

# GRE Words List

## 1. aberrant:

*markedly different from an accepted norm*

## 2. abeyance:

*temporary cessation or suspension*

## 3. abscond:

*run away, often taking something or somebody along*

## 4. abstemious:

*marked by temperance in indulgence*

## 5. abstruse:

*difficult to understand*

## 6. absurd:

*inconsistent with reason or logic or common sense*

## 7. abyss:

*a bottomless gulf or pit*

## 8. acquiesce:

*agree or express agreement*

## 9. adamant:

*very hard native crystalline carbon valued as a gem*

## 10. adept:

*having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude*

## 11. admonish:

*scold or reprimand; take to task*

## 12. adulate:

*flatter in an obsequious manner*

**13. adulation:**

*exaggerated flattery or praise*

**14. adulterate:**

*make impure by adding a foreign or inferior substance*

**15. adumbrate:**

*describe roughly or give the main points or summary of*

**16. adverse:**

*in an opposing direction*

**17. aesthete:**

*one who professes great sensitivity to the beauty of art*

**18. affable:**

*diffusing warmth and friendliness*

**19. affliction:**

*a cause of great suffering and distress*

**20. affluent:**

*having an abundant supply of money or possessions of value*

**21. aggrandize:**

*embellish; increase the scope, power, or importance of*

**22. agitate:**

*move or cause to move back and forth*

**23. agog:**

*highly excited*

**24. alacrity:**

*liveliness and eagerness*

**25. allegation:**

*a formal accusation against somebody*

**26. allegiance:**

*the act of binding yourself to a course of action*

**27. ally:**

*a friendly nation*

**28. amalgamate:**

*bring or combine together or with something else*

**29. ambiguous:**

*having more than one possible meaning*

**30. ambivalent:**

*uncertain or unable to decide about what course to follow*

**31. ambrosial:**

*worthy of the gods*

**32. ameliorate:**

*make better*

**33. amenable:**

*disposed or willing to comply*

**34. anachronism:**

*locating something at a time when it couldn't have existed*

**35. analgesic:**

*capable of relieving pain*

**36. annex:**

*attach to*

**37. annotate:**

*add explanatory notes to or supply with critical comments*

**38. annul:**

*cancel officially*

**39. anomalous:**

*deviating from the general or common order or type*

**40. antediluvian:**

*of or relating to the period before the biblical flood*

**41. antipathy:**

*a feeling of intense dislike*

**42. antiseptic:**

*thoroughly clean and free of disease-causing organisms*

**43. aphoristic:**

*terse and witty and like a maxim*

**44. apocryphal:**

*being of questionable authenticity*

**45. apparition:**

*a ghostly appearing figure*

**46. appraise:**

*consider in a comprehensive way*

**47. apprehension:**

*fearful expectation or anticipation*

**48. apprise:**

*inform somebody of something*

**49. approbation:**

*official acceptance or agreement*

**50. aptitude:**

*inherent ability*

**51. aqueous:**

*similar to or containing or dissolved in water*

**52. arable:**

*capable of being farmed productively*

**53. arbitrate:**

*act between parties with a view to reconciling differences*

**54. arduous:**

*characterized by effort to the point of exhaustion*

**55. articulate:**

*express or state clearly*

**56. ascetic:**

*someone who practices self denial as a spiritual discipline*

**57. ascribe:**

*attribute or credit to*

**58. asperity:**

*harshness of manner*

**59. aspersion:**

*a disparaging remark*

**60. aspiration:**

*a cherished desire*

**61. assess:**

*estimate the nature, quality, ability or significance of*

**62. assuage:**

*provide physical relief, as from pain*

**63. astringent:**

*tending to draw together or constrict soft organic tissue*

**64. astute:**

*marked by practical hardheaded intelligence*

**65. atone:**

*turn away from sin or do penitence*

**66. atrophy:**

*a decrease in size of an organ caused by disease or disuse*

**67. attentive:**

*taking heed*

**68. attenuate:**

*become weaker, in strength, value, or magnitude*

**69. audacious:**

*disposed to venture or take risks*

**70. augment:**

*enlarge or increase*

**71. auspicious:**

*indicating favorable circumstances and good luck*

**72. austere:**

*of a stern or strict bearing or demeanor*

**73. avarice:**

*reprehensible acquisitiveness; insatiable desire for wealth*

**74. aver:**

*declare or affirm solemnly and formally as true*

**75. averse:**

*strongly opposed*

**76. avert:**

*turn away or aside*

**77. avid:**

*marked by active interest and enthusiasm*

**78. baleful:**

*threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments*

**79. balk:**

*refuse to proceed or comply*

**80. banal:**

*repeated too often; overfamiliar through overuse*

**81. baneful:**

*evil or sinister*

**82. banter:**

*light teasing repartee*

**83. barefaced:**

*with no effort to conceal*

**84. bask:**

*expose oneself to warmth and light, as for relaxation*

**85. belie:**

*be in contradiction with*

**86. bellicose:**

*having or showing a ready disposition to fight*

**87. benevolent:**

*showing or motivated by sympathy and understanding*

**88. benign:**

*kind in disposition or manner*

**89. bilk:**

*cheat somebody out of what is due, especially money*

**90. bizarre:**

*conspicuously or grossly unconventional or unusual*

**91. blandishment:**

*flattery intended to persuade*

**92. bleak:**

*unpleasantly cold and damp*

**93. blithe:**

*carefree and happy and lighthearted*

**94. blunder:**

*an embarrassing mistake*

**95. board:**

*a stout length of sawn timber*

**96. bog:**

*wet spongy ground of decomposing vegetation*

**97. bogus:**

*fraudulent; having a misleading appearance*

**98. bolster:**

*support and strengthen*

**99. bombast:**

*pompous or pretentious talk or writing*

**100. boor:**

*a crude uncouth ill-bred person lacking refinement*

**101. breach:**

*an opening, especially a gap in a dike or fortification*

**102. brisk:**

*quick and energetic*

**103. brittle:**

*having little elasticity*



**104. brood:**

*hang over, as of something threatening, dark, or menacing*

**105. burgeon:**

*grow and flourish*

**106. burlesque:**

*a theatrical entertainment of broad and earthy humor*

**107. buttress:**

*a support usually of stone or brick*

**108. cadge:**

*obtain or seek to obtain by wheedling*

**109. cajole:**

*influence or urge by gentle urging, caressing, or flattering*

**110. calisthenics:**

*light exercises designed to promote general fitness*

**111. cant:**

*a slope in the turn of a road or track*

**112. caprice:**

*a sudden desire*

**113. captor:**

*a person who entraps and holds someone else*

**114. castigate:**

*inflict severe punishment on*

**115. catalyst:**

*substance that initiates or accelerates a chemical reaction*

**116. caustic:**

*capable of destroying or eating away by chemical action*

**117. cavern:**

*a large cave or a large chamber in a cave*

**118. censor:**

*a person authorized to suppress unacceptable material*

**119. censure:**

*harsh criticism or disapproval*

**120. cessation:**

*a stopping*

**121. charter:**

*a document creating an institution and specifying its rights*

**122. chary:**

*characterized by great caution*

**123. chicanery:**

*the use of tricks to deceive someone*

**124. circumlocution:**

*an indirect way of expressing something*

**125. circumspect:**

*careful to consider potential consequences and avoid risk*

**126. claim:**

*assert or affirm strongly*

**127. clot:**

*a lump of material formed from the content of a liquid*

**128. clumsy:**

*lacking grace in movement or posture*

**129. coagulant:**

*an agent that produces coagulation*

**130. coerce:**

*cause to do through pressure or necessity*

**131. cogent:**

*powerfully persuasive*

**132. cognizance:**

*the state or act of having knowledge of*

**133. coherent:**

*marked by an orderly and consistent relation of parts*

**134. collusion:**

*secret agreement*

**135. commensurate:**

*corresponding in size or degree or extent*

**136. commentator:**

*an expert who observes and remarks on something*

**137. complacent:**

*contented to a fault with oneself or one's actions*

**138. complaisant:**

*showing a cheerful willingness to do favors for others*

**139. composure:**

*steadiness of mind under stress*

**140. concede:**

*give over*

**141. conceit:**

*the trait of being unduly vain*

**142. concession:**

*the act of yielding*

**143. conciliatory:**

*making or willing to make concessions*

**144. concoct:**

*make something by mixing*

**145. concur:**

*happen simultaneously*

**146. condescend:**

*behave in a patronizing manner*

**147. conducive:**

*tending to bring about; being partly responsible for*

**148. confidential:**

*given in secret*

**149. confine:**

*place limits on*

**150. conflagration:**

*a very intense and uncontrolled fire*

**151. conflate:**

*mix together different elements*

**152. confound:**

*be confusing or perplexing to*

**153. confrontation:**

*discord resulting from a clash of ideas or opinions*

**154. congruent:**

*corresponding in character or kind*

**155. conifer:**

*a type of tree or shrub bearing cones*

**156. conjecture:**

*believe especially on uncertain or tentative grounds*

**157. conjure:**

*summon into action or bring into existence*

**158. conscript:**

*enroll into service compulsorily*

**159. consensus:**

*agreement in the judgment reached by a group as a whole*

**160. consign:**

*give over to another for care or safekeeping*

**161. console:**

*give moral or emotional strength to*

**162. conspicuous:**

*obvious to the eye or mind*

**163. conspire:**

*act in agreement and in secret towards a deceitful purpose*

**164. consternation:**

*sudden shock or dismay that causes confusion*

**165. contend:**

*compete for something*

**166. contentious:**

*showing an inclination to disagree*

**167. contingent:**

*determined by conditions or circumstances that follow*

**168. contrite:**

*feeling or expressing pain or sorrow*

**169. controversial:**

*marked by or capable of causing disagreement*

**170. convoke:**

*call together*

**171. convoluted:**

*highly complex or intricate*

**172. corporal:**

*affecting the body as opposed to the mind or spirit*

**173. corroborate:**

*give evidence for*

**174. covert:**

*secret or hidden*

**175. covet:**

*wish, long, or crave for*

**176. cower:**

*crouch or curl up*

**177. coy:**

*affectedly shy especially in a playful or provocative way*

**178. crave:**

*have an appetite or great desire for*

**179. craven:**

*lacking even the rudiments of courage; abjectly fearful*

**180. crease:**

*an angular indentation made by folding*

**181. credulity:**

*tendency to believe readily*

**182. crockery:**

*ceramic dishes used for serving food*

**183. culpable:**

*deserving blame or censure as being wrong or injurious*

**184. curb:**

*the act of restraining power or action or limiting excess*

**185. dabble:**

*bob under so as to feed off the bottom of a body of water*

**186. dampen:**

*lessen in force or effect*

**187. dangle:**

*hang freely*

**188. dazzle:**

*cause to lose clear vision, especially from intense light*

**189. dearth:**

*an insufficient quantity or number*

**190. debacle:**

*a sudden and complete disaster*

**191. debilitate:**

*make weak*

**192. decorous:**

*characterized by propriety and dignity and good taste*

**193. decorum:**

*propriety in manners and conduct*

**194. decree:**

*a legally binding command or decision*

**195. decry:**

*express strong disapproval of*

**196. dedication:**

*complete and wholehearted fidelity*

**197. defer:**

*yield to another's wish or opinion*

**198. deference:**

*courteous regard for people's feelings*

**199. defiance:**

*a hostile challenge*

**200. defiant:**

*boldly resisting authority or an opposing force*

**201. deft:**

*skillful in physical movements; especially of the hands*

**202. delineate:**

*represented accurately or precisely*

**203. deluge:**

*a heavy rain*

**204. demote:**

*assign to a lower position; reduce in rank*

**205. demur:**

*politely refuse or take exception to*

**206. denounce:**

*speak out against*

**207. denunciation:**

*a public act of condemnation*



**208. deposition:**

*the act of putting something somewhere*

**209. deprivation:**

*the disadvantage that results from losing something*

**210. deprive:**

*take away*

**211. descry:**

*catch sight of*

**212. desiccate:**

*lacking vitality or spirit; lifeless*

**213. desperate:**

*a person who is frightened and in need of help*

**214. despicable:**

*morally reprehensible*

**215. detached:**

*no longer connected or joined*

**216. deter:**

*turn away from as by fear or persuasion*

**217. devoid:**

*completely wanting or lacking*

**218. diatribe:**

*thunderous verbal attack*

**219. dichotomy:**

*a classification into two opposed parts or subclasses*

**220. diffident:**

*showing modest reserve*

**221. digress:**

*wander from a direct or straight course*

**222. dilettante:**

*an amateur engaging in an activity without serious intention*

**223. diligent:**

*quietly and steadily persevering in detail or exactness*

**224. din:**

*a loud, harsh, or strident noise*

**225. dirge:**

*a song or hymn of mourning as a memorial to a dead person*

**226. disabuse:**

*free somebody from an erroneous belief*

**227. disassemble:**

*take apart*

**228. disburse:**

*expend, as from a fund*

**229. discomfit:**

*cause to lose one's composure*

**230. discourse:**

*an extended communication dealing with some particular topic*

**231. discreet:**

*marked by prudence or modesty and wise self-restraint*

**232. discrete:**

*constituting a separate entity or part*

**233. disdain:**

*lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike*

**234. disguise:**

*any attire that conceals the wearer's identity*

**235. disinterested:**

*unaffected by concern for one's own welfare*

**236. dislodge:**

*remove or force from a position previously occupied*

**237. disparate:**

*fundamentally different or distinct in quality or kind*

**238. disparity:**

*inequality or difference in some respect*

**239. dispassionate:**

*unaffected by strong emotion or prejudice*

**240. dispel:**

*cause to separate and go in different directions*

**241. disprove:**

*show to be false*

**242. disrobe:**

*get undressed*

**243. dissemble:**

*behave unnaturally or affectedly*

**244. dissent:**

*a difference of opinion*

**245. distend:**

*cause to expand as if by internal pressure*

**246. distract:**

*draw someone's attention away from something*

**247. distraught:**

*deeply agitated especially from emotion*

**248. divest:**

*take away possessions from someone*

**249. divulge:**

*make known to the public information previously kept secret*

**250. docile:**

*easily handled or managed*

**251. dogmatic:**

*pertaining to a code of beliefs accepted as authoritative*

**252. doleful:**

*filled with or evoking sadness*

**253. dormant:**

*inactive but capable of becoming active*

**254. drab:**

*a dull greyish to yellowish or light olive brown*

**255. drawl:**

*a slow speech pattern with prolonged vowels*

**256. droll:**

*comical in an odd or whimsical manner*

**257. drone:**

*make a monotonous low dull sound*

**258. drought:**

*a shortage of rainfall*

**259. dubious:**

*fraught with uncertainty or doubt*

**260. dumbfound:**

*be a mystery or bewildering to*

**261. dupe:**

*fool or hoax*

**262. dwarf:**

*a person who is markedly small*

**263. dwindle:**

*become smaller or lose substance*

**264. ebullient:**

*joyously unrestrained*

**265. eclectic:**

*selecting what seems best of various styles or ideas*

**266. efface:**

*remove by or as if by rubbing or erasing*

**267. efficacious:**

*giving the power to produce an intended result*

**268. effrontery:**

*audacious behavior that you have no right to*

**269. egalitarian:**

*favoring social equality*

**270. egregious:**

*conspicuously and outrageously bad or reprehensible*

**271. elicit:**

*call forth, as an emotion, feeling, or response*

**272. eloquence:**

*powerful and effective language*

**273. elucidate:**

*make clear and comprehensible*

**274. elusive:**

*skillful at evading capture*

**275. embellish:**

*make more attractive, as by adding ornament or color*

**276. embrace:**

*squeeze tightly in your arms, usually with fondness*

**277. emissary:**

*someone sent to represent another's interests*

**278. emollient:**

*a substance with a soothing effect when applied to the skin*

**279. enchant:**

*cast a spell over someone or something*

**280. encomium:**

*a formal expression of praise*

**281. encroach:**

*advance beyond the usual limit*

**282. encumber:**

*hold back, impede, or weigh down*

**283. endeavor:**

*attempt by employing effort*

**284. endorse:**

*approve of*

**285. enervate:**

*weaken physically, mentally, or morally*

**286. engender:**

*call forth*

**287. engrossed:**

*giving or marked by complete attention to*

**288. enigma:**

*something that baffles understanding and cannot be explained*

**289. enlist:**

*join the military*

**290. ensign:**

*a person who holds a commissioned rank in the U.S. Navy*

**291. enthrall:**

*hold spellbound*

**292. entrenched:**

*dug in*

**293. ephemeral:**

*anything short-lived, as an insect that lives only for a day*

**294. epistemology:**

*the philosophical theory of knowledge*

**295. epistle:**

*a specially long, formal letter*

**296. epithet:**

*descriptive word or phrase*

**297. epitome:**

*a standard or typical example*

**298. equivocate:**

*be deliberately ambiguous or unclear*

**299. equivocation:**

*intentional vagueness or ambiguity*

**300. eradicate:**

*destroy completely, as if down to the roots*

**301. erratic:**

*liable to sudden unpredictable change*

**302. erudite:**

*having or showing profound knowledge*

**303. eschew:**

*avoid and stay away from deliberately*

**304. esoteric:**

*understandable only by an enlightened inner circle*

**305. espouse:**

*choose and follow a theory, idea, policy, etc.*

**306. espy:**

*catch sight of*

**307. ethos:**

*the distinctive spirit of a culture or an era*

**308. euphemism:**

*an inoffensive expression substituted for an offensive one*

**309. euphoria:**

*a feeling of great elation*

**310. evanescent:**

*short-lived; tending to vanish or disappear*

**311. evict:**

*expel or eject without recourse to legal process*



**312. evoke:**

*call forth, as an emotion, feeling, or response*

**313. exacerbate:**

*make worse*

**314. exculpate:**

*pronounce not guilty of criminal charges*

**315. exemplary:**

*worthy of imitation*

**316. exemplify:**

*be characteristic of*

**317. exhort:**

*spur on or encourage especially by cheers and shouts*

**318. exigent:**

*demanding immediate attention*

**319. exonerate:**

*pronounce not guilty of criminal charges*

**320. exorbitant:**

*greatly exceeding bounds of reason or moderation*

**321. expend:**

*use up or consume fully*

**322. expiate:**

*make amends for*

**323. explicit:**

*precisely and clearly expressed or readily observable*

**324. exploit:**

*use or manipulate to one's advantage*

**325. extant:**

*still in existence; not extinct or destroyed or lost*

**326. extempore:**

*with little or no preparation or forethought*

**327. extensive:**

*large in spatial extent or range or scope or quantity*

**328. extent:**

*the point or degree to which something extends*

**329. extol:**

*praise, glorify, or honor*

**330. extravagant:**

*recklessly wasteful*

**331. exuberant:**

*joyously unrestrained*

**332. facetious:**

*cleverly amusing in tone*

**333. faddish:**

*intensely fashionable or popular for a short time*

**334. fallacious:**

*containing or based on incorrect reasoning*

**335. fallacy:**

*a misconception resulting from incorrect reasoning*

**336. falter:**

*move hesitatingly, as if about to give way*

**337. fanatical:**

*marked by excessive enthusiasm for a cause or idea*

**338. fathom:**

*a linear unit of measurement for water depth*

**339. fawn:**

*a young deer*

**340. feckless:**

*generally incompetent and ineffectual*

**341. feign:**

*make believe with the intent to deceive*

**342. felicitate:**

*express congratulations*

**343. felon:**

*someone who has been legally convicted of a crime*

**344. fervent:**

*characterized by intense emotion*

**345. fervid:**

*characterized by intense emotion*

**346. fervor:**

*feelings of great warmth and intensity*

**347. feud:**

*a bitter quarrel between two parties*

**348. fickle:**

*liable to sudden unpredictable change*

**349. fidget:**

*move restlessly*

**350. finicky:**

*fussy, especially about details*

**351. malapropism:**

*misuse of a word by confusion with one that sounds similar*

**352. polymath:**

*a person of great and varied learning*

**353. parquetry:**

*a patterned wood inlay used to cover a floor*

**354. limerick:**

*a humorous rhymed verse form of five lines*

**355. orotund:**

*overly formal and pompous in style*

**356. onomatopoeia:**

*using words that imitate the sound they denote*

**357. malingerer:**

*someone shirking duty by feigning illness or incapacity*

**358. optometrist:**

*a person skilled in testing for defects of vision*

**359. ligneous:**

*consisting of or resembling wood*

**360. offertory:**

*the offerings of the congregation at a religious service*

**361. nonplused:**

*filled with bewilderment*

**362. mollycoddle:**

*treat with excessive indulgence*

**363. quotidian:**

*found in the ordinary course of events*

**364. homeopathy:**

*a method of treating disease with small amounts of remedies that, in large amounts in healthy people, produce symptoms similar to those being treated*

**365. misogynist:**

*a misanthrope who dislikes women in particular*

**366. syncopated:**

*stressing a normally weak beat*

**367. ossified:**

*set in a rigidly conventional pattern of behavior or beliefs*

**368. truculence:**

*stubborn and defiant aggressiveness*

**369. mettlesome:**

*having a proud, courageous, and unbroken spirit*

**370. molt:**

*cast off hair, skin, horn, or feathers*

**371. vituperative:**

*marked by harshly abusive criticism*

**372. obfuscate:**

*make obscure or unclear*

**373. objurgation:**

*rebuking a person harshly*

**374. oaf:**

*an awkward, foolish person*

**375. objurgate:**

*censure severely*

**376. optician:**

*a worker who makes glasses for remedying defects of vision*

**377. rotundity:**

*the roundness of a 3-dimensional object*

**378. mendacious:**

*given to lying*

**379. obsidian:**

*glass formed by the cooling of lava without crystallization*

**380. foppish:**

*overly concerned with extreme elegance in dress and manner*

**381. macerate:**

*soften and cause to disintegrate as a result*

**382. omnivorous:**

*feeding on both plants and animals*

**383. outmoded:**

*no longer in fashion*

**384. obstetrician:**

*a physician specializing in childbirth*

**385. inchoate:**

*only partly in existence; imperfectly formed*

**386. ostracize:**

*expel from a community or group*

**387. improvidence:**

*a lack of prudence, care, or foresight*

**388. peccadillo:**

*a petty misdeed*

**389. gauche:**

*lacking social polish*

**390. tangential:**

*of superficial relevance if any*

**391. turpitude:**

*a corrupt or depraved or degenerate act or practice*

**392. oculist:**

*a person skilled in testing for defects of vision*

**393. opalescent:**

*having a play of lustrous rainbow colors*

**394. posit:**

*take as a given; assume as a postulate or axiom*

**395. suborn:**

*incite to commit a crime or an evil deed*

**396. interregnum:**

*the time between two reigns or governments*

**397. minuscule:**

*very small*

**398. ornithologist:**

*a scientist who studies birds*

**399. insatiate:**

*impossible to satisfy*

**400. orison:**

*reverent petition to a deity*

**401. misnomer:**

*an incorrect or unsuitable name*

**402. onus:**

*a burdensome or difficult concern*

**403. quiescence:**

*a state of quiet but possibly temporary inaction*

**404. intransigent:**

*impervious to pleas, persuasion, requests, or reason*

**405. opportunist:**

*a person who places expediency above principle*

**406. quintessential:**

*representing the perfect example of a class or quality*

**407. martinet:**

*someone who demands exact conformity to rules and forms*

**408. odoriferous:**

*emitting a smell, especially an unpleasant smell*

**409. inauspicious:**

*boding ill*

**410. gullible:**

*naive and easily deceived or tricked*

**411. impecunious:**

*not having enough money to pay for necessities*

**412. herbaceous:**

*characteristic of a nonwoody herb or plant part*

**413. quenching:**

*the act of extinguishing; causing to stop burning*

**414. ostracism:**

*the act of excluding someone from society by general consent*

**415. olfactory:**

*of or relating to the sense of smell*



**416. stickler:**

*someone who insists on something*

**417. misanthrope:**

*someone who dislikes people in general*

**418. veracious:**

*habitually speaking the truth*

**419. opprobrious:**

*expressing offensive reproach*

**420. obliquity:**

*the quality of being deliberately vague or deceptive*

**421. gaffe:**

*a socially awkward or tactless act*

**422. obstreperous:**

*noisily and stubbornly defiant*

**423. squelch:**

*suppress or crush completely*

**424. lackluster:**

*not having brilliance or vitality*

**425. heterodox:**

*characterized by departure from accepted standards*

**426. gavel:**

*a small mallet used by a presiding officer or a judge*

**427. preen:**

*clean with one's bill*

**428. tyro:**

*someone new to a field or activity*

**429. overweening:**

*presumptuously arrogant*

**430. offal:**

*viscera and trimmings of a butchered animal*

**431. paucity:**

*an insufficient quantity or number*

**432. zephyr:**

*a slight wind*

**433. jamb:**

*a vertical side piece of a door or window frame*

**434. recondite:**

*difficult to understand*

**435. oblation:**

*the act of contributing to the funds of a church or charity*

**436. zealot:**

*a fervent and even militant proponent of something*

**437. saturnine:**

*bitter or scornful*

**438. neuralgia:**

*acute spasmodic pain along the course of one or more nerves*

**439. iconoclast:**

*someone who attacks cherished ideas or institutions*

**440. fracas:**

*a noisy quarrel*

**441. nadir:**

*the lowest point of anything*

**442. prescience:**

*the power to foresee the future*

**443. predisposition:**

*an inclination to interpret statements in a particular way*

**444. refurbish:**

*improve the appearance or functionality of*

**445. volubility:**

*the quality of being facile in speech and writing*

**446. lethargic:**

*deficient in alertness or activity*

**447. striate:**

*marked with stripes*

**448. obloquy:**

*state of disgrace resulting from public abuse*

**449. plethora:**

*extreme excess*

**450. sketchy:**

*giving only major points; lacking completeness*

**451. impugn:**

*attack as false or wrong*

**452. profundity:**

*the quality of being physically deep*

**453. fulminate:**

*cause to explode violently and with loud noise*

**454. quash:**

*declare invalid*

**455. inopportune:**

*not suitable for a purpose*

**456. loafer:**

*a person who is idle and does no work*

**457. recalcitrant:**

*stubbornly resistant to authority or control*

**458. prevaricate:**

*be deliberately ambiguous or unclear*

**459. hackneyed:**

*repeated too often; overfamiliar through overuse*

**460. optimum:**

*most desirable possible under a restriction*

**461. mercurial:**

*liable to sudden unpredictable change*

**462. proclivity:**

*a natural inclination*

**463. shunt:**

*a conductor diverting a fraction of current from a device*

**464. ingrained:**

*deeply rooted; firmly fixed or held*

**465. pusillanimous:**

*lacking in courage, strength, and resolution*

**466. flustered:**

*thrown into a state of agitated confusion*

**467. outgrowth:**

*the gradual beginning or coming forth*

**468. vertigo:**

*a reeling sensation; a feeling that you are about to fall*

**469. loquacious:**

*full of trivial conversation*

**470. noisome:**

*causing or able to cause nausea*

**471. mace:**

*a ceremonial staff carried as a symbol of office*

**472. ornithology:**

*the branch of zoology that studies birds*

**473. rarefy:**

*lessen the density or solidity of*

**474. vituperate:**

*spread negative information about*

**475. pugnacious:**

*ready and able to resort to force or violence*

**476. penchant:**

*a strong liking or preference*

**477. lasso:**

*a long noosed rope used to catch animals*

**478. petulance:**

*an irritable feeling*

**479. opiate:**

*a narcotic drug*

**480. trenchant:**

*having keenness and forcefulness and penetration in thought*

**481. stigmatize:**

*condemn or openly brand as disgraceful*

**482. innocuous:**

*not injurious to physical or mental health*

**483. vilify:**

*spread negative information about*

**484. hyperbole:**

*extravagant exaggeration*

**485. inept:**

*generally incompetent and ineffectual*

**486. prodigality:**

*the trait of spending extravagantly*

**487. iniquitous:**

*characterized by injustice or wickedness*

**488. simper:**

*smile in an insincere, unnatural, or coy way*

**489. gossamer:**

*a gauze fabric with an extremely fine texture*

**490. onerous:**

*burdensome or difficult to endure*

**491. overwrought:**

*deeply agitated especially from emotion*

**492. orthography:**

*representing the sounds of a language by written symbols*

**493. fortuitous:**

*lucky; occurring by happy chance*

**494. phlegmatic:**

*showing little emotion*

**495. orientation:**

*the act of determining one's position*

**496. nefarious:**

*extremely wicked*

**497. forthright:**

*directly and without evasion; not roundabout*

**498. opprobrium:**

*a state of extreme dishonor*

**499. inured:**

*made tough by habitual exposure*

**500. gregarious:**

*temperamentally seeking and enjoying the company of others*

**501. nondescript:**

*lacking distinct or individual characteristics*

**502. foolhardy:**

*marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences*

**503. odorous:**

*having a characteristic aroma*

**504. omnipresent:**

*existing everywhere at once*

**505. pedantry:**

*an ostentatious and inappropriate display of learning*

**506. rescind:**

*cancel officially*

**507. incidence:**

*the relative frequency of occurrence of something*

**508. fledgling:**

*young bird that has just become capable of flying*

**509. putrefy:**

*decay with an offensive smell*

**510. probity:**

*complete and confirmed integrity*

**511. ogle:**

*stare or look at, especially with amorous intentions*

**512. lugubrious:**

*excessively mournful*

**513. oratorio:**

*a musical composition for voices and orchestra*

**514. gouge:**

*an impression in a surface, as made by a blow*

**515. paragon:**

*a perfect embodiment of a concept*

**516. inimical:**

*tending to obstruct or cause harm*

**517. pristine:**

*immaculately clean and unused*

**518. leviathan:**

*the largest or most massive thing of its kind*

**519. inflammable:**

*easily ignited*



**520. sedulous:**

*marked by care and persistent effort*

**521. irascible:**

*quickly aroused to anger*

**522. idolatrous:**

*relating to or practicing idolatry*

**523. tirade:**

*a speech of violent denunciation*

**524. irate:**

*feeling or showing extreme anger*

**525. fluke:**

*a stroke of luck*

**526. libertine:**

*unrestrained by convention or morality*

**527. ramification:**

*a consequence, especially one that causes complications*

**528. quaff:**

*swallow hurriedly or greedily or in one draught*

**529. torpid:**

*in a condition of biological rest or suspended animation*

**530. shuck:**

*material consisting of seed coverings and small pieces of stem or leaves that have been separated from the seeds*

**531. redoubtable:**

*inspiring fear*

**532. spendthrift:**

*someone who spends money freely or wastefully*

**533. opulence:**

*wealth as evidenced by sumptuous living*

**534. rationale:**

*an explanation of the fundamental reasons*

**535. guileless:**

*innocent and free of deceit*

**536. quibble:**

*evade the truth of a point by raising irrelevant objections*

**537. recant:**

*formally reject or disavow a formerly held belief*

**538. tepid:**

*moderately warm*

**539. hoax:**

*something intended to deceive*

**540. savant:**

*a learned person*

**541. torpor:**

*a state of motor and mental inactivity*

**542. voracious:**

*devouring or craving food in great quantities*

**543. welter:**

*a confused multitude of things*

**544. obelisk:**

*a stone pillar tapering towards a pyramidal top*

**545. insular:**

*relating to or characteristic of or situated on an island*

**546. untenable:**

*incapable of being defended or justified*

**547. omniscient:**

*knowing, seeing, or understanding everything*

**548. ranger:**

*an official responsible for managing an area of forest*

**549. wheedle:**

*influence or urge by gentle urging, caressing, or flattering*

**550. inextricable:**

*incapable of being disentangled or untied*

**551. fluffy:**

*like down or as soft as down*

**552. subpoena:**

*a writ issued to compel the attendance of a witness*

**553. orifice:**

*an opening, especially one that opens into a bodily cavity*

**554. gist:**

*the central meaning or theme of a speech or literary work*

**555. foible:**

*a minor weakness or peculiarity in someone's character*

**556. incorrigible:**

*impervious to correction by punishment*

**557. mundane:**

*found in the ordinary course of events*

**558. mollify:**

*cause to be more favorably inclined*

**559. flamboyant:**

*tending to attract attention; marked by ostentatious display*

**560. penury:**

*a state of extreme poverty or destitution*

**561. holster:**

*a sheath for carrying a handgun*

**562. polemic:**

*a verbal or written attack, especially of a belief or dogma*

**563. meticulous:**

*marked by precise accordance with details*

**564. sloppy:**

*lacking neatness or order*

**565. sporadic:**

*recurring in scattered or unpredictable instances*

**566. platitude:**

*a trite or obvious remark*

**567. perfidious:**

*tending to betray*

**568. impervious:**

*not admitting of passage or capable of being affected*

**569. heretical:**

*departing from accepted beliefs or standards*

**570. idiosyncrasy:**

*a behavioral attribute peculiar to an individual*

**571. untoward:**

*not in keeping with accepted standards of what is proper*

**572. overt:**

*open and observable; not secret or hidden*

**573. obligatory:**

*required by compulsion or convention*

**574. obeisance:**

*bending the head or body in reverence or submission*

**575. jocular:**

*characterized by jokes and good humor*

**576. precursor:**

*something indicating the approach of something or someone*

**577. slur:**

*utter indistinctly*

**578. garrulous:**

*full of trivial conversation*

**579. obituary:**

*a notice of someone's death*

**580. gainsay:**

*take exception to*

**581. panegyric:**

*formally expressing praise*

**582. flout:**

*treat with contemptuous disregard*

**583. infiltrate:**

*pass through an enemy line in a military conflict*

**584. trepidation:**

*a feeling of alarm or dread*

**585. lope:**

*run easily*

**586. insignia:**

*a badge worn to show official position*

**587. imposture:**

*pretending to be another person*

**588. qualm:**

*uneasiness about the fitness of an action*

**589. viable:**

*capable of life or normal growth and development*

**590. oligarchy:**

*a political system governed by a few people*

**591. plummet:**

*drop sharply*

**592. ornate:**

*marked by complexity and richness of detail*

**593. officious:**

*intrusive in a meddling or offensive manner*

**594. preamble:**

*a preliminary introduction, as to a statute or constitution*

**595. perfunctory:**

*hasty and without attention to detail; not thorough*

**596. predilection:**

*a predisposition in favor of something*

**597. pundit:**

*an expert who publicly gives opinions via mass media*

**598. quarantine:**

*isolation to prevent the spread of infectious disease*

**599. foment:**

*try to stir up*

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*try to stir up*

**601. refractory:**

*stubbornly resistant to authority or control*

**602. grovel:**

*show submission or fear*

**603. obdurate:**

*stubbornly persistent in wrongdoing*

**604. incipient:**

*only partly in existence; imperfectly formed*

**605. vagary:**

*an unexpected and inexplicable change in something*

**606. obtuse:**

*of an angle, between 90 and 180 degrees*

**607. recluse:**

*one who lives in solitude*

**608. specious:**

*plausible but false*

**609. opus:**

*a musical work that has been created*

**610. mettle:**

*the courage to carry on*

**611. obviate:**

*do away with*

**612. vacillate:**

*be undecided about something*

**613. unequivocal:**

*admitting of no doubt or misunderstanding*

**614. tantalize:**

*harass with persistent teasing or baiting*

**615. meager:**

*deficient in amount or quality or extent*

**616. loll:**

*be lazy or idle*

**617. incursion:**

*the act of entering some territory or domain*

**618. impromptu:**

*with little or no preparation or forethought*

**619. insipid:**

*lacking interest or significance or impact*

**620. laconic:**

*brief and to the point*

**621. pucker:**

*gather something into small wrinkles or folds*

**622. glib:**

*artfully persuasive in speech*

**623. mosaic:**

*design made of small pieces of colored stone or glass*



**624. obsequious:**

*attempting to win favor from influential people by flattery*

**625. gloat:**

*dwelling on with satisfaction*

**626. flippant:**

*showing an inappropriate lack of seriousness*

**627. lustrous:**

*reflecting light*

**628. immutable:**

*not subject or susceptible to change or variation*

**629. spurious:**

*plausible but false*

**630. indelible:**

*not able to be forgotten, removed, or erased*

**631. taut:**

*pulled or drawn tight*

**632. piquant:**

*having an agreeably pungent taste*

**633. taciturn:**

*habitually reserved and uncommunicative*

**634. tenable:**

*based on sound reasoning or evidence*

**635. florid:**

*elaborately or excessively ornamented*

**636. maverick:**

*someone who exhibits independence in thought and action*

**637. malevolent:**

*wishing or appearing to wish evil to others*

**638. hypocritical:**

*professing feelings or virtues one does not have*

**639. squalid:**

*foul and run-down and repulsive*

**640. oscillate:**

*move or swing from side to side regularly*

**641. flimsy:**

*a thin strong lightweight translucent paper*

**642. provocative:**

*serving or tending to excite or stimulate*

**643. invective:**

*abusive language used to express blame or censure*

**644. nonchalant:**

*marked by casual unconcern or indifference*

**645. pith:**

*spongelike central cylinder of the stems of flowering plants*

**646. lethargy:**

*inactivity; showing an unusual lack of energy*

**647. laudable:**

*worthy of high praise*

**648. flaunt:**

*display proudly*

**649. rampant:**

*occurring or increasing in an unrestrained way*

**650. forestall:**

*keep from happening or arising; make impossible*

**651. levee:**

*an embankment built to prevent a river from overflowing*

**652. morose:**

*showing a brooding ill humor*

**653. verdant:**

*characterized by abundance of vegetation and green foliage*

**654. narcotic:**

*a drug that produces numbness or stupor*

**655. opaque:**

*not transmitting or reflecting light or radiant energy*

**656. salvage:**

*rescuing a ship or its crew from a shipwreck or a fire*

**657. propitiate:**

*make peace with*

**658. inadvertent:**

*happening by chance or unexpectedly or unintentionally*

**659. shirk:**

*avoid one's assigned duties*

**660. somber:**

*serious and gloomy in character*

**661. impregnable:**

*incapable of being attacked or tampered with*

**662. magnanimity:**

*nobility and generosity of spirit*

**663. pungent:**

*strong and sharp to the sense of taste or smell*

**664. grudging:**

*petty or reluctant in giving or spending*

**665. presumptuous:**

*going beyond what is appropriate, permitted, or courteous*

**666. nocturnal:**

*belonging to or active during the night*

**667. ineffable:**

*defying expression or description*

**668. hallucinate:**

*have illusions; perceive what is not actually there*

**669. imbibe:**

*take in liquids*

**670. reverberate:**

*ring or echo with sound*

**671. imbue:**

*spread or diffuse through*

**672. prosaic:**

*lacking wit or imagination*

**673. veracity:**

*unwillingness to tell lies*

**674. philanthropist:**

*someone who makes charitable donations*

**675. skiff:**

*a small boat propelled by oars or by sails or by a motor*

**676. obsession:**

*an unhealthy and compulsive preoccupation with something*

**677. invigorate:**

*give life or energy to*

**678. zenith:**

*the highest point of something*

**679. leaven:**

*a substance used to produce fermentation in dough*

**680. onslaught:**

*an offensive against an enemy*

**681. voluptuous:**

*displaying luxury and furnishing gratification to the senses*

**682. reinstate:**

*bring back into original existence, function, or position*

**683. tamp:**

*press down tightly*

**684. impassive:**

*having or revealing little emotion or sensibility*

**685. stockade:**

*fortification consisting of a fence set firmly for defense*

**686. obtrusive:**

*sticking out; protruding*

**687. vagrant:**

*a wanderer with no established residence or means of support*

**688. precedence:**

*status established in order of importance or urgency*

**689. grill:**

*a framework of metal bars used as a partition or a grate*

**690. foreclosure:**

*proceedings initiated to repossess the collateral for a loan*

**691. tarnish:**

*make or become dirty or dull, as by exposure to air*

**692. preclude:**

*make impossible, especially beforehand*

**693. garner:**

*assemble or get together*

**694. obnoxious:**

*causing disapproval or protest*

**695. pathology:**

*the branch of medical science that studies diseases*

**696. quack:**

*the sound made by a duck*

**697. moat:**

*ditch dug as a fortification and usually filled with water*

**698. petulant:**

*easily irritated or annoyed*

**699. goad:**

*stab or urge on as if with a pointed stick*

**700. leash:**

*restraint consisting of a rope used to restrain an animal*

**701. profligate:**

*unrestrained by convention or morality*

**702. squander:**

*spend thoughtlessly; throw away*

**703. pique:**

*call forth, as an emotion, feeling, or response*

**704. perfidy:**

*an act of deliberate betrayal*

**705. hapless:**

*unfortunate and deserving pity*

**706. implacable:**

*incapable of being appeased or pacified*

**707. forgery:**

*criminal falsification by making or altering an instrument*

**708. supplant:**

*take the place or move into the position of*

**709. inundate:**

*fill or cover completely, usually with water*

**710. occult:**

*supernatural forces and events and beings collectively*

**711. strut:**

*walk in a proud, confident way*

**712. precipitous:**

*extremely steep*

**713. impediment:**

*something immaterial that interferes with action or progress*

**714. nausea:**

*the state that precedes vomiting*

**715. ostentatious:**

*intended to attract notice and impress others*

**716. malign:**

*speak unfavorably about*

**717. flounder:**

*move clumsily or struggle to move, as in mud or water*

**718. flop:**

*fall loosely*

**719. impunity:**

*exemption from punishment or loss*

**720. pedestrian:**

*a person who travels by foot*

**721. obese:**

*excessively large*

**722. illicit:**

*contrary to accepted morality or convention*

**723. practitioner:**

*someone who carries out a learned profession*

**724. sate:**

*fill to contentment*

**725. harangue:**

*a loud bombastic declamation expressed with strong emotion*

**726. swindle:**

*(offensive) deprive of by deceit*

**727. mistrust:**

*regard with suspicion*



**728. indigenous:**

*originating where it is found*

**729. plaintiff:**

*a person who brings an action in a court of law*

**730. jeopardy:**

*a source of danger*

**731. mediocre:**

*moderate to inferior in quality*

**732. tacit:**

*implied by or inferred from actions or statements*

**733. perennial:**

*lasting an indefinitely long time*

**734. guile:**

*shrewdness as demonstrated by being skilled in deception*

**735. jovial:**

*full of or showing high-spirited merriment*

**736. intrepid:**

*invulnerable to fear or intimidation*

**737. pernicious:**

*exceedingly harmful*

**738. grazing:**

*the act of grazing*

**739. topple:**

*fall down, as if collapsing*

**740. propensity:**

*a natural inclination*

**741. reticent:**

*reluctant to draw attention to yourself*

**742. plod:**

*walk heavily and firmly, as when weary, or through mud*

**743. plumb:**

*exactly vertical*

**744. pedant:**

*a person who pays too much attention to formal rules*

**745. stigma:**

*a symbol of disgrace or infamy*

**746. protracted:**

*relatively long in duration*

**747. omnipotent:**

*having unlimited power*

**748. ostensible:**

*appearing as such but not necessarily so*

**749. prune:**

*cultivate, tend, and cut back the growth of*

**750. gaudy:**

*tastelessly showy*

**751. vindictive:**

*disposed to seek revenge or intended for revenge*

**752. lucrative:**

*producing a sizeable profit*

**753. ingenuous:**

*lacking in sophistication or worldliness*

**754. obsolete:**

*no longer in use*

**755. varnish:**

*a coating that provides a hard, lustrous finish to a surface*

**756. vehemence:**

*intensity or forcefulness of expression*

**757. pillage:**

*steal goods; take as spoils*

**758. stifled:**

*held in check with difficulty*

**759. tentative:**

*hesitant or lacking confidence; unsettled in mind or opinion*

**760. provocation:**

*a means of arousing or stirring to action*

**761. stint:**

*supply sparingly and with restricted quantities*

**762. tremor:**

*an involuntary vibration, as if from illness or fear*

**763. reciprocal:**

*concerning each of two or more persons or things*

**764. profuse:**

*produced or growing in extreme abundance*

**765. lizard:**

*relatively long-bodied reptile with legs and a tapering tail*

**766. obtrude:**

*push to thrust outward*

**767. mercenary:**

*a person hired to fight for another country than their own*

**768. vogue:**

*a current state of general acceptance and use*

**769. incongruous:**

*lacking in harmony or compatibility or appropriateness*

**770. invert:**

*turn inside out or upside down*

**771. ponderous:**

*having great mass and weight and unwieldiness*

**772. peremptory:**

*putting an end to all debate or action*

**773. precarious:**

*not secure; beset with difficulties*

**774. gird:**

*bind with something round or circular*

**775. inquisitive:**

*given to questioning*

**776. overture:**

*orchestral music at the beginning of an opera or musical*

**777. pestilence:**

*any epidemic disease with a high death rate*

**778. whimsical:**

*determined by chance or impulse rather than by necessity*

**779. intact:**

*undamaged in any way*

**780. placate:**

*cause to be more favorably inclined*

**781. flinch:**

*draw back, as with fear or pain*

**782. improvise:**

*manage in a makeshift way; do with whatever is at hand*

**783. recompense:**

*make payment to*

**784. prodigal:**

*recklessly wasteful*

**785. oblique:**

*slanting or inclined in direction or course or position*

**786. tout:**

*advertise in strongly positive terms*

**787. parasite:**

*an animal or plant that lives in or on a host*

**788. perpetuate:**

*cause to continue or prevail*

**789. wan:**

*pale, as of a person's complexion*

**790. sordid:**

*foul and run-down and repulsive*

**791. prerogative:**

*a right reserved exclusively by a person or group*

**792. succumb:**

*give in, as to overwhelming force, influence, or pressure*

**793. veritable:**

*not counterfeit or copied*

**794. vigilance:**

*the process of paying close and continuous attention*

**795. obliterate:**

*remove completely from recognition or memory*

**796. furtive:**

*secret and sly*

**797. tapestry:**

*a wall hanging of heavy fabric with pictorial designs*

**798. plaintive:**

*expressing sorrow*

**799. supplicate:**

*ask for humbly or earnestly, as in prayer*

**800. wardrobe:**

*a piece of furniture that provides storage space for clothes*

**801. mitigate:**

*lessen or to try to lessen the seriousness or extent of*

**802. jeer:**

*laugh at with contempt and derision*

**803. tangible:**

*perceptible by the senses, especially the sense of touch*

**804. skeptical:**

*marked by or given to doubt*

**805. infuse:**

*fill, as with a certain quality*

**806. ludicrous:**

*inviting ridicule*

**807. outset:**

*the time at which something is supposed to begin*

**808. recourse:**

*act of turning to for assistance*

**809. wile:**

*the use of tricks to deceive someone*

**810. martial:**

*suggesting war or military life*

**811. stipulate:**

*make an express demand or provision in an agreement*

**812. lucid:**

*transparently clear; easily understandable*

**813. overhaul:**

*make repairs, renovations, revisions or adjustments to*

**814. imperious:**

*having or showing arrogant superiority*

**815. prone:**

*having a tendency*

**816. odious:**

*extremely repulsive or unpleasant*

**817. frenzy:**

*state of violent mental agitation*

**818. stark:**

*severely simple*

**819. metaphysics:**

*the philosophical study of being and knowing*

**820. sip:**

*drink in sips*

**821. heretic:**

*a person whose religious beliefs conflict with church dogma*

**822. lull:**

*make calm or still*

**823. transgress:**

*act in disregard of laws, rules, contracts, or promises*

**824. frivolous:**

*not serious in content, attitude, or behavior*

**825. hamper:**

*prevent the progress or free movement of*

**826. impair:**

*make worse or less effective*

**827. imperative:**

*requiring attention or action*

**828. truce:**

*a state of peace agreed to between opponents*

**829. flirt:**

*talk or behave amorously, without serious intentions*

**830. insinuate:**

*suggest in an indirect or covert way; give to understand*

**831. rigor:**

*excessive sternness*



**832. temperate:**

*not extreme*

**833. sinister:**

*wicked, evil, or dishonorable*

**834. luminous:**

*softly bright or radiant*

**835. uproar:**

*a state of commotion and noise and confusion*

**836. posture:**

*the arrangement of the body and its limbs*

**837. vindicate:**

*show to be right by providing justification or proof*

**838. meddle:**

*intrude in other people's affairs or business*

**839. intricate:**

*having many complexly arranged elements; elaborate*

**840. pebble:**

*a small smooth rounded rock*

**841. odium:**

*hate coupled with disgust*

**842. shun:**

*avoid and stay away from deliberately*

**843. vulnerable:**

*capable of being wounded or hurt*

**844. susceptible:**

*yielding readily to or capable of*

**845. smother:**

*deprive of oxygen and prevent from breathing*

**846. pan:**

*shallow container made of metal*

**847. oblivion:**

*the state of being disregarded or forgotten*

**848. usurp:**

*seize and take control without authority*

**849. steadfast:**

*marked by firm determination or resolution; not shakable*

**850. prodigious:**

*great in size, force, extent, or degree*

**851. foster:**

*providing nurture though not related by blood or legal ties*

**852. presumption:**

*a premise that is taken for granted*

**853. impede:**

*be a hindrance or obstacle to*

**854. pervade:**

*spread or diffuse through*

**855. ordinance:**

*an authoritative rule*

**856. impetuous:**

*characterized by undue haste and lack of thought*

**857. impudent:**

*improperly forward or bold*

**858. spine:**

*the series of vertebrae forming the backbone*

**859. ominous:**

*threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic developments*

**860. placid:**

*calm and free from disturbance*

**861. judicious:**

*marked by the exercise of common sense in practical matters*

**862. treacherous:**

*dangerously unstable and unpredictable*

**863. wary:**

*marked by keen caution and watchful prudence*

**864. lumber:**

*the wood of trees prepared for use as building material*

**865. ghastly:**

*shockingly repellent; inspiring horror*

**866. invoke:**

*request earnestly; ask for aid or protection*

**867. indict:**

*accuse formally of a crime*

**868. rejoicing:**

*a feeling of great happiness*

**869. pertinent:**

*being of striking appropriateness*

**870. uphold:**

*stand up for; stick up for; of causes, principles, or ideals*

**871. insensible:**

*barely able to be perceived*

**872. subside:**

*wear off or die down*

**873. gravel:**

*rock fragments and pebbles*

**874. premise:**

*a statement that is held to be true*

**875. gorge:**

*a deep ravine, usually with a river running through it*

**876. valiant:**

*having or showing heroism or courage*

**877. withhold:**

*hold back; refuse to hand over or share*

**878. trample:**

*tread or stomp heavily or roughly*

**879. lavish:**

*very generous*

**880. limp:**

*walk impeded by some physical injury*

**881. slack:**

*not tense or taut*

**882. precipitate:**

*bring about abruptly*

**883. waver:**

*pause or hold back in uncertainty or unwillingness*

**884. precipice:**

*a very steep cliff*

**885. venerable:**

*profoundly honored*

**886. vicious:**

*having the nature of evildoing*

**887. prodigy:**

*an unusually gifted or intelligent person*

**888. fret:**

*be agitated or irritated*

**889. mirth:**

*great merriment*

**890. levy:**

*impose and collect*

**891. proclamation:**

*a formal public statement*

**892. grumble:**

*make complaining remarks or noises under one's breath*

**893. perch:**

*an elevated place serving as a seat*

**894. plea:**

*a humble request for help from someone in authority*

**895. propriety:**

*correct behavior*

**896. rash:**

*imprudently incurring risk*

**897. loom:**

*a textile machine for weaving yarn into a textile*

**898. remorse:**

*a feeling of deep regret, usually for some misdeed*

**899. shatter:**

*break into many pieces*

**900. mend:**

*restore by putting together what is torn or broken*

**901. shrill:**

*having or emitting a high-pitched and sharp tone or tones*

**902. stray:**

*wander from a direct course or at random*

**903. latitude:**

*an imaginary line around the Earth parallel to the equator*

**904. traitor:**

*a person who says one thing and does another*

**905. intrigue:**

*a crafty and involved plot to achieve your ends*

**906. linen:**

*a fabric woven with fibers from the flax plant*

**907. forge:**

*create by hammering*

**908. fraud:**

*intentional deception resulting in injury to another person*

**909. formidable:**

*extremely impressive in strength or excellence*

**910. reckless:**

*marked by defiant disregard for danger or consequences*

**911. guarded:**

*cautious and reserved*

**912. prolong:**

*lengthen in time; cause to be or last longer*

**913. venerate:**

*regard with feelings of respect and reverence*

**914. pluck:**

*pull lightly but sharply*

**915. recede:**

*pull back or move away or backward*

**916. indignant:**

*angered at something unjust or wrong*

**917. redeem:**

*exchange or buy back for money; under threat*

**918. subdue:**

*put down by force or intimidation*

**919. gravity:**

*the force of attraction between all masses in the universe*

**920. vex:**

*disturb, especially by minor irritations*

**921. torment:**

*intense feelings of suffering; acute mental or physical pain*

**922. perplex:**

*be a mystery or bewildering to*

**923. quiver:**

*shake with fast, tremulous movements*

**924. ingenious:**

*showing inventiveness and skill*

**925. petition:**

*a formal request that something be submitted to an authority*

**926. vanity:**

*feelings of excessive pride*

**927. sober:**

*not affected by a chemical substance, especially alcohol*

**928. frown:**

*a facial expression of dislike or displeasure*

**929. stoop:**

*bend one's back forward from the waist on down*

**930. substantial:**

*real; having a material or factual existence*

**931. literal:**

*limited to the explicit meaning of a word or text*

**932. harbor:**

*a sheltered port where ships can take on or discharge cargo*

**933. sway:**

*move back and forth*

**934. proposition:**

*a suggestion offered for acceptance or rejection*

**935. jest:**

*activity characterized by good humor*



**936. steep:**

*having a sharp inclination*

**937. flatter:**

*praise somewhat dishonestly*

**938. obscure:**

*not clearly understood or expressed*

**939. pine:**

*a coniferous tree*

**940. stake:**

*a strong wooden or metal post driven into the ground*

**941. scattered:**

*lacking orderly continuity*

**942. peer:**

*look searchingly*

**943. strive:**

*attempt by employing effort*

**944. subsequent:**

*following in time or order*

**945. indulge:**

*yield to; give satisfaction to*

**946. spell:**

*write or name the letters that comprise the accepted form of*

**947. plead:**

*appeal or request earnestly*

**948. stiff:**

*incapable of or resistant to bending*

**949. prudent:**

*marked by sound judgment*

**950. profound:**

*situated at or extending to great depth*

**951. presume:**

*take to be the case or to be true*

**952. vigor:**

*forceful exertion*

**953. precious:**

*of high worth or cost*

**954. startle:**

*surprise greatly*

**955. induce:**

*cause to act in a specified manner*

**956. neglect:**

*leave undone or leave out*

**957. notion:**

*a general inclusive concept*

**958. manifest:**

*clearly revealed to the mind or the senses or judgment*

**959. swift:**

*moving very fast*

**960. pitch:**

*the high or low quality of a sound*

**961. prompt:**

*according to schedule or without delay*

**962. obvious:**

*easily perceived by the senses or grasped by the mind*

**963. strain:**

*exert much effort or energy*

**964. weary:**

*physically and mentally fatigued*

**965. opportune:**

*suitable or advantageous especially for a particular purpose*

**966. note:**

*a brief written record*