[abject](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abject)

of the most contemptible kind

[aberration](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/aberration)

a state or condition markedly different from the norm

[abjure](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abjure)

formally reject or disavow a formerly held belief

[abnegation](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abnegation)

the denial and rejection of a doctrine or belief

[abrogate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abrogate)

revoke formally

[abscond](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abscond)

run away, often taking something or somebody along

[abstruse](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/abstruse)

difficult to penetrate

[accede](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/accede)

yield to another's wish or opinion

[accost](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/accost)

approach and speak to someone aggressively or insistently

[accretion](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/accretion)

an increase by natural growth or addition

[acumen](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/acumen)

shrewdness shown by keen insight

[adamant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/adamant)

impervious to pleas, persuasion, requests, reason

[admonish](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/admonish)

scold or reprimand; take to task

[adumbrate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/adumbrate)

describe roughly or give the main points or summary of

[adverse](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/adverse)

in an opposing direction

[advocate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/advocate)

a person who pleads for a person, cause, or idea

[affluent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/affluent)

having an abundant supply of money or possessions of value

[aggrandize](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/aggrandize)

embellish; increase the scope, power, or importance of

[alacrity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/alacrity)

liveliness and eagerness

[alias](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/alias)

a name that has been assumed temporarily

[ambivalent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ambivalent)

uncertain or unable to decide about what course to follow

[amenable](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/amenable)

disposed or willing to comply

[amorphous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/amorphous)

having no definite form or distinct shape

[anachronistic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/anachronistic)

chronologically misplaced

[anathema](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/anathema)

a formal ecclesiastical curse accompanied by excommunication

[annex](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/annex)

attach to

[antediluvian](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/antediluvian)

of or relating to the period before the biblical flood

[antiseptic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/antiseptic)

thoroughly clean and free of disease-causing organisms

[apathetic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/apathetic)

showing little or no emotion or animation

[antithesis](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/antithesis)

exact opposite

[apocryphal](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/apocryphal)

being of questionable authenticity

[approbation](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/approbation)

official approval

[arbitrary](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/arbitrary)

based on or subject to individual discretion or preference

[arboreal](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/arboreal)

of or relating to or formed by trees

[arcane](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/arcane)

requiring secret or mysterious knowledge

[archetypal](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/archetypal)

of an original type after which other things are patterned

[arrogate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/arrogate)

seize and take control without authority

[ascetic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ascetic)

someone who practices self denial as a spiritual discipline

[aspersion](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/aspersion)

a disparaging remark

[assiduous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/assiduous)

marked by care and persistent effort

[atrophy](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/atrophy)

a decrease in size of an organ caused by disease or disuse

[bane](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/bane)

something causing misery or death

[bashful](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/bashful)

self-consciously timid

[beguile](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/beguile)

influence by slyness

[bereft](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/bereft)

sorrowful through loss or deprivation

[blandishment](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/blandishment)

flattery intended to persuade

[bilk](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/bilk)

cheat somebody out of what is due, especially money

[bombastic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/bombastic)

ostentatiously lofty in style

[cajole](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cajole)

influence or urge by gentle urging, caressing, or flattering

[callous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/callous)

emotionally hardened

[calumny](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/calumny)

a false accusation of an offense

[camaraderie](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/camaraderie)

the quality of affording easy familiarity and sociability

[candor](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/candor)

the quality of being honest and straightforward

[capitulate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/capitulate)

surrender under agreed conditions

[carouse](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/carouse)

engage in boisterous, drunken merrymaking

[carp](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/carp)

any of various freshwater fish of the family Cyprinidae

[caucus](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/caucus)

meet to select a candidate or promote a policy

[cavort](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cavort)

play boisterously

[circumlocution](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/circumlocution)

an indirect way of expressing something

[circumscribe](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/circumscribe)

draw a geometric figure around another figure

[circumvent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/circumvent)

surround so as to force to give up

[clamor](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/clamor)

utter or proclaim insistently and noisily

[cleave](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cleave)

separate or cut with a tool, such as a sharp instrument

[cobbler](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cobbler)

a person who makes or repairs shoes

[cogent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cogent)

powerfully persuasive

[cognizant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cognizant)

having or showing knowledge or understanding or realization

[commensurate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/commensurate)

corresponding in size or degree or extent

[complement](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/complement)

something added to embellish or make perfect

[compunction](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/compunction)

a feeling of deep regret, usually for some misdeed

[concomitant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/concomitant)

following or accompanying as a consequence

[conduit](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/conduit)

a passage through which water or electric wires can pass

[conflagration](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/conflagration)

a very intense and uncontrolled fire

[congruity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/congruity)

the quality of agreeing; being suitable and appropriate

[connive](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/connive)

form intrigues (for) in an underhand manner

[consign](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/consign)

give over to another for care or safekeeping

[constituent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/constituent)

one of the individual parts making up a composite entity

[construe](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/construe)

make sense of; assign a meaning to

[contusion](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/contusion)

an injury in which the skin is not broken

[contrite](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/contrite)

feeling or expressing pain or sorrow for sins or offenses

[contentious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/contentious)

showing an inclination to disagree

[contravene](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/contravene)

go against, as of rules and laws

[convivial](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/convivial)

occupied with or fond of the pleasures of good company

[corpulence](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/corpulence)

the property of excessive fatness

[covet](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/covet)

wish, long, or crave for

[cupidity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/cupidity)

extreme greed for material wealth

[dearth](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/dearth)

an insufficient quantity or number

[debacle](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/debacle)

a sudden and violent collapse

[debauch](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/debauch)

a wild gathering involving excessive drinking

[debunk](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/debunk)

expose while ridiculing

[defunct](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/defunct)

no longer in force or use; inactive

[demagogue](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/demagogue)

a leader who seeks support by appealing to popular passions

[denigrate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/denigrate)

charge falsely or with malicious intent

[derivative](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/derivative)

a compound obtained from another compound

[despot](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/despot)

a cruel and oppressive dictator

[diaphanous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/diaphanous)

so thin as to transmit light

[didactic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/didactic)

instructive, especially excessively

[dirge](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/dirge)

a song or hymn of mourning as a memorial to a dead person

[disaffected](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/disaffected)

discontented as toward authority

[discomfit](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/discomfit)

cause to lose one's composure

[disparate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/disparate)

fundamentally different or distinct in quality or kind

[dispel](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/dispel)

to cause to separate and go in different directions

[disrepute](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/disrepute)

the state of being held in low esteem

[divisive](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/divisive)

dissenting with the majority opinion

[dogmatic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/dogmatic)

pertaining to a code of beliefs accepted as authoritative

[dour](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/dour)

showing a brooding ill humor

[duplicity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/duplicity)

the act of deceiving or acting in bad faith

[duress](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/duress)

compulsory force or threat

[eclectic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/eclectic)

selecting what seems best of various styles or ideas

[edict](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/edict)

a formal or authoritative proclamation

[ebullient](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ebullient)

joyously unrestrained

[egregious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/egregious)

conspicuously and outrageously bad or reprehensible

[elegy](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/elegy)

a mournful poem; a lament for the dead

[elicit](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/elicit)

call forth, as an emotion, feeling, or response

[embezzlement](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/embezzlement)

the fraudulent appropriation of funds or property

[emend](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/emend)

make corrections to

[emollient](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/emollient)

a substance with a soothing effect when applied to the skin

[empirical](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/empirical)

derived from experiment and observation rather than theory

[emulate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/emulate)

strive to equal or match, especially by imitating

[enervate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/enervate)

weaken mentally or morally

[enfranchise](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/enfranchise)

grant freedom to, as from slavery or servitude

[engender](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/engender)

call forth

[ephemeral](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ephemeral)

anything short-lived, as an insect that lives only for a day

[epistolary](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/epistolary)

written in the form of letters or correspondence

[equanimity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/equanimity)

steadiness of mind under stress

[equivocal](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/equivocal)

open to two or more interpretations

[espouse](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/espouse)

choose and follow a theory, idea, policy, etc.

[evanescent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/evanescent)

tending to vanish like vapor

[evince](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/evince)

give expression to

[exacerbate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/exacerbate)

make worse

[exhort](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/exhort)

spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts

[execrable](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/execrable)

unequivocally detestable

[exigent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/exigent)

demanding immediate attention

[expedient](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/expedient)

appropriate to a purpose

[expiate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/expiate)

make amends for

[expunge](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/expunge)

remove by erasing or crossing out or as if by drawing a line

[extraneous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/extraneous)

not belonging to that in which it is contained

[extol](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/extol)

praise, glorify, or honor

[extant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/extant)

still in existence; not extinct or destroyed or lost

[expurgate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/expurgate)

edit by omitting or modifying parts considered indelicate

[fallacious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/fallacious)

containing or based on incorrect reasoning

[fatuous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/fatuous)

devoid of intelligence

[fetter](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/fetter)

a shackle for the ankles or feet

[flagrant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/flagrant)

conspicuously and outrageously bad or reprehensible

[foil](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/foil)

hinder or prevent, as an effort, plan, or desire

[forbearance](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/forbearance)

good-natured tolerance of delay or incompetence

[fortuitous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/fortuitous)

occurring by happy chance

[fractious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/fractious)

easily irritated or annoyed

[garrulous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/garrulous)

full of trivial conversation

[gourmand](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/gourmand)

a person who is devoted to eating and drinking to excess

[grandiloquent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/grandiloquent)

lofty in style

[gratuitous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/gratuitous)

unnecessary and unwarranted

[hapless](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/hapless)

unfortunate and deserving pity

[hegemony](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/hegemony)

the dominance or leadership of one social group over others

[heterogenous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/heterogenous)

consisting of elements that are not of the same kind

[iconoclast](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/iconoclast)

someone who attacks cherished ideas or institutions

[idiosyncratic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/idiosyncratic)

peculiar to the individual

[impecunious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/impecunious)

not having enough money to pay for necessities

[impetuous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/impetuous)

characterized by undue haste and lack of thought

[impinge](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/impinge)

infringe upon

[impute](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/impute)

attribute or credit to

[inane](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inane)

devoid of intelligence

[inchoate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inchoate)

only partly in existence; imperfectly formed

[incontrovertible](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/incontrovertible)

impossible to deny or disprove

[incumbent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/incumbent)

necessary as a duty or responsibility; morally binding

[inexorable](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inexorable)

not to be placated or appeased or moved by entreaty

[inimical](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inimical)

not friendly

[injunction](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/injunction)

a judicial remedy to prohibit a party from doing something

[inoculate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inoculate)

inject or treat with the germ of a disease to render immune

[insidious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/insidious)

working or spreading in a hidden and usually injurious way

[instigate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/instigate)

provoke or stir up

[insurgent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/insurgent)

in opposition to a civil authority or government

[interlocutor](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/interlocutor)

a person who takes part in a conversation

[intimation](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/intimation)

a slight suggestion or vague understanding

[inure](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inure)

cause to accept or become hardened to

[invective](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/invective)

abusive language used to express blame or censure

[intransigent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/intransigent)

impervious to pleas, persuasion, requests, or reason

[inveterate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/inveterate)

habitual

[irreverence](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/irreverence)

a mental attitude showing lack of due respect

[knell](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/knell)

the sound of a bell rung slowly to announce a death

[laconic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/laconic)

brief and to the point

[largesse](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/largesse)

liberality in bestowing gifts

[legerdemain](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/legerdemain)

an illusory feat

[libertarian](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/libertarian)

an advocate of freedom of thought and speech

[licentious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/licentious)

lacking moral discipline

[linchpin](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/linchpin)

a central cohesive source of support and stability

[litigant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/litigant)

(law) a party to a lawsuit; someone involved in litigation

[maelstrom](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/maelstrom)

a powerful circular current of water

[maudlin](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/maudlin)

effusively or insincerely emotional

[maverick](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/maverick)

someone who exhibits independence in thought and action

[mawkish](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/mawkish)

effusively or insincerely emotional

[maxim](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/maxim)

a saying that is widely accepted on its own merits

[mendacious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/mendacious)

given to lying

[modicum](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/modicum)

a small or moderate or token amount

[morass](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/morass)

a soft wet area of low-lying land that sinks underfoot

[mores](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/mores)

the conventions embodying the fundamental values of a group

[munificent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/munificent)

very generous

[multifarious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/multifarious)

having many aspects

[nadir](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/nadir)

the lowest point of anything

[negligent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/negligent)

characterized by undue lack of attention or concern

[neophyte](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/neophyte)

any new participant in some activity

[noisome](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/noisome)

offensively malodorous

[noxious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/noxious)

injurious to physical or mental health

[obdurate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/obdurate)

stubbornly persistent in wrongdoing

[obfuscate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/obfuscate)

make obscure or unclear

[obstreperous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/obstreperous)

noisily and stubbornly defiant

[officious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/officious)

intrusive in a meddling or offensive manner

[onerous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/onerous)

not easily borne; wearing

[ostensible](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ostensible)

appearing as such but not necessarily so

[ostracism](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ostracism)

the act of excluding someone from society by general consent

[palliate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/palliate)

lessen or to try to lessen the seriousness or extent of

[panacea](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/panacea)

hypothetical remedy for all ills or diseases

[paradigm](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/paradigm)

a standard or typical example

[pariah](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pariah)

a person who is rejected from society or home

[partisan](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/partisan)

a fervent and even militant proponent of something

[paucity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/paucity)

an insufficient quantity or number

[pejorative](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pejorative)

expressing disapproval

[pellucid](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pellucid)

transparently clear; easily understandable

[penchant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/penchant)

a strong liking

[penurious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/penurious)

excessively unwilling to spend

[pert](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pert)

characterized by a lightly saucy or impudent quality

[pernicious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pernicious)

exceedingly harmful

[pertinacious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pertinacious)

stubbornly unyielding

[phlegmatic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/phlegmatic)

showing little emotion

[philanthropic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/philanthropic)

of or relating to charitable giving

[pithy](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pithy)

concise and full of meaning

[platitude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/platitude)

a trite or obvious remark

[plaudit](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/plaudit)

enthusiastic approval

[plenitude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/plenitude)

a full supply

[plethora](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/plethora)

extreme excess

[portent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/portent)

a sign of something about to happen

[potentate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/potentate)

a ruler who is unconstrained by law

[preclude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/preclude)

make impossible, especially beforehand

[predilection](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/predilection)

a predisposition in favor of something

[preponderance](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/preponderance)

exceeding in heaviness; having greater weight

[presage](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/presage)

a foreboding about what is about to happen

[probity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/probity)

complete and confirmed integrity

[proclivity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/proclivity)

a natural inclination

[profligate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/profligate)

unrestrained by convention or morality

[promulgate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/promulgate)

state or announce

[proscribe](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/proscribe)

command against

[protean](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/protean)

taking on different forms

[prurient](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/prurient)

characterized by lust

[puerile](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/puerile)

displaying or suggesting a lack of maturity

[pugnacious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pugnacious)

ready and able to resort to force or violence

[pulchritude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/pulchritude)

physical beauty, especially of a woman

[punctilious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/punctilious)

marked by precise accordance with details

[quaint](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/quaint)

attractively old-fashioned

[quixotic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/quixotic)

not sensible about practical matters

[quandary](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/quandary)

state of uncertainty in a choice between unfavorable options

[recalcitrant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/recalcitrant)

stubbornly resistant to authority or control

[redoubtable](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/redoubtable)

inspiring fear

[relegate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/relegate)

assign to a lower position

[remiss](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/remiss)

failing in what duty requires

[reprieve](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/reprieve)

postpone the punishment of a convicted criminal

[reprobate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/reprobate)

a person without moral scruples

[rescind](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/rescind)

cancel officially

[requisition](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/requisition)

an authoritative request or demand

[rife](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/rife)

excessively abundant

[sanctimonious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/sanctimonious)

excessively or hypocritically pious

[sanguine](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/sanguine)

confidently optimistic and cheerful

[scurrilous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/scurrilous)

expressing offensive reproach

[semaphore](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/semaphore)

an apparatus for visual signaling

[serendipity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/serendipity)

good luck in making unexpected and fortunate discoveries

[sobriety](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/sobriety)

the state of being sober and not intoxicated by alcohol

[solicitous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/solicitous)

full of anxiety and concern

[solipsism](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/solipsism)

the philosophical theory that the self is all that exists

[spurious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/spurious)

plausible but false

[staid](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/staid)

characterized by dignity and propriety

[stolid](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/stolid)

having or revealing little emotion or sensibility

[subjugate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/subjugate)

make subservient; force to submit or subdue

[surfeit](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/surfeit)

indulge (one's appetite) to satiety

[surreptitious](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/surreptitious)

marked by quiet and caution and secrecy

[swarthy](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/swarthy)

naturally having skin of a dark color

[tangential](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/tangential)

of superficial relevance if any

[tome](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/tome)

a large and scholarly book

[toady](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/toady)

a person who tries to please someone to gain an advantage

[torpid](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/torpid)

in a condition of biological rest or suspended animation

[travesty](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/travesty)

a composition that imitates or misrepresents a style

[trenchant](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/trenchant)

having keenness and forcefulness and penetration in thought

[trite](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/trite)

repeated too often; overfamiliar through overuse

[truculent](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/truculent)

defiantly aggressive

[turpitude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/turpitude)

a corrupt or depraved or degenerate act or practice

[ubiquitous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/ubiquitous)

being present everywhere at once

[umbrage](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/umbrage)

a feeling of anger caused by being offended

[upbraid](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/upbraid)

express criticism towards

[utilitarian](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/utilitarian)

having a useful function

[veracity](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/veracity)

unwillingness to tell lies

[vestige](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vestige)

an indication that something has been present

[vicissitude](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vicissitude)

a variation in circumstances or fortune

[vilify](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vilify)

spread negative information about

[virtuoso](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/virtuoso)

someone who is dazzlingly skilled in any field

[vitriolic](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vitriolic)

harsh, bitter, or malicious in tone

[vituperate](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vituperate)

spread negative information about

[vociferous](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/vociferous)

conspicuously and offensively loud

[wanton](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/wanton)

a lewd or lascivious person

[winsome](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/winsome)

charming in a childlike or naive way

[yoke](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/yoke)

join with stable gear, as two draft animals

[zephyr](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/zephyr)

a slight wind

[wily](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/wily)

marked by skill in deception

[tirade](https://www.vocabulary.com/dictionary/tirade)

a speech of violent denunciation