

word	definition
lascivious	lecherous, lewd
vicissitude	unfortunate change of circumstance
askance	suspicion
lackey	servant
inimical	harmful
cajole	persuade via flattery
mendaciously	dishonestly
insouciance	nonchalance
homily	sermon
providential	opportune
inure	become accustomed to
maudlin	sentimental from drunkenness
amortize	pay off a debt over a period of time
inveigle	persuade via flattery
hector	bully
presage	foretell misfortune, portend
beguile	charm deceptively
chary	wary
sycophant	person who uses flattery/obedience
concomitant	naturally accompanying
obsequious	excessively obedient
banal	trite, unoriginal
sagacious	wise
excoriate	censure
calumny	slander
artifice	trickery, deceit
parsimony	unwillingness to spend money, miserliness
pulchritude	beauty
indolence	laziness, sloth
probity	having strong moral principles, integrity
profligate	recklessly extravagant
antediluvian	prior to the biblical flood, old fashioned
desultory	without an objective, unenthusiastic
prudent	acting with thought for the future
semiotic	relating to symbols
intrepid	fearless
mercurial	volatile in mood, capricious
vainglorious	excessively proud
modicum	a small amount of something valuable
nadir	lowest point
duplicity	deceitfulness
expatiate	speak or write at length about
reportory	in a reporterlike manner
bucolic	pleasantly rustic or rural
tendentious	with desire to promote a controversial viewpoint
parochial	relating to a church parish, narrow-minded

arcadian	pleasantly rustic or rural
squalid	unpleasantly impoverished and dirty
hinterland	an unknown area
tony	popular among wealthy people
propriety	conforming to accepted standards, decorum
perspicacious	insightful, discerning
insipid	without flavor, uninteresting
effete	without effect
whet	sharpen the blade of, excite
halcyon	serene, calm
leery	cautious, wary
diffident	modest, shy, bashful
iconoclasm	attacking cherished beliefs or established practices
redress	rectify, compensation for a wrongdoing
decamp	depart suddenly, abscond
vitreous	glasslike
dispensation	exemption from a requirement
interlocutor	person who takes part in a dialogue
genteel	refined in an ostentatious/pretentious way
heuristic	enabling a person to learn something for themselves
ebullient	exuberant
imbue	permeate with
supplant	replace
draconian	excessively harsh
fatuous	silly
anathema	something that one vehemently dislikes
beneficiary	a person that benefits from something
antipathy	dislike, aversion
flagrant	blatant
macabre	gruesome
candor	openness, frankness
antithetical	directly opposed to
abate	become less serious/threatening
titillation	exciting in a sexual way
simulacrum	representation of, model
abettor	a person who aids in a crime
mollify	appease, placate
dilettante	dabbler, amateur
hackneyed	trite, unoriginal
vacuity	empty-headedness
modish	fashionable
denigrate	criticize unfairly, disparage
maladroit	clumsy, bungling
patrician	aristocrat
sophistry	the use of fallacious arguments to deceive
sinecure	an easy job/position that pays well
volubility	the quality of talking fluently, loquacity

salubrious	healthy
impudent	not showing respect, impertinent
assuage	make less intense, relieve
comestible	an item of food
equanimity	composure, calmness
capricious	prone to sudden changes in mood or behavior
vacillate	alternate between differing opinions
torpid	lethargic, sluggish
lithe	agile, graceful, thin
paean	song of praise or triumph
panacea	cure-all
hale	strong and healthy
lissome	agile, graceful, thin
paucity	scarcity
dearth	scarcity
didactic	intended to teach
priggish	self-righteous, pretentious
auspicious	conducive to success
impious	godless, unholy
prurient	having an excessive interest in sexual matters
puritanical	strictly religious or moralistic
prolix	overly verbose, long-winded
requite	return, avenge
inadvertent	unintentional
idiosyncrasy	a peculiar behavior unique to an individual
gauche	awkward, ungraceful
uncouth	uncivilized, uncultured
galvanize	shock or excite into taking action
erudite	learned, scholarly
onerous	burdensome
venal	susceptible to bribery
effusive	expressive, gushing
blithe	showing a casual indifference to rules
convivial	friendly, genial
labile	prone to sudden changes in mood or behavior
vituperation	condemnation
anodyne	bland, inoffensive, safe
foible	a minor weakness in one's character
fastidious	attentive to details, scrupulous
estrangement	alienation from a group
stolid	calm, dependable, phlegmatic
proscribe	forbid by law
callow	inexperienced, immature
sinuous	winding, twisting
dialectical	logical discussion
contrite	remorseful, repentant
penitential	remorseful, repentant

irascible	short-tempered
engender	cause, give rise to
apocryphal	widely circulated but of doubtful authenticity
strident	loud and harsh
tarry	linger, loiter
appellations	name, title
sobriquets	nickname
magnanimity	generosity
abjured	renounce
reneged	go back on
moribund	at the point of death
burgeoning	growing rapidly
debase	reduce, degrade
incorrigible	not able to be corrected
amenable	open and responsive to suggestions, easily persuaded
opprobrium	harsh criticism
fulmination	expression of vehement protest
approbation	approval, praise
manumit	release from slavery, set free
turpitude	depravity, wickedness
artless	without guile or deception
adroit	adept, skillful
palliate	alleviate symptoms without removing the cause
laconic	brief, concise
histrionic	overly melodramatic
hirsute	hairy
bombastic	high-sounding but without real meaning
belletristic	appreciated for aesthetic value rather than content/meaning
precocious	advanced for one's age
decry	publicly denounce
proclivity	to have a tendency towards something, inclination
implacability	unappeasable
germane	relevant
mimetic	representing the real world in the artistic works
sedulous	diligent, dedicated, punctilious
jurisprudent	a theory of law
trenchant	vigorous, incisive, cutting
assiduous	showing great care, diligent
beseech	implore, beg
supplicate	implore, beg
sumptuous	splendid and expensive looking
pernicious	harmful
epicurean	devoted to sensual enjoyment from food and drink
credence	acceptance, belief
hegemony	leadership, dominance
exegetic	interpreted, translated
aphorism	a concise observation that contains a general truth, maxim

recrimination	an accusation made in response to one from someone
rejoinder	a witty reply
intransigence	refusal to change one's views
incongruous	imharmonious, out of place
prognosticator	fortune teller, one who makes a prophsy
promulgates	promote an idea, publicize
profuse	plentiful, abundant
abstruse	difficult to understand, obscure
equivocal	open to more than one interpretation