

## **agrarian-**

(Adjective): relating to cultivated land or the cultivation of land (Noun): a person who advocates a redistribution of landed property.

## **solicitous-**

(Adjective): characterized by or showing interest or concern

## **abridge-**

(Verb): shorten (a book, film, speech, etc.) without losing the sense

## **vacillating-**

(Adjective): wavering between different opinions or actions; irresolute

## **incensed-**

(Adjective): very angry; enraged

## **inconsequential-**

(Adjective): not important or significant

## **tangential-**

(Adjective): relating to or along a tangent

## **scarcity-**

(Noun): the state of being scarce or in short supply; shortage

## **hegemonic-**

(Adjective): ruling or dominant in a political or social context

## **helmsmanship-**

(Noun): the action or skill of steering a ship or boat

## **constitution-**

(Noun): a body of fundamental principles or established precedents according to which a state or other organization is acknowledged to be governed

## **deliberate-**

(Adjective): done consciously and intentionally (Verb): engage in long and careful consideration

## **celebrated-**

(Adjective): greatly admired; renowned

## **exacerbate-**

(Verb): make (a problem, bad situation, or negative feeling) worse

## **infinitesimal-**

(Adjective): extremely small (Noun): an indefinitely small quantity; a value approaching zero.

## **volatile-**

(Adjective): (of a substance) easily evaporated at normal temperatures (Noun): a volatile substance.

## **tribute-**

(Noun): an act, statement, or gift that is intended to show gratitude, respect, or admiration

## **charade-**

(Noun): an absurd pretence intended to create a pleasant or respectable appearance

## **evanescent-**

(Adjective): soon passing out of sight, memory, or existence; quickly fading or disappearing

## **subterfuge-**

(Noun): deceit used in order to achieve one's goal

## **efficacious-**

(Adjective): (of something inanimate or abstract) successful in producing a desired or intended result; effective

## **squalid-**

(Adjective): (of a place) extremely dirty and unpleasant, especially as a result of poverty or neglect

## **disclaim-**

(Verb): refuse to acknowledge; deny

## **hermetic-**

(Adjective): (of a seal or closure) complete and airtight

## **boosterish-**

(Adjective): supporting or promoting something enthusiastically, and often uncritically

## **detest-**

(Verb): dislike intensely

## **ingenuous-**

(Adjective): (of a person or action) innocent and unsuspecting

## **insouciance-**

(Noun): casual lack of concern; indifference

## **implicit-**

(Adjective): suggested though not directly expressed

## **triage-**

(Noun): (in medical use) the assignment of degrees of urgency to wounds or illnesses to decide the order of treatment of a large number of patients or casualties (Verb): decide the order of treatment of (patients or casualties)

## **conceit-**

(Noun): excessive pride in oneself

## **culminate-**

(Verb): reach a climax or point of highest development

## **unseemly-**

(Adjective): (of behaviour or actions) not proper or appropriate

## **avaricious-**

(Adjective): having or showing an extreme greed for wealth or material gain

## **abolition-**

(Noun): the action of abolishing a system, practice, or institution

## **exacting-**

(Adjective): making great demands on one's skill, attention, or other resources

## **equable-**

(Adjective): not easily disturbed or angered; calm and even-tempered

## **anarchist-**

(Noun): a person who believes in or tries to bring about anarchy. (Adjective): relating to or supporting anarchy or anarchists

## **whimsical-**

(Adjective): playfully quaint or fanciful, especially in an appealing and amusing way

## **diameter-**

(Noun): a straight line passing from side to side through the centre of a body or figure, especially a circle or sphere.

## **insolent-**

(Adjective): showing a rude and arrogant lack of respect

## **defile-**

(Verb): damage the purity or appearance of; mar or spoil (Noun): a steep-sided narrow gorge or passage (originally one requiring troops to march in single file)

## **erudite-**

(Adjective): having or showing great knowledge or learning

## **iconoclasm-**

(Noun): the action of attacking or assertively rejecting cherished beliefs and institutions or established values and practices.

## **emblematic-**

(Adjective): serving as a symbol of a particular quality or concept; symbolic

## **fatuous-**

(Adjective): silly and pointless

## **elude-**

(Verb): escape from or avoid (a danger, enemy, or pursuer), typically in a skilful or cunning way

## **hobble-**

(Verb): walk in an awkward way, typically because of pain from an injury (Noun): an awkward way of walking, typically due to pain from an injury

## **scandal-**

(Noun): an action or event regarded as morally or legally wrong and causing general public outrage

## **aberrant-**

(Adjective): departing from an accepted standard