

amiable-

(Adjective): having or displaying a friendly and pleasant manner

adulatory-

(Adjective): excessively praising or admiring

sophomoric-

(Adjective): relating to or characteristic of a sophomore

toil-

(Verb): work extremely hard or incessantly (Noun): exhausting physical labour

entreaty-

(Noun): an earnest or humble request

indisputably-

(Adverb): in a way that cannot be challenged or denied

canny-

(Adjective): having or showing shrewdness and good judgement, especially in money or business matters

gregarious-

(Adjective): (of a person) fond of company; sociable

fervent-

(Adjective): having or displaying a passionate intensity

statute-

(Noun): a written law passed by a legislative body

upend-

(Verb): set or turn (something) on its end or upside down

allegorical-

(Adjective): constituting or containing allegory

covey-

(Noun): a small flock of birds, especially partridge.

idiosyncratic-

(Adjective): relating to idiosyncrasy; peculiar or individual

hindrance-

(Noun): a thing that provides resistance, delay, or obstruction to something or someone

detriment-

(Noun): the state of being harmed or damaged

consanguineous-

(Adjective): relating to or denoting people descended from the same ancestor

inexorably-

(Adverb): in a way that is impossible to stop or prevent

rejoinder-

(Noun): a reply, especially a sharp or witty one

acerbic-

(Adjective): (especially of a comment or style of speaking) sharp and forthright

artfully-

(Adverb): in a way that is clever or skilful and also cunning

aghast-

(Adjective): filled with horror or shock

hamlet-

(Noun): a small settlement, generally one smaller than a village, and strictly (in Britain) one without a church. (Noun): a legendary prince of Denmark, hero of a tragedy by Shakespeare.

deftly-

(Adverb): in a way that is neatly skilful and quick in movement

diffident-

(Adjective): modest or shy because of a lack of self-confidence

baneful-

(Adjective): harmful or destructive

asylum-

(Noun): the protection granted by a state to someone who has left their home country as a political refugee

abreast-

(Adverb): side by side and facing the same way

intransigence-

(Noun): refusal to change one's views or to agree about something

impact-

(Noun): the action of one object coming forcibly into contact with another (Verb): come into forcible contact with another object

communism-

(Noun): a theory or system of social organization in which all property is owned by the community and each person contributes and receives according to their ability and needs.

delinquent-

(Adjective): (typically of a young person) tending to commit crime, particularly minor crime (Noun): a delinquent person

dissolute-

(Adjective): (of a person or a way of life) overindulging in sensual pleasures

grotesque-

(Adjective): comically or repulsively ugly or distorted (Noun): a very ugly or comically distorted figure or image

apologist-

(Noun): a person who offers an argument in defence of something controversial

hector-

(Verb): talk to (someone) in a bullying way (Noun): a Trojan warrior, son of Priam and Hecuba and husband of Andromache. He was killed by Achilles, who dragged his body behind his chariot three times round the walls of Troy.

fickle-

(Adjective): changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties or affections

explicitly-

(Adverb): in a clear and detailed manner, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

grandiloquent-

(Adjective): pompous or extravagant in language, style, or manner, especially in a way that is intended to impress

convoluted-

(Adjective): (especially of an argument, story, or sentence) extremely complex and difficult to follow

credulous-

(Adjective): having or showing too great a readiness to believe things

revisionist-

(Noun): a supporter of a policy of revision or modification (Adjective): advocating a policy of revision or modification

indifference-

(Noun): lack of interest, concern, or sympathy

unpropitious-

(Adjective): (of a circumstance) not giving or indicating a good chance of success; unfavourable

equilibrium-

(Noun): a state in which opposing forces or influences are balanced

bridge-

(Noun): a structure carrying a road, path, railway, etc. across a river, road, or other obstacle (Verb): be or make a bridge over (something)

counterpoint-

(Noun): the technique of setting, writing, or playing a melody or melodies in conjunction with another, according to fixed rules. (Verb): add counterpoint to (a melody)

aphorism-

(Noun): a pithy observation which contains a general truth

antithetical-

(Adjective): directly opposed or contrasted; mutually incompatible

sanguinary-

(Adjective): involving or causing much bloodshed