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abandoned (adj): 1.adj. rejected, given up;

2. **abandon (v):** reject, forsake

abolish (v): cancel, revoke

abrasive (adv): corrosive, harsh.

abreast (adv): up to date with; side by side

abridged (adj): shortened

absolute (adj): complete; perfect; pure; unlimited;

abstract (adj) : 1.adj. theoretical not concrete

abundant (adj) : plentiful

academic (adj) : learned, theoretical

accede (v) : agree

accentuate (v) : stress, emphasize, accent

accessible (adj) : 1.adj.easy to approach; 2. **access (v):** reach

accidental (adj) : that happens by chance

accommodate (v) : oblige or help someone; give, adapt oneself;

accompany (v) : go along with

accomplish (v) : achieve or complete successfully;

accord (v) : give or grant; agree;

account (v) : to give a view; to furnish an explanation;

accumulate (v): gather

acerbic (adj) : bitter and short-tempered;

acknowledge (v) : recognize, accept

acoustics (n) : science of sound

acquisition (n) : something obtained

acquisitive (adj) : desiring to gain, grasping;

acumen (n) : mental keenness; shrewdness;

adaptable (adj) : able to be modified; adjusting quickly

address (v) : speak to; to deal with; direct to

adherent (n) : supporter, follower;

admonish (v) : warn, reprove;

adverse (adj) : 1.hostile; contrary, opposed; 2. **adversely (adv):** unfavorably

advocate (v) : urge, plead for;

advocate(n) : supporter

aesthetic (adj) : of or pertaining to appreciation of the beautiful; artistic;

affable (adj) : friendly; amiable;

affect (v) : influence, impact

affectation (n) : 1.insincere behavior, artificial manner; 2.**affected (adj):** pretense

affiliation (n) : joining, associating with;

affluent (adj) : wealthy, abundant;

aggressive (adj) : very forceful, hostile; bold

agonizing (adj) : causing difficulty, very painful;

agrarian (adj) : related to farming or agriculture;

alarming (adj) : worrisome, a warning of danger

alienate (v) : make hostile or unfriendly, separate;

allege (v) : state without proof

allegory (n) : a story in which characters are used as symbols; a fable;

alleviate (v) : make less severe; relieve;

allure (v) : tempt; charm, attract

aloof (adj) : not friendly; cool and distant

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alternative (n/adj) :1.n.option, choice; 2.adj. optional

amateur (adj) :not professional, novice; unskillful;

amaze (v) :surprise (someone) greatly; astonish.

ambient (adj):environment, encompassing atmosphere

ambiguity (n) :1.n.lack of clarity ;
2. **ambiguous (adj)** :unclear or doubtful in meaning

ambivalence (n) : state of having both positive and negative feelings towards a subject

ameliorate (v) :improve

amenable (adj) :readily managed, willing to obey

ample (adj) :abundant

amplify (v) :broaden or clarify by expanding, intensify, strengthen;

anachronistic (adj) :erroneous in date; out of date;

analogous (adj) :comparable; similar;

analogy (n) :similarity, parallelism;

anarchy (n) :absence of governing body, state of disorder;

angle (v) :present with a bias or in a particular way;

annul (v) :make void ; cancel;

anoint (v) :administer an oil or ointment to ; often in a religious ceremony of blessing

anomaly(n) : 1.n. irregularity ;

2. **anomalous (adj)** : abnormal, irregular;

anonymous(adj) : nameless, of an unknown person

antedate (v) :predate; be earlier in time; go back further

anticipate (v) : expect, predict; precede;

antinomian (adj): opposed to the doctrine that the moral law is obligatory.

antiquity (n) :extreme oldness; an artifact surviving from the past

antithetical (adj) :mutually incompatible, contrary;

anxious (adj) :experiencing worry; very eager, yearning;

apathy (n) :lack of caring, indifference;

apolitical (adj) :having an aversion or lack of concern for political affairs.

apologist (n) :one who speaks or writes in defense of someone or something;

apostle (n) :one who advances an important cause or idea;

apparent (adj) :obvious; ostensible, pretended

appetizing (adj) : stimulating ; arousing the appetite;

appraise (v) :estimate value, assess

appreciate (v) :be thankful for, increase in worth; be thoroughly conscious of;

appreciated (adj) :giving pleasure or satisfaction; fully understood;

apprehension (n) : fear, concern; anticipation;

apprise (v) :inform, make aware;

appropriate (v) :1.take without permission; 2.set aside, 3.allot;

approximate (v) : approach, come near;

arbiter (n) :a person who settles a dispute.

arbitrary (adj) :unreasonable or capricious, tyrannical;

arcane (adj) :secret, mysterious; known only to the initiated;

archeological (adj) :pertaining to the study of ancient cultures through their artifacts

architect (n) :one who designs buildings and other structures

arduous (adj) :difficult and tiring; hard and strenuous;

aria (n) :a song for solo voice;

arousal (n) :stimulation; excitement;

articulate (v) :fluent, effective, distinct;

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artifact (n) :a man-made object taken as a whole;

artless (adj) :without cunning, open and honest;

ascendancy (n) :superiority, domination;

ascent (n) :an upward slope or rising grade; acclivity

ascribe (v) :attribute or credit to;

aside from :apart from; besides;

aspect (n) :point of view; appearance, facet;

aspiration (n) :a strong desire to achieve something high or great;

assault (v) :attack, onslaught;

assent (v) :agree, approve, consent;

assert (v) :state a fact or belief confidently and forcefully;

assertion (n) :1.n.a confident statement of fact or belief; 2. **assertive (adj)** : forceful, aggressive.

assessment (n) :estimation; appraisal (of worth);

assimilate (v) :absorb, cause to become homogenous;

assuage (v) : make (an unpleasant feeling) less intense; satisfy (an appetite or desire).

assumption (n) :supposition, hypothesis; act of taking;

astounding (adj) :surprising, shocking;

astounding (adj) :amazing; surprising, shocking; breathtaking;

astray (adv) :away from the correct path or direction.

at odds with :in a dispute with, involved in a conflict with ;

at the expense of :at the sacrifice of, to the detriment of ;

attainment (n) :achievement, fulfillment; ability

attenuate (v) :make thin, weaken;

attribute (n/v) :1.n.essential quality.2.v. to regard as a characteristic of a person or thing;

attune (v) :adjust or accustom to a situation.

austere (adj) :1.adj. strict; severely simple or modest; 2.n. **austerity (n)** : ascetic simplicity;

authoritarian (adj) :despotic, dictatorial, disciplinarian

authoritative (adj) :official; reliable; assertive, commanding;

authorization (n) :official permission; permit; empowerment;

avarice (n) :greediness for wealth;

avian (adj) :related to birds;

avid (adj) :greedy, eager for;

avow (v) :declare openly; acknowledge; confess

awaken (v) :wake up, arouse (i.e. from sleep)

balloon (v) :expand, grow larger; inflate;

banal (adj) :hackneyed, commonplace, trite, lacking originality;

bane (n) :misfortune, curse;

banish (v) :expel; send away, dismiss

barring (prep) :with the exception of, apart from

baseness :lowness, meanness, without moral principles;

bay (v) :bark with prolonged noises

bear on :be relevant to, pertain to, relate to,

befriend (v) :act as or become a friend to.

beguile (v) :mislead, deceive; cheat, entice;

beholden (adj) :indebted, in debt, obligated

belie (v) :to show something to be false; contradict

belligerent (adj) :aggressive; quarrelsome;

benign(adj) : 1.kindly, favorable; not harmful; 2.**benignity (n)** :favor, kind-heartedness

besiege (v) :surround with armed forces ; harass (with requests);

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betray (v) :be disloyal; reveal consciously or unintentionally;
biased (adj) :prejudiced, having preconceptions; favoring one person or side over another;
bibliography (n) :list of books by a particular author or on a particular subject;
blending (n) :mixing; act of mixing ingredients together thoroughly;
blighted (adj) :affected by disease; destroyed
bogus (adj) :not genuine, artificial, sham;
bolster (v) :support, strengthen, reinforce
boon (n) :a thing that is helpful or beneficial.
boost (v) :raise; increase; urge;
borrowing (n) :the appropriation (of ideas or words etc) from another source;
brandish (v) :exhibit aggressively, wave something about;
brazen (adj) :insolent, impudent; bold and shameless;
break (v) :stop, cancel
brevity (n) :concise and exact use of words; terse;
bridle (n) :bring under control;
brine (n) :water containing dissolved salt
brutal (adj) :cruel, harsh, savage
bungling (n) :work done in an awkward or clumsy manner; making a mess of something
burnout (n) :fatigue, exhaustion
buttress (v) :support, reinforce;
calamitous (adj) :disastrous, catastrophic, cataclysmic
calumnious (adj) :slandorous, defamatory;
campaign (n) :an organized course of action to achieve a goal.
candid (adj) : honest, straightforward, open, frank

caprice (n) :a sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behavior.
capricious (adj) :unpredictable, fickle;
carnivorous (adj) :meat-eating;
casual (adj) : informal; superficial; accidental;
catalogue (n) :itemized list
catastrophe (n) :1. disaster, calamity; 2. **catastrophic (adj)** :disastrous, calamitous
categorical (adj) :absolute, unqualified, definite, certain;
cathedral (n) :the principal church of a diocese.
cautious (adj) :careful, wary
cede (v) : give up (power); surrender;
celebrated (adj) :famous, widely recognized;
censor (v) :to examine in order to suppress or delete anything considered objectionable
cerebral (adj) :intellectual rather than emotional or physical.
chance (n) :accidental, random, unexpected
channelize (v) :direct the course
charge (v) :accuse (i.e. of committing a crime);
charisma (n) :persuasive charm or attractiveness;
check (v) :pause, stop; examine
cherish (v) :love; nurture, care for lovingly;
chic (adj) :elegantly and stylishly fashionable
choir (n) :singing group, chorus
chronic (adj) :long established, as a disease; constant;
chronological (adj) : arranged according to temporal (time) order;
cinematic (adj) :relating to or characteristic of the cinema.
circumscribed (adj) :subjected to limits; limited;

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circumspect (adj) :careful, prudent, cautious
circumstantial (adj) :fully detailed and specific about particulars;
cited (adj) :1.adj. quoted; 2. cite (v) : mention as an example; commend;
civil (adj) :courteous and polite.
claim (v) :demand; sue; plea; assert
classical (adj) :1.traditional, timeless; 2. excellent
clearheaded (adj) :not mentally confused; able to think clearly ;
clergy (n) :people who work in religious ministry (like priests); clerical;
clerical (adj) :relating to the clergy (who work for religious tasks)
cloak (v) :1.v. conceal; 2. **cloaked** (adj): having its true character concealed with the intent of misleading;
cluster (v) :gather closely together, assemble
coalesce (v) :combine, fuse;
coercion (n) :use of force to someone to obey;
coeval (adj) :living at the same time as contemporary;
cognitive (adj) :aware, perceptive
coherence (n) :1.sticking together; consistency; 2.**coherent** (adj) : sticking together; consistent
coinage (n) :invention of a new word or phrase
coincident (adj) :occurring together in space or time.
collaborator (n) :one who works together;
collude (v) :conspire together to deceive others;
commentary (n) : the expression of opinions or offering of explanations about an event or situation.
commercial (adj) :pertaining to business
commonplace (adj) :ordinary, everyday, uninteresting

comparable (adj) : similar; of equivalent quality;
compatible (adj) :capable of existing together in harmony; congruous;
compel (v) :force, coerce, influence
compelling (adj) :powerfully evoking attention or admiration.
compile (v) : gather together in one place; compose
complacency (n) :state of being pleased with oneself; smugness
complementary(adj): serving to complete something;
compliance (n): readiness to yield; conformity in fulfilling requirements;
comport(v) :behave, conduct oneself in a certain manner
compose(v) : 1.create, write; 2.calm;
composer (n) :person who composes musical compositions;author, writer etc.,
compound (v) :combine, constitute, increase (esp. complexity); pay interest
comprehensive (adj) :through, inclusive ; including all or everything;
compressed (adj) :compacted, condensed
compromise (v) :1. to come to agreement by mutual concession. 2. endanger the interests or reputation of.
compromised (adj) :1.settled by making mutual concessions; 2.unable to operate in an optimal form
conceal (v) :hide, cover; keep secret
concede (v) :admit; yield, give up
concession (n) :yielding; something which is given up; discount;
concur (v) :agree, collaborate
condense (v) :make denser, compress; make shorter;
condone (v) :forgive, overlook, give tacit approval;
confess (v) :admit (guilt, etc.); tell one's sins to a priest;
confirm (v) :approve; verify, show to be true; strengthen

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confounding (adj) :1.that contradicts or confuses; 2. **confound(v)**: surprise or confuse;

confront (v) :stand or meet face to face with hostile intent; oppose;

congestion (n) :excessive crowding; excessive accumulation

connotation (n) :1.suggested or implied meaning; 2. **connote (v)** : imply, suggest, hint;

conscience (n) :a person's moral sense of right and wrong.

conscious (adj) :aware; awake

consensus (n) :general agreement, majority

consequence (n) :1.importance ; outcome; 2. **consequential (adj)** : important, significant

consequently (adv) :as a result, therefore

considerable (adj) :important; substantial; significant;

considerate (adj) :careful not to harm or inconvenience others.

consistently (adv) :systematically; regularly;

consolidate (v) : make stronger or more solid; unify, merge;

consolidation (n) :unification, process of becoming firmer or stronger;

conspicuous (adj) :noticeable, obvious, easy to see

constraint (n) :1.a limitation or restriction; repression of feelings;

2.**constrain (v)**: force, coerce

construe (v) :interpret in a particular way; explain;

consume (v) :eat or drink; destroy; use up

contemporary (adj) :modern, current; relating to the present time;

contemptuous (adj) :expressing extreme disdain; disrespectful;

contend (v) :assert something as a position in an argument; compete;

contention (n) :heated disagreement; an assertion;

contentious (adj) :quarrelsome;

context (n) :paragraphs surrounding a word or sentence; background

contrasting (adj) :opposing, contrary, in a differing manner

contribute (v) :give in order to help achieve or provide something;

controlled (adj) :regulated, monitored; managed

controversial (adj) :regulated, monitored; managed

convention (n) :social or moral custom; established practice;

conventional (adj) :ordinary; typical; routine;

conventionality(n) :conformity with conventional thought and behavior; orthodoxy, unoriginal;

converge (v) :approach, tend to meet; come together;

convey (v) :make known; pass on, of information

conviction (n) :a firmly held belief or opinion;

convoluted (adj) :twisted; involved, complicated

cooperatively (adv) :in a manner marked by a willingness to work with others

copious (adj) :bountiful; abundant, plentiful

core (n) :the center of an object;

correspondence (n) :1.agreement; similarity; 2. exchange of letters

corroborate (v) :confirm or give support to (a statement or theory);

cosmopolitan (adj) :having worldwide rather than limited or provincial scope or bearing

counter (adv) :against, in contrast to

counterexample (n) :example that refutes a theory or claim;

counterfeit (adj) :forged, copied, fake, false

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counterintuitive(adj) :contrary to what common sense would suggest
counterpart (n) :things very much alike; a thing that completes another;
counterpoint(v) :emphasize by contrast.
counterweight(n) : an equivalent counterbalancing weight
courteous (adj) :polite, well-mannered, civil;
crafty (adj) :cunning or deceitful;
credence (n) :belief that something is true, faith, confidence
credibility (n) :trustworthiness, dependability
credit (n/v) :1.n.approval; 2.v.give someone credit for something;
credulity (n) :belief on slight evidence; gullibility; naiveté;
crestfallen (adj) :dejected; sad; disappointed
criteria (n) :a standard by which something may be judged
critical (adj) :1.important, crucial; 2.expressing adverse comments;
crucial (adj) :critical, decisive, very important
crude (adj) :raw; unrefined; rude
cultivated (adj) :refined, sophisticated, educated
curiosity (n) :a strong desire to know or learn something.
curious (adj) :1.strange; unusual; 2. eager to know or learn something.
curtail (v) :decrease, reduce, shorten, cut short
cyclical (adj) :periodical, repeating, recurrent;
cynical (adj) 1.doubting the sincerity of others;2. **cynicism (n)** : a cynical feeling of distrust
debased (adj) :being lowered in quality or character
debris (n) :scattered rubbish or remains;

debunking (n) :the exposure of falseness or pretensions;
deceitful (adj) 1.deceptive, dishonest; 2.**deceptive (adj)** : misleading, deceitful
decimate (v) :destroy a large part of
declarative (adj) :affirmative; of or pertaining to a declaration
decline (v) :sinking, decrease, ebb; descent
décor (n) :stage setting (in a theater); decoration
deemed (adj) :consider something in a particular way; believe;
de-emphasize (v) :reduce the emphasis given to
deepen (v) :make or become deep or deeper.
defamatory (adj) :slandorous, abusive, libelous
deferential (adj) :respectful, showing honor
defiant (adj) :resisting, opposing, disobedient
definitive (adj) :final, decisive; most reliable or complete;
deflect (v) :deviate or cause to deviate from a straight course.
deft (adj) :1.quick and neatly skilful; 2.**deftness (n)** :skillfulness, proficiency
defy (v) :oppose, resist; challenge
degrade (v) :humiliate, dishonor; reduce (in size, amount, etc.);
degree (n) :rank, extent;
deliberate (adj) :carefully considered, intentional; slow, methodical
delicacy (n) :something considered choice to eat; sensitivity;
delimit (v) :determine the limits or boundaries of.
delineate (v) :describe or indicate precisely
demarcation (n) :the action of fixing boundaries or limits; conceptual separation;
demur(v) :object, protest; hesitate

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denotation (n) :the most direct or specific meaning of a word or expression;

dense (adj) :1.compact, close;
2.(slang) stupid, slow

depart (v) :go in a different direction ;
leave, go away;

depict (v) :portray, characterize, draw,
describe

deplete (v) :reduce the number or
quantity of; empty

derivative (adj) :obtained from
another source, derived, borrowed;

detached (adj) :not attached,
separate; objective, impartial; aloof

detachment (n) :separation;
disinterest, aloofness; lack of bias;

deteriorate (v) :spoil; decline;
progressively worse;

determinant (adj) :1.serving to define,
serving to determine; 2. cause, reason;

determinate (v) :precisely determined
or limited or defined;

deterministic (adj) :an inevitable
consequence of antecedent sufficient
causes

detrimental (adj) :damaging,
injurious, harmful

devastating :highly destructive
damaging; saddening;

deviation(n) :1.n.aberration,
abnormality; 2.**deviate (v)** : turn aside;
depart from;

deviously (adv) :indirectly; windingly;
deceptively

devoted (adj) :faithful, dedicated, loyal

dichotomy (n) :separation into two
parts; division or contrast;

didactic (adj) :instructive, informative;
tending to lecture others excessively

differ (v) :be different; disagree

differential (adj) :exhibiting a
difference;

differentiate (v) :distinguish,
discriminate; become different;

diffidence (n) :hesitance due to lack of
confidence, shyness, timidity

diffuse (v) :wordy, rambling; spread
out (like a gas);

digression (n):deviation from the main
point (in writing or speaking)

dilate (v) :make or become wider &
larger, more open:

diminish (v) :make smaller, reduce;

disaffection (n) :alienation,
estrangement, absence of affection;
disloyalty

discern :1.distinguish, perceive,
recognize; 2.**discernible (adj)**:
distinguishable, recognizable

disclose (v) :reveal, expose to view

discomfit(v) :make uneasy or
embarrassed

discontinuity (n) :lack of continuity,
irregularity

discredit (v) :doubt; challenge,
disbelieve; defame;

discrepancy (n) :lack of consistency ;
difference;

disdain (v) :view with scorn or
contempt;

disentangle (v) :release from
entanglement of difficulty; unknot;

disgruntled (adj) :bitter, disappointed,
displeased

disingenuous (adj) :insincere; not
naïve; sophisticated;

disinterested (adj) :1. impartial;
indifferent; 2 **disinterestedness(n)**:
indifference, impartiality;

dislocation (n) :an event that results in
a displacement or discontinuity

dismay (v) :cause to feel fear or
anxiety.

dismiss (v) :reject, eliminate from
consideration;

disorganized v:disarranged; disordered

disparage (v) :belittle; represent as
being of little worth;

disparate (v) :basically different,
unrelated;

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dispassionate (adj):calm, impartial;
dispel (v) :scatter, drive away, cause to vanish;
dispersal (n) :scattering, disbanding
disproportionate (adj) :unequal, out of proportion, extreme
disputatious (adj) :argumentative, fond of arguing;
disquiet (v/n) :1.v.make uneasy, disturb; 2.n.anxiety, uneasiness;
disregard(v) :neglect; treat in a disrespectful manner
disruptive (adj) :upsetting; disturbing; divisive
disseminate :1.v.scatter, spread widely, distribute; 2.**dissemination (n)** : spreading;
dissent (v) :disagree on, differ, dispute, oppose
dissolution (n) :disintegration, decomposition, separation; death ;
distant (adj) :remote, far off, far apart; reserved, aloof, unfriendly
distill (v) :extract the essential meaning of; purify ; refine; concentrate;
distinct (adj) :clear, plain; different; separate
distinction (n) :1.honor; 2. contrast; 3. discrimination;**distinctive (adj)** :special, unique, different
distinguish (v) :see as different; differentiate; discern, recognize;
distorted (adj) :twisted out of its normal shape; misrepresented
diverge (v) :vary, go in different direction from same point;
divergent (adj) :varying, deviating, differing;
diversity (n) :variety; difference, unlikeness
doctrinaire (adj) :a stubborn person of arbitrary or arrogant opinions; unyielding;
dogmatic (adj) :authoritative, opinionated, intolerant, rigid;
don (v) :put on

downright (adj) :straightforward, direct; utter, complete, blunt;
drain (v) :deplete of resources; flow off gradually;
dramatic (adj) :intended to create an effect; theatrical; sensational; exciting;
drift (v) :move about aimlessly or without any destination;
drought (n) :lack of rain, abnormally dry weather; scarcity;
duality (n) :dualism; duplicity; doubleness; dichotomy;
dubious (adj) :uncertain, doubtful
duplicity (n) :deception; being two-faced
durable (adj) :sturdy, long lasting;
dynamic (adj) :forceful, energetic, vigorous, spirited
eager(adj) :strongly desiring, keen, fervently interested
ebullient (adj) :cheerful and full of energy.
eccentric (adj) :strange, unusual, odd
eclectic (adj) :selecting from various sources; diverse ,heterogeneous
eclipse (v) :1.a falling into obscurity or decline; 2.v. outdo, surpass;
economical (adj) :thrifty, saving, frugal, careful not to waste money
ecstatic (adj) :blissfully happy; joyful;
efficient (adj) :effective, done without waste (of time, resources, etc.)
egalitarian (adj) :pertaining to equal rights;
elaborate (adj) :worked out in great detail; carefully planned; complicated;
elated (adj) :exultant, happy; filled with joy
elegant (adj) :graceful and stylish.
elicit (v) :draw out (a response or answer); extract from;
elite (adj) :upper-class, aristocratic;
elliptical (adj) :1. oval, egg-shaped; 2. Ambiguous;
eloquence (n) :fluent and appropriate manner of speaking

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elucidate (v) :make clear; explain.

elusive (adj) :difficult to grasp;

evasive, tending to escape;

embellish (v) :adorn; decorate.

embrace (v) :hug, accept; include;
surround;

emerge (v) :appear, come out, be
revealed

emergency (n) :sudden need
demanding immediate action

eminent (adj) :famous, renowned,
prominent; outstanding, conspicuous;

emphasize (v) :to stress, single out as
important; make more clearly defined

empirical (adj) :derived from
experiment and observation rather than
theory;

employed (adj) :put to use ,having
work, occupied;

emulate (v) :imitate, try to equal or
excel, copy

encampment (n) :camp, temporary
residence (often made of tents, etc.)

enchanted :spellbound, entranced;
charmed;

encompass (v) :include
comprehensively; surround, enclose;

endangered (adj) :at risk; in danger of
extinction;

endorse (v) :approve, sanction;
support;

enervate (v) :cause to feel drained of
energy; weaken;

engage (v) :1.keep busy ; employ;
attract; commit; 2. **engaged (adj)** :
occupied, busy

enhance (v) :increase, improve;

enigmatic (adj) :mysterious, puzzling,
obscure;

enlightened (adj) :knowledgeable,
broad-minded

enrich (v) :improve the quality or value
of, make better;

entail (v) :necessitate, require, involve;

entangle (v) :involve in complicated
circumstances; enmesh;

entomologist (n) :one who studies
entomology, expert on insects

entrap (v) :lure, snare, draw into
difficulty or danger

entrenched (adj) :established; fortified

envision (v) :imagine; visualize.

ephemeral (adj) :short-lived; fleeting;

epidemiologist (n) :expert in
epidemiology, one who studies
epidemics and their treatments

epistolary (adj) :1.pertaining to a long
formal letter; 2.**epistle (n)** : long formal
letter;

equitable (adj) :fair and impartial.

equivocal (adj) :mislead; attempt to
conceal the truth; ambiguous;

equivocation (n) :use ambiguous or
evasive language; prevarication;

eradicate (v) :remove or destroy
completely; annihilate;

erode (v) :gradually wear or be worn
away;

erroneous (adj) :wrong; incorrect.

erstwhile (adv) :formerly, previously

erudite (adj) :learned, scholarly,
educated;

essential (adj) :necessary, needed,
fundamental,

established (adj) :based, firmly
settled; accepted

esteem (v) :respect, admire;

estrangement (n) :disaffection,
alienation; separation

ethics (n) :set of moral principles or
values

ethos (n) :underlying character of a
culture, group etc.,

etiquette (n) :rules which govern social
behavior

euphoric (adj) :elated, blissful, joyful,
exhilarated

evaluate (v) :appraise, judge the worth
or quality

evanescent :fleeting, vanishing;

evasive :not frank; evading;

eventually (adv) :finally, in the end

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everlasting (adj) :lasting forever or a very long time.

evidence (n) :proof, something which proves or disproves

evocation (n) :calling to mind, remembering; calling forth;

evoke (v) :bring or recall to the conscious mind; call forth;

exacerbate (v) :worsen, embitter;

exacting (adj) :extremely demanding;

exaggerate (v) :represent (something) as being larger, better, or worse than it really is;

excavation (n) :act of digging out; act of unearthing;

exceed (v) :outstrip; go beyond, pass; surpass;

exceptional(adj) :out of the ordinary, unusual; excellent;

exclusively (adv) :in a manner which shuts out all others; solely;

excretion (n) :matter which has been discharged from the body;

exculpate (v) :free from blame, declare innocent

exhibit (v) :show, demonstrate; present

exigent (adj) :demanding; urgent, pressing

exotic (adj) :foreign; unusual, out of the ordinary

expatiate (v) :describe in full, go into great detail

expedient (adj) :advantageous, beneficial; convenient and suitable;

expend (v) :spend; use up, consume

explicate (v) :explain, interpret, clarify;

explicit (adj) :stated clearly and precisely.

exploratory (adj) :serving in or intended for exploration or discovery; investigative;

exponential(adj) : (of an increase) becoming more and more rapid.

exposition (n) :a comprehensive description and explanation of a theory.

exposure (n) :disclosure, revealing; vulnerability to the elements;

extensive (adj) :comprehensive; spreading over a large area

extent (n) :scope, range; size, measure

extinction (n) :annihilation, total destruction

extraneous (adj) :not essential, superfluous;

extraordinary (adj) :out of the ordinary, unusual

extrapolate (v) :guess, infer

extravagance :profligacy, lavishness, immoderation;

extreme (n) :either of two things that are as different from each other as possible;

fabricate (v) :invent in order to deceive; fake; create;

facetious (adj) :humorous, amusing

facilitate (v) :make easier; promote, expedite;

factual (adj) :real, actual, based on facts

faint (adj) : (of a hope, chance, or idea) slight; barely perceptible

fallow (adj) :plowed but not seeded, uncultivated; in active;

falsify (v) :misrepresent, distort the truth;

fanciful (adj) :imaginary; unreal; whimsical; strange;

far from :not at all; the opposite of what is or was expected

fascinating (adj) :charming; captivating, attractive

fashion(v) :shape, create, make;

fastidious (adj) :paying immense attention to minute details; hard to please;

feasible (adj) :achievable; possible, likely

fester (v) :inflamed; irritated;

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fictitious (adj) :not real or true;
imaginary or invented.

figurative (adj) :departing from a
literal use of words; metaphorical;

fine (adj) :1.minutely small (of
texture);2. precise; 3.refined; 4. free
from impurities;

finesse (n) :impressive skill and
delicacy; subtle skill;

fitfully (adv) :irregularly;
intermittently; sporadically

flabby (adj) :weak ; drooping; loose;
soft

flaccid (adj) :soft and limp; lacking
firmness;

flaw (n) :defect, imperfection;

flawless (adj) :perfect, without a flaw,
impeccable

fleet (n) :group of ships; group of
warships

fleeting(adj) :1.transient, temporary.
2. passing swiftly,

flexibility (n) :elasticity, pliability; able
to change readily to meet new
circumstances.

flooding (n) :overflow ; inundation,
deluge;

florid (adj) :reddish, rosy; flowery;
ornate; showy

flout (v) :openly disregard (a rule, law,
or convention);

fluctuate (v) :rise and fall irregularly in
number or amount.

flung (v) :throw or move forcefully.

focus (v) :concentrate; make clear;

foolhardy (adj) :recklessly bold or
rash.

footage (n) :the amount of film that
has been shot; length measured in feet;

forage (v) :obtain (food) by searching;
search for

forbid (v) : 1.ban; prohibit; prevent;
2. **forbidding (adj)**: unfriendly or
threatening.

foreground (v) :move into the
foreground to make more visible or
prominent;

foresee (v) :be aware of beforehand;
predict.

forestall (v) : prevent or obstruct
(something anticipated) by taking
advance action

foretell (v) :predict, tell in advance;

forethought (v) :thinking out in
advance , foresight, advance planning;

forfeit (v) :lose; give up, surrender

forgery (n) :a fraudulent copy or
imitation.

forgo (v) :go without (something
desirable); abstain;

forsake (v) :renounce or give up;
abandon;

forthright (adj) :direct and outspoken;
straight forward ;

fortuitous (adj) :by chance; occurring
accidentally;

fractious (adj) :easily irritated; difficult
to control;

fragment (n) :fraction, piece, segment;

frantically (adv) :in an uncontrolled
manner; hysterically;

frivolity (n) : light-heartedness,
flippancy, silliness

frivolous (adj) : (of a person) carefree
and superficial; not serious or sensible;

frontispiece (n) :an illustration facing
the title page of a book.

frugality (n) :quality of being
economical, thrift;

frustrating (adj) :discouraging by
hindering; causing frustration;

fundamental (adj) :basic, elemental;
essential

galvanize (v) :shock or excite into
action.

gargantuan (adj) :extremely large;
titanic;

garrulous (adj) :excessively talkative.

gawky (adj) :nervously awkward and
ungainly

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generalize (v) :draw from specific cases for more general cases
genre (n) :a style or category of art or literature.
giant (adj) :enormous, extremely large
gloom (n) :darkness, dimness; sadness, depression;
glum (adj) :dejected; morose; gloomy;
goosebumps (n) :bumpy condition of the skin caused by a sensation (i.e. cold, fear, surprise)
gracious (adj) : polite; friendly; benevolent; pleasant;
granted (conj) :acknowledged as true
gratifying (adj) :satisfying, rewarding;
gray (adj) :dull and nondescript;
grazing (n) :field or plot of ground where livestock are grazed
greenhouse (n) :a glass-enclosed structure for the cultivation and protection of tender plants;
guileless (adj) :innocent and without deception.
habitat (n) :the natural home or environment of an organism.
hackneyed (n) :banal, commonplace; unoriginal, trite.
halt (v) :stop, pause; cause to stop;
hand-wringing :an overwrought expression of concern or guilt
haphazard (adj) :lacking order or organization; random
happenstance (n) :chance occurrence; coincidence;
harbinger (n) :an indication of the approach of something or someone; prophetic;
harmonious (adj) :existing together in harmony; compatible; melodious;
harvest (n) :the season's yield or crop; gather;
haunted (adj) :visited as if by ghosts; obsessed or terrified in a strange manner;
hearken back :go back to something earlier; return;

hectic (adj) :marked by intense agitation or emotion;
heed (v) :pay attention; take notice of;
herbivorous (adj) :plant-eating;
heterogeneous (adj) :diverse in character or content.
heyday (n) :time of greatest success , period of greatest power or influence
hibernation(n) :dormant condition; state of inactivity
hierarch (n) :one who holds a position of authority (chief priest r leader);
high art (n) :art which deals with dignified subjects and is characterized by an elevated style avoiding all cheap display;
highlight (v) :stress, emphasize, accent, spotlight
hindrance (n) :delaying, obstruction; impedance;
homogeneity (n) :sameness, uniformity, similarity
horrifying (adj) :provoking horror;
humble (adj) :modest, not prideful; submissive, deferential, simple;
humdrum (adj) :boring, monotonous, dull, repetitious
hyperbolize (v) :exaggerate, overstate, embellish the truth;
hypothesize (v) :create a theory, form a hypothesis
iconoclastic :characterized by attack on established beliefs or institutions; unorthodox;
ideological(adj) :concerned with or suggestive of ideas; theoretical;
ideology (n) :study of the origin and nature of ideas; doctrine, philosophy;
idiosyncrasy (n) :unique characteristic, peculiarity, eccentricity;
illiberal (adj) :bigoted; narrow minded; stingy; not liberal;
illuminate (v) :brighten; elucidate, explain; adorn;
illusion (n) :delusion; misconception, false idea

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illustrate (v) :provide (a book or periodical) with pictures.

imaginativeness (n) :creativity, inventiveness, ingeniousness

immediacy (n) :quality of being immediate, instantaneousness;

imminent (adj) :about to happen; impending;

immunity (n) :the state of not being susceptible;

immure (v) :imprison; enclose within walls;

immutable (adj) :unchangeable, unalterable;

impair (v) :1.weaken or damage.

2.**impairment (n)** :act of making worse;

impartiality (n) :fairness, objectivity, neutrality

impediment (n) :a hindrance or obstruction.

impenetrable (adj) :impossible to pass through or enter; impossible to understand;

imperceptibly (adv) :in a way that is not perceived by the senses; in a subtle manner

imperious(adj) :arrogant and domineering.

imperturbable (adj) :unable to be upset or excited; calm;

impetuous (adj) :acting or done quickly and rashly; hasty; reckless;

implication (n) :something implied, hint; state of being involved in an action or event;

implicit (adj) :implied though not directly expressed;

implicitly (adv) :in an implied manner; absolutely

impolitic (adj) :in an implied manner; unconditionally, absolutely

improbable (adj) :unexpected; unlikely;

improvisation (n) :something which is done without preparation

imprudent (adj) :rash; reckless; lacking wisdom;

impudence (n) :rudeness, insolence, lack of respect

impulsively (adv) :spontaneously; rashly, recklessly; instinctively

impute (v) :attribute, credit; accuse, blame;

inaccessible (adj) :unreachable, unattainable;not understandable;

inaccuracy (n) :mistake, error; quality of being inaccurate

inadequate (adj) :insufficient; unsatisfactory; incompetent;

inadvertent (adj) :without intention; heedless; accidental;

inalienable (adj) :non-transferable, may not be taken away or given to another

inarticulate (adj) :not clearly expressed or pronounced; unclear;

incentive (n) :stimulus, inducement, encouragement

incessant (adj) :continuing without pause or interruption; continuous;

incipient (adj) :beginning to happen or develop; initial;

inclusive (adj) :comprehensive, all-embracing, extensive

incompatible (adj) :not able to exist or be used together; opposed, irreconcilable

inconclusive (adj) : unconvincing; not decided;

incongruous (adj) :inconsistent; inharmonious; unsuitable;

inconsequential (adj) :not important or significant;

inconsiderable (adj) :unimportant or insignificant;

inconsistent (adj) :incompatible, contradictory, incongruous; changeable

incorporate (v) :take in or include as part of a whole.

incur (v) :to bring (something usually unpleasant) upon oneself;

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indebted (adj) :owing money or gratitude; beholden;

indecorous (adj) : impolite, improper, not appropriate

indefatigable (adj) :persisting tirelessly; unflagging; inexhaustible;

indemnify (v) :compensate (someone) for harm or loss;

indication (n) :sign, signal, suggestion, symptom;

indifferent (adj) :having no particular interest or sympathy; unconcerned;

indigenous (adj) :native; belonging naturally to a place; originating from a place;

indiscernible (adj) :impossible to see or clearly distinguish.

indolence (n) :laziness, slothfulness, inactivity

inept (adj) :1.laziness, inactivity;

2.**ineptitude (n)** : incompetence;

inevitable (adj) :certain to happen; unavoidable; totally predictable;

infallibility (n) :the quality of never making an error; perfect;

infectious (adj) :likely to spread to or influence others;

infer (v) :deduce from evidence and reasoning rather than from explicit statements.

inferior (adj) :subordinate; of lesser importance;

inflation (n) : pomposity; explosion; act of filling with air or gas;

inflexible (adj) :not able to be bent; rigid; stubborn;

influx (n) :inflow; coming in;

inhabitant (n) :one who lives in a particular place; resident;

inherent (adj) :existing as a natural and integral part, intrinsic, inborn

inherit (v) :receive as a legacy; receive by genetic transmission

inhibit (v) :hinder, or prevent (an action or process); hold back, repress;

inimical (adj) :not friendly; hostile;

initiate (v) :cause (a process or action) to begin.

injudicious (adj) :showing poor judgment; unwise.

innate (adj) :inborn; natural.

innocuous (adj) :harmless, not causing injury or damage;

innovative (adj) :new, inventive, pertaining to innovation

inopportune (adj) :occurring at an inconvenient time.

inscrutability (n) :1.impossible to understand or interpret.2. **inscrutable (adj)** :not easily understood

insensitivity (n) :inability to feel certain physical sensations; indifference;

insightful (adj) :exhibiting insight or clear and deep perception;

insincere (adj) :disingenuous, dishonest, hypocritical

insist (v) :firmly emphasize, assert; demand;

insolent (adj) :rude and disrespectful.

inspire (v) :motivate, stimulate, influence;

instinctive (adj) :apparently natural or automatic; impulsive;

insular(adj) :isolated; narrow-minded;

integrate (v) :combine or be combined to form a whole.

integrity(n) :honesty, morality; wholeness, unity;

intellect (n) :power of knowing, mind, reason; highly intelligent person

intelligible (adj) :able to be understood;

intend (v) :have in mind as a purpose; design or destine;

intense (adj) :in an extreme degree; extremely serious;

intensify make or become more intense; strengthen;

intent (n/adj) :1.n.intention or purpose. 2.adj. determined to do

interchangeable (adj) :exchangeable, can be traded;

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interference (n) :the act of hindering or obstructing or impeding

intermediary (n) :mediatory, acting between persons or parties;

interminable (adj) :endless; limitless

interplay (n) :reciprocal play or influence, interaction

interpretation (n) :an explanation or way of explaining

interwoven (adj) :linked or locked closely together as by interlinking;

intolerable (adj) :unbearable, unendurable

intractable (adj) :hard to control or deal with; stubborn;

intransigent (adj) :uncompromising, unyielding, inflexible

intrinsic (adj) :belonging naturally; essential;

intuitive (adj) :obtained through intuition rather than from reasoning or observation

invasive (adj) :involving invasion or aggressive attack; intrusive;

inveigle (v) :persuade by deception or flattery; entice;

inventory (n) :list of assets; act of checking stock

invigorate (v) :give strength or energy to.

involved (adj) :complicated; entangled;

invulnerable (adj) :impossible to harm or damage.

irascible (adj) :hot-tempered; irritable.

ironic (adj) :happening in the opposite way to what is expected; sarcastic;

ironically (adv) :contrary to plan or expectation;

irrelevant (adj) :not relevant, unconnected;

irremediable (adj) :cannot be corrected; incurable;

irresolute (adj) :indecisive, uncertain, hesitating

jettison (v) :abandon or discard; throw away;

judicious (adj) :wise, sensible, showing good judgment;

justify (v) :prove to be right or reasonable;

juxtaposition (n) :act of placing side by side (especially in order to compare)

keen (adj) :eager; sharp;

key (n/adj) :1.n. list which provides decoding information; 2.adj. important, crucial;

laconic (adj) :using very few words; terse

lasting (adj) :continuing or enduring; permanent;

latitude (n) :freedom from restriction;

laudable (adj) :1.worthy of praise, commendable; 2.laudatory (adj): praising;

lax (adj) :loose; relax; lenient;

lay (adj) :not clerical ; not professional

leach :permeate or penetrate gradually; remove substances;

leap(v) :jump across; move suddenly

legislative (n) :lawmaking authority

lionize (v) :treat as a celebrity.

literary (adj) :relating to literature; scholarly, educated;

litigation (n) :process of contesting in a court of law; lawsuit

loathe(v) :hate, despise, detest, abhor

logical (adj) :rational; reasonable;

long-lasting (adj) :enduring, permanent, abiding, long-lived

long-standing :very old, ancient, antique

lucrative (adj) :profitable, yielding monetary rewards

lull(n/v) :1.n.a temporary period of calm; 2.v. appease, calm

lure(v) :tempt, entice, provoke, seduce;

lurid (adj) :shocking, sensational; terrible, unnaturally bright;

magnify (v) :increase or intensify.

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- makeshift (adj)** :temporary, provisional, improvised
- maladroit (adj)** :inefficient or inept; clumsy.
- malfeasance(n)** : wrongdoing, trespass (especially by a public official)
- malign (v)** :speak ill of; slander;
- malignant (adj)** :harmful; evil; malevolent;
- malleable (adj)** :flexible, adaptable;
- malnourished (adj)** :suffering from a lack of proper nutrition,
- manacle (v)** :confine or restrain with handcuffs;
- marginalize (v)** :put in a position of secondary importance;
- marsh (n)** :a tract of soft wet land; morass;
- mastery (n)** :expertise; command; control;
- matched (adj)** :suitable; identical; compatible; paralleled;
- matriarch (n)** :female head of a family or tribe; reigning mother
- medieval (adj)** :relating to the middle ages; very old-fashioned or outdated.
- meld(v)** :blend, merge
- menacing (adj)** :dangerous; threatening
- mendacity (n)** :untruthfulness; falsity, dishonesty
- merely (adv)** :just; only; simply;
- metaphorical (adj)** :figurative; non literal; expressing one thing in terms normally denoting another
- methodology (n)** :a system of methods used in a particular field.
- meticulous (adj)** :very careful and precise; scrupulous;
- midst (prep)** :in the middle of.
- migrant (adj)** :migratory, of that which moves from one place to another
- mimic (v)** :imitate in order to entertain or ridicule
- minimal (adj)** :least possible, smallest; simple;
- minute (adj)** :extremely small; trivial; tiny;
- misapprehension (n)** :failed belief, improper understanding
- miscalculation(n)** :mistaken calculation, faulty judgment
- misconception** :mistaken belief, misunderstanding, misinterpretation
- miserliness (n)** :cheapness, stinginess
- mislead (v)** :misguide, misdirect, misinform, deceive;
- misnomer (n)** :a wrong or inaccurate name or term
- misrepresent (v)** :represent unfairly; describe in a distorted manner
- mobility (n)** :movability; ability to move; agility;
- modest** :humble, simple; unremarkable; limited in size or scope;
- modicum(n)** :a small quantity
- modish (adj)** :stylish, fashionable
- momentary (adj)** :lasting for a moment; brief; fleeting;
- monarchy (n)** :an autocracy governed by a monarch;
- monopolize (v)** :have and control fully and exclusively
- monotonous (adj)** :1.adj.lacking in variety, repetitive; 2. **monotony(n)** :tedious lack of variety.
- mores (n)** :the customs and conventions of a community.
- mortality (n)** :state of having a limited life span; rate of death
- mounting (n)** :growing; becoming stronger, gradually strengthening
- multifaceted (adj)** :having many aspects; varied; complex;
- mundane (adj)** :of this world, earthly; normal, banal, ordinary;
- munificent (adj)** :generous, lavish in giving
- murky (adj)** :dark and gloomy; (of water) dirty or cloudy

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mysterious (adj) :difficult or impossible to understand, explain, or identify.
myth (n) :a widely held but false belief; a traditional story accepted as history;
naïve (adj) :lacking experience, wisdom, or judgment; natural; innocent;
naiveté (n) :lack of sophistication or worldliness; gullibility; innocence;
narcissism (n) :an exceptional interest in and admiration for yourself; self-love;
narrative (n) :plot; literary work that tells a story;
nascent (adj) :in the beginning stages of existence; newly developed; originating;
native (n) :a local inhabitant; existing at birth, inborn;
need (n) :a state of extreme poverty; shortage; necessity, requirement;
negligent (adj) :neglectful; inattentive, careless;
nesting (n) :process of making a place homey;
nettle (v) :annoy; irritate;
neutral (adj) :1.impartial; 2.of no particular kind or character;
neutralize (v) :make ineffective by applying an opposite force or effect.
nomadic (adj) :wandering;
nonexistent (adj) :not having existence; lacking, missing;
nontrivial (adj) :requiring real thought or significant computing power
normative (adj) :standard, normal
notable (adj) :remarkable, noteworthy; famous;
notation (n) :system of symbols used to mark something (e.g. musical notation);
notoriety(n) :famous for some bad quality or deed;
notwithstanding (conj) : although, despite the fact that;
novel (adj) :1.adj.new; strange;

2. **novelty (n)** :innovation; something new;
novice (n) :beginner, inexperienced person,
nuance (n) :shades of meaning; slight difference; subtle difference;
numerical (adj) :of or consisting of numbers
objective (adj) :1.impartial, unbiased; 2.not dependent on the mind for existence; actual.
objurgation (n) :scolding severely, rebuking
obligation(n) :duty; indebtedness; agreement;
obliquely (adv) :indirectly; not directly;
obscure (adj) :1.vague; dark; 2.hard to understand; 3.not important or well-known;
obsequious (adj) :overly attentive; fawning; servile
obsolete (adj) :no longer produced or used; out of date.
obstacle(n) :obstruction, impediment, hindrance
obviate (v) :1. remove (a need or difficulty); 2. prevent; avoid;
obvious(adj) :clear; apparent;
occasional (adj) :infrequent; occurring from time to time;
offset (v) :compensate; balance;
olfactory (adj) :related to sense of smell
omniscience (n) :knowing everything.
omnivorous (adj) :eating meat and vegetation;
onetime (adj) :erstwhile; former; at some time in the past;
opaque (adj) :not transparent; not clear; dull; stupid
opportune (adj) :especially convenient or appropriate;
organization (n) :systematic arrangement of elements;

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orient (v) :direct; place in a particular position; become familiar with;

originate (v) :begin; be created; develop; be born;

orthodox (adj) :1. conforming with traditional or generally accepted beliefs; conventional, normal;

orthographical (adj) :the conventional spelling system of a language;

outmoded (adj) :out-of-date; old-fashioned;

outnumber (v) :exceed in number

outspoken (adj) :frank in stating one's opinions.

outstrip (v) :exceed; surpass; excel;

overestimate (v) :overrate, overvalue;

overlap (v) :1.v.have something in common; 2.n. something that is superimposed

overlook (v) :1.fail to notice, ignore; 2.look over;

overrate (v) :rate more highly than is deserved.

overshadow (v) :1.obscure; cause to be shadowed; 2. make something less important

oversimplify (v) :simplify excessively, simplify too much

overturn (v) :subdue; defeat; turn over; overthrow;

overwhelm(v) :1.defeat completely; overpower; 2. give too much of something to

painstaking (adj) :careful; meticulous; conscientious;

paleontologist (n) : geologist who researches geological periods through the study of fossils

panache (n) :flamboyant style or manner; self-confidence;

pandemic (adj) :extensive, comprehensive; universal, general; widely epidemic;

panned (v) :criticize;

papyrus (n) :paper reed;

paradigm (n) :model, ideal; mold, form; example, pattern

paradox (n) :statement that seems to be self-contradictory;

parallel (v) : be equal; correspond, be similar, be analogous;

partiality (n) :bias, prejudice; preference;

partially (adv) :1.n. in an incomplete manner, partly; 2.in a biased manner;

partisan (adj) :devoted, zealously supportive, biased;

partisanship (n) :siding with a particular faction; support or endorsement

passive (adj) :submissive, unresisting ; indifferent, disinterested; detached;

patent (adj) :1.clear; obvious, evident; 2. ingenious, innovative

patriarch (n) :male head of a church or a family;

patronage (n) :sponsorship; support; clientele

pattern (n) :shape; sample; model; mold;

paucity (n) :scarcity, scantiness; fewness

peculiarity (n) :oddness, strangeness;

peddle (v) :sell; sell (an illegal drug or stolen item);

pedestrian (adj) :unimaginative; boring; dull;

pellucid (adj) :clear in meaning, understandable;

penitential (adj) :feeling or showing sorrow and regret for having done wrong.

perception (n) :1.n.sense, feeling, intuition; understanding; 2.**perceptual (adj)**: insightful, intuitive;

perennial (adj) :lasting for a long time; enduring;

perforated (adj) :pierced; holed, having holes

perfunctory (adj) :superficial, cursory; reckless; that lacks enthusiasm;

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peripheral (adj) :1.marginal; external; exterior; 2.secondary;
pernicious (adj) :malignant; damaging, harmful;
perpetuate (v) :cause to continue indefinitely.
perseverance (n) :persistent determination;
persistent (adj) :tenacious; persevering; constant;
personify (v) :give human qualities to an inhuman object; embody, typify;
perspective (n) :viewpoint, outlook; vista, view;
pertain (v) :belong to; relate, refer
pertinacious (adj) :stubborn; persistent.
perturbation (n) :anxiety; uneasiness;
peruse (v) :read or examine thoroughly or carefully;
pervasive (adj) :spread throughout; penetrating;
pessimism (n) :lack of hope or confidence in the future.
phenomena (n) :event or circumstance that can be observed; something unusual;
phenomenal (adj) :extraordinary; perceived by the senses;
phlegmatic (adj) :unemotional and stolidly calm; apathetic;
phonetic (adj) :of or relating to speech sounds;
phony (adj) :fake, fraudulent, not authentic
physiological (adj) :pertaining to the function of body parts
picturesque (adj) :visually attractive; pretty as a picture; vivid;
piety (n) :devoutness, orthodoxy; religiousness;
pioneering (adj) :initial, first, innovative, initiating;
piously (adv) :self-righteously, hypocritically; in an orthodox manner, traditionally;

pithy (adj) :succinct, terse; brief and meaningful
placid (adj) :calm and peaceful; not easily upset;
plastic (adj) :1.flexible, pliant; easily shaped ; 2. artificial;
plausible (adj) :apparently reasonable and valid; believable;
plight (n) :dangerous, difficult, or otherwise unfortunate situation.
ploddingly (adv) :working slowly and methodically; working diligently;
plutocratic (adj) :wealthy; aristocratic;
poised (adj) :composed and elegant ; self-assured.
polarize (v) :separate into opposing groups, contrapose;
polemical (adj) :controversial, quarrelsome, disputatious
politic (adj) :sensible, wise; clever
political (adj) :1.pertaining to politics; 2.politicize (v) :give a political character to;
populous (adj) :having a large population.
portentous (adj) :1.propheying bad events; 2.amazing; exemplary; 3.pompous
portrait (n) :a painting of a person's face
portrayal (n) :description, depiction; describe in a particular way.
possess (v) :control, hold; have as a quality; own;
posthumous (adj) :after death;
posture (n) :an approach or attitude towards something; position;
posturing (adj) :pretentious display of manners; posing, positioning
potential (adj) :1.expected; in prospect;2. **potentiality (n)** : strength that is not visible;
pragmatism (n) :a practical approach to problems and affairs
precarious (adj) :dangerous; uncertain; unstable;

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precede (v) :come or go before in time, order, or position

precedence (n) :the condition of preceding others in importance, order, or rank

precise (v) :exact; meticulous; exacting;

preclude (v) :prevent ;make impossible, especially beforehand

precursor (n) :an indication of the approach of something or someone;

predate (v) :occur prior to; establish something as being earlier relative to something else

predecessor (n) :one who came before (in a job, etc.); ancestor;

predicament (n) :difficult situation; unpleasant situation;

predominant (adj) :superior, supreme; prevalent, widespread;

preeminence (n) :high status importance owing to marked superiority;

prejudice (n) :preconceived opinion, bias;

premature (adj) :untimely, before the proper time; hasty;

premise (n) :basic assumption, presupposition

prescient (adj) :having knowledge of events before they take place.

presume (v) :1.assume, take for granted; 2.**presumed (adj)** : supposed, expected

presumptuous (adj) :arrogant, excessively forward;

presupposition (n) :early assumption, previous presumption

preternatural (adj) :beyond what is normal or natural; supernatural;

prevailing (adj) :common, predominant, current

prevalence (n) :1.predominance; 2.prevalent (adj) : widespread, predominant;

prevarication (n) :speak or act evasively; lie, mislead;

prickly (adj) :ready to take offence; very irritable;

primacy (n) :pre-eminence; supremacy;

primed (adj) :1.ready; prepared; 2. satisfied, satiated;

primeval (adj) :primordial, ancient, primitive;

pristine (adj) :1.pure; 2.unrefined, unspoiled

probate (n) :official certification of the validity of a last will ;

probity (n) :honesty and decency;

problematic (adj) :troublesome, presenting a problem, presenting a difficulty

prodigality (n) :wastefully extravagant; lavish

prodigious (adj) :remarkably or impressively large; amazing;

prodigy (n) :genius ;exceptional talented child;

productive (adj) :yielding positive results; generative;

profligate (adj) :recklessly extravagant or wasteful; licentious;

profound (adj) :deep, very great or intense; showing great knowledge or insight;

profundity (n) :great depth of insight or knowledge; reconditeness;

prolixity (n) : (of speech or writing) tediously lengthy.

prominence (n) :1.eminence; fame, notoriety; protrusion; 2.**prominent (adj)**: important, eminent;

promulgate (v) :promote or make widely known

prone (v) :1.having a tendency (to);2. lying face down;

pronounce (v) :speak, or utter in a certain way;declare;hold;

propaganda (n) :information spread in order to promote a particular goal

propel (v) :push, drive; move forward

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prophetic (adj) :of prediction;
forecasting
propped up :supported; leaning, held up
prosaic (adj) :commonplace; boring;
unromantic.
prosecute (v) :bring a criminal action against;
protagonist (n) :the leading character in a drama, film, or novel; champion;
protected (adj) :defended, sheltered
province (n) :district, division; region, area;
provoke (v) :irritate, annoy; incite, instigate; stimulate, arouse;
prowess(n) :excellent skill; heroism; courage;
proximity (n) :nearness, closeness;
proxy (n) :power to act of behalf of another person; substitute;
pseudonymous (adj) :written under a false name
publicize (v) :advertise, make public;
pugnacious (adj) :inclined to fight, combative, quarrelsome;
put to rest :not think or worry about it any more;
qualify (n) :1.limit, restrict; 2.certify; 3.modify; 4.qualified (adj) : limited; competent;
qualitative (adj) :involving distinctions based on qualities; opposite to quantitative;
questionable(adj) : dubious, doubtful; debatable, controversial
quirkiness (n) :a strange attitude or habit
quixotic (adj) :impractically idealistic or fanciful.
radical (adj) :revolutionary; (used of opinions and actions) far beyond the norm; fundamental;
rational (adj) :1.logical, reasonable; intelligent; 2. **rationality (n)** : sensibleness

rationalize (v) :attempt to justify (an action or attitude) with logical reasoning;
realization (n) :1.accomplishment; achievement;2. awareness, understanding
reasonable (adj) :logical; wise; likely, credible;
reassess (v) :reevaluate, estimate again,
recalcitrant (adj) :obstinately uncooperative; stubborn; rebellious;
recapitulate (v) :summarize, conclude, sum up
receptive (adj) :1.accepting; open to suggestions; 2. **recipient (n)** ; receiver, one who accepts;
reconcile(v) : 1. to restore to friendship or harmony; 2. make compatible with; 3. adapt;
recondite (adj) : (of a subject or knowledge) obscure.
recrudescent (adj) :breaking out again; recurring.
redundant (adj) :exceeding what is necessary or normal; superfluous; unnecessary;
referenda (n) :poll of an entire population, referral of a vote to the entire electorate
refined (adj) :purified, distilled; cultivated, having fine manners or style
reflect (v) :reflect deeply on a subject; manifest or bring back;
reform (v/n) :1.v.amend;improve; 2.n.a campaign aimed to correct abuses
refrain(v) : not do something; abstain;
refute (v) :rebut, disprove, prove false;
regret (v) :feel sorrow, feel remorseful, rue
reigning (adj) :exercising power or authority; ruling; prevailing;
rein (v) :control, restrain;
reinforce (v) :strengthen or support;
relentless (adj) :constant; never-ceasing; severe, unrelenting; unyielding;

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relevance (n) :relatedness, state of being connected to the current subject;

relinquish (v) :surrender, give up; forsake, abandon

reluctance (n) :1.unwillingness or aversion to do something;2. **reluctant (adj)** :hesitant, unwilling

remarkable (adj) :extraordinary or striking;

remedial (adj) :serving to fix, corrective; designed to improve one's skills

renaissance (n) :rebirth, renewal; the revival of art and literature

renewed(adj) :refreshed, new;

reorientation (n) :change the focus or direction of.

replicate (v) :make an exact copy of; reproduce

repression (n) :suppression of undesirable feelings, urges or memories;

repudiate (v) :reject, disavow; disown; deny, refuse;

requisite (adj) :required, essential, necessary, needed

reside (v) :dwell; rest in, exist within

residual (adj) :leftover, remaining;

resolute (adj) :determined; unwavering;

restive (adj) :nervous, uneasy, restless; uncontrollable

restrain (v) :curb, hinder; arrest; repress, subdue

restrict (v) :1.limit, regulate, curb;

2.**restricted (adj)** : limited ;

3.**restrictive (adj)** ; imposing limits;

resurgent (adj) :rising again;

experiencing rebirth;

reticent (adj) :untalkative, reserved, self-effacing;

retrospection (n) :1.reference to things past;2. **retrospective (adj)** : of contemplation of past events

reveal (v) :disclose; cause or allow to be seen

reverberant (adj) :resounding, echoing, resonant

reverence (n) :veneration, sense of deep respect;

revive (v) :reactivate, bring back to life;

revolutionary (adj) :radically new or different, innovative

rhetoric (n) :the art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing

rid (v) :free from; remove, take away;

rife (adj) :widespread; plentiful;

rigidity (n) :inflexibility; strictness, severity

ritual (n) :any customary observance or practice

rival (n) :competitor, opponent;

robust (adj) :strong; healthy; vigorous;

row (n) :argument, quarrel; ruckus

ruinous (adj) :destroyed, dilapidated; disastrous

rumination (n) :think deeply about something.

salubrious (adj) :healthy; pleasant;

sanguine (adj) :optimistic, hopeful; certain;

sartorial(adj) :relating to tailoring, clothes, or style of dress.

scandalous (adj) :outrageous, shocking; shameful;

scant (adj) :lacking, having an inadequate supply;

scarce (adj) :rare, not abundant, in short supply;

scathing (adj) :causing damage; severe, harsh;

scheme (v) :design; plot; form plots in an underhand manner;

schism(n) :split; division of a group into opposing factions;

scholarship (n) :profound scholarly knowledge; learning;

scrupulous (adj) :diligent, thorough, and attentive to details; religious;

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scrutinize (v) :examine or inspect closely and thoroughly
secular (adj) :not religious, not spiritual; worldly ;
seize (v) : get hold of; capture; take over;
seized on (v) :hurry to take advantage of; jump on;
self-righteous (adj) :certain that one is totally correct or morally superior; hypocritically pious;
semantic (adj) :of the study of the meaning and use of words and phrases
sensational (adj) :exciting, thrilling; dramatic;
sensory (adj) :pertaining to the senses; sensitive;
serfdom (n) :slavery, indenture, bondage;
settled (adj) :decided beyond dispute or doubt; resolved;
sham (adj) :1.adj.deceptive; feigned; 2.v. trick, deceive;
shield (v) :protect, guard; cover;
shirk (v) :avoid work;
shore up:support; prop up;
shortsighted (adj) :lacking foresight or scope; myopic; improvident;
shrewdness (n) :cleverness, craftiness; intelligence;
significant (adj) :important, consequential; meaningful; of a considerable amount
simplistic (adj) :oversimplified, unrealistically simple;
simulate (v) :imitate, copy; pretend, fake
simultaneous (adj): occurring at the same time; concurrent;
skeptic (adj) :skeptical, doubtful, questioning the validity of claims;
2.n.one who doubts
sketchy (adj) :not thorough or detailed; incomplete;
skittish (adj) :nervous; shy; lively;
slander (v) :defame, vilify, malign

slavery (n) :state of being a slave, bondage; hard work;
slight (v) :1.v.insult, ignore; 2. **slight (adj)** : small, insignificant;
smelt(v) :extract metal from (ore) by this process;
snap (v) : to speak in a curt biting tone; move abruptly;
snappy (adj) :cleverly concise; neat and stylish; irritable;
snare (v) :entrap, entangle, capture
solicitous (adj) :showing interest or concern; eager or anxious to do something
sophisticated (adj):ahead in development; complex or intricate; refined; worldly-wise;
spare (adj/v) :1.adj. simple; lacking in quantity; thin ; 2. **spare (v)** : save, use frugally; handle gently;
sparing (adj) :economical, frugal; meager, limited;
specific (adj) :special, unique; precise; limited;
spectrum (n) :broad range of connected colors, ideas or events
speculate (v) :create a theory; hypothesize; reflect, ponder;
spiritual (adj) :unworldly; immaterial; religious; sacred;
sporadically (adv) :in an irregular manner, fitfully, randomly
spotlight(n) :a focus of public attention; limelight;
spurious (adj) :false, artificial; intended to deceive;
stabilize (v) :make or become stable
stained (adj) :tarnished (especially of reputation);discolored;
stance (n) :physical position or bearing while standing; opinion
standing (n) :status, reputation; duration;
startling (adj) :very surprising or remarkable; alarming;
static (adj) :motionless; unchanging;

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statistic (n) :a datum (fact) that can be represented numerically

statuary (adj) :of or pertaining to a statue

steadfastly (adv) :loyally, faithfully; without change, steadily

stigmatize(v) :regard as worthy of disgrace; denounce;

stimulation (n) :arousal, invigorating; motivation

stinginess (n) :quality of being miserly, parsimoniousness;

straightforward (adj) :simple, uncomplicated; frank; sincere; honest;

strategic (adj) :based on strategy, designed to achieve a goal;

strategy (n) :plan designed to achieve a particular long-term aim.

strife (n) :plan designed to achieve a particular long-term aim.

strikingly (adv) :in a remarkable manner, conspicuously

stripped down: lacking any extra features; simple;

strive(v) :try hard; compete; struggle;

subcutaneous(adj) :situated under the skin

subjective (adj) :based on or influenced by personal bias or feelings; existing in the mind;

submissive (adj) :meekly obedient or passive; yielding;

subordination (n) :state of being under the authority of another;

subsequent (adj) :1.following, happening after; 2. **subsequently** (adv) :following;

subset (n) :set whose components are contained within another set

substantial (adj) :considerable ; important; essential;

substantiate (v) :provide evidence to support or prove the truth of.

subtle (adj) :1. be difficult to detect or grasp by the mind; 2. delicate; 2. shrewd; 3. cunning;

subtly (adv) :in a subtle and delicate manner;

subvert (v) :1.overthrow, destroy;

2.**subversion** (n) :undermine the power and authority of;

succeed (v) :take the place of; inherit; follow, prosper;

suffrage (n) :right to vote;

suggest (v) :imply, hint; evoke, call to mind; propose;

summarize (v) :give a brief statement of the main points of

sunny (adj) :cheerful; bright and pleasant;

superfluous (adj) :being more than is needed, excessive; unnecessary

supersede (v) :supplant, replace; make useless

supine (adj) :1.lying on the back; 2.passive, indifferent; indolence;

supplant (v) :supersede and replace

suppressed (adj) :stopped by force; repressed, stifled; blocked;

surmount (v) :overcome, conquer, triumph over;

surpass (v) :be greater or better than; excel;

surrogate (adj) :acting as a substitute or replacement

survival (n) :remaining alive; endurance;

susceptible (adj) :1.vulnerable; yielding readily; 2. easily impressed emotionally

sustain (v) :1.support, strengthen; 2. withstand; 3. maintain; 4. uphold;

sway (v) :1.influence, affect the opinion or actions of; 2.swing to and fro;

sweeping (adj) :overwhelming; extensive, general, having a wide range;

sympathetic (adj) :compassionate, concerned, understanding

synchronize (v) :cause to occur or operate at the same time or rate.

synoptic (adj) :presenting a summary or general view of a whole;

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syntax (n) :1.study of sentence structure (grammar); 2.**syntactic** (adj) :conforming to the rules of syntax
synthesize (v) :combine into a coherent whole; unify; produce by synthesis;
taciturn (adj) :1.reserved or uncommunicative in speech; 2.
taciturnity (n) : the trait of being uncommunicative;
tactless (adj) :having or showing a lack of tact (skill).
tailor (v) :make or alter a garment; create or adapt for a particular need ;
take issue with :challenge
tale (n) :1.story; rumor; 2.lie, falsehood
tar (v) :1.to defile , stain; 2. **tarnish** (v) : make less valuable or respected;
tawdry (adj) :tastelessly showy; cheap and sordid;
tedious (adj) :tiresome; boring, dreary, routine;
temperance (n) :moderation; abstinence from alcoholic beverages
tempo (n) :rhythm, beat
temporal (adj) :of or pertaining to time; temporary; mundane; worldly; secular;
tendentious (adj) :marked by a tendency in favor of a particular point of view; biased
tenuous (adj) :thin, very slender or fine.
terse (adj) :concise, succinct, curt, short
theatrical (adj) :excessively dramatic; affected
thorny (adj) :causing difficulty; problematic.
threshold (n) :lower limit; edge; verge, beginning; door step;
thrift (adj) :saving, economizing
thrilling (adj) :causing a surge of emotion or excitement;
thrive (v) :prosper; flourish;

thwart (v) :frustrate, foil, prevent, impede;
timely (adj) :opportune, well-timed, convenient;
timorous (adj) :lacking in courage or confidence; nervous;
token (n/adj) :1.n.symbol, emblem; 2.adj.nominal, symbolic, perfunctory
tolerance (n) :endurance, broad-mindedness;
tortuous (adj) :1. full of twists and turns; 2. Excessively lengthy and complex;
tracing (n) :following, tracking;
traditional (adj) :conventional; orthodox;
trail (n) :track, footprints; path, way;
trait (n) :quality, characteristic
tranquil (adj) :1.quiet, calm;
2.**tranquility(n)** : quietness, calmness
transcend (v) :excel, rise above, go beyond;
transform (v) :change, transmute, metamorphose
transient (adj) :temporary, impermanent
transition(n) : the process or a period of changing from one state or condition to another.
transitory (adj) :not permanent; short-lived;
transparent (adj) :clear, see-through, easily understood
treacherous (adj) :tending to betray; dangerously unstable and unpredictable
trifling (adj) :insignificant, worthless, trivial
trigger (v) :precipitate, initiate; activate;
trite (adj) :hackneyed, unoriginal, stereotyped;
triumph (n) :victory, success, achievement
trivial (adj) :of little value; unimportant;

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typical (adj) :characteristic, conforming to the expected, standard;

ubiquitous: present everywhere; universal; widespread;

ultimately (adv) :in the end, eventually;

unadorned (adj) :plain, simple, not adorned

unaffected (adj) :sincere and genuine; natural; not affected;

unaware (adj) :unknowing, uninformed

uncritically (adv) :not critical; lacking in discrimination

uncultivated (adj) : 1. not prepared for raising crops; 2.not highly educated

undemonstrative (adj) :not tending to express feelings, especially of affection, openly.

undercut (v) :weaken, undermine;

underline (v) :underscore; emphasize

underlying (adj) :lying beneath; fundamental, basic; implicit;

undermine (v) :slowly weaken; sabotage, subvert

underrate (v) :underestimate, undervalue, belittle

underscore (v)emphasize; stress, underline

understated (adj) :presented or expressed in a subtle and effective way;

understatement (n) :a statement that is restrained ;

undertake (v) :receive responsibility for a task; guarantee

undiminished (adj) :not made smaller, not reduced;

undue (adj) :excessive, disproportionate; improper; not owed

unenlightened (adj) :ignorant; uneducated;

uneven (adj) :rough, bumpy; unbalanced; varying; unfair;

unexceptional(adj) : not out of the ordinary; usual.

unfamiliar (adj) :not well-known; different, unusual

unforeseeable (adj) :not anticipated or predicted.

unguided (adj) :not guided or directed

unimpeded (adj) :not obstructed or hindered.

unintelligible (adj) :impossible to understand.

unique (adj) :singular, matchless, unequaled, rare; one of a kind

universal (adj) :worldwide, comprehensive, all-inclusive, total, general

unjustified (adj) :lacking justification or authorization; unwarranted;

unlikely (adv) :improbably, doubtfully, implausibly

unlimited (adj) :infinite, unrestricted; limitless;

unprecedented (adj) :never done or known before; novel;

unpremeditated(adj) : unplanned; spontaneous;

unpretentious (adj) :not pretentious; modest.

unpropitious (adj) :unfavorable;

unqualified (adj) :1. not limited or restricted, absolute ;2. incompetent

unrealized (adj) :not achieved or created; not fulfilled

unreceptive (adj) :not ready to accept, not open to new ideas;

unremarkable (adj) :common, ordinary, not particularly interesting or surprising;

unresolved (adj) :not solved, not settled

unrestrained(adj) :uncontrolled, unchecked, unbridled, uninhibited

unseemly (adj) :improper, indecorous, inappropriate

unsophisticated (adj) :not complicated or highly developed; basic; unrefined;

unsound (adj) :not holding acceptable views; not safe ; in poor condition;

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unsparing: 1.merciless, severe, cruel;
2.generous, not stingy

unsubstantiated (adj) :not supported or proven by evidence.

unsustainable (adj) :not able to be upheld or defended.

untenable (adj) :undefendable;
incapable of being defended or justified

untutored (adj) :untrained,
unprepared, uneducated

unusual (adj) :uncommon, irregular

unwieldy (adj) :unmanageable; clumsy

upheaval (n) :a violent or sudden change or disruption;

uproot(v) :pull (a plant, tree, etc.) out of the ground; eradicate;

urchin(n) :poor and mischievous child;

utterly (adv) :thoroughly, entirely, completely, totally

vanquish (v) :1.defeat thoroughly.; 2.

vanquished (adj) : defeated in combat

varied (adj) :different, diverse; of different kinds; changing

veil (n/v) :cover; hide

venal (adj) :1.characterized by bribery; corrupt;2. **venality (n)** : corruption;

venture (v) :undertake a risky or daring journey

venue(n) :the scene of any event or action; locale;

vestigial (adj) :not fully developed ; of a remnant;

vexation (n) :anger produced by some annoying irritation

viable (adj) :capable of working successfully; feasible; livable;

vice versa (adv) :the opposite, the relation being reversed; conversely;

vigorous (adj) :robust, strong; energetic, active

virtual (adj) :being actually such in almost every respect;

virulence (n) :extremely severe or harmful; bitterly hostile

visionary (adj) :idealistic, one who envisions new concepts

vividly (adv) :brightly; graphically; in a lively manner

vocal (adj) :spoken, oral; outspoken;

vociferous (adj) :loud, noisy, clamorous; vehement;

volubility (n) :speaking or spoken fluently;

vulnerable (adj) :unprotected; exposed; susceptible

warrant (n) :authorization; license; justification; empowerment;

warring (adj) :fighting, battling

wary (adj) :1.cautious, suspicious ;2.**wariness (n)** :caution, heedfulness, watchfulness

whet (v) :sharpen; awaken, stimulate

widespread (adj) :common, popular, extensive, prevalent;

wilderness (n) :forest; desert; a wild and uninhabited area

willed (adj) :having a will of a particular nature (i.e. strong-willed); deliberate;

withdrawal (n) :revoking, retraction; resignation;

withering (adj) :1.wilting, fading; 2.causing someone to be ashamed

woe (n) :pain, deep sorrow; misfortune, grief;

worldly (adj) :materialistic ; not spiritual; sophisticated; earthly; mundane;

wrought on: exert influence on

yearn (v) :desire, long, crave; miss someone or something

zeal (n) :excitement; fervor, passion; jealousy

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