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| **nod**  Verb   |  | | --- | | Lower and raise one's head slightly and briefly, esp. in greeting, assent, or understanding, or to give someone a signal. | |
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| Noun   |  | | --- | | An act of nodding the head. | | **al·leged**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | (of an incident or a person) Said, without proof, to have taken place or to have a specified illegal or undesirable quality. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | supposed - reputed - so-called - professed | | quash /kwôSH/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Reject as invalid, esp. by legal procedure: "his conviction was quashed on appeal". 2. Put an end to; suppress: "a hospital executive quashed rumors that nursing staff will lose jobs". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | annul - cancel - rescind - nullify - abrogate - repeal | |   **re·vive**  /riˈvīv/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Restore to life or consciousness: "both men collapsed, but were revived". 2. Regain life, consciousness, or strength. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | resuscitate - resurrect - quicken | | | | | |
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**mu·ta·tion**

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| Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. The action or process of mutating. 2. The changing of the structure of a gene, resulting in a variant form that may be transmitted to subsequent generations, caused by the... | |
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| Synonyms   |  | | --- | | change - alteration - variation - shift - vicissitude | |

### vet·er·an

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| Noun   |  | | --- | | A person who has had long experience in a particular field, esp. military service: "a veteran of two world wars". | |
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| Synonyms   |  | | --- | | vet | |

### in·dig·nant

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| Adjective   |  | | --- | | Feeling or showing anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment. | |
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| Synonyms   |  | | --- | | resentful - angry | |

**pot·hole**

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| Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A deep natural underground cavity formed by the erosion of rock. 2. A deep circular hole in a riverbed formed by the erosion of the rock by the rotation of stones in an eddy. | |
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| Synonyms   |  | | --- | | hole - pit - hollow | | spectre  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Web definitions   |  | | --- | | apparition: a ghostly appearing figure; "we were unprepared for the apparition that confronted us".  [wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn](http://www.google.co.in/url?q=spectre&url=http://wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn%3Fs%3Dspectre&rct=j&sa=X&ei=KJnbUbGLDseMrQeL_4GoDA&ved=0CCgQkA4oAA&usg=AFQjCNHguS4sLICd8z18-RcBmOWiUiVURw) | |   **in·fla·tion**  /inˈflāSHən/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. The action of inflating something or the condition of being inflated. 2. A general increase in prices and fall in the purchasing value of money. | |   **bureaucrats  plural of *bu·reau·crat* (Noun)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. An official in a government department. 2. An administrator concerned with procedural correctness at the expense of people's needs. | |   **bids  3rd person singular present, plural of *bid***   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Offer (a certain price) for something, esp. at an auction: "dealers bid a world record price for a snuff box". 2. Utter (a greeting or farewell) to: "a chance to bid farewell to their president". | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | An offer of a price, esp. at an auction. | |  hug /həg/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Squeeze (someone) tightly in one's arms, typically to express affection. | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | An act of holding someone tightly in one's arms, typically to express affection. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *verb*. | embrace - clasp - cuddle - enfold - inarm |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *noun*. | embrace - cuddle - clasp - squeeze - grip | |   **aus·pi·cious**  /ôˈspiSHəs/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | 1. Conducive to success; favorable: "an auspicious moment to hold an election". 2. Giving or being a sign of future success. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | favourable - favorable - propitious - fortunate | |   **inaugurated  past participle, past tense of *in·au·gu·rate* (Verb)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Begin or introduce (a system, policy, or period): "inaugurated a new policy of trade". 2. Admit (someone) formally to public office: "he will be inaugurated on January 20". | | |  |   **ag·i·ta·tion**  /ˌajiˈtāSHən/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A state of anxiety or nervous excitement. 2. The action of arousing public concern about an issue and pressing for action on it. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | excitement - stir - commotion | | stiff /stif/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Not easily bent or changed in shape; rigid: "stiff cardboard". | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A dead body. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Cheat (someone) out of something, esp. money: "several workers were stiffed out of their pay". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *adjective*. | rigid - hard - tough - firm - severe - strong |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *noun*. | corpse - body - cadaver | | **cap·i·ta·tion**  /ˌkapiˈtāSHən/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | The payment of a fee or grant to a person or body providing services to a number of people, such that the amount paid is determined by... | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | poll tax | | res·pite /ˈrespət/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant. 2. A short delay permitted before an unpleasant obligation is met or a punishment is carried out. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | reprieve - postponement - rest - deferment - delay | |  en·dure /enˈd(y)o͝or/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Suffer (something painful or difficult) patiently. 2. Tolerate (someone or something). | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | bear - stand - suffer - tolerate - sustain - undergo | |  curbed  past participle, past tense of curb (Verb)  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Restrain or keep in check. 2. Restrain (a horse) by means of a curb. | | |  |   **ex·tort**  /ikˈstôrt/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Obtain (something) by force, threats, or other unfair means. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | wring - exact - blackmail - force | |  crux /krəks/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. The decisive or most important point at issue. 2. A particular point of difficulty. | |  ver·dict /ˈvərdikt/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A decision on a disputed issue in a civil or criminal case or an inquest. 2. An opinion or judgment. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | judgment - judgement - sentence - decision - opinion | |   **un·prec·e·dent·ed**  /ˌənˈpresəˌdəntid/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Never done or known before. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | unexampled - unparalleled - unheard-of | |  pitched  past participle, past tense of pitch (Verb)  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Throw (the ball) for the batter to try to hit. 2. Cover, coat, or smear with pitch. | |   **vaccination**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Web definitions   |  | | --- | | inoculation: taking a vaccine as a precaution against contracting a disease.  [wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn](https://www.google.co.in/url?q=vaccination&url=http://wordnetweb.princeton.edu/perl/webwn%3Fs%3Dvaccination&rct=j&sa=X&ei=vh7pUdzSO4iBrgfGlYHwDQ&sqi=2&ved=0CCoQkA4oAA&usg=AFQjCNHkmRkfR21NP4ptmq3o9dN5HzdBPQ) | |  cock·pit /ˈkäkˌpit/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A compartment for the pilot and sometimes also the crew in an aircraft or spacecraft. 2. A similar compartment for the driver in a racecar. | |  dissenting  present participle of dis·sent (Verb)  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Hold or express opinions that are at variance with those previously, commonly, or officially expressed. 2. Separate from an established or orthodox church because of doctrinal disagreement. | | |  |   **up·hill**  /ˌəpˈhil/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adverb   |  | | --- | | In an ascending direction up a hill or slope: "follow the track uphill". | | |  | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Sloping upward; ascending. | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | An upward slope. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *adverb*. | upward |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *adjective*. | difficult - hard - arduous - toilsome - laborious |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *noun*. | ascent - upgrade - rise - acclivity | |   **pre·dict**  /priˈdikt/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Say or estimate that (a specified thing) will happen in the future or will be a consequence of something. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | foretell - prophesy - prognosticate - forecast - presage | | triggers  3rd person singular present, plural of trig·ger  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A small device that releases a spring or catch and so sets off a mechanism, esp. in order to fire a gun. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Cause (an event or situation) to happen or exist. | |   **breath·ing**  /ˈbrēT͟HiNG/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. The process of taking air into and expelling it from the lungs. 2. A sign in Greek (‘ or ’) indicating the presence of an aspirate (rough breathing) or the absence of an aspirate (smooth breathing)... | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | respiration - breath - wind - aspiration | |  e·mer·i·tus /iˈmeritəs/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | (of the former holder of an office, esp. a professor) Having retired but retaining his title as an honor. | |   **expelled  past participle, past tense of *ex·pel* (Verb)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Deprive (someone) of membership of or involvement in a school or other organization. 2. Force (someone) to leave a place, esp. a country. | |   **obsessed  past participle, past tense of *ob·sess* (Verb)**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Verb   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1. Preoccupy or fill the mind of (someone) continually, intrusively, and to a troubling extent: "he was obsessed with thoughts of suicide". 2. Be preoccupied in this way: "her husband obsessed about the wrong she had done him".  aspirants  plural of as·pir·ant  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A person who has ambitions to achieve something: "an aspirant to the throne". | |   **spat**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A short cloth gaiter covering the instep and ankle. 2. A petty quarrel. 3. The spawn or larvae of shellfish, esp. oysters. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Quarrel pettily. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | quarrel - altercate | |   **cau·ca·sian**  /kôˈkāZHən/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Of or relating to one of the traditional divisions of humankind, covering a broad group of peoples from Europe, western Asia, and parts... | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | *sometimes offensive*. A Caucasian person. | | | | | ventures  3rd person singular present, plural of ven·ture  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A risky or daring journey or undertaking: "pioneering ventures into little-known waters". | | |  | | Verb   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Dare to do something or go somewhere that may be dangerous or unpleasant: "she ventured out into the blizzard"  **anoints  3rd person singular present of *a·noint* (Verb)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Smear or rub with oil, typically as part of a religious ceremony. 2. Smear or rub something with (any other substance): "they anoint the tips of their arrows with poison". | |  spurned  past participle, past tense of spurn  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Reject with disdain. | |   **in·fant**  /ˈinfənt/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A very young child or baby. 2. Denoting something in an early stage of its development: "an infant science". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | baby - child - babe - kid | |  posh /päSH/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Elegant or stylishly luxurious. | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | The quality or state of being elegant, stylish, or upper class. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | elegant - chic - stylish - swell - swanky | |   **slashes  3rd person singular present, plural of *slash***   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Cut (something) with a violent sweeping movement, typically using a knife or sword: "vandals slashed a tire on my car". | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A cut made with a wide, sweeping stroke. 2. A tract of swampy ground, esp. in a coastal region. | |  mows  3rd person singular present, plural of mow  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Cut down (an area of grass) with a machine. | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A stack of hay, grain, or other similar crop: "the hay mow". | |  ar·thri·tis /ärˈTHrītis/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | Painful inflammation and stiffness of the joints. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | gout | |  foul /foul/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Offensive to the senses, esp. through having a disgusting smell or taste or being unpleasantly soiled. | | |  | | Noun   |  | | --- | | (in sports) An unfair or invalid stroke or play, esp. one involving interference with an opponent. | | |  | | Adverb   |  | | --- | | Unfairly; contrary to the rules. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Make foul or dirty; pollute. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *adjective*. | nasty - filthy - unclean - vile - squalid |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *verb*. | soil - defile - pollute - sully - smirch - stain | |   **neg·li·gence**  /ˈnegləjəns/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. Failure to take proper care in doing something: "some of these accidents are due to negligence". 2. Failure to use reasonable care, resulting in damage or injury to another. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | neglect - carelessness - inadvertence - inadvertency | |  pe·ti·tion /pəˈtiSHən/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A formal written request, typically one signed by many people, appealing to authority with respect to a particular cause. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Make or present a formal request to (an authority) with respect to a particular cause. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *noun*. | request - application - suit - prayer - appeal - plea |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *verb*. | beg - pray - request - solicit - plead - ask - beseech | |  riots  3rd person singular present, plural of ri·ot  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A violent disturbance of the peace by a crowd: "riots broke out in the capital". | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Take part in a violent public disturbance: "students rioted in Paris"; "a night of rioting | |  rep·re·hen·si·ble /ˌrepriˈhensəbəl/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | Deserving censure or condemnation. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | blameworthy - objectionable - culpable | |   **molested  past participle, past tense of *mo·lest* (Verb)**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Verb   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1. Pester or harass (someone), typically in an aggressive or persistent manner. 2. Assault or abuse (a person, esp. a woman or child) sexually.   **drought**  /drout/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A prolonged period of abnormally low precipitation; a shortage of water resulting from this. 2. A prolonged absence of something specified: "he ended a five-game hitting drought". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | aridity - dryness - dry - aridness | | priests  3rd person singular present, plural of priest  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | An ordained minister of the Catholic, Orthodox, or Anglican Church having the authority to perform rites and administer sacraments. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Ordain to the priesthood. | |   **pruned  past participle, past tense of *prune* (Verb)**   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | Verb   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | | 1. Trim (a tree, shrub, or bush) by cutting away dead or overgrown branches or stems, esp. to increase fruitfulness and growth. 2. Cut away (a branch or stem) in this way.  turf /tərf/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | Grass and the surface layer of earth held together by its roots. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Force (someone) to leave somewhere: "they were turfed off the bus". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | peat - sward - lawn | |  encryption  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Web definitions   |  | | --- | | encoding: the activity of converting data or information into code. | | | | | |   **anx·i·e·ty**  /aNGˈzī-itē/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. A feeling of worry, nervousness, or unease, typically about an imminent event or something with an uncertain outcome. 2. Desire to do something, typically accompanied by unease. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | worry - concern - care - uneasiness - trouble - disquiet | |  throne /THrōn/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A ceremonial chair for a sovereign, bishop, or similar figure. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Place (someone) on a throne: "the king was throned on a rock". | | |  | | Synonyms   |  |  | | --- | --- | | *noun*. | siege |  |  |  | | --- | --- | | *verb*. | enthrone | |  curbs  3rd person singular present, plural of curb  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | A stone or concrete edging to a street or path. | | |  | | Verb   |  | | --- | | Restrain or keep in check. | |   **derivatives  plural of *de·riv·a·tive* (Noun)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Noun   |  | | --- | | 1. Something that is based on another source. 2. An arrangement or instrument (such as a future, option, or warrant) whose value derives from and is dependent on the value of an...: "the derivatives market" | |  hedger  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Web definitions   |  | | --- | | a respondent who avoids giving a clear direct answer. | |   **uprooted  past participle, past tense of *up·root* (Verb)**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Verb   |  | | --- | | 1. Pull (something, esp. a tree or plant) out of the ground. 2. Move (someone) from their home or a familiar location. | |  revellers  |  |  | | --- | --- | | Web definitions   |  | | --- | | (reveller) reveler: a celebrant who shares in a noisy party; "the clubs attract revelers as young as thirteen". | |   **er·rant**  /ˈerənt/   |  |  | | --- | --- | | Adjective   |  | | --- | | 1. Erring or straying from the proper course or standards: "he could never forgive his daughter's errant ways". 2. (of a polychaete worm) Of a predatory kind that moves about actively and is not confined to a tube or burrow. | | |  | | Synonyms   |  | | --- | | wandering - stray - vagrant - erring | | | | | | | | | | | |  | |  |  | |  |  | |  |  | | | |  | | | |