

**Kaplan GRE 500 Words**

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1. **ABASE** to humble; disgrace

2. **ABATE** to reduce in amount, degree, or severity

3. **ABDICATE** to give up a position, right, or power

4. **ABERRANT** deviating from what is normal or expected

5. **ABEYANCE** temporary suppression or suspension

6. **ABJURE** to reject; abandon formally

7. **ABSCOND** to leave secretly

8. **ABSTAIN** to choose not to do something

9. **ABSTEMIOUS** moderate in appetite

10. **ABYSS** an extremely deep hole

11. **ACCRETION** a growth in size; an increase in amount

12. **ACIDULOUS** sour in taste or manner

13. **ACME** highest point; summit; the highest level or degree attainable

14. **ADULTERATE** to make impure

15. **ADVOCATE** to speak in favor of

16. **AERIE** a nest built high in the air; an elevated, often secluded, dwelling

17. **AESTHETIC** concerning the appreciation of beauty

18. **AFFECTED** phony; artificial

19. **AGGRANDIZE** to increase in power, influence, and reputation

20. **ALACRITY** speed or quickness

21. **ALLEVIATE** to make more bearable

22. **AMALGAMATE** to combine; to mix together

23. **AMBIGUOUS** doubtful or uncertain; can be interpreted

several ways

24. **AMELIORATE** to make better; to improve

25. **AMORTIZE** to diminish by installment payments

26. **AMULET** ornament worn as a charm against evil

spirits

27. **ANACHRONISM** something out of place in time

28. **ANALGESIA** a lessening or pain without loss of

consciousness

29. **ANALOGOUS** similar or alike in some way; equivalent to

30. **ANODYNE** something that calms or soothes pain

31. **ANOMALY** deviation from what is normal

32. **ANTAGONIZE** to annoy or provoke to anger

33. **ANTIPATHY** extreme dislike

34. **APATHY** lack of interest or emotion

35. **APOCRYPHAL** of questionable authority or authenticity

36. **APOSTATE** one who renounces a religious faith

37. **APPROBATION** approval and praise

38. **ARBITRARY** determined by chance or impulse

39. **ARBITRATE** to judge a dispute b/w two opposing parties

40. **ARCHAIC** ancient; old-fashioned

41. **ARDOR** intense and passionate feeling

42. **ARROGATE** to claim without justification; to claim for

oneself without right

43. **ARTICULATE** able to speak clearly and expressively

44. **ASSAIL** to attack; assault

45. **ASSUAGE** to make something unpleasant less severe

46. **ATTENUATE** to reduce in force or degree; weaken

47. **AUDACIOUS** fearless and daring

48. **AUGURY** prophecy; prediction of events

49. **AUGUST** dignified; grandiose

50. **AUSTERE** severe or stern in appearance; undecorated

51. **AXIOM** premise; postulate; self-evident truth

52. **BANAL** predictable; cliched; boring

53. **BELFRY** bell tower; room in which a bell is hung

54. **BEVY** group

55. **BIFURCATE** to divide into two parts

56. **BILK** to cheat; defraud

57. **BLIGHT** to afflict; destroy

58. **BLITHE** joyful, cheerful, or without appropriate

thought

59. **BOLSTER** to support; prop up

60. **BOMBASTIC** pompous in speech and manner

61. **BONHOMIE** good-natured geniality; atmosphere of

good cheer

62. **BOOR** crude person, one lacking manners or taste

63. **BURGEON** to grow and flourish

64. **BURNISH** to polish

65. **CABAL** a secret group seeking to overturn something

66. **CACOPHONY** harsh, jarring noise

67. **CALUMNY** a false and malicious accusation;

misrepresentation

68. **CANARD** a lie

69. **CANDID** impartial and honest in speech

70. **CAPRICIOUS** changing one's mind quickly and often

71. **CARTOGRAPHY** science or art of making maps

72. **CASTIGATE** to punish or criticize harshly

73. **CATALYST** something that brings about a change

in something else

74. **CATHOLIC** universal; broad and comprehensive

75. **CAUSTIC** biting in wit

76. **CHAOS** great disorder or confused situation

77. **CHAUVINIST** someone prejudiced in favor of a group

to which he/she belongs

78. **CHICANERY** deception by means of craft or guile

79. **CIRCUMSPECT** cautious; aware of potential

consequences

80. **CLOYING** sickly sweet; excessive

81. **COALESCE** to grow together to form a single whole

82. **COFFER** strongbox; large chest for money

83. **COGENT** convincing and well-reasoned

84. **COLLUSION** collaboration; complicity; conspiracy

85. **CONDONE** to overlook, pardon, or disregard

86. **CONNOISSEUR** a person with expert knowledge or

discriminating tastes

87. **CONTRITE** deeply sorrowful or repentant for a wrong

88. **CONTUMACIOUS** rebellious

89. **CONVOLUTED** intricate and complicated

90. **CORROBORATE** to support with evidence

91. **COSSET** to pamper; treat with great care

92. **COTERIE** an intimate group of persons with a

similar purpose

93. **CRAVEN** lacking courage

94. **CREDULOUS** too trusting; gullible

95. **CRESCENDO** steadily increasing in volume or force

96. **CUPIDITY** greed; strong desire

97. **CURMUDGEON** cranky person, usually old

98. **DEBUTANTE** young woman making debut in high society

99. **DECLIVITY** downward slope

100. **DECOROUS** proper; tasteful; socially correct

101. **DECORUM** appropriateness of behavior or conduct;

propriety

102. **DEFACE** to mar the appearance of; vandalize

103. **DEFERENCE** respect; courtesy

104. **DELETERIOUS** subtly or unexpectedly harmful

105. **DEMAGOGUE** a leader or rabble-rouser, usually

appealing to emotion or prejudice

106. **DEMUR** to express doubts or objection

107. **DERIDE** to speak of or treat with contempt; to mock

108. **DESICCATE** to dry out thoroughly

109. **DESULTORY** jumping from one thing to another; disconnected

110. **DIAPHANOUS** allowing light to show through; delicate

111. **DIATRIBE** an abusive, condemnatory speech

112. **DICTUM** authoritative statement

113. **DIFFIDENT** lacking self-confidence

114. **DILATE** to make larger; expand

115. **DILATORY** intended to delay

116. **DILETTANTE** someone with an amateurish or superficial interest in a topic

117. **DIRGE** a funeral hymn or mournful speech

118. **DISABUSE** to set right; free from error

119. **DISCERN** to perceive or recognize

120. **DISPARATE** fundamentally different; entirely unalike

121. **DISSEMBLE** to present a false appearance; to disguise

one's real intentions or character

122. **DISSONANCE** a harsh and disagreeable combination,

especially of sounds

123. **DISTAFF** the female branch of a family

124. **DISTEND** to swell, inflate, or bloat

125. **DITHER** to act confusedly or without clear purpose

126. **DIURNAL** existing during the day

127. **DIVINE** to foretell or know by inspiration

128. **DOCTRINAIRE** rigidly devoted to theories without regard

for practicality; dogmatic

129. **DOGMA** a firmly held opinion, especially a religious

belief

130. **DOGMATIC** dictatorial in one's opinions

131. **DROLL** amusing in a wry, subtle way

132. **DUPE** to deceive; a person who is easily deceived

133. **DYSPEPTIC** suffering from indigestion; gloomy and

irritable

134. **EBULLIENT** exhilarated; full of enthusiasm and high

spirits

135. **ECLECTIC** selecting from or made up from a variety of

sources

136. **EDIFY** to instruct morally and spiritually

137. **EFFICACY** effectiveness

138. **EFFIGY** stuffed doll; likeness of a person

139. **EFFRONTERY** impudent boldness; audacity

140. **ELEGY** a sorrowful poem or speech

141. **ELOQUENT** persuasive and moving, especially in speech

142. **EMBELLISH** to add ornamental or fictitious details

143. **EMULATE** to copy; to try to equal or excel

144. **ENCOMIUM** warm praise

145. **ENDEMIC** belonging to a particular area; inherent

146. **ENERVATE** to reduce in strength

147. **ENGENDER** to produce, cause, or bring about

148. **ENIGMA** a puzzle; a mystery

149. **ENUMERATE** to count, list, or itemize

150. **EPHEMERAL** lasting a short time

151. **EPICURE** person with refined taste in food and wine

152. **EQUIVOCATE** to use expressions of double meaning in order to mislead

153. **ERRATIC** wandering and unpredictable

154. **ERSATZ** fake

155. **ERUDITE** learned; scholarly; bookish

156. **ESCHEW** to shun; to avoid (as something wrong or

distasteful)

157. **ESOTERIC** known or understood only by a few

158. **ESTIMABLE** admirable

159. **ETHOS** beliefs or character of a group

160. **EULOGY** speech in praise of someone

161. **EUPHEMISM** use of an inoffensive word or phrase in

place of a more distasteful one

162. **EUPHONY** pleasant, harmonious sound

163. **EXACERBATE** to make worse

164. **EXCULPATE** to clear from blame; prove innocent

165. **EXIGENT** urgent; requiring immediate action

166. **EXONERATE** to clear of blame

167. **EXPLICIT** clearly stated or shown; forthright in expression

168. **EXPONENT** one who champions or advocates

169. **EXPURGATE** to censor

170. **FALLOW** dormant; unused

171. **FANATICAL** acting excessively enthusiastic; filled

with extreme unquestioned devotion

172. **FATUOUS** stupid; foolishly self-satisfied

173. **FAWN** to grovel

174. **FECUND** fertile; fruitful; productive

175. **FERVID** intensely emotional; feverish

176. **FETID** foul-smelling; putrid

177. **FLAG** to decline in vigor, strength, or interest

178. **FLORID** excessively decorated or embellished

179. **FOMENT** to arouse or incite

180. **FORD** to cross a body of water by wading

181. **FORESTALL** to prevent or delay; anticipate

182. **FORTUITOUS** happening by chance; fortunate

183. **FRACTIOUS** unruly; rebellious

184. **FRENETIC** frantic; frenzied

185. **FRUGALITY** tending to be thrifty or cheap

186. **FURTIVE** secret, stealthy

187. **GAMBOL** to dance or skip around playfully

188. **GARNER** to gather and store

189. **GARRULOUS** tending to talk a lot

190. **GESTATION** growth process from conception to birth

191. **GLIB** fluent in an insincere manner; offhand; casual

192. **GLOWER** to glare or stare angrily and intensely

193. **GRADATION** process occurring by regular degrees

or stages; variation in color

194. **GREGARIOUS** outgoing; sociable

195. **GRIEVOUS** causing grief or sorrow; serious and

distressing

196. **GROVEL** to humble oneself in a demeaning way

197. **GUILE** deceit; trickery

198. **GULLIBLE** easily deceived

199. **HAPLESS** unfortunate; having bad luck

200. **HEGEMONY** the domination of one state or group

over its allies

201. **HERMETIC** tightly sealed

202. **HETEROGENEOUS** composed of unlike parts; different; diverse

203. **HOARY** very old; whitish or gray from age

204. **HOMOGENEOUS** of a similar kind

205. **HUSBAND** to manage economically; to use

sparingly

206. **HYPERBOLE** purposeful exaggeration for effect

207. **ICONOCLAST** one who opposes established beliefs,

customs, and institutions

208. **IDIOSYNCRASY** peculiarity of temperament;

eccentricity

209. **IGNOBLE** having low moral standards; not noble

in character; mean

210. **IMBUE** to infuse, dye, wet, or moisten

211. **IMPASSE** blocked path; dilemma with no solution

212. **IMPECUNIOUS** poor; having no money

213. **IMPERTURBABLE** not capable of being disturbed

214. **IMPERVIOUS** impossible to penetrate

215. **IMPETUOUS** quick to act without thinking

216. **IMPIOUS** not devout in religion

217. **IMPLACABLE** unable to be calmed down or made peaceful

218. **IMPRECATION** a curse

219. **IMPUGN** to call into question; to attack verbally

220. **INCARNADINE** blood-red in color

221. **INCHOATE** not fully formed; disorganized

222. **INCULCATE** to teach; impress in the mind

223. **INDOLENT** habitually lazy or idle

224. **INEXORABLE** inflexible; unyielding

225. **INGENUOUS** showing innocence or childlike

simplicity

226. **INGRATE** ungrateful person

227. **INGRATIATE** to gain favor with another by

deliberate effort; to seek to please somebody so as to gain an advantage

228. **INIMICAL** hostile; unfriendly

229. **INIQUITY** sin; evil act

230. **INNOCUOUS** harmless

231. **INQUEST** an investigation; an inquiry

232. **INSIPID** lacking interest or flavor

233. **INSURRECTION** rebellion

234. **INTER** to bury

235. **INTERREGNUM** period between reigns

236. **INTRACTABLE** not easily managed or manipulated

237. **INTRANSIGENT** uncompromising; refusing to be

reconciled

238. **INTREPID** fearless; resolutely courageous

239. **INUNDATE** to overwhelm; to cover with water

240. **INURE** to harden; accustom become used to

241. **INVECTIVE** abusive language

242. **INVESTITURE** ceremony conferring authority

243. **INVIDIOUS** envious, obnoxious, or offensive; likely to promote ill-will

244. **IRASCIBLE** easily made angry

245. **ITINERANT** wandering from place to place; unsettled

246. **JARGON** nonsensical talk; specialized language

247. **JETTISON** to discard; get rid of as unnecessary or encumbering

248. **JINGOISM** belligerent support of one's country

249. **JOCULAR** playful; humorous

250. **JUDICIOUS** sensible; showing good judgement

251. **JUNCTURE** point of time, especially where two things

are joined

252. **KEEN** having a sharp edge; intellectually sharp; perceptive

253. **KINDLE** to set fire to or ignite; excite or inspire

254. **KINETIC** relating to motion; characterized by movement

255. **KNELL** sound of a funeral bell; omen of death or failure

256. **KUDOS** fame, glory, or honor

257. **LACHRYMOSE** tearful

258. **LACONIC** using few words

259. **LAMENT** to express sorrow; to grieve

260. **LAMPOON** to ridicule with satire

261. **LANGUID** lacking energy; indifferent; slow

262. **LAPIDARY** relating to precious stones or the art of cutting them

263. **LARCENY** theft of property

264. **LARGESS** generous giving (as of money) to others

who may seem inferior

265. **LASSITUDE** a state of diminished energy

266. **LATENT** potential that is not readily apparent

267. **LAUD** to give praise; to glorify

268. **LAVISH** extremely generous or extravagant; giving unsparingly

269. **LEERY** suspicious

270. **LEGERDEMAIN** trickery

271. **LETHARGIC** acting in an indifferent or slow, sluggish

manner

272. **LEVITY** an inappropriate lack of seriousness; overly casual

273. **LIBERAL** tolerant or broad-minded; generous or

lavish

274. **LIBERTINE** a free thinker, usually used

disparagingly; one without moral restraint

275. **LICENTIOUS** immoral; unrestrained by society

276. **LIMPID** clear; transparent

277. **LIONIZE** to treat as a celebrity

278. **LISSOME** easily flexed; limber; agile

279. **LISTLESS** lacking energy and enthusiasm

280. **LIVID** discolored from a bruise; reddened with anger

281. **LOQUACIOUS** talkative

282. **LUCID** clear and easily understood

283. **LUGUBRIOUS** sorrowful; mournful; dismal

284. **LUMBER** to move slowly and awkwardly

285. **LUMINOUS** bright; brilliant; glowing

286. **MACHINATION** plot or scheme

287. **MAELSTROM** whirlpool; turmoil; agitated state of mind

288. **MAGNATE** powerful or influential person

289. **MALEDICTION** a curse; a wish of evil upon another

290. **MALINGER** to evade responsibility by pretending to

be ill

291. **MALLEABLE** capable of being shaped

292. **MANNERED** artificial or stilted in character

293. **MAR** to damage or deface; spoil

294. **MARTINET** strict disciplinarian; one who rigidly follows rules

295. **MAUDLIN** overly sentimental

296. **MENDACIOUS** dishonest

297. **MENDICANT** beggar

298. **MERCURIAL** quick, shrewd, and unpredictable

299. **MERETRICIOUS** gaudy; falsely attractive

300. **METAPHOR** figure of speech comparing two different

things

301. **METICULOUS** extremely careful; fastidious; painstaking

302. **MILITATE** to operate against; work against

303. **MIRTH** frivolity; gaiety; laughter

304. **MISANTHROPE** a person who dislikes others

305. **MISSIVE** a written note or letter

306. **MITIGATE** to soften; to lessen

307. **MOLLIFY** to calm or make less severe

308. **MOLT** to shed hair, skin, or an outer layer periodically

309. **MONASTIC** extremely plain or secluded

310. **MONOTONY** no variation; tediously the same

311. **MORES** fixed customs or manners; moral attitudes

312. **MULTIFARIOUS** diverse

313. **MYOPIC** lacking foresight; having a narrow view

or lang-range perspective

314. **NADIR** lowest point

315. **NAIVE** lacking sophistication or experience

316. **NASCENT** starting to develop; coming into

existence

317. **NEOLOGISM** new word or expression

318. **NEOPHYTE** novice; beginner

319. **NETTLE** to irritate

320. **NOISOME** stinking; putrid

321. **NOMINAL** existing in name only; negligible

322. **NUANCE** a subtle expression of meaning or quality

323. **NUMISMATICS** coin collecting

324. **OBDURATE** hardened in feeling; resistant to

persuasion

325. **OBLIQUE** indirect or evasive; misleading or devious

326. **OBSEQUIOUS** overly submissive and eager to please

327. **OBSTINATE** stubborn; unyielding

328. **OBVIATE** to prevent; to make unnecessary

329. **OCCLUDE** to stop up; prevent the passage of

330. **OFFICIOUS** too helpful; meddlesome

331. **ONEROUS** troublesome and oppressive; burdensome

332. **OPAQUE** impossible to see through; preventing the passage of light

333. **OPINE** to express an opinion

334. **OPPROBRIUM** public disgrace

335. **OROTUND** pompous

336. **OSSIFY** to change into bone; to become hardened or set in a rigidly conventional pattern

337. **OSTENSIBLE** apparent

338. **OSTENTATION** excessive showiness

339. **OVERWROUGHT** agitated; overdone

340. **PALATIAL** relating to a palace; magnificent

341. **PALLIATE** to make less serious; ease

342. **PALLID** lacking color or liveliness

343. **PANACHE** flamboyance or dash in style and

action; verve

344. **PANEGYRIC** elaborate praise; formal hymn of praise

345. **PANOPLY** impressive array

346. **PARADOX** a contradiction or dilemma

347. **PARAGON** model of excellence or perfection

348. **PARE** to trim off excess; reduce

349. **PARIAH** an outcast

350. **PARLEY** discussion, usually b/w enemies

351. **PARRY** to ward off or deflect, especially by a quick-witted answer

352. **PASTICHE** piece of literature or music imitating

other works

353. **PATHOGENIC** causing disease

354. **PECCADILLO** minor sin or offense

355. **PEDANT** someone who shows off learning

356. **PEJORATIVE** having bad connotations; disparaging

357. **PENURY** an oppressive lack of resource (as money); severe poverty

358. **PEREGRINATE** to wander from place to place; to travel,

especially on foot

359. **PERFIDIOUS** willing to betray one's trust

360. **PERFUNCTORY** done in a routine way; indifferent

361. **PERIPATETIC** wandering from place to place,

especially on foot

362. **PERMEATE** to penetrate

363. **PERSPICACIOUS** shrewd, astute, or keen-witted

364. **PERVADE** to be present throughout; to permeate

365. **PHALANX** a compact or close-knit body of people,

animals, or things

366. **PHILANTHROPY** charity; a desire or effort to promote goodness

367. **PHILISTINE** a person who is guided by materialism

and is disdainful of intellectual or artistic values

368. **PHLEGMATIC** calm and unemotional in temperament

369. **PITHY** profound or substantial yet concise succinct, and to the point

370. **PLACATE** to soothe or pacify

371. **PLASTIC** able to be molded, altered, or bent

372. **PLEBEIAN** crude or coarse; characteristic of

commoners

373. **PLETHORA** excess

374. **PLUCKY** courageous; spunky

375. **POLEMIC** controversy; argument; verbal attack

376. **POLITIC** shrewd and practical in managing or dealing with things; diplomatic

377. **POLYGLOT** a speaker of many languages

378. **POSIT** to assume as real or conceded; propose as an explanation

379. **POTENTATE** monarch or ruler with great power

380. **PRAGMATIC** practical, as opposed to idealistic

381. **PRATTLE** meaningless; foolish talk

382. **PRECIPITATE** to throw violently or bring about

abruptly; lacking deliberation

383. **PRECIS** short summary of facts

384. **PRESCIENT** having foresight

385. **PREVARICATE** to lie or deviate from the truth

386. **PRISTINE** fresh and clean; uncorrupted

387. **PROBITY** complete honesty and integriity

388. **PROCLIVITY** a natural inclination or predisposition

389. **PRODIGAL** lavish; wasteful

390. **PROFLIGATE** corrupt; degenerate

391. **PROLIFERATE** to increase in number quickly

392. **PROPITIATE** to conciliate; to appease

393. **PROPRIETY** the quality of behaving in a proper

manner; obeying rules and customs

394. **PRUDENCE** wisdom, caution, restraint

395. **PUERILE** childish, immature, or silly

396. **PUGILISM** boxing

397. **PULCHRITUDE** beauty

398. **PUNGENT** sharp and irritating to the senses

399. **PUSILLANIMOUS** cowardly; without courage

400. **QUERULOUS** inclined to complain; irritable

401. **QUIESCENT** motionless

402. **QUIXOTIC** overly idealistic; impractical

403. **QUOTIDIAN** occurring daily; commonplace

404. **RACONTEUR** witty, skillful storyteller

405. **RAREFY** to make thinner or sparser

406. **REDRESS** relief from wrong or injury

407. **REJOINDER** response

408. **REPAST** meal or mealtime

409. **REPLETE** abundantly supplied; complete

410. **REPOSE** relaxation; leisure

411. **REPUDIATE** to reject the validity of

412. **REQUITE** to return or repay

413. **RESTIVE** impatient, uneasy, or restless

414. **RETICENT** silent; reserved

415. **RHETORIC** effective writing or speaking

416. **RIBALD** humorous in a vulgar way

417. **ROCOCO** very highly ornamented

418. **RUSTIC** rural

419. **SACROSANCT** extremely sacred; beyond criticism

420. **SAGACIOUS** shrewd; wise

421. **SALIENT** prominent; of notable significance

422. **SALUBRIOUS** healthful

423. **SANGUINE** ruddy; cheerfully optimistic

424. **SARDONIC** cynical; scornfully mocking

425. **SATIATE** to satisfy fully or overindulge

426. **SCINTILLA** trace amount

427. **SEDITION** behavior that promotes rebellion or civil

disorder against the state

428. **SENTIENT** aware; conscious; able to perceive

429. **SERAPHIC** angelic; sweet

430. **SINECURE** a well-paying job or office that requires little

or no work

431. **SLAKE** to calm down or moderate

432. **SOBRIQUET** nickname

433. **SOLECISM** grammatical mistake; blunder in speech

434. **SOPORIFIC** causing sleep or lethargy

435. **SPARTAN** highly self-disciplined; frugal; austere

436. **SPECIOUS** deceptively attractive; seemingly plausible

but fallacious

437. **SPORTIVE** frolicsome; playful

438. **STASIS** a state of static balance or equilibrium; stagnation

439. **STENTORIAN** extremely loud

440. **STIGMA** a mark of shame or discredit

441. **STOLID** unemotional; lacking sensitivity

442. **STRATAGEM** trick designed to deceive an enemy

443. **SUBLIME** lofty or grand

444. **SULLY** to tarnish; taint

445. **SUPPLANT** to replace (another) by force; to take

the place of

446. **SURFEIT** excessive amount

447. **SURLY** rude and bad-tempered

448. **SYBARITE** a person devoted to pleasure and luxury

449. **SYCOPHANT** a self-serving flatterer; yes-man

450. **SYMBIOSIS** cooperation; mutual helpfulness

451. **SYNCOPATION** temporary irregularity in musical

rhythm

452. **TACIT** done without using words

453. **TACITURN** silent; not talkative

454. **TALON** claw of an animal, especially a bird of prey

455. **TANGENTIAL** digressing; diverting

456. **TAWDRY** gaudy, cheap, or showy

457. **TERRESTRIAL** earthly; down-to-earth;

commonplace

458. **TIRADE** long, harsh speech or verbal attack

459. **TOADY** one who flatters in the hope of gaining favors

460. **TOME** book, usually large and academic

461. **TORPOR** extreme mental and physical sluggishness

462. **TRANSITORY** temporary; lasting a brief time

463. **TRENCHANT** acute, sharp, or incisive; forceful;

effective

464. **TURGID** swollen as from a fluid; bloated

465. **TYRO** beginner; novice

466. **UMBRAGE** offense; resentment

467. **UNCONSCIONABLE** unscrupulous; shockingly unfair or unjust

468. **UNEQUIVOCAL** absolute; certain

469. **UPBRAID** to scold sharply

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| 470. | **USURY** | the practice of lending money at exorbitant rates |
| 471. | **VACILLATE** | to physically sway or be indecisive |
| 472. | **VARIEGATED** | varied; marked with different colors |
| 473. | **VENERABLE** | respected because of age |
| 474. | **VENERATE** | to respect deeply |
| 475. | **VERACITY** | filled with truth and accuracy |
| 476. | **VERBOSE** | wordy |
| 477. | **VERDANT** | green with vegetation; inexperienced |
| 478. | **VERNAL** | related to spring; fresh |
| 479. | **VESTIGE** | a trace; remnant |
| 480. | **VEX** | to annoy; irritate; puzzle; confuse |
| 481. | **VICISSITUDE** | a change or variation; ups and downs |
| 482. | **VIM** | vitality and energy |
| 483. | **VISCOUS** | thick and adhesive, like a slow-flowing fluid |
| 484. | **VITUPERATE** | to abuse verbally; berate |
| 485. | **VOLATILE** | easily arouse or changeable; lively or explosive |
| 486. | **VOLUBLE** | talkative; speaking easily; glib |
| 487. | **WAN** | sickly pale |
| 488. | **WANTON** | undisciplined; unrestrained; reckless |
| 489. | **WAVER** | to fluctuate b/w choices |
| 490. | **WHIMSICAL** | lightly acting in a fanciful or capricious manner; unpredictable |
| 491. | **WILY** | clever; deceptive |
| 492. | **WINSOME** | charming; happily engaging |
| 493. | **WIZENED** | shriveled; withered; wrinkled |
| 494. | **WRAITH** | a ghost or specter; a ghost of a living person seen just before his/her death |
| 495. | **XENOPHOBIA** | a fear or hatred of foreigners or strangers |
| 496. | **YOKE** | to join together |
| 497. | **ZEAL** | passion; excitement |
| 498. | **ZEALOT** | someone passionately devoted to a cause |
| 499. | **ZENITH** | the point of culmination; peak |
| 500. | **ZEPHYR** | a gentle breeze; something airy or insubstantial |