

Bequeath	Verb
Definition	To leave something (such as possessions or money) to someone.
Synonym	Grant
Sentence	I bequeath my mansion to my great grandson after I die.

Fleece	Verb
Definition	To cheat or trick someone as a way of getting their money.
Synonym	Defraud
Sentence	A lot of tourists get fleeced by scam artists.

Rancorous	Adjective
Definition	Full of or showing rancor.
Synonym	Bitter
Sentence	Higherups at wars tend to be very rancorous against their opposition.

Tithes	Noun
Definition	One tenth of annual produce or earnings, formerly taken as a tax for the support of the Church and clergy.
Synonym	Tax
Sentence	Tithing is the practice of giving a portion of one's income or wealth, usually 10%, to a religious organization or other charitable cause as a way of demonstrating commitment to one's faith and supporting the work of the church or organization.

Prostration	Noun
Definition	A condition in which a person is so tired or weak that he or she is unable to do anything.
Synonym	Weakness
Sentence	Prostration combined with vomiting and illness is very valid reason to stay home sick.

Predispose	Verb
Definition	To influence someone to behave or think in a particular way or to have a particular condition.
Synonym	Dispose
Sentence	There is the big question if fictional violence predisposes children them to accept real violence.

Virility	Noun
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Definition	The quality of having strength, energy, and a strong sex drive.
Synonym	Masculinity
Sentence	Questioning a man's virility can be seen as an attack on his masculinity.

Audacious	Adjective
Definition	Not restrained by a sense of shame or propriety.
Synonym	Daring
Sentence	Audacious plans can be risqué but can have great results.

Pious	Adjective
Definition	Devoutly religious.
Synonym	Religious
Sentence	A pious person is very religiously motivated.

Colloquial	Adjective
Definition	Used in or characteristic of <u>familiar</u> and informal conversation.
Synonym	Informal
Sentence	The man spoke too colloquial in a professional setting which upset his client who expected formal talks.

Kerosene	Noun
Definition	A flammable hydrocarbon oil usually obtained by distillation of petroleum and used as a fuel, solvent, and thinner.
Synonym	Flammable hydrocarbon oil
Sentence	Kerosene is a oil obtained from petroleum and can be used to fuel oil lamps or heaters.

Brooding	Adjective
Definition	Think deeply about something that makes one unhappy, angry, or worried.
Synonym	Moody
Sentence	The father was brooding about the death of his son.

Bellhop	Noun
Definition	A hotel or club employee who escorts guests to rooms, assists them with luggage, and runs errands.
Synonym	Attendant
Sentence	The bellhop was waiting at the hotel door to take the luggage.

Caveat emptor	Noun
Definition	A principle in commerce: without a warranty the buyer takes the risk.
Synonym	Let the buyer beware
Sentence	The seller of the used car made it clear that the vehicle was being sold as is, with the caveat emptor that the buyer was responsible for any repairs or issues that may arise after the sale.

Exorbitant	Adjective
Definition	Exceeding the customary or appropriate limits in intensity, quality, amount, or size.
Synonym	Excessive
Sentence	The price of the bag was exorbitant, but the spendthrifts still bought it because it's from a certain brand.

Nadir	Noun
Definition	The nadir is the lowest point or level, often in terms of morale, quality, or success.
Synonym	Bedrock
Sentence	The company reached its nadir when it was forced to lay off a significant portion of its workforce.

Chide	Verb
Definition	To speak out in angry or displeased rebuke.
Synonym	Rebuke
Sentence	The boss chided at the worker for not meeting the deadline.

Solace	Verb
Definition	To give comfort to in grief or misfortune.
Synonym	Alleviation
Sentence	After the loss of her beloved pet, Mary found solace in the comfort of her close friends.

Lofty	Adjective
Definition	Rising to a great height, impressively high.
Synonym	High
Sentence	The lofty peaks of the mountain range stretched up into the clear blue sky.

Idolatry	Noun
Definition	Immoderate attachment or devotion to something.
Synonym	Worship

Sentence	The ancient civilization was known for its idolatry, with numerous deities being worshipped in elaborate temple rituals.
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Loamy	Noun
Definition	High-quality earth that is a mixture of sand, clay, and decaying plant material.
Synonym	Fecund
Sentence	The loamy soil in the garden made it easy for the plants to take root and thrive.

Supersede	Verb
Definition	To supersede means to replace or take the place of something, often in an official or formal capacity.
Synonym	Replace
Sentence	The new law superseded the old one, bringing about significant changes in the legal system.

Congealed	Verb
Definition	Congealed refers to something that has solidified or become thick and stiff, often as a result of cooling.
Synonym	Solidify
Sentence	The gravy on the roast beef had congealed into a thick jelly-like consistency.

Anointed	Verb
Definition	To choose by or as if by divine election.
Synonym	Chosen
Sentence	The young man was anointed as the leader of the tribe in a special ceremony attended by the whole community.

Litigious	Adjective
Definition	Prone to engage in lawsuits.
Synonym	Belligerent
Sentence	The company was known for its litigious nature, constantly suing or being sued by other businesses.

Vicariously	Adjective
Definition	Experienced or realized through imaginative or sympathetic participation in the experience of another.
Synonym	By proxy
Sentence	Mary lived vicariously through her travel-blogger friend, following her adventures on social media and dreaming of her own trips abroad.

Load-shedding	Noun
Definition	The deliberate shutdown of electric power in a part or parts of a power-distribution system, generally to prevent the failure of the entire system when the demand strains the capacity of the system.
Synonym	Restricting power
Sentence	Loadshedding is a common practice in South-Africa because of an energy crisis.

Impertinent	Adjective
Definition	Given to or characterized by insolent rudeness.
Synonym	Arrogant
Sentence	The student's impertinent remark earned him a scolding from his teacher.

Abnegation	Noun
Definition	Self-denial
Synonym	Rejection
Sentence	The monk's life of abnegation was marked by a strict regimen of prayer, meditation, and physical discipline.

Munificent	Adjective
Definition	Very liberal in giving or bestowing.
Synonym	Charitable
Sentence	The wealthy philanthropist was known for her munificent donations to various charitable causes.

Neophyte	Noun
Definition	A neophyte is someone who's brand new at something.
Synonym	Novice
Sentence	The group of neophytes struggled to keep up with the experienced hikers as they made their way up the mountain.

Paradigm	Noun
Definition	An outstandingly clear or typical example.
Synonym	Archetype
Sentence	The scientific community's paradigm on the nature of the universe underwent a major shift with the discovery of dark energy.

Pejorative	Noun
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Definition	A word or phrase that has negative connotations or that is intended to disparage or belittle.
Synonym	Belittling
Sentence	The politician's use of pejorative language to describe his opponent was widely condemned as unprofessional and inappropriate.

Portent	Noun
Definition	Prophetic indication or significance.
Synonym	Omen
Sentence	The sudden appearance of a comet in the sky was seen as a portent of great change.

Rife	Adjective
Definition	In an unchecked or widespread manner.
Synonym	Abundant
Sentence	The city was rife with crime, making it a dangerous place to live.

Upbraid	Verb
Definition	To criticize severely, find fault with.
Synonym	Berate
Sentence	The father upbraided his son for his reckless behaviour, telling him that he was not acting responsibly.

Callous	Adjective
Definition	Feeling or showing no sympathy.
Synonym	Apathetic
Sentence	The callous behaviour of the boss towards his employees caused widespread resentment and discontent.

Antithesis	Noun
Definition	The direct opposite.
Synonym	Reverse
Sentence	Love and hate are often seen as the antithesis of each other, with one representing positive emotions and the other negative ones

Annex	Verb
Definition	To incorporate (a country or other territory) within the domain of a state.
Synonym	Unite
Sentence	The country was annexed by its larger neighbour, becoming a part of the latter's territory.

Inchoate	Adjective
Definition	Just begun and so not fully formed or developed.
Synonym	budding
Sentence	The project was still inchoate, with many details yet to be worked out.

Vociferous	Adjective
Definition	Marked by or given to vehement insistent outcry
Synonym	Clamorous
Sentence	The vociferous protesters outside the city hall made it difficult for the council members to conduct their business.

Zephyr	Noun
Definition	A gentle breeze.
Synonym	Waft
Sentence	The zephyr blew through the open windows, bringing a welcome coolness to the stuffy room

Equanimity	Noun
Definition	Equanimity is a state of calmness, balance, and poise, especially in difficult or stressful situations
Synonym	Tranquil
Sentence	Despite the many challenges she faced, Mary maintained her equanimity, remaining poised and composed.

Apt	Adjective
Definition	Suited to a purpose
Synonym	Suitable
Sentence	Mary's choice of a red dress for the party was apt, as it matched the festive mood of the occasion.

Fleck	Noun
Definition	A small mark or spot.
Synonym	Speckle
Sentence	The granite countertop was flecked with bits of quartz.

Recompense	Verb
Definition	To give something to by way of compensation.
Synonym	Amends
Sentence	The company offered to recompense the employees for the overtime they had worked.

Succinct	Adjective
Definition	Succinct means brief and to the point, often in a clear and concise way.
Synonym	Concise
Sentence	The speaker's presentation was succinct, covering all the key points in just a few minutes.

Domicile	Noun
Definition	A person's fixed, permanent, and principal home for legal purposes.
Synonym	Lodging
Sentence	Mary's domicile was a small apartment in the city.

Dearth	Noun
Definition	An inadequate supply.
Synonym	Lack
Sentence	There was a dearth of qualified candidates for the open position, making it difficult for the company to fill the role.

Asunder	Adverb
Definition	Into forcefully separated pieces.
Synonym	Apart
Sentence	The rope snapped asunder under the strain, causing the load to fall to the ground.

Perambulator	Noun
Definition	A baby carriage.
Synonym	Buggy
Sentence	Mary took her newborn out for a walk in the perambulator.