

approbation



(noun) an expression of approval or praise

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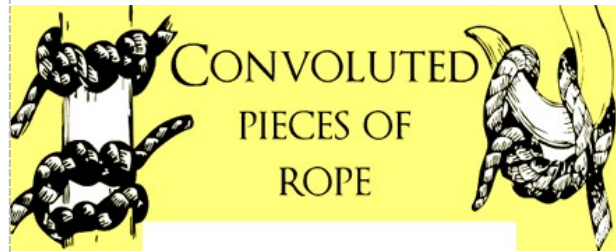
(adj.) strenuous, taxing; requiring significant effort; Difficult and tiring

connoisseur



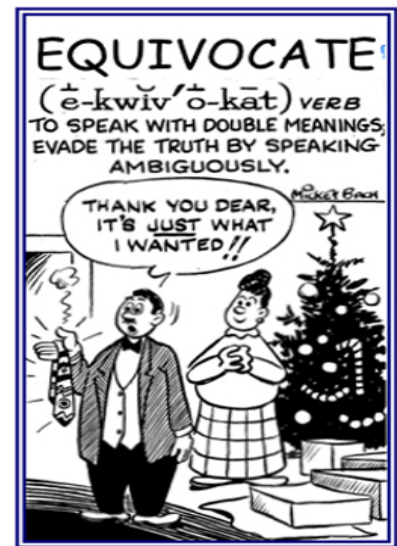
(noun) an informed and astute judge in matters of taste; expert

convoluted



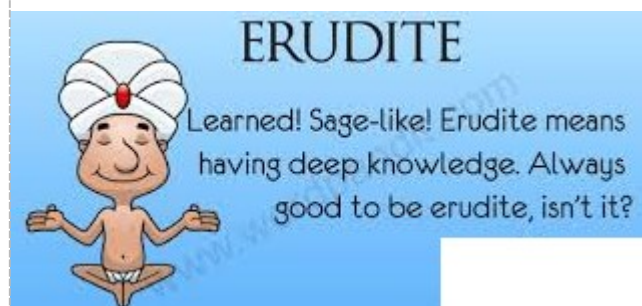
(adj.) complex or complicated

equivocate



(verb) to use ambiguous language with a deceptive intent (adj. form: equivocal)

erudite



(adj.) very learned, scholarly

lucid



Lucid (adj.) clear

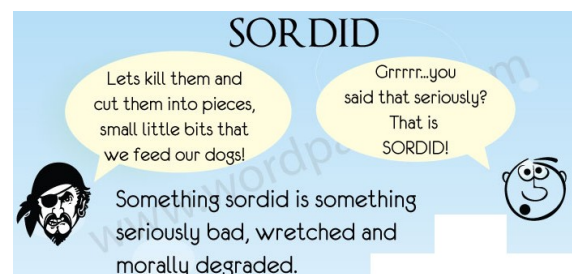
(adj.) expressed clearly; easy to understand

magnanimity



(noun) the quality of being generously noble mind and heart, esp. in forgiving
(adj. form: magnanimous)

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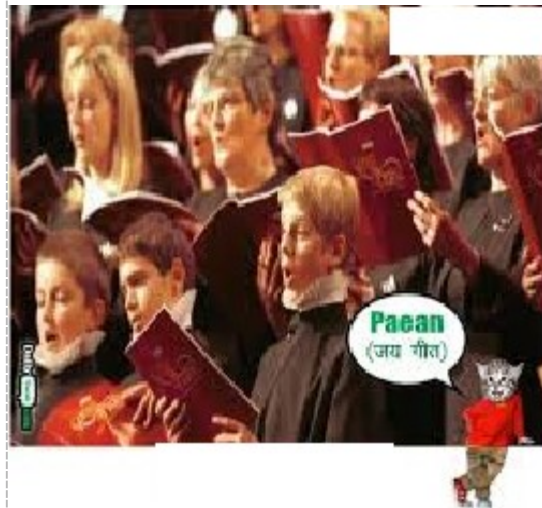
(adj.) involving immoral or dishonorable actions or motives; characterized by filth; dirty

sporadic

Henry came to the scheduled meetings only on *sporadic* occasions, and eventually the supervisor stopped inviting him to participate.

(adj.) occurring only occasionally, or in scattered instances

paean



(noun) song or hymn of praise and thanksgiving

parody

Jane's *parody* of her French professor's lectures had everyone laughing, but when the teacher walked into the classroom, she was not amused.

(noun) a humorous imitation intended for ridicule or comic effect, esp. in literature and art