[adverse](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_adverse.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: preventing success or development; harmful; unfavorable. Ebola is adverse to peoples health.

[constrain](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_constrain.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: severely restrict the scope, extent, or activity of. Some parents constrain their children from watching action movies.

[groundless](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_groundless.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: not based on any good reason. Your question is groundless.

[mimic](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_mimic.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: imitate (someone or their actions or words), typically in order to entertain or ridicule. I told Jimmy not to mimic me.

[arid](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_arid.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: (of land or a climate) having little or no rain; too dry or barren to support vegetation. The desert was arid.

[contemporary](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_contemporary.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: living or occurring at the same time. Bob and I are contemporary.

[hypocrite](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_hypocrite.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: a person who indulges in hypocrisy. Satan is a hypocrite.

[ruffle](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_ruffle.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: disorder or disarrange (someone's hair), typically by running one's hands through it. Rob ruffled Steve’s hair.

[assailant](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_assailant.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: a person who physically attacks another. A robber is an assailant.

[depict](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_depict.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: show or represent by a drawing, painting, or other art form. Students depicted a scene on a banner for the basketball team.

[incomprehensible](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_incomprehensible.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: not able to be understood; not intelligible. The word supercalifragilisticexpialidocious is [incomprehensible](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_incomprehensible.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank) for some people.

[serene](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_serene.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: calm, peaceful, and untroubled; tranquil. The spa at the lodge was serene.

[billow](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_billow.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: a large undulating mass of something, typically cloud, smoke, or steam. There was a billow of steam in the kitchen.

[disinterested](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_disinterested.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: not influenced by considerations of personal advantage. Billy was disinterested about learning.

[sheepish](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_sheepish.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: (of a person or expression) showing embarrassment from shame or a lack of self-confidence. Steve was sheepish at school.

[confront](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_confront.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: meet (someone) face to face with hostile or argumentative intent. I confronted Bob.

[encompass](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_encompass.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: surround and have or hold within. The chicken pen encompassed half the back yard.

[maximum](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_maximum.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: as great, high, or intense as possible or permitted. The maximum weight capacity of the elevator is 1500 pounds.

[stamina](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/iwords/Level_A/Unit_2/Vocabulary_stamina.mp3" \o "Click and listen" \t "_blank)

: the ability to sustain prolonged physical or mental effort. Jim didn’t think he had enough stamina to finish the race.