

# GRE High frequency words

## WORDS LIST #1

### Group 1

<b>Abhor</b>	hate
<b>Bigot</b>	narrow-minded, prejudiced person
<b>Counterfeit</b>	fake; false
<b>Enfranchise</b>	give voting rights
<b>Hamper</b>	hinder; obstruct
<b>Kindle</b>	to start a fire
<b>Noxious</b>	harmful; poisonous; lethal
<b>Placid</b>	calm; peaceful
<b>Remuneration</b>	payment for work done
<b>Talisman</b>	lucky charm

### Group 2

<b>Abrasive</b>	rough; coarse; harsh
<b>Cower</b>	recoil in fear or servility; shrink away from
<b>Covert</b>	hidden; undercover
<b>Engender</b>	cause
<b>Abasement</b>	humiliation; degradation
<b>Knotty</b>	complex; difficult to solve
<b>Nuance</b>	something subtle; a fine shade of meaning
<b>Plagiarism</b>	taking credit for someone else's writing or ideas
<b>Renown</b>	fame
<b>Tangent</b>	going off the main subject

### Group 3

<b>Plaintiff</b>	petitioner (in court of law)
<b>Replete</b>	full
<b>Tangible</b>	can be touched
<b>Abrogate</b>	cancel; deny; repeal
<b>Harangue</b>	noisy, attacking speech
<b>Labyrinth</b>	a maze

<b>Nullify</b>	to counter; make unimportant
<b>Blasphemy</b>	speech which offends religious sentiments
<b>Credible</b>	believable
<b>Enigma</b>	puzzle; mystery

## Group 4

<b>Plaudit</b>	statement giving strong praise
<b>Reprehensible</b>	shameful; very bad
<b>Tardy</b>	slow; late; overdue; delayed
<b>Tawdry</b>	of little value; gaudy
<b>Harbingers</b>	indicators; bringers of warnings
<b>Blatant</b>	obvious
<b>Creditable</b>	praiseworthy
<b>Obdurate</b>	stubborn
<b>Plausible</b>	can be believed; reasonable
<b>Reprieve</b>	a respite; postponement of a sentence

## Group 5

<b>Absolution</b>	forgiveness; pardon; release
<b>Ensconce</b>	establish firmly in a position
<b>Hasten</b>	hurry; accelerate; rush
<b>Laceration</b>	a cut; hurt
<b>Abstain</b>	desist; go without; withdraw
<b>Blighted</b>	damaged; destroyed; ruined
<b>Credulous</b>	gullible; ready to believe anything
<b>Enshroud</b>	cover
<b>Haughtiness</b>	arrogance; pride
<b>Lachrymose</b>	tearful; sad

## Group 6

<b>Abstemious</b>	self denying; refraining from indulging
<b>Blithe</b>	free-spirited; carefree
<b>Objective</b>	unbiased; not subjective
<b>Enunciation</b>	clear pronunciation; accent; articulation
<b>Headstrong</b>	stubborn; willful
<b>Lackluster</b>	dull; monotonous; bland
<b>Obfuscate</b>	deliberately make something difficult to understand

<b>Plethora</b>	an excess
<b>Repudiate</b>	shun; eschew
<b>Tedium</b>	boredom

## Group 7

<b>Resignation</b>	acceptance of fate
<b>Tenacious</b>	stubborn; resolute; holding firm to a purpose
<b>Hedonism</b>	self indulgence; pleasure-seeking
<b>Laconic</b>	using few words; brief; to the point
<b>Oblique</b>	indirect; slanting
<b>Abstruse</b>	difficult to understand; obscure
<b>Cringe</b>	recoil; flinch; shy away
<b>Pliable</b>	flexible; not stubborn
<b>Rescind</b>	retract; repeal
<b>Temper</b>	to moderate; soften

## Group 8

<b>Accolade</b>	tribute; honor; praise
<b>Bolster</b>	support; prop up
<b>Cryptic</b>	puzzling; enigmatic
<b>Ephemeral</b>	short-lived
<b>Hedonist</b>	a pleasure seeker
<b>Lamentation</b>	expression of regret or sorrow
<b>Obliterate</b>	destroy; demolish; eradicate
<b>Plummet</b>	fall suddenly and steeply
<b>Resolution</b>	determination
<b>Tentative</b>	not certain

## Group 9

<b>Acquiesce</b>	to agree to; give in to
<b>Bombast</b>	arrogant, pompous language
<b>Curtail</b>	cut short
<b>Epicure</b>	someone who appreciates good food and drink
<b>Heed</b>	listen to
<b>Lampoon</b>	ridicule; spoof
<b>Oblivious</b>	totally unaware
<b>Podium</b>	raised platform

<b>Resonant</b>	echoing
<b>Tenuous</b>	flimsy; not solid

## Group 10

<b>Acrid</b>	sharp; pungent (used of smells and tastes)
<b>Boorish</b>	ill-mannered
<b>Cynical</b>	believing that people act only out of selfish motives
<b>Poised</b>	calm; collected; self-possessed
<b>Heresy</b>	against orthodox opinion
<b>Resplendent</b>	shining; glowing
<b>Obscure</b>	difficult to understand; partially hidden
<b>Poignant</b>	deeply moving; strongly affecting the emotions
<b>Respite</b>	a break; intermission
<b>Terse</b>	concise; to the point

## Group 11

<b>Acuity</b>	sharpness (mental or visual)
<b>Adamant</b>	forceful; inflexible
<b>Debunking</b>	exposing false claims or myths
<b>Epitomized</b>	typified; characterized; personified
<b>Hidebound</b>	rigid in opinions
<b>Languish</b>	decay; fade away; get weaker
<b>Obsequious</b>	servile; submissive
<b>Polemical</b>	causing debate or argument
<b>Restorative</b>	a tonic
<b>Thwart</b>	prevent; frustrate

## Group 12

<b>Adroit</b>	skilful / skillful
<b>Brevity</b>	being brief
<b>Decorum</b>	dignified, correct behavior [ <i>decorous (a)</i> ]
<b>Equivocate</b>	speak ambiguously; avoid telling the truth
<b>Hieroglyphics</b>	1. picture writing; 2. writing which is difficult to read or enigmatic
<b>Largess</b>	generosity
<b>Obsession</b>	a dominating concern
<b>Ponderous</b>	weighty; slow and heavy

<b>Retention</b>	preservation; withholding
<b>Timorous</b>	cowardly; fearful

## Group 13

<b>Adulation</b>	strong admiration; worship
<b>Bristle</b>	to show irritation
<b>Decoy</b>	lure; trap; trick
<b>Err</b>	make a mistake
<b>Hinder</b>	obstruct
<b>Erratic</b>	wandering; irregular
<b>Obsolete</b>	no longer valid
<b>Pontificate</b>	speak pompously or dogmatically
<b>Reticent</b>	restrained; holding something back; uncommunicative
<b>Tirade</b>	stream of verbal abuse

## Group 14

<b>Adversity</b>	hardship
<b>Deference</b>	respect
<b>Esoteric</b>	obscure and difficult to understand
<b>Hoary</b>	old
<b>Histrionic</b>	theatrical; exaggerated
<b>Laud</b>	praise
<b>Obstreperous</b>	noisy and boisterous
<b>Portend</b>	foretell
<b>Retraction</b>	withdrawal; cancellation of a statement
<b>Titter</b>	giggle quietly

## Group 15

<b>Lavish</b>	on a grand scale; wasteful
<b>Obtuse</b>	mentally dull
<b>Portent</b>	a warning sign; omen
<b>Revere</b>	worship
<b>Advocate</b>	support
<b>Brusque</b>	blunt; abrupt
<b>Defoliate</b>	cause leaves to fall off
<b>Espouse</b>	promote; take up; support
<b>Riddled</b>	full of (usually full of holes)

<b>Torpid</b>	inactive; lazy; stagnant
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## Group 16

<b>Aesthetic</b>	concerning art or beauty
<b>Bulwark</b>	fortification; barricade; wall
<b>Defunct</b>	no longer in existence
<b>Etymology</b>	the study of word origins
<b>Hone</b>	sharpen; increase; whet
<b>Lax</b>	careless; not strict
<b>Obviate</b>	avoid; make unnecessary
<b>Poseur</b>	someone who puts on an act
<b>Hyperbole</b>	grossly exaggerated speech
<b>Legend</b>	1. key to map; 2. myth or story

## Group 17

<b>Bureaucracy</b>	officialdom
<b>Degradation</b>	deprivation; poverty; debasement
<b>Eulogy</b>	praise
<b>Legion</b>	in large numbers
<b>Officious</b>	domineering; intrusive; meddlesome
<b>Posthumous</b>	after death
<b>Odious</b>	hateful
<b>Affable</b>	friendly; social; easygoing
<b>Rife</b>	common
<b>Torpor</b>	dormancy; sluggishness; inactivity

## Group 18

<b>Alacrity</b>	eagerness; enthusiasm; quickness
<b>Burgeon</b>	grow; flourish; put forth new shoots
<b>Deleterious</b>	harmful
<b>Euphemism</b>	a polite phrase to cover something unpleasant
<b>Hypocritical</b>	insincere
<b>Lethargic</b>	tired; without energy
<b>Postulate</b>	hypothesize; propose
<b>Tractable</b>	obedient; dutiful; polite
<b>Rigor</b>	thoroughness
<b>Totter</b>	walk unsteadily

## Group 19

<b>Alchemy</b>	medieval chemistry; attempt to change base metal into gold
<b>Burnish</b>	polish
<b>Deliberate</b>	to think over deeply
<b>Euphony</b>	pleasant sounds
<b>Iconoclast</b>	person who opposes orthodoxy
<b>Levity</b>	flippancy; joking about serious matters
<b>Olfactory</b>	concerned with the sense of smell
<b>Potable</b>	suitable for drinking
<b>Tranquil</b>	peaceful
<b>Evacuate</b>	vacate; empty; abandon

## Group 20

<b>Alibi</b>	an excuse that shows someone was not at a crime scene
<b>Buttress</b>	strengthen; support
<b>Delineation</b>	demarcation; explanation; definition; outlining
<b>Idiosyncrasy</b>	a personal peculiarity; something unique to an individual
<b>Libertarian</b>	someone who opposes tyranny
<b>Ominous</b>	threatening
<b>Potent</b>	powerful; compelling; strong
<b>Ruminate</b>	think over something; ponder
<b>Allay</b>	to lessen
<b>Transcribe</b>	copy

## Group 21

<b>Ignominious</b>	shameful
<b>Demur</b>	hesitate; refuse
<b>Exacerbate</b>	make worse
<b>Omnipotent</b>	all-powerful
<b>Pragmatic</b>	practical
<b>Ruse</b>	trick; stratagem
<b>Transgress</b>	go astray; disobey; commit a sin
<b>Alleviate</b>	make less severe
<b>Cacophony</b>	discordant loud noises
<b>Denounce</b>	condemn; speak out against

## Group 22

<b>Exasperated</b>	frustrated; annoyed
<b>Ignominy</b>	shame [ <i>ignominious (a) = shameful</i> ]
<b>Lithe</b>	flexible; supple
<b>Omniscient</b>	all-knowing
<b>Pragmatist</b>	practical person; one who is concerned with usefulness
<b>Saccharin</b>	falsely sweet
<b>Transient</b>	short-lived; ephemeral
<b>Aloof</b>	distant; detached; cold
<b>Cajole</b>	coax
<b>Deplete</b>	use up; lessen

## Group 23

<b>Exceptionable</b>	very bad (something which we should object to)
<b>Illuminate</b>	to light up or make clear
<b>Livid</b>	very angry
<b>Onerous</b>	burdensome; hard to undertake
<b>Preamble</b>	introductory material
<b>Sacrosanct</b>	very holy; inviolable
<b>Traverse</b>	to move across
<b>Altruism</b>	putting others first; being self-sacrificing
<b>Deplore</b>	regret
<b>Exculpate</b>	free someone from blame; pardon; acquit

## Group 24

<b>Illusory</b>	deceptive; false; misleading
<b>Lobbyist</b>	person who tries to persuade someone to support a particular cause
<b>Onus</b>	burden
<b>Precarious</b>	unstable; risky
<b>Sagacious</b>	wise
<b>Trepidation</b>	fear
<b>Amass</b>	accumulate
<b>Callow</b>	immature
<b>Depravity</b>	moral corruption
<b>Execrable</b>	very, very bad



## Group 25

<b>Immoderate</b>	excessive; extreme
<b>Lofty</b>	snooty; arrogant; haughty
<b>Opaque</b>	does not let light through
<b>Precedent</b>	a previous occurrence used as a guide
<b>Sage</b>	a wise person
<b>Ambiguity</b>	uncertainty; vagueness
<b>Candid</b>	frank; honest
<b>Deprecate</b>	criticize; denounce
<b>Immutable</b>	unchanging; permanent
<b>Longevity</b>	long life

## Group 26

<b>Opulent</b>	wealthy; rich; magnificent
<b>Trite</b>	unoriginal; dull
<b>Salacious</b>	lecherous; erotic
<b>Ambiguous</b>	unclear in meaning; can be interpreted in different ways
<b>Candor</b>	frankness; openness
<b>Deride</b>	ridicule; make fun of; mock
<b>Exemplary</b>	outstandingly good; setting a fine example
<b>Impartial</b>	unbiased; neutral
<b>Loquacious</b>	talkative
<b>Trivial</b>	unimportant

## Group 27

<b>Ambivalence</b>	lack of clarity; wavering; being undecided
<b>Cantankerous</b>	bad-tempered; quarrelsome
<b>Derogatory</b>	uncomplimentary
<b>Exemplify</b>	to serve as a good example
<b>Impecunious</b>	having no money
<b>Lucid</b>	clear
<b>Ornate</b>	highly decorated
<b>Precipice</b>	steep slope
<b>Salubrious</b>	health-giving
<b>Truant</b>	shirker; someone absent without permission

## Group 28

<b>Ameliorate</b>	make better
<b>Capacious</b>	spacious
<b>Desecrate</b>	to damage or pollute a holy place
<b>Exhaustive</b>	complete and thorough
<b>Impious</b>	wicked; profane
<b>Ludicrous</b>	ridiculous; silly
<b>Orthodox</b>	conventional
<b>Precipitous</b>	done in a hurry
<b>Salutary</b>	something which teaches you a lesson; beneficial
<b>Truncate</b>	cut short

## Group 29

<b>Carping</b>	constant criticism
<b>Capitulate</b>	surrender; give in to
<b>Desecration</b>	spoiling something holy
<b>Exonerates</b>	acquits; absolves; removes blame
<b>Impoverished</b>	destitute; poor
<b>Lukewarm</b>	1. unenthusiastic; 2. neither hot nor cold
<b>Ossify</b>	1. turn to bone; 2. become fixed and rigid
<b>Preclude</b>	prevent or make impossible
<b>Sanctimonious</b>	hypocritically holy
<b>Tumult</b>	uproar; noise

## Group 30

<b>Despondent</b>	having no hope; miserable
<b>Expatriate</b>	refugee; emigrant; someone living away from his own country
<b>Desist</b>	stop; discontinue; cease
<b>Exorcism</b>	getting free/rid of; eliminating (especially demons)
<b>Impromptu</b>	unrehearsed; spontaneous
<b>Amiable</b>	friendly
<b>Ostentatious</b>	showy
<b>Precocious</b>	developing early
<b>Sanction</b>	give approval to
<b>Turpitude</b>	depravity

## Group 31

<b>Amity</b>	friendship
<b>Castigate</b>	scold strongly
<b>Destitution</b>	hardship; poverty; misery
<b>Expedient</b>	convenient; practical
<b>Inadvertent</b>	not intentional
<b>Luscious</b>	juicy; moist; succulent
<b>Oust</b>	push out of a position
<b>Predecessor</b>	one who came before
<b>Sanguinary</b>	bloodthirsty; bloody
<b>Tyro</b>	novice; beginner

## Group 32

<b>Catharsis</b>	purging of pent-up emotions
<b>Deter</b>	put off; prevent
<b>Expedite</b>	make faster
<b>Incarceration</b>	putting in prison
<b>Incantation</b>	chant; invocation; prayer
<b>Amorphous</b>	lacking in shape
<b>Overt</b>	obvious; not hidden
<b>Predicament</b>	dilemma; difficult situation
<b>Sanguine</b>	optimistic; cheerful
<b>Ubiquitous</b>	found everywhere; omnipresent

## Group 33

<b>Analgesic</b>	medicine to combat pain
<b>Caucus</b>	type of private political meeting
<b>Deteriorate</b>	worsen; decline
<b>Exposition</b>	clear explanation
<b>Incessant</b>	without stopping
<b>Machinations</b>	plots and plans
<b>Overwrought</b>	worked up; in an emotional state
<b>Preeminent</b>	famous; outstanding
<b>Sardonic</b>	mocking
<b>Unalloyed</b>	undiluted; total

## Group 34

<b>Analogous</b>	comparable
<b>Caustic</b>	burning
<b>Detrimental</b>	harmful
<b>Extol</b>	praise
<b>Incipient</b>	just beginning
<b>Magnanimous</b>	generous; big-hearted
<b>Palatable</b>	good to eat; agreeable
<b>Prerogative</b>	right or privilege
<b>Savant</b>	person with knowledge
<b>Unctuous</b>	oily; using excessive flattery

## Group 35

<b>Anarchy</b>	chaos; lack of government
<b>Cavalcade</b>	procession of vehicles
<b>Devour</b>	greedily eat /consume
<b>Extradite</b>	deport from one country back to the home country
<b>Inclination</b>	tendency; a leaning toward
<b>Palliative</b>	a remedy that improves but doesn't cure
<b>Magnate</b>	powerful businessman
<b>Prescient</b>	having fore-knowledge
<b>Scale</b>	to climb
<b>Undermined</b>	damaged; attacked

## Group 36

<b>Anecdote</b>	a brief amusing story
<b>Dexterous</b>	skilful with hands
<b>Extraneous</b>	irrelevant
<b>Incoherent</b>	not clear
<b>Maladroit</b>	clumsy; unskillful
<b>Pallid</b>	pale
<b>Presumptuous</b>	assuming too much; arrogant
<b>Presentiment</b>	a feeling that something might happen
<b>Scapegoat</b>	person on whom blame is placed for faults of others
<b>Underscore</b>	emphasize

## Group 37

<b>Animosity</b>	hatred; antagonism
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<b>Censorious</b>	disapproving; critical
<b>Dichotomy</b>	a division into two parts
<b>Extrapolate</b>	extend; predict on the basis of known data
<b>Incongruous</b>	not fitting in; out of place
<b>Malady</b>	illness
<b>Palpable</b>	easily felt; easily perceived
<b>Pretentious</b>	pompous; self-important
<b>Scrupulous</b>	careful; diligent; painstaking
<b>Unequivocal</b>	clear; obvious

## Group 38

<b>Annex</b>	a building which is an addition to an existing building; take possession of; seize; capture
<b>Censure</b>	blame
<b>Didactic</b>	intended to teach; instructive
<b>Extrinsic</b>	irrelevant; on the outside
<b>Inconsequential</b>	unimportant; insignificant; negligible
<b>Malediction</b>	a curse
<b>Panacea</b>	remedy for all ills
<b>Prevaricate</b>	speak misleadingly and evasively
<b>Scrutinize</b>	examine carefully
<b>Unfetter</b>	set free

## Group 39

<b>Cerebral</b>	intellectual
<b>Diffident</b>	lacking confidence
<b>Fallacious</b>	false
<b>Inconspicuous</b>	not easily seen; subtle; not noticeable
<b>Malefactor</b>	a wrong-doer
<b>Paradigm</b>	1. example; 2. model; 3. way of looking at things
<b>Pristine</b>	unspoiled
<b>Unprecedented</b>	never having happened before
<b>Anomaly</b>	something which does not fit in a pattern; irregularity
<b>Certitude</b>	certainty

## Group 40

<b>Digress</b>	wander off the subject
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<b>Falter</b>	hesitate; waver
<b>Indelible</b>	cannot be wiped out
<b>Malingering</b>	deliberately avoid work; shirk
<b>Paradox</b>	apparently contradictory statement
<b>Proclivity</b>	tendency towards
<b>Sensuous</b>	appealing to the senses
<b>Unscathed</b>	unharmd; intact; without a scratch
<b>Antagonism</b>	hostility; strong opposition
<b>Charlatan</b>	trickster who claims knowledge he doesn't have

## Group 41

<b>Fanatical</b>	obsessive; fixated
<b>Indifferent</b>	1. neutral; 2. not outstanding
<b>Malingeringer</b>	person who deliberately tries to avoid work
<b>Paragon</b>	a perfect example
<b>Procrastinate</b>	delay; put off
<b>Sentinel</b>	guard; sentry
<b>Unwitting</b>	not deliberate; unconscious
<b>Antediluvian</b>	outdated; prehistoric; very old-fashioned
<b>Chastises</b>	punishes
<b>Dilemma</b>	puzzling situation

## Group 42

<b>Antagonistic</b>	opposed; hostile; aggressive
<b>Chary</b>	wary of; cautious about; reluctant to give
<b>Dilatory</b>	slow; falling behind with one's work
<b>Fanaticism</b>	passion; excessive devotion
<b>Indigenous</b>	native to a particular area
<b>Malleable</b>	flexible; can be shaped
<b>Paramount</b>	of supreme importance
<b>Prodigal</b>	wasteful; extravagant
<b>Sequester</b>	isolate
<b>Upbraid</b>	scold; tell off; reprimand

## Group 43

<b>Fastidious</b>	overly particular; finicky
<b>Indolence</b>	laziness

<b>Parasite</b>	1. scrounger; 2. animal which takes digested food from another
<b>Prodigious</b>	very large
<b>Serendipity</b>	fortunate coincidence; unsought discovery
<b>Uproarious</b>	hilarious; hysterical; very funny
<b>Anthology</b>	a book which is a collection of poems or stories
<b>Chicanery</b>	trickery
<b>Dilettante</b>	person who dabbles in a subject without serious study
<b>Fatuous</b>	silly; foolish

## Group 44

<b>Parched</b>	dried up
<b>Profane</b>	unholy
<b>Serene</b>	calm; peaceful
<b>Upshot</b>	outcome
<b>Marred</b>	damaged; spoiled
<b>Mallet</b>	1. wooden hammer; 2. stick used for polo
<b>Diligent</b>	hard-working
<b>Feasible</b>	possible and practicable
<b>Indulgent</b>	pampering; satisfying desires
<b>Pariah</b>	an outcast from society

## Group 45

<b>Profanity</b>	swearing; cursing
<b>Serrated</b>	jagged; saw-like
<b>Urbane</b>	sophisticated; suave
<b>Antiquated</b>	outdated; old fashioned
<b>Choleric</b>	easily angered
<b>Servile</b>	overly submissive; groveling
<b>Fecund</b>	fertile
<b>Inebriation</b>	drunkenness; intoxication
<b>Marshal</b>	to gather together
<b>Usurp</b>	take someone's position (usually by force)

## Group 46

<b>Parity</b>	equality
<b>Profound</b>	having deep meaning

<b>Apathetic</b>	indifferent; uninterested; lethargic
<b>Dirge</b>	mournful song
<b>Felicitous</b>	Apt; favorable
<b>Ineffable</b>	cannot be expressed in words
<b>Parochial</b>	narrow-minded; concerned only with local matters
<b>Profundity</b>	depth
<b>Skeptical</b>	doubting; not gullible
<b>Utilitarian</b>	useful

## Group 47

<b>Apathy</b>	lack of interest or emotion
<b>Circuitous</b>	indirect
<b>Disapprobation</b>	disapproval
<b>Fervor</b>	passion; enthusiasm
<b>Inept</b>	incompetent; unskilled; useless
<b>Martinet</b>	person who believes in strict discipline
<b>Parody</b>	a mockery; imitation for ridicule; spoof
<b>Skirmish</b>	minor battle
<b>Utopian</b>	a believer in an ideal world
<b>Proletarian</b>	member of the working class

## Group 48

<b>Apocryphal</b>	of doubtful origin
<b>Circumlocution</b>	using too many words; long-windedness
<b>Discern</b>	to distinguish one thing from another
<b>Fickle</b>	unpredictable; whimsical; easily swayed
<b>Inertia</b>	inactivity; lethargy
<b>Marsupial</b>	pouched mammal (like a kangaroo)
<b>Parry</b>	ward off; avoid
<b>Prolific</b>	producing a lot
<b>Sluggard</b>	slow-moving; lethargic person
<b>Vacillate</b>	waver; hesitate

## Group 49

<b>Appease</b>	pacify; soothe; calm down; make peace with
<b>Circumscribe</b>	limit
<b>Discord</b>	disagreement



<b>Finesse</b>	skill
<b>Inevitable</b>	cannot be avoided
<b>Matriarchy</b>	society governed by women
<b>Parsimonious</b>	economical; frugal; thrifty
<b>Proponents</b>	promoters; supporters
<b>Smelt</b>	refine an ore
<b>Vacuous</b>	empty; silly; meaningless

## Group 50

<b>Apprehensive</b>	worried; fearful
<b>Circumspect</b>	cautious; considering all sides
<b>Discordancy</b>	cacophony; harshness; jarring
<b>Fitful</b>	not continuous; stopping and starting
<b>Inexorable</b>	relentless
<b>Maverick</b>	a loner
<b>Parsimony</b>	stinginess; frugality; cost-cutting
<b>Prosaic</b>	dull; boring; ordinary
<b>Vagrant</b>	person wandering without a home
<b>Arable</b>	can be cultivated

## Group 51

<b>Arbitrary</b>	random; for no definite reason
<b>Circumvent</b>	avoid
<b>Discrepancy</b>	something which does not match up; inconsistency
<b>Flagrant</b>	clearly wrong
<b>Inexpedient</b>	not advisable
<b>Meager</b>	in short supply
<b>Partisan</b>	biased; one-sided; committed to one group
<b>Proscribe</b>	forbid
<b>Solace</b>	comfort for grief
<b>Vapid</b>	dull; uninspiring

## Group 52

<b>Arcane</b>	obscure; known only to a few people
<b>Clamor</b>	shout; scream
<b>Discriminate</b>	to make a clear distinction; see the difference
<b>Flamboyant</b>	showy; ornate

<b>Infallible</b>	perfect; flawless; cannot make mistakes
<b>Meander</b>	wander from side to side
<b>Discursiveness</b>	long windedness; indirectness
<b>Flaunt</b>	show off; display in a showy manner
<b>Solicit</b>	to ask for; seek
<b>Variegated</b>	multicolored; speckled

## Group 53

<b>Archaic</b>	ancient; outdated; old fashioned
<b>Clandestine</b>	secret; covert; stealthy
<b>Disdain</b>	contempt; strong dislike
<b>Flippant</b>	making jokes about serious matters
<b>Infamous</b>	famous for something bad
<b>Mellow</b>	soft; melodious; ripe
<b>Patron</b>	one who give support (usually financial)
<b>Patronize</b>	condescend to; behave in an arrogant manner towards
<b>Protagonist</b>	main character in film, book, play etc.
<b>Vehemence</b>	violence; fervor; forcefulness

## Group 54

<b>Vehement</b>	forceful
<b>Archetype</b>	classic example of
<b>Clemency</b>	mercy
<b>Disinterested</b>	unbiased
<b>Flout</b>	defy; reject
<b>Paucity</b>	shortage
<b>Protean</b>	changeable
<b>Sophomoric</b>	juvenile; immature
<b>Venal</b>	corrupt; can be bribed
<b>Archives</b>	collections of old records; place of storage of old documents

## Group 55

<b>Articulate</b>	clear; lucid; eloquent
<b>Cliché</b>	overused expression; something unoriginal
<b>Disparage</b>	criticize; belittle
<b>Flustered</b>	worked-up; not calm

<b>Ingrate</b>	ungrateful person
<b>Mercenary</b>	concerned only with money
<b>Peccadillo</b>	minor weakness; trivial offence
<b>Disparity</b>	an inequality
<b>Soporific</b>	inducing sleep
<b>Veneer</b>	surface coating

## Group 56

<b>Artifice</b>	deception; trickery
<b>Coalesce</b>	come together; merge
<b>Dispassionate</b>	neutral; objective
<b>Innate</b>	inherited; inborn
<b>Inimical</b>	hostile
<b>Mercurial</b>	volatile; changeable
<b>Pedant</b>	person who insists on strict adherence to rules or narrow learning
<b>Protocol</b>	procedure; code of behavior
<b>Sparse</b>	spare; bare; meager
<b>Venerate</b>	revere; worship

## Group 57

<b>Artisan</b>	craftsman
<b>Coddle</b>	pamper; fuss over; indulge
<b>Fortitude</b>	bravery
<b>Forensic</b>	concerned with argument or debate (esp. for legal evidence)
<b>Disseminating</b>	circulating; broadcasting; spreading (information)
<b>Merge</b>	come together
<b>Pedestrian</b>	common; mundane; banal
<b>Provincial</b>	unsophisticated; narrow-minded
<b>Specious</b>	false
<b>Venial</b>	minor; unimportant

## Group 58

<b>Ascetic</b>	without luxuries; severely simple
<b>Coercion</b>	force
<b>Diurnal</b>	active in daytime
<b>Fortuitous</b>	happening by chance

<b>Innocuous</b>	harmless; inoffensive
<b>Metaphorically</b>	symbolically; figuratively
<b>Peerless</b>	without equal
<b>Prudent</b>	cautious; wise
<b>Speckled</b>	spotted; freckled; dotted
<b>Veracity</b>	truthfulness

## Group 59

<b>Assiduous</b>	thorough; diligent
<b>Cogent</b>	lucid; well argued
<b>Divert</b>	1. entertain; 2. distract; 3. cause a detour
<b>Fractious</b>	irritable; difficult to control
<b>Innovate</b>	create; introduce something new
<b>Meticulous</b>	very careful; painstaking
<b>Pejorative</b>	derogatory
<b>Puerile</b>	childish
<b>Sporadic</b>	not continuous; intermittent
<b>Verbose</b>	talkative; long-winded; rambling

## Group 60

<b>Assuage</b>	to calm
<b>Cogitate</b>	think over something; ponder
<b>Docile</b>	gentle and easily lead
<b>Fraudulent</b>	fake; false
<b>Inscrutable</b>	mysterious; impenetrable
<b>Mettle</b>	courage; bravery; valor
<b>Pellucid</b>	transparently clear
<b>Punctilious</b>	paying attention to small details
<b>Spurious</b>	false
<b>Verbosity</b>	using too many words

## Group 61

<b>Astute</b>	perceptive; sharp-witted
<b>Collage</b>	picture made from fragments of other pictures
<b>Dogmatic</b>	having stubbornly held opinions
<b>Frivolous</b>	not serious
<b>Inspid</b>	dull; bland; boring

<b>Milieu</b>	environment
<b>Pensive</b>	in a thoughtful mood; thinking deeply
<b>Purloin</b>	steal
<b>Stagnant</b>	still; not moving
<b>Vertigo</b>	dizziness

## Group 62

<b>Asylum</b>	place of refuge or safety
<b>Collate</b>	arrange in order
<b>Frugal</b>	economical; not wasting anything
<b>Instigate</b>	to start; provoke
<b>Misanthrope</b>	hater of the rest of mankind
<b>Mire</b>	swamp; muddy ground
<b>Penury</b>	poverty
<b>Pusillanimous</b>	cowardly
<b>Staid</b>	dull; sober; serious
<b>Vestigial</b>	not developed

## Group 63

<b>Atheist</b>	person who does not believe in God
<b>Colloquial</b>	local and informal (used of language)
<b>Misnomer</b>	wrong name
<b>Instigator</b>	troublemaker; person who entices others to do something
<b>Staunch</b>	loyal; faithful; dependable
<b>Vilification</b>	blackening someone's name
<b>Perceptive</b>	observant
<b>Pyromania</b>	compulsion to start fires
<b>Stanza</b>	section of a poem
<b>Vignette</b>	small sketch

## Group 64

<b>Percipient</b>	perceptive; insightful
<b>Atrophy</b>	waste away from lack of use
<b>Collusion</b>	plotting and planning
<b>Drawl</b>	speak slowly with words running together
<b>Furtive</b>	hidden and secret
<b>Insurgent</b>	a rebel

<b>Quagmire</b>	marsh; bog
<b>Stereotype</b>	fixed image
<b>Vindicate</b>	prove right; remove blame
<b>Attenuate</b>	weaken

## Group 65

<b>Commandeer</b>	take possession of
<b>Drivel</b>	nonsense
<b>Futile</b>	useless; hopeless
<b>Interminable</b>	never-ending
<b>Misrepresentation</b>	deliberately deceiving
<b>Peremptory</b>	in a commanding manner
<b>Perdition</b>	damnation
<b>Virtuoso</b>	an accomplished musician
<b>Augment</b>	increase; make bigger
<b>Complacent</b>	self-satisfied; smug

## Group 66

<b>Intermittent</b>	sporadic; irregular
<b>Mitigate</b>	lessen; make less severe
<b>Perfidy</b>	treachery
<b>Quandary</b>	dilemma; puzzle
<b>Stifle</b>	suppress
<b>Virulent</b>	dangerous; harmful
<b>Auspicious</b>	favorable; promising to turn out well
<b>Compliant</b>	easy to control; submissive
<b>Drone</b>	1. monotonous noise ( <i>n</i> ); 2. to speak with no emotion ( <i>v</i> ); 3. male bee
<b>Modicum</b>	small amount

## Group 67

<b>Gambol</b>	frolic; leap; bound
<b>Intransigence</b>	stubbornness
<b>Droll</b>	dryly amusing
<b>Perfunctory</b>	superficial; cursory
<b>Quarantine</b>	isolation to prevent the spread of disease
<b>Stoic</b>	known for fortitude; indifferent to pleasure or pain
<b>Vital</b>	essential; alive; important

<b>Austere</b>	severely plain
<b>Concatenate</b>	link together
<b>Dubious</b>	doubtful

## Group 68

<b>Concatenation</b>	linking into chains
<b>Dupe</b>	to fool someone
<b>Garish</b>	gaudy
<b>Garble</b>	distort; confuse; muddle
<b>Intransigent</b>	stubborn; unyielding
<b>Momentous</b>	very important
<b>Peripatetic</b>	nomadic; moving from place to place
<b>Aversion</b>	a dislike of
<b>Stoke</b>	add fuel to; strengthen
<b>Vitriolic</b>	corrosive; strongly attacking

## Group 69

<b>Balk</b>	hinder and prevent; hesitate over
<b>Conciliate</b>	to bring together; end a dispute
<b>Dynamic</b>	lively; vibrant; energetic
<b>Garner</b>	gather; collect
<b>Intrepid</b>	brave
<b>Monotonous</b>	dull; unvarying
<b>Peripheral</b>	on the edge; not important
<b>Querulous</b>	always complaining
<b>Stolid</b>	impassive; dull; indifferent
<b>Vivacity</b>	liveliness; animation

## Group 70

<b>Banal</b>	common; dull
<b>Concise</b>	stated in few words
<b>Ebullient</b>	very lively; cheerful; jovial; happy
<b>Garrulous</b>	talkative
<b>Inveterate</b>	habitual
<b>Moratorium</b>	temporary prohibition or halt to activity
<b>Invidious</b>	arousing envy
<b>Quirk</b>	oddity

<b>Stratagem</b>	plot; plan; trick
<b>Vivify</b>	enliven

## Group 71

<b>Banality</b>	ordinariness; dullness
<b>Condescend</b>	talk down to
<b>Eccentric</b>	unusual; quirky; odd
<b>Gaunt</b>	emaciated; bony and angular
<b>Inviolable</b>	cannot be invaded
<b>Moribund</b>	on the point of death
<b>Pernicious</b>	destructive; harmful
<b>Ramble</b>	wander aimlessly
<b>Strident</b>	loud and harsh
<b>Vociferous</b>	noisy; loud in speech

## Group 72

<b>Bane</b>	troublesome influence
<b>Condone</b>	tacitly support; overlook
<b>Eclectic</b>	taking things from different sources
<b>Genre</b>	a category; type
<b>Irascible</b>	easily angered
<b>Morose</b>	gloomy; bad tempered
<b>Persnickety</b>	fastidious; fussy
<b>Ramifications</b>	branches; subdivisions of a complex system; outcomes
<b>Stringent</b>	strict or severe
<b>Volatile</b>	dangerously unstable; evaporates easily

## Group 73

<b>Condoning</b>	overlooking; disregarding; ignoring
<b>Edifice</b>	building; structure; construction
<b>Germane</b>	relevant
<b>Ire</b>	anger [ <i>irate (a)</i> = very angry]
<b>Munificent</b>	generous; charitable
<b>Mundane</b>	ordinary; worldly
<b>Perpetuated</b>	caused to continue
<b>Rancor</b>	resentment; animosity; bad feeling
<b>Strut</b>	swagger; show off



<b>Voluble</b>	talkative
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## Group 74

<b>Conflagration</b>	big fire
<b>Efface</b>	wipe out; remove all trace of
<b>Germinal</b>	just growing; not developed; immature
<b>Irksome</b>	annoying; infuriating
<b>Voracious</b>	ravenous
<b>Personable</b>	attractive
<b>Perpetuity</b>	eternity
<b>Rant</b>	use bombastic language
<b>Ratify</b>	approve; consent
<b>Voluminous</b>	very large; spacious

## Group 75

<b>Befuddle</b>	confuse
<b>Confound</b>	confuse
<b>Ironic</b>	satiric; unexpected
<b>Myriad</b>	in large numbers
<b>Perspicacious</b>	insightful; sharp; wise
<b>Raucous</b>	rough and unpleasant (of sounds)
<b>Substantiate</b>	give supporting evidence
<b>Waive</b>	surrender; give up
<b>Subpoena</b>	summons to court
<b>Begrudge</b>	resent

## Group 76

<b>Congeval</b>	to solidify
<b>Effusive</b>	gushing; demonstrative
<b>Glacial</b>	hostile; unfriendly; cold; icy
<b>Irrational</b>	unreasonable; absurd
<b>Perspicacity</b>	insight
<b>Raze</b>	destroy; demolish; tear down
<b>Subterfuge</b>	a trick
<b>Wane</b>	grow less
<b>Beguile</b>	mislead; lure
<b>Congenital</b>	present from birth

## Group 77

<b>Egalitarianism</b>	belief in equality
<b>Goad</b>	prod; urge
<b>Irreproachable</b>	cannot be criticized; perfect
<b>Nebulous</b>	vague
<b>Pertinent</b>	relevant
<b>Rebuttal</b>	denial
<b>Subtle</b>	not obvious
<b>Wary</b>	hesitant; cautious
<b>Belabor</b>	explain in unnecessary detail
<b>Connoisseur</b>	person with refined taste and good judgment

## Group 78

<b>Egregious</b>	outstandingly, obviously bad
<b>Grate (v)</b>	1. to annoy; aggravate; vex; 2. shred
<b>Irrevocable</b>	cannot be cancelled; unchangeable
<b>Nefarious</b>	wicked; immoral; disreputable
<b>Peruse</b>	read carefully
<b>Recant</b>	disclaim; retract statement
<b>Subversive</b>	rebellious; revolutionary
<b>Wax</b>	to increase; to grow
<b>Beleaguer</b>	besiege; attack
<b>Consecrate</b>	dedicate

## Group 79

<b>Gratis</b>	free of charge; without payment
<b>Itinerant</b>	nomadic; wandering from place to place
<b>Negate</b>	cancel; deny
<b>Pervasive</b>	spreading everywhere
<b>Recapitulate</b>	summarize
<b>Succinct</b>	concise
<b>Waylay</b>	accost; stop; approach; hinder
<b>Belie</b>	contradict
<b>Consensus</b>	general agreement
<b>Eloquent</b>	fluent and persuasive in speech

## Group 80

<b>Gratuitous</b>	unwarranted
<b>Jaded</b>	tired; bored; worn out
<b>Negligence</b>	carelessness
<b>Petrify</b>	1. terrify; 2. turn to stone
<b>Receptacle</b>	container; vessel; holder
<b>Belittle</b>	to demean
<b>Weighty</b>	serious
<b>Conspicuous</b>	easily seen; prominent
<b>Elucidate</b>	make clear
<b>Gravity</b>	seriousness

## Group 85

<b>Jargon</b>	specialized language used by experts
<b>Petulant</b>	sulky; peevish
<b>Recluse</b>	someone who cuts himself off from life
<b>Supercilious</b>	proud and haughty
<b>Bellicose</b>	war-like; aggressive
<b>Consummate</b>	complete; total; supremely good
<b>Elusive</b>	hard to pin down
<b>Gregarious</b>	extroverted; sociable; outgoing
<b>Jaundiced</b>	cynical; pessimistic
<b>Nettle</b>	annoy

## Group 86

<b>Phenomenon</b>	an event or happening (plural: phenomena)
<b>Recuperate</b>	get better after illness
<b>Superlative</b>	extremely good; the best
<b>Whet</b>	sharpen
<b>Belligerent</b>	aggressive; ready to fight
<b>Contemporary</b>	living or happening at the same time
<b>Emaciated</b>	very thin; withered
<b>Gritty</b>	coarse; courageous
<b>Niggardly</b>	miserly; stingy
<b>Philanthropy</b>	charity; love of mankind

## Group 87

<b>Red tape</b>	formalities; paperwork; official procedure
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<b>Surly</b>	grumpy; rude
<b>Whimsical</b>	capricious; changeable
<b>Bemoan</b>	complain about
<b>Contrite</b>	sorry
<b>Emancipate</b>	set free
<b>Guffaw</b>	sudden loud laughter
<b>Jeopardize</b>	put at risk; endanger
<b>Nomadic</b>	wandering from place to place
<b>Philistine</b>	uncultured person

## Group 88

<b>Redolent</b>	smelling of; giving off odors
<b>Surreptitious</b>	secret; sneaky; stealthy
<b>Willful</b>	stubborn
<b>Benevolent</b>	kindly
<b>Contrition</b>	sorrow and repentance
<b>Embezzle</b>	defraud; steal
<b>Guile</b>	cunning; craftiness
<b>Jingoistic</b>	extremely patriotic; nationalistic
<b>Nonchalance</b>	an appearance of indifference; calm and composed
<b>Phlegmatic</b>	calm; imperturbable

## Group 89

<b>Surreptitiously</b>	secretly; furtively; stealthily
<b>Wily</b>	cunning
<b>Benign</b>	kindly; harmless
<b>Contumacious</b>	stubborn
<b>Embroid</b>	involve in hostility or argument
<b>Guileless</b>	frank; straightforward; honest
<b>Jocular</b>	in a joking manner
<b>Redundant</b>	unnecessary; superfluous
<b>Susceptible</b>	vulnerable
<b>Gullibility</b>	unwariness; trustfulness; being easily fooled

## Group 90

<b>Benignity</b>	compassion; gentleness; fondness
<b>Nonentity</b>	a person of no importance; not famous

<b>Pinnacle</b>	topmost point
<b>Referendum</b>	public vote
<b>Wistful</b>	melancholy; pensive; expressing a longing for
<b>Bequeath</b>	leave something in one's will to be given after one's death
<b>Conundrum</b>	a puzzle
<b>Emulate</b>	to imitate something admired
<b>Gullible</b>	easily fooled
<b>Jubilant</b>	ecstatic; delighted; rejoicing

## Group 91

<b>Sycophant</b>	bootlicker; flatterer
<b>Judicious</b>	correct in judgment; wise
<b>Notoriety</b>	infamy; known for wrong doing
<b>Pivotal</b>	of central importance
<b>Endorse</b>	give support or approval to
<b>Nostalgia</b>	longing for the past
<b>Pious</b>	very religious
<b>Berate</b>	scold; criticize
<b>Sybarite</b>	lover of luxury
<b>Conventional</b>	usual; customary; common

## Group 92

<b>Corpulent</b>	fat
<b>Endurance</b>	staying power; patience; stamina
<b>Hackneyed</b>	common and over-used
<b>Gustatory</b>	concerned with the sense of taste
<b>Novel</b>	new; unusual
<b>Placate</b>	pacify; soothe; calm
<b>Relegate</b>	dismiss to a lower position
<b>Taciturn</b>	quiet; saying little
<b>Zealot</b>	fanatic
<b>Zeal</b>	enthusiasm

## Group 93

<b>Beret</b>	type of cap
<b>Bestial</b>	behaving like a beast; brutal

<b>Corrugated</b>	highly folded
<b>Enduring</b>	lasting
<b>Hallowed</b>	worshipped; consecrated
<b>Juxtapose</b>	place next to
<b>Novice</b>	a beginner; tyro
<b>Placebo</b>	harmless medicine with no effect; dummy medicine
<b>Remorse</b>	regret; sorrow; contrition
<b>Tactile</b>	concerned with the sense of touch

## Group 94

<b>Abate</b>	reduce in intensity
<b>Abjure</b>	renounce; swear to refrain from something
<b>Blandishment</b>	words used to coax or flatter [ <i>blandish (v)</i> ]
<b>Boor</b>	ill-mannered person [ <i>boorish (a)</i> ]
<b>Cardinal</b>	1. high ranking church official; 2. major, important
<b>Deliberate</b>	1. slow ( <i>a</i> ); 2. to think over ( <i>v</i> ); 3. on purpose ( <i>a</i> )
<b>Equivocation</b>	speaking ambiguously [ <i>equivocate (v)</i> , <i>equivocal (a)</i> ]
<b>Feckless</b>	feeble; helpless; lacking in initiative
<b>Imperturbability</b>	quality of being calm and not easily disturbed [ <i>imperturbable (a)</i> ]
<b>Zenith</b>	summit

## Group 95

<b>Boycott</b>	refuse to have dealings with
<b>Glib</b>	slick; superficial esp. in speech
<b>Incise</b>	cut into [ <i>incision (n)</i> ; <i>incisive (a)</i> ]
<b>Moralistic</b>	concerned with morals [ <i>moralize (v)</i> ]
<b>Ostracism</b>	shunning; social isolation [ <i>ostracize (v)</i> ]
<b>Penchant</b>	inclination; leaning; tendency; predilection
<b>Rarefy</b>	make less dense [ <i>rarefaction (n)</i> ]
<b>Repine</b>	fret; be discontented
<b>Stipulate</b>	specify [ <i>stipulation (n)</i> ]
<b>Diaphanous</b>	transparent; thin and delicate

## Group 96

<b>Augury</b>	prediction, looking for omens [ <i>augur (v)</i> ]
<b>Feint</b>	pretended attack; a move intended to deceive
<b>Inured</b>	hardened; habituated

<b>Mettlesome</b>	spirited [ <i>mettle (n)</i> ]
<b>Puissance</b>	power
<b>Recondite</b>	obscure
<b>Stygian</b>	very dark
<b>Touting</b>	advertising; supporting [ <i>tout (v)</i> ]
<b>Virtuosity</b>	skill, expertise [ <i>virtuoso (n)</i> ; <i>virtuosi (n.pl)</i> ]
<b>Volubility</b>	excessive talkativeness [ <i>voluble (a)</i> ]

## Group 97

<b>Contiguous</b>	adjacent; touching; abutting [ <i>contiguity (n)</i> ]
<b>Damp</b>	(used of vibration) reduce in extent
<b>Ellipsis</b>	omission of essential words
<b>Gaffe</b>	blunder; social mistake
<b>Recumbent</b>	reclining; lying down
<b>Opprobrious</b>	expressing great scorn [ <i>opprobrium (n)</i> ]
<b>Culpability</b>	guilt [ <i>culpable</i> = blameworthy]
<b>Discernment</b>	judgment; perceptiveness
<b>Encomium</b>	praise
<b>Inveigle</b>	coax; cajole; wheedle; entice

## Group 98

<b>Ossified</b>	turned to bone; become rigid [ <i>ossification (n)</i> ]
<b>Accretion</b>	accumulation of matter; growth produced by adding from the outside
<b>Anachronistic</b>	occurring in the wrong time period [ <i>anachronism (n)</i> ]
<b>Chronic</b>	long lasting (often used for diseases in which case the opposite is <i>acute</i> )
<b>Churlishness</b>	rudeness; ill-mannered behavior
<b>Demagogue</b>	mob leader (who appeals to base instincts) [ <i>demagogy/demagoguery (n)</i> ]
<b>Effrontery</b>	daring; audacity (has a negative connotation)
<b>Idyll</b>	story or incident in peaceful or ideal setting [ <i>idyllic (a)</i> ]
<b>Nugatory</b>	of minor significance; futile
<b>Sinecure</b>	job which pays salary but requiring little effort

## Group 99

<b>Canonical</b>	orthodox [ <i>canon (n)</i> = set of accepted works]
<b>Commensurate</b>	equal in significance

<b>Dexterity</b>	skill, esp. with hands [ <i>dexterous (a)</i> ]
<b>Extant</b>	still in existence (opposite of extinct)
<b>Impugned</b>	challenged; called into question
<b>Probity</b>	uprightness; honesty
<b>Solicitous</b>	kindly; expressing care and concern
<b>Plumb</b>	measure depth of ( <i>v</i> ); exact ( <i>a. slang</i> )
<b>Quintessential</b>	most typical; the perfect example of [ <i>quintessence (n)</i> ]
<b>Inchoate</b>	undeveloped; nascent

## Group 100

<b>Amalgamate</b>	join; consolidate [ <i>amalgamation (n)</i> ]
<b>Baleful</b>	evil
<b>Coerce</b>	force [ <i>coercion (n)</i> ; <i>coercing (a)</i> ]
<b>Maudlin</b>	sad; sentimental; inclined to weep
<b>Refulgent</b>	glowing; radiant
<b>Subliminal</b>	below the threshold of consciousness
<b>Vituperate</b>	attack bitterly
<b>Whittle</b>	1. carve with knife; 2. reduce step by step
<b>Epistemology</b>	theory of knowledge
<b>Verisimilar</b>	true to life; giving the appearance of reality