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**About** (uh-'bout) *Preposition* • of; concerning; in regard to

**Acerbic** (uh-'sur-bik) *Adjective* • sharply or biting critical, sarcastic, or ironic in temper, mood, or tone

**Acrid** ('ak-rid) *Adjective* • sharp or biting to the taste or smell; bitterly pungent; irritating to the eyes, nose, etc.: acrid smoke from burning rubber. • extremely or sharply stinging or bitter; exceedingly caustic

**Antipathy** (an-'tip-uh-thee) *Noun* • a natural, basic, or habitual repugnance; aversion

**Ascetic** (as-'cet-ic) *Adjective* • practicing strict self-denial as a measure of personal and especially spiritual discipline

**August** (aw-'guhst) *Adjective* • inspiring reverence or admiration; of supreme dignity or grandeur; majestic; venerable; eminent

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**Virulent** ('vir-yuh-luhnt) *Adjective* • actively poisonous; intensely noxious • *Medicine/Medical*. highly infective; malignant or deadly • intensely bitter, spiteful, or malicious

**Viscera** ('vis-er-uh) *Noun* • *Anatomy, Zoology*. the organs in the cavities of the body, especially those in the abdominal cavity. • (not used

scientifically) the intestines; bowels.

**Visceral** ('vis-er-uhl) *Adjective* • of or relating to the viscera • characterized by or proceeding from instinct rather than intellect

**Vociferous** (voh-'sif-er-uhs) *Adjective* • crying out noisily; clamorous • characterized by or uttered with noisy or vehement outcry