

GRE Vocab General List 5

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1. **unfettered:** not controlled or restricted
2. **vestiges:** trace of something that is disappearing
3. **conflate:** combine into one
4. **complaisance:** willing to please others by being polite and fitting in their plans
5. **poignant:** evoking a sense of sadness or regret
6. **craven:** coward
7. **pusillanimous:** showing a lack of courage, timid
8. **mettlesome:** full of spirit and courage
9. **caricature:** a picture, description, or imitation of a person in which certain striking characteristics are exaggerated in order to create a comic or grotesque effect
10. **abeyance:** state of temporary disuse or suspension
11. **cogent:** clear, logical, convincing
12. **feckless:** irresponsible
13. **eviscerated:** disembowel, deprive of essential contents
14. **verisimilitude:** appearance of being true or real
15. **itinerant:** traveling from place to place
16. **duress:** do something under force
17. **repertoire:** a stock of plays, dances, or items that a company or a performer knows or is prepared to perform
18. **irreverent:** showing disrespect to things that are often taken seriously
19. **lionize:** gain a lot of celebrity attention

20. **mien:** demeanour, appearance
21. **bibulous:** excessive alcohol habit
22. **nonpareil:** having no match or equal
23. **hoary:** greyish white; trite
24. **febrile:** showing the symptoms of fever
25. **accrue:** accumulate over time
26. **cantankerous:** bad-tempered, argumentative, uncooperative
27. **profligacy:** reckless extravagance or wastefulness in use of resources
28. **vapid:** offering nothing that is challenging or stimulating; bland
29. **moratorium:** temporary suspension of an activity or law until future consideration
30. **hegemony:** influence or authority over others
31. **nebulous:** ill-defined concept
32. **ombudsman:** an official appointed to investigate individuals' complaints against a company or organization, especially a public authority
33. **ribald:** referring to sexual matters in amusingly coarse way
34. **peddle:** try to sell by going from place to place
35. **steward:** manage or look after
36. **upend:** turn upside down
37. **husband:** use economically
38. **galley:** draft of a book about to be published
39. **capricious:** temperamental, likely to change quickly
40. **vacillate:** going back and forth
41. **cerebral:** relating to brain or intellect
42. **fledgling:** novice
43. **torpid:** sluggish
44. **lithe:** supple, graceful
45. **paeon:** song of praise
46. **polemic:** long angry speech

- 47. **enervated, flagging:** tired
- 48. **hale, vigorous:** healthy, energetic
- 49. **medley, melange:** mixture
- 50. **overt:** plainly apparent
- 51. **tacit:** understood or implied without being stated
- 52. **didactic:** intending to teach
- 53. **priggish, punctilious:** strict
- 54. **lax:** not strict
- 55. **impious:** showing a lack of respect to God
- 56. **inhibited:** to prevent someone from doing something by making them feel nervous
- 57. **puritanical:** having or displaying a very strict or censorious moral attitude towards self-indulgence or sex
- 58. **diabolical:** extremely bad
- 59. **fecund:** fertile, productive
- 60. **prolix:** lengthy
- 61. **profligate:** recklessly extravagant, wasteful
- 62. **bedazzled:** surprise, awe
- 63. **revivification:** restoration of life
- 64. **triage:** assigning degree of severity
- 65. **requite:** make appropriate return for
- 66. **tenuous:** little strength
- 67. **tenacious:** holding a firm grip
- 68. **obsequious:** obedient or attentive to an excessive or servile degree
- 69. **sycophant:** insincere flatterer
- 70. **gauche, uncouth:** showing off in a vulgar way
- 71. **temper:** make less extreme
- 72. **galvanize:** shock or excite into taking action
- 73. **denigrate:** criticize unfairly, disparage

- 74. **tendentious:** intended to promote a general viewpoint
- 75. **putative:** generally thought to be
- 76. **subterfuge:** deceit used in order to achieve one's goal
- 77. **abstruse:** difficult to understand, obscure
- 78. **erudite:** having or showing great knowledge
- 79. **premastication:** pre-chewing
- 80. **bigoted:** obstinate or unreasonable attachment to a belief, opinion, or faction; in particular, prejudice against a person or people on the basis of their membership of a particular group
- 81. **purblind:** defective vision
- 82. **astigmatic:** blurry vision
- 83. **mordant:** (especially of humour) having or showing a sharp or critical quality
- 84. **plebeian:** commoner
- 85. **facetious:** treating serious issues with inappropriate humor, flippant
- 86. **mirthful:** full of joy
- 87. **solicitous:** showing interest or concern
- 88. **polemic:** strong verbal or written attack against something
- 89. **austerity:** cost saving
- 90. **venal:** capable of being bought or bribed
- 91. **arduous:** hard to accomplish
- 92. **onerous:** involving a great deal of effort
- 93. **mercantilism:** promote exports over imports
- 94. **blithe:** casual indifference considered improper
- 95. **effusive:** expressing gratitude, pleasure
- 96. **fetid:** foul-smelling
- 97. **desiccated:** dried out body
- 98. **labile:** unstable or moody person
- 99. **clairvoyant:** a person who claims to have a supernatural ability to perceive events in the future or beyond normal sensory contact
- 100. **prescient:** knowledge of events before they take place