy, unholy, secular

**blessing:** (n) benediction, approval, mercy, felicity, benison, benefit, luck, advantage, boon, bless,

godsend. ANTONYMS: (n) curse, misfortune, disaster, condemnation, adversity, desecration, refusal, veto, disadvantage

**blest:** (adj) blessed, fortunate, beatified, blissful, blame, blasted, blamed, golden, glorious, favored

**blind:** (n) curtain, shutter, veil, drape, awning, trick; (v) bedazzle, dazzle, daze; (adj) sightless; (adj, v) obscure. ANTONYMS: (adj) sighted, uncovered, understanding, sharp, seeing, revealed, quick, perceptive, open, controlled, cautious

**blinking:** (adj) flickering, bally, blooming; (adj, n) winking; (n) shimmer, blink, wink, twinkling, nictation, blink of an eye, nictitation

**bliss:** (n) happiness, joy, ecstasy, pleasure, paradise, blessedness, felicity, elation, beatitude, heaven, blessing. ANTONYMS: (n) misery, sorrow, agony, grief, anguish, sadness, suffering, gloom, hell, dissatisfaction

**blood:** (n) birth, gore, nature, origin, kindred, lineage, descent, family, beau, pedigree; (adj) juice

**bloody:** (adj) brutal, bleeding, ruddy, bloodthirsty, sanguineous, sanguine, savage, bloodstained, damned, raw; (adv) damn. ANTONYMS: (adj) easy, soft

**blow:** (n) beat, knock, shock, wallop, gust, jolt; (adj, n, v) gasp, puff; (n, v) blast, slap; (v) squander.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) calm; (v) save, conserve, store, stillness, inhale, come, arrive; (n) luck, comfort, caress

**boards:** (n) timber, arena, table, stage, fence, floor

**body:** (n) cadaver, corpse, organization, cluster, set, carcass, figure, consistency, aggregate, association; (adj, n) mass.

ANTONYMS: (n) handful, mind, minority, soul, few

**bold:** (adj) adventurous, audacious, manly, arrogant, intrepid, fearless, spirited, heroic, daring, courageous, stalwart. ANTONYMS: (adj) timid, modest, afraid, meek, shy, light, courteous, discreet, faint, fearful, abashed

**bond:** (n) association, alliance, deed, agreement, bail, attachment, joint; (v) bind; (n, v) cement, band, link. ANTONYMS: (v) unstick, open, unfasten, loosen, disconnect, clash;

(n) separation, divorce

**bonds:** (n) securities, stock, stocks,

- handcuffs, irons, chains, servitude, common stock, confinement, preferred stock
- bone:** (n) framework, os, skeleton, anatomy, ivory, astragal, true middlings; (adj, n, v) cartilage; (v) swot, gristle, prepare
- bones:** (n) bone, frame, corpse, dry bones, framework, maraca, physician, finger cymbals, tymbal, wreck, timbrel
- bonnet:** (n) cap, protection, chapeau, tile, wimple, beret, lid, cowl, castor, poke bonnet, sunbonnet
- book:** (v) order, reserve, inscribe, apply, write; (n) account book, pamphlet, journal, volume; (n, v) list, record. ANTONYMS: (v) free, exonerate
- books:** (n) notebook, account, ledger, literature, accountancy
- bootless:** (adj) futile, useless, vain, idle, inefficacious, inutile, unavailing, sleeveless, abortive, ineffective, feckless
- borne:** (adj) weak, wanting, spoony, soft, sappy, shallow, little, limited
- borrowed:** (adj) foreign, rubato, secondary
- bosom:** (n) heart, interior, boob, thorax, chest, bust, tit; (n, v) embrace; (v) cherish, hug; (adj) intimate. ANTONYMS: (n) outside, exteriority
- bottom:** (n) basis, backside, bed, behind, foot, footing, back, foundation, posterior, floor; (n, v) ground. ANTONYMS: (n) pinnacle, summit, peak, roof, apex, ceiling, middle; (adj) highest
- bought:** (n) crook, hook
- bound:** (n, v) leap, jump, border, bounce, limit, edge, vault, recoil; (n) boundary, barrier, compass. ANTONYMS: (v) allow, amble, crawl, limp, permit; (adj) permitted, released, unbound, allowed, unlikely
- bounds:** (n) boundary, border, limit, bound, margin, borderline, end, bourn, Bourne, brink, edge. ANTONYMS: (n) center, middle
- bounty:** (adj, n) largesse; (n) abundance, bounteousness, premium, blessing, prize, munificence, beneficence, generosity; (v) benefaction; (n, v) gift. ANTONYMS: (n) miserliness, fine, insufficiency, penalty, meanness
- braggart:** (n) boaster, braggadocio, blowhard, bragger, vaunter, egoist; (v) magniloquent, Thrasonic; (adj) boastful, vainglorious, braggish
- bragging:** (n) brag, swagger, bluff, bluster, conceit, arrogance; (adj) arrogant, boastful, big, overweening, braggish. ANTONYMS: (adj) modest; (n) timidity
- brain:** (n) mastermind, genius, head, mind, reason, wit, psyche, noddle, intelligence, nous, brains. ANTONYMS: (n) emotion, moron, body, dummy, imbecile, idiot, physicality
- branches:** (n) branch, brushwood
- brassy:** (adj) barefaced, brazen, garish, audacious, loud, arrogant, impertinent, insolent, brash, showy, blatant. ANTONYMS: (adj) timid, shy, retiring, respectful, muted, humble, restrained, soft
- brave:** (adj, n) bold, hardy; (adj) audacious, fearless, courageous, virile, intrepid, valiant; (adj, v) endure; (v) defy, face. ANTONYMS: (adj) cowardly, frightened, pathetic, gutless, afraid, cautious, fainthearted, meek, mousy, nervous; (v) skip
- break:** (n, v) crack, fracture, breach, burst, rupture, stop, pause; (n) interruption, respite, suspension; (v) infringe. ANTONYMS: (v) obey, honor, lose, make, observe, resume, stay, strengthen; (n, v) mend; (n) continuation, misfortune
- breath:** (n) wind, air, inspiration, puff, soul, aspiration, respite, airflow; (v) breathe, respire; (adj, n) whisper
- breathing:** (adj) animate, live, living, respiratory, alive, above ground; (v) breathe, respire; (n) respiration, instant, moment. ANTONYMS: (adj) inanimate, breathless, dead
- breed:** (n) variety, race, kind, ancestry, sort, order, species; (v) engender, multiply, beget, bear. ANTONYMS: (v) destroy, eradicate, ignore, kill, neglect, quell
- brief:** (adj) concise, transient, little, abridge, short-lived, abrupt; (adj, n) abstract, summary; (n) epitome, report; (v) notify. ANTONYMS: (adj) permanent, lengthy, rambling, wordy, prolonged, extended, lasting, civil; (adv) civilly; (v) secrete, hide
- bright:** (adj) alive, vivid, intelligent, apt, shining, brilliant, lustrous, luminous, light, beaming, shiny. ANTONYMS: (adj) cloudy, stupid, gloomy, dim, unintelligent, dreary, dark, overcast, shadowy, thick, leaden
- brightly:** (adv) vividly, luminously, radiantly, gaily, clearly, shiningly, intensely, cheerfully, smartly, bright, lustrously. ANTONYMS: (adv) gloomily, drearily, bleakly, stupidly, dully, blankly, seriously, pessimistically
- bring:** (v) convey, get, take, bear, carry, put, conduct, return, reduce, set, bring in. ANTONYMS: (v) drop, free, leave, lose, remove, avoid
- brook:** (v) endure, abide, stomach, stand, tolerate, digest, suffer, support, undergo; (n, v) creek; (n) stream. ANTONYMS: (v) spurn, resist, reject, prohibit
- brutus:** (n) Marcus Junius Brutus
- budge:** (adj, v) move, go; (v) stir, agitate, change, sway, dislodge, bump, rouse, push; (adj) flit. ANTONYMS: (v) remain, stay
- burial:** (v) bury, funebral; (n) sepulture, entombment, burying, inhumation, funeral, concealment, sepulcher, hiding, committal
- buried:** (adj) hidden, covert, interred, underground, inhumed, profound, covered, ulterior; (v) perdu, imbed, embed. ANTONYMS: (adj) explicit, overt
- burning:** (adj) blazing, ablaze, boiling, afire, flaming, hot; (n) combustion, firing; (adj, n) passionate, zealous, glowing. ANTONYMS: (adj) cold, trivial, cool, out, painless, quenched, soothing, unimportant, apathetic, insignificant, unconcerned
- business:** (n) subject, matter, event, vocation, job, profession, affair, work, corporation, occupation; (adj, n) trade. ANTONYMS: (adj) charitable, private; (n) pleasure, avocation, fun, entertainment, hobby
- buzzing:** (n) noise, murmur; (adj) humming, abuzz, bustling, lively, droning, purring, vibrant, vivacious, full of beans
- call:** (n, v) appeal, shout, bellow, name, yell, howl, request, appoint; (v) bid, summon; (n) call option. ANTONYMS: (v) whisper, mutter, cancel, listen, stop, suppose, murmur; (n) dismissal, give, grant, silence
- called:** (adj) named, titled, chosen, known as; (v) nempt, cycled
- calls:** (n) securities, puts, bonds, preferred stock, common stock

**came:** (v) arrive, come

**candle:** (n) candela, light, taper, bougie, CD, candlepower, lamp, wax light, Standard candle; (v) examine, illuminate

**care:** (adj, n, v) anxiety; (n, v) attention, charge, worry; (n) caution, bother, concern, apprehension, aid, custody; (v) attend. ANTONYMS: (n) carelessness, recklessness, thoughtlessness, rashness, negligence, vagueness, unconcern; (n, v) disregard, dislike; (v) loathe, abhor

**carion:** (n) carcass, offal, dead body, corpse, filth, ket, any filth, carogne; (adj) garbage

**carry:** (v) convey, bring, take, conduct, acquit, behave, accept, transport, comport, hold, pack.

ANTONYMS: (v) withhold, lose, censor, fail, hold, conceal

**caske:** (n) box, coffin, chest, sarcophagus, coffer, caddy, bier, gasket, reliquary, desk; (v) enclose

**cast:** (n, v) throw, stamp, form, fling, shape, figure; (v) shed, pitch, chuck; (n) casting, appearance.

ANTONYMS: (v) refuse, receive, subtract, reject, take, gather, catch, retain, keep

**catch:** (n, v) capture, hook, haul, hitch, trick, grab, snatch; (v) get, apprehend, intercept; (n) pawl. ANTONYMS: (n, v) release; (v) misunderstand, unhitch, mistake, Miss, misinterpret, free, give, lose; (n) advantage, boon

**caught:** (adj) fixed, guilty, accomplished, wedged, trapped, interested, exposed, defenseless, culpable; (v) seize, get. ANTONYM: (adj) loose

**cause:** (n) case, action, account; (n, v) occasion, allow; (v) breed, do, induce, beget, motivate, provoke. ANTONYMS: (n) effect, result, outcome; (v) foil, deter, forestall, prevent, stop, halt, quell, retard

**cerecloth:** (n) textile, material, fabric, cloth, winding sheet, spardrap, searcloth, graveclothes

**ceremoniously:** (adv) ceremonially, precisely, punctiliously, solemnly, stiffly, stately, majestically, gravely, primly, conventionally, grandly

**certain:** (adj) definite, sure, assured, absolute, reliable, indisputable, dependable, unquestionable, undeniable, unavoidable, unequivocal. ANTONYMS: (adj) unsure, doubtful, questionable,

hesitant, debatable, erratic, faulty, indistinct, vague, doubting, undecided

**certainly:** (adv) assuredly, definitely, positively, clearly, necessarily, undoubtedly, actually, securely, confidently, absolutely; (adj, adv) really. ANTONYMS: (adv) doubtfully, possibly, equivocally, perhaps

**certified:** (adj) accredited, official, guaranteed, authorized, approved, certificated, certifiable, verified, assured, licensed, clear.

ANTONYMS: (adj) informal, uncertified, amateur, uncertain, unqualified

**chaff:** (v) tease, jest, rally, mock, kid, jolly, joke; (n) bran, raillery, husk; (n, v) ridicule

**chance:** (n, v) hazard, adventure, risk, venture, bet; (n) fortune, probability, opportunity; (adj) accidental; (adj, n) contingency; (v) befall.

ANTONYMS: (adj) intentional, deliberate, designed, arranged, planned, foreseeable; (n, v) plan; (n) predictability, misfortune, certainty; (v) protect

**change:** (n, v) shift, barter, twist, cash; (v) alter, alternate, adapt, convert; (n) alteration, modification, variation. ANTONYMS: (v) leave, maintain, idle, hold, establish, standardize; (n) stability, bills, constancy, preservation, uniformity

**changed:** (adj) transformed, varied, switched, change, transform, converted, distorted, affected, changeling, disguised, inverse.

ANTONYM: (adj) unchanged

**charge:** (n, v) blame, care, burden, commission, command, attack, bill, load, tax; (n) accusation; (v) bid.

ANTONYMS: (v) request, discharge, plead, beg, compensate, aid, credit, calm; (n, v) retreat, absolve, unload

**charity:** (n) dote, favor, aid, liberality, generosity, kindness, alms, mercy, virtue; (v) almsgiving; (adj, n) brotherly love. ANTONYMS: (n) intolerance, meanness, unkindness, cruelty, malice, stinginess, cheapness, nastiness, inhumanity

**charter:** (n, v) permit, let; (v) rent, lease, take, engage, get; (n) authority, license, law, code.

ANTONYMS: (v) cancel, buy, purchase

**chaste:** (adj) virtuous, moral, virgin, modest, unsullied, austere, vestal, severe, continent, spotless, decent.

ANTONYMS: (adj) corrupt, wanton, lewd, sleazy, promiscuous, immoral, dirty, defiled, impure, tainted

**cheer:** (v) animate, applaud, amuse, hearten, inspire, lighten; (n, v) comfort, delight, cry; (adj, v) embolden; (n) consolation.

ANTONYMS: (n) sadness, boo, uncheerfulness, hiss, pessimism, raspberry; (v) depress, discourage, dissuade, complain, jeer

**chest:** (n) bosom, ark, bust, box, chest of drawers, case, hutch, bureau, caisson, casket, dresser

**chief:** (adj, n) principal, head, cardinal, capital, arch, essential, paramount; (n) administrator, boss, executive, leader. ANTONYMS: (adj) associate, secondary, junior, smallest, inessential, unimportant, least, trivial; (n) subordinate, underling, inferior

**child:** (n) baby, babe, bairn, infant, kid, toddler, tot, girl, brat, juvenile, minor. ANTONYMS: (n) ancestor, parent

**childhood:** (n) babyhood, boyhood, immaturity, infancy, puerility, youth, youthhood, immaturity, adolescence, age, anal phase. ANTONYMS: (adj) recent; (n) maturity

**children:** (n) child, offspring, descendant, family, seed, boy, babies, descendants, birth, relatives, people

**chin:** (n) jaw, Kuki, jawbone, lineament, rap, jowl; (v) elevate, speak, chin up, confer, bring up

**choice:** (n) vote, alternative, selection, option, preference, pick, pleasure, volition; (adj, n) favorite, election; (adj) excellent. ANTONYMS: (adj) inferior, fair, poor, worst, ordinary, inappropriate; (n) coercion, dearth, restriction, dislike

**choose:** (v) adopt, elect, select, pick, prefer, take, appoint, assign, decide, excerpt; (n) picking. ANTONYMS: (v) refuse, waver, decline, forgo, spurn, dislike, elect

**choosing:** (n) picking, pick, selection, option, election, appointment, volition; (v) choose

**chose:** (v) choose, opt, decide; (n) thing

**chosen:** (adj, n) elect; (adj) preferred, select, favored, named; (adj, v) designate, desired, designated; (n) deary, ducky, dearie. ANTONYMS:

(adj) ignored, involuntary  
**christening:** (n) naming,

- denomination, chrism, designation, identification
- christian:** (adj) Catholic, scriptural, pietist, monotheistic, divine, evangelical, Christianly, moral, theist; (n) Christianity, devotee
- church:** (n) cathedral, abbey, chapel, meetinghouse, denomination, minster, place of worship, kirk, Fane, Christian church, Christianity
- cite:** (v) quote, excerpt, summon, call, allege, mention, refer, name, repeat; (adj, v) exemplify; (n) citation
- civil:** (adj) courteous, civic, gracious, affable, obliging, municipal, mannerly, public, civilised, courtly, domestic. ANTONYMS: (adj) abrupt, impolite, critical, unrefined, sidereal, uncivil, unkind, barbaric, discourteous, private
- claim:** (n, v) call, charge, need, requisition; (n) allegation, privilege; (v) assert, exact, ask, want, arrogate. ANTONYMS: (v) disclaim, forfeit, waive, question, lose, grant, refute, request; (n) denial, disclaimer, response
- clear:** (adj) clean, certain, distinct; (adj, v) acquit, absolute, free, net, absolve, empty; (adj, n) open; (v) exculpate. ANTONYMS: (adj) opaque, cloudy, incomprehensible, uncertain, dark, hazy, vague, fuzzy, obscure, confused, puzzling
- clerk:** (n, v) writer, secretary, transcriber; (n) servant, shop assistant, salesclerk, employee, accountant, recorder; (v) scrivener, scribe
- clock:** (n) chronometer, horologe, alarm, alarm clock, clepsydra, ticker, cuckoo clock, clock radio; (n, v) time, stopwatch; (v) measure
- close:** (n, v) end, stop, finish; (adj, adv, prep) nearby; (adj, adv) adjacent, tight; (adj, v) compact, approximate; (adj) accurate; (adv, prep) by; (n) conclusion. ANTONYMS: (adj, v) open; (n, v) start; (adj) distant, airy, loose, fresh, far, inaccurate, unfamiliar; (v) begin, unlock
- clothes:** (n) apparel, clothing, dress, garb, wardrobe, vestment, garment, cloth, thing, gown, wear
- clown:** (n) fool, joker, jester, boor, harlequin, joke, comedian, rustic, comic, acrobat; (v) antic
- coach:** (adj, v) prime; (n) trainer, teacher, instructor, stagecoach, charabanc, carriage, autobus, bus; (v) train, educate. ANTONYMS: (v)
- listen, learn; (n) pupil, student
- coals:** (n) ashes, fire, residue, embers
- coffer:** (n) box, chest, case, caisson, casket, trunk, safe, strongbox, treasury, crate, coffers
- coffin:** (n) casket, sarcophagus, chest, cask, hearse, urn, carriage, automobile, catafalque; (v) to drive a nail in one's coffin, bury
- coin:** (v) invent, mint, originate, create, strike, cast; (n, v) forge; (n) specie, money, penny, piece
- cold:** (n) chilliness, chill; (adj) chilly, frigid, distant, indifferent, aloof, callous, icy, apathetic, impassive. ANTONYMS: (adj) warm, friendly, hot, prepared, burning, affectionate, loving, sporific, fervid; (n) heat, warmth
- colour:** (n) coloration, coloring, colors, semblance, vividness, pretext, pretence, colouring, guise; (v) redden, discolor. ANTONYMS: (n) colorlessness; (v) discolor
- colt:** (n) novice, filly, foal, calf, horse, beginner, kitten, pup, fledgling, freshman, greenhorn
- comer:** (n) newcomer, arriver, traveler, traveller, contender, competitor, competition, visitor, whiz kid, Young Turk; (adj) fresh
- comforts:** (n) amenities, bread and butter, convenience, conveniences
- coming:** (n) advent, approach, appearance, arrival, return; (adj, n) approaching; (adj) forthcoming, imminent, future, impending; (adj, v) instant. ANTONYMS: (n) departure, exit, leaving, departing; (adj) distant, retreating, past
- commanded:** (adj) lawful
- commandment:** (n) order, command, fiat, edict, law, regulation, bidding, decree, caution, behest, prescription
- commands:** (n) orders, instructions, information, guidelines
- commendable:** (adj, n) praiseworthy; (adj) admirable, creditable, good, worthy, deserving, meritorious, applaudable; (adv) praiseworthily, laudably, admirably. ANTONYMS: (adj) unworthy, despicable, contemptible, disgraceful, rotten, lamentable, poor
- commendation:** (n, v) acclaim, applause, praise; (n) approval, citation, approbation, tribute, credit, plaudit, acclamation, admiration. ANTONYMS: (n) disapproval, criticism, censure, demotion
- commiseration:** (n) pity, compassion, sympathy, condolence, ruth, mercy,
- commiserate, bowels, consolation, fellow feeling, acknowledgement
- commit:** (v) consign, assign, charge, confide, dedicate, apply, entrust, submit, intrust, leave, give. ANTONYMS: (v) stop, desist, divest, end, idle, withhold, wait, cease, keep, refuse
- commodity:** (n) article, product, object, thing, good, goods, stuff, wares, ware, basic, item
- common:** (adj) coarse, mutual, vulgar, mean, mediocre, ignoble, plebeian, base; (adj, n) cheap, habitual; (adj, n, v) usual. ANTONYMS: (adj) uncommon, rare, unusual, characteristic, specific, unique, extraordinary, exclusive, aristocratic, infrequent, refined
- commonwealth:** (n) nation, state, country, body politic, province, society, kingdom, community, land, republic, power
- company:** (adj, n) society, business; (n) band, association, collection, cohort, brigade, troop, club, partnership; (v) accompany. ANTONYMS: (n) isolation, enmity, host, hostess, absence
- competency:** (n) competence, capability, ability, fitness, proficiency, faculty, power, expertise, eligibility, efficiency, skill. ANTONYM: (n) incompetence
- complexion:** (n, v) tint; (n) cast, character, appearance, look, hue, aspect, flush, glow, dye, fashion
- compulsion:** (n) force, enforcement, urge, constraint, pressure, restraint, necessity, duress, obligation, requirement, oppression. ANTONYMS: (n) persuasion, coaxing, disinclination
- conceive:** (v) think, imagine, comprehend, design, apprehend, realize, discover, cogitate, appreciate, invent, catch. ANTONYMS: (v) destroy, doubt, misunderstand, question, ruin
- conceiving:** (n) fantasy, daydream; (adj) imaginant, original
- concord:** (n) agreement, accordance, unity, harmony, union, unison, alliance, tune; (n, v) concert, peace; (v) agree. ANTONYMS: (n) discord, conflict, war, disunity, disarray; (v) disagree
- condition:** (n) position, status, provision, standing, clause, circumstances, term, predicament, rank; (n, v) aspect; (v) provide. ANTONYMS: (v) disqualify; (n)

option

**conduct:** (v) bring, direct, carry, show; (n, v) act, administration, manage, administer, carriage, bearing; (adj, v) acquit.

ANTONYMS: (v) mismanage, leave, follow

**confess:** (adj, v) own, allow, admit, avow; (v) concede, profess, recognize, divulge, disclose, reveal, receive. ANTONYMS: (v) suppress, hide, dispute, conceal, repress, harbor

**confiscate:** (v) seize, attach, distrain, commandeer, take, condemn, levy, impound, grab; (n) confiscation; (adj) forfeited. ANTONYMS: (v) restore, give, offer, release, return, add

**confound:** (v) bewilder, baffle, nonplus, perplex, astonish, puzzle, amaze, astound, mistake; (adj, v) confuse, stupefy. ANTONYMS: (v) explain, clarify, comfort, lose, distinguish; (n) understanding

**confusion:** (n) commotion, chaos, disarray, bedlam, pandemonium, disorder, disturbance, distraction, clutter, tumult, agitation.

ANTONYMS: (n) clarity, understanding, tidiness, systematization, enlightenment, peace, organization, lucidity, neatness, space, calm

**conjured:** (adj) invented, made up, pretended, untrue. ANTONYM: (adj) factual

**conscience:** (n) moral sense, Conscience money, sense of right and wrong, scruple, intention, tender conscience, small voice, principles, morals, morality, inward monitor. ANTONYM: (n) indifference

**consequence:** (n) effect, outcome, import, result, importance, product, account, concern, event, aftermath; (n, v) weight. ANTONYMS: (n) cause, inconsequence, insignificance, antecedent, unimportance, triviality, source, meaninglessness

**consider:** (v) think, regard, view, cogitate, deliberate, calculate, conceive, reckon, reflect, assume; (n, v) study. ANTONYMS: (v) disregard, forget, discard, doubt, reject, nevermind, dismiss, abandon, leave, decide, overlook

**constant:** (adj) ceaseless, perpetual, continual, faithful, changeless, steadfast, eternal, uninterrupted, continuous; (adj, n) steady,

invariable. ANTONYMS: (adj) irregular, intermittent, changeable, variable, inconstant, erratic, episodic, fickle, temporary, disloyal, inconsistent

**contain:** (v) comprehend, include, accommodate, curb, restrict, carry, bear, admit, restrain, embrace, take.

ANTONYMS: (v) express, vent, release, omit, lack, except, encourage, eliminate, unleash, broaden, free

**contending:** (adj) contentious, conflicting, competitive, competing, competitory, combatant, challenging, factious, militant, warlike, fighting

**content:** (n) meaning, matter, capacity, contents, subject; (n, v) contentment; (v) appease, please, satisfy, suffice; (adj) happy.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) discontent; (adj) tormented, unhappy, dissatisfied, rebellious, discontented, troubled; (adj, v) upset; (n) unhappiness, sadness; (v) trouble

**contented:** (adj) content, happy, comfortable, quiet, cheerful, smug, complacent, satisfied, easy, proud, delighted. ANTONYMS: (adj) discontented, unhappy, depressed, unsatisfied, sad, anxious

**contents:** (n) substance, content, matter, inside, subject matter, list, volume, synopsis, conspectus, cargo, catalogue

**continent:** (adj) chaste, celibate, abstemious, pure, temperate, abstinent, sober, austere; (n) land, peninsula, delta. ANTONYMS: (adj) impure, unchaste

**contrary:** (adj, n) contradictory, reverse; (adj) adverse, conflicting, unfavorable, perverse, cross, disobedient, alien, different, obstinate. ANTONYMS: (adj) similar, harmonious, helpful, obliging, compatible, complaisant, concordant, parallel, agreeable, cooperative, favorable

**contrived:** (adj) affected, unnatural, false, forced, labored, spurious, feigned, unreal, strained, built, artificially formal. ANTONYM: (adj) sincere

**controversy:** (n) contention, argumentation, argument, difference, dispute, conflict, altercation, squabble, row; (n, v) contest, debate. ANTONYMS: (n) agreement, harmony, unanimity, concord

**convenient:** (adj) comfortable, commodious, handy, appropriate, expedient, timely, fit, useful, nearby, opportune; (adj, n) advantageous. ANTONYMS: (adj) unwieldy, fixed, useless, distant, troublesome, unsuited, remote, unsuitable, unadaptable, unuseful, inappropriate

**conveniently:** (adv) easily, opportunely, expediently, usefully, fitly, properly, practically, timely, helpfully, commodiously; (adv, v) advantageously. ANTONYMS: (adv) awkwardly, clumsily

**converse:** (n, v) chat, discourse, argue; (v) confer, confabulate, speak; (n) conversation, colloquy, contrast; (adj, n) opposite; (adj) counter. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) equal; (adj) similar, complementary; (n) similarity

**converted:** (adj) consecrated, unearthly, changed, altered, justified, invert, persuaded, inspired, reborn, reformed, regenerate

**converting:** (n) conversion, converting operation

**cool:** (adj, v) chill, assuage, soothe; (adj) chilly, cold, collected, composed, fine, aloof; (v) quench; (n) poise. ANTONYMS: (v) heat; (adj) hot, agitated, excited, friendly, feverish, enthusiastic, tepid, temperate, bad, upset

**cooled:** (adj) refrigerated, frozen; (n) cooler

**cooling:** (n) freezing, refrigeration, cooler, mechanism, quenching, temperature reduction, coolant system, cooling system; (adj) caller, refrigerant, allaying heat

**cope:** (v) contend, make do, combat, struggle, surmount, do, deal, get by, get along, grapple; (n) coping. ANTONYMS: (v) mismanage, crumble

**corners:** (adj) cornered

**corruptly:** (adv) adulterately, depravedly, wickedly, dishonestly, foully, fraudulently, corruptedly, dissolutely, perversely, venally, viciously. ANTONYM: (adv) honestly

**cost:** (n, v) price; (n) charge, amount, expense, toll, expenditure, payment, disbursement, worth, damage, fee

**costly:** (adj) dear, precious, valuable, pricey, high, luxurious, sumptuous, extravagant, rich, invaluable, beloved. ANTONYMS: (adj)



worthless, inexpensive, painless, economical, harmless, helpful, reasonable, aiding, meager

**counsel:** (v) advise, consult, admonish, confer, warn; (n, v) caution, advocate; (n) barrister, advisement, consultation, admonition. ANTONYMS: (v) betray, trick, deceive, conceal, oppose; (n) warning

**count:** (v) compute, weigh, consider, estimate, matter; (n, v) calculate, tally, number, total; (n) calculation, computation. ANTONYMS: (v) guess, except, estimate, disregard, dismiss, abandon, ignore, subtract

**counterfeit:** (adj, n, v) sham; (n, v) copy, duplicate; (adj, v) mock, falsify; (adj) false, artificial, assumed; (adj, n) imitation; (v) forge, ape. ANTONYMS: (adj) genuine, real, authentic, true, actual; (n) original

**country:** (n) nation, home, land, place, area, territory, commonwealth, soil, kingdom, realm; (adj) rustic. ANTONYMS: (adj) urban, metropolitan; (adj, n) city; (n) metropolis

**county:** (n) canton, state, area, country, shire, commune, arrondissement, district, mofussil, precinct, realm

**courage:** (n) audacity, fortitude, boldness, nerve, spirit, backbone, valor, heroism, gallantry, mettle, chivalry. ANTONYMS: (n) cowardice, faintheartedness, weakness, wimpiness, yellowness

**courageous:** (adj, n) bold; (adj) audacious, fearless, valiant, gallant, intrepid, spirited, heroic, undaunted, manly, confident. ANTONYMS: (adj) timid, wimpy, weak, spineless, pusillanimous, fearful, fainthearted, afraid, despicable

**course:** (n, v) stream, flow; (n) bearing, route, career, track, path, road, channel; (adj, n) current; (v) chase. ANTONYM: (v) trickle

**court:** (n) forum, bar, close, field, tribunal, passage, judicatory, judge; (v) romance, attract; (n, v) invite. ANTONYMS: (v) shun, reject, ignore, spurn, disregard, discourage

**courteous:** (adj, v) civil; (adj) affable, attentive, gracious, decorous, chivalrous, bland, thoughtful, urbane, mannerly, gentlemanly. ANTONYMS: (adj) rude, impolite, boorish, insulting, unmannerly,

gruff, improper, vulgar, unhelpful, neglectful, graceless

**courtesy:** (adj, n) civility, complaisance; (n) propriety, chivalry, comity, politeness, gallantry, decency, attention, breeding, etiquette. ANTONYMS: (n) rudeness, discourtesy, unkindness, informality, impoliteness, disservice, brusqueness, incivility, vulgarity, crudeness, neglect

**courtship:** (n) courting, wooing, love, bundling, the soft impeachment, prayer, entreaty, gallantry, addresses, cause, affection

**cover:** (n, v) coat, top, conceal, screen, cloak, veil, shield, spread; (v) bury; (n) blanket, binding. ANTONYMS: (v) reveal, expose, uncover, exclude, ignore, abandon, strip, free, forget, omit; (n) exposure

**covered:** (n) veiled, concealed, covert, coated, secret, wrapped, thick, obscured, masked, shrouded; (adj, prep) cloaked. ANTONYMS: (adj) bare, uncovered, open, plain, exposed, outdoor, empty

**cozen:** (v) cheat, do, defraud, deceive, jockey, con, befool, betray, gouge, chouse, chisel

**cradle:** (n) cot, birthplace, nursery, berth, crib, nest, hammock, bassinet, origin; (v) hold, groundwork

**crave:** (v) covet, ask, want, beseech, implore, wish, long, entreat, desire, fancy, claim. ANTONYMS: (v) dislike, spurn, loathe, hate, detest, grant

**cream:** (n, v) best, top, ream; (v) skim; (adj, n) prime, flower, milk; (n) ointment, balm, liniment, elite. ANTONYMS: (n) trash, dregs, worst; (v) lose

**creation:** (n) world, production, invention, composition, conception, fabrication, foundation, formation, founding, piece, creature.

ANTONYMS: (n) end, annihilation

**creature:** (n) being, brute, animal, tool, individual, person, body, entity, human, puppet, somebody

**credit:** (n) credence, recognition, belief, commendation, appreciation, advance, fame; (v) accredit; (n, v) reputation; (adj, n) worth, merit. ANTONYMS: (n, v) discredit; (n) cash, blame, fault, disrepute, disgrace, withdrawal; (v) disbelieve, question, mistrust, distrust

**creep:** (v) grovel, sneak, steal, fawn, lurk, truckle, cringe; (n) creeping,

crawling, toady, sycophant.

ANTONYMS: (v) race, dash, hasten, hurry, speed, fly

**cripple:** (adj, v) maim, prostrate; (v) mutilate, enfeeble, injure, incapacitate, weaken, bedripple; (n, v) damage; (n) invalid; (adj) paralyze. ANTONYMS: (v) support, strengthen, invigorate, help, fortify, enable, aid

**crisped:** (adj) done

**cross:** (adj) crabby, angry, grumpy, grouchy, cantankerous; (v) intersect, cover, thwart, baffle; (adj, v) traverse; (n) crisscross.

ANTONYMS: (adj) calm, cheerful, happy; (v) uncross, assist, separate, remain, help, stay, unmix, aid

**crossing:** (n) transit, ford, intersection, hybridization, crossbreeding, passage, voyage, mating, crossway, crosswalk, cruise

**crow:** (n, v) brag, cry, snigger; (v) exult, triumph, cackle, chuckle, talk big; (n) gasconade, crowing; (adj) raven

**cruel:** (adj, v) hard, harsh, sharp, severe; (adj) barbarous, unkind, brutal, bloody, bitter, savage, atrocious. ANTONYMS: (adj) merciful, gentle, sympathetic, humane, liberal, compassionate, charitable, friendly, caring, considerate, libertarian

**cruelty:** (n) brutality, cruelty, oppression, barbarity, ferociousness, tyranny, violence, atrocity, ferocity, mercilessness, harshness.

ANTONYMS: (n) compassion, gentleness, friendliness, humanity, benevolence, sensitivity, liberty, decency

**cuckold:** (v) deceive, cheat on, cheat, delude, cuckoldize, abandon, chouse, cornute, cozen; (n) hubby, cokewold

**cudgel:** (n) bludgeon, truncheon, stick, staff, switch, mace, baton; (v) beat, bat, hit, drub

**cunning:** (adj) crafty, canny, adroit, wily, sly, shrewd, tricky, artful; (n) craftiness, craft, cleverness.

ANTONYMS: (adj) simple, honest, stupid, unimaginative, gullible, ingenuous, straightforward, candid, sincere; (n) frankness, straightforwardness

**cupid:** (adj) Hyperion, narcissus, peri, Hebe, the Graces, Venus, houri; (n) angel, Adonis, Amor, Apollo

**curb:** (n, v) control, limit, bridle; (v) restrict, suppress, contain, conquer,

- restrain, confine; (adv, v) moderate; (n) kerb. **ANTONYMS:** (v) encourage, push, help, foster, spur, assist, aid, unbridle, facilitate; (n) incentive, encouragement
- cureless:** (adj) remediless, immedicable, irremediable, beyond remedy, impossible, irreparable
- current:** (n) flow, electric current, run; (adj) contemporary, instant, fashionable, common, ripe, prevalent, present; (n, prep) course. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) past, obsolete, previous, old, dated, antiquated, historical, bygone, noncurrent, antique
- currish:** (adj) contemptible, crabbed, ignoble, contentious, acid, quarrelsome, snappish, harsh, churlish, peevish, malignant
- curse:** (n, v) blight, plague; (n) anathema, blasphemy, malediction, denunciation; (adj, v) beshrew; (v) swear, ban, damn, vituperate. **ANTONYMS:** (n) blessing, benediction, making; (v) communicate
- cursed:** (adj) damned, doomed, execrable, cussed, wretched, unlucky, accused, blamed, blasted, confounded; (v) accurst. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) commendable, honorable, nice, sweet, kind
- curtain:** (n, v) cover; (n) barrier, drapery, blind, screen, mantle, mask, shade, pall, shroud; (v) hide
- curtains:** (n) passing, demise, finish, decrease, tragedy, termination, calamity, cataclysm; (adj) last, ultimate, terminal
- curtsy:** (n, v) bob, curtsey; (adj, n, v) courtesy, kowtow; (v) nod, kneel, bow submission, recognize; (n) obeisance; (adj) salaam, kotow
- custom:** (n) habit, convention, usage, practice, consuetude, fashion, method, mores; (n, v) use, accustom; (adj) bespoke. **ANTONYMS:** (n) fad, innovation, phenomenon, rage, rarity
- customary:** (adj, n) accustomed, usual, habitual; (adj) conventional, ordinary, commonplace, traditional, average, wonted, regular, standard. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unusual, abnormal, exceptional, unconventional, offbeat, irregular, innovative, different, unfamiliar, extraordinary, rare
- cutting:** (adj) biting, keen, caustic, bitter, acrimonious, incisive, raw; (adj, n) acute; (n) cut, slip; (adj, v) satirical. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) blunt, complimentary, flattering, kind, pleasant, hot, consoling; (n) extension, freedom, expansion, addition
- dagger:** (n) bodkin, sword, blade, obelisk, knife, stiletto, dirk, cutlass, grapheme, saber, skean
- damn:** (adj, adv, v) bloody; (v) curse, imprecate, beshrew, blaspheme, cuss, slam, convict; (adj) blasted, cursed; (n) damnation. **ANTONYMS:** (v) bless, laud, glorify, exalt, commend, praise
- damned:** (adj) accursed, doomed, blasted, condemned, damn, cussed, wretched, infernal, hateful, goddamned; (adv) damnably. **ANTONYM:** (adj) saved
- danger:** (n) risk, peril, hazard, chance, jeopardy, threat, trouble, precariousness, slipperiness, disaster, insecurity. **ANTONYMS:** (n) security, ease, privilege
- dangerous:** (adj, n) critical; (adj) severe, serious, grave, adventurous, unhealthy, precarious, hazardous, perilous, threatening, chancy. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) stable, secure, protected, unhazardous, slight, weak, harmless, friendly, favorable, calm, pleasant
- dardanian:** (n) Trojan
- dare:** (n, v) venture; (v) defy, brave, hazard, confront, risk, resist, make bold; (n) adventure, daring, defiance. **ANTONYMS:** (v) avoid, flee, pass, refrain, retreat, obey
- daring:** (adj, n) bold, courageous, adventurous; (adj) audacious, venturesome, intrepid; (n) bravery, audacity, boldness, courage, adventurousness. **ANTONYMS:** (n) cowardice, timidity; (adj) timid, cautious, dull, afraid, chicken, fearful, unadventurous, wimpy
- dark:** (adj) dismal, black, cheerless, obscure, dim, mysterious, murky, gloomy; (n) evening, night, shadow. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) bright, sunny, fair, sunlit, clear, pallid, pale, cheerful, white, versed; (n) day
- daughter:** (n) child, son, maiden, young woman, daughterly, lass, unmarried woman, damsel, miss, missy, virgin
- daylight:** (n) dawn, daybreak, light, morning, sunrise, clearance, sunup, daytime, broad daylight, first light, afternoon. **ANTONYMS:** (n) night, sunset, dusk, dark, sundown, twilight, darkness, nightfall
- dead:** (adj) lifeless, defunct, cold, inanimate, idle, gone, fallen, numb, deceased, vapid; (adv) right. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, n) living; (adj) alive, animate, live, spirited, responsive, working, partial, operative; (adv) partly, partially
- deal:** (v) administer, allot, conduct, truck, distribute, apportion; (n, v) buy, trade, contract; (n) agreement, arrangement. **ANTONYMS:** (n) purchase; (v) misdirect, receive, neglect, mishandle, mismanage, take, ignore, hold, gather, disregard
- dealings:** (n) business, dealing, relations, traffic, proceedings, transaction, affairs, contact, intercourse, trade, communication
- dear:** (adj, adv) close, near; (adj, n) darling; (adj) costly, expensive, lovely, precious, affectionate, adorable, cherished; (n) love. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) worthless, inexpensive, valueless, despised, modest, loathed, hateful, distant; (n) rival, foe, enemy
- dearest:** (n) dear, darling, love, honey, lover, sweetheart, loved one, baby; (adj) precious, intimate, sweet
- dearly:** (adv) affectionately, precious, darlingly, sweetly, petly, expensively, belovedly, intimately, highly, heartfully, lovely
- death:** (n) expiration, end, close, exit, fate, mortality, departure, cessation, decease, dissolution; (adj) quietus. **ANTONYMS:** (n) existence, delivery, living, nascency, being, survival, life, beginning
- death's-head:** (n) memento Mori
- debt:** (n) score, debit, loan, liability, obligation, due, bill, commitment, arrears, pocket, hole. **ANTONYMS:** (n) asset, cash, credit
- debtor:** (n) obligor, defaulter, borrower, debtor, bankrupt, deadbeat, debit, welsher, levanter, lame duck, stag
- debts:** (n) amount overdue, amount outstanding. **ANTONYM:** (n) credit
- deceased:** (adj, n) departed; (n) dead person, cadaver, decedent; (adj) defunct, asleep, passed away, passed on, extinct, lifeless, late. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) living, awake, animated
- deceived:** (adj) mistaken, misguided
- decree:** (n, v) command, award, rule, act, will, dictate; (v) decide, enact, ordain; (n) edict, decision
- deed:** (n) accomplishment, act, feat, behavior, action, exploit, covenant,

doing, document, title, fact.  
**ANTONYM:** (n) failure  
**deeds:** (n) works, activity, actions, conduct, background, events, happenings, performance, activities  
**deep:** (adj) thick, profound, strong, rich, broad, sound, absorbed, wide, abstruse, dark; (adj, v) intense.  
**ANTONYMS:** (adj) superficial, high, weak, soft, light, open, frivolous, lightweight, narrow, straightforward, simple  
**deface:** (adj, v) blemish, mutilate, mangle, maim; (v) damage, spoil, destroy, ruin, injure, mar, scar.  
**ANTONYMS:** (v) beautify, restore, conserve, deck, decorate, embellish, fix, freshen, mend, repair, enhance  
**defect:** (adj, n) blemish, imperfection, infirmity; (n) flaw, blot, shortcoming, weakness, deficiency, scar, failing, dearth. **ANTONYMS:** (n) strength, merit, faultlessness, excellence, capability, enhancement, perfection; (v) uphold, remain, join, embrace  
**defend:** (n, v) guard, shield, advocate; (v) justify, protect, assert, support, maintain, champion, apologize, shelter. **ANTONYMS:** (v) prosecute, abandon, endanger, surrender, renounce, oppose, forsake, assault, contradict, destroy, expose  
**defendant:** (n) litigant, codefendant, litigator, suspect, plaintiff, prisoner, corespondent, party. **ANTONYM:** (n) plaintiff  
**defended:** (adj) shielded, secured, watched over, secure, sacred  
**defending:** (v) defend; (adj) caring, shielding, protective, opposed, protecting; (n) patrol  
**degrees:** (n) degree, temperature, compass rose, cardinal points  
**deliberate:** (v) cogitate, consult, debate, think, confer, contemplate; (adj) careful, circumspect, slow, thoughtful, calculated.  
**ANTONYMS:** (adj) unintentional, accidental, hasty, ingenuous, involuntary, spontaneous, rushed, automatic, unwitting, unstudied, subliminal  
**delight:** (n) joy, pleasure, amusement, rejoicing, gladness; (v) ravish, amuse, please, captivate, transport, enrapture. **ANTONYMS:** (n) misery, dismay, dissatisfaction, sadness, nuisance, discontent; (v) depress, displease, sadden, irk; (n, v) bore  
**deliver:** (v) consign, bear, carry, save,

rescue, abandon, send, pronounce, hand over, bring; (adj, v) utter.  
**ANTONYMS:** (v) capture, confine, imprison, hold, oppress, enslave, restrain, retain, collect, withhold, shackle  
**delivering:** (adv) deliverly; (n) childbirth, presentation; (adj) unfailing  
**demand:** (v) ask, require, ask for, beg; (n, v) need, request, command, appeal, requisition, sale; (n) requirement. **ANTONYMS:** (v) grant, offer, obviate, give, eliminate, cede, beg, present, request; (n) response, plea  
**deny:** (v) controvert, rebut, contradict, disavow, gainsay, reject, oppose, refuse, disown, abnegate, renounce. **ANTONYMS:** (v) affirm, claim, acknowledge, declare, maintain, agree, spoil, accept, accede, allow, argue  
**denying:** (v) deny; (adv) denyingly; (adj) opposed, recusative, unselfish, abnegative  
**depart:** (v) go, deviate, de cease, diverge, start, stray, wander, leave, die, vary, part. **ANTONYMS:** (v) stay, arrive, enter, come, abide, conform, continue, remain, appear, converge, return  
**departure:** (n, v) de cease, demise; (n) exit, leave, deviation, divergence, depart, parting, aberration, passing, takeoff. **ANTONYMS:** (n) appearance, conformity, greeting, ingress, influx, homecoming, regularity, entrance, birth, coming, advance  
**depending:** (adv) dependingly; (v) depend; (adj) suspensory, pendent, subject to, pendulous  
**describe:** (v) represent, report, delineate, state, depict, outline, relate, draw, qualify, designate, name  
**description:** (n) account, type, picture, depiction, explanation, brand, delineation, story, recital, report; (adj, n) kind  
**desert:** (adj, n, v) waste; (v) escape, forsake, relinquish, ditch, defect, leave; (adj, v) desolate; (adj, n) worth, merit; (adj) barren.  
**ANTONYMS:** (v) stay, support, remain, inhabit, assist, aid, help, keep; (adj) cultivated, productive, fertile  
**deserts:** (n) desert, just deserts, due, compensation, comeupance  
**deserve:** (v) rate, warrant, gain, earn,

to deserve, demand, justify, bear; (n, v) reward; (n) richly deserve, worth  
**deserving:** (adj) meritorious, admirable, creditable, commendable, laudable, fit, good, deserved, condign; (v) deserve, worthy of. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unworthy, undeserving, unimpressive  
**desire:** (n) ambition, aspiration, craving, dream; (adv, n, v) will; (n, v) fancy, wish, aim; (v) want, aspire, seek. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) dislike, hate; (n) aversion, reality, revulsion, apathy; (v) spurn, abhor, answer, command, insist  
**desires:** (n) requirements, needs  
**despise:** (v) disdain, loathe, depreciate, abhor, dislike, detest, slight, hate; (n, v) contempt; (n) contempt, deride. **ANTONYMS:** (v) respect, love, adore, appreciate, cherish, like, praise, accept  
**destiny:** (n) fate, chance, fortune, kismet, luck, lot, destination, portion, weird, life; (n, v) doom. **ANTONYMS:** (n) chance, design  
**detain:** (v) arrest, confine, catch, capture, apprehend, stay, keep, jail, imprison, incarcerate, retard.  
**ANTONYMS:** (v) free, liberate, rush  
**determine:** (v) ascertain, define, appoint, adjudicate, set, specify, conclude, measure, designate, assign; (adj, v) resolve.  
**ANTONYMS:** (v) yield, question, comply, procrastinate, postpone, overlook, Miss, ignore, hesitate, disregard, balk  
**devil:** (n) fiend, demon, ghost, monster, Lucifer, Satan, Beelzebub, deuce, daemon; (v) torment, rag. **ANTONYM:** (n) angel  
**devise:** (v) contrive, conceive, invent, plan, create, concoct, design, arrange, frame, formulate, excogitate  
**devised:** (adj) invented, trumped up, formulated, fabulous  
**diamond:** (n) lozenge, infield, square, rhombus, rectangle, ball field, carbonado, baseball diamond; (adj) brilliant, jewel, bijou  
**diana:** (n) princess Diana, Lucretia, princess of Wales, satellite, orb of night, moon, lady Diana Frances spencer; (adj) Dian  
**dido:** (n) prank, Elissa, trick, caper, antic, grievance, joke, knickknack  
**difference:** (n) conflict, disagreement, controversy, contention, distinction, discrepancy, dissimilarity,

divergence, quarrel, discord; (n, v) change. ANTONYMS: (n) sameness, resemblance, correspondence, agreement, concurrence, understanding, parity, normality, likeness, accord, consistency

**digest:** (n) resume, compilation, epitome, compendium, condensation, collection; (v) stomach, absorb, summarize, apprehend; (adj) brook.

ANTONYMS: (v) misinterpret, lengthen, expand, enlarge, elaborate, misunderstand, avoid, succumb, misapprehend, detail, reject

**dimensions:** (n) size, capacity, volume, magnitude, extent, measurement, shape, range, physique, gauge, figure

**dine:** (v) feed, lunch, breakfast, dining, meal, give, have supper, take tea, grub, consume, entertain. ANTONYM: (v) abstain

**ding:** (n, v) ring, chime, dingdong, din, veto; (v) jingle, peal, dong, strike, sound, tinkle

**dinner:** (n) banquet, lunch, dinner party, meal, party, beanfeast, spread; (v) tiffin, dejeuner, beverage; (adj) dinnerly

**direct:** (v) aim, address, charge, dictate, head; (n, v) channel, command, control; (adj, adv) straight; (adj, v) level; (adj) immediate. ANTONYMS: (adj) roundabout, circuitous, oblique, sideways, unplanned, devious, dishonest; (v) request, follow, divert, get

**direction:** (n, v) conduct, charge, management; (n) bearing, guidance, command, course, instruction, rule, control, address

**directly:** (adj, adv) immediately, forthwith; (adv) instantly, frankly, bluntly, personally, straightly, straightforwardly, at once, outspokenly, sincerely.

ANTONYMS: (adv) obliquely, later, ambiguously, equivocally, subsequently, hesitantly, eventually, distantly, whenever, wrong, untruthfully

**disabled:** (adj) handicapped, invalid, helpless, incapacitated, game, wrecked, weakened, mutilated, mangled, unavailable, paralytic. ANTONYMS: (adj) fit, healthy, sound, strong, able

**disabling:** (adj) incapacitating, disqualifying

**discharge:** (n) dismissal; (adj, v)

acquit, deliver, bounce; (v) clear, complete, eject, absolve, cashier; (n, v) drain; (adj, n, v) burst.

ANTONYMS: (v) hire, load, hold, detain, convict, delegate, charge, assign, enlist, incarcerate; (n) burdening

**discourse:** (n, v) address, lecture, sermon, converse, harangue, chat; (n) talk, colloquy, conversation, discussion, homily

**discovery:** (n) detection, disclosure, breakthrough, finding, revelation, catching, revealing, invention, find, development, exploration

**discretion:** (n) circumspection, prudence, delicacy, diplomacy, calculation, free will, discernment, discreetness, tact, confidentiality, choice. ANTONYMS: (n) tactlessness, rashness, indiscretion, foolishness, vulgarity, openness, clumsiness

**dish:** (n) basin, disk, plate, meal, platter, food, saucer, beauty, meat, repast; (n, v) hollow

**dislike:** (n) disapproval, disaffection, antipathy, disdain, disfavor, revulsion; (n, v) hate, disinclination, aversion, distaste; (v) detest.

ANTONYMS: (n) liking, fondness, taste, attraction, enjoyment, preference, longing; (v) like, enjoy, approve, adore

**dismiss:** (v) cashier, disband, cast, discard, brush aside, can, bounce, cast off, cease, dispatch; (n, v) drop.

ANTONYMS: (v) employ, welcome, signal, remember, recall, mobilize, maintain, keep, hold, engage, contract

**dispatch:** (n, v) speed, rush; (n) consignment, expedition, celerity, quickness; (v) send, accelerate, deliver, quicken, slay. ANTONYMS: (n) receiving, receipt, dawdling, delay, loitering, silence; (v) keep, start, begin, hold, retain

**displeasure:** (n) resentment, discomfort, dissatisfaction, dislike, discontent, exasperation, disfavor, annoyance, offense, pique, disapproval. ANTONYMS: (n) satisfaction, pleasure, enjoyment, happiness, delight, contentment, equanimity, approval

**distance:** (n, v) remove; (n) space, way, gap, aloofness, interval, altitude, measure, mileage; (adj, n) length; (v) dissociate. ANTONYMS: (v) associate, attach, involve; (n) proximity, nearness, intimacy,

closeness, warmth, bias, lovingness

**distinct:** (adj) different, discrete, articulate, distinctive, palpable, definite, apparent, dissimilar, tangible; (adj, prep) separate; (adj, v) marked. ANTONYMS: (adj) indistinct, similar, unclear, vague, shapeless, inaudible, connected, general, resembling, associated, amorphous

**divers:** (adj, v) sundry, various, separate; (adj) several, many, diverse, miscellaneous, not a few, varied; (v) diversified; (n) diver

**divided:** (adj) cleft, detached, distributed, forked, shared, separated, separate, disjointed, branched, pronged, disunited

**divine:** (adj) sacred, wonderful, blessed, holy, exquisite; (n) clergyman; (v) guess, conjecture, augur, anticipate; (adj, n) almighty. ANTONYMS: (adj) imperfect, profane, earthly, dreadful, physical, ugly, secular

**division:** (n) disagreement, section, part, branch, class, split; (n, v) break, allotment, compartment, distribution; (adj, n) constituent.

ANTONYMS: (n) closeness, unification, estimation, union, unity, whole, marriage, accord, agreement, all, understanding

**dobbin:** (n) farm horse

**doctor:** (v) cure, mend, repair, remedy, attend, adulterate, fix, heal; (n) doc, Dr; (adj) doctorly.

ANTONYMS: (v) purify, clean, distill, harm, hurt, injure, wound

**dogs:** (n) foxes, Canidae, Carnivora, cats, family Canidae, forceps, order Carnivora, bears; (adj) dogging

**doing:** (n) act, do, deed, making, performance, execution, perpetration, acting; (v) to make, to do; (adj) current. ANTONYM: (n) failure

**done:** (adj, adv) finished, ended; (adj) complete, completed, over, made, gone, accomplished, concluded, through, cooked. ANTONYMS: (adj) unsettled, disapproved, incomplete, rare, raw, rejected, uncooked, undone, unfulfilled, unsanctioned

**dong:** (v) ding, dingdong, chime

**door:** (n) threshold, mouth, entrance, doorway, entry, opening, access, entryway, way out, portal, hatch.

ANTONYM: (n) entrance

**dote:** (adj, v) drol; (v) matureate, fond, doat; (adj) ramble, wander, rave, trifle

**double:** (adj, n) twin; (adj) dual, duple, twofold; (v) fold, bend, geminate; (adj, v) reduplicate; (n) substitute, mate, image.

ANTONYMS: (adj, n) single; (v) decrease, divide, halve; (adj) multivalent, univalent, lone

**doublet:** (n) pair, couple, waistcoat, CHUDDER, barbe, gabardine, double, jacket, jubbah, oilskins, camisole

**doubly:** (adv) twice, twofold, two times, in two ways, dualistically

**doubt:** (n, v) suspicion, question, query, dispute; (n) disbelief, misgiving, incertitude, apprehension, uncertainty; (adj, n) skepticism; (v) suspect.

ANTONYMS: (n) certainty, confidence, conclusiveness, belief, certitude, faith, approval; (v) accept, believe, consider, swallow

**doubtful:** (adj) dubious, debatable, distrustful, questionable, queer, suspicious, tentative, disputable, diffident, unsettled, unsure.

ANTONYMS: (adj) trusting, convinced, reliable, confident, persuaded, provable, sure, hopeful, promising, likely, indubitable

**doves:** (n) Columbiformes, order Columbiformes

**dowry:** (n) dot, inheritance, gift, alimony, dowery, portion, jointure, grant, share, endowment, heritage

**dram:** (n) drachma, nip, ankus, spot, dynamic random access memory, snifter, blast, apothecaries' weight; (n, v) potion; (v) drench, swill

**draw:** (n, v) drag, pull, delineate, tie, design, puff; (v) depict, describe, derive, bring; (n) attraction.

ANTONYMS: (v) repel, deposit, shove, shorten, thrust, cut, curtail, contract, alienate; (n) repulsion, win

**dread:** (n, v) apprehension, fear, panic; (n) anxiety, awe, consternation, alarm, trepidation, dismay, foreboding, terror.

ANTONYMS: (adj) pleasing, welcomed, pleasant; (v) welcome, want; (n) reassurance, fearlessness, confidence, security, ease, calm

**dreadful:** (adj) bad, awful, alarming, atrocious, fearful, terrible, abominable, appalling, direful, grisly; (adj, v) dread. ANTONYMS: (adj) wonderful, great, lovely, fantastic, marvelous, admirable, successful, nice, joyous, honorable, fair

**dream:** (n) aspiration, ambition,

reverie, desire, fantasy, figment, nightmare; (n, v) vision, sleep; (v) muse, imagine. ANTONYMS: (n) alertness, nightmare

**dreaming:** (n) reverie, ambition, nightmare, conception, castle in the air; (adj) absent-minded, asleep, visionary, vacant, wistful, rapt

**dressed:** (adj) attired, clad, garbed, appareled, spruced up, spiffed up, covered, polished, garmented; (v) clothed, habited

**drew:** (n) move, John Drew

**dried:** (adj) arid, desiccated, dehydrated, shriveled, shrunken, dehydrated, torrid, parched, withered; (n) drier, dryer

**drink:** (n, v) beverage, draught, swallow; (n) alcohol, brew, potion, intoxicant; (v) booze, carouse, bib, swig. ANTONYMS: (v) regurgitate, sip, abstain

**drive:** (n, v) ride, push, force, crusade, urge, thrust, campaign, cause; (v) compel, chase, actuate. ANTONYMS: (n) apathy, inertia, lethargy, walk, indifference; (v) discourage, repress, stop, prevent, inhibit, dissuade

**drop:** (n, v) decline, dribble, deposit, decrease, jump, ebb; (adj, n, v) collapse; (v) droop, sink, cast, drip. ANTONYMS: (n, v) increase; (v) lift, pour, sharpen, raise, recuperate; (n) growth, mass, lot, upswing, elevation

**drops:** (n) tear

**drown:** (v) drench, submerge, overwhelm, choke, engulf, flood, swamp, inundate, suffocate, asphyxiate; (adj, n, v) sink.

ANTONYMS: (v) float, swim, amplify, dry

**drowning:** (n) masking, demersion

**drudge:** (n, v) slave, work; (v) toil, fag, moil, dig, grub, sweat, plod, grind; (n) hack. ANTONYMS: (v) dawdle, putter, loaf, idle, lounge

**drunk:** (adj) tipsy, wet, tight, blotto, drunken, inebriated; (adj, n)

inebriate; (n) boozier, dipsomaniac, drunkard, drinker. ANTONYMS: (adj) straight, clearheaded; (n) teetotaler

**ducat:** (n) coin, warrant

**duke:** (n) lord, prince, hand, nobleman, fist, chief; (v) pass, box, deliver

**dulcet:** (adj, n) sweet; (adj) musical, melodious, harmonious, melodic, honied, candied, mellifluous, canorous, mellow, honeyed

**dull:** (adj) dreary, dense, sluggish, dismal, slack, torpid; (adj, v) blunt, stupid; (v) deaden, dampen; (adj, n) cold. ANTONYMS: (adj) lively,

sharp, stimulating, exciting, lustrous, interesting, exhilarating, varied, glossy, glittery, luminous

**dumb:** (adj) mute, speechless, dense, dim, silent, dull, slow, stupid, inarticulate, foolish, obtuse.

ANTONYMS: (adj) bright, communicative, intelligent, loquacious, sharp, smart, speaking, brilliant, talkative

**duty:** (n) function, commitment, obligation, chore, assignment, office, dues, job, responsibility, must; (n, v) charge. ANTONYMS: (n) disobedience, option

**dwell:** (adj, v) inhabit; (v) reside, bide, live, stay, lodge, delay, occupy, continue, be, settle. ANTONYM: (v) wander

**each:** (adv) apiece, either, individually; (adj) every, various, singular; (adj, det) any; (n) anyone, an, anybody, everyone

**earliest:** (adj) earlier, early, initial, primordial, matutinal, original,

primitive, aboriginal, chief, foremost, opening. ANTONYMS: (adj) latest, subsequent,

contemporary

**early:** (adv) betimes, soon; (adj) initial, primitive, young, prompt, first, quick; (n) beginning, morning, prior. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) late, later; (adj) delayed, slow, tardy, conclusive, latter, middle; (adv) belatedly, tardily, expectedly

**earnestly:** (adj, adv) seriously; (adv) eagerly, intently, zealously, solemnly, ardently, fervently, heartily, gravely, warmly, passionately. ANTONYMS: (adv) indifferently, insincerely, unconcernedly, jokingly

**ears:** (n) antenna

**earth:** (n) world, dust, ground, land, lair, dry land, terra firma, clay, creation, ball, country

**earthly:** (adj, n) terrestrial; (adj) carnal, worldly, conceivable, human, geotic, secular, terrestre, temporal, telluric, sublunary.

ANTONYMS: (adj) spiritual, divine, ethereal, immortal, impossible, improbable, inconceivable, celestial

**easy:** (adj) convenient, gentle, familiar, graceful, at ease, light, lenient, clear, contented, cozy; (adj, adv) soft. ANTONYMS: (adj)

arduous, laborious, demanding, hard, strenuous, particular, burdensome, tough, uneasy, awkward, testing

**edge:** (n, v) bound, verge, hem, skirt, line; (n) boundary, margin, brink, blade, extremity, limit.

ANTONYMS: (n) center, disadvantage, obstacle, handicap, mainstream, end; (v) interior, dull, blunt, speed

**edifice:** (n) building, structure, house, hall, fabric, aviary, bagnio, bathhouse, abattoir, bawdyhouse, clubhouse

**e'er:** (adv) ever, forever

**either:** (adj) whatever; (adv) too, also, neither, besides, likewise; (n) or;

(det) any; (conj) other

**elbow:** (n, v) poke, nudge, jolt; (n) cubitus, elbow joint, angle, articulation; (v) jostle, push, shove, crowd

**elder:** (adj) older, big, adult; (n) dean, doyen, patriarch, ancient, boss, elderberry, superior, presbyter.

ANTONYMS: (n) youngster, minor, child, inferior; (adj) youngest, younger, little

**election:** (n) choice, ballot, poll, vote, volition, selection, preference, option, doom, predestination, referendum

**else:** (adv) besides, yet, to boot, in addition, moreover; (pron) another; (n) or; (adj) different, other, further, additional

**embrace:** (v) comprise, adopt, comprehend, contain, admit, espouse, include; (n, v) clasp, hug, grip, bosom. ANTONYMS: (v) reject, exclude, spurn, shun, renounce, release, loose, disbelieve

**embraced:** (adj) popular

**employ:** (v) use, apply, exploit, consume, wield, hire, engage, exercise, work, busy, utilize.

ANTONYMS: (v) fire, dismiss, can, ignore, misuse, sack, underuse; (n) unemployment

**empty:** (adj, v) clear, discharge, destitute, void; (adj) hollow, bare, blank, barren, abandoned; (v) deplete, pour. ANTONYMS: (adj) crowded, meaningful, packed, occupied, inhabited, swarming, brimming, laden, filled, cultivated; (v) fill

**enchanted:** (adj) bewitched, delighted, charmed, fascinated, rapt, spellbound, blissful, happy, enamored, possessed; (v) entranced.

ANTONYMS: (adj) disenchanted, unhappy

**endeavour:** (n) attempt, effort, pains, trial, try, enterprise, striving, contribution, braving; (v) exert, strive

**enemy:** (n) antagonist, opponent, foe, opposition, competitor, enmity, assailant, foeman, hostile, besieger; (adj, n) rival. ANTONYMS: (n) ally, friend, supporter, benefactor, defender, fan

**enforce:** (v) compel, constrain, carry out, implement, impose, execute, apply, drive, dispense, effect; (n, v) force. ANTONYMS: (v) surrender, relax, neglect, forget, exempt, disregard, abandon

**enforced:** (adj) required, obligatory, compulsory, applied, compelled, binding, essential, requisite, necessary, mandatory, legal.

ANTONYMS: (adj) optional, unenforced, voluntary

**england:** (n) Britain, British, UK, United Kingdom, Albion, British Empire

**english:** (n) English language, Englishwoman, Britain, Englishman, side, the English, English people; (adj) Anglican; (v) Anglify

**englishman:** (n) Sassenach, British, Briton, Britisher, Englander, English, Saxon, limey, burgher, Jacobean, burgess

**enjoying:** (n) relish, enjoyment; (adj) comfortable, fruitive

**enough:** (adj) ample, adequate, competent, decent; (n) adequacy, sufficiency, fill; (adv) rather, amply, adequately; (adv, n) plenty.

ANTONYMS: (adj) insufficient, deficient, wanting, scant; (adv) insufficiently, inadequately; (n) insufficiency, deficiency, inadequacy, shortage

**enter:** (v) enroll, embark, chronicle, book, record, input, arrive, come, pierce, register, penetrate.

ANTONYMS: (v) depart, exit, delete, stop, refrain, erase, egress, abstain, cancel, exclude, disembark

**entirely:** (adv) fully, absolutely, utterly, wholly, altogether, all, thoroughly, perfectly, clean, solely; (adj, adv) completely. ANTONYMS: (adv) partially, incompletely, unenthusiastically, hardly, slightly, somewhat

**entrap:** (v) enmesh, catch, ensnare, trap, decoy, deceive, entice, inveigle, delude, frame; (n, v) tangle.

ANTONYMS: (v) liberate, clear, free

**entreat:** (v) beg, beseech, ask, implore, pray, adjure, appeal, request, conjure, crave, bid.

ANTONYMS: (v) demand, reject

**envious:** (adj) covetous, invidious, jaundiced, malicious, begrudge, greedy, resentful, grudging, green, begrudging, enviable. ANTONYMS: (adj) fulfilled, satisfied, undesirous, contented

**envy:** (v) begrudge, want; (n) enviousness, desire, heartburning, resentment, envies, heartburn, jealousy, hatred; (adj) jealous.

ANTONYM: (n) generosity

**epitaph:** (n) memorial, lettering, inscription, commemoration, epitaphic, legend

**equal:** (v) compare, equalize, equate; (adj, v) agree, correspond, even, equivalent; (adj) comparable; (n) compeer; (adj, n, v) rival, parallel.

ANTONYMS: (adj) different, repressive, uneven, disproportionate, inconsistent, unlike, dissimilar, discriminating, diverse; (v) differ, disproportion

**ergo:** (adv) consequently, accordingly, therefore, then, thus, so, as a consequence, as a result

**error:** (n) blunder, fault, mistake, delusion, lapse, oversight, miss, guilt, crime, defect; (adj, n) wrong. ANTONYMS: (n) correctness, fact, accuracy

**escaped:** (adj) at large, at liberty, loose, on the loose, runaway, easy, wild; (n) freer; (v) escaping

**estate:** (n) land, order, demesne, rank, domain, property, acres, substance, state, asset, assets

**estimable:** (adj) creditable, reputable, valuable, admirable, respectable, computable, honorable, good; (adj, n) worthy, meritorious, deserving. ANTONYMS: (adj) dishonorable, disliked, disregarded, disreputable, disrespected, scorned, contemptible, lamentable, unimpressive

**estimation:** (n) deference, assessment, calculation, approximation, appraisal, attention; (n, v) esteem, consideration, regard, reputation, credit. ANTONYMS: (n) calculation, disbelief, doubt

**events:** (n) athletics, plot, activities, actions

**ever:** (adj, adv) always, continually; (adj) constantly, still, forever; (adv) never, e'er, before, once, perpetually; (n) Evers. ANTONYM: (adv)

erratically  
**evermore:** (adj, adv) always, forever, ever; (adv) everlastingly, forevermore, perpetually, ever and again, for all time, until the end of time. ANTONYMS: (adv) temporarily, suddenly  
**every:** (adj) each, total, whole, any, thorough; (n) everybody, everyone, everything; (adv) apiece, either; (pron) every one  
**everywhere:** (adv) everyplace, all over, far and wide, overall, somewhere, far and near, about, where; (adv, pron) anywhere; (adv, n) anyplace; (adj) throughout. ANTONYM: (adv) nowhere  
**evil:** (adj) bad, criminal, corrupt, wicked, destructive, depraved; (adj, n) ill, detriment; (n) adversity, disaster, depravity. ANTONYMS: (n) goodness, righteousness, morality; (adj) kindhearted, righteous, benign, moral, pure, upright, virtuous, sinless  
**exaction:** (n) extortion, demand, blackmail, reclamation, revendication, tax, requirement, enforcement, force, imposition, assessment  
**example:** (n) exemplar, illustration, instance, sample, lead, paradigm, prototype, pattern, design, guide, precedent  
**exceeding:** (prep) beyond, more than, greater than; (adj) excessive, transcendent, extraordinary, exceptional, prodigious, surpassing, Olympian; (v) exceed  
**excellent:** (adj, n) estimable, worthy, capital; (adj) superior, admirable, beautiful, distinctive, superb, great, good, splendid. ANTONYMS: (adj) poor, abysmal, awful, mediocre, terrible, imperfect, inadequate, middling, shoddy, bad, used  
**exclaim:** (v) call out, call, shout, cry out, ejaculate, clamor, outcry, scream, shout out, speak, vociferate  
**excuse:** (n, v) pardon, palliate; (v) absolve, exculpate, condone, acquit, justify, forgive; (n) alibi, pretext, evasion. ANTONYMS: (v) blame, accuse, chide, discipline, include, reprimand, castigate; (n) accusation  
**execute:** (v) do, achieve, complete, perform, accomplish, act, effect, carry out, enforce, make, fulfill. ANTONYMS: (v) abandon, ignore, disregard, Miss, forget, shirk, revive  
**exhibit:** (adj, n, v) display; (v) evince, evidence, expose, demonstrate,

disclose, flaunt, announce, present, show, produce. ANTONYMS: (v) hide, cover; (n) concealment, hiding  
**exhortation:** (n) warning, monition, persuasion, suggestion, counsel, incitement, sermon, admonition, exhort, hortation, admonishment  
**expect:** (v) assume, anticipate, demand, understand, hope, think, suppose, calculate, await, abide, conceive. ANTONYMS: (v) fear, despair  
**exploit:** (n, v) act, achievement, feat, action; (n) accomplishment, adventure, effort; (v) exercise, apply, use, employ. ANTONYM: (v) waste  
**expressing:** (adj) significant; (n) speech  
**expressly:** (adv) specially, particularly, distinctly, specifically, explicitly, especially, utterly, clearly, precisely, telly, exactly.  
**ANTONYMS:** (adv) ambiguously, conditionally, implicitly, indirectly, vaguely  
**extend:** (v) enlarge, broaden, widen, dilate, amplify, augment, go, continue, spread, draw out; (adj, v) stretch. ANTONYMS: (v) withdraw, shorten, narrow, shrink, limit, contract, curtail, hold, reduce, abridge, keep  
**eyes:** (n) sight, eye, vision, view, baby blues, guard, propensity, eyen  
**face:** (adj, n, v) front; (v) confront, audacity; (n, v) look, aspect, top; (n) side, expression, countenance, exterior, facade. ANTONYMS: (n, v) back; (n) timidity, nobody, underside, shyness, rear; (v) evade, elude, hide, withdraw, submit  
**fading:** (n) attenuation, bleaching, discoloration, disappearance, evaporation, colour fading, decay; (adj) disappearing, paling, weakening, decaying. ANTONYMS: (adj) thriving, increasing, growing  
**fail:** (adj, v) fade, decline, cease; (v) abort, die, break, bust, want, disappoint, deteriorate, default. ANTONYMS: (v) succeed, triumph, win, thrive, procure, accomplish, achieve, attain, boom, complete, continue  
**faint:** (adj, n, v) swoon; (adj) dim, feeble, dizzy, indistinct, vague, soft, dull; (adj, v) weak; (v) languish, pass out. ANTONYMS: (adj) distinct, clear, obvious, loud, considerable, pungent, invigorated, hearty, energetic, defined; (v) revive  
**fair:** (adj) clear, beautiful, sweet,

reasonable, dispassionate, average, fine, impartial; (adj, v) bright; (adj, adv) clean; (n) blonde.  
**ANTONYMS:** (adj) biased, unjust, exceptional, dark, partial, mismatched, unwarranted, foul, imbalanced, prejudiced, poor  
**fairly:** (adj, adv) justly; (adv) moderately, honestly, completely, purely, impartially, somewhat, righteously, lightly, rightly, squarely. ANTONYMS: (adv) unjustly, extremely, subjectively, very, dishonestly, unreasonably, completely, entirely, unlawfully, excessively, wholly  
**fairness:** (adj, n) candor, comeliness, honesty; (n) beauty, justice, candour, equality, reasonableness, frankness, veracity, neutrality. ANTONYMS: (n) unfairness, prejudice, bias, inequity, partiality, pettiness, inequality  
**faith:** (n) confidence, belief, conviction, trust, credence, credit, creed, assurance, cult, expectation, dependence. ANTONYMS: (n) disbelief, distrust, dubiousity, skepticism, despair, uncertainty, doubt, independence  
**faithfully:** (adv) exactly, accurately, sincerely, staunchly, precisely, truly, authentically, dutifully, literally, steadfastly, truly. ANTONYMS: (adv) unfaithfully, approximately, falsely, insincerely, carelessly, inaccurately  
**faithless:** (adj) dishonest, false, traitorous, treacherous, unfaithful, deceitful, untrustworthy, untrue, truthless, mendacious, perfidious. ANTONYMS: (adj) loyal, steadfast, true, honest  
**fall:** (n, v) decline, dip, rain, decrease, plunge, dive; (n) downfall, descent, autumn; (v) descend, sink. ANTONYMS: (n, v) increase, win, climb, triumph; (n) ascent, improvement, rising; (v) ascend, advance, conquer, elevate  
**fallen:** (adj) drop, decline, prostrate, flat, destroyed, down, lapsed, alight, degenerate, lose, get. ANTONYMS: (adj) esteemed, honorable, honored, lauded, prestigious  
**falling:** (n) descent, fall, downfall, degradation, depreciation; (adj) descending, decreasing, declining, tumbling, ebb, down. ANTONYMS: (adj) standing, increasing, burgeoning  
**falls:** (n) cataract, waterfall, chute,

angel, torrent, Victoria, twin, force, body of water, Guaira, Niagara

**false:** (adj, n) bastard; (adj, adv) counterfeit, deceitful; (adj) untrue, dishonest, erroneous, sham, assumed, artificial, fictitious, deceptive. ANTONYMS: (adj) real, genuine, faithful, factual, correct, natural, truthful, honest, valid, just, loyal

**falsehood:** (n) fable, fabrication, deception, untruth, lie, fib, fiction, invention, dishonesty; (adj, n) deceit, falsity. ANTONYMS: (n) fact, honesty, reality

**famished:** (adj) ravenous, starving, starved, empty, voracious, greedy, malnourished, thin; (adj, v) esurient; (v) peckish, lickerish. ANTONYMS: (adj) full, satisfied, satiated, gorged, healthy

**fancy:** (n, v) desire, fantasy, caprice, dream, wish, daydream; (v) imagine, consider; (adj, v) conceive; (n) conception, conceit.

ANTONYMS: (n) reality, certainty, actuality, conviction; (adj) unadorned, common; (v) hate, demonstrate, detest, disapprove, test

**fare:** (n, v) do; (n) food, aliment, board, table, charge, chow, menu, traveller; (v) come, eat. ANTONYM: (v) stop

**farewell:** (int, n) adieu; (n) bye, leave, valediction, adios, parting, goodbye, separation, departure, aloha; (int) bon voyage. ANTONYMS: (n) hello, salutation, welcome

**farther:** (adj, adv, prep) beyond; (adj) additional, more, distant; (adv) furthermore, besides, abroad, in addition, too; (adj, prep) outside; (pron) another. ANTONYMS: (prep) within; (adv) nearer, closer

**farthest:** (adj) ultimate, extreme, farthestmost, utmost, uttermost, last, furthestmost, endmost, greatest, most distant; (adj, adv) remotest.

ANTONYMS: (adv) closest, nearest

**fashion:** (n) mode, craze, fad, manner, method, way; (n, v) cut, construct, style; (v) contrive, make. ANTONYM: (v) destroy

**fast:** (adj, v) firm; (adj) dissolute, instant, agile, staunch, quick, hurried, fixed, rapid; (adv) soon, hard. ANTONYMS: (adv) slowly, loosely, sluggishly; (n) binge; (adj) sluggish, loose, unattached, plodding; (adj, adv) leisurely; (v) gorge, eat

**fafter:** (adv) sooner, fleet, swift,

quick, express, earlier

**fatal:** (adj) deadly, pestilent, lethal, disastrous, destructive, dangerous, deathly, fateful, murderous, critical; (adj, v) mortal. ANTONYMS: (adj) harmless, nourishing, healthful, benign, uncritical, mild

**fates:** (adj) book of fate, Parcae, sky; (n) fortune, the fates

**father:** (n) dad, begetter, creator, abba, patriarch, beginner, founder, padre; (n, v) sire; (v) engender, generate. ANTONYMS: (n) disciple, follower

**fault:** (adj, n, v) deficiency; (n) error, blot, delinquency, flaw, break, blunder; (adj, n) failing, blemish; (n, v) blame, crime. ANTONYMS: (n) strength, virtue, capability, innocence, perfection, credit, ease; (v) praise, absolve

**favour:** (n) relief, goodness, assistance, office, favoritism, benignity; (v) choose, prefer, privilege, facilitate, approve

**fawning:** (adj) obsequious, sycophantic, servile, sniveling, subservient, flattering, ingratiating, soapy; (adj, n) toadying; (n) adulation, sycophancy.

ANTONYMS: (adj) authoritative, assertive, domineering, forthright

**fear:** (n) awe, dismay, alarm, fright, consternation, care, anguish; (n, v) apprehension, doubt, concern, reverence. ANTONYMS: (n) fearlessness, reassurance, confidence, courage, valor, calm, boldness, security, equanimity, peace; (v) brave

**fearful:** (adj, n) afraid; (adj, v) dreadful, cowardly; (adj) terrible, apprehensive, awful, timid, anxious, craven, frightful, eerie.

ANTONYMS: (adj) rational, calm, confident, bold, unimpressed, charming, fearless, courageous, reassuring, unafraid, wonderful

**fearfully:** (adj) timidly, timorously, awfully, apprehensively, horrendously, hideously, anxiously, appallingly, terribly; (adj, adv) shockingly, dreadfully.

ANTONYMS: (adv) bravely, calmly, confidently, wonderfully, rationally, unconcernedly

**feast:** (n, v) junket, fete; (n) entertainment, dinner, binge, spread, celebration, jamboree, carousal; (v) feed, eat. ANTONYMS: (v) abstain, starve; (n) snack

**feasting:** (n) carnival, eating

**feed:** (v) eat, dine, browse, encourage, board, diet, nourish, fatten; (n, v) nurture, provender; (n) aliment. ANTONYMS: (v) thwart, crave, desire, sap

**feel:** (v) experience, finger, handle, consider, find; (n, v) sense, sound; (n) feeling, texture, atmosphere, air. ANTONYMS: (v) observe, doubt, question, mistrust, ignore, disregard, disbelieve, challenge

**feign:** (v) dissemble, simulate, affect, pretend, assume, dissimulate, counterfeit, act, sham, fabricate; (adj, v) deceive

**fell:** (v) cut, chop, bring down, drop, cut down; (adj) barbarous, cruel; (adj, v) prostrate, floor, knock down; (n) skin. ANTONYMS: (v) construct, erect, raise, build

**fellow:** (adj, n) comrade, associate; (n) boy, equal, brother, peer, chap, colleague, compeer, buddy; (adj, n, v) concomitant. ANTONYMS: (n) female, woman, girl, foe, enemy, antagonist, competitor

**fellows:** (n) fellow, membership, faculty

**felt:** (v) mat, tangle, snarl, braid, entangle, lace, perceive; (adj) sensed, perceived, conscious, sensible

**fence:** (n, v) hedge, wall, bar; (n) barrier, hurdle, pale, boundary; (v) quibble, enclose, parry, contend. ANTONYMS: (v) challenge, face, confront

**fields:** (n) field, domains, plain, notification fields, rotation, alternation of crops, grounds

**fiend:** (n) monster, devil, fanatic, brute, deuce, incubus, goblin, ogre, enthusiast, daemon, addict. ANTONYM: (n) angel

**fifth:** (n) interval, twenty percent, common fraction, fifth part; (adv) fifthly; (v) decimate

**fight:** (n, v) battle, dispute, contest, quarrel, engagement, feud, squabble, argue, struggle, clash; (adj, n, v) brawl. ANTONYMS: (n, v) withdrawal, retreat; (n) fear, surrender, agreement; (v) compromise, favor, submit

**figure:** (n, v) form, design, cast, estimate, shape, image; (v) count, cipher; (adj, n) appearance; (n) character, cost. ANTONYM: (v) estimate

**fill:** (v) block, clog, stuff, line, charge, execute, accomplish, complete, brim, fulfill; (n) crowd. ANTONYMS: (v) empty, free, deplete, unpack,



unload, notch, deflate, desert  
**find:** (v) catch, detect, encounter, come across, feel, attain, ascertain; (n) detection, disclosure, search, discovery. ANTONYMS: (v) misplace, search, fail; (n) loss  
**fine:** (adj) delicate, dainty, agreeable, nice, thin, elegant, capital, excellent, brave; (n) penalty; (v) punish. ANTONYMS: (adj) poor, thick, wide, coarse, unsatisfactory, substantial, wretched, unpleasant, unimpressive, dark, cloudy  
**finger:** (v) feel, handle, touch, thumb, indicate, point; (n) digit, dactyl, forefinger, pointer; (n, v) hand. ANTONYM: (v) clear  
**fire:** (v) eject, dismiss, kindle, ignite; (n, v) discharge, blaze, flame, explode; (n) ardor, conflagration, fervor. ANTONYMS: (v) hire, defuse, deflate, employ, dampen, detain; (n) laziness  
**firm:** (adj, adv) hard; (adj, v) stable, compact, determined, close, resolute; (adj) fixed, steadfast, solid, strong; (adj, n) steady. ANTONYMS: (adj) irresolute, weak, soft, hesitant, limp, liquid, soggy, lenient, indefinite, loose, inconstant  
**fish:** (n) bird, eel, fishing, Pisces, anchovy, chondrichthian, alewife, shellfish; (v) seek, hunt, pursue  
**five:** (n) fives, quintuplet, quint, Phoebe, basketball team, fin, squad, ace, digit; (adj, n) v; (adj) quinary  
**flat:** (n) apartment; (adj) even, bland, insipid, level, tasteless, dreary, boring; (adj, n) plain, plane; (adj, v) uninteresting. ANTONYMS: (adj) bumpy, emotional, hilly, variable, sharp, negative, natural, lively, contrasty, choppy; (adv) indirectly  
**flatly:** (adv) categorically, smoothly, plainly, levelly, insipidly, evenly, firmly, monotonously, horizontally, peremptorily, directly. ANTONYM: (adv) animatedly  
**flatter:** (v) fawn, adulate, wheedle, cajole, soap, kowtow, blandish, grovel, butter up; (n, v) court; (n) caress. ANTONYMS: (v) insult, disparage, criticize, discourage  
**fledged:** (adj) feathered, ripe, vanned, fledge, flidge  
**fleece:** (v) extort, bilk, pluck, deceive, rip off, swindle, strip, pigeon, shear; (adj, v) bleed; (n) wool  
**fleet:** (adj) fast, expeditious, quick, agile, brisk, rapid, speedy; (n) armada, float, navy; (v) flit  
**flesh:** (adj) carnality, concupiscence;

(n) mortality, beef, form, figure, frame, person, mankind, humanity, meat  
**flight:** (adj, n) herd, flying, bevy, drove; (n) escape, run, exodus, evasion, elopement, departure; (n, v) avolation  
**flood:** (n, v) flow, torrent, pour, stream, glut, rush, gush; (v) drench, inundate, drown; (n, prep) tide. ANTONYMS: (n) drought, shortage, slump, deficit; (v) disperse, dry  
**floor:** (n, v) level; (n) layer, earth, base, bottom, soil, platform; (v) stun, dump, deck; (adj, v) prostrate. ANTONYMS: (v) clarify; (n) ceiling  
**flourish:** (n, v) display; (v) thrive, prosper, boast, wave, brag, wield, boom, grow; (adj, v) bloom; (adv, v) shake. ANTONYMS: (v) decline, struggle, deteriorate, wilt, pine, fade, flounder, decrease, dwindle  
**follow:** (v) chase, adopt, adhere, succeed, accompany, abide by, comprehend, ensue, track; (adj, v) catch, grasp. ANTONYMS: (v) guide, lead, head, disobey, deny, ignore, misunderstand, predate, exceed, defy, break  
**follower:** (n) backer, devotee, fan, admirer, adherent, cohort, apostle, partisan, believer, attendant; (adj) lover. ANTONYMS: (n) detractor, rebel, superior, disbeliever, cynic, leader  
**followers:** (n) adherents, people, entourage, clique, faithful, disciples, supporters, multitude, attendants, support, suite  
**following:** (adj) consequent, ensuing, subsequent, consecutive, succeeding; (adj, v) consequential; (n) entourage, pursuit, followers; (adv) under, after. ANTONYMS: (adj) leading, previous, alternate, earlier; (n) nonbelievers  
**fond:** (adj) affectionate, caring, devoted, tender, loving, amorous, delicate, adoring, dotting, ardent, attached. ANTONYMS: (adj) aversion, cold, rough  
**font:** (n) type, fountain, baptistery, typeface, spring, print, well, boldface, black letter, baptistry, baptismal font  
**food:** (n, v) fare; (n) edible, board, nourishment, diet, sustenance, aliment, dish, foodstuff, meat, nurture  
**fool:** (n) blockhead, dunce, clown, idiot, ass, booby, buffoon; (v) deceive, bamboozle; (n, v) joke, gull.

ANTONYM: (n) savant  
**fooling:** (n) farce, tomfoolery, horseplay, joking, prank; (adj) casual, accidental, everyday, effortless, cursory  
**foolish:** (adj) childish, fool, crazy, dumb, daft, fatuous, stupid, unwise, preposterous, dopey; (adj, n) silly. ANTONYMS: (adj) wise, sensible, shrewd, prudent, visionary, diplomatic, levelheaded, sane, rational, mature, judicious  
**foot:** (n) base, feet, foundation, footing, pes, paw, basis, leg, measure; (v) hoof, pay. ANTONYMS: (v) owe; (n) head  
**footing:** (n) foothold, base, bottom, foundation, status, rank, foot, pedestal, situation, relation, root. ANTONYM: (n) top  
**forbear:** (v) refrain, desist, help, tolerate, abide, eschew, endure, relinquish; (n) predecessor, progenitor, forbear  
**forbid:** (v) prohibit, ban, disallow, bar, obstruct, exclude, deny, avert, frustrate, to prohibit, enjoin. ANTONYMS: (v) allow, let, approve, authorize, stand  
**force:** (n, v) drive, squeeze, pressure, thrust; (n) energy, strength, agency; (v) coerce, push, press, compel. ANTONYMS: (n) persuasion, ineffectiveness, inertia, apathy, moderation; (v) request, wheedle, pull, push, restrain, prevent  
**foreign:** (adj) extraneous, extrinsic, alien, exterior, external, exotic, strange, oversea, adventitious, unfamiliar, stranger. ANTONYMS: (adj) familiar, domestic, internal, relevant, national, natural  
**forerunner:** (n) ancestor, herald, harbinger, messenger, predecessor, antecedent, augury, progenitor, prodrome, parent, leader. ANTONYMS: (n) successor, descendant  
**forfeit:** (n) penalty, deprivation, cost; (v) abandon, forgo, relinquish, waive; (n, v) sacrifice, pawn; (adj) confiscate, lost. ANTONYMS: (n) retention; (v) claim, redeem, receive, maintain  
**forfeiture:** (n) penalty, fine, confiscation, deprivation, sacrifice, mulct, loss, seizure, expense, cost; (adj) disfranchisement  
**forgave:** (v) to excuse  
**forgive:** (v) absolve, excuse, acquit, remit, pardon, justify, to forgive, exonerate, overlook, clear, to excuse.

ANTONYMS: (v) condemn, punish, castigate

**form:** (n, v) make, fashion, design, build, arrange, shape; (adj, n) figure; (v) establish, constitute, do; (n) ceremony. ANTONYMS: (v) deform, destroy

**formerly:** (adv) already, previously, earlier, lately, originally, anciently, aforesaid, first, erstwhile, at one time, once. ANTONYMS: (adv) afterward, lastly, later, now

**forsworn:** (adj) perjured, untrue

**forth:** (adv) away, along, onward, ahead, before, on, off, on the high road, on the road, on the way, under way

**forthwith:** (adv) directly, immediately, at once, now, instantly, straight, presently, straightaway, incontinently; (adj, adv) quickly; (adj) immediate

**fortnight:** (n) two weeks, period, amount of time

**fortunate:** (adj) favorable, lucky, auspicious, advantageous, favored, happy, prosperous, fortuitous, well, successful; (adj, n) blessed.

ANTONYMS: (adj) unlucky, disadvantaged, disastrous, unfavorable, underprivileged, inauspicious, unenviable, unsatisfactory

**fortune:** (n) estate, fate, fluke, destiny, luck, accident, means, assets, riches, abundance, doom.

ANTONYM: (n) design

**fortunes:** (n) adventures, fortune, personal narrative, life, journal

**forward:** (adj, prep) bold; (adj, adv) onward; (adj) audacious; (adj, n, v) promote; (v) expedite, dispatch; (adv) fore, along, ahead; (adv, n, v) further; (adj, adv, n) early.

ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) backward; (adj) posterior, timid, reverse, abashed, late, formal; (adv) behind, rearward, back, aft

**found:** (v) erect, build, base, form, construct, constitute, appoint, institute, set up, create, ground. ANTONYMS: (v) abolish, disband; (adj) lost

**four:** (n) quaternary, foursome, tetrad, quaternion, quadruplet, square, quarter, quad, air, age of man; (adj, n) IV

**fourth:** (adv) fourthly; (n) interval, third, after part, common fraction, fourth part, quarter, second; (adj) quaternary

**france:** (n) Frances, Jacques Anatole

Francois Thibault, regional operations in Germany, Anatole France

**frankfort:** (n) capital of Kentucky, Frankfurt on the main

**free:** (adj, v) exempt, liberate, discharge; (adj, adv, v) loose; (v) excuse, extricate, relieve, disentangle, ease; (adj, n) frank; (adj) liberal. ANTONYMS: (adj) restricted, imprisoned, repressive, secure, strict, stuck, confined, tangled, compelled, dependent; (v) confine

**freedom:** (adj, n) franchise, immunity; (n) deliverance, autonomy, release, discharge, emancipation, escape, liberty, right; (adj) frankness. ANTONYMS: (n) imprisonment, restriction, captivity, suppression, dependence, restraint, capture, chance, conformity, inclusion

**freely:** (adv) loosely, frankly, openly, generously, independently, gratuitously, voluntarily, liberally, free, sparely; (adj, adv)

spontaneously. ANTONYMS: (adv) reluctantly, deceitfully, accurately, meagerly, parsimoniously, secretly, stingily, unwillingly; (adj) restricted

**french:** (adj) Gallic, Frankish, Gallican, Gallian; (v) to take French leave; (n) Frenchman, romance language, French people, Daniel Chester French, profanity, the French

**frenchman:** (n) French person, Gaul, frog, Norman, Parisian, Frenchwoman, savoyard, Breton, Angevine, Angevin, monsieur

**friend:** (adj, n) associate, comrade, companion, fellow, ally; (n) acquaintance, colleague, boyfriend, crony, brother, mate. ANTONYMS: (n) foe, stranger, rival, nemesis, adversary, antagonist

**friendly:** (adj, n) favorable; (adj) amiable, affectionate, decent, good-natured, kind, convivial, companionable, benevolent, amicable; (adj, adv) comradely. ANTONYMS: (adj) unfriendly, distant, disagreeable, aggressive, aloof, formal, frosty, belligerent, curt, reserved, impersonal

**friends:** (n) circle, associates, connections, links, support group, acquaintances

**friendship:** (n) association, familiarity, affection, companionship, friendliness,

intimacy, company, attachment, relationship; (n, v) amity, concord.

ANTONYMS: (n) hostility, animosity, antagonism, conflict, formality, rivalry, hatred, detachment, distance, isolation

**frown:** (adj, v) lower; (adj, n) scowl; (n, v) pout, grimace, glower, glare; (adj) black looks, gloam, glout; (v) sulk, gnash. ANTONYM: (v) approve

**frowning:** (adj) dismal, dark, gloomy, lowering, scowling, frowny, clouded; (adv) frowningly; (n) austere, boisterous, coarse

**full:** (adj, n) complete, absolute, entire; (adj) abundant, flush, broad, extensive, ample, total, enough; (adj, adv, n) crowded. ANTONYMS: (adj) lacking, starving, hungry, sketchy, incomplete, thin, deserted, partial, restricted, weak; (v) wane

**fulness:** (adj) excessive, foul, immoderate, bad, plentiful, undue, smarmy, repugnant, rank, high; (v) loathsome. ANTONYMS: (adj) shy, scanty

**furnish:** (v) afford, provide, contribute, render, offer, accommodate, supply, outfit, yield, decorate; (n, v) give. ANTONYM: (v) divest

**furnished:** (adj) fitted, arranged, privileged, instruct, carrying weapons, equipt, enlightened; (v) provide, furnish, begone, beset

**fury:** (n) anger, exasperation, force, resentment, delirium, furor, frenzy, indignation, craze; (adj, n) wrath, ferocity. ANTONYMS: (n) composure, calmness, mildness, calm, pleasure, serenity

**gain:** (n, v) profit, benefit, win, catch, advance; (v) derive, earn, get, attain, reach; (n) earnings. ANTONYMS: (n) loss, deficit, disadvantage, setback; (n, v) decrease; (v) reduce, scatter, collapse

**gains:** (n) income, proceeds, profits, winnings, receipts, revenue

**gallows:** (n) gibbet, gallous, gallows-bits, hanging, noose, scaffold, halter, tree, rope, gallowstree, bough

**gambols:** (n) behave, play, frolic, employment, disport, act, action, amusement

**gaoler:** (n) keeper, screw, turnkey, warder, jailor, custos, custodian, lawman, guard, ass, ranger

**gaping:** (adj, n) agape; (adj) vast, yawning, cavernous, discontinuous, wide, ajar, drowsy, hollow, wide

open; (adj, v) oscitant. ANTONYMS: (adj) cramped, narrow

**garden:** (v) farm, cultivate, tend; (n) field, bed, plantation, orchard, grove, grounds, park; (adj) gardenly

**garments:** (n) attire, clothing, dress, apparel, raiment, outfit, costume, garb, array, gear, anything worthless

**garnish:** (v) decorate, embellish, beautify, adorn, dress, deck; (n) adornment, embellishment, decoration; (n, v) trim, ornament

**gate:** (n) door, mouth, entry, doorway, port, exit, goal, barrier, approach, inlet, threshold

**gaudy:** (adj) flashy, loud, showy, garish, flamboyant, tasteless, colorful, tacky, brassy, tawdry, florid. ANTONYMS: (adj) tasteful, restrained, muted, drab, modest, dull, quality

**gauge:** (v) estimate, calculate, make, assess, reckon; (n, v) gage, measure; (n) criterion, caliber, calibre, metre

**gave:** (v) deliver, allow, allot, provide, furnish, impart, administer; (n) gives

**gaze:** (n, v) stare, regard, look, behold; (v) gape, see, contemplate, face, pry, view, glance.

ANTONYMS: (v) glance, peek

**gazing:** (adj) fixed

**gear:** (n, v) outfit, harness; (n) equipment, dress, apparatus, device, baggage, thing, kit, belongings, stuff

**gelt:** (n) dough, pelf, lucre, kale, cabbage, bread, dinero, money, emasculate, gelding, castrate

**general:** (adj, v) common, frequent; (adj) comprehensive, national, universal, ecumenical, current, commonplace, public; (n) chief, commander. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) particular; (adj) narrow, individual, restricted, specialist, detailed, personal, localized, local, precise, limited

**generation:** (n) creation, epoch, era, tribe, offspring, formation, contemporaries, time, period, day; (n, v) genesis

**genoa:** (n) Genoa jib, Genova

**gentile:** (adj, n) pagan; (n) idolater, infidel, goy, soul, person, somebody, someone; (adj) alien, heathenish, ethnic

**gentle:** (adj) easy, friendly, soft, kind, affable, balmy, mild, feeble, compassionate; (adj, adv) calm; (adj, v) tame. ANTONYMS: (adj) harsh, loud, fierce, caustic, violent, rough,

hardhearted, abrupt, heavy, steep, sheer

**gentleman:** (n) gent, Mr, male, patrician, sir, adult male, esquire, sahib, gentlemen; (adj)

gentilhomme, gentlemanly

**gentlemen:** (n) sirs, messieurs

**gentleness:** (adj, n) kindness, courtesy, benignity, compassion; (n) kindliness, lenity, mildness, sweetness, softness, benevolence, mercy. ANTONYMS: (n) severity, harshness, fierceness, cruelty, ferocity, brusqueness, abruptness, rage, callousness, sharpness, roughness

**gently:** (adv) tenderly, slowly, mildly, soft, slow, kindly, delicately, softly, lightly, meekly, quietly.

ANTONYMS: (adv) sharply, fiercely, forcefully, harshly, abruptly, violently, severely, roughly, intensely, meanly, heavily

**german:** (n) German language, Jerry, Teuton, Hun, Yiddish, High German; (adj) Teutonic, Germanic; (adj, n) Alman

**germany:** (n) Federal Republic of Germany, Deutschland, FRG

**getting:** (n) acquiring, reception, acquisition, attainment, contracting, appropriation, taking, reaching; (prep) receiving; (v) acquire, receive. ANTONYM: (n) rejection

**gift:** (adj, n, v) endowment, faculty, ability, talent; (n) donation, flair, bestowal; (n, v) award, present, boon; (adj, n) capacity. ANTONYMS: (n) penalty, forfeiture, failing

**gild:** (v) embellish, ornament, beautify, decorate, begild, engild, paint, whitewash, varnish; (n) club, fraternity. ANTONYM: (v) strip

**gilded:** (adj, v) gilt; (adj) rich, gold, golden, deluxe, gilden, fortunate, garish, advantageous, aurated, luxurious

**ginger:** (n) fire, pep, galangal, vim, zest, zing, courage; (adj) gingery, auburn, carroty, red

**girl:** (n) damsel, gal, lady, young woman, maid, lass, fille, wench, daughter, bride, virgin.

ANTONYMS: (n) son, boy

**give:** (v) extend, commit, donate, endow, contribute, dispense, deliver, convey, grant; (adj, v) bestow, accord. ANTONYMS: (v) withdraw, take, withhold, retain, receive, keep, get, hide, conceal, starve, withstand

**given:** (adj) apt, disposed, prone, specified, liable, inclined, granted, fixed, conditional; (n) assumption, particular. ANTONYMS: (adj) taken, unwilling

**gives:** (n) give, offer, provide, grant, accord

**giving:** (n) endowment, donation, presentation, bestowal, disposal; (adj) liberal, generous, charitable, bighearted, big, humanitarian. ANTONYMS: (adj) nasty, tightfisted, malevolent, mean, stiff, stingy

**glad:** (adj) jubilant, cheerful, gay, blithe, delighted, festive, content, delightful, genial, bright, willing. ANTONYMS: (adj) unhappy, apologetic, dismayed, unwilling, disappointed, sorry

**glass:** (n) bottle, drink, goblet, cup, drinking glass, spectacles, glasses, field glass, bowl; (v) glaze; (adj, n) ice

**glory:** (n) celebrity, brightness, honor, distinction, glorification, eclat, dignity; (n, v) halo, pride; (v) exult, boast. ANTONYMS: (v) blasphemy, lament, profanity; (n) dishonor, disrepute, ugliness, blame, criticism

**gloves:** (n) gauntlet, mitten, mittens, gauntlets, scarf, ornament, handbag, belt, batting glove, boxing glove, baseball mitt

**gnats:** (n) fungus gnats, Nematocera, suborder Nematocera

**goats:** (n) suborder Ruminantia, Ruminantia, giraffes, deer, frank Capra, genus Capra, bison, antelopes, family Bovidae, camels, Capra

**godlike:** (adj) celestial, heavenly, seraphic, holy, angelic, godly, divine worship, deified, elysian, foreboding, divine songs

**gods:** (n) gallery

**gold:** (n) Au, money, riches, wealth, bullion, treasure, yellow, amber; (adj) aureate, gilt, golden

**golden:** (adj) aureate, fortunate, gilded, auspicious, gold, gilt, lucky, advantageous, fair, favorable, favored. ANTONYM: (adj) inauspicious

**gondola:** (n) boat, coracle, catamaran, basket, hydroplane, compartment, auto, hovercraft, gundelet, gondola lift, elevator car

**gone:** (adj, prep) past; (adj) deceased, bygone, departed, desperate, lost, late; (adj, v) exhausted, extinct; (adj, adv) absent, away. ANTONYMS:

(adj) present, remaining, found, alive  
**goodly**: (adv) benignly, kindly, strongly, rightly, graciously, virtuously, soundly, uprightly; (adj) sizable, handsome, respectable  
**goods**: (n) cargo, belongings, commodity, merchandise, product, estate, chattels, property, wealth, produce; (n, v) stuff  
**goose**: (n) goof, fathead, cuckoo, barnacle, fool, jackass, brant, goosecap; (n, v) spur; (v) serpent  
**gossip**: (n, v) chatter, rumor, chitchat, gab, talk, babble, natter, tattle; (n) chatterbox, conversation, small talk. ANTONYM: (n) truth  
**governor**: (n) chief, manager, regulator, administrator, lord, superintendent, ruler, controller, leader, president, protector  
**grace**: (adj, v) adorn; (v) garnish, deck, embellish, beautify, decorate, embroider; (adj, n, v) favor; (n) elegance, beauty; (adj, n) clemency. ANTONYMS: (n) unseemliness, awkwardness, disfavor, inelegance, heaviness, unkindness; (v) deface, demean  
**gracious**: (adj) genial, benign, good, courteous, compassionate, kind, accommodating, civil; (adj, n) benevolent, congenial, gentle. ANTONYMS: (adj) ungracious, boorish, discourteous, reserved, rude, abrupt, critical, unkind, hardhearted, harsh, poor  
**grandam**: (n) grandmother, grannam  
**grandsire**: (n) grandfather, ancestor  
**grant**: (adj, v) bestow, allow, confer; (n, v) award, gift, boon; (v) concede, afford, admit, acknowledge; (adj, n, v) present. ANTONYMS: (v) deny, reject, refuse, maintain, prohibit, disagree, retrieve, take, withhold, withdraw  
**grass**: (v) denounce, betray; (n) forage, cannabis, hay, pasture, fink, sward, pasturage; (adj, n) green, marijuana. ANTONYM: (n) patriot  
**gratify**: (v) delight, please, appease, accommodate, satisfy, amuse, suit, indulge, cater; (n, v) humor; (adj) contented. ANTONYMS: (v) dissatisfy, displease, disappoint  
**gratis**: (adv) for free, free of charge, gratuitously; (adj) gratuitous, complimentary, costless, buckshee, unsolicited; (adj, adv) without charge, freely, at no cost  
**gravity**: (n) solemnity, earnestness, gravitation, graveness, gravitational

attraction, weight, seriousness, significance, severity, sedateness; (n, v) poise. ANTONYMS: (n) insignificance, lightheartedness, triviality, cheerfulness, levity  
**great**: (adj) eminent, gigantic, big, distinguished, large, extensive, extreme, grand, chief, ample, massive. ANTONYMS: (adj) awful, insignificant, tiny, mild, poor, minor, useless, ordinary, slight, weak, unknown  
**greater**: (adj) larger, more, major, higher, superior, most, great, bigger, increased, considerable, not inconsiderable. ANTONYMS: (adj) inferior, smaller, small, lower  
**greatest**: (adj) top, superlative, biggest, utmost, largest, extreme, first; (adj, n) maximum, most; (adj, v) paramount, supreme. ANTONYMS: (adj) inferior, secondary  
**greatness**: (n) excellence, dimension, dignity, bulk, size, enormity, bigness, enormity, grandness, magnitude, fame. ANTONYMS: (n) obscurity, austerity, commonness, mildness, moderation, simplicity  
**grecian**: (adj) Hellenic, Achaian, classical; (n) cheat  
**greedy**: (adj) avid, gluttonous, desirous, grasping, acquisitive, glutton, piggish, voracious, selfish; (adj, v) avaricious, covetous. ANTONYMS: (adj) temperate, ascetic, unconcerned, abstemious, moderate  
**grieve**: (n, v) distress, aggrieve, afflict, sorrow, annoy; (v) trouble, lament, deplore, bemoan, fret, bewail. ANTONYMS: (v) rejoice, celebrate, encourage  
**grieving**: (adj) sorrowful, bereft, bereaved, mournful, aggrieved, sad, teenful, despondent; (v) grief, affliction; (n) sorrow  
**grievous**: (adj) bitter, dolorous, dreadful, deplorable, sad, tough, pitiful, atrocious, regrettable, sorrowful, sorry. ANTONYM: (adj) successful  
**grossly**: (adv) rudely, roughly, commonly, heavily, bluntly, disgustingly, shamefully, rankly, totally, uncouthly, obscenely. ANTONYM: (adv) appealingly  
**grossness**: (n) commonness, vulgarism, inelegance, obscenity, vulgarity, corpulence, indecency, crassitude, crassness, crudity, density

**ground**: (n, v) base, land, floor; (v) found, establish; (adj, n, v) bottom; (n) earth, reason, field, soil, dirt. ANTONYMS: (n) sea, figure; (v) launch, top  
**grow**: (v) expand, advance, augment, enlarge, come, emerge, spring, become, farm, turn, get. ANTONYMS: (v) decrease, weaken, shrink, decline, drop, collapse, struggle, wane, plummet, dwindle, deteriorate  
**grudge**: (v) begrudge, covet; (n, v) spite; (n) malice, anger, umbrage, resentment, rancor, gall, pique, feud  
**guarded**: (adj) wary, careful, chary, circumspect, cagey, vigilant, watchful, conditional, discreet, gingerly, conservative. ANTONYMS: (adj) frank, careless, trusting, reckless, open, unwary, natural  
**gudgeon**: (n) gull, Gobio Gobio, goby, percoid, percoidean, seduction, enticement, axle, pigeon, cyprinid fish, victim  
**guess**: (n, v) surmise, estimate, forecast; (v) suppose, deem, reckon, divine, believe, foretell; (n) assumption, supposition  
**guilty**: (adj) culpable, faulty, wicked, hangdog, criminal, chargeable, sinful, blameworthy; (n) guilt, culprit; (adj, v) condemned. ANTONYMS: (adj) blameless, aggressive, proud  
**habit**: (n) clothing, practice, dress, garb, attire, convention, character, ritual, addiction, clothes; (n, v) use. ANTONYM: (n) innovation  
**habitation**: (adj, n) abode; (n) domicile, residence, house, home, habitat, lodging, place, occupancy, inhabitation, inhabitancy. ANTONYM: (n) vacancy  
**hair**: (n) coat, coma, haircloth, pile, locks, filament, fleece, fur, hairbreadth, down, forelock  
**hairs**: (n) hair  
**half**: (adj) moiety, part, short, defective; (n) semi, mediety, halve, division, piece, first half; (adv) partly. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) all; (adj) fully, complete  
**halter**: (n) gibbet, rein, bridle, gallows, rope, noose, cestus, collar, drop; (v) confine, cramp  
**hand**: (v) give, pass, commit, bestow, afford, communicate, consign; (n) deal, worker, aid, applause. ANTONYMS: (n) boss, foot; (v) take  
**hands**: (n) custody, keeping,

- personnel, safekeeping, hold, shift, workforce, men, manpower, guardianship, full complement
- hang** (adj, n, v) suspend; (v) dangle, depend, drape, float, fall, hover, append, string up; (n, v) delay; (adj) hung
- hanging** (n) execution, curtain, arras, wall hanging; (adj) suspended, pendent, pendant, pendulous, hung, pending; (n, v) suspension
- happily** (adv) fortunately, joyously, joyfully, merrily, luckily, gladly, blissfully, cheerfully, felicitously, providentially, successfully.
- ANTONYMS** (adv) miserably, unhappily, sadly, unfortunately, unsuccessfully, reluctantly, gloomily, discontentedly, despondently, negatively, grudgingly
- happiness** (n) delight, merriment, ecstasy, welfare, gladness, luck, cheerfulness, blessedness, bliss, felicity, contentment. **ANTONYMS**: (n) sadness, despair, grief, misery, dissatisfaction, seriousness, dullness, discontent, dejection, gloominess, displeasure
- happy** (adj) felicitous, contented, gay, buoyant, content, gleeful, gratified, pleasant, glad, carefree; (adj, n) auspicious. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) sad, depressed, dejected, sorrowful, miserable, unlucky, sorry, reluctant, irritable, unfortunately, gloomy
- harbour** (n, v) harbor; (v) conceal, entertain, cherish, contain, bear, shield; (n) anchorage, pier, sanctuary, haven
- hard** (adj, n) austere, rough; (adj, v) grave, severe, acute; (adj) bad, difficult, strong, callous, cruel, tough. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) easy, kind, soggy, tender, merciful, yielding, simple; (adv) lightly, gently, lackadaisically; (adj, adv) flexible
- hardly** (adj, adv) barely, scarcely; (adv) severely, harshly, roughly, badly, toughly, laboriously, arduously, cruelly, heavily. **ANTONYMS**: (adv) extremely, fully, well, easily
- hare** (n) leporid, cony, puss, doe, jackrabbit, coney; (adj) antelope, courser, eagle, gazelle, greyhound
- hark** (v) harken, hear, harken, heed, listen in; (n) look here, look you, look
- harm** (adj, n, v) damage, hurt; (adj, n) evil, detriment, injury; (n, v) abuse, wound, blemish, disadvantage; (n) bruise; (adj, v) injure. **ANTONYMS**: (n, v) benefit, respect, help; (n) reparation, service; (v) enable, spoil, protect, defend, repair
- harmless** (adj) safe, benign, inoffensive, hurtless, innocent, innoxious, intact, simple; (n) silly; (adj, n) foolish; (v) weaponless.
- ANTONYMS**: (adj) lethal, damaging, destructive, poisonous, toxic, serious, offensive, malicious, hurtful, noxious, unpleasant
- harmony** (n) accord, consonance, agreement, correspondence, accordance, congruity, consistency, amity; (n, v) concord, peace; (v) concert. **ANTONYMS**: (n) discord, disagreement, argument, conflict, bitterness, harshness, incongruity, uproar, hostility, misery, upheaval
- harsh** (adj, v) sharp, bitter; (adj, n) grating, coarse, austere, discordant; (adj) grim, cruel, crude, unkind, stern. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) gentle, soft, harmonious, pleasant, lenient, kind, melodious, sweet, mild, lush, friendly
- haste** (n, v) hurry, dash, dispatch, rush; (n) celerity, expedition, rapidity, speed, bustle, hastiness, quickness. **ANTONYMS**: (n) delay, patience, forethought, caution
- hate** (v) abhor, detest, loathe, abominate; (n) enmity, abhorrence, detestation, hatred, animosity, antipathy, aversion. **ANTONYMS**: (n, v) like; (v) adore, cherish, admire; (n) attraction, liking, delight, adoration
- having** (n) estate, possession, acceptance, enjoyment
- hazard** (n, v) chance, venture, endanger, peril, adventure, bet, wager; (n) danger, fortune, jeopardy, accident. **ANTONYMS**: (n) safety, security; (v) protect
- head** (n) captain, boss, froth, foam, crown, chieftain; (n, v) point, lead; (adj, n, v) front; (v) capital, direct. **ANTONYMS**: (adj, n) subordinate; (n) end, beginning, foot, mouth, rear, tail, body, underling, base; (adj) minor
- healed** (adj) recovered, heal, recover, whole, corned, well, aged
- hear** (int, v) attend; (v) find out, discover, understand, apprehend, hark, learn, try, examine, listen; (adj) heard
- heard** (n) hearing
- hearing** (n) audition, ear, auditory sense, trial, consultation, reach, auscultation, inquiry; (n, v) earshot, sound; (adj, n) audience
- hears** (v) hear
- heart** (adj, n) core, gist, marrow; (n) spirit, center, essence, basis, kernel, crux, breast, hub. **ANTONYMS**: (n) body, surface
- heartily** (adv) cordially, sincerely, enthusiastically, warmly, strongly, earnestly, vigorously, ardently, soundly, devoutly, eagerly. **ANTONYMS**: (adv) feebly, languorously
- hearts** (n) Black Maria, spades
- heat** (adj, n) fever, excitement, passion; (v) bake, burn; (n) warmth, fervor, summer, estrus; (n, v) fire; (adj) flush. **ANTONYMS**: (n) cold, chill, coldness, anestrus, apathy, coolness, dryness, indifference
- heated** (adj) fierce, burning, excited, ardent, fevered, passionate, hot, furious, fiery, fervent; (v) heat. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) friendly, cooled, mild, apathetic, quiet, impassive
- heaven** (n) Eden, firmament, bliss, Elysium, sky, nirvana, glory, Elysian Fields, Garden of Eden, utopia; (adj) celestial. **ANTONYM**: (n) misery
- heavenly** (adj) celestial, blissful, ethereal, delightful, angelic, blessed, elysian, holy, unearthly, godlike, sacred. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) worldly, miserable, infernal, hellish, unappealing, dreadful, turbulent
- heavens** (n) firmament, heaven, sky, welkin, sphere, atmosphere, celestial sphere, space, skies, area, vault of heaven
- heavy** (adj, n) dull; (adj) deep, fat, dense, grave, dark, full, gross, thick, bulky; (adj, adv) hard. **ANTONYMS**: (adj) slim, easy, thin, slight, skinny, puny, gentle, insubstantial, animated, nimble, entertaining
- hebrew** (n) Israelite, Rabbist, rabbinist, kike, Pharisee, redeemer, savior; (adj) Hebraic, Greek, Jewish, dominical
- heed** (n, v) consideration, concern, regard, mind, attention, notice; (n) caution, advertence, advertency; (v) attend, hear. **ANTONYMS**: (n, v) disregard; (n) inattentiveness
- heinous** (adj) atrocious, grievous, evil, wicked, flagrant, flagitious, monstrous, hateful; (adj, v) gross, nefarious, infamous. **ANTONYM**:

- (adj) good
- heiress:** (n) inheritress, inheritrix, inheritor, heritor, owner, beneficiary
- held:** (adj) absorbed, confined, kept, apprehended, seized, supposed, reputed, tenable, thought, trapped; (v) detain
- hell:** (n) blaze, Hades, underworld, perdition, inferno, pandemonium, netherworld, Abaddon, Gehenna, purgatory, trial. ANTONYM: (n) paradise
- hellish:** (adj, v) diabolic, satanic; (adj) infernal, diabolical, fiendish, demonic, beastly, wicked, unholy, detestable; (v) mephistophelian
- help:** (n, v) assist, assistance, support, benefit, favor, avail, cure, assistant; (v) facilitate, ease, alleviate. ANTONYMS: (n) hindrance, detriment, interference, damage, disadvantage, disservice, manager; (v) worsen, aggravate, halt, hurt
- hence:** (adv) consequently, for that reason, therefore, thereby, away, thus, for, then, because, henceforth, as a result
- hercules:** (adj, n) atlas; (n) atlantes, Caryatides, Samson, Alcides, giant, Goliath, Herakles, Cyclops, Persides; (adj) superman
- hereafter:** (adv) thereafter, from now on, hence, henceforth, hereinafter, afterwards; (n) afterlife, futurity, time to come, great beyond, future life
- herein:** (adv) here, therein
- hermit:** (n) anchorite, ascetic, solitary, anchorite, eremite, monk, troglodyte, solitaire, loner, caveman, cave man
- hers:** (pron) she, his; (adj) own
- herself:** (adj) oneself, self, himself, myself, yourself, yourselves, themselves, ourselves, itself
- high:** (adj, v) elevated; (adj) great, expensive, distinguished, lofty, tall, exalted, heavy, dear; (n) chief; (v) bad. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) low; (adj) deep, short, sober, reasonable, sad, resonant, lowly, husky, unimportant; (n) depression
- higher:** (adj) greater, upper, major, senior, over, more, better, advanced, bigger; (prep) above, upon. ANTONYMS: (adj) basic, junior, lower
- highway:** (n) highroad, way, path, route, street, thoroughfare, course, main road, expressway, bus, freeway
- himself:** (pron) herself, themselves, yourself, itself; (adj) myself; (n) yourselves
- hire:** (v) employ, charter, enlist, take, rent, take on, retain; (n, v) wage; (n) employment, salary, engagement. ANTONYM: (v) fire
- hither:** (adv) here, whither, hitherward, thither
- hive:** (adj) swarm, herd; (v) store, SE nicher; (n) concourse, hiding place, cave, cell, den, aerie, eyry
- hogs:** (n) Suidae, boars, family Suidae, stock
- hold:** (n, v) keep, grip, grasp, entertain; (v) endure, detain, adhere, bear, have, contain, comprise. ANTONYMS: (v) fail, disagree, lose, free, deny, remove, lack; (n) separation, repulsion
- hollow:** (adj, n) blank; (n) cavity, depression, cave, dell; (adj) empty, false; (adj, n, v) concave; (n, v) excavate, dent, scoop. ANTONYMS: (adj) convex, sincere, true, full, meaningful, cramped, valid; (n) hump, bump, hill, lump
- holy:** (adj) devout, divine, heavenly, religious, blessed, hallowed, spiritual, devotional, pure; (adj, adv) saintly; (adv) sacredly. ANTONYMS: (adj) irreligious, unholy
- home:** (n) domicile, abode, house, residence, base, place, dwelling, family, habitation; (adj) domestic; (adj, n) household. ANTONYMS: (adj) external, national, public, away, foreign; (adv) out
- honest:** (adj) fair, genuine, sincere, good, equitable, artless, heartfelt, guileless, frank, forthright, faithful. ANTONYMS: (adj) lying, misleading, guarded, corrupt, disloyal, unwholesome, discourteous, disreputable, fictional, crafty, crooked
- honour:** (n) fame, award, dignity, homage, celebrity, accolade, reputation; (n, v) honor; (v) respect, celebrate, dignify. ANTONYMS: (n, v) dishonor; (v) disrespect
- honourable:** (adj) estimable, reverend, venerable, glorious, honorable, distinguished, above-board, good, worthy, right, noble
- honours:** (n) first, honors, degree, academic degree
- hood:** (n) bonnet, cowl, hat, headdress, coif, hoodlum, thug, lid, kerchief, malefactor; (n, v) cover
- hoop:** (n) circle, band, ring, loop, annulus, round, sphere, wheel, circlet, halo; (v) encircle
- hope:** (n, v) trust, desire; (n) aspiration, faith, belief, expectation, confidence, expectancy, anticipation; (v) confide, anticipate. ANTONYMS: (n) reality, past, pessimism, distrust, independence
- horn:** (n) car horn, antler, klaxon, cornet, French horn, ivory, foghorn, cornu, alarm, trumpet, arm
- horse:** (n, v) mount; (n) buck, heroin, junk, charger, knight, pony, rider, trestle, eohippus, dog
- hose:** (n) stocking, pipe, tights, hosepipe, hosiery, fire hose, airline, trunk hose; (v) water, cheat; (n, v) wash
- hour:** (n) clock, o'clock, hours, time, hr, term, nonce, moment, occasion, dawn, dusk
- hours:** (n) period, duty period; (adv) o'clock
- house:** (adj, n, v) family; (adj, n) home; (v) accommodate; (n) dwelling, firm, abode, domicile, edifice, habitation, housing; (n, v) lodge. ANTONYM: (adj) public
- howling:** (n) howl, cry; (adj) fierce, fantastic, gross, glaring, marvelous, wonderful, wondrous; (adj, n) weeping, sniveling
- huddled:** (adj) crouched, crouching, hunkered down, hunkered
- huge:** (adj) vast, immense, large, gigantic, enormous, extensive, great, colossal, elephantine, major, considerable. ANTONYMS: (adj) insignificant, miniature, small, affordable, compact, measly, minor, minute, slight, slim
- human:** (n) person, man, human being, homo, gay, party; (adj, adv) fleshly; (adj) humane, earthly, corporeal, worldly. ANTONYMS: (adj) nonhuman, otherworldly, heavenly, immortal
- humbleness:** (n) submission, obscurity, modesty, meekness, trait, humble, submissiveness, lowliness, obscuresness, humblesse, abstruseness. ANTONYM: (n) pride
- humblly:** (adv) lowly, meanly, modestly, submissively, low, shyly, lowlily, naturally, regretfully, remorsefully, repentantly. ANTONYMS: (adv) conceitedly, haughtily, pompously, ostentatiously, unrepentantly, affluently, brashly, pretentiously
- humility:** (n) diffidence, modesty, submission, shyness, meekness, lowliness, timidity, trait, humiliation, resignation; (adj)

veneration. ANTONYMS: (n) haughtiness, affectation, conceit, arrogance

**humour:** (n) fun, wit, witticism, body fluid, temper, mood, amiability, drollery, disposition; (adj) humorous; (v) gratify

**hurt:** (adj, n, v) damage, detriment; (adj, n) evil; (n, v) wound, pain, ache, distress; (n) disadvantage, lesion; (v) afflict; (adj, v) injure.

ANTONYMS: (adj) unhurt, unaffected, healed; (v) encourage, please, protect, repair, defend; (n, v) help; (n) reparation, pleasure

**husband:** (v) conserve, economize, preserve, save; (n) consort, hubby, man, fellow, lover, master, mate.

ANTONYMS: (n) wife, bachelor

**husbandry:** (n) cultivation, farming, economy, frugality, culture, conservation, thrift, tillage, dairying, horticulture, gardening

**ignorant:** (adj) unconscious, unwitting, rude, illiterate, uneducated, blind, dull, unaware, uninformed, unlearned, innocent.

ANTONYMS: (adj) conscious, versed, cultured, educated, informed, wary, literate, aware, polite

**immediately:** (adv) instantly, presently, readily, rapidly, quickly, promptly, instantaneously, speedily, right; (adj, adv) at once, forthwith.

ANTONYMS: (adv) slowly, whenever, gradually, now, eventually

**immortal:** (adj) eternal, enduring, undying, endless, monumental; (adj, v) deathless, imperishable, celebrated; (n) deity, God, divinity.

ANTONYMS: (adj) obscure, earthly, forgettable, perishable, temporary

**impart:** (v) give, convey, disclose, communicate, announce, grant, reveal, hand, bestow, divulge, confer.

ANTONYMS: (v) withhold, withdraw

**impeach:** (v) accuse, criminate, blame, censure, query, denounce, challenge, question, condemn; (n, v) arraign, indict

**impediment:** (n, v) hindrance, check, difficulty, delay; (n) bar, hitch, barrier, obstruction, drawback, encumbrance, block. ANTONYMS: (n) benefit, boost, incentive, strength

**impenetrable:** (adj) impassable, thick, incomprehensible, hard, mysterious, unfathomable, unintelligible, impervious, opaque, heavy, obscure.

ANTONYMS: (adj) penetrable, readable, straightforward, apparent, simple, sparse, vulnerable, accessible, transparent, understandable, open

**impertinent:** (adj) fresh, pert, saucy, forward, audacious, brash, brazen, extraneous, discourteous, disrespectful, flippant.

ANTONYMS: (adj) respectful, polite, courteous

**importance:** (n, v) entreaty, supplication; (n) urgency, appeal, earnestness; (v) solicitation, obsecration, interpellation, instance, obtestation, invocation

**imposition:** (adj, n) exaction; (n) cheat, trick, deceit, imposture, demand, hoax, tax, swindle, wile, infliction

**impossible:** (adj) unimaginable, insufferable, unbelievable, hopeless, impracticable, impractical, inconceivable, unlikely, unthinkable, unable, ridiculous.

ANTONYMS: (adj) feasible, achievable, manageable, bearable, attainable, on, tolerable, probable, hopeful, easy, consistent

**impugn:** (v) censure, dispute, charge, assail, challenge, question, gainsay, doubt, contradict, contest, impeach.

ANTONYMS: (v) support, accept

**imputation:** (n) blame, charge, accusation, impeachment, attribution, ascription; (adj, n) slur; (adj) blot, reproach, stain, spot

**incision:** (n) dent, cut, gash, groove, score, scratch, furrow, slice; (n, v) crack, split; (v) fissure

**indebted:** (adj) grateful, appreciative, thankful, obliged, liable, insolvent, broke; (prep) beholden, debted; (n) debtor; (v) owe. ANTONYM: (adj) ungrateful

**indeed:** (adv) certainly, exactly, in reality, surely, of course, assuredly, as a matter of fact, admittedly; (adj, adv) really, much; (n) yes.

ANTONYMS: (adv) possibly, doubtfully

**indian:** (n) American Indian, Red Indian, redskin, India, Amerindian, Shoshones, Aleut, squaw, sannup, creeks; (adj, n) Amerind

**indirect:** (adj) collateral, incidental, crooked, devious, oblique, roundabout, secondary, side, tortuous, winding, disingenuous.

ANTONYMS: (adj) overt, straight, concrete, lineal, explicit

**indirectly:** (adv) circuitously,

roundaboutly, collaterally, tortuously, windingly, sidelongly, incidentally, meanderingly, secondarily, discursively; (n) curved shape. ANTONYMS: (adv) straight, personally, frankly

**inevitable:** (adj) ineluctable, unavoidable, inescapable, destined, fatal, fated, necessary, obvious, irrevocable, irresistible; (n) ineluctability. ANTONYMS: (adj) evitable, avoidable, optional, preventable, unpredictable, unlikely; (adv) surprisingly

**infection:** (n) contagion, disease, contamination, corruption, illness, transmission; (adj, n) taint, pollution, septicity; (v) infect; (adj) contagious

**infidel:** (adj, n) heathen, pagan, unbeliever, skeptic, deist; (n) gentile, idolater, freethinker, paynim, miscreant; (adj) pyrrhonist

**infinite:** (adj) absolute, eternal, endless, countless, immense, incalculable, boundless, innumerable, immeasurable, everlasting, spaceless. ANTONYMS: (adj) finite, limited, restricted, small, tiny, slight

**infinitely:** (adv) greatly, vastly, immensely, immeasurably, boundlessly, enormously, unboundedly, hugely, ceaselessly, unendingly; (adj, adv) incalculably.

ANTONYM: (adv) finitely

**infold:** (v) envelop, embrace, double, wrap, wind, clasp, involve; (n) wreath, lap; (n, v) encircle, twist

**informed:** (adj) cognizant, educated, conscious, knowledgeable, familiar, apprised, wise, conversant, experienced, sensible; (adv) abreast.

ANTONYMS: (adj) uninformed, unconcerned

**infuse:** (v) implant, inculcate, instill, steep, imbue, impregnate, brew, indoctrinate, engraft, fill, soak.

ANTONYM: (v) dip

**inhuman:** (adj) heartless, cruel, atrocious, brutal, cold, harsh, ferocious, remorseless, barbarous, relentless, barbaric. ANTONYMS: (adj) sympathetic, kind, humane

**inlaid:** (adj) decorated

**inland:** (adj) interior, domestic, inner, inside, national, Mediterranean, home, indoor, native, intrinsic; (n) hinterland. ANTONYMS: (adj) foreign, exterior

**inquire:** (v) demand, ask, explore, enquire, inspect, research, consult,

pry, request, wonder; (n, v) question. ANTONYM: (v) answer

**inscription:** (n) epigraph, entry, dedication, autograph, epitaph, registration, lettering, writing, record, superscription, title

**inserted:** (prep) between; (adj) parenthetical

**instant:** (adj, n) present; (adj) immediate, prompt; (n) flash, minute, jiffy, point, second; (adj, v) exigent; (adj, n, v) pressing, urgent. ANTONYMS: (n) age, eternity; (adj) considered, delayed, slow

**instantly:** (adv, n) directly; (adj, adv) immediately, at once; (adv) instantaneously, promptly, forthwith, now, readily, quickly, momentarily, momentarily.

ANTONYMS: (adv) later, slowly, gradually

**instruction:** (n) charge, direction, education, guidance, prescription, guideline, teaching, information, injunction; (n, v) advice, counsel. ANTONYM: (n) plea

**instructions:** (n) direction, injunction, directions, charge, instruction, orders, book of instructions, guide, instruction manual, commission, directive

**intent:** (n) idea, intention, design, spirit, meaning, import, goal, purpose; (adj, n) attentive; (adj) absorbed, engrossed

**interest:** (n, v) advantage, care, benefit; (adj, v) engage; (n) affair, account, gain, hobby, eagerness, enthusiasm, sake. ANTONYMS: (n) indifference, apathy, boredom, distraction, hostility, detachment, inattention, repulsion; (v) repel, appall

**interior:** (adj) inner, internal, inland, inward, midland, central, domestic, innermost; (n) hinterland, bosom; (adj, n) center. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) exterior; (adj) external, foreign, outer, outdoor; (n) shore, shoreline, edge

**inward:** (adj) inner, intrinsic, internal, interior, intestine, inherent, domestic; (adv) inwardly, inwards, in; (n) innards. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) outward; (adj) outgoing, external

**issue:** (v) emanate, arise, emerge; (n) aftermath, progeny, consequence, effect; (n, v) egress, release, exit, result. ANTONYMS: (v) conceal, trickle, withhold; (n) resolution

**italian:** (n) dago, romance language,

Oscan, Guinea, greaseball, Etruscan, Italian cloth; (adj) Ausonian

**italy:** (n) Italia, Italian Republic, bergamot, bergamot orange

**itself:** (adj) herself, self, oneself, personally, myself, themselves, yourself

**ivory:** (n) tusk, dentin, whiteness, elephant, teeth, yellow, dentine; (adj) chalk, lily, milk, paper

**jacob:** (n) jack, James, Francois Jacob

**jealous:** (adj) distrustful, envious, covetous, suspicious, jealousy, resentful, invidious, green, grudging, jaundiced, attentive. ANTONYM: (adj) trusting

**jest:** (n) gag, gibe, quip, game; (n, v) jape; (v) banter, jeer, deride, gird, sneer, clown

**jewel:** (n) gemstone, darling, diamond, jewelry, trinket, treasure, ornament, idol; (adj, n) bijou, precious stone; (adj) brilliant

**jewels:** (n) jewelry, gems, wealth, hoops, Perrie, riches, studs, fortune, fineness, earrings, decoration

**jewess:** (n) Mary, Madonna, Jezebel; (adj) Marian

**jewish:** (adj) Judaic, Hebrew, Judaical, Jew

**judge:** (v) consider, think, evaluate, believe, condemn, assess, calculate, guess; (n) arbitrator, arbiter; (n, v) umpire. ANTONYM: (v) doubt

**judgment:** (n, v) decision, belief, discernment, condemnation, sense, discrimination; (n) determination, discretion, opinion, assessment, adjudication. ANTONYMS: (n) clumsiness, request, tastelessness

**jump:** (n, v) bound, start, bounce, hop, caper, startle, dive, rise; (v) spring, hurdle; (adj, v) skip. ANTONYMS: (n, v) decrease; (v) surface, drop, hesitate

**justice:** (adj, n) equity, right, integrity, honesty; (n) judge, impartiality, judicature, jurist, morality, justness; (adj) just. ANTONYMS: (n) unfairness, wickedness

**keen:** (adj, v) eager, fresh, biting, brisk, avid; (adj) sharp, intense, intelligent, enthusiastic, exquisite, piercing. ANTONYMS: (adj) indifferent, apathetic, unenthusiastic, blunt, unwilling, reluctant, passive, stupid, unconcerned, lukewarm, disinterested

**keep:** (n, v) hold; (v) preserve, retain, defend, guard, maintain, continue,

have, save, confine, observe. ANTONYMS: (v) lose, neglect, entrust, return, let, discontinue, reimburse, allow, stop, destroy, break

**keeping:** (n) care, conservation, charge, guardianship, maintenance, holding, observance, storage, conformation, consistency, conformity

**kept:** (adj) reserved, preserve, retained, remain, store, reserve, hold, lodge, keep, retain, detained. ANTONYM: (adj) broken

**kill:** (n, v) assassinate, destroy; (v) erase, annihilate, eliminate, extinguish, finish, blast, decimate, execute, eradicate. ANTONYMS: (v) revitalize, revive; (n) hunter

**kind:** (n) sort, form, class, variety, breed; (adj, n) helpful, good, humane, friendly, gentle; (adj) generous. ANTONYMS: (adj) unkind, cruel, hardhearted, mean, merciless, nasty, spiteful, uncaring, upsetting, callous, disagreeable

**kindness:** (n) generosity, clemency, compassion, grace, good will, graciousness, humanity, goodness, affection; (adj, n) courtesy, gentleness. ANTONYMS: (n) miserliness, spite, nastiness, callousness, cruelty, unfriendliness, maliciousness, thoughtlessness, sourness, severity, disservice

**king:** (n) mogul, sovereign, chief, crown, tycoon, baron, ruler, magnate, majesty, rex, power. ANTONYM: (n) queen

**kingdom:** (n) domain, realm, state, empire, dominion, territory, nation, crown, monarchy, department, land

**kiss:** (n, v) caress, brush, embrace, touch; (n) osculation, salute, lip, Kiss of peace, kiss hands; (v) osculate, love

**knave:** (n) cheat, jack, blackguard, crook, rascal, villain, cad, scallawag, scallywag, scoundrel, varlet

**knew:** (adj) known; (v) recognize, wist

**knife:** (adj, n) blade; (adj) cutlery, edge tool; (v) stab; (n) sword, cleaver, whittle, cutter, tongue, pocketknife, chopper

**knowing:** (adj, v) canny, crafty, wise; (adj, n) clever; (adj) conscious, aware, ingenious, intelligent, bright, conversant, smart. ANTONYMS: (adj) naive, uncomprehending, unconscious

**knowledge:** (n) information,



- comprehension, science, lore, understanding, intelligence, grasp, erudition, acquaintance; (n, v) cognition; (adj, n) art. **ANTONYMS:** (n) foolishness, inexperience
- known:** (adj) familiar, knew, conscious, certain, famous, know, eminent, plain, accepted, published, acknowledged. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unknown, secret, unidentified, unfamiliar
- labour:** (n, v) travail, labor, toil; (v) grind, fag, drudge; (n) exertion, employment, confinement, childbed, business
- lack:** (n, v) deficiency, need, destitution; (n) default, defect, dearth, absence, insufficiency, deficit, poverty; (v) fail. **ANTONYMS:** (n) abundance, excess, provision, adequacy, affluence, sufficiency, plethora, supply; (v) have, own, possess
- lading:** (n, v) load, burden, weight; (n) freight, consignment, shipment, loading, shipping, freightage, product, wares
- lady:** (n) gentlewoman, Mrs, duchess, countess, spouse, madam, ma'am, milady, matron, woman; (v) squaw. **ANTONYM:** (n) Lord
- ladyship:** (n) madam
- laid:** (adj) layed, lay, place, placed, put, situated, arranged, determined, dictated, hardened, ordered
- lands:** (n) park, estate, kingdom
- late:** (adj, adv) dilatory, fresh, behindhand, backward; (adj) former, deceased, dead, slow, delayed, modern; (adv) belatedly. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, adv) early, punctual; (adv) punctually, promptly; (adj) ahead, existing, alive, initial, middle, old, premature
- lately:** (adv) tardily, newly, freshly, belatedly, slowly, latterly, deadily; (adj, adv) anew, late, afresh; (adj) recent
- latin:** (n) romancer, romance language; (adj) classical, emotional
- latter:** (adj) later, last, terminal, recent, posterior, final, following, the latter, past, other, eventual. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) prior, earlier
- laugh:** (n, v) joke, giggle, chortle, titter, snicker; (v) smile; (n) jest, gag, jape, laughter, cackle. **ANTONYM:** (v) weep
- laughable:** (adj) absurd, amusing, humorous, comical, ludicrous, ridiculous, farcical, droll, comic, foolish, jocular. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) serious, tragic, adequate, generous, impressive
- laughter:** (n) amusement, fun, guffaw, merriment, chortle, chuckle, mirth, hilarity, giggle, derision, happiness. **ANTONYMS:** (n) sadness, gloom, despair, boredom, misery, despondency
- lawful:** (adj) legal, just, rightful, constitutional, true, right, justifiable, licit, regular; (n, v) allowable; (adj, v) permissible. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unlawful, prohibited, unconstitutional
- lawfully:** (adv) justly, legally, rightfully, licitly, statutorily, fairly, validly, de jure, officially, rightly, truly. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) unlawfully, illegitimately
- laws:** (n) Pentateuch, Torah
- lead:** (n, v) guide; (v) conduct, direct, contribute, go, control, conduce, govern, chair, bring; (n) clue. **ANTONYMS:** (v) follow, trail, descend; (n) disadvantage, inferiority
- leaden:** (adj) heavy, gray, sluggish, grey, inert, torpid, grave, languid, drab, burdensome, livid. **ANTONYM:** (adj) bright
- leading:** (adj, v) first, foremost; (adj) outstanding, head, great, capital; (adj, n) main, cardinal, principal; (adj, adv) ahead; (n) lead. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) secondary, subordinate, following, junior, innocent, last, lousy, unimportant, worst; (adv) behind, losing
- leap:** (n, v) bound, spring, bounce, caper, dive, vault, lunge; (v) dance, hop, start; (n) curvet. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) plummet; (v) surface, drop, hesitate; (n) slump
- learn:** (v) get, find, ascertain, hear, find out, have, determine, con, acquire, tell; (n, v) know. **ANTONYM:** (v) reject
- learned:** (adj) educated, knowledgeable, scholarly, academic, cultured, literary, bookish, lettered; (adj, v) enlightened, wise, knowing. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) innate, unconditioned, foolish, unlearned
- learning:** (n, v) erudition, enlightenment; (n) acquisition, education, culture, scholarship, wisdom, acquirement, letter, literature; (v) learn
- least:** (n) minimum; (adj) smallest, minimal, littlest, lowest, insignificant, minutest, negligible; (adj, n) smallest amount; (adv) at least, fully. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) maximum, greatest; (adj, adv) most
- leave:** (v) depart, go, abandon, desert, lead; (adj, v) forsake, quit; (n) furlough, permission, holiday; (n, v) escape. **ANTONYMS:** (v) enter, arrive, stay, remain, come, approach, change, reposition, disinherit, occupy, participate
- left:** (adj) gone, absent, port, odd, remaining, larboard, gauche, sinister; (n) left hand, left wing, mitt. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, adv, n) right; (adj) remaining, center, starboard, present
- legs:** (v) pegs, trotters, pins; (n) patience, pedestal, stamina
- leisure:** (n) idleness, convenience, vacation, inactivity, rest, repose, relaxation, recreation, pastime, opportunity; (adj) idle. **ANTONYM:** (n) work
- lend:** (v) grant, give, advance, impart, bestow, contribute, borrow, bring, add, confer; (n) lending
- lent:** (n) Quadragesima, Lententide
- leonardo:** (n) Leonardo da Vinci
- less:** (adj) inferior, wanting, minor, secondary, subordinate, deficient, minus, few; (adj, adv) lesser, lower; (adv) below. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) additional; (prep) plus
- letter:** (n) epistle, mail, character, communication, alphabetic character, dispatch, note, message, memorandum, type, memo
- letters:** (n) erudition, literature, correspondence, lore, script, scholarship, post, print, mail, letter, polite literature
- level:** (adj, adv, v) equal; (adj, adv, n, v) flat; (n) grade, degree; (adj, v) flatten; (n, v) floor; (adj) horizontal; (v) dismantle, raze, aim, demolish. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) slanting, unequal, angled, unsteady, askew, rough, shaky; (adj, v) uneven; (v) raise, build, crumple
- lewd:** (adj) indecent, dirty, bawdy, filthy, abandoned, carnal, lustful, impure, debauched; (adj, v) lecherous, dissolute. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) decent, refined, chaste, clean
- liberal:** (adj) bountiful, handsome, benevolent, large, abundant, big, kind, broad, charitable, tolerant; (adj, n) free. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, n) conservative; (adj) totalitarian, oppressive, intolerant, reactionary, proactive, miserly, rigid, insufficient, stingy, tightfisted
- lies:** (n) fabrication, falsehood, lie,

- lying, deceit, defamation, denigration, dishonesty, slander, libel, treachery. **ANTONYM:** (n) truth
- lieu:** (n) office, position, locality, stead, behalf, part, role, berth, station, site, seat
- life:** (adj, n) animation; (n) energy, spirit, activity, dash, enthusiasm, being, biography, existence, exuberance, live. **ANTONYMS:** (n) death, apathy, extinction, nonexistence, lifelessness
- light:** (adj) fair, facile, faint; (adj, v) clear; (n, v) fire, glow, flame; (v) kindle, inflame, ignite; (n) illumination. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) heavy, fattening, nauseating, testing, stale; (n) darkness, shade, gloom, night; (v) extinguish, darken
- lights:** (n) illumination, burn, lung, spacing material
- likely:** (adj) believable, probable, plausible, expected, potential, conceivable, apt, prospective, verisimilar; (adv) possibly, maybe. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, adv) unlikely; (adj) improbable, implausible, slight, unwilling, unusual, unbelievable
- likeness:** (n) resemblance, copy, effigy, image, affinity, similarity, correspondence, facsimile; (adj, n) figure, form, semblance. **ANTONYMS:** (n) difference, diversity, dissimilarity, unlikeness, contrast
- likes:** (n) kind, sort, type
- limp:** (adv, n, v) hobble; (adj, v) flabby; (n, v) hitch; (adj) flaccid, slack, flexible, drooping, flimsy, weak, loose; (v) hop. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) taut, firm, hard, rigid, upright, alive, strong, stiff, tight
- line:** (n) cord, house, course, family, lineage, breed, field, ancestry, row; (adj, n) file; (n, v) order
- lineaments:** (v) exposition, tract, length, expanse, area, extent; (n) face
- linger:** (v) loiter, delay, dally, hover, stay, hesitate, hang around, procrastinate, dawdle, tarry, saunter. **ANTONYMS:** (v) hurry, end, rush, depart, lead
- lingering:** (adj) long, chronic, extended, dilatory, protracted, prolonged, residual, lengthy, inactive, dull; (n) delay. **ANTONYM:** (adj) quick
- lion:** (adj, n) celebrity, hero; (adj) worthy, great card, tiger; (n) Leo, cat, king of beasts, curiosity, luminary, spectacle
- lips:** (n) lip, inlet, logical inference per second, chops, porch, portal, portico, propylon, snout, door, orifice
- lisbon:** (n) capital of Portugal
- little:** (adj, adv) small; (adj) diminutive, insignificant, short, tiny, some, brief, petty, minute, exiguous; (adv) rather. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) enormous, large, important, huge, high, giant, older, old, tall; (adv) frequently, well
- live:** (adj) alive, living; (adj, v) reside, active, dwell, stay; (n, v) subsist; (v) exist, be, abide, endure. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) inanimate, inactive, silent, dummy, blank, recorded; (v) die, perish, expire
- liver:** (n) dweller, livers, resident, inhabitant, person, human, someone, soul, individual, hepatic
- livery:** (adj) liverish, bilious; (n) clothing, accouterment, uniform, complexion, legal transfer, color, hue, dye, bailment
- lives:** (n) life, living, estate, existence, earnest living
- living:** (adj) alive, live, extant, animated, active, fresh, animate, quick; (n) livelihood, life, being. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) inanimate; (n) death, leisure
- loath:** (adj) unwilling, disinclined, reluctant, loth, indisposed, backward, hesitant, antipathetic, antipathetical, loathe, shy of. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) eager, willing, disposed, keen
- lodging:** (n) abode, apartment, accommodation, housing, hostel, residence, quarter, home, lodgement, address, hospice
- long:** (v) yearn, desire, hanker, languish, ache, wish; (adj, n) extensive; (n, v) hunger; (adj) extended, lengthy; (n) length. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) short, brief, concise
- longer:** (adj) longest, better, lengest; (adv) farther; (n) yearner, thirster
- look:** (n, v) gaze, aspect, figure; (adj, v) seem; (v) appear, expect; (n) appearance, expression, view, glance, guise. **ANTONYMS:** (v) back, study; (n) perusal
- looking:** (n) face, sensing, aspect, approximation, appearance, watching, outlook; (v) look at, examine; (adv) about; (adj) superficial
- looks:** (n) aspect, countenance, expression, manner, complexion, fashion, costume, garb
- loose:** (adj, v) lax, dissolute; (adj, n) limp, liberal, licentious; (adj) light, vague; (v) disengage, relax, release, liberate. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) dense, close, taut, compressed, strict, compact, wedged, secure, strong, similar; (v) confine
- lord:** (n) chief, king, noble, sir, duke, master, God, seignior, nobility, Mister, potentate. **ANTONYM:** (n) lady
- lordship:** (n) ownership, supremacy, domain, dominance, manor, worship, authority, power, dynasty, grandeeship, headship
- lose:** (v) drop, forfeit, mislay, miss, sacrifice, fall behind, fail, to lose, forget, clear, hurt. **ANTONYMS:** (v) find, secure, recover, earn, obtain, acquire, get, win, beat, keep, succeed
- losers:** (n) scum
- losing:** (v) lose; (n) loss; (adv) losingly, behind; (adj) unbeneficial. **ANTONYM:** (adj) lucrative
- loss:** (adj, n) detriment, damage, injury, harm; (n) defeat, deprivation, deficit, destruction, forfeit, forfeiture, bereavement. **ANTONYMS:** (n) retrieval, appearance, victory, recovery, gaining, income, gain, accumulation, win, benefit, fortune
- losses:** (n) loss, losings, damage, detriment, victims, fatalities, financial loss, harm, wounded, toll, net loss
- lost:** (adj, v) forlorn, extinct, gone, missing, helpless; (adj) hopeless, bewildered, forgotten, disoriented, broken; (n) loss. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) present, found, existing, won, saved, aware
- lottery:** (n) drawing, raffle, sweepstakes, draft, chance, allotment, tombola, draw, bet, brag, cassino
- love:** (n) desire, fondness, affection, dear, liking, benevolence, charity, honey, devotion; (v) enjoy; (n, v) worship. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) dislike; (n) abhorrence, hatred, aversion, detestation, detachment, indifference; (v) abhor; (adv) roughly
- lovely:** (adj) beautiful, charming, lovable, enchanting, delightful, handsome, alluring, elegant, endearing, gorgeous; (adv) comely. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unpleasant, hideous, ugly, unattractive,

- horrifying, horrid, unappealing, repellent, detestable, dreadful, awkward
- lover:** (n) dear, darling, fan, devotee, beau, buff, love, admirer, beloved, amorist, man
- loving:** (adj) fond, devoted, amorous, kind, friendly, ardent, attached, admiring, gentle, fatherly; (adj, v) tender. ANTONYMS: (adj) cold, uncaring, malicious, cruel, unloving, rough, paternal, indifferent, distant, disapproving, callous
- lower:** (adj, v) debase, frown, abase, scowl; (adj, n, v) degrade, diminish, humble; (v) dip, drop, cut; (adj, n) inferior. ANTONYMS: (v) raise, improve, glorify, augment, straighten, upgrade, uplift; (adj) higher, senior, over, superior
- luck:** (n) fortune, fate, accident, destiny, hazard, lot, advantage, providence, portion, happiness; (n, v) chance. ANTONYM: (n) design
- lungs:** (v) air pump, air blower, ventilator, punkah; (n) blowpipe, organ
- lying:** (adj) false, deceptive, mendacious, untrue, misleading, fraudulent; (n) lie, falsehood, fabrication, deceit, dishonesty. ANTONYMS: (n) honesty, truthfulness; (adj) truthful
- madam:** (n) dame, lady, ma'am, gentlewoman, missis, Mrs, brothel keeper, madames, signora, female, bawd
- madness:** (n) frenzy, insanity, lunacy, idiocy, folly, delirium, insaneness; (adj, n) furor, rage, desperation, furore. ANTONYMS: (n) sense, calmness, order
- maid:** (n) damsel, chambermaid, lass, lassie, girl, domestic, amah, virgin, maiden, housemaid, handmaid
- maiden:** (n) maid, girl, demoiselle, damosel, wench, fille, lass, miss; (adj) first, initiatory, unmarried
- main:** (adj) grand, great, leading, head, principal, prominent, basic, capital, central; (adj, n) essential, cardinal. ANTONYMS: (adj) minor, secondary, supplementary, auxiliary, subsidiary, peripheral, dependent, extra, side, trivial, marginal
- making:** (n) creation, construction, production, fabrication, manufacture, cartography, devising, fashioning, manufacturing, formation; (v) to make. ANTONYMS: (n) undoing, destruction
- malice:** (n) spite, animosity, enmity, venom, ill will, hatred, malevolence, cruelty, envy, hate, spleen. ANTONYMS: (n) goodwill, benevolence, affection, goodness
- manage:** (n, v) direct, govern, guide; (v) do, administer, cope, accomplish, deal, work, arrange, lead. ANTONYMS: (v) fail, lose, bungle
- manifest:** (adj) evident, distinct, conspicuous, clear, patent, plain; (v) display, demonstrate, exhibit, evidence; (n, v) declare. ANTONYMS: (v) hide; (adj) hidden, obscure, secret, inconspicuous, veiled, furtive, avoidable, ambiguous; (adv) absent
- manly:** (adj) manlike, masculine, manful, virile, brave, gallant; (adv) manfully, boldly, hardily, virilely; (adj, adv) stately. ANTONYMS: (adj) weak, unmanly, cowardly; (adv) unmanfully
- manna:** (n) honey, nutrient, sap, godsend, miraculous food, treacle, syrup, sugar, molasses, bonanza, boom
- manner:** (adj, n) kind; (n) bearing, demeanor, method, form, appearance, carriage, way; (n, v) custom, style, habit
- mannerly:** (adj) civil, polite, genteel, urbane, decent, decorous, refined, courtly, gentlemanly; (adv) kindly, sortly. ANTONYMS: (adj) rude, common, vulgar, impolite
- manners:** (n) conduct, etiquette, propriety, behavior, deportment, manner, courtesy, custom, decorum, good manners, usage. ANTONYM: (n) vulgarity
- mansion:** (n) house, manor, residence, castle, home, manor house, hall, building, palace, villa, abode. ANTONYMS: (n) hovel, shack, hut
- mantle:** (n) cloak, cape, pall, blanket, curtain, blind, coat; (n, v) cover, veil; (adj, n, v) blush, flush
- mark:** (adj, n, v) notice; (n, v) brand, score, heed, label, blemish; (n) sign, impression, character; (v) characterize, distinguish. ANTONYM: (n) enhancement
- marquis:** (n) lord, marquise, noble, margrave, nobleman, Donald Robert perry marquis, don marquis, Markis
- marriage:** (adj, n) bridal, nuptial; (n) matrimony, espousal, union, wedlock, intermarriage, alliance, coupling; (n, v) match; (v) marry. ANTONYM: (n) separation
- married:** (adj) wedded, conjugal, matrimonial, connubial, nuptial, united, mixed, connected, marrying, attached, unite. ANTONYMS: (adj) unmarried, unattached, divorced, public
- marry:** (n, v) wed, espouse; (v) get married, link, conjoin, wive, splice, tie, unite, couple; (n) marriage. ANTONYMS: (v) divorce, separate, split
- mart:** (n) emporium, market, marketplace, bazar, agora, forum, grocery, sale, center, outlet, store
- marvel:** (n, v) wonder; (n) prodigy, curiosity, phenomenon, amazement, miracle, portent, marl, surprise, admiration; (v) admire. ANTONYMS: (v) disregard; (n) nightmare
- marvellously:** (adv) wondrously, wonderfully, terrifically, superbly, fantastically, miraculously, terrificly, phenomenally, gloriously, tremendously, tally
- masque:** (n) masquerade, guiser, guisard, masked ball, party, mummer, mummer, interlude, lever de rideau, opera, opera bouffe
- master:** (n) captain, instructor, lord; (v) control, conquer, command, dominate, defeat; (adj, n) original, head, ace. ANTONYMS: (n) underling, servant, novice, amateur
- masters:** (n) Edgar lee Masters
- master's:** (n) postgraduate degree
- mastership:** (n) dominion, command, situation, office, skill, superiority, excellence, knack, masterdom; (adj) panurgy
- match:** (n, v) mate, meet, pair, fellow; (v) agree, harmonise, accord, correspond, harmonize; (adj, n, v) parallel; (n) peer. ANTONYMS: (v) contradict, conflict, disagree, jar, differ; (n) difference
- mates:** (n) match, couple, mate, pair, Lucifer, friction match, family unit, family, equal, dyad, duo
- matter:** (n) business, substance, issue, material, affair, concern, incident, article, subject; (n, v) case; (adj, n) import
- meagre:** (adj) exiguous, paltry, necessitous, miserable, marginal, meagerly, gaunt, emaciated, inadequate, deficient, beggarly. ANTONYM: (adj) ample
- mean:** (adj, n) middle, low, contemptible, average, medium, common; (v) design; (n, v) imply,

denote; (adj) ignoble, hateful.  
**ANTONYMS:** (adj) generous, kind, extravagant, charitable, luxurious, rich, expansive, extreme, great; (n) maximum, minimum  
**meaning:** (n) intent, gist, implication, design, essence, consequence, significance, content, intention, connotation, aim. **ANTONYM:** (n) triviality  
**means:** (n) instrument, agency, income, assets, manner, funds, capital, channel, property, resource, resources. **ANTONYM:** (n) poverty  
**measure:** (n) amount, criterion, extent, measurement, estimate, degree, beat, benchmark, quantity, meter; (n, v) act. **ANTONYMS:** (v) guess, estimate  
**measures:** (n) proceedings, actions, events, method, preparations, process, provision, way, planning  
**meat:** (n) food, gist, essence, core, kernel, heart, substance, marrow, crux, matter, beef  
**meet:** (v) find, converge, assemble, gather, fulfill, congregate, answer, cross, confront, intersect; (adv, v) encounter. **ANTONYMS:** (v) diverge, disperse, separate, part, leave, differ, disband  
**meeting:** (n) confluence, convention, concourse, assembly, conference, congress, council, meet, caucus, appointment, junction.  
**ANTONYMS:** (n) parting, trough  
**melancholy:** (adj, v) dreary; (adj, n) gloom, melancholic; (adj) depressed, dejected, dismal, gloomy, doleful; (n, v) low spirits; (n) gloominess, depression. **ANTONYMS:** (n) happiness, cheerfulness, hopefulness, optimism; (adj) happy, bright, cheery, satisfied  
**member:** (n) limb, supporter, extremity, portion, phallus, personnel, appendage, employee, section, fellow, constituent. **ANTONYMS:** (n) nonmember, observer, skeptic, whole, opponent  
**mending:** (n) fix, repair, fixing, maintenance, restoration, reparation, improvement, darning, mend, amendment, correction  
**merchandise:** (v) market, deal; (n) freight, cargo, product, commodity, goods, consignment, wares; (adj) commodities, ware  
**merchant:** (n) trader, seller, businessman, shopkeeper, vendor, retailer, merchandiser, storekeeper, broker, grocer; (n, v) chapman.

**ANTONYM:** (n) buyer  
**merciful:** (adj) humane, gracious, lenient, compassionate, kind, clement, benign, kindly, gentle, beneficent, forgiving. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) pitiless, merciless, unforgiving, spiteful, harsh, impatient, severe, hardhearted  
**mercy:** (n) kindness, compassion, pity, favor, leniency, pardon, forgiveness, grace, charity, humanity; (n, v) quarter. **ANTONYMS:** (n) cruelty, harshness, unkindness, severity, mercilessness, ruthlessness, impatience, inhumanity  
**mere:** (adj, n) entire; (adj) bare, simple, pure; (n) loch, tarn, boundary, absolute; (n, v) downright; (adv) merely; (adj, v) clear  
**merely:** (adj, adv) only, barely, purely, simply, exclusively; (adv) but, absolutely, entirely, simply, completely, unmixedly.  
**ANTONYM:** (adv) intensely  
**merit:** (n, v) deserve; (adj, n) excellence, worth, desert; (n) virtue, credit, significance, value, goodness, quality; (v) rate. **ANTONYMS:** (n) demerit, disgrace, fault, insignificance, mediocrity, commonness  
**merriment:** (n) fun, amusement, cheerfulness, hilarity, glee, jollity, frolic, gaiety, happiness, festivity; (adj, n) mirth. **ANTONYMS:** (n) misery, gloom, seriousness, despondency, boredom  
**merry:** (adj) joyful, lively, cheerful, glad, jolly, facetious, frolicsome, lighthearted, festive; (adj, n) convivial, jovial. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) gloomy, miserable, serious, uptight  
**mesh:** (v) engage, enmesh; (n, v) interlock, net, tangle; (n) network, entanglement, graticule, grid, engagement, meshing. **ANTONYMS:** (v) disengage, undo  
**meshes:** (n) cobweb, mouse trap, toils, maze; (adj) awkwardness, knot, Gordian knot, delicacy, ticklish card to play  
**messenger:** (n, v) herald; (n) harbinger, runner, emissary, bearer, ambassador, precursor, courier, carrier, apostle, errand  
**metal:** (n) gallium, calcium, europium, chromium, cm, cobalt, curium, dysprosium, erbium, caesium, cadmium. **ANTONYM:** (adj) nonmetallic

**methinks:** (adv) meseems  
**mexico:** (n) Polianthes, ceratozamia, genus Polianthes  
**might:** (n) power, energy, ability, influence, strength, puissance, vehemence, intensity; (v) may, can, could. **ANTONYMS:** (n) weakness, feebleness, meekness  
**miles:** (adj) far  
**million:** (n) meg, myriad, one thousand thousand, heap, large integer, mint  
**mincing:** (adj) mince, prim, mannered, twee, pretentious, foppish, affected, la-di-da, simpering, nice, sentimental  
**mind:** (n, v) intellect, notice, regard; (v) care, look, attend, beware, keep, listen, look after; (n) disposition. **ANTONYMS:** (v) forget, neglect, disregard, disobey, Miss, ignore; (n) emotion, inattention; (adj) physical  
**mine:** (adj, v) excavate, sap; (n) excavation, pit, fund, land mine, vein; (v) exploit, burrow; (adj) my, delve  
**mingled:** (adj) miscellaneous, complex, indiscriminate, heterogeneous, medley, confused, eclectic, motley, different; (v) blended, blent  
**miracle:** (adj, n) wonder, prodigy; (n) phenomenon, mystery, wonderwork, surprise, sensation, event, theurgy, astonishment, amazement  
**mirth:** (adj, n) merriment, jollity; (n) amusement, happiness, delight, joy, hilarity, cheerfulness, festivity, gladness, exhilaration. **ANTONYMS:** (n) gloom, sadness, misery  
**misbeliever:** (n) outcast, pariah, miscreant, castaway, nonconformist, religious outcast, sectarian, skeptic, dissident  
**misconstrued:** (adj) wrong  
**misery:** (adj, n) grief; (n, v) distress; (n) affliction, agony, anguish, woe, hardship, evil, ill, infelicity, suffering. **ANTONYMS:** (n) joy, ecstasy, cheerfulness, fun, hopefulness, peace, contentment, pleasure, wealth, sport, cheer  
**misfortune:** (n) accident, hardship, misadventure, disaster, calamity, mischance, catastrophe, mishap, bad luck, misery, affliction. **ANTONYMS:** (n) joy, bonus, opportunity, privilege, success, happiness  
**miss:** (v) lose, fail, jump, omit,

overlook, long, forget; (n) maid, girl; (adj, v) fault; (n, v) want.

ANTONYMS: (v) perceive, attend, achieve, have, succeed, hit, make, see, find, take; (n) success

**mistress:** (n) dame, concubine, madame, innamorata, lady, lover, fancy woman, doxy, girl, kept woman, missis

**mitigate:** (n, v) alleviate, palliate, appease; (adj, n, v) assuage, allay; (v) lessen, relieve, abate, lighten; (adj, v) moderate, soften.

ANTONYMS: (v) increase, intensify, aggravate

**moan:** (n, v) grumble, gripe, whine, lament, cry, howl; (v) bewail, complain, mourn; (n) complaint, lamentation. ANTONYMS: (v) compliment; (n) praise

**mock:** (adj, v) counterfeit; (n, v) ridicule, jeer, gibe, laugh at, flout; (adj, n, v) burlesque, sham; (v) mimic, ape, taunt. ANTONYMS: (adj) real, natural; (v) praise, applaud, respect, approve

**mock:** (n) derider, mockingbird, scoffer, flouter, oscine, banterer, tease, mock, teaser, jester, joker

**moderate:** (adj, v) temperate, calm; (adj) abstemious, mild, middling; (v) mitigate, lessen, allay, diminish, curb; (adv, v) check. ANTONYMS: (v) increase, intensify; (adj) immoderate, radical, unrestrained, speculative, strong, unreasonable, great, intemperate, massive

**modest:** (adj) humble, lowly, moderate, gentle, low, meek, chaste, decent, unassuming; (adj, n) bashful, diffident. ANTONYMS: (adj) pretentious, arrogant, spectacular, conceited, showy, proud, pompous, elaborate, grand, conspicuous, ostentatious

**moiety:** (n) mediety, portion, part, parcel, section, piece, bit, division, cut, class

**monarch:** (n) sovereign, lord, emperor, ruler, czar, despot, autocrat, tsar, czar, Danaus Plexippus; (adj) prince

**monastery:** (n, v) abbey, cloister, convent; (n) friary, temple, lamasery, nunnery, priory; (adj) abbatial

**monday:** (n) Sunday, Whitmonday

**money:** (n) currency, capital, kale, funds, means, lucre, assets, legal tender, pelf, cash, dough

**monneys:** (n) finances, means, funds

**monkey:** (n) imp, primate, scamp,

rascal, battering ram; (v) tinker, meddle, tamper, trifle, cuckoo, echo

**monkeys:** (n) Anthropeidea, hominids, suborder Anthropeidea  
**month:** (n) calendar month, months, lunation, minute, hour, day, period, quarter, quinquennium, year, moonshine

**moon:** (adj) lunar; (n) month, moonshine, satellite, moonlight, luck, lunar month, GHURRY, epoch, orb of night; (v) daydream

**moonlight:** (adj, n) moonshine; (n) moonbeam, moonglade, occupation, lunation, lunar month, labor; (n, v) work; (v) pilfer, do work; (adj) moonshiny

**moor:** (v) berth, fasten, dock, secure, tie up; (adj, v) tie, picket, hitch; (n) marsh, wilderness, wasteland

**moreover:** (adv) again, besides, in addition, further, additionally, into the bargain, beyond, what is more; (adv, n) also; (adj, n) likewise; (adv, conj) and

**morning:** (n) dawn, sunrise, morn, forenoon, daylight, first light, am, dayspring, aurora, cockcrow, dawning. ANTONYMS: (n) sunset, nighttime, nightfall

**morocco:** (n) Marruecos, Morocco leather, Maroc, Levant, hard grain goat

**morrow:** (n) morning, future, mean solar day, day

**mortifying:** (adj) embarrassing, demeaning, humbling, undignified, off, awkward, unpleasant; (v) annoying, aggravating, irritating, stinging. ANTONYM: (adj) dignified

**mother:** (n) mamma, mommy, origin, mama, ma, mammy, mummy; (n, v) father; (v) engender, generate, beget

**motion:** (n) action, movement, gesticulation, play, exercise, passage; (n, v) wave, sign, signal; (v) beckon, gesticulate. ANTONYMS: (n) inertia, motionlessness, inactivity, stillness; (v) dismiss

**mountain:** (n, v) mound; (n) heap, height, peak, mountain range, stack, pile, mass, Ben, volcano, bundle

**mounted:** (adj) equestrian, mounting, mounts, set, firm, affixed, decorated. ANTONYM: (adj) unmounted

**mouth:** (n) lip, lips, aperture, edge, entrance, snout, entry; (n, v) grimace; (v) articulate, pronounce, speak

**move:** (v) excite, go, affect, carry, touch, instigate, travel; (n, v) act,

drive, transfer, maneuver.

ANTONYMS: (v) stay, restore, refrain, remain, rest, withdraw, stop, repel, come, leave

**muddy:** (adj) turbid, filthy, boggy, cloudy, dark, unclean, dingy, grimy, miry; (adj, v) foul, sloppy.

ANTONYMS: (adj) clean, dry; (v) clarify, cleanse

**multitude:** (n) flock, horde, crowd, host, throng, concourse, mob, masses, mass, herd, swarm.

ANTONYM: (n) trickle

**murder:** (n, v) massacre, carnage, slaughter, homicide, butcher; (v) kill, slay, destroy, execute, dispatch, assassinate

**music:** (n) melody, chorus, musical, sound, composition, monody, folk music, medicine, euphony, drumming, ballet

**musician:** (n) singer, composer, instrumentalist, minstrel, clarinetist, lutenist, director, choirmaster, accompanist, harpsichordist, harpist

**mutual:** (adj) common, communal, joint, bilateral, collective, public, united, concerted, shared, alternate; (adv) mutually. ANTONYMS: (adj) individual, unilateral, private, solitary

**myself:** (pron) me, itself, herself, oneself, themselves, yourself; (n) I, yourselves; (adv) in person, for myself, in my opinion.

ANTONYMS: (adv) universally, generally

**name:** (v) appoint, describe, baptize, list, enumerate, identify, cite, mention; (n, v) title, entitle; (n) epithet. ANTONYMS: (n) nobody, indecency

**narrow:** (adj, adv, v) close; (adj) limited, insular, little, illiberal; (v) limit, contract, lessen, constrict, shrink; (adj, v) confined.

ANTONYMS: (adj) wide, broad, comprehensive, extensive, worldwide, substantial, deep; (v) widen, extend, broaden, increase

**nation:** (n) state, country, kingdom, people, community, commonwealth, land, a people, body politic, nationality, tribe

**native:** (adj, n) aboriginal, natural; (adj) inherent, inborn, innate, congenital, inbred, indigenous, domestic; (n) autochthon, aborigine. ANTONYMS: (n) stranger, migrant, foreigner; (adj) foreign, learned, acquired, nonnative, overseas,

- adopted; (adj, n) immigrant, imported
- nature:** (n) disposition, essence, quality, creation, breed, temperament, type, attribute; (adj, n) character, class, manner
- naughty:** (adj) mischievous, impish, blue, improper, disobedient, insubordinate, wicked, evil, lewd, dark, unruly. ANTONYMS: (adj) decent, behaved, obedient, clean
- near:** (adj, adv, v) close, at hand; (adv, prep) by, around, towards; (adj, v) familiar, adjoining, approximate; (adj, adv, prep) about; (adj, adv) almost; (adj) imminent. ANTONYMS: (adj) distant, far, further, actual, exact; (v) leave
- necessary:** (adj, n, v) requisite; (adj, v) important; (adj) inevitable, compulsory, mandatory, fundamental, main, indispensable; (n) necessity, demand; (adj, n) basic. ANTONYMS: (adj) optional, surplus, needless, unjustified, dispensable, possible, unimportant, voluntary, nonessential, inappropriate; (n) inessential
- necessity:** (n) demand, need, lack, exigency, essential, compulsion, emergency, distress, must, constraint, necessary. ANTONYMS: (n) inessential, treat, unimportance, luxury
- neck:** (n) cervix, nape, neckband, neckline, isthmus; (v) make out, pet, love, cut; (adj) stricture, middle constriction
- need:** (adj, n, v) lack, want; (n, v) demand, desire, deficiency, must, destitution; (n) necessity, requirement; (v) require, claim. ANTONYMS: (v) obviate, dislike, have; (n) option, luxury, glut, unimportance, affluence, prosperity
- needs:** (adv) inevitably, needfully, indispensably, by necessity, inescapably, of necessity, ineluctably; (n) must, requirement, necessity; (adj) needed
- ne'er:** (adv) never, certainly not
- neighbour:** (adj) neighboring, neighbouring, neighborly, adjacent, contiguous; (v) abut, populate, adjoin, butt on, butt against; (n) neighbourhood
- neighbourly:** (adj) amicable, friendly, gracious, obliging, attentive, benign, courteous, complaisant, helpful; (adv) neighboringly
- neighbours:** (n) neighborhood
- neither:** (conj) either, no-one, not either, nor, nother
- nephew:** (n) aunt, grandnephew, brother's son, niece, cousin, uncle, kinsman
- nestor:** (n) old parr, senator, Solomon, shining light, preadamite, oracle, monitor, Magnus Apollo, solon, magi, luminary
- never:** (adv) ne'er, Nevers, always, not ever, by no means, at all times, not at all, not, NE. ANTONYMS: (adv) always, forever
- news:** (n) advice, message, information, intelligence, tidings, story, report, notice, communication, gossip; (adj) new
- next:** (adj) nearest, adjacent, contiguous, following, future, coming, ensuing, after; (adv, conj) then, afterward; (adj, v) subsequent. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) previous, previously, preceding; (adj) outgoing, distant; (adv) before
- nice:** (adj) fastidious, dainty, fine, good, lovely, kind, likable, delicious, difficult, precise; (adj, n) neat. ANTONYMS: (adj) horrible, nasty, unlikable, rough, mean, loathsome, approximate, unsavory, unfriendly, inelegant, bad
- night:** (n) dark, dusk, darkness, gloaming, twilight, nighttime, Nox, eventide, period; (adj) nocturnal, gloomy. ANTONYMS: (n) day, light, sunrise
- nightingale:** (n) bulbul, nurse, philomel, the lady with the lamp, singer, nighthawk, night bird, Florence nightingale, etc
- nine:** (n) niner, club, ball club, baseball club, ennead, Nina from Carolina, three times three, ten, nightspot, clubhouse, queen
- noble:** (adj, n) grand, glorious, patrician; (adj) imposing, impressive, elevated, majestic, generous, high; (adj, v) dignified, great. ANTONYMS: (adj) shameful, humble, dishonorable, lowly, lowborn, disgraceful, unimpressive, ignoble, modest, petty; (n) lady
- noise:** (n, v) clatter, echo; (n) clamor, hubbub, racket, sound, disturbance, uproar, din, buzz, clang. ANTONYMS: (n) silence, quiet, quietness, sense
- nominated:** (adj) named, appointive, selected, nominal, listed, elected, designated, chosen, voted, nominative
- none:** (n) nought, naught, nobody, zilch, anything; (adv) not, neither, any; (adj) whatsoever, no, whatever
- northward:** (adj, adv) north; (adj) northbound; (adv) northerly, northwards, in the north, to the north
- nose:** (n) hooter, neb, nozzle, proboscis, honker, bow, odour; (v) wind, pry, scent; (n, v) sniff
- notary:** (n) clerk, official, lawyer, scrivener, scribe, recorder, legal representative, draughtsman, copyist, brief, attorney
- note:** (n, v) comment, mind, remark, mention, heed, mark, look, report; (n) indication, annotation; (v) detect. ANTONYMS: (v) disregard; (n) disgrace, invoice
- notes:** (n) data, commentary, currency, paper, comments, remarks, annotation, information, ready money, observations, newspaper
- nothing:** (adv, n) naught; (adj, n) nil, null; (n) nobody, cipher, nihil, nonentity, trifle, nix, aught, cypher. ANTONYMS: (pron) anything, everything, some; (n) all
- notwithstanding:** (adv, conj) nevertheless, although, even though, yet, but; (conj) albeit; (adv) nonetheless, though, still, all the same; (prep) despite
- nought:** (adj, n) nil, naught, zero; (n) cipher, cypher, nobody, aught, nix, null, nada; (adj) no
- nuptial:** (adj, n) bridal, marriage; (adj) marital, matrimonial, spousal, connubial, hymeneal, conjugal, wedding, married; (n) matrimony
- oath:** (n) expletive, malediction, imprecation, promise, affidavit, cuss, swearing, pledge, assurance, asseveration; (v) swear
- obey:** (v) comply, listen, keep, fulfill, hear, conform, abide by, serve, comply with; (n, v) mind, heed. ANTONYMS: (v) disobey, defy, break, transgress, infringe, challenge, deny
- object:** (n) cause, intent, meaning, mark, subject, objective, substance; (n, v) aim, end, intention; (v) except. ANTONYMS: (v) agree, approve, praise; (n) notion
- obliged:** (adj) grateful, thankful, appreciative, forced, accountable, compelled; (adj, v) bound, under obligation; (adj, prep) indebted; (v) oblige, binding. ANTONYM: (adj) ungrateful
- obscure:** (adj, n) cloudy, dark; (adj) gloomy, mysterious,

incomprehensible, hidden, ambiguous, concealed; (adj, v) darken, muddy; (v) hide.

ANTONYMS: (adj) clear, noticeable, simple, obvious, distinct, mainstream, famous, definite, overt, plain; (v) reveal

**observance:** (n) ceremony, commemoration, observation, rite, fulfillment, obedience, manner, compliance, discharge, conformity, custom. ANTONYMS: (n) breaking, disobedience, disregard, nonobservance, inattention, omission

**observe:** (n, v) comment, notice, note; (v) commemorate, mind, guard, mention, mark, see, discover; (int, v) look. ANTONYMS: (v) feel, disregard, break, overlook, disobey, disrespect, Miss, violate

**obtained:** (adj) fulfilled, derivative  
**occasion:** (n, v) cause; (n) case, event, juncture, episode, incident; (v) bring about, create, beget, make, induce  
**o'clock:** (n) period, hours

**oddlly:** (adv) curiously, peculiarly, strangely, funnily, queerly, unusually, grotesquely, extraordinarily, uncommonly, singularly, weirdly. ANTONYMS: (adv) ordinarily, typically, sensibly, harmoniously

**o'er:** (adv) on, upon, across

**offence:** (n) insult, injury, guilt, error, delinquency, fault, misdeed, infraction, infringement, attack, offense

**offend:** (v) irritate, affront, insult, contravene, injure, disgust, infringe, displease, abuse, wound, anger. ANTONYMS: (v) please, delight, praise, attract

**offer:** (v) give, bestow, put, tender, extend, impart, introduce, advance, propose; (n) proposal, proposition. ANTONYMS: (v) refuse, withhold, take

**office:** (n) function, position, agency, commission, appointment, division, place, bureau, post, job; (n, v) duty

**officer:** (n) police officer, administrator, constable, commander, military officer, bureaucrat, official, officeholder, executive, agent, employee. ANTONYM: (n) underling

**officers:** (n) executive committee, staff

**offices:** (n) kitchen, pantry, scullery  
**offspring:** (n, v) issue, breed, brood; (n) progeny, family, children, child,

successor, lineage, young; (v) fruit.

ANTONYM: (n) parent

**often:** (adj, adv) oft; (adv) much, again and again, repeatedly, oftentimes, oftentimes, many times, always, commonly, again; (adj) frequent. ANTONYMS: (adv) seldom, infrequently, never

**once:** (adv, n) formerly; (adv) before, ever, previously, one time, at one time, already, erst; (adj, adv) erstwhile; (adj) former; (n) whilom. ANTONYM: (adv) future

**open:** (adj, n) frank, candid; (adj, n, v) clear; (adj) obvious, exposed, artless, free, honest, guileless, forthright, naked. ANTONYMS: (adj, v) shut; (v) close, end; (adj) devious, secretive, concealed, furtive, restricted, limited, reserved, secret  
**opinion:** (adj, n, v) judgment, feeling, notion; (n) idea, belief, conjecture, advice, guess, impression, view; (n, v) meaning

**opposed:** (adj) conflicting, hostile, contrary, antagonistic, adverse, contrasted, repugnant, averse, irreconcilable, incompatible; (adj, v) opposing. ANTONYMS: (adj) sympathetic, compatible, unopposed, similar, favorable, eager, agreeable, inclined, friendly

**oration:** (n) discourse, harangue, lecture, speech, declamation, homily, tirade, say, recitation, oratory, language

**order:** (n, v) command, direct, decree, dictate, sort, rank, array, commission, charge; (n) instruction, edict. ANTONYMS: (n, v) request; (n) mayhem, confusion, chaos, mess, anarchy, disorderliness, disarray; (v) disturb, deregulate, supply

**orderly:** (adj) neat, tidy, exact, regular, ordered, systematic, logical, coherent, businesslike; (adv) systematically; (n) attendant. ANTONYMS: (adj) unmanageable, rowdy, wild, disorganized, untidy, disorderly, confused, lawless, messy, defiant, haphazard

**organs:** (n) offal, haslet, giblet, chitlins, chitlings, chitterlings, insides, tongue, variety meat, sweetbread, tripe

**ornament:** (n) decoration, adornment, embellishment, decor; (v) beautify, decorate, deck, embellish, adorn; (n, v) garnish, dress. ANTONYM: (v) strip

**orpheus:** (n) Terpsichore, Euterpe, Apollo

**others:** (n) rest, cessation, lie, lave, LAN, ease, acquiesce, intermission

**outface:** (v) brave, dip slope, gaze, outscout, stare down

**outlive:** (v) survive, live, endure, overlive, live through, make it, overbide, overcome, remain, supervive, subsist

**outrageous:** (adj) inordinate, atrocious, ridiculous, monstrous, offensive, gross, excessive, extravagant, absurd, unconscionable; (adj, v) furious. ANTONYMS: (adj) acceptable, reasonable, normal, credible, good, honorable, lovely, complimentary, appealing, commendable, admirable

**outside:** (adv) outdoors, al fresco, out of doors; (n, prep) exterior; (adj, prep) external; (adj) outdoor, foreign, outer, extraneous, remote, outward. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv, n, prep) inside; (adj) indoor, internal, likely, strong; (prep) in, within; (adv) indoors; (adj, n) interior

**outward:** (adj) external, apparent, extrinsic, outer, superficial, surface, outside, ostensible, foreign, outdoor; (adv) out. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) inward; (adj) inner, internal, deep

**overtake:** (v) catch, attain, catch up with, exceed, overpower, overcome, go by, gain, devastate, outstrip, beat  
**pace:** (n, v) walk, gait, rate, march, stride, footstep; (n) speed, tempo, rapidity, tread, celerity

**pack:** (n, v) crowd, bundle, bunch, load; (n) herd, company, bevy, batch; (v) heap, compress, jam. ANTONYMS: (v) unpack, unload, disperse, empty, loosen

**pagan:** (adj, n) gentile, ethnic, agnostic; (n) idolater, infidel, paynim, heretic; (adj) heathenish, irreligious, ethnical, profane

**paid:** (adj, v) compensated; (adj) salaried, paying, nonrecreational, profitable, remunerated, remunerative, mercenary, settled, prepaid, unpaid. ANTONYMS: (adj) owing, due, unprofitable; (adv) voluntary

**pains:** (n) nisus, labor, trouble, effort, exertion, labour, pain, care, struggle, attempt, strain

**painter:** (n) artist, colorist, landscapist, impressionist, miniaturist, dauber, halser, Felis concolor, guy, cable, hawser

**palatine:** (n) palatine bone, palsgrave, regent, viceroy, os, exarch; (adj) palatial, palatic, palatalized,

- privileged, palatalised
- pale:** (adj) faint, wan, dull, weak, light, bloodless, pallid; (adj, v) dim; (n) boundary, confine; (v) blanch. ANTONYMS: (adj) strong, rosy, brown, well, glowing, vivid, healthy, clear, colorful; (v) redden, darken
- palm:** (n) medal, decoration, prize, palm tree, victory, thenar, laurel wreath; (v) filch, cabbage, rob; (adj) totipalmate
- paltry:** (adj, n) mean; (adj) contemptible, measly, trifling, abject, insignificant, inconsiderable, puny, little, trivial, low. ANTONYMS: (adj) generous, substantial, plentiful, enormous, important, profound
- paper:** (n) article, newspaper, discourse, newsprint, publication, journal, essay, periodical, report, magazine, certificate
- parcel:** (n) bale, pack, bundle, package, packet, section, division, batch; (n, v) portion; (v) distribute, apportion
- pardon:** (v) excuse, condone, forgive, acquit, spare; (n) amnesty, forgiveness, grace; (adj, v) justify, exonerate, exculpate. ANTONYMS: (n, v) blame; (v) punish, castigate, condemn, convict; (n) intolerance
- park:** (v) deposit, locate, set, place, put; (n) parking lot, common, parkland, green, arena, orchard
- part:** (adj, n) constituent; (n) piece, article, section; (v) break, disjoin, divide, divorce; (n, v) branch, division, character. ANTONYMS: (n) whole, entirety; (v) join, unite, meet, arrive, connect; (adv) wholly
- parted:** (adj) divided, separate, distributed, separated, divisible, disunited, compounder, compound, dividable
- partly:** (adj) half, semi, quasi; (adv) part, constitutently, in part, sidely, moderately, halfway, incompletely, relatively. ANTONYMS: (adv) completely, wholly, entirely; (adj) fully
- parts:** (n) faculty, nous, quick parts, sagacity, wit, surroundings; (adj) ingenuity, cleverness, capacity, turn, talents
- party:** (n) company, band, group, assembly, crew, association, gathering, crowd, clique, meeting, celebration
- pass:** (adj, n, v) run; (v) flow, give, deliver, lead, happen, overtake, proceed; (adj, v) move; (n, v) offer, live. ANTONYMS: (v) reject, make, take, veto; (n) failing, rejection, exclusion
- passion:** (n) affection, fire, fervor, love, feeling, anger, enthusiasm, heat, craving, desire; (n, v) ardor. ANTONYMS: (n) apathy, hate, serenity, meekness, hatred, doubt, dislike, calmness, moderation
- past:** (n) history, yesterday; (adj, adv, prep) beyond; (adj) former, bygone, old, prior, over, gone by; (adv) before; (adv, pref) along. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) future, present; (prep) within; (adj) current, contemporary, modern, upcoming, following, subsequent, later; (n) prospect
- patch:** (v) piece; (n) plot, fleck, darn, blot, freckle, bed, maculation, field; (n, v) botch, repair
- patience:** (n) endurance, fortitude, longanimity, equanimity, tolerance, resignation, restraint, composure, sufferance; (n, v) moderation, calmness. ANTONYMS: (n) impatience, eagerness, intolerance, annoyance
- patient:** (adj) forbearing, passive, calm, enduring, resigned, uncomplaining, tolerant, stoical, lenient, meek, persistent. ANTONYMS: (adj) intolerant, annoyed, eager, harsh
- pause:** (n, v) halt, interruption, adjournment, delay, respite, stop; (adj, n, v) rest; (n) intermission, gap; (adj, v) discontinue; (v) hesitate. ANTONYMS: (n) decisiveness, continuation, start; (v) proceed
- paying:** (adj, v) profitable; (adj) paid, lucrative, salaried, stipendiary, good, beneficial; (v) advantageous, remunerative; (n) payment, defrayment
- peace:** (adj, n) calm, quiet; (n) harmony, hush, repose, ease, amity, agreement, rest, pacification, order. ANTONYMS: (n) noise, chaos, conflict, uproar, commotion, agitation, war, distress, suffering, disruption, turbulence
- peasantry:** (n) farmers
- peep:** (n, v) glance, peek, look, gaze, glint, squeal; (n) glimpse, cheep; (v) chirp, peer, pry. ANTONYMS: (v) stare, gaze; (n) examination
- peevish:** (adj) fretful, fractious, morose, testy, irascible, moody, captious, petulant, cross, cantankerous, touchy
- penalties:** (n) penalty
- penalty:** (n) fine, forfeit, forfeiture, amercement, penalization, penance, handicap, sentence, castigation; (n, v) condemnation, judgment. ANTONYMS: (n) advantage, prize
- pennyworth:** (n) bargain
- perceive:** (v) comprehend, apprehend, discover, see, grasp, find, know, observe, sense, appreciate; (adj, v) discern. ANTONYMS: (v) Miss, observe, ignore
- perchance:** (adv) maybe, possibly, by chance, peradventure, accidentally, incidentally, mayhap, chance, haphazard, probably, haply
- perform:** (v) execute, fulfill, accomplish, do, achieve, complete, carry out, behave, make, play, appear. ANTONYMS: (v) omit, rehearse, malfunction, stop
- peril:** (n, v) hazard, risk, endanger, menace, adventure; (n) danger, jeopardy, chance; (v) imperil, expose, compromise. ANTONYM: (n) security
- perjury:** (v) mendacity; (n) bearing false witness, lying under oath, false evidence, violation, lie, infringement, infraction, falsehood, offense, offence
- persian:** (n) Farsi, Irani, Iranian language
- person:** (n) individual, human, man, mortal, character, soul, human being, being, creature, body; (n, v) party
- persons:** (n) folk, public, society, world
- persuade:** (v) convince, coax, assure, allure, entice, influence, induce, cajole, argue, exhort, lure. ANTONYMS: (v) discourage, dissuade, deter, restrain, force
- persuaded:** (adj) sure, satisfied, easily affected, impressible, positive, delicate, sensible, intelligent, certain, in no doubt, definite. ANTONYMS: (adj) unsure, uncertain
- peruse:** (v) examine, look through, inspect, study, leaf, flip, flick, learn, review, to read, browse. ANTONYM: (v) skim
- petty:** (adj) insignificant, trivial, little, frivolous, paltry, puny, negligible, light, mean, minute, exiguous. ANTONYMS: (adj) important, serious, generous, profound, significant, expansive, crucial, considerable, broadminded, enormous
- philosopher:** (n) thinker, bacon,



libertarian, gymnosophist, empiricist, necessitarian, moralist, theorist, wisdom, pundit, mechanist

**phoebus:** (n) sun, Phoebus Apollo, orb of day, aurora

**picture:** (v) describe, draw, imagine, depict; (n, v) photograph, paint, fancy; (n) effigy, drawing, likeness, depiction

**pierce:** (n, v) cut, prick, stick; (v) perforate, bore, enter, thrust, puncture, penetrate; (adj, v) stab, wound. ANTONYMS: (v) seal

**piers:** (n) jetties

**pigeons:** (n) order Columbiformes, Columbiformes

**pity:** (n, v) compassion, ruth; (n) mercy, commiseration, condolence, sympathy, clemency, remorse; (v) sympathize, compassionate, feel sorry for. ANTONYMS: (n) blame, cruelty, indifference, harshness, joy

**place:** (n, v) post, order; (v) fix, lay, arrange, locate, install; (adj, n, v) rank, station; (n) domicile, office. ANTONYMS: (v) remove, divest, lift, dismantle

**placed:** (adj) situated, laid, set, positioned, arranged, fixed, sited, collocate, determined, dictated, hardened

**plague:** (v) molest, harass, afflict, hassle, annoy, badger, pester, disturb, beleaguer; (n, v) worry; (adj, n, v) bother. ANTONYM: (v) comfort

**plain:** (adj) ordinary, comprehensible, intelligible, apparent, manifest, obvious, clear, simple; (adj, n) flat, homely, humble. ANTONYMS: (adj) elaborate, unclear, multicolored, mottled, ornate, concealed, attractive, confused, fussy, obscure, patterned

**plainness:** (n) perspicuity, clearness, homeliness, austerity, simplicity, lucidity, perspicuousness, directness, bareness, drabness, chasteness. ANTONYMS: (n) warmth, splendor

**planted:** (adj) ingrained, established, set, concealed

**play:** (n, v) act, frolic, pastime, game, sport, exercise, joke, bet, wager; (v) enact; (adj, v) perform. ANTONYMS: (n) tightness; (v) avoid, leave, real

**plea:** (n) defense, answer, apology, pretext, appeal, defence, petition, claim, allegation, adjuration, call. ANTONYMS: (n) instruction, accusation, response

**please:** (v) delight, charm, amuse, entertain, oblige, enchant, enrapture; (adj, v) gratify, enjoy, like; (adj) glad.

ANTONYMS: (v) displease, annoy, irritate, anger, distress, sicken, disappoint, dissatisfy, sadden, repel, appall

**pleased:** (adj) contented, glad, delighted, content, joyful, thankful, gratified, appreciative, overjoyed, cheerful; (adj, v) elated.

ANTONYMS: (adj) unhappy, annoyed, angry, worried, ashamed, disappointed, frustrated, sad, unsatisfied, ungrateful, uncomplimentary

**pleasure:** (n) fun, enjoyment, delectation, joy, comfort, happiness, mirth, inclination; (n, v) contentment, content; (adj, n, v) gratification. ANTONYMS: (n) irritation, nuisance, boredom, ache, displeasure, dissatisfaction, misery, pain, sadness, worry, anguish

**pluck:** (adj, n) nerve; (v) cull, jerk, gather, pick, fleece, grab; (n) grit, courage, boldness; (n, v) pull.

ANTONYMS: (n) cowardice, gutlessness; (v) undercharge

**pocket:** (v) take, appropriate, steal, lift, catch; (n, v) sack, pouch; (n) cavity, hole, hollow; (adj) digest. ANTONYM: (v) return

**poison:** (adj, v) contaminate, taint; (n, v) envenom, drug, empoison; (adj) toxic, poisonous; (v) defile, intoxicate; (n) bane, venom.

ANTONYMS: (n) cure; (v) clean

**poor:** (adj) bad, miserable, piteous, destitute, pitiful, insufficient, penniless, pathetic; (adj, v) meager; (adj, n) paltry, mean. ANTONYMS: (adj) wealthy, excellent, privileged, admirable, good, adequate, satisfactory, outstanding, favorable, dignified, comfortable

**pork:** (n) pig, hog, swine, pork barrel, porc, red meat, white meat, animal protein, appropriation, beef, cochon de lait

**port:** (adj, n) larboard; (n) haven, pier, carriage, demeanor, asylum, mien, wharf, embrasure, gate; (adj) left.

ANTONYMS: (adj, n) starboard

**portly:** (adj) plump, stout, corpulent, heavy, obese, chubby, fleshy, overweight; (adj, adv) burly, stately; (adv) plumply. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) thin, slim; (adj) skinny

**portrait:** (n) effigy, image, likeness, icon, delineation, depiction, figure, portraiture, picture, photograph,

painting

**possessor:** (n) owner, holder, proprietor, householder, occupant, landowner, landholder, proprietary, somebody, someone, soul

**post:** (n, v) place, position, stake, station; (n) office, function, pillar, attitude; (v) locate, enter, lay

**posy:** (n) bouquet, nosegay, bunch, flower, garland, motto, wreath, chaplet, corsage, epigraph, festoon

**pound:** (n, v) pen, hammer, thump; (v) palpitate, grind, maul, crush, bang, flap, mash, buffet

**poverty:** (n, v) lack, destitution, penury, need, indigence, want; (adj, n) distress; (n) pauperism, impoverishment, squalor, deprivation. ANTONYMS: (n) wealth, riches, affluence, smartness, luxury, prosperity, fertility, surplus

**power:** (n, v) might, ability, influence, dominion, faculty; (n) potency, energy, control, authority, domination, strength. ANTONYMS: (n) powerlessness, helplessness, weakness, inability, subjugation, moderation, calmness, meekness, inferiority, feebleness, ease

**practise:** (v) execute, practice, perform, exercise, drill, do, rehearse, learn, take, work out, read

**praise:** (v) approve, extol, flatter, celebrate, glorify; (n, v) commend, compliment, honor, glory, acclaim; (n) applause. ANTONYMS: (n) criticism, disparagement; (v) reprimand, disparage, reproach, scold, belittle, rebuke, chastise, denigrate, sully

**praising:** (adj) praiseful, commending, praise, flattering, admiring, kind, complimentary, bestowing praise, eulogistic, commendatory, encomiastical

**prating:** (n) trash, drivel, report; (v) click, clack

**pray:** (v) beg, implore, entreat, crave, invite, plead, beseech, appeal, importune, adjure, invoke. ANTONYM: (v) reject

**prayer:** (n) invocation, plea, entreaty, appeal, orison, request, suit, litany, devotion, supplication, asking

**praying:** (n) prayer

**precious:** (adj, n) beloved; (adj) valuable, costly, cherished, invaluable, expensive, golden, choice, inestimable, exquisite; (n) darling. ANTONYMS: (adj) cheap, hated, shabby

**predicament:** (n) dilemma, fix, plight,

- crisis, difficulty, mess, quandary, case, category, impasse; (n, v) condition
- preparation:** (n) concoction, provision, training, readiness, practice, homework, formulation, planning, prep, instruction, drill
- prepare:** (n, v) arrange, form, plan, make; (v) dress, set, lay, devise, groom, equip; (adj, v) coach. ANTONYM: (v) perform
- presage:** (v) foretell, foreshadow, indicate, portend, augur, prognosticate, predict; (n, v) forebode; (n) foreboding, portent, sign
- presence:** (n) front, manner, mien, bearing, carriage, figure, air, comportment, demeanor, company; (n, v) attendance. ANTONYMS: (n) absence, nonattendance
- present:** (adj, n, v) gift, grant; (n, v) donation, display; (adj, v) confer, bestow; (v) introduce, give, prefer, offer, perform. ANTONYMS: (v) withdraw, withhold, consume, take; (adj) missing, lost, dated, historical; (adj, n) past, future; (n) history
- presently:** (adv) instantly, directly, currently, before long, shortly, soon, now, at present, readily, just, actually. ANTONYMS: (adv) later, now, formerly
- press:** (n, v) crush, crowd, squeeze, pack; (adj, v) force; (v) push, urge, coerce, exhort, mash, compress. ANTONYMS: (v) loosen, restrain, unpack, demand
- pretty:** (adj) fair, graceful, lovely, handsome, attractive, charming, good-looking, picturesque, dainty; (n) nice; (adv) very. ANTONYMS: (adj) plain, unattractive, modern, inelegant; (adv) extremely
- prevented:** (adj) disallowed, barred, banned. ANTONYM: (adj) legitimate
- price:** (v) appraise, assess; (adj, n) worth, merit; (n) cost, charge, expense, figure, fee; (n, v) estimate, amount
- prick:** (n, v) puncture, stab, cock, twinge, spur, bite; (v) impale, pierce, needle; (n) Dick, pricking
- prince:** (n) lord, potentate, sovereign, duke, king, chief, maharaja, maharajah, ruler, magnate, archduke
- princely:** (adj, v) August, grand, great, lordly, dignified, stately; (adj) generous, munificent, majestic, magnificent, gorgeous. ANTONYM:
- (adj) ungenerous
- principal:** (adj, n) chief, master, cardinal, primary, leading, capital, prime, main; (adj) grand; (n) manager, leader. ANTONYMS: (adj) secondary, subordinate, peripheral, trivial, marginal, side
- privy:** (adj) confidential, covert, personal, clandestine, ulterior, occult, latent, secret; (n) outhouse, lavatory, loo
- prize:** (v) appreciate, esteem, value, cherish, admire; (n) plunder, award, booty, premium; (n, v) treasure, honor. ANTONYMS: (v) disrespect, scorn, hate; (n) dud
- process:** (n, v) action, course, function, act; (n) proceeding, operation, method, procedure, formula, outgrowth; (v) refine. ANTONYM: (v) contaminate
- prodigal:** (adj) extravagant, improvident, generous, lavish, wasteful, excessive, exuberant, liberal, profuse, dissipated; (adj, n) profligate. ANTONYMS: (adj) economical, cautious
- producing:** (n) production, output, making, birth, childbirth; (adj) fertile, generating, procreant; (v) produced, to produce; (adv) yieldingly
- profit:** (n, v) gain, produce, net, increase, help; (adj, n, v) benefit, advantage; (n) account, earnings, lucre; (adj, n) good. ANTONYMS: (n) loss, detriment, insignificance
- profitable:** (adj) helpful, beneficial, fruitful, advantageous, good, lucrative, useful, gainful, desirable, fat, valuable. ANTONYMS: (adj) dependent, disadvantageous, unhelpful, fruitless
- profound:** (adj) abstruse, intense, heavy, important, sound, bottomless, grave, obscure, utter, abysmal; (adj, v) solid. ANTONYMS: (adj) shallow, trivial, lightweight, stupid, simple, mild, facile, slight, insignificant, prosaic
- prolixity:** (n) verbosity, verbiage, flatulence, prolixness, verbalization, lengthiness, verboseness, diffuseness, copiousness, length, circumlocution. ANTONYM: (n) conciseness
- promise:** (n, v) covenant, guarantee, contract, vow, bargain; (v) augur, assure; (n) engagement, assurance, plight, word
- pronounced:** (adj) clear, emphatic, distinct, prominent, notable, obvious, salient, evident, definite, bold, palpable. ANTONYMS: (adj) faint, inconspicuous, indefinite, loose, slight, small
- prop:** (n, v) support, buttress, brace, shore, rest; (n) post, fulcrum, property, mainstay; (v) bolster, hold
- proper:** (adj) due, decent, modest, agreeable, fitting, legitimate, right; (adj, v) correct, fit, becoming; (adj, n) just. ANTONYMS: (adj) inappropriate, wrong, unseemly, rude, unconventional, unsuitable, false, relaxed, vulgar, unreasonable, undue
- prophet:** (n) augur, oracle, vaticinator, seer, predictor, diviner, forecaster, visionary, foreteller, priest, clairvoyant
- protection:** (n, v) care, guard; (n) conservation, shelter, security, defence, custody, cover, guardianship, shield, aegis. ANTONYMS: (n) destruction, attack, susceptibility, danger
- protest:** (n) demonstration, objection, complaint, challenge, question; (v) assert, object, complain, remonstrate, demur; (n, v) moan. ANTONYMS: (n, v) support, praise; (n) approval, acceptance; (v) approve, agree
- prove:** (v) attest, manifest, evidence, establish, show, examine, verify, essay, check, corroborate; (adj, v) confirm. ANTONYMS: (v) refute, undermine
- proverb:** (n) adage, byword, aphorism, dictum, saying, axiom, parable, motto, expression; (n, v) maxim, saw
- provided:** (adv) in case, provided always; (conj) if; (n) conditionally, as if, quasi; (adj) fitted, instructed, enlightened, arranged; (v) foreseen
- public:** (n) folk, people, populace; (adj) national, overt, civic, communal, popular; (adj, v) general, open; (adj, n) community. ANTONYMS: (adj) private, confidential, personal, individual, privileged, restricted, unknown, home, secret
- publican:** (n) bartender, barman, landlord, cafe proprietor, barkeep, caf owner, cafe owner, caf proprietor, tapster, mixologist, tapper
- publish:** (adj, v) disclose, announce, communicate; (v) proclaim, divulge, issue, circulate, notify, broadcast, print, advertise

**puny:** (adj) weak, petty, feeble, frail, tiny, small, minute, measly, runty, paltry, trivial. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) muscular, brawny, strong, significant, fit, huge, enormous, robust, considerable

**purchasing:** (n) buying, purchase, buy, buy-out, purchases, shopping, transaction, sale, catalog buying, ownership

**pure:** (adj) absolute, natural, faultless, innocent, project, immaculate, perfect, good, clean; (adj, n) chaste, genuine; (adj, v) mere. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) contaminated, dishonored, diluted, tainted, wicked, practical, polluted, flawed, marred, unsaturated, unchaste

**purpose:** (n, v) plan, intention, design, project, resolve, purport, end, object; (n) mind, effect, motive. **ANTONYM:** (n) weakness

**purse:** (n) bag, pouch, money, handbag, sac, currency, pocketbook, pelf; (v) wrinkle, pucker, crease

**pursue:** (v) follow, dog, prosecute, hunt, course, tail, stalk, persist, hound, haunt, go after. **ANTONYMS:** (v) shun, eschew, avoid, discourage, lead, precede, find

**puts:** (n) stocks, securities, preferred stock, common stock, bonds

**quaint:** (adj) odd, funny, picturesque, comical, fanciful, curious, whimsical, strange, queer, peculiar, droll. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) modern, ordinary, dull

**quaintly:** (adv) unusually, oddly, curiously, weirdly, singularly, peculiarly, queerly, strangely, outlandishly, charmingly, pleasingly

**qualities:** (n) character, disposition, nature, spirit, tone, quality, role, self, part, traits, individuality

**quality:** (adj, n) character, faculty; (n) class, characteristic, condition, grade, feature, distinction, description, mark, peculiarity. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) cheap; (n) drawback, inferiority, mediocrity

**quarrel:** (adj, n, v) dispute; (n, v) fight, feud, brawl, row, altercation, argue, conflict, squabble; (n) dissension, difference. **ANTONYMS:** (n) agreement, reconciliation, acceptance, concord, consensus; (v) agree

**quarrelling:** (adj) at variance, in dispute, in disagreement, in conflict; (n) dissension

**queen:** (n) king, lady, sovereign, monarch, dame, pansy, queer, faggot, princess, fairy, czarina

**quest:** (n) pursuit, investigation, exploration, chase, research, inquest; (n, v) probe, hunt, inquiry, examination; (v) call for

**question:** (n, v) query, distrust, interrogate, matter, challenge, demand; (n) inquiry; (v) investigate, inquire, contest, examine. **ANTONYMS:** (n) certainty, resolution; (n, v) trust; (v) praise, reply, believe, accept

**questionless:** (adj) incontrovertible, unquestionable, certain, indubitable; (adv) certainly

**quick:** (adj) bright, hasty, agile, nimble, intelligent, clever, speedy, active, immediate, instant; (adj, v) prompt. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) leisurely, dull, dim, thick, unintelligent, thorough, inept, unobservant, lengthy, long, permanent

**quicken:** (v) accelerate, hasten, hurry, dispatch, animate, expedite, advance, enliven, precipitate; (n, v) forward, speed. **ANTONYMS:** (v) decelerate, delay

**quietness:** (n) quiet, serenity, calm, calmness, peacefulness, repose, hush, composure, quietude, silence, stillness. **ANTONYMS:** (n) volume, disturbance, loudness, bustle, wildness, turbulence, noise, turmoil, brashness, boldness, movement

**quit:** (adj, n, v) leave; (v) go, drop, break, cease, give up, depart, end, discontinue; (adj, v) discharge; (n, v) part. **ANTONYMS:** (v) stay, occupy, enter, maintain, start, come, arrive

**quite:** (adj, adv) altogether, fully, sheer, just; (adv) all, absolutely, completely, entirely, exactly, enough, well. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) hardly, slightly, insufficiently, partially

**race:** (adj, n) kind; (adj, n, v) dash, rush; (n, v) course, run, career; (n) family, people; (v) hurry, hasten, fly. **ANTONYMS:** (v) linger, amble

**rack:** (n, v) torment, wrack, Scud; (n) manger, grid, cage, bracket, stand; (v) excruciate, afflict, agonize

**rage:** (adj, n, v) fume, bluster; (adj, n) wrath, indignation, frenzy, mania; (n) passion, anger, craze, exasperation; (n, v) storm. **ANTONYMS:** (n) gentleness, composure, calm, equanimity, pleasure, serenity

**ragged:** (adj, n) shabby; (adj) seedy, worn, hoarse, jagged, scruffy, torn, untidy, unkempt; (adj, v) threadbare; (n) harsh. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) smart, elegant, smooth, new, even

**rail:** (n) balustrade, handrail, railing, fence, banister, track, guardrail, path; (v) inveigh, vituperate, fulminate

**rain:** (n, v) stream, hail; (n) precipitation, wet, pelting, flow, downpour, rainwater; (v) precipitate, shower, rain down. **ANTONYM:** (v) drizzle

**raise:** (n, v) lift, boost, increase; (v) erect, hoist, grow, enhance, build, elevate, promote, foster. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) downgrade; (v) lessen, demote, decrease, level, reduce, dismantle, knock; (n) lowering, reduction, descent

**rank:** (n, v) range, order, place, position, grade, class, line, file; (v) arrange, classify; (n) gradation. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) sparse, pleasant, clean

**rare:** (adj) uncommon, thin, unusual, seldom, scarce, precious, exceptional, infrequent, few, choice, fine. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) common, frequent, usual, plentiful, commonplace, recurrent

**rasher:** (n) slice, Sebastodes miniatus, rockfish, shaving, part, shive, vermillion rockfish, integument

**rate:** (n) worth, pace; (v) assess, estimate, evaluate, appreciate, compute, appraise, count, calculate; (n, v) value

**rated:** (adj) specified

**rather:** (adv) a little, enough, fairly, pretty, moderately, considerably, very, relatively, kind of, instead, kinda. **ANTONYMS:** (adv) extremely, absolutely; (adj) complete

**ratified:** (adj) sanctioned, legal, canonical, canonic

**ravenous:** (adj) hungry, greedy, avid, famished, gluttonous, voracious, rapacious, insatiable, edacious, covetous, predatory. **ANTONYM:** (adj) moderate

**reach:** (n, v) fetch, stretch; (adj, v) overtake, pass, extend; (v) obtain, achieve, make, attain, get; (n) compass. **ANTONYMS:** (v) withdraw, differ, fail

**read:** (v) say, decipher, understand, learn, construe, perceive, gather, indicate, demonstrate, translate, comprehend. **ANTONYM:** (v) write

**ready:** (v) prepare, fix; (adj, v) fit,

disposed, willing; (adj) quick, prompt, nimble, apt; (adj, n) available, dexterous. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) unwilling, reluctant, unavailable, unready, unripe, difficult, unenthusiastic, young

**reason:** (n) account, intellect, occasion, object, understanding, argument, purpose; (n, v) cause; (v) argue, debate; (adj, n) rationality. **ANTONYMS:** (n) inconsistency, disincentive

**reasonable:** (adj) rational, just, fair, legitimate, judicious, sensible, sane, temperate, impartial, inexpensive, equitable. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) illogical, unfair, expensive, unsatisfactory, inadequate, excessive, intolerable, intemperate, inexplicable, ridiculous, obsessional

**reasoning:** (n) argumentation, deduction, ratiocination, illation, logic, argument, abstract thought, sense, judgment, thought; (adj) rational

**reasons:** (n) proof

**rebel:** (v) mutiny, disobey, arise; (adj, n) nonconformist, insurgent; (adj, n, v) renegade; (n, v) revolt; (adj) mutineer; (n) traitor, insurrectionist, anarchist. **ANTONYMS:** (adj, n) conformist; (n) stalwart; (adj) compliant, content, obedient; (v) agree, obey

**receipt:** (n) acknowledgment, acknowledgement, acceptance, acquittance, ticket, check, recipe, revenue, certificate, profit; (v) acknowledge. **ANTONYMS:** (n) rejection, invoice

**receive:** (v) get, admit, assume, have, welcome, bear, obtain, adopt, make, greet, embrace. **ANTONYMS:** (v) refuse, disburse, lose, mail, present, spend, dispatch

**record:** (n, v) register, file, chronicle, list, score; (n) account, disk, book, document, history; (v) enter. **ANTONYMS:** (n) single; (v) delete

**redoubted:** (adj) bold, stalworth, brave, eminent, noted, renowned, reputable, respectable, daring

**reed:** (adj) thread, rope of sand; (n) triangle, surgeon, xylophone, woodwind, tuning fork, sawbones, arrow, pipe, dart

**refuse:** (v) deny, reject, decline, disallow, rebuff, turn down; (adj, n) waste, trash; (n) offal, litter; (n, v) dross. **ANTONYMS:** (v) allow, receive, permit, offer, dedicate, approve, agree, admit, choose, pass,

affirm

**regard:** (n, v) respect, esteem, attention, heed, concern, note; (adj, n, v) notice; (v) estimate, believe; (adj, v) attend; (n) deference. **ANTONYMS:** (n) neglect, disesteem, inattentiveness, disdain, detachment, infamy; (v) ignore, scorn, disregard

**relation:** (n) narration, recital, association, affinity, description, rehearsal, kin, relative; (n, v) account, report, regard

**relent:** (v) give, give in, melt, soften, moderate, ease, submit, cede, relax, capitulate; (adj) remit. **ANTONYMS:** (v) worsen, strengthen, resist, stand

**remember:** (v) commemorate, recognize, recollect, recall, consider, memorize, think, mind, call to mind, retain, bear in mind. **ANTONYMS:** (v) ignore, neglect, overlook

**remembrance:** (n, v) recollection, mind; (n) commemoration, memorial, recall, relic, monument, keepsake, reminiscence, recognition; (adj, n) memento

**remorse:** (n) penitence, contrition, repentance, regret, guilt, penance, sorrow, grief, qualm, ruefulness, compassion. **ANTONYM:** (n) shamelessness

**rend:** (v) pull, lacerate, break, divide, rive, tear, disrupt, mangle; (n, v) rip, split, slash

**render:** (v) interpret, explain, give, offer, furnish, pay, construe, return, provide, impart, translate

**rendering:** (n) interpretation, translation, rendition, reading, representation, version, interpreting, depiction, execution, construction, explanation

**renew:** (v) renovate, rejuvenate, restore, refresh, refurbish, modernize, revive, overhaul, reinstate, reiterate, mend. **ANTONYMS:** (v) reduce, kill

**renowned:** (adj, n) illustrious, glorious; (adj) famous, famed, notable, noted, eminent, distinguished, great, notorious, well-known. **ANTONYMS:** (adj) obscure, anonymous, undistinguished

**rent:** (n, v) breach, fissure, lease, let; (adj, n) cleft; (n) crevice, tear, crack, break; (v) charter, engage

**repay:** (v) recompense, reward, pay, reimburse, compensate, refund, render, requite, remunerate, return, redeem. **ANTONYM:** (v) penalize

**repent:** (v) deplore, bewail, rue, mourn, lament, atone, sorry, bemoan, feel remorse, grieve, be sorry

**reply:** (n) echo, response, reaction, repay; (n, v) return, rejoinder; (v) respond, react, rejoin, retort, counter. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) question; (v) interrogate, ignore

**report:** (n, v) account, gossip, name, record; (n) description, notice, recital, story, notification; (v) describe, recount

**represented:** (adj) delineate, depicted, representing, drawn, painted, pictured, diagrammatic

**reproach:** (n, v) blame, rebuke, charge, abuse, disgrace, reprimand, invective; (v) accuse, chide, condemn; (n) condemnation. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) praise; (v) commend, approve; (n) compliment, commendation, approval

**reputed:** (adj) supposed, renowned, famous, conjectural, assumed, famed, eminent, prominent, alleged, well-known, distinguished. **ANTONYM:** (adj) known

**request:** (n, v) demand, bid, invite, wish, appeal; (v) ask, order, pray, call for; (n) prayer, application. **ANTONYMS:** (v) command, grant, insist, force, supply, reject; (n) ruling, response

**requite:** (adj, v) pay, gratify, satisfy; (v) recompense, reciprocate, compensate, reward, remunerate, reimburse, return, refund

**resemble:** (v) seem, imitate, compare, correspond, to resemble, agree, look, simulate; (adj) look like; (n) resemblance; (adv) alike

**respect:** (adj, n, v) regard, worship; (n, v) esteem, heed, notice, reverence; (v) observe, keep, appreciate; (n) homage, deference. **ANTONYMS:** (n, v) scorn, dishonor, disregard; (n) cheek, insolence, impudence, disdain; (v) despise, humiliate, break, taint

**respective:** (adj) individual, proper, relative, several, appropriate, peculiar, singular, corresponding, private, personal, regardful

**rest:** (adj, n) remnant, remainder, residue; (n, v) pause, balance, nap, relaxation, sleep; (n) recess, leisure; (v) remain. **ANTONYMS:** (n) activity, agitation, intensification; (v) change, stand, deteriorate

**return:** (v) recur, reimburse, restore; (n, v) pay, restitution, recompense,

refund, restoration, render, retort;  
(n) proceeds. ANTONYMS: (n) departure, confiscation, abolition, recovery, loss, disappearance, penalty; (v) keep, depart, take, remove  
**revenge**: (n) retribution, vengeance, reprisal, retaliation, repayment, grudge, punishment; (v) retaliate, repay, requite, vindicate  
**reverence**: (n, v) respect, regard, fear, worship, honor, esteem, adore; (n) deference, adoration, admiration, awe. ANTONYMS: (n) despise, disrespect, irreverence, disdain, disparagement, contempt; (v) dishonor  
**reverend**: (n) preacher, clergyman, parson, rector, vicar, pastor, priest, minister, churchman; (adj) respectable, honourable  
**rhenish**: (n) liebfraumilch, Rhine wine, hock  
**rheum**: (adj) juice, humor, gravy, lymph, blood, sanies, serosity, serum, sap; (n) genus rheum, saliva  
**ribs**: (n) dinner, chest, bosom  
**rich**: (adj, n) copious, luxurious; (adj) productive, fruitful, full, deep, prolific, opulent, fat, affluent; (adj, v) fertile. ANTONYMS: (adj) poor, impoverished, destitute, broke, light, plain, lean, delicate, infertile, weak, barren  
**richly**: (adv) wealthily, copiously, opulently, lavishly, abundantly, sumptuously, affluently, profusely, amply, plentifully, fully. ANTONYMS: (adv) meagerly, poorly, simply, barely  
**ridance**: (n) removal, exclusion, freedom, ousting, barring, ejection, expulsion, ouster, ostracism, clearance; (v) rid  
**riding**: (n) ride, horseback riding, travel, hundred, tithing, soke, travelling, manege, athletics; (v) horsemanship; (adj) awheel  
**rightful**: (adj) right, lawful, just, justifiable, proper, legal, equitable, licit, real, genuine, true. ANTONYMS: (adj) wrongful, illegal, unlawful, fake  
**rightly**: (adv) correctly, rightfully, properly, accurately, appropriately, exactly, fitly, straightly, fairly, really; (adv, v) adequately. ANTONYMS: (adv) wrongly, inappropriately, incorrectly, immorally, unjustly, partially, sinfully, unfairly, falsely  
**rigorous**: (adj) rigid, precise, hard, strict, austere, accurate, exacting,

exact, cruel, stern, inflexible. ANTONYMS: (adj) lax, weak, slapdash, sloppy, sketchy, lenient, gentle, flexible, careless, halfhearted  
**ring**: (n, v) encircle, peal, call, loop, jingle; (v) resound, echo, reverberate; (n) gang, band, rim  
**rings**: (n) ornaments, necklaces, jewels, costume jewelry, charms, bracelets  
**ripe**: (adj) adult, ready, advanced, prepared, good, grown, perfect, matured, finished, consummate; (adj, v) mellow. ANTONYMS: (adj) green, unripe, immature, dry, poisonous, young, unsuitable, sweet  
**rites**: (n) money, finances, wake, religion  
**rival**: (n) competitor, enemy, foe, contestant; (adj, n, v) emulate; (n, v) match, contest, corral; (adj, v) competitive; (v) compete, contend. ANTONYMS: (adj) allied; (n) partner, friend, supporter  
**riveted**: (adj) immovable, immobile, irremovable, rooted, wrapped up, intent; (v) wrapped in, engrossed in, rapt, absorbed, transfixed. ANTONYM: (adj) detached  
**road**: (n) way, track, course, route, avenue, highway, approach, thoroughfare, direction; (n, v) passage, line  
**roaring**: (n) bellowing, roar, bellow, thunder; (adj) booming, prosperous, thriving, flourishing, deafening, noisy, boisterous  
**rocks**: (n) sunken rocks, family jewels, coral reef  
**roman**: (adj) Romanist, Romish, classical, apostolic, popish, papist, papistic; (n) Catholic, Roman type, reglet, Romanesque  
**rome**: (n) Eternal City, Italian capital, capital of Italy  
**roof**: (n, v) top, cover, shelter; (n) crown, housing, ceiling, dome, house, household, back, covering  
**room**: (n) chamber, occasion, house, apartment, opportunity, hall, opening, compartment, expanse, extent; (v) board. ANTONYM: (n) walkway  
**rotten**: (adj, v) decayed, musty; (adj) foul, poor, fetid, lousy, putrid, off, ill, shabby, wretched. ANTONYMS: (adj) fresh, superior, unrotten, good, incorruptible, honest, lovely, fair, great, respectful  
**rough**: (adj, n) hard, grating, jagged; (adj, n, v) harsh; (adj) raw, gross, cruel, crude, gruff; (adj, v) hoarse;

(n, v) draft. ANTONYMS: (adj) gentle, silky, soft, sophisticated, refined, polished, precise, exact, pleasant, glossy, even  
**round**: (n) bout, circuit, beat; (n, v) ring, compass; (adv, prep) about; (adj) circular, entire; (adj, v) plump; (adj, n, v) turn; (v) gird. ANTONYMS: (adj) sharp, slender, thin, square, harsh, reedy, evasive; (prep) exactly  
**rouse**: (v) provoke, excite, arouse, kindle, awaken, instigate, actuate, disturb, move, agitate, incite. ANTONYMS: (v) dampen, dishearten, suppress, douse, inhibit, stifle, quench  
**royal**: (adj, adv) regal, majestic; (adj) imperial, magnificent, kingly, noble, brilliant, sovereign, purple, August, princely  
**rude**: (adj, n) rough, impudent, coarse, abrupt, bold; (adj) blunt, discourteous, impolite, brutal, crude, mean. ANTONYMS: (adj) polite, refined, courteous, chivalrous, civil, proper, decent, exact, clean, gentle, inoffensive  
**ruin**: (n) devastation, desolation; (adj, n) downfall; (v) break, consume, demolish, destroy; (n, v) doom, ravage, destruction, damage. ANTONYMS: (v) conserve, enhance, save, restore, improve; (n, v) respect; (n) making, success, triumph, rise, preservation  
**rule**: (n, v) control, order, govern, decree, influence, line, dominion, regulate, reign; (n) law, ordinance. ANTONYMS: (v) request; (n) option  
**ruled**: (adj) lined, lawful, subordinate, subject  
**running**: (adj) operative, working, continual, moving; (adj, v) active; (n) course, motion, run, operation, administration; (adj, n) functioning  
**rush**: (n, v) charge, flood, dash, flow, gush, race, run, speed, attack; (adj, n, v) burst; (n) onrush. ANTONYMS: (v) delay, dawdle, linger, wander, amble, hesitate, crawl, trickle; (n) shortage, slowness, unimportance  
**sabbath**: (n) day of rest, Saturday, vacation, recess, holiday, dies non, Pentecost, sabbat  
**sacred**: (adj) holy, hallowed, dedicated, consecrated, divine, religious, pious, spiritual, inviolable, blessed; (adj, v) solemn. ANTONYMS: (adj) profane, unconsecrated, cursed, breakable

**sacrifice:** (n, v) oblation, forfeit; (v) offer, immolate, offer up, give, give up, relinquish; (n) immolation, loss, forfeiture

**sadness:** (n, v) melancholy, despondency; (adj, n) grief, distress; (n) misery, sorrow, desolation, regret, gloom, mourning, affliction. ANTONYMS: (n) joy, amusement, cheerfulness, laughter, contentment, comfort, cheer, hopefulness

**safe:** (adj) reliable, cautious, good, dependable, sound, harmless, innocuous, correct, innocent, inoffensive; (n) closet. ANTONYMS: (adj) dangerous, risky, unprotected, vulnerable, hurt, insecure, harmful, reckless, unreliable, toxic, injured

**safely:** (adv) surely, safe, certainly, cautiously, soundly, strongly, sure, steadily, harmlessly, unharmedly, unhurriedly. ANTONYMS: (adv) harmfully, hazardously, loosely

**sail:** (n, v) cruise, float, voyage, sheet; (v) navigate, run, glide, drift, cross, sweep, travel. ANTONYM: (v) struggle

**saint:** (v) canonize; (n) holy man, evangelist, apostle, jimdandy, jimhickey, crackerjack, holy person, ideal, apotheosis; (adj) sacred

**sake:** (n, v) interest, reason, motive, ground; (v) advantage, cause; (n) object, account, design, purpose, saki

**salvation:** (n) redemption, rescue, delivery, preservation, savior, deliverance, liberation, expiation, propitiation; (adj, n) justification; (adj) conversion. ANTONYMS: (n) damnation, destruction

**same:** (adj) identical, equal, like, corresponding, equivalent, similar, uniform, even, consistent, matching; (adv) equally. ANTONYMS: (adj) different, varying, another, unlike, other, varied

**sand:** (n) guts, beach, fortitude, earth, coast, seaside, dirt; (adj, n) powder, dust; (v) sandpaper, smooth

**sandy:** (adj) gritty, granular, sabulous, arenaceous, powdery, mealy, loose, farinaceous, dusty, sandy laverock, nimble.

ANTONYM: (adj) argillaceous

**satisfaction:** (n, v) pleasure, gratification, contentment, content; (n) enjoyment, joy, complacency, amends, reparation, redress, recompense. ANTONYMS: (n) displeasure, discontent, aggravation, sorrow, dismay, anxiety

**savage:** (adj, v) fierce, wild, furious; (adj) ferocious, brutal, cruel, bloodthirsty, rough, pitiless; (adj, n) brute; (n) vandal. ANTONYMS:

(adj) civilized, gentle, nice

**save:** (v) rescue, hoard, conserve, keep, maintain, preserve, free, protect, liberate; (adv, conj, n, prep) except; (adj, v) economize.

ANTONYMS: (v) waste, squander, use, abandon, endanger, capture, asphyxiate, aggravate, destroy

**saved:** (adj) protected, economized, rescued, blessed

**saving:** (adj, n) frugal, economical; (adj) thrifty, save; (n) economy, conservation, salvation, rescue, preservation, cut, retrenchment.

ANTONYMS: (n) extravagance, expenditure; (adj) spendthrift

**saying:** (adj, n, v) maxim; (n) axiom, adage, phrase, dictum, idiom, byword, aphorism, expression; (n, v) saw, proverb

**scale:** (adj) balance; (v) mount, climb, ascend; (n) gamut, yardstick, graduation, degree; (n, v) flake, gauge, measure

**scant:** (adj) insufficient, scanty, skimpy, poor, few, inadequate, narrow, little; (adj, v) meager, bare; (v) skimp. ANTONYMS: (adj) plentiful, extensive

**scape:** (n) flower stalk, peduncle, shaft, scapus, ray, perspective, Peter, prick, prospect, barb, rotating shaft

**scarce:** (adj) rare, insufficient, deficient, infrequent, uncommon, scant, scanty, few, sparse; (adv) just, barely. ANTONYMS: (adj) plentiful, common, adequate, strong, usual, extensive

**scatter:** (n, v) spread, spray; (v) disperse, dispel, disseminate, distribute, break up, dissipate, sprinkle, circulate, diffuse.

ANTONYMS: (v) collect, reform, attract, concentrate

**scene:** (n, v) aspect, view, outlook, lookout; (n) background, display, spectacle, picture, environment, panorama, perspective

**sceptre:** (n) sovereignty, verge, wand, bauble, mace, brink

**sceptred:** (adj) sceptered, authorized, hegemonic, ruling

**schedule:** (n, v) register, program; (n) agenda, catalog, calendar, catalogue, table, inventory, roll, index; (v) book. ANTONYM: (v) cancel

**scholar:** (n) learner, academic, student, pundit, apprentice,

intellectual, brain, exhibitioner, academician, professor, disciple.

ANTONYM: (n) teacher

**scorn:** (v) despise, contemn, reject; (n, v) ridicule, neglect, disregard, deride, slight; (n) contempt, derision, mockery. ANTONYMS: (n, v) respect, praise; (v) appreciate, revere, value, approve, admire, accept; (n) admiration, commendation, humility

**scorned:** (adj) detested, hated, abject, neglected, contemptuous, despicable, insolent, undesirable, unloved, unpopular, mean

**scottish:** (adj) scotch, Caledonian, Irish, Canadian, frugal, avoiding waste, economical; (n) Scots English

**scripture:** (adj, n) gospel; (n) bible, book, Holy Writ, canon, writ, inscription, writing, Vulgate, fact, Holy Scripture

**scroll:** (n, v) roll, list, roller, record; (n) curlicue, curl, archive, helix, book, whorl; (v) role

**scrubbed:** (adj) deferred, clean, cleaner

**scruple:** (adj, v) hesitate, demur, pause; (n) hesitation, qualm, misgiving, distrust, objection; (n, v) mistrust; (v) falter, question

**seal:** (n, v) stamp; (v) plug, bar, caulk, stop, shut; (n) cachet, hallmark, imprint, signet; (adj) conclude.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) open; (v) unseal

**sealed:** (adj) hermetic, tight, certain, plastered, Solen, shut, impervious, irrevocable, tighter, still, preserved

**search:** (v) grope, rummage, ransack, pry; (n) pursuit, exploration, examination, inquiry, inspection; (n, v) inquire, research

**season:** (v) mature, flavor, salt, mellow, moderate; (adj, v) harden, inure, habituate; (n) opportunity, spell, space

**seat:** (n) bench, base, behind, bottom, buttocks, location, position, post, posterior; (v) locate, put

**seated:** (adj) sat, sedentary

**second:** (n) instant, jiffy, flash, minute, sec; (v) back, endorse, help; (n, v) support; (adj) latter, further. ANTONYMS: (adj) top, former; (n) age

**secret:** (adj, v) mysterious, hidden, covert, secluded, confidential; (adj) concealed, furtive, occult, obscure; (adj, n) privacy, secrecy.

ANTONYMS: (adj, n) known, public; (adj) open, overt, apparent, unrestricted, external, visible,

outermost, transparent, blatant  
**seed:** (n) issue, posterity, root, progeny, offspring, origin, nucleus, brood, embryo; (v) inseminate, plant  
**seek:** (n, v) ask, inquire; (v) hunt, endeavor, attempt, look, aspire, pursue, beg, quest, explore.  
 ANTONYMS: (v) answer, grant  
**seem:** (v) appear, feel, seeming, loom, expect, show, beseem, sound, glitter, glisten, gleam  
**seeming:** (adj) ostensible, superficial, illusory, outward, probable, deceptive, specious; (adj, n) appearance, semblance; (n) aspect, show. ANTONYMS: (adj) actual, deep, inner  
**seen:** (adj) visible, clad, beseen, accomplished, discovered, appearing; (v) observe, perceive, conceive, comprehend, understand  
**seize:** (v) catch, capture, grab, arrest, clutch, get, apprehend, receive, annex, clasp; (n, v) grapple.  
 ANTONYMS: (v) baulk, relinquish, restore, surrender, give, remove  
**self:** (n) ego, person, me, individual, being; (pron) myself, herself, itself; (adj) same; (v) own; (adv) personally  
**self-same:** (adj) uniform, twin  
**sell:** (v) deal, handle, dispose, betray, give, promote, realize, merchandise, dispose of; (n, v) cheat; (adj) sold.  
 ANTONYMS: (v) buy, wholesale  
**semblance:** (adj, n) color; (n) resemblance, appearance, look, aspect, air, image, similarity, pretense, guise, pretext.  
 ANTONYM: (n) difference  
**send:** (v) pass, deliver, forward, convey, dispatch, mail, post, give, carry, divert, project. ANTONYM: (v) keep  
**sense:** (n) perception, meaning, common sense, sensation, logic, understanding, impression, feeling; (n, v) feel, intellect, mind.  
 ANTONYMS: (n) stupidity, garbage, ludicrousness, nonsense, foolishness, gibberish, illogicality, irrationality, numbness, certainty; (v) observe  
**senses:** (adj) sober senses, sound mind; (n) reason, mind, conception, consciousness, judgment, faculties, mother wit, right mind, sanity  
**sensible:** (adj) aware, sagacious, prudent, rational, judicious, perceptible, sane, wise, intelligent, appreciable, sage. ANTONYMS: (adj) ludicrous, crazy, unreasonable, stupid, silly, ridiculous, reckless,

idiotic, outrageous, imprudent, mad  
**sent:** (adj) dispatched, imported, ecstatic, blissful, fascinated, intoxicated; (v) transmit.  
 ANTONYM: (adj) unsent  
**sentence:** (v) condemn, convict, judge, damn; (n) finding, phrase, conviction, punishment; (n, v) decision, doom, condemnation.  
 ANTONYMS: (n) reward, absolution; (v) absolve, acquit  
**serpent:** (n) snake, ophidian, viper, snake in the grass, reptile, rattlesnake, colubrid, contrafagotto, cor anglais, hautboy; (v) goose  
**servant:** (n) manservant, domestic, lackey, maid, employee, flunkey, retainer, boy, footman, flunky, menial. ANTONYMS: (n) master, mistress  
**servants:** (n) staff, suite  
**serve:** (adj, n, v) avail; (v) assist, aid, act, benefit, tend, attend, operate, function, do; (n, v) officiate  
**service:** (n, v) overhaul, serve, refit, assist; (n) aid, employment, assistance, avail, ministration, ceremony; (v) attendance.  
 ANTONYMS: (n) disservice, damage, hindrance, uselessness  
**servitor:** (n) retainer, henchman, manservant, follower, lackey, footman, attache, housemaid, employe, maidservant; (v) beadle  
**seven:** (adj, n) VII; (n) September, septet, week, nine, knave, king, jack, queen, digit, Sevens  
**several:** (adj, v) diverse, divers, sundry; (adj, n) a few, some; (adj) various, individual, different, particular, special, numerous.  
 ANTONYMS: (adj) joint, all, none  
**shadow:** (n) ghost, darkness, apparition, follower, gloom, reflection; (n, v) eclipse, trace, tail, hint; (v) follow. ANTONYMS: (v) brighten, lead; (n) brightness, pallor  
**shadows:** (n) dark, darkness, night, dimness, dusk, foginess, mistiness, gloom, cloudiness. ANTONYM: (n) brightness  
**shake:** (n, v) jolt, beat, jar, quiver, wave; (v) agitate, excite, disturb; (adv, v) brandish; (adj, v) quake, totter. ANTONYMS: (v) soothe, steady  
**shall:** (n) must, necessity; (v) require, bequeath, leave  
**shallow:** (adj) superficial, low, cursory, petty, little, sketchy, flimsy, frivolous, simple, surface, perfunctory. ANTONYMS: (adj)

bottomless, profound, intense, pensive, serious, inner, weighty  
**shallows:** (n) shelf, shoals  
**shame:** (n, v) disgrace, dishonor, discredit, humiliate, degrade, chagrin; (n) humiliation, modesty, scandal, insult; (v) abash.  
 ANTONYMS: (n) pride, glorification, making, worthiness; (v) acknowledge, glorify, respect, dignity  
**shape:** (n, v) cast, mold, fashion, mould, model, make, design; (n) pattern, figure; (v) determine, influence  
**sharp:** (adj, n, v) keen, acute, bitter; (adj) intelligent, intense, incisive; (adj, v) biting, acid, acrid, severe, harsh. ANTONYMS: (adj) dull, mild, gentle, sweet, rounded, bland, round, smooth, blurred, naive, kind  
**shedding:** (n) molting, abscission, fluffing, effusion, moulting, biological process, desquamation, sloughing, emission; (adj, n) peeling; (adj) flaking  
**shepherd:** (n) clergyman, sheepman, minister, herdsman, shepherd, priest, presbyter; (v) lead, conduct, guide, guard  
**shift:** (n, v) change, exchange, turn, interchange, quibble, switch, move; (v) remove, budge, convert, alter.  
 ANTONYMS: (v) restore, leave, straighten; (n) preservation, stillness  
**ship:** (v) send, forward, transport, send off, consign, carry, transfer, move; (n) boat, craft; (n, v) ferry.  
 ANTONYM: (v) keep  
**shoe:** (n) horseshoe, sandal, shoes, moccasin, footgear, footwear, skid, flippers, ankle, flipper, track shoe  
**shoot:** (v) discharge, flash, drive, dart, dash, send, photograph; (n) scion, branch; (n, v) sprout, hunt.  
 ANTONYM: (v) trickle  
**short:** (adj, v) concise, close; (adj) scarce, curt, brusque, sharp, compendious, laconic, deficient, scanty, diminutive. ANTONYMS: (adj) long, high, lengthy, unabridged, sufficient, slender, rangy, rambling, overlong, extended, plentiful  
**shortly:** (adv) presently, curtly, before long, soon, concisely, brusquely, abruptly, tersely, succinctly; (adj, adv) immediately, summarily. ANTONYMS: (adv) politely, pleasantly, verbosely, later  
**shot:** (n) injection, gunshot, go, fling, shoot, crack, ball, picture, bang, jab,

- discharge  
**show:** (adj, n, v) present, appearance; (n, v) exhibit, produce, broadcast, indicate, parade; (v) point out; (n) presentation, ostentation; (adj, v) guide. ANTONYMS: (v) disprove, hide, withhold, suppress, disappear, cover, absorb; (n) concealment  
**showing:** (n) display, screening, exhibit, revelation, viewing, appearance, exhibition, exposition, presentation, exposure; (adj) exhibiting  
**shrewd:** (adj) sharp, astute, keen, piercing, clever, cunning, bright; (adj, v) sagacious, knowing, crafty, prudent. ANTONYMS: (adj) foolish, gullible, naive, soft, candid, dim, innocent, guileless, obtuse, indiscriminate  
**shrine:** (n) monument, place of worship, altar, sanctuary, temple, house of worship, cenotaph, oracle, tabernacle, church, grave  
**shrive:** (v) confess, absolve, repair, ransom, redeem, purge, reclaim, stand in a white sheet, profess, acknowledge, administer holy penance  
**shuddering:** (adj, n) quivering, shaking; (adv) shudderingly; (n) cold sweat, tremor; (adj) rough, shaky, jumpy, quaking, shivery, bumpy. ANTONYM: (adj) smooth  
**shun:** (v) evade, escape, elude, dodge, flee, refuse, shirk, ostracize, banish, parry; (adj, v) eschew. ANTONYMS: (v) befriend, invite, seek, welcome, woo, court, participate, include  
**shut:** (v) seal, bar, fasten, obstruct, lock, exclude; (adj) closed, cut; (n) shutting, end, finish. ANTONYMS: (v) admit, undo  
**shylock:** (n) loan shark, shark, usurer, profiteer, criminal, moneylender  
**sick:** (adj) ill, queasy, poorly, ailing, weary, diseased, sickly, morbid; (adj, v) indisposed, unwell; (adj, n) invalid. ANTONYMS: (adj) healthy, fond, wholesome  
**sigh:** (n, v) groan, suspire, murmur; (v) breathe, languish, pine; (n) breath, wail, whimper, whine, suspiration  
**sign:** (n, v) mark, motion, gesture; (n) portent, indication, manifestation, imprint, presage, brand, poster; (v) indicate. ANTONYMS: (n) successor; (v) dismiss  
**signify:** (n, v) intend, mark; (adj, n, v) import; (v) imply, indicate, denote, point, stand for, express, intimate, matter  
**signior:** (n) don, man, Mr, adult male, signor  
**silence:** (adj, n, v) calm, still; (int, n, v) hush; (n, v) lull; (n) mum; (adj, v) appease; (v) mute, allay, pacify, muzzle; (int, v) shut up. ANTONYMS: (n) sound, openness, uproar, movement; (v) amplify, Louden, encourage, rouse  
**silver:** (n) money, gold, bullion, precious Metals; (adj) silvery, argent, white, silvern, gray, neutral tint; (v) plate  
**simple:** (adj, n) plain, humble, innocent, rustic; (adj) homely, elementary, natural; (adj, v) pure, clear, mere, downright. ANTONYMS: (adj) complex, complicated, compound, elaborate, difficult, multiple, obscure, ornate, problematical, sophisticated, confusing  
**simplicity:** (n) plainness, simpleness, easiness, ease, clarity, austerity, gullibility, severity, artlessness, ignorance; (adj, n) inexperience. ANTONYMS: (n) difficulty, complexity, ambiguity, magnificence, sophistication, dishonesty, clutter, warmth  
**since:** (adv, conj, prep) because, seeing that; (adv, prep) afterwards, before; (adv, conj) for, as; (adj, adv) ago; (conj) whereas; (prep) from, of; (adv) after  
**sinful:** (adj) wicked, impious, bad, iniquitous, ungodly, depraved, immoral, profane, criminal, wrong, unholy. ANTONYMS: (adj) pious, virtuous, moral, right, pure  
**sing:** (v) hymn, hum, chirp, drone, intone, vocalize, pipe, carol, snitch; (n, v) twitter, squeak  
**single:** (adj) celibate, odd, particular, separate, solitary, isolated, sole, lone, lonely, simple; (adj, n) one. ANTONYMS: (adj) double, multiple, divorced, attached, dual, involved, widowed, general, common; (n) record  
**sisters:** (n) sistren  
**sits:** (n) sat  
**sitting:** (n) session, seat, seance, meeting, seating, conference, posing; (adj) seated, inactive; (v) incubation, batching. ANTONYMS: (adj) standing, active  
**skilful:** (adj) adroit, practised, experienced, cunning, expert, dextrous, clever, adept, proficient, practiced, good  
**skip:** (n, v) bound, leap, hop, caper, trip; (v) dance, bounce, prance, skim; (adj, v) miss; (n) omission. ANTONYMS: (v) attend, trudge, include  
**skipping:** (n) jumping, leaping, absenteeism; (adv) skippingly, leapingly  
**skull:** (n) noddle, sconce, pericranium, brainpan, cranium, head, upper story, shell, noggin, skeleton, skullcap  
**slaves:** (n) helotry, bondsmen  
**slavish:** (adj) servile, menial, fawning, cringing, abject, obsequious, subservient, submissive, ignoble, contemptible, pliant  
**sleep:** (n, v) nap, repose, doze, kip, slumber, catnap; (adj, n, v) lie; (v) hibernate, nod; (n) dream; (adj, v) lodge. ANTONYMS: (v) awaken; (n) alertness, agitation  
**slew:** (n) wad, turning, sight, heap, stack, lot, flock; (v) rotate, slue, swerve, veer  
**slightly:** (adv) slenderly, slimly, lightly, somewhat, little, thinly, moderately, weakly, faintly, trivially, unimportantly. ANTONYMS: (adv) significantly, infinitely, excessively, terribly, tremendously, solidly, particularly, much, considerably, seriously, intensely  
**slink:** (n, v) sneak; (v) creep, lurk, slip, prowl, steal, glide, slide; (n) flinch, fight shy, shy  
**slips:** (n) pad  
**smack:** (adv, n, v) slap, bang; (n, v) savor, knock, kiss, hit, buss, wallop; (n) flavor, blow; (adj, n) dash  
**small:** (adj) little, narrow, slight, minor, inadequate, petty, fine, insignificant, light, remote; (adj, v) low. ANTONYMS: (adj, adv) big; (adj) sizeable, colossal, considerable, enormous, great, huge, bulky, major, giant, important  
**smallest:** (adj) least, minimal, littlest, lowest, last, first, negligible, smallest number of, bottom, littler. ANTONYM: (adj) maximum  
**smell:** (n, v) odor, scent, savor, perfume, stink, stench; (v) nose; (n) fragrance, bouquet, savour, odour  
**smiling:** (adv) smilingly; (adj) bright, cheerful, jolly, joyful, of good cheer, twinkly, fair, sunny; (n) grinning, grin. ANTONYMS: (adj) sad, gloomy



**smith:** (n) forger, metalworker, forge, architect, locksmith, maker, gunsmith, mason, manufacturer, builder, bricklayer

**smug:** (adj) self-satisfied, content, proud, arrogant, conceited, contented, sanctimonious, vain, superior, presumptuous, satisfied.

ANTONYMS: (adj) insecure, modest, anxious, humble

**snaky:** (adj) insidious, sinuous, curved, colubrine, twisting, meandering, tortuous, zigzag, anguine, deceitful; (v) circling.

ANTONYM: (adj) straight

**snore:** (n) snoring; (v) snort, saw logs, snooze, siesta, hibernation, breathe, doze, saw wood, coma, dream

**snow:** (n) cocaine, precipitation, snowfall, bark, barque; (v)

overwhelm, beguile, hoodwink, bamboozle, lead by the nose, play false

**sober:** (adj, v) grave, sedate; (adj) sane, earnest, quiet, solemn, moderate, modest, serene, dull, somber. ANTONYMS: (adj) intoxicated, unrestrained, drunk, playful, sensational, emotional, cheerful, frivolous, funny, muddled, delirious

**soft:** (adj, adv) easy, quiet; (adj) limp, light, balmy, delicate, slack, loose, smooth; (adj, v) feeble; (adj, adv, v) low. ANTONYMS: (adj) hard, firm, harsh, loud, hoarse, stiff, rough, solid, strong, shrill, alcoholic

**soften:** (adj, v) moderate, mitigate, mollify, assuage, relieve; (v) melt, dull, relent, mute, alleviate; (adj, n, v) palliate. ANTONYMS: (v) harden, solidify, set, congeal, exacerbate, freeze, sharpen, stand, increase

**sola:** (n) shola

**sold:** (adj) depleted, interested; (v) to market

**soldier:** (n) warrior, fighter, serviceman, champion, ranker, military personnel, swordsman, trooper, cavalryman, guardsman, janissary

**sole:** (n) bottom, flounder, base; (adj) single, singular, one, exclusive, individual, only, alone, solitary.

ANTONYM: (adj) common

**solely:** (adj, adv) exclusively, merely, only, alone, barely; (adv) just, but, entirely, wholly, purely, completely

**something:** (n) what, object, thing, article, entity, substance, somebody; (adv, n) somewhat; (adv) rather, a little, kinda. ANTONYM: (pron)

nothing

**sometimes:** (adv) from time to time, occasionally, every now and then, now and again, every so often, once, sometime, once in a while, formerly; (n) at times; (adj, adv) on and off.

ANTONYM: (adv) regularly

**song:** (adj, v) lay; (n, v) ditty, chant; (n) air, strain, cry, warble, canto, poem; (v) sing; (adj) ballad

**soon:** (adv) shortly, presently, anon, immediately, directly, at once, before long, betimes, quickly, promptly; (adj, adv) early.

ANTONYMS: (adv) now, eventually, later, slowly

**sooner:** (adj, adv) rather, earlier, before, preferably, instead; (adv) first, before now, faster, previously, beforehand; (adj) prior

**sooth:** (n) verity, soothsaying, fact, truth, reality

**sore:** (adj, n, v) hurt; (adj) sensitive, angry, grievous, raw; (n) injury, lesion, cut, boil; (v) acute; (adj, v) sharp. ANTONYMS: (adj) happy, healthy, pleased, comfortable

**sorry:** (adj) pathetic, sorrowful, remorseful, contrite, pitiful, pitiable, piteous, penitent, paltry, base, sad.

ANTONYMS: (adj) glad, happy, admirable, unremorseful, fine

**sort:** (adj, n, v) class; (n, v) type, group, rank; (n) variety, breed, assortment, form, pattern; (adj, n)

manner, description

**sought:** (adj) required, quest, seeking, popular

**soul:** (n) creature, human, person, personification, ghost, individual, mind, essence, life, self; (adj, n)

heart. ANTONYMS: (n) surface, body

**sound:** (n, v) chime, echo, peal; (adj) reasonable, complete, healthy, sensible, sane, rational; (adj, v) fit, fast. ANTONYMS: (adj) illogical, unsound, confused, unreliable, flawed, flimsy, silent, weak, unreasonable; (n) silence; (v) device

**spare:** (adj, v) free, reserve, save, thin; (adj) slender, slight, additional, lean; (adj, n) extra, excess; (v) exempt.

ANTONYMS: (n) shortfall, original; (adj) principal, fat, basic, abundant, stout; (v) need, include

**speak:** (adj, v) pronounce, utter; (v) converse, say, deliver, articulate, recite, talk, discourse, lecture; (n) language

**speaking:** (n) talk, discourse, speech,

public speaking, reading, oral presentation, recital, recitation, disputation; (v) speak; (adj) expressive. ANTONYMS: (adj) nonspeaking, silent

**speaks:** (n) talks

**special:** (adj) particular, rare, limited, individual, especial, different, distinguished, distinct, express, private, separate. ANTONYMS: (adj) general, basic, collective, everyday, unremarkable, vague, normal, Standard, common, public, universal

**speech:** (n) lecture, expression, language, conversation, sermon, diction, communication; (n, v) delivery, discourse, say, saying

**speechless:** (adj) silent, mute, dumb, dumbfounded, voiceless, quiet, tongueless, tacit, noiseless, mum, wordless. ANTONYMS: (adj) loquacious, eloquent, talkative

**speed:** (n, v) hurry, hasten, rush, race, dispatch; (v) quicken, run, dash, expedite; (n) velocity, rapidity.

ANTONYMS: (n) amble, tardiness; (v) decelerate, hinder, linger, delay, crawl

**spend:** (v) expend, exhaust, squander, pay out, blow, deplete, pass, wear, lead; (adj, v) waste; (n) outlay. ANTONYMS: (v) conserve, earn, hoard, keep

**spent:** (adj, v) prostrate; (adj) fatigued, expended, finished, gone, dead, played out, effete, jaded, tired; (v) spend. ANTONYM: (adj) energetic

**spider:** (n) spiders, tarantula, arachnid, mussuk, chatti, lota, schooner, wedge ring, spinner, star handle, terrine

**spirit:** (n, v) courage, mind; (n) mood, ghost, apparition, disposition, energy, essence, soul, phantom; (adj, n) animation. ANTONYMS: (n) lethargy, body, cowardice, surface, sluggishness, lifelessness, defeatism

**spirits:** (n) alcohol, booze, humor, frame of mind, liqueur, strong drink, hard drink; (adj) cheer, geniality, good humor; (v) wine

**spit:** (v) drizzle, expectorate, sprinkle, spew, drool, spike, spatter; (n) broach, saliva, cape; (n, v) skewer

**spoke:** (n) bar, rung, radius, rule, shoe, skid, rundle, line, clog, round; (v) said

**sponge:** (n) parasite, leech, sponger; (v) cadge, scrounge, bum, mooch, soaker, efface, crawl; (adj, v) wipe

**sport:** (n, v) play, pastime, jest, diversion, romp, joke, disport, gambol; (n) fun, amusement, recreation. ANTONYMS: (n) work; (v) conceal

**spurn:** (v) scorn, rebuff, repulse, disdain, reject, refuse, snub, kick, decline, deny; (n, v) slight.

ANTONYMS: (v) admire, court, respect

**squandered:** (adj) wasted, dissipated, emaciated, devastated, dissolute, diminished, desolated, desolate, cadaverous; (v) bewildered, employed ineffectually

**squealing:** (adj) squeaky, screechy, screechy, creaky, creaking; (n) betrayal, state's evidence

**staff:** (n) club, pole, post, employees, personnel, faculty, mace; (v) crutch, prop; (n, v) rod, stick

**stage:** (n, v) phase; (n) floor, point, period, level, degree, proscenium, arena, layer; (v) present, order

**stairs:** (n) stair, ladder, staircase, stairway, flight of steps, flight, steps, flight of stairs, escalator, companionway, backstairs

**stake:** (n, v) risk, chance, venture, bet, wager, post, pole, gamble, support; (n) interest, shaft

**stale:** (adj, n) musty, moldy; (adj) old, commonplace, hackneyed, insipid, trite, corny, flat, stagnant; (adj, v) dry. ANTONYMS: (adj) fresh, original, innovative, airy, new, exceptional, imaginative

**stamp:** (n, v) print, imprint, mark, seal, brand, impress, cast, punch, shape; (v) trample; (n) impression

**stand:** (v) endure, undergo; (n) rack, booth, attitude, base, pedestal; (n, v) live, position; (adj, v) suffer, tolerate. ANTONYMS: (v) sit, lie, yield, forbid; (n) top

**standing:** (n) fame, position, importance, prestige, place, reputation, footing; (adj) erect, motionless, continuance; (n, v) stand. ANTONYMS: (adj) seated, moving, horizontal, falling, temporary

**stands:** (n) bleachers, stood, grandstand, standing, stop, covered stand, standpoint, stall, sales booth, reviewing stand, rack

**start:** (n) onset, origin; (v) begin, originate, drive, commence, embark, spring, enter; (n, v) launch, shock. ANTONYMS: (n, v) finish, stop; (v) conclude, halt, terminate, arrive; (n) conclusion, demise, departure,

middle, culmination

**starve:** (v) fast, crave, lust, hunger, thirst, perish, be hungry, deprive, numb; (adj, v) pinch; (adj) gripe. ANTONYMS: (v) feed, eat

**starved:** (adj) famished, starving, ravenous, meager, emaciated, malnourished, thin, esurient, hungrily, lean, starveling. ANTONYM: (adj) healthy

**state:** (n) nation, position, kingdom, status, country; (n, v) say, show, place; (adj) national; (v) express, expound. ANTONYMS: (adj) private; (n) monarchy; (v) conceal, refute

**stay:** (adj, n, v) remain; (n, v) rest, prop, stop, delay, abide, continue, pause, endure, halt, support.

ANTONYMS: (v) change, abscond, depart, move, disappear, become, go

**stays:** (n) bodice, stay, girdle, panty girdle, stayed, staying, foundation, corselette, sash, slip, corselet

**stead:** (n) behalf, room, lieu, spot, location, station, space, seat, position, office, locality

**steal:** (v) purloin, abstract, sneak, filch, pinch, creep, misappropriate, rob, pilfer; (n) bargain; (n, v) snatch

**stillness:** (n) hush, calmness, immobility, serenity, silence, quietness, peacefulness; (adj, n) calm, quiet, peace, still.

ANTONYMS: (n) bustle, movement, uproar, motion, turbulence, turmoil, vigor, disturbance, chaos, agitation

**sting:** (n, v) bite, hurt, con, pain; (v) prick, itch, irritate, prickle, goad, provoke, smart. ANTONYMS: (v) calm; (n) honesty

**stirring:** (adj) lively, exciting, alive, rousing, spirited, touching, thrilling, active; (n) agitation; (v) eventful, brisk. ANTONYMS: (adj) depressing, boring, inactive, dull, conciliatory, asleep, uninspiring, unimpressive; (n) suppression

**stock:** (n, v) store, handle; (n) lineage, breed, goods, origin, ancestry, hoard, race; (adj, v) regular; (adj) standard. ANTONYMS: (adj) original, unusual, atypical, nonstandard

**stole:** (n) wrap, stolen, scarf, stolon, stealing, robe, alb, tunic, surplice, alba, cassock

**stomach:** (adj, v) brook, digest; (v) endure, stand, abide, bear, suffer, tolerate, take; (n) abdomen, appetite

**stones:** (n) shingle, grit

**stony:** (adj) rocky, hard, rough,

callous, cold, pitiless, flinty, unfeeling, obdurate, bleak, icy.

ANTONYMS: (adj) smooth, kind

**stop:** (int, n, v) hold, stand; (adj, n, v) stay, cease; (n, v) check, end, close, block, bar, arrest; (v) obstruct.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) continue; (v) begin, encourage, permit, prolong, persevere, expedite, accelerate; (n) continuation, proceed, go

**store:** (n, v) stock, hoard, bank, cache, supply; (n) shop, market, business; (v) accumulate, garner, keep.

ANTONYMS: (v) spend, delete; (n) dearth

**straight:** (adj) erect, honest, upright, even, fair, perpendicular, correct; (adj, adv, v) direct; (adj, adv, n) right; (adj, adv) level, flat.

ANTONYMS: (adj) diluted, zigzag, winding, curly, curved, curvy, twisted, wavy, knotted, askew; (adv) indirectly

**strange:** (adj) foreign, peculiar, unusual, abnormal, outlandish, irregular, odd, new, mysterious, extraordinary, curious.

ANTONYMS: (adj) ordinary, normal, familiar, typical, usual, conventional, explicable, sensible, mainstream, known, human

**stranger:** (n) foreigner, outsider, newcomer, outlander, immigrant, intruder, unknown, tramontane, trespasser; (adj) foreign, strange.

ANTONYMS: (n) pal, native, associate, resident, familiar

**strangers:** (n) stranger

**stray:** (v) wander, ramble, range, digress, straggle, meander, depart, deviate, rove, drift, err. ANTONYM: (v) settle

**street:** (n) road, avenue, way, highway, route, lane, neighborhood, path, track, boulevard, Main Street

**strength:** (n, v) power; (n) energy, firmness, endurance, stability, potency, health, soundness; (adj, n, v) might; (adj, n) vigor, intensity. ANTONYMS: (n) frailty, shortcoming, flaw, faintness, powerlessness, moderation, limitation, instability, impotence, feebleness, disadvantage

**strict:** (adj) severe, stern, rigid, correct, austere, rigorous, harsh, scrupulous; (adj, v) exact, accurate, precise. ANTONYMS: (adj) lenient, lax, free, negligent, imprecise, flexible, relaxed, loose, gentle, inaccurate, liberal

**stride:** (n, v) pace, tread, walk, stalk,

rate, toddle, stump; (n) footstep, gait, progress; (v) march

**strumpet:** (n) courtesan, punk, harlot, hussy, slut, adulteress, wench, whore, loose woman, advoutress, fornicatress

**stubborn:** (adj) contrary, hard, intractable, perverse, rigid, determined, persistent, refractory, tenacious, obdurate, inveterate. ANTONYMS: (adj) compliant, irresolute, flexible, amenable, docile, easygoing, malleable, agreeable, accommodating, cooperative, feeble

**stuck:** (adj) stranded, jammed, delayed, fast; (adj, adv) aground; (n) stuck ware, thrust, sticking; (v) stucked, fasten, attach. ANTONYMS: (adj) unstuck, loose

**studied:** (adj) deliberate, calculated, conscious, premeditated, affected, elaborate, learned, intended, designed, willful; (v) advised. ANTONYMS: (adj) spontaneous, unstudied, casual

**stuff:** (v) fill, jam, pack, ram, squeeze, pad; (n) material, cloth, matter, gear; (n, v) force. ANTONYMS: (v) starve, unpack, empty

**subject:** (n) matter, citizen, motif, question, issue, affair, point, national; (adj, v) exposed; (adj, n) dependent, inferior. ANTONYMS: (n) foreigner, resolution; (adj) impervious

**substance:** (adj, n) subject; (n) body, significance, import, material, matter, meaning, amount, means, gist, core. ANTONYMS: (n) meaninglessness, lightness, surface

**substitute:** (n) deputy, backup, delegate; (n, v) alternate, shift, surrogate; (adj, n) alternative, makeshift; (v) change, replace, fill in

**sucking:** (n) suck, intake, uptake, aspiration, ingestion, consumption

**suddenly:** (adj, adv) quickly, rapidly, immediately, presto; (adv) hastily, short, all at once, sudden, sharply, unexpectedly, instantly. ANTONYMS: (adv) increasingly, predictably, slowly, gently, progressively, sensibly, eventually

**suffer:** (v) encounter, stand, accept, undergo, brook, experience, have, endure, abide, sustain; (adj, v) allow. ANTONYMS: (v) enjoy, rejoice, flourish

**sufferance:** (n) allowance, patience, permission, forbearance, leave, toleration, suffering, resignation, acceptance; (n, v) tolerance; (adj, v)

supportance

**suffice:** (v) satisfy, do, answer, content, fulfill, be sufficient, qualify, function, be enough, suit, fulfil

**sufficient:** (adj) adequate, proper, commensurate, competent, good, acceptable, apt, ample, full; (adj, n) enough; (adv) quite. ANTONYMS: (adj) inadequate, insufficient, unacceptable, unsatisfactory, impossible, appalling

**sugar:** (n) darling, saccharide, carbohydrate, love, beloved, jaggary; (adj, n) dear; (v) saccharify, sweeten, dulcify, edulcorate

**suit:** (adj, v) fit, please; (adj, n, v) correspond; (n) lawsuit, plea, action, case; (v) adapt, accommodate, become; (n, v) answer. ANTONYM: (v) clash

**suited:** (adj, v) proper, fit, fitted, adapted, convenient; (adj) appropriate, good, apt, eligible, capable, useful. ANTONYMS: (adj) incompatible, wrong, inappropriate

**sultan:** (n) Soudan, Soldan, ruler, Grand Turk, czar, Caesar, kaiser, tsar, dictator

**summary:** (n) compendium, abridgment, outline, epitome, digest; (adj, n, v) brief; (adj) succinct, concise, compendious, curt, short. ANTONYMS: (adj) lengthy, considered, complete; (n) exposition

**summer:** (n) summertime, joist, rafter, beam, scaffold, season, skeleton, corner stone, lintel, transom, girder. ANTONYM: (n) winter

**summon:** (v) assemble, convene, demand, ask, invoke, evoke, invite, muster, page, rally, convoke. ANTONYM: (v) disband

**sums:** (n) estimate, calculation, arithmetic

**sunder:** (n, v) divide, sever, part, share, divorce; (v) separate, dis sever, tear, detach, cleave; (n) fragment

**sunny:** (adj) bright, clear, gay, cheerful, merry, blithe, shiny, shining, radiant, brilliant, fair. ANTONYMS: (adj) overcast, dull, shady, unhappy, cloudy, sad, miserable, gloomy, unpleasant

**superfluity:** (n) plethora, redundancy, superabundance, nimiety, overabundance, overplus, embarrassment, redundancy, extravagance, surplus, glut. ANTONYM: (n) shortfall

**supper:** (n) meal, tea, lunch, repast,

reception, mealtime, siesta, social affair; (v) dejeuner, bever, whet

**supply:** (n, v) furnish, stock, afford, store; (v) fill, feed, provide, offer, produce, satisfy; (n) purveyance. ANTONYMS: (v) requisition, recall, refuse, withhold, take, buy; (n) lack

**supposed:** (adj) hypothetical, reputed, alleged, assumed, imaginary, putative, apparent, ostensible, suppositional, supposititious, suppositious. ANTONYM: (adj) actual

**supposition:** (n, v) conjecture; (n) assumption, hypothesis, presumption, premise, speculation, surmise, guess, supposal, thought, imagination. ANTONYMS: (n) fact, knowledge, proof, reality, practice

**sure:** (adj) secure, reliable, safe, indisputable, dependable, assured, positive; (adj, v) steady, firm; (adv) certainly; (adj, adv) for certain. ANTONYMS: (adj) doubtful, uncertain, unsure, hesitant, humbled, dubious, indefinite, wavering, wobbly, unconvinced; (adv) doubtfully

**surety:** (n) collateral, pledge, hostage, guarantee, earnest, guaranty, guarantor, certainty, assurance, sponsor, bail

**surfeit:** (n) overabundance, excess, repletion, satiety, plethora, overflow, congestion; (v) cloy, gorge, satiate, pall. ANTONYMS: (n) shortage, need, necessity, deficit; (v) deplete

**surgeon:** (n) doctor, sawbones, doc, reed, operating surgeon, medicine, neurosurgeon, plastic surgeon, medico, lister, general practitioner

**survey:** (n, v) study, view, review, prospect; (v) measure, appraise, canvass, assess; (n) poll, measurement, inspection. ANTONYMS: (v) ignore; (n) ignorance, negligence

**sustain:** (adj, n, v) support; (v) keep, carry, maintain, preserve, hold, continue, endure, have; (n, v) bear, suffer. ANTONYMS: (v) stop, abstain, discontinue, halt, negate, undermine, quit, end, destroy, neglect, sap

**swear:** (v) declare, assure, assert, affirm, curse, pledge; (n, v) promise, avow, depone, depose, aver. ANTONYMS: (v) distrust, refute, deny, compliment

**swearing:** (n) curse, expletive, profanity, oath, abuse, blasphemy,

- swearword, execration, adjuration, asseveration; (v) swear
- sweat:** (n, v) work, toil, struggle; (v) perspire, drudge, exude; (n) perspiration, lather, sudor, effort; (adj) perspiring. ANTONYMS: (v) ignore; (n) entertainment, ease, relaxation
- sweet:** (adj) fresh, mellow, lovable, dear, pleasant, musical, melodious, pleasing, sugary; (adj, v) lovely; (adj, n) beloved. ANTONYMS: (adj) discordant, bitter, acid, sharp, acidic, pungent, salty, harsh, detestable, cacophonous, dry
- sweetly:** (adv) pleasantly, sweet, mildly, melodically, melodiously, softly, syrupily, beautifully, pleasingly, dulcetly, fairly. ANTONYMS: (adv) discordantly, horribly, sharply, harshly, unkindly
- swelling:** (n) protuberance, lump, swell, intumescence, growth, projection, prominence, bulge, dropsy; (adj, v) inflated; (adj) growing. ANTONYM: (n) decline
- swift:** (adj, adv, v) fast; (adj) quick, fleet, speedy, alert, nimble, hasty, prompt, sudden, hurried; (adj, v) rapid. ANTONYMS: (adj) considered, leisurely, sluggish, gradual, delayed, clumsy
- sworn:** (adj) extreme, mortal, implacable, engaged, dedicated, committed, betrothed, bespoken, affianced, inveterate
- synagogue:** (n) tabernacle, house of worship, place of worship, temple, church, Mormon tabernacle, house of prayer, house of God
- table:** (n) board, schedule, chart, stand, list, desk, plateau, platen; (v) defer, shelve, postpone. ANTONYMS: (v) decide, vote, withdraw
- tail:** (n, v) shadow, trail; (v) follow, track, pursue, dog, tag, chase; (n) behind, posterior, butt. ANTONYMS: (n, v) head, front; (v) lead
- tailor:** (v) sew, fashion, shape, accommodate, design, cut, adjust, fit; (n) snip, dressmaker, sartor
- tainted:** (adj, v) rotten, rancid, bad, musty, reasty, vitiated; (adj) rank, contaminated, faulty, putrid, dirty. ANTONYMS: (adj) unadulterated, unchanged, untarnished, clean
- taken:** (adj) occupied, full, interpreted, appropriated, seized, overcome, affected, besotted; (v) take, get, receive. ANTONYMS: (adj) given, free
- taking:** (adj) fetching, attractive, contagious, winning, catching, fascinating, captivating; (n) capture, receipt, angry mood, acharnement. ANTONYM: (n) rejection
- tale:** (n) account, narrative, narration, recital, fib, fable, report, fiction, lie, relation, yarn. ANTONYM: (n) fact
- talk:** (n, v) discourse, gossip, converse, lecture, chatter, chat, address; (v) articulate, speak, prattle; (n) language. ANTONYMS: (v) refuse; (n) silence
- talker:** (n) speaker, conversationalist, orator, chatterbox, babbler, raver, stammerer, chatterer, speechmaker, caller, mutterer
- tall:** (adj) elevated, high, exalted, big, lanky, towering, eminent, unbelievable, strapping, long, gangling. ANTONYMS: (adj) low, small, sensible, reasonable, little, believable, easy, stocky
- tarry:** (v) linger, loiter, stay, remain, delay, lag, dally, dawdle, bide, rest; (adj) pitchy. ANTONYMS: (v) complete, finish
- taste:** (n, v) relish, sample, smack, touch; (n) flavor, liking, penchant, morsel, bit, drop, fondness. ANTONYMS: (n) dislike, tastelessness, disinclination, hate, lot, coarseness, uncouthness; (v) abstain, refrain
- taught:** (adj) instructed, educated, schooled, instruct, well-bred, scholarly, provided; (v) firm, fast, close, taut
- teach:** (v) enlighten, educate, instruct, coach, indoctrinate, drill, learn, lecture, school; (adj, v) guide, show
- teaching:** (n) education, instruction, indoctrination, precept, pedagogy, schooling, doctrine, training, lesson, advice, tuition
- tear:** (n, v) rip, break, split, rupture, crack, run, slit; (v) pull, rend, lacerate; (adj, v) rush. ANTONYMS: (v) wait, mend, idle, fix, amble, dawdle
- tears:** (n) cry, crying, snivel, brine, weeping, activity, bawling, bodily function, bodily process, body process, lacerations
- tedious:** (adj) tiresome, boring, dreary, slow, heavy, humdrum, irksome, lifeless; (adj, v) monotonous, arid, dry. ANTONYMS: (adj) exciting, varied, easy, readable, lively, entertaining, enthralling, brisk, concise, exotic, pleasant
- teeth:** (v) mortar and pestle, gristmill, nutmeg grater, grater, file, arrastra, rasp, mill, unguis, tentacle; (n) gear teeth
- tell:** (n, v) disclose, impart, count; (v) relate, reveal, recount, divulge, explain, communicate; (adj, v) declare, express. ANTONYMS: (v) request, misunderstand, estimate, listen, figure, guess, withhold, conceal, suppress, confuse
- temper:** (adj, v) moderate, soften, mitigate, harden; (n) character, disposition, humor, nature; (v) modify, season, qualify. ANTONYMS: (n, v) upset; (v) soften, agitate, excite, flex, bend, increase; (n) composure, happiness, wrath, equanimity
- temple:** (n) church, place of worship, shrine, Fane, house of worship, pantheon, pagoda, synagogue, brow, sanctuary, mosque
- temples:** (n) brow
- temporal:** (adj) secular, earthly, profane, lay, carnal, mortal, fleeting, temporary, transient, impermanent, mundane. ANTONYMS: (adj) spiritual, otherworldly, mental, permanent, perpetual, lasting
- temptation:** (n, v) lure, enticement, bait; (n) attraction, allurements, invitation, seduction, inducement, allure, appeal, pull. ANTONYMS: (n) dislike, discouragement
- tender:** (n, v) offer, proffer, bid; (adj, v) affectionate; (adj) painful, sensitive, soft, loving, sore; (v) propose, present. ANTONYMS: (adj) hardhearted, rubbery, hard, rough, uncaring, healthy, mature, unfeeling, cold, experienced; (v) withdraw
- term:** (n, v) name, call, title, style, designate; (n) period, expression, boundary, spell, time, limit
- terms:** (n) conditions, provision, stipulation, terminology, price, proposition, lemma, cost, footing, damage, specifications
- thank:** (v) give thanks, recognize, bless, thanks, give thanks to, convey, acknowledged, remercy, impart
- thankfully:** (adv) gratefully, obligedly, beholdenly, indebtedly, pleasedly, fortunately, happily, unreservedly, with enthusiasm, with pleasure, freely. ANTONYMS: (adv) unfortunately, unwillingly
- thanks:** (n) acknowledgment,

gratitude, blessing, grace, praise, gratefulness, recognition, credit, benediction, thankfulness; (int) thank you. ANTONYMS: (n) criticism, blame

**themselves:** (pron) myself, itself, yourself; (n) yourselves

**therefore:** (adv) thence, so, hence, accordingly, as a result, thus, for that reason; (conj) since, because, then, ergo

**therein:** (adv) in this, in there

**thick:** (adj) compact, stupid, crowded, slow, opaque, dull, heavy, stocky, deep, close, familiar. ANTONYMS: (adj) thin, intelligent, sparse, bright, slight, clever, transparent, diluted, fine, clear, runny

**thief:** (n) burglar, bandit, pirate, plunderer, filcher, stealer, pickpocket, pilferer, crook, brigand, despoiler

**thing:** (n) affair, occurrence, object, event, concern, something, article, happening, substance, occasion, being

**things:** (n) gear, belongings, equipment, garb, garment, clothes, paraphernalia, goods, life, property, palliant

**third:** (n) second, tierce, three, third part, terzetto, hot corner, third base; (adv) thirdly; (adj) triple, thrif, tertial

**thither:** (adv) hither, whither, on that point, in that respect, at that place, in that location; (adj) further, ulterior, remoter, succeeding, more distant

**thou:** (n) chiliad, grand, m, g, one thousand, gramme, gram, gm, gigabyte, Gb, curtilage

**though:** (adj, conj) however; (conj) still, notwithstanding, nevertheless, albeit, whereas, while; (adv) even, after all, tho'; (adv, conj) tho

**thought:** (n) idea, impression, conception, belief, concept; (adj, n) opinion, feeling, sentiment; (n, v) consideration, reflection, observation. ANTONYMS: (n) thing, vacuity, vacancy, concrete, thoughtlessness, inattention, impulsiveness, certainty, neglect, trust

**thoughts:** (n) mind, opinion, depth of thought, feelings, reflection, ideas, workings of the mind, view, stance, position, considered opinion

**thousand:** (adj, n) one thousand, k, m; (n) grand, g, thou, cat Valium,

constant of gravitation, grounds, curtilage; (adj) a thousand

**threshold:** (n) brink, beginning, outset, entrance, entry, doorsill, doorstep, doorway, edge, vestibule, border. ANTONYM: (n) end

**thrice:** (adv) three times, thirdly

**thrift:** (n) economy, parsimony, husbandry, frugality, prosperity, prudence, thriftiness, parsimoniousness, sea pink, welfare; (v) gain. ANTONYMS: (n) generosity, spending, waste

**thrifty:** (adj) careful, economical, provident, sparing, prudent, stingy, saving, spare, parsimonious, chary, scotch. ANTONYMS: (adj) wasteful, spendthrift, profligate, extravagant, generous

**thrive:** (adj, v) prosper; (v) flourish, grow, advance, blossom, succeed, increase, bloom, get ahead, boom; (adj) luxuriate. ANTONYMS: (v) deteriorate, fail, languish, struggle, decrease

**thrustle:** (n) song thrush, thrush, flyer eye

**thoroughly:** (adv) completely, thoroughly, nonstoply, directly, overly, readily, endlessly, completely, straightly, perfectly, forward

**thrust:** (n, v) poke, stab, jab, drive, shove, force, punch, boost, cast, dig; (v) ram. ANTONYM: (n) inertia

**thus:** (adv) then, so, consequently, hence, thence, accordingly, as a result, ergo, thusly, for that reason, as

**thwarted:** (adj) disappointed, foiled, discomfited, defeated, not victorious, baffled, balked, beaten, upset, embarrassed, saddened. ANTONYM: (adj) satisfied

**tickle:** (v) titillate, indulge, thrill, prickle, please, tingle, humor, flatter, vellicate, divert; (n) titillation

**till:** (conj, prep) until, unto; (v) plow, hoe, farm, dig; (adj) up to; (n) tiller, drawer; (adv) so far; (prep) to

**times:** (n) present time, modern times, contemporary world, multiplication, time, period, era, many years duration, epoch, present, arithmetic operation

**title:** (n, v) call, style, designation, term, designate; (adj, n) claim, right; (n) caption, denomination, appellation, epithet. ANTONYM: (n) possession

**together:** (adv) in concert, conjointly, at the same time, at once,

simultaneously, mutually, in unison, all together, at the same moment; (adj) united, stable. ANTONYMS: (adv) separately, individually, independently, apart, alone; (adj) separate, upset, unstable, separated, imbalanced, scatterbrained

**told:** (v) related, narrated; (adj) numbered, oral, spoken, legendary, verbal, manifest

**tongue:** (n) lingua, speech, idiom, dialect, clapper, glossa, natural language, striker, talk; (v) lick; (adj) flowing

**took:** (adj) taken; (v) receive

**too-too:** (adj) ultra, unreasonable, mincing, immoderate, exaggerated, inordinate, utmost; (adv) overly

**tops:** (n) apex, pinnacle, pick; (adj) champion, elite, fabulous, leading, outstanding, uppermost, superb, superlative

**torment:** (n, v) tease, distress, harass, afflict, pain, annoy; (n) agony, anguish, suffering; (v) persecute, oppress. ANTONYMS: (v) please, delight, placate, comfort, soothe; (n) contentment, happiness, pleasure, calm, content

**torture:** (n, v) pain, distress, agonize, afflict; (n) agony, anguish, suffering, excruciation, grief; (v) rack, excruciate. ANTONYMS: (n) relief, alleviation, content, ecstasy, joy, pleasure; (v) relieve, alleviate

**tossing:** (n) cast; (adj) moving

**touch:** (v) hit, affect, border, adjoin, strike, reach; (n, v) contact, stroke, tinge, regard, tap. ANTONYMS: (v) shrink, secrete, separate, diverge, abstain, leave; (n) lot

**touching:** (adj, v) affecting; (adj) poignant, pitiful, pathetic, adjacent, adjoining, emotional; (n) touch, contact; (prep) concerning, about. ANTONYMS: (adj) unaffected, everyday, heartwarming, unmoving, heartbreaking, emotionless, unemotional, impassive

**toward:** (prep) to, towards, approaching, headed for, just before, of, in the direction of; (adv, prep) on; (adv) about, around, by.

ANTONYMS: (prep) from, away

**towards:** (prep) to, facing, until, opposite to, till, unto, upon; (n, prep) against; (adv) about, by; (n) at

**trade:** (n, v) deal, exchange, swap, merchandise, switch, barter, change; (adj, n) business; (n) commerce, profession, occupation.

ANTONYMS: (n) purchase, entertainment, fun, pastime; (v) buy, wholesale

**train:** (v) aim, exercise, direct, educate, tame, prepare, school; (n, v) coach, trail, tail; (n) chain.

ANTONYMS: (v) neglect, forget; (n) head

**traject:** (n) passage; (v) convey, channel, carry, funnel, pipe

**transformed:** (adj) changed, malformed, rehabilitated, bewitched, misshapen, distorted, reformed

**treason:** (n) treachery, perfidy, high treason, sabotage, lese majesty, traitorousness, subversiveness, duplicity; (adj, n) disloyalty, sedition, proditor. ANTONYMS: (n) loyalty, faithfulness, fidelity

**treble:** (adj) threefold, ternary, triplex, thribble, double, dual, high, voce di testa, shrill; (adj, v) triple; (v) sing

**trees:** (n) foliage

**trial:** (n) test, examination, experiment, hardship, essay, hearing, audition, attempt; (n, v) affliction, adversity; (adj, n) distress.

ANTONYMS: (n) peace, performance, happiness, ease, opportunity; (adj) known, definite, proven

**tribe:** (n) clan, house, race, kin, nation, people, kindred, folk, stock, lineage, breed

**tribute:** (n) commendation, tax, honor, testimonial, duty, homage, respect, eulogy, compliment; (n, v) contribution, subsidy. ANTONYMS: (n) blame, accusation, dishonor

**tricks:** (n) actions, behavior, thing, clowning around, fooling, magic, plunder, possession, activities

**tricksy:** (adj) foxy, slick, cunning, frolicsome, wily, crafty, neat, tidy, spruce, smart, sly

**tried:** (adj) reliable, tested, trustworthy, dependable, proven, proved, experienced, practiced, just, conquered, believable.

ANTONYMS: (adj) untried, unreliable

**trifle:** (n, v) play; (adj, n, v) trinket; (v) dally, fiddle, flirt, fool, frivol; (n) nothing, triviality, detail; (adj, n) bagatelle

**troth:** (n) faith, engagement, betrothal, plight, vow, loyalty, espousal, fidelity, truth, verity, veracity

**trouble:** (n, v) inconvenience, pain,

bother, disquiet, disorder, worry, annoy, fuss, afflict, torment; (adj, n) difficulty. ANTONYMS: (v) please, help, assist, aid, placate, soothe, comfort; (n) fitness, pleasure, advantage, ease

**troubled:** (adj, v) concerned, solicitous; (adj) distressed, anxious, worried, uneasy, uncomfortable, disconcerted, upset, apprehensive, restless. ANTONYMS: (adj) unconcerned, composed, calm, easy, relaxed, tranquil, assured, carefree, brave, stable, unaffected

**true:** (adj, n) genuine, authentic; (adj) right, faithful, even, correct, accurate, honest, straight, truthful; (adj, v) actual. ANTONYMS: (adj) inaccurate, untrue, bogus, untrustworthy, unrealistic, mythical, fraudulent, faithless, disloyal; (adv) wrongly, dishonestly

**truly:** (adj, adv) really; (adv) sincerely, in truth, exactly, in fact, indeed, in reality, genuinely, right, certainly, honestly. ANTONYMS: (adv) insincerely, dubiously, doubtfully, apparently, inaccurately, indefinite, dishonestly, mildly, wrongly

**trumpet:** (n) horn, cornet, bugle, clarion, trump, brass, trombone; (v) proclaim, promulgate, show off, blare

**trunks:** (n) short pants, pants, luggage, Jockey shorts, Jamaica shorts, Bermuda shorts, bathing trunks, bathing suit, costume, drawers, swimming trunks

**trust:** (n, v) credit, rely, hope; (n) confidence, faith, reliance, belief, cartel, assurance; (v) believe, confide. ANTONYMS: (n, v) distrust, doubt, mistrust; (v) disbelieve, keep, hold, despair; (n) disbelief, suspicion, independence

**trusted:** (adj) intimate, confidential, sure, bosom, beloved, cherished, familiar, trustworthy, indisputable, trusty, reliable

**truth:** (n) exactness, actuality, sincerity, verity, fidelity, fact, correctness, genuineness, faithfulness, certainty, honesty.

ANTONYMS: (n) dishonesty, fabrication, falsehood, fiction, lie, inaccuracy, idealism, falsity, disloyalty, fallacy, invention

**tucket:** (n) flourish, brandish

**turn:** (n, v) curve, roll, twist, go, coil, round, change, bent, spin; (n) bout; (v) revolve. ANTONYMS: (n)

failure, Miss, stagnation; (v) unbend  
**turned:** (adj) off, curved, rancid, twisted, false, bent, altered, sullen, having inflections, versed, glowering. ANTONYM: (adj) unturned

**turning:** (n) turn, revolution, bend, rotation, deviation, gyration, conversion, veering; (adj) rotating, revolving, rotary

**turquoise:** (n) turquoise, peacock blue, greenish blue, blue, aquamarine, aqua, blueness, opaque gem, turkois; (adj) sapphire, lapis lazuli

**twain:** (n) pair, brace, dyad, deuce, twosome, duo, straddle, bitstock, coupling, braces, yoke

**twen:** (prep) between

**twelve:** (adj, n) dozen, XII; (n) boxcars, large integer

**twelvemonth:** (n) calendar year, civil year, financial year, common year, amount of time, time period, period of time, bissextile year, class, yr, period

**twenty:** (adj) vigesimal; (n) large integer, twenty dollar bill

**twice:** (adv) doubly, bis, two times, in two ways, once more; (adj) twenty

**twill:** (adj, v) curl, wrinkle; (adj)

corded, crisp; (v) braid, plexus, felt, plat, plait, mesh; (n) cloth

**twinkling:** (n) moment, jiffy, minute, second, flash, trice, twinkle, wink, split second, breath; (adj) sparkling.

ANTONYM: (adj) dull

**tyranny:** (adj, n) dictatorship, autocracy; (n) absolutism, despotism, oppression, cruelty, monocracy, totalitarianism, authoritarianism, autarchy, Caesarism. ANTONYMS: (n) democracy, liberty

**ugly:** (adj, adv) surly; (adj) nasty, repulsive, frightful, forbidding, disagreeable, hideous, gruesome, evil, offensive, shocking.

ANTONYMS: (adj) attractive, flowing, ornamental, nice, lovely, pleasant, safe, kind, gentle, appealing, agreeable

**unburden:** (v) discharge, relieve, unload, free, clear, lighten, take away, throw away, unburthen, shoot, soothe. ANTONYMS: (adj) hide, conceal; (v) harbor, load

**unchecked:** (adj) unbridled, uncontrolled, rampant, uncaught, unbuttoned, uninhibited,

unconstrained, unprevented, untrammelled, wild, unrestricted

**uncle:** (n) father's younger brother,

elder uncle, father's older brother, father's sister's husband, husband of paternal aunt, maternal uncle, niece, benefactor, EME, helper, kinsman

**under:** (adj) lower, down, nether, bottom, inferior, low, subject; (adv, prep) beneath, underneath; (adv) downstairs, infra. ANTONYMS: (adv, prep) over, above; (adv) primary, higher, major

**understand:** (v) interpret, hear, see, catch, learn, translate, grasp, construe, gather; (adj, v) realize, take. ANTONYMS: (v) misinterpret, misconstrue, misunderstand, disbelieve, mistake, reject, deny, Miss

**undeserved:** (adj) unfair, unearned, unjust, inequitable, undue, excessive, iniquitous, wrong, unreasonable, unwarranted.

ANTONYMS: (adj) rightful, fair, just  
**undone:** (adj) ruined, unfinished, sunk, done for, finished, behindhand, decayed; (adj, v) doomed; (v) accursed, to be pitied, devoted

**unfeeling:** (adj) harsh, impassive, cold, cruel, callous, merciless, pitiless, ruthless, numb, insensible, insensitive. ANTONYMS: (adj) caring, sympathetic, sensitive, kind, understanding, merciful, feeling, warm, tactful, concerned, compassionate

**unfold:** (v) spread, open, extend, develop, stretch, spread out, reveal, display, stretch out; (adj, v) expound, explain. ANTONYMS: (v) fold, block, stagnate, stop, hide, withhold, check, wrap, conceal

**unhappy:** (adj) gloomy, dismal, depressed, melancholy, sad, miserable, sorrowful, distressed, disconsolate, infelicitous, low. ANTONYMS: (adj) happy, cheerful, satisfied, pleased, glad, euphoric, fortunate, contented, joyful, timely, lucky

**universal:** (adj) general, global, ecumenical, international, common, worldwide, public, ubiquitous, comprehensive, widespread, oecumenical. ANTONYMS: (adj) local, specific, idiosyncratic, confined, isolated, narrow, rare

**unkind:** (adj) cruel, harsh, unfeeling, inconsiderate, pitiless, heartless, inhuman, hard, thoughtless, brutal, mean. ANTONYMS: (adj) kind, considerate, pleasant, friendly, thoughtful, tactful, mild, gentle,

generous, flattering, compassionate  
**unknown:** (adj, n) secret, alien; (adj) hidden, unfamiliar, unidentified, obscure, nameless, foreign, anonymous; (n) stranger, foreigner.

ANTONYMS: (adj) familiar, recognized, famous, documented, identified, transparent; (n) native

**unless:** (adv) but, if, yet, besides, except with, further; (adv, conj) save; (conj) without, if not; (n) provisionally; (adj) not necessary

**unlike:** (adj) dissimilar, different, diverse, unequal, disparate, distinct, separate, unlike, opposite, heterogeneous, not similar.

ANTONYMS: (adj) like, alike, same

**unlock:** (v) open, unfasten, disclose, unbar, reveal, free, release, disengage, unbolt, unclose, withdraw. ANTONYMS: (v) fasten, lock, close

**unmannerly:** (adj) impolite, unmannered, uncivil, impertinent, insolent, ill-mannered, discourteous, ungracious, rustic, disrespectful, churlish

**unquiet:** (adj) restless, anxious, nervous, turbulent, unsettled, disturbed, fussy, tumultuous; (v) movable, saltatory, shifting.

ANTONYM: (adj) quiet

**unseal:** (v) uncover, unfold, unmask, open up, unkennel, unveil.

ANTONYMS: (n, v) seal

**unthrift:** (n) extravagance

**unthrift:** (adj, v) improvident; (adj) prodigal, thriftless, profuse, unguarded, unthrift, wasteful, dismantled, dissipated, extravagant; (v) shiftless

**until:** (prep, v) to; (conj, prep) unto; (adj) up to; (adv) so far, yet, before, meanwhile; (prep) pending, while, during, awaiting

**unto:** (prep, v) to, till, up to; (prep) towards, before

**untread:** (v) retrace

**unwearied:** (adj) indefatigable, untiring, tireless, untired, indomitable, unflagging, industrious, tolerant, persistent, persevering, laborious. ANTONYM: (adj) impatient

**unwillingly:** (adv) grudgingly, loathly, aversely, unenthusiastically, indisposedly, resentfully, involuntarily, recalcitrantly, refractorily, lothly, hesitatingly.

ANTONYM: (adv) wholeheartedly

**upon:** (adv, prep) above; (prep) up, onto, against, towards; (adv) on, on

that occasion, then, before, by; (n) at  
**upright:** (adj) perpendicular, erect, fair, good, righteous, just, virtuous, true, honorable, plumb; (adj, n) vertical. ANTONYMS: (adj) prone, disreputable, degenerate, hanging, unwholesome, dishonest, dishonorable, lying, horizontal, falling; (adv) horizontally

**urge:** (v) push, press, advocate, persuade, impel, induce; (n, v) spur, drive, force; (n) impulse; (adj, v) incite. ANTONYMS: (n) dislike, hate, aversion, disinclination; (v) dissuade, oppose, demand, prevent, restrain

**urine:** (n) piss, pee, water, piddle, weewee, pissing, lanterloo, excreta, excretion; (v) urinate, Sig

**usage:** (n) usage, custom, use, consumption, habit, economic consumption, employment, Americanism, duration, rite; (v) practice

**used:** (adj) exploited, old, accustomed, worn, spent, victimized, wont, tried, decrepit, second hand, exhausted.

ANTONYMS: (adj) new, unused, spanking, misused

**usual:** (adj, n, v) ordinary, common, customary; (adj, n) habitual, accustomed, familiar, average, regular; (adj) everyday; (adj, v) frequent, general. ANTONYMS: (adj) unconventional, extraordinary, abnormal, irregular, atypical, exceptional, unprecedented, uncommon, rare, changing, unacceptable

**usurer:** (n) moneylender, cambist, loan shark, Shylock, banker; (adj) extortioner, codger, lickpenny, crib, churl, curmudgeon

**utter:** (v) say, state, speak, breathe, articulate, deliver, voice, pronounce; (adj, n, v) express, declare; (adj, v) tell. ANTONYMS: (adj) qualified, incomplete, uncertain, rather, slight; (v) conceal, hide, block

**valiant:** (adj) brave, courageous, intrepid, fearless, heroic, audacious, gallant, daring, dauntless, stout, stalwart. ANTONYMS: (adj) afraid, despicable

**value:** (adj, n, v) price; (n) cost, importance, consequence; (n, v) rate, appraise, measure; (v) appreciate, evaluate, esteem, assess.

ANTONYMS: (n) disadvantage, futility, uselessness, insignificance, detriment, inefficiency, inferiority;

(v) scorn, disregard, disrespect, hate  
**valued:** (adj) precious, appreciated, respected, dear, prized, priced, treasured, value, esteemed, loved, beloved  
**vantage:** (n) superiority, preference, start, handicap, expediency, expedience, advantageousness, odds, asset, tax advantage, head start. ANTONYM: (n) disadvantage  
**vasty:** (adj) immense  
**vehement:** (adj) fierce, intense, violent, strong, furious, passionate, ferocious, eager, hot, fervent, fervid. ANTONYMS: (adj) impassionate, indifferent, mild, calm  
**vendible:** (adj) salable, saleable, vendable, merchantable, sellable, hireling, mercenary, venal; (n) commodity, merchandise  
**venice:** (n) Venezia  
**venture:** (n, v) hazard, chance, stake, peril, attempt, gamble, adventure; (adj, n, v) dare; (n) speculation, danger; (v) endanger  
**venus:** (adj) the Graces; (n) Urania, narcissus, terrestrial planet, Adonis, peri, solar system, Hyperion, houri, Hebe, genus Venus  
**vessel:** (n) ship, pot, jar, duct, vas, boat, craft, container, bowl, barrel, canal  
**vesture:** (n) clothing, raiment, dress, clothes, apparel, garment, vestment, garb, attire, array, togs  
**viands:** (n) provender, victuals, provisions, food, sustenance, commissariat, larder, cates, diet, nourishment, edible  
**vicer:** (adj, n) imperfection, defect, blemish, failing, frailty; (n) corruption, sin, evil, immorality, iniquity, depravity. ANTONYMS: (n) asset, strength, propriety, virtue, righteousness, goodness, good, honesty; (adj) chief  
**view:** (n, v) sight, scene, regard, opinion, judgment, prospect, outlook, thought; (adj, v) observe, see; (n) idea. ANTONYMS: (v) disbelief, mistrust  
**viii:** (n) eighter from Decatur, octad, ogdoad, octonary, eighter, octet, octette, eightsome, digit  
**vile:** (adj, n) contemptible, dirty, low; (adj, v) base; (adj) despicable, ignoble, evil, sorry, revolting, offensive, nasty. ANTONYMS: (adj) attractive, kind, nice, lovely, lovable, gentle, honorable, good, delightful, admirable, noble  
**vilely:** (adv) dirtily, wickedly,

meanly, foully, disgustingly, grossly, sordidly, worthlessly, infamously, nauseatingly, revoltingly  
**villain:** (n) rascal, scoundrel, rogue, knave, miscreant, criminal, bandit, crook, reprobate, varlet, rapsallion. ANTONYMS: (n) heroine, hero  
**vinegar:** (n) verjuice, eisel, crab, condiment, chili vinegar, brine, cider vinegar, acetum, acetic acid, alum  
**virgin:** (adj) pure, new, chaste, innocent, fresh, untouched, intact, virginal; (adj, n) vestal; (n) maid, girl. ANTONYMS: (adj) defiled, sullied  
**virtue:** (adj, n) merit, excellence, quality, attribute; (n) honor, goodness, honesty, morality, decency, probity, efficacy. ANTONYMS: (n) wickedness, guilt, vice, peccadillo, sin, dishonor, immorality, evil, demerit, inadequacy, disadvantage  
**virtues:** (n) brawn, sinew, qualities, nerve, manner, habit, disposition, custom  
**virtuous:** (adj) upright, pure, righteous, good, moral, just, honorable, honest, respectable, decent, pious. ANTONYMS: (adj) bad, sinful, corrupt, impure, unethical, decadent, degenerate, irreverent  
**visit:** (v) frequent, attend, call, view, gossip, jaw, inspect, haunt; (n, v) tour, chat; (n) sojourn  
**visitation:** (v) visit, examination; (n) tribulation, calamity, annoyance, misfortune, irritation, infliction, inspection, test, ordeal  
**voice:** (n) speech, vox; (v) enunciate, pronounce, speak, say, vocalize, express, utter, articulate; (n, v) sound. ANTONYMS: (v) devoice, block  
**void:** (adj, n) hollow, null, blank; (n) emptiness, vacancy; (adj, v) vacant; (v) nullify, quash, rescind; (adj) invalid, vacuous. ANTONYMS: (v) validate, sanction, permit, keep, allow; (adj) full, occupied, filled, meaningful, solid; (n) fullness  
**voluntary:** (adj) optional, deliberate, unforced, willing, gratuitous, intentional, conscious, willful, intended, unpaid; (adj, n) volunteer. ANTONYMS: (adj) compulsory, forced, instinctive, unwilling, obligatory, welcome, professional; (n) draftee; (adv) paid  
**waft:** (v) blow, float, drift, glide,

wave, gust; (n) whiff, puff, vivda, vifda, pennoncelle  
**wager:** (n, v) stake, hazard, risk, venture, gamble, chance; (v) lay, pledge, pawn, play; (n) stakes  
**wake:** (v) awaken, awake, rouse, stir, vigil, provoke, arouse, waken, excite; (n) train, trail. ANTONYMS: (v) nap, dissuade, discourage, snooze, stifle  
**walk:** (adj, n, v) step; (n, v) gait, ramble, march, pace, hike, course, saunter, stroll, roam; (n) path. ANTONYMS: (v) run, ride, stride  
**wanted:** (adj) welcome, cherished, precious, treasured, marketable, invited, necessary, needed, desirable, desired, loved. ANTONYMS: (adj) unwanted, unwelcome  
**wanton:** (adj) loose, dissolute, light, lecherous, unchaste, lewd, debauched, unprovoked; (v) dally; (n, v) sport; (adj, v) flirt. ANTONYMS: (adj) moral, wise, nice, kind, gentle, decent, clean, careful, observant, justifiable, involuntary  
**wants:** (n) need, necessities  
**warm:** (adj) hot, affectionate, tender, ardent, cordial, fervent, lively, fond, loving, earnest, tepid. ANTONYMS: (adj) cold, unfriendly, aloof, reserved, hostile, uncaring, unenthusiastic, unwelcoming, stale, offhand; (v) chill  
**warmed:** (adj) warmer, warm, baked  
**warmth:** (adj, n) glow, fire; (n) temperature, warmth, passion, fervor, geniality, affection, tenderness, fondness, sympathy. ANTONYMS: (n) aloofness, chill, chilliness, coldness, coolness, unfriendliness, hostility, sourness, abruptness, plainness, frostiness  
**warning:** (n) notice, indication, caution, advice, example, lesson, hint, premonition, caveat, admonition; (adj, n) monitory. ANTONYMS: (n) encouragement, recommendation, approval; (adj) promising  
**warrant:** (n, v) permit, vouch, license, assure, sanction, empower; (n) authority, authorization, security; (v) justify, ensure. ANTONYMS: (n) break; (v) debar  
**waste:** (adj, n, v) spoil, damage; (adj, v) desolate; (n, v) squander, ruin, consume, ravage; (adj, n) refuse, trash; (v) exhaust, spend. ANTONYMS: (v) conserve, save,



use, preserve, create, build; (n) saving, possessions, hoarding, development; (adj) cultivated

**watch:** (n, v) view, sentinel, clock, wake, regard, care; (v) observe, look, see; (n) sentry; (adj, n) surveillance. ANTONYMS: (v) neglect, overlook, harm, hurt, glance

**waters:** (n) Clara Erskine Clement, amniotic fluid, amniotic fluid, body fluid, liquid body substance, Ethel waters, body of water, bodily fluid, boot

**watery:** (adj) moist, diluted, wet, dilute, washy, thin, damp, fluid, aqueous, weak, insipid. ANTONYMS: (adj) strong, solid, dry, soft, dehydrated, lively, dark, clear, thick, hard

**waver:** (v) vacillate, fluctuate, hesitate, totter, hover, wave; (n, v) quiver, flicker, shake, flutter, tremble. ANTONYMS: (v) resolve, continue

**ways:** (n) behavior, process, shipway, slipway, means, childbearing, conduct, construction, demeanor, direction, traveling

**weak:** (adj, n) frail; (adj) flat, watery, fragile, flimsy, faint, thin, light, sickly, soft, nerveless. ANTONYMS: (adj) concentrated, firm, brave, safe, forceful, effective, healthy, intense, determined, powerful, robust

**weakest:** (adj) ridiculous, suggestion, supposes, notions, plainly, irrational, incongruous, project, foolish, fatuity, inconsistent

**wealth:** (adj, n) abundance, plenty, affluence, opulence; (n, v) money, gold; (n) treasure, property, fortune, capital; (adj) richness. ANTONYMS: (n) penury, scarcity, dearth, want, need, lack

**wealthy:** (adj, adv) moneyed; (adj) flush, opulent, affluent, prosperous, loaded, substantial, generous, ample, abundant, abounding. ANTONYMS: (adj) poor, impoverished, needy

**weapons:** (n) weaponry, weapon, ordnance, munitions, defense, guns, armaments, artillery

**wear:** (n) clothing, clothes, apparel, attire, garb; (v) endure, fatigue, waste, bear, tire, fray. ANTONYMS: (v) refresh, reject, rebuild, please, freshen, disrobe, delight, cheer, refuse; (n) improvement

**weather:** (v) survive, withstand, resist, brave, stand, brave out, wear; (n) climate, atmospheric condition,

downfall, inclemency. ANTONYMS: (v) succumb, reject

**wedding:** (adj) bridal, marital, matrimonial; (n) matrimony, nuptials, marriage ceremony, wedding ceremony, wedlock, remarriage, espousal; (adj, n) nuptial

**wedlock:** (n, v) marriage, matrimony; (n) union, wedding, polygyny, bigamy, intermarriage, exogamy, endogamy, polyandry, misalliance

**weeping:** (adj) tearful, lachrymose, dolorous, dolorous; (n, v) lament, lamentation; (v) wailing; (n) sobbing, tears, cry; (adj, n) howling. ANTONYM: (n) celebration

**weigh:** (v) press, study, measure, matter, consider, count, deliberate, contemplate, assess; (n, v) balance, poise. ANTONYMS: (v) ignore, neglect

**weight:** (n, v) load, burden, charge, heaviness, bias; (n) significance, consequence, importance, pressure, stress, influence. ANTONYMS: (n) lightness, benefit, advantage, unimportance, meaninglessness, powerlessness, weakness, feebleness; (v) unburden

**welcome:** (adj) pleasant, acceptable, pleasing, agreeable; (n, v) accept; (n) hospitality, reception; (v) receive, greet, invite, hail. ANTONYMS: (adj) unwelcome, unwanted, unacceptable, displeasing, disagreeable, unpleasant; (v) reject, evict, bar; (n) unfriendliness, goodbye

**wench:** (n) miss, damsel, strumpet, trollop, Trull, missy, quean, slut, nymph, dame; (n, v) drab

**went:** (v) walked, proceeded

**wether:** (n) sheep, wedder

**wheat:** (n) corn, spelt, bulgur, emmer, hard wheat, maize, bulghur, wheat berry, soft wheat, food grain, Indian corn

**when:** (adv, conj) once, as soon as; (adv) then, because, than, since, after; (conj) although, while, if; (prep) during

**where:** (adv) there, here, wherever, whither, in which, wherein, in what; (adv, pron) anywhere; (pron) everywhere; (n) point, spot

**whereby:** (adv) how, hereby

**wherefore:** (adv, conj) therefore; (adv, n) why; (n) reason, proof; (adv) accordingly, consequently, so, wherefor, hence, whence; (conj) then

**wherein:** (adv) in what, in which, where

**whet:** (v) quicken, excite, grind, stir, stimulate, hone; (n) goad, spur, fillip, stimulus; (adj) point. ANTONYMS: (v) blunt, dishearten, dull, dampen, quench

**whether:** (pron) where

**while:** (adv, conj) whereas, as, although; (n) time, spell, period, moment, interval; (adv) when; (conj) though; (prep) during

**whiles:** (n) while

**whilst:** (conj) whereas, as, though, albeit, at the same time as, even as; (prep) during; (adj) pending

**white:** (adj, n) pale; (adj) clean, blank, snowy, ashen, wan, achromatic, pure, pallid; (v) whiten; (n) Caucasian. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) black; (adj) dark, rosy, red, dirty; (v) blacken

**whole:** (adj, v) entire; (adj, n) total, integral, sum, aggregate, well; (adj, adv, n) all; (adj) complete, healthy, intact, full. ANTONYMS: (adj) incomplete, broken, partial, imperfect, unhealthy, deficient, destroyed, fractional, impaired, half, sick

**wide:** (adj) broad, spacious, roomy, extensive, comprehensive, large, vast, ample, capacious, open, sweeping. ANTONYMS: (adj) thin, restricted, skinny, straight, cramped, minute

**wife:** (n) matron, missis, partner, married woman, spouse, consort, helpmate, housewife, lady, woman, viscountess

**wild:** (adj, n, v) waste, desert; (adj, v) fierce, violent, reckless, raging; (adj) boisterous, untamed, stormy, rude, desolate. ANTONYMS: (adj) calm, orderly, manageable, sane, domestic, cultivated, tame, restrained, mild, sensible, passive

**wilderness:** (adj, n, v) desert; (adj, n) wild; (n) wasteland, solitude, badlands, wildness, frontier, boondocks, backwoods; (adj) Sahara; (v) squandering. ANTONYM: (n) metropolis

**willful:** (adj) headstrong, deliberate, intentional, knowing, designed, wayward, obstinate, willful, stubborn, studied, persistent

**willow:** (n) willow tree, black willow, arctic willow, arroyo willow, balsam willow, bay willow, bearberry willow, white willow, silver willow; (adj) mourning, weeds

**wilt:** (v) flag, shrivel, sag, weaken, fade, languish, dry, wither, collapse,

tire; (n) wilting. ANTONYMS: (v) flourish, rise, rally  
**wind:** (n, v) twist, turn; (v) meander, curl, bend, twine, curve, weave, crook; (n) air, gust. ANTONYMS: (v) unwind; (n) breeze  
**window:** (n) casement, pane, skylight, gap, Ventian window, clearstory, transom, windowpane, rosette, clerestory, embrasure  
**wine:** (n) vino, spirits, beer, saki, sake, Macon, maconnaise, alcohol, liquor, dessert wine; (adj) mauve  
**wings:** (n) insignia, agency  
**wins:** (n) Windows Internet name service  
**winter:** (n) wintertime, season, time of year, hiems, frost, chill; (adj) wintry, wintry; (v) spend. ANTONYM: (n) heat  
**wisdom:** (n) judiciousness, knowledge, sapience, sagacity, sense, prudence, discernment, insight, learning, depth, reasonableness. ANTONYMS: (n) stupidity, folly, inexperience, ignorance, flippancy, banality  
**wise:** (adj) reasonable, sensible, sound, rational, sagacious, intelligent, prudent, shrewd, discreet; (adj, n) knowing; (n) method. ANTONYMS: (adj) unwise, stupid, ignorant, mistaken, illogical, reckless, naive, irrational, dense  
**wisely:** (adv) judiciously, prudently, sagaciously, cleverly, discreetly, shrewdly, smartly, learnedly, astutely, sharply, perspicaciously. ANTONYMS: (adv) stupidly, recklessly, imprudently, immaturely, illogically  
**wish:** (adv, n, v) will; (n, v) want, hope, need, inclination, longing, aspiration, aim; (v) like, choose; (n) pleasure. ANTONYMS: (n, v) dislike, hate; (n) hatred, coercion, disinclination, aversion  
**wishes:** (n) desires, requirements, requests, needs, will  
**withal:** (adv) nevertheless, notwithstanding, however, even so, all the same, nonetheless, with; (adj) likewise; (n) sufficiency, adequacy, enough  
**within:** (adv, n, prep) inside; (adv, prep) in; (adv) indoors, internally, inwardly, inly; (adj, n) interior; (prep) into, on, between; (adj) inwards. ANTONYMS: (prep) beyond, out  
**without:** (adv, n, prep) outside; (adj, adv) except; (adj) lacking, save

barring; (prep) out of, sans; (n) minus, provisionally; (adv) save, beyond; (adv, prep) besides. ANTONYMS: (prep) with, having; (adv) inside  
**witness:** (n, v) testimony, attest, evidence; (n) bystander, eyewitness, onlooker, observer; (v) observe, notice, see, view. ANTONYMS: (v) deny, participate, refute  
**wive:** (v) hook up with, wed, provide, render, supply, espouse, get married, conjoin, get hitched with, furnish  
**wives:** (n) woman  
**wolf:** (n) philanderer, coyote, brute, skirt chaser, beast; (v) gobble, gorge, guzzle, consume, swallow, bolt  
**wolfish:** (adj) edacious, esurient, voracious, ravening, rapacious, predatory, ferocious, savage, wolflike, greedy; (n) lupine  
**woman:** (n) girl, female, lady, dame, madam, mistress, matron, maid, gentlewoman, Donna, petticoat. ANTONYMS: (n) man, gentleman  
**wondrous:** (adj) marvelous, miraculous, marvellous, astonishing, tremendous, fantastic, phenomenal, extraordinary, rattling; (adv) wonderfully, marvellously  
**wont:** (adj, n) use, custom, usage; (n) practice, tradition, cleanliness, assuetude, assuefaction, convention, rut; (v) practise  
**wooner:** (adj, n) admirer, lover; (n) petitioner, swain, applicant, boyfriend, suer, prince charming; (adj) adorer, follower  
**wooning:** (n) courting, suit, bundling, suit of clothes, the soft impeachment, entreaty, prayer, cause, causa, case; (adj) amatory  
**woolly:** (adj) flocculent, fuzzy, hairy, downy, confused, wooly, hirsute, addled, befuddled, velvety; (n) Woolly bear. ANTONYM: (adj) clear  
**word:** (n) news, tidings, password, expression, report, vocabulary, statement, term; (v) formulate, phrase; (n, v) advice  
**words:** (n) speech, expression, row, text, fracas, argument; (n, v) altercation, squabble, tiff, dispute, quarrel  
**works:** (n) plant, workings, mill, manufactory, deeds, whole caboodle, kit and caboodle, kit and boodle, industrial plant, full treatment, distillery  
**world:** (n) cosmos, nature, creation, earth, public, sphere, society, realm,

globe, macrocosm; (adj) global  
**worse:** (adj) worse, subordinate, waur, worsened, warre, unrelieved, minor, lesser, junior, poorer; (n) badness. ANTONYMS: (adj) improved, healthier, higher  
**worship:** (n) adoration, veneration, adulation, cult, homage; (n, v) reverence, respect, honor, revere, adore, glorify. ANTONYMS: (v) disrespect, dishonor, despise, deprecate, scorn; (n) disdain, disparagement, contempt, detestation  
**worshipped:** (adj) adored, idolized, venerable  
**worst:** (v) whip, trounce, defeat, overcome, vanquish, pip, rack up; (adj, v) best, rout; (adj) floor, lick. ANTONYMS: (adj, n) best; (adj) highest, first, secondary  
**worth:** (adj, n) value, dignity; (n) cost, virtue, price, importance, excellence, quality, import, goodness, benefit. ANTONYMS: (n) insignificance, disadvantage, hopelessness, detriment, disgrace, inferiority, triviality, uselessness, inefficiency  
**worthiness:** (n) merit, virtue, praiseworthiness, deservingness, roadworthiness, respectability, quotability, nobility; (adj) dignity, respect; (adj, n) honor. ANTONYMS: (n) shamefulness, unworthiness, immorality  
**worthless:** (adj, v) futile, vain; (adj) vile, idle, empty, trifling, void, trivial, cheap, miserable, null. ANTONYMS: (adj) precious, useful, worthwhile, priceless, meaningful, helpful, invaluable, deserving, valid, worthy, substantial  
**worthy:** (adj) noble, good, meritorious, valuable, estimable, respectable, deserving, worthwhile, virtuous, honorable; (adj, n) celebrity. ANTONYMS: (adj) bad, unrespected, disreputable, mediocre, petty, poor, unimpressive, insignificant, dishonorable, despicable; (n) nobody  
**woven:** (adj) plaited  
**wrack:** (n) rack, sea wrack, desolation, destruction, demolition, bouleversement, undoing; (v) ruin, destroy, bust up, demolish  
**wretched:** (adj) unfortunate, pitiful, sad, pitiable, woeful, pathetic, piteous, lamentable; (adj, v) poor, unhappy, forlorn. ANTONYMS: (adj) fine, strong, fortunate, overjoyed, nice, admirable, good,

cheery, joyous, lucky, comfortable

**wrinkled:** (adj, n) rough, rugged;  
(adj) puckered, creased, wrinkly,

wizened, crumpled, lined, gnarled,  
unironed, crinkled. ANTONYMS:

(adj) unwrinkled, ironed, straight

**wrinkles:** (n) crow's feet

**writ:** (n) edict, assize, certiorari,  
judicial writ, injunction, order, act,  
prescription, scripture, writing,  
ukase

**write:** (v) pen, indite, draw up,  
correspond, spell, record, publish,  
compile, draw, outline, type

**writing:** (n) script, print, composition,  
lettering, document, autograph,  
paper, record, inscription,  
authorship, handwriting

**written:** (adj) registered, clerical,  
conscript, enrolled, literal, hard-and-  
fast, on paper; (n) examination.

ANTONYMS: (adj) verbal,  
unscripted, unwritten

**wrong:** (adj, n) evil, ill, injury,  
injustice; (adj, n, v) damage, injure;  
(adj) improper, false, incorrect, bad,  
inappropriate. ANTONYMS: (adj)  
correct, good, proper, honest,  
appropriate, just, true; (adv)  
correctly; (n) justice, virtue; (v)  
sympathize

**wroth:** (adj) wrathful, angry, irate,  
indignant, raging, furious, hot,  
enraged, incensed, choleric, fury

**wrought:** (adj) shaped, done, worked,  
worked up, formed

**yield:** (n, v) produce, return, allow,  
give; (v) surrender, concede, submit,  
give up, grant, cede; (n) output.

ANTONYMS: (v) persevere,  
survive, stand, withstand, repel,  
reject, prevent, withhold, acquire,  
oppose, veto

**yoke:** (adj, n, v) couple, link; (n, v)  
pair, tie; (adj, n) brace; (v) connect,  
join, bind, attach; (n) coupling, team.  
ANTONYMS: (v) disconnect, disjoin

**yonder:** (adv) beyond, further,  
farther, abroad, thither, further  
away, at that place; (adj) distant,  
yond, furious, fierce

**young:** (n, v) offspring; (adj, n)  
juvenile; (adj) immature, fresh,  
adolescent, new, raw, baby, childish,  
early; (n) progeny. ANTONYMS:  
(adj) old, mature, adult, ripe, older,  
late; (adj, n) aged

**younger:** (n) juvenile, stripling,  
puppy, blade, hobbledehoy, young  
person, pup, youngster, young, lad,  
early days

**yours:** (adj) own

**yourself:** (adv) herself, themselves,  
itself, myself, ourselves, yourselves,  
physically

**youth:** (n) youngster, young person,  
lad, juvenile, boy, adolescence, kid,  
younger, stripling, juvenility; (adj, n)  
young. ANTONYMS: (n) adulthood,  
adult, ripeness, maturity, aged

**youthful:** (adj) immature, fresh,  
green, juvenile, vernal, adolescent,  
childish, new, tender, sappy,  
beardless. ANTONYMS: (adj) adult,  
mature, experienced, sophisticated,  
late

**zeal:** (adj, n) eagerness; (n) fervor,  
enthusiasm, devotion, passion,  
vehemence, fire, fervency, heat,  
fervour, ardour. ANTONYMS: (n)  
apathy, lethargy, patience

