# Section 1 word list 1

- 1. agnostic
- 2. aggregate
- 3. amenable
- 4. amiable
- 5. amicable
- 6. altercation
- 7. Alloy
- 8. allude
- 9. allure
- 10.allusion

**Agnostic**: one who is skeptical of the existence or knowability of a god or any ultimate reality.

Example: The *agnostic* do not think a pigeon can appear out *of nothing* like that.

**Aggregate**: gather, accumulate.

Segregate: to separate or set apart from others or from the general mass.

Example: They <u>aggregated</u> the <u>segregated</u> soldiers.

Amenable: readily managed, willing to be led.

**Amiable**: friendly, sociable, and congenial; generally agreeable.

**Amicable**: politely friendly, not quarrelsome.

Example: The guy was <u>amenable</u> to our suggestion. So, we went to watch an <u>amiable</u> comedy. Later, we had an <u>amicable</u> relation despite many differences.

**Altercation**: noisy quarrel; heated dispute.

Example: The bad <u>allocation</u> result in an <u>altercation</u> between different parties.

**Alloy**: a compound, mixture, or union of different things; a mixture of metal; an admixture that lessens value.

Example: It is very <u>annoying</u> that the patrol is <u>alloyed</u> with lead.

**Allude**: refer indirectly.

**Allure**: entice, attract. (allusion: indirect reference).

Example: By the story, the author <u>alluded</u> that the prince was <u>allured</u> by the beauty of the girl.

#### Word list 2

Word in this list

- 1. agenda
- 2. Anchor
- 3. Apiary
- 4. Abase
- 5. abrade
- 6. abrasive
- 7. abet
- 8. abortive
- 9. abut

Agenda: a list or outline of things to be considered or done, especially during a meeting.

Example: <u>Agenda</u> for a meeting to discuss about <u>a gender</u> discrimination.

**Anchor**: secure or fasten firmly; be fixed in place.

We bandage was <u>anchored</u> to her <u>ankle</u>.

**Apiary**: a place where bees are kept.

Apiary is not a place to keep <u>a bee</u> but <u>many</u>.

abrade: wear away by friction; scrape; erode.

abrasive: rubbing away; tending to grind down.

Just like how cleaning powder can <u>abrade</u> shiny finish, <u>abrasive</u> comments often wear away readers' patience.

abet: aid or encourage, usually in doing something wrong.

While gambling, she <u>abets</u> him in making <u>a bet</u> that cost thousand dollars.

abortive:: fruitless, unsuccessful.

They had to <u>abort</u> the plan, after figuring out that it was an <u>abortive</u> project.

abut: border upon, adjoin.

My house *abuts a bus* stop, but I usually go to school by bike.

affected: artificial, pretended; assumed to impress.

His <u>affected</u> behavior did not <u>affect</u> the result of the vote.

#### Word list 3

Word in this list

- 1. Accomplice
- 2. Acknowledge
- 3. Actuate
- 4. Accentuate
- 5. Affirmation
- 6. Affix
- 7. Affliction
- 8. Astringent
- 9. Stringent
- 10.Atlas

accomplice: partner in crime.

acknowledge: recognize, admit.

Your <u>accomplices</u> have <u>acknowledged</u> their crime. So, it's better for you to admit as well.

actuate: motivate.

**accentuate**: to highlight, to emphasize.

I fail to understand what <u>actuated</u> him to <u>accentuate</u> the guidance again and again.

**affirmation**: positive assertion, confirmation.

<u>A firm information</u> is not enough to conclude such an <u>affirmation</u> to other cases.

affix: fasten; attach, add on.

**affliction**: state of distress; cause of suffering.

Even in the midst of his *affliction*, he tried to *affix* his picture to the wall.

**astringent**: binding, causing contraction; sour or bitter; acerbic.

**stringent**: demanding strict attention to rules and procedures.

It's our family "stringent law" that a child has to drink astringent unsweetened lemon juice.

atlas: a book containing maps.

The pirate shouted: "At last, the Atlas of all the treasures is in my hand. Ha ha!"

# Word list 4

- 1. Atone
- 2. Audit
- 3. Auditory
- 4. Adverse
- 5. Averse
- 6. Aversion
- 7. Endear
- 8. Balm
- 9. Balmy
- 10.Avocation

atone: make amends for, pay for.

He said in <u>a low tone</u> that he wanted to <u>atone</u> for his wrongdoings.

audit: an examination of accounts.

auditory: of or about hearing.

After conducting the <u>audit</u> and figured out some cheating in the financial department, he was seriously so revenged that the <u>auditory</u> areas of his brain were severely damaged.

adverse: having a negative or harmful effect.

averse: reluctant, disinclined.

The man was <u>averse</u> to revealing the <u>adverse</u> situation of the company.

aversion: firm dislike.

The fact that he revealed the <u>adverse</u> <u>situation</u> of the company made many people have an <u>aversion</u> toward him.

**Endear**: to cause to become beloved or admired.

Let's <u>end</u> this, my <u>dear!</u> Your pretentiousness can no longer <u>endear</u> me anymore!

balm: something that relieves pain.

Is it true that <u>palm</u> oil is a <u>balm</u>?

**balmy**: mild, fragrant.

A *balmy* breeze refreshes the *palm* tree.

## Word list 5

- 1. Avocation
- 2. abate
- 3. bate
- 4. bawdy
- 5. bedizen
- 6. denizen
- 7. draggle
- 8. bedraggle
- 9. beeline
- 10.bemuse

avocation: secondary or minor occupation.

Aside from teaching, he also saves time on his *avocation*, which is advocating for Vinamilk's products by banners and advertisements.

abate: subside; become less intense or widespread.

bate: let down, restrain.

They had to <u>bate</u> their curiosity before opening the gift, but their eager was <u>abated</u> after seeing the presents.

**bawdy**: humorously indecent; dealing with sexual matters in a comical way.

She took offense at Keith's **bawdy** remarks about her cat's body.

bedizen: dress with vulgar finery.

denizen: an inhabitant or occupant of a particular place.

The <u>denizens</u> of the wizard city <u>bedizened</u> in gaudy costumes.

draggle: make wet and dirty, as from rain.

bedraggle: wet thoroughly, stain with mud.

It's hard to <u>draggle</u> her skirts through the mud. Eventually, she was totally <u>bedraggled</u>.

beeline: direct, quick route.

In <u>line</u>, the <u>bee</u> tried to make a <u>beeline</u> to their nest.

bemused: confused, lost in thought; preoccupied.

# Being amused and bemused.

## Word list 6

- 1. fuddle
- 2. befuddle
- 3. beseech
- 4. beset
- 5. besiege
- 6. slant
- 7. blanch
- 8. bland
- 9. bluff
- 10.blurt

**fuddle**: to muddle or to confuse.

**befuddle**: confuse thoroughly.

She was already in a state of <u>fuddle</u>. Now, his talk even <u>befuddled</u> her further.

**beseech**: to beg, plead with.

beset: harass or trouble; hem in.

besiege: surround with armed forces; harass.

After <u>beseech</u> unsuccessfully, he changed his tone, and <u>beset</u> that he and his bandits will besiege us sometime in the future.

**slant**: resent or view (information) from a particular angle, especially in a biased or unfair way; slope or lean in a particular direction.

They <u>slanted</u> to use <u>slang</u> in formal writings.

blanch: bleach, whiten.

Water fall down from the tree *branches blanch* her face.

**bland**: soothing or mild; agreeable.

Clover tried a *bland* cream from a famous *brand* for her sunburn.

**bluff**: rough but good-natured; pretense (of strength); deception; high cliff.

At first, I thought he had a <u>bluff</u> and hearty manner. But disappointingly, it's just a <u>bluff</u>.

**blurt**: say (something) suddenly and without careful consideration.

loud, aggressive, or indignant talk with little effect.

After he <u>blurted</u> out the information, she <u>blustered</u> at him.

#### Word list 7

Word in this list

- 1. brandish
- 2. Breach
- 3. Broach
- 4. Breadth
- 5. Belated
- 6. buffet
- 7. batter
- 8. cottage
- 9. bungle
- 10.burlesque

**brandish**: wave or flourish (something, especially a weapon) as a threat or in anger or excitement (be careful not to be mistaken with blandish: to flatter).

She <u>brandished</u> a <u>pan</u> and a <u>fish</u> at them to make them go away.

breach: breaking of contract or duty; gap; a break in accustomed friendly relations.

**broach**: to mention; open up.

If you <u>broach</u> a touchy subject; it may cause a <u>breach</u>.

breadth: width; extent.

He took a deep <u>breath</u> and jump into the river with a great <u>breadth</u> of snakes.

**belated**: delayed.

I suggested going earlier, but he <u>delayed</u>, and we were <u>belated</u> again.

buffet: slap, strike, batter; knock about; table with food set out for people to serve themselves.

rough seas buffeted the coast and took away their buffet..

batter: censure, criticize, defeat severely (noun: battering).

He was battered after the truck of butter crashed, which made the company lost thousand dollars.

cottage: a small simple house.

a cottage of cotton fiber.

bungle: blunder, mismanage.

Stop going out and play <u>bingo</u> like this! If you <u>bungle</u> the job, you're fired!

burlesque: give an imitation that ridicules.

a burlesque of her friend.

#### Word list 8

- 1. cache
- 2. calculated
- 3. canine
- 4. Carnage
- 5. canal
- 6. carnivorous
- 7. Carp
- 8. carping
- 9. cataract
- 10.catcall

**cache**: a collection of items of the same type stored in a hidden or inaccessible place; store away in hiding or for future use.

Put the <u>cash</u> in the <u>cache!</u> It's a safe place to <u>cache</u> our <u>cash</u>.

**canine**: dog-like; related to dogs. *canine* is dog-lie, not *cat* – *like*.

cataract: a large waterfall; a sudden rush of water; a downpour.

a *counter-attack* by the *cataract* turned the water into the red of blood.

carn-: flesh.

carnage: destruction of life.

canal: fleshly; relating to physical.

**carnivorous**: meat – eating.

We saw a <u>carnage</u> when he went out to the car we need. The <u>carnivorous</u> scence <u>levered us</u> to get in the car quickly and flee away.

carp: complain or find fault continually, typically about trivial matters.

carping: difficult to please; critical.

The <u>carping</u> women kept <u>carping</u> while we were cleaning the <u>carpet</u>.

catcall: shout of disapproval; boo.

Ignoring the <u>catcalls</u> of the audience, the <u>cat called</u> another member of the band and continued to sing.

Word list 9

- 1. cavalcade
- 2. ceremonious
- 3. Chaste
- 4. Chasten
- 5. Chide
- 6. Condole
- 7. Condone
- 8. Cipher
- 9. Decipher
- 10.Clique

cavalcade: procession; parade.

The <u>carnival's parade</u> will start from here. So, we can stand over there to watch the <u>cavalcade</u> pass by.

**ceremonious**: relating or appropriate to grand and formal occasions.

During the *ceremony*, he accepted the request with *ceremonious* dignity.

chaste: pure; virginal; without unnecessary ornamentation; simple or restrained.

**chasten**: discipline; punish in order to correct.

As a monk, he <u>chases</u> a <u>chaste</u> living style, so that he won't be <u>chastened</u> in some later time.

chide: scold.

the mother *chided* the *child* after he broke the glass.

condole: express sympathetic sorrow.

**condone**: overlook, forgive; give tacit approval.

I <u>condole</u> with him about his father's death. So, even though he <u>condoned</u> the mistake, but I <u>condoned</u>.

cipher: secret code; nonentity, worthless person or thing.

decipher: decode.

After <u>deciphering</u> the <u>cipher</u>, he discovered the information is just about a <u>cipher</u>.

clique: a small group of people, with shared interests or other features in common.

The members of the <u>clique</u> <u>clicked</u> on the link, and all were infected.

#### Word list 10

Words in this list:

- 1. Condiments
- 2. Clout
- 3. Clump
- 4. Code
- 5. Codify
- 6. Cope
- 7. Coup
- 8. Conclusive
- 9. Convene
- 10.Convention

condiments: seasonings; spices.

the *condiments* he put in made the food taste so good that he received a lot of *compliments* from eaters.

**clout**: influence or power, especially in politics or business.

I want to know whether he carried a lot of <u>clout</u>, or he is just a <u>clown</u>.

**clump**: cluster or close group (of bushes, trees); mass; form into a clump or mass.

The trees <u>clump</u> together <u>clumsily</u>.

**code**: a systematic collection of laws or regulations.

**codify**: arrange (laws or rules) into a systematic code.

to *codify* the rules and regulations into a national health *code*.

cope: deal effectively with something difficult.

**coup**: a highly successful action or sudden attack.

To <u>cope</u> with the potential <u>coup</u> from the enemy, the general ordered build a fortress.

conclusive: decisive or convincing,

a conclusive conclusion.

**convene**: come or bring together for a meeting or activity; assemble.

**convention**: a way in which something is usually done, especially within a particular area or activity; a large meeting or conference, especially of members of a political party or a particular profession.

(conventional: based on or in accordance with what is generally done or believed.)

Many scientists were <u>convened</u> to the <u>convention</u>.

Word list 11

- 1. Contagion
- 2. Conveyance
- 3. Coy
- 4. Decoy

- 5. Crass
- 6. Creed
- 7. Crest
- 8. Crestfallen
- 9. Daunt
- 10.Dauntless

contagion: infection.

Contagion is contagious.

**Conveyance**: a means of transportation; a vehicle.

He tried to *convey* his ideas when they were in the *conveyance*.

**Coy**: shy, modest, coquettish:

**Decoy**: (n, v) a thing or a person that is used to trick somebody into doing what you them to do; going where you want to go.

The girl  $\underline{coyly}$  say yes, when the  $\underline{boy}$  used sweet words as a  $\underline{decoy}$  to ask her to go to the prom with him.

Crass: without consideration for how other people might feel; stupid:

He made a <u>crass</u> comments about how his brother takes care of the <u>grass</u> in the garden.

**Creed**: a system of religious or ethical belief.

People of all races, colors and <u>creeds</u> have <u>greed</u>.

Crest: highest point of a something such as a wave or a hill

Crestfallen: dejected, dispirited

*Falling* down from the *crest* of the mountain, he became *crestfallen*.

**Daunt**: intimidate; frighten

**Dauntless**: bold

The monster couldn't <u>daunt</u> our <u>dauntless</u> hero.

## Section 2

# word list 1

- 1. Heed
- 2. Bullish
- 3. Tumble
- 4. Barter
- 5. Parable
- 6. Tumid
- 7. Turgid
- 8. Epoch
- 9. Epochal
- 10.turbid

- **Heed**: to pay attention to something, especially advice or a warning:

He <u>heeded</u> the girl in the burning house and ran in to rescue her, <u>heedless</u> of danger.

- **Bullish**: giving your opinions in a powerful and confident way:

A red <u>bull is</u> very <u>bullish</u> about its strength.

- **Tumble**: to fall quickly and without control.

Only after share prices <u>tumbled</u> and he lost millions of dollars that he became <u>humbler</u>.

- **Barter**: to exchange goods for other things rather than for money:

The <u>bantering</u> guy finally be able to <u>barter</u> his ring for the book.

- **Parable** is fable.

"The Man Nobody Knows" says that Jesus was "the first businessman" and that his <u>parables</u> were "the most <u>powerful</u> advertisements of all time."

- Tumid, turgid: swollen.

<u>Tumor</u> caused his arm to be <u>tumid</u>.

The pillow was so <u>turgid</u> because I put in a lot of <u>fur in it</u>.

- **epoch:** a long period of time, especially one in which there are new advances and great change.

**epochal:** highly significant or important especially bringing about or marking the beginning of a new development or era.

The President made an <u>epochal</u> speech, saying that the country is moving into a new <u>epoch</u>.

- turbid: stirred up and made unclear or muddy.

The lake became <u>turbid</u> a bit after I throw down a stone.

## word list 2

- 1. Umbrage
- 2. Unsavory
- 3. Acquiesce
- 4. Vivacious
- 5. Volatile
- 6. Waffle
- 7. Whet
- 8. Wily
- 9. sly
- 10.wont

- umbrage: offense, annoyance.

She took <u>umbrage</u> at the air's <u>arm break</u>.

- **unsavory**: disagreeable to taste, smell, or look at; disagreeable and unpleasant because morally disreputable.

His <u>unsavory</u> reputation makes no one wants to <u>save</u> him.

- acquiesce: to accept or agree to something, often unwillingly.

He <u>acquiesced</u> to the plan, and we <u>acquired</u> his house.

- vivacious: vigorous and animated, attractively energetic.

The vivacious man started a vigorous debate.

- **volatile**: easily evaporated at normal temperature; liable to change rapidly and unpredictably, especially for the worse.

<u>volcano</u> isle is very <u>volatile</u>.

- waffle: to go back and forth.

I waffle between getting waffles and pie.

- whet: excite or stimulate, sharpen.

The way he <u>whets</u> the blade <u>whetted</u> the fighting desire of the surrounding people.

- wily, sly: having or showing a cunning and deceitful nature.

She is not wily enough to drive her mother car on the sly while she is at work.

- wistful: having or showing a feeling of vague or regretful longing.

He feels wistful after fooling the witch around.

- wont: accustomed.

people usually want to do their wont doings.

# word list 3

- 1. Worldly
- 2. Wrongheaded
- 3. Stricture
- 4. Streamline
- 5. Tempestuous
- 6. Toothsome
- 7. Hoard
- 8. Disinterested
- 9. Blandish
- 10.Furnish

- worldly: of or concerned with materials values or ordinary life rather than a spiritual existence; experienced and sophisticated.

Traveling around the world, he became worldly on culture diversity.

- wrongheaded: having or showing bad judgment; misguided.

Being wrongheaded by the map, the wrongheaded guy went to a wrong headquarter.

- Stricture: a statement of severe criticism or disapproval.

The strict stricture received strictures from the art critics.

- **Streamline**: to improve the effectiveness of an organization such as a business or government, often by making the way activities are performed simpler.

The streams running along the lines are to streamline the efficiency of the machine.

- Tempestuous: characterized by violent emotions or behavior.

Our different tempers make us have a tempestuous divorce.

- **Toothsome**: tasty, appealing.

The food looks so toothsome that I wanted to give my tooth some.

- **Hoard**: to collect large amounts of something and keep it in a safe, often secret, place.

They hoarded enough bombs to create horrifying destruction.

- **Disinterested**: unbiased.

Although the professor interested in the boy, he graded the homework disinterestedly.

- Blandish: praise somewhat dishonestly.

The boss blatantly dislikes blandishing.

- Furnish: provide or equip with furniture.

They furnished the room with peacock's fur and a fish tank.

# word list 4

- 1. concerted
- 2. feeble
- 3. murky
- 4. murk
- 5. hubris
- 6. humbug
- 7. husbandry
- 8. imbroglio
- 9. imploring
- 10.wry

**Concerted**: planned or done together for a shared purpose.

This concert is a concerted effort of the star and the cast.

feeble: weak and without energy, strength or power:

murky dark or gloomy.

Murk: darkness or thick cloud, preventing you from seeing clearly:

It was foggy and the sun shone feebly through the murk. It's infeasible to see the direction on the murky sea.

hubris: excessive pride or self-confidence.

The hubris of having a huge bridge in the city.

humbug: trick or deceive; nonsense; rubbish.

She usually uses Hamburger as a humbug us.

**husbandry**: careful management.

Ladies should practice husbandry of their husband's salaries.

imbroglio: complicated situation.

The measure they imposed wouldn't improve the imbroglio.

imploring: begging.

I'm poor, but I don't implore them to give me money. I just importune to leave my dog alone.

Wry: humorously sarcastic or mocking.

It's wry that you dry the banana to this shape.

# word list 5

- 1. Apoplectic
- 2. Bauble
- 3. Bowdlerize
- 4. Row
- 5. Rough
- 6. Ruffian
- 7. Sapient
- 8. Schadenfreude
- 9. Schism
- 10.Scofflaw

apoplectic: enraged.

I was apoplectic to see Amber's lettuce in my shoes.

bauble: a small, inexpensive piece of jewelry or toy.

After the bubbles disappeared, we finally saw the bauble at the bottom of the pot.

**bowdlerize**: to cut out all the offensive parts of a book.

They bowdlerized the work so much that it violates owner's right.

baying: shouting. I heard a lot of baying when the ship stuck at the bay.

Row: disagreement.

The two boys had a row over how to make the buffalo plow probably.

Rough: difficult, unpleasant, coarse, lacking refinement.

ruffian: a brutal person.

We had a rough time, trying to get the drunken ruffian out of the bar.

schism: a separation into opposing groups; a divide.

The unsuccessful scheme resulted in a schism of the group.

scofflaw: a contemptuous law-breaker (a person who "scoff" at the "law").

# word list 6

- 1. scuttle
- 2. shelve
- 3. shirk
- 4. simper
- 5. slovenly
- 6. solecism
- 7. blunder
- 8. solipsistic
- 9. soupcon
- 10.Staple

- **scuttle**: to destroy, to scrap.

If you scuttle the shuttle, we won't have vehicle to go to school tomorrow.

- **shelve**: to put aside or postpone.

I shelved reading and put the book on the shelf.

- **shirk**: to avoid a duty.

If you keep shirking, I won't give you back the shirt.

- **simper**: to smile in a silly way.

He looked at our simple experiment, shook his head and simper.

- **slovenly**: untidy, sloppy.

Her slow make up is not a problem, but I don't understand why she still appeared slovenly at the party.

- **solecism**: a grammatical mistake, a breach of good manners, a piece of incorrect behavior.
- **blunder**: a stupid or careless mistake, make a stupid or careless mistake, move clumsily.

I blundered a solecism during the exam, and I only realize that while lumbering out of the test room.

- solipsistic: being extremely self-centered.

The model whose image sold lipstick became solipsistic due to all the compliments she received.

- soupcon: a little bit.

I got some soupcon of corn-soup.

- **staple**: main or important.

Rice is the staple crop grown in most villages, although its rice is not always stable.

# word list 7

- 1. Stalwart
- 2. stanch
- 3. staunch
- 4. statuesque
- 5. stolid
- 6. storied
- 7. eccentric
- 8. periphery
- 9. perquisites
- 10.perk

- **stalwart**: loyal, strong supporter.

stanch: to stop the flowing of, staunch: loyal.

Stand by the wall, he proved himself a stalwart protector of the historical site by stanching people from touching the head of the turtles.

- **statuesque**: attractively tall.

The statue is cute and statuesque.

- stolid: calm, dependable, and showing little emotion.
- **storied**: having an interesting/celebrated history.

His storied history makes people tell his stories, generations after generations.

- **Eccentric**: strange or unusual, sometimes in an amusing way.

Her ex-man trick is kind of eccentric, but it is effective. They came back together.

- **Periphery**: the outside boundary or surface of something.

Houses have been built on the periphery of the factory site.

- **Perquisites** = **perk**: privilege or bonus.

We enjoy the perquisites like extra points per quiz.

## word list 8

- 1. Pageant
- 2. personify
- 3. perverse
- 4. picayune
- 5. pomp
- 6. pivotal
- 7. ponderous
- 8. primed
- 9. prodigious
- 10.profuse

- **Pageant**: a competition for young women in which they are judged on their beauty and other qualities:

Strange! They hold a beauty *pageant* for the *pregnant*!

- **Personify**: to be a perfect example of something, to treat something as if it were in the form of a human being.
- **perverse**: bad, wrong, corrupt.

Such *perverse perverts* should be punished.

- Picayune: unimportant, small-minded.

The players should read <u>picker's rules</u> carefully to avoid wasting time for <u>picayune</u> subjects.

- pomp: splendid and colorful ceremony.

It's not easy to bomb the pomp because the organizers had many polices to maintain safety.

- **Pivotal**: important, key; pivot: the central point, a person or thing that plays a central part in an activity or organization.

The *pivotal* point of being a successful *pirate* is to have powerful weapons.

- **ponderous**: heavy, dull.

She's pondering how to be skinnier. She is tired of her current ponderous manner.

- **Primed**: ready.

I'm *primed* for my *prime* time.

- **prodigious**: remarkably or impressively great in extent, size or degree; prodigal: wasteful.

It's prodigal to use that stove. It consumes a prodigious amount of fuel, but not efficient.

- **profuse**: plentiful, abundant.

The <u>pro</u> can quickly skim through a <u>profuse</u> amount of information while searching for references.

- 1. prognosticate
- 2. prosaic
- 3. rapt
- 4. rarefied
- 5. reap
- 6. recant
- 7. reclusive
- 8. redouble
- 9. repertoire
- 10.nondescript

- **prognosticate**: to predict.

I guess she could prognosticate your procrastination. That's why she knows you're very busy at this time.

- **prosaic**: dull or boring.

**Bro**, it's **prosaic** to **say** it all the time!

- rapt: completely interested.

The audience was held rapt by the rapturous performance; they were completely wrapped up in it.

- rarefied: lofty, reserved only for a select few; make more subtle or refined.

We <u>rarely find</u> such a <u>rarefied</u> delicacy in this vicinity.

- reap: to cut or gather.

Since the fruits are already ripening, we reap the harvest.

- **Recant**: say that one no longer holds an opinion or belief, especially one considered heretical.

Being too *recalcitrant*, Galileo didn't *recant* and was sentenced to death.

- **reclusive**: avoiding the company of other people, solitary.
- **redouble**: make or become much greater, more intense, or more numerous.

As the number of registers <u>redoubled</u>, we had to <u>double</u> the amount chairs.

- repertoire: a stock of skills or types of behavior that a person habitually uses:

If we repeatedly use old repertoires, we may not win next time.

- **Nondescript**: lacking distinctive or interesting features or characteristics.

The temple is so <u>nondescript</u> that it had <u>no description</u> in the lexicon.

- 1. novitiate
- 2. objurgation
- 3. officious
- 4. omission
- 5. openhanded
- 6. otiose
- 7. outstrip
- 8. overshadow
- 9. overweening
- 10.pander

- **Novitiate**: a novice, normative: establishing/relating to a standard or norm.

As a **novitiate**, the **novice initiates** his experiment with the **normative** procedure for the first time.

- Objurgation: a harsh reprimand or criticism.

After fudging the **obligation**, the boy was given a severe **objurgation**.

- officious: bossy.

The boss is still officious to us even after we give him our office – shirt for free.

- omission: something not done or missed.

There were some **omissions** in the book as she **omitted to mention** about the date.

- **openhanded**: generous.

Other children will think you're **openhanded** if you **open** your **hand** and give some candies to your friends.

- opine: to state something as an opinion:

**Oh, bye!** You **opine** about the election like that, but we hold the opposite opinion.

- otiose: useless, lazy.

An otiose tortoise.

- **outstrip**: move faster than and overtake (someone else), exceed.

The number of strips **outstripped** our demand, but we still got **outstripped** by our opponents during the weaving competition.

- **overshadow**: tower above and cast a shadow over, appear to be more prominent/successful/ important than.

Not only his skills overshadow mine, but his shadow also towers over me.

- **overweening**: arrogant:

Don't be **overweening!** Today will mark the day that your **winning** is **over!** 

- pander: gratify or indulge (an immoral or distasteful desire, need, or habit or a person with such a desire).

The chief officer is **pondering** how to conceal their **pandering**.

- 1. panned
- 2. pendulous
- 3. penury
- 4. peregrinate
- 5. irk
- 6. jocose
- 7. lackadaisical
- 8. kindle
- 9. lovelorn
- 10.lumber

- **panned**: sharply criticized:

The company was harshly **panned** after their **pans** were revealed to release some toxic at high temperature.

- pendulous: hanging loosely, sagging.

As the girl dance, the **pendulous** ornaments on her head swing back and forth like **pendulums.** 

- **penury**: severe poverty.

He was so **penury** that he does not even have a **penny**.

- **invidious**: causing envy, Inveigh: speak or write about with great hostility)

Don't **irk** me, you **jerk**! (irk: to annoy)

Everyone thinks that **Rose** is **cold**, but she is very **jocose**. (jocose: given to joking)

- **peregrinate**: travel/ wander around from place to place:

Peri peregrinates around the neighborhood.

Being **invidious**, the woman **inveighs** against her college who won promotion by **inveigling** the boss.

- **lackadaisical**: without energy/spirit.

Lack of fire youths, they live lackadaisically.

- **kindle**: light, set on fire; arouse and inspire.

The kindle reader kindles her reading interest.

- lax: loose, not strict.

The inauguration of the new law is **lax** because the city **lacks** polices.

- **lovelorn**: without love.

Feeling lovelorn, she sat forlornly, looking out to the sea.

- **lumber**: to move with clumsiness.

With all the **numbers** jumping in his head during the test, he **lumbers** out the test room.

- 1. makeshift
- 2. manacle
- 3. minion
- 4. meteorological
- 5. nefarious
- 6. excise
- 7. exodus
- 8. farce
- 9. fraternize
- 10.frenetic

- makeshift: serving as a temporary substitute.

They **make** a **shift** in policy by letting manufactures using cotton seed oil as a **makeshift** of other oils.

- manacle: to restrain, confine.

They **manacle** her legs together in an **evil manner**.

- **minion**: a servant, a follower.

The cute **minions** are servants of their master.

- Meteorological: about weather patterns.

**Meteorological** events could not have killed all the dinosaurs. However, a **meteor** striking Earth's surface is a **logical** explication to the extinction.

- **nefarious**: extremely wicked; nebulous: in the form of a cloud or haze; hazy
  The **nefarious** witch lives on a **nebulous** mountain top.
- excise: to take or cut out.

During the surgery, surgeons excise fat. So, you'll be in relatively slender, and your current size will be an ex-size. (Cis-: to cut)

- **exodus**: the departure of many people.

After the mass **exodus** of dwarfs, the sorcerer made **exotic dust** appear in the sky as a way to celebrate the dwarfs' disappearance in his land.

- **farce**: a comical, unrealistic, mocking display or show.

I expected your play to be a **farce**. Though, it's **far** more mocking than I could imagined.

- **fraternize**: to be friendly with.

Frat-: brother

We frat brothers fraternize with all the freshman chicks so they'll come to our parties.

- **frenetic**: wildly excited or active. Have you ever watched a Pug play? It's frenetic - like a chubby little frenzy of energy.

Word root "Fre-" means a bridle.

- 1. frenzy
- 2. brattery
- 3. requite
- 4. triage
- 5. cloak
- 6. ingenuous
- 7. ingenious
- 8. insular
- 9. haggard
- 10.fulsome

**frenzy**: state of violent mental agitation (Fre-: a bridle.).

She will be in a **frenzy** if her good **friend is** in danger.

**battery**: a large group of similar things.

A battery of batteries.

**requite**: to give or do something in return for something given to you or done for you:

**Requited** gift **requires** some time to select.

**Triage:** sorting and allocating aid on the basis of need for or likely benefit from medical treatment or food.

We need to know the **trees' ages** in the national park in order to **triage** to the squirrels.

Cloak: something which hides, covers or keeps something else secret.

The **clock** on the wall is just a **cloak** for a secret route to the wonderland.

ingenious: extremely clever.

ingenuous: completely sincere; naive.

Upon the genie's grant, the **ingenuous** girl wishes to become a genius. And "boom", she suddenly became very **ingenious**.

**Complexion**: the natural appearance of the skin on a person's face, especially its color or quality.

ashen: very pale.

Suddenly saw a huge figure, the girl's **complexion** became so **ashen** that her face was the color of **ash**.

She fainted in only a few second, before the genie could finished his introduction: "What would you wish of me: The ever-impressive, the long-contained, the often imitated, but never duplicated... Genie of the Lamp!" and look down to see his new master.

- aplomb: confidence.

I don't get it! Yesterday, you were so diffident, but today you're as **aplomb** as a **bomb** 

inimitable: not capable of being imitated.

You said that you often **imitated**, but never duplicated. Has anyone asked for something **inimitable**?

**insular**: narrow-minded. Being insulated to the outside world, the prisoner outlook was insular.

haggard: worn-out looking.

Our guests were **fulsome** in their compliments about the food. (fulsome: abundant, sometimes disgustingly so.)

- 1. fussing
- 2. fudge
- 3. hollow
- 4. hallowed
- 5. insolence
- 6. harrow
- 7. gaffe
- 8. Hirsute
- 9. heinous
- 10.holistically

- **fuss**: to give someone or something too much attention because you want to show that you like them.
- **fudge**: to fake or falsify.

She's always **fussing over** that son of hers. Sometimes, I think she also **fudges** some facts about his achievements.

- hallowed: sacred.

You only a **hollow** cave, but actually this place is **hallowed**.

- **insolence**: noun, rudeness, insensitivity.

To his insolence, she sat in silence.

- **harried**: harassed.

Being **harried** by your boss, I **hurried** to finish your task.

- **harrow**: to torment or greatly distress.

He **harrows** himself by ornate his **hat** with an **arrow**, to remind himself about what happened and that being careful is a virtue.

- **gadfly**: someone who annoys by being very critical.

He might **glad** if you help him kill some **flies**, but he would be **gadflies** if you kill all of them. His geckoes needed to be fed.

- gaffe: a social mistake.

The little **giraffe** toy is cute, but I think it's a **gaffe** if you bring it to your friend's birthday party!

- **heinous**: wicked; hateable.

He didn't mention any of his **heinous** deeds.

- **hermetic**: protected from outside influence

There was a **hermit** who lived in a **hermetic** cave that was only reachable via a treacherous jungle.

- hirsute: hairy

There was a dwarf, who looks so hirsute as if he was actually wearing a hair suite.

- **Holistic**: characterized by comprehension of the parts of something as intimately interconnected and explicable only by reference to the whole.

Well, holistically, you are not for the holy world!