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Aback, to be disconcerted.

Syn. Surprised, unaware

Ant. Relaxed, composed.

Use: He was taken aback by the hold on his shoulder.

Abandon, allow oneself to indulge in or to give up completely.

Syn. Deserted

Ant. Restraint

Use: Due to the busy schedule, I have to abandon my holiday plan.

Abase, to lower or reduce as in rank or reputation.

Syn. Debase, humiliate

Ant. Lift, elevate.

Use: To abase was his motive in order to take revenge.

Abashed, confounded, ashamed.

Syn. Chagrined, mortified.

Ant. Composed, reassured.

Use: His behaviour towards her in public left her abashed.

Abate, to subside, diminish.

Syn. Recede, moderate.

Ant. Enhance, extend, magnify.

Use: The govt. will never abate the tax rates on income.

Abbreviate, to condense, to shorten, contract.

Syn. Truncate, trim.

Ant. Lengthen, stretch, prolong.

Use: I appointed him to abbreviate my speech.

Abdicate, to renounce or to give up formally.

Syn. Resign, relinquish, step aside.

Ant. Claim, seize, takeover, secure.

Use: Govt.'s compulsory acquisition scheme made us abdicate our right on our property.

Abeyance, to defer temporarily.

Syn. Postponement, discontinuation.

Ant. Continuation, renewal, revival.

Use: The power cut causes abeyance in work.

Abhor, to regard with disgust or hatred.

Syn. Despise, detest, hate.

Ant. Adore, approve, desire.

Use: His continuous drinking habits have made her abhor him.

Abide – to remain at, dwell

Syn. Stick around, continue

Ant. Depart, exit

Use: We should abide by the law.

Abject – degraded, mean, craven

Syn. Downtrodden, forlorn

Ant. Commendable, worthy

Use: It is not good to trust such an abject like him.

Abjure – to reject formally

Syn. Renounce, withdraw

Ant. Avow, declare

Use: She has abjured marriage.

Abnegate – to deny what said earlier

Syn. Resign, demit

Ant. Claim, defend

Use: It is not good to abnegate from vow.

Abolish – to do away with

Syn. Cancel, dissolve

Ant. Formalize, validate

Use: It is necessary to abolish China products in order promote Indian goods.

Abominable – which is detestable

Syn. Foul, objectionable

Ant. Agreeable, pleasant

Use: her talking manners are abominable

Abound – be plentiful, be infested with

Syn. Sufficient, teem

Ant. Lack, handful

Use: She has got abound money to feed her for months.

Abortive – fruitless

Syn. Futile, hopeless

Ant. Feasible, fruitful

Use: It was an abortive plan to escape.

Abrasive – irritating in manner

Syn. Annoying, nasty

Ant. Pleasant, likeable

Use: His repeated questions are abrasive.

Abrogate- to end formally

Syn. Cancel, abolish

Ant. Approve, authorize

Use: The ministers abrogated the plan for the over bridge.

Abrupt – which was not expected

Syn. Sudden, hasty

Ant. Planned, predicted

Use: Teacher's abrupt entry startled the whole class.

Absolve – to pronounce free

Syn. Liberate, acquit

Ant. Accuse, convict

Use: The judge decided to absolve the culprit as he was a minor.

Abstain – keep oneself away

Syn. Constrain, abjure

Ant. Capitulate, yield to

Use: I tried hard to abstain from alcohol.

Abstemious – moderate in food

Syn. Temperate, self-disciplined

Ant. Greedy, voracious

Use: They think my abstemious habits are reason that I am skinny.

Abstruse – hard to understand

Syn. Profound, complex

Ant. Easy, simple

Use: Robotics is an abstruse for me as I am a commerce student.

Absurd – senseless, ridiculous

Syn. Irrational, laughable

Ant. Sensible, rational

Use: She never participates in her colleague's absurd talk.

Abundant – more than enough

Syn. Ample, plenty

Ant. Deficient, scarce

Use: God has provided me with abundant of everything.

Abut – touch upon

Syn. Adjoin, lean

Ant. split, getting separate

Use: The child abutted with her as she was going to market.

Abysmal – hard to measure

Syn. Immeasurable, depthless

Ant. shallow, superficial

Use: A sea is abysmal.

Accede – to grant approval

Syn. Assent, consent

Ant. Refuse, dissent

Use: I was not acceded to to go for the tour from school.

Accelerate – cause to happen earlier.

Syn. Hurry, rush, quicken

Ant. Slow, decelerate

Use: the thief accelerated as they heard the police's horn.

Accentuate – to emphasize the importance of something

Syn. Press, pinpoint

Ant. Understate, belittle

Use: The teacher accentuated some of the chapters for exams.

Accessible – which can be easily accessed

Syn. Attainable, reachable

Ant. Restricted, scarce

Use: 85% marks are accessible even for an average student by an honest study schedule.

Accessory – something additional

Syn. Peripheral, auxiliary

Ant. Primary, vital

Use: She paired her dress with simple accessory.

Accidental – happening by chance

Syn. Coincidental, fortuitous

Ant. Planned, decided

Use: The accidental meeting started their love story.

Acclaim – welcome loudly

Syn. Applause, homage

Ant. Censure, reprimand

Use: A small party was organized to acclaim his work.

Acclivity – an upward, slope

Syn. Uphill, gradient

Ant. Declivity

Use: The acclivity to the temple was so tiresome.

Accolade – To praise

Syn. Citation, commendation

Ant. Rebuke, indictment

Use: The entire hall accolade the children for their play.

Accompany – To go along in order to help

Syn. Associate, company

Ant. Ditch, desert

Use: His wife accompanied him on business tour.

Accomplice – partner in crime or guilt

Syn. Confederate, comrade

Ant. Opponent, enemy

Use: his accomplice surrendered and provided all the information to the police.

Accord – to be in harmony

Syn. Treaty, settlement

Ant. Conflict, disagreement

Use: Accord between India and Pakistan is impossible.

Accost- an approach to solicit

Syn. Confront, hail

Ant. Evade, scorn

Use: We tried hard to accost the quotation of the new project.

Accoutrements – not necessary but accompany the main

Syn. Accessory, attachment

Ant. Main, essential

Use: The school children acted as great accoutrements to the volunteers.

Accrue – to come to, to be gained

Syn. Increase, addition

Ant. Decrease, lose

Use: The Company has accrued huge interest on its earnings.

Accumulate – to bring together

Syn. Assemble, collect

Ant. Disband, disperse

Use: I tried to accumulate all the evidences as much I could.

Accuse – to lay the blame on

Syn. Charge, indict

Ant. Defend, absolve

Use: It is not right to accuse someone without any evidence.

Acidulous – that cause hurt feelings

Syn. Sarcastic, sardonic

Ant. Playful, gentle

Use: Her mother-in-law's acidulous words caused her heartache.

Acknowledge – to accept the truth

Syn. Affirm, confirm

Ant. Deny, reject

Use: She finally acknowledged that her husband is dead.

Acme – The highest point

Syn. Apex, crown

Ant. Bottom, foot

Use: The Company has reached the acme by his efforts.

Acoustic – of the sense of hearing

Syn. Audial, aural

Ant. No auditory

Use: The acoustic version sang by her is awesome.

Acquiesce – agree without objection

Syn. Agree, assent

Ant. Dissent, reject

Use: She acquiesced to marry as per her parent's wish.

Acquit – to free from blame

Syn. Clear, release

Ant. Charge, convict

Use: His lawyer did everything he could to acquit him.

Acrid – bitter, very pungent

Syn. Resentful, scornful

Ant. Sweet, kind

Use: They have acrid relations even after the marriage.

Acrimonious – bitter, resentful

Syn. Rancorous, harsh

Ant. Tender, sweet

Use: It is not good for true friends to be acrimonious with each other.

Acrimony – nasty behaviour

Syn. Bitterness, rudeness

Ant. Civility, politeness

Use: His acrimony for her In-laws is not right.

Actuate – to put into action

Syn. Move, trigger

Ant. Deactivate, stop, halt

Use: Boss's entry in the office actuates the actual work.

Acumen – keen, perception in practical matters

Syn. Intelligence, wit

Ant. Senselessness, stupidity

Use: her acumen always helps her to make right decisions.

Acute – sharp, penetrating

Syn. Perceptive, discerning

Ant. Dull, numb

Use: Nothing can escape his acute sight.

Adage – an old saying

Syn. Proverb, axiom

Use: I couldn't understand the adage grandma said.

Adamant – hard to break

Syn. Headstrong, determined

Ant. Accepting, yielding

Use: She was adamant that she will give the auditions even when she refused for her little age.

Adapt – to change as per the situation

Syn. Suit, fit, adjust

Ant. Unsettle, confuse

Use: The dinosaurs died because they couldn't adapt the change.

Addict – To have a strong liking for something

Syn. Fan, Lover

Ant. Critic

Use: She likes ice cream so much that we call her addict.

Addle – mentally disturbed

Syn. Stupefied, senseless

Ant. Conscious

Use: He was lying like an addle in his bedroom when I found him.

Adept – thoroughly proficient in a subject

Syn. Skilled, practiced

Ant. Crude, inexperienced

Use: The new Economics is really adept.

Adhere – To stick fast to

Syn. Abide by, maintain

Ant. Not conform, separate

Use: The Company has to adhere to many laws and regulations.

Adieu – an expression of kind wishes at parting

Syn. Farewell, good bye

Ant. Welcome, hello

Use: I bid him adieu and left.

Adjourn – put off till another time

Syn. defer, postpone, and halt

Ant. Prolong, proceed

Use: Everybody asked to adjourn the meeting.

Adjunct – accompaniment, amplification of subject

Syn. Apprentice, attendant

Use: She adjunct in the missions.

Adjure – to charge solemnly or earnestly

Syn. Command, instruct

Ant. Follow, obey

Use: He adjured her to tell him the truth.

Admit – to accept the truth

Syn. Acknowledge, affirm

Ant. Deny, repudiate

Use: I admit that I was negligent about my studies.

Admonition – an instruction or warning against danger

Syn. Caution, notice

Ant. encourage

Use: He neglected my admonition and result is evident.

Adonis – beautiful youth

Syn. Charmer, enchanter

Ant. Disadvantage

Use: All the ladies in the hall turned when he entered like an Adonis.

Adore – regard with deep respect and affection

Syn. Love, worship

Ant. Despise, disdain

Use: I knew it that he adores me but I refused.

Adorn – deck with ornaments

Syn. Garnish, dress up

Ant. Spoil, simplify

Use: She adorned the bride like a fairy.

Adroit – proficient in a subject

Syn. dexterous, skilful

Ant. Stupid, unskilled

Use: He is an adroit in painting landscape

Adulation – excessive, flattery

Syn. Over praise, sycophancy

Ant. Bad-mouthing, belittlement

Use: He got the promotion by his adulation skills.

Adulterate – to alter it's original by the inferior.

Syn. Contaminate, corrupt

Ant. Purify, clarify

Use: Meeting him adulterated my innocence.

Advent – coming of something important

Syn. Dawn, start

Ant. Exit, departure

Use: This is just the advent of technology.

Adventitious – sudden

Syn. Accidental, incidental

Ant. Inherent, inborn

Use: The destruction is adventitious to the earthquake.

Adversary – having an ill-will

Syn. Foe, antagonistic

Ant. Cordial, friendly

Use: The war is a controversy of the adversaries.

Adverse – placed opposite, turned against

Syn. Counter, troublesome

Ant. Favourable, supportive

Use: A person should be patient in adverse situations in life.

Adversity – a trouble or misfortune

Syn. Hardship, suffering

Ant. Fortune, chance

Use: The adversities in life have made him strong enough.

Advice – an opinion given as to future action

Syn. Counsel, alert

Ant. Infidelity, folly

Use: she advised me about the use of that new cleaner.

Aegis – defence, protection

Syn. Safeguard, shield

Ant. Danger, attack

Use: Our aegis was so strong that they couldn't even come near us.

Aeon – a long indefinite time

Syn. Lifetime

Ant. Instant, spilt

Use: It seems like an aeon since we parted.

Affable – easy of address

Syn. Good-natured, pleasant

Ant. Unpleasant, surly

Use: He is affable and very easy going.

Affectation – pretentious or studied display

Syn. Grandiosity

Ant. Humbleness, modesty

Use: His affectation has bagged him all these privileges.

Affected – to be changed in a manner

Syn. Awkward, counterfeited

Ant. Uninjured, unimpaired

Use: All my efforts failed and she remain unaffected.

Affection – a strong feeling of regard or dedication

Syn. Love, fondness

Ant. Hate, loathing

Use: She has got the affection of everyone.

Affiliate – to be associated with

Syn. combined, confederate

Ant. Separate, disaffiliate

Use: The College is affiliated to one of the international university.

Affinity – relationship, resemblance

Syn. Kinship, pertinence

Ant. Detachment

Use: I know our affinity is wrong as he is married.

Affirm – to state as a fact

Syn. Assert, declare

Ant. Neglect, ignore

Use: The scientists have affirmed the existence of aliens.

Afflict – to trouble, grieve

Syn. Torture, badger

Ant. Aid, console

Use: Her past afflicts her even now.

Affluence – coming in, copiousness

Syn. Abundance, plenty

Ant. Outflow

Use: He is overwhelmed by the affluence of wealth.

Affluent – rich

Syn. Deep-pocketed, prosperous

Ant. Deprived, penniless

Use: He is affluent and need not any aid.

Afford – have enough to spare

Syn. Furnish, yield

Ant. need, deprive

Use: They are poor and can't even afford a lunch

Affray – breach of the peace by fighting or riot

Syn. Brawl, conflict

Ant. Peace, quiet

Use: This time it is a religious matter that has caused the affray

Affront – insult openly

Syn. Criticize, torture

Ant. Compliment, applaud

Use: this time the mistake is unpardonable and he deserves to be affronted.

Agglomeration – grouping together

Syn. Clutter, collage

Ant. Disperse, diffusion

Use: Mere agglomeration of some people is not sufficient to make a party.

Agglutinate – to unite with strongly

Syn. Blend, combine

Ant. Divine, separate

Use: Both the parties have agglutinated now.

Aggrandize – increase in power or rank

Syn. Boost, amplify

Ant. Curtail, retrench

Use: Employees helps to a great extent to aggrandize an organization.

Aggravate – make more grievous'

Syn. Vex, discomfort

Ant. Soothe, satisfy

Use: His last words were wrong and aggravated his boss.

Aggressive – who displays eagerness to fight

Syn. Brawly, hot-tempered

Ant. Friendly, calm

Use: The teacher tried to calm the aggressive students.

Aggrieved – having a grievance

Syn. Dissatisfied, disappointed

Ant. Satisfied, contended

Use: the aggrieved customer filed a suit against the Company.

Aghast – terrified

Syn. Frightened, scared

Ant. Fearless, stout-hearted

Use: The large snake made me aghast.

Agile – easily moving

Syn. Graceful, flexible

Ant. Stiff, ungraceful

Use: The agile lion grabbed the neck of the running stag.

Agitated – having troubled mind

Syn. Discomforted, angry

Ant. Composed, quiet

Use: The agitated teacher slapped the student hard.

Agog – eager, on the lookout

Syn. Anxious, restive

Ant. Apathetic, indifferent

Use: She was agog about the news of her brother from the border.

Agree – be in harmony with, consent to

Syn. Assent, accept

Ant. Counter, dissent

Use: It was difficult for me to agree for the project.

Aid – To help or assist

Syn. Support, comfort

Ant. Hindrance, impediment

Use: She tried to aid him in the office work but he denied.

Aircraft – a machine which can fly

Syn. Airship, chopper, jet

Use: My dream was to fly an aircraft.

Akin – of similar or kindred character

Syn. Connected, comparable

Ant. Distinct, disparate

Use: I thought they were twins as they look akin.

Alacrity – cheerful readiness

Syn. Amenability, heartiness

Ant. Slowness, apathy

Use: I couldn't refuse to go with him after seeing his alacrity.

Alchemy – transformation of metals into gold.

Syn. Sorcery, witchcraft

Use: He learned the alchemy from a wizard.

Alias – an assumed name

Syn. Nickname, byname

Ant. name

Use: He is Cristiano Ronaldo alias Ronnie.

Alien – not one's own, not belonging to

Syn. Exterior, outlandish

Ant. Native, inherent

Use: It was an alien feeling when I entered their lab.

Alienate – To turn away, divert

Syn. Estrange, dissociate

Ant. Conciliate, pacify

Use: Everybody looked at me as I have been alienated

Alimentary – concerned with nutrition

Syn. Dietary, nourishing

Ant. Inedible, uneatable

Use: oats are an alimentary breakfast

Allay – to repress or assuage usually pain

Syn. Calm, lessen

Ant. Worsen, intensify

Use: I tried to allay the child as he fell down.

Allege – affirm, advance as a fact

Syn. Declare, profess

Ant. Negate, deny

Use: she alleged on their working manners.

Allegiance – duty of subject

Syn. Fidelity, loyalty

Ant. Disloyalty, treachery

Use: Army requires complete allegiance.

Alleviate – to make less severe

Syn. Allay, lessen

Ant. Worsen, heighten

Use: all the volunteers tried to alleviate the earthquake victims' problem.

Allocate – to set aside

Syn. Apportion, assign

Ant. Retain, withhold

Use: The teacher allocated the responsibility of the class monitor.

Allude – to refer indirectly

Syn. Indicate, suggest

Ant. Declare, proclaim

Use: She alluded my name for the college play.

Allure – tempt, charm

Syn. Appeal, fascination

Ant. Repulsiveness

Use: The forts of Rajasthan allure me.

Allusion – indirect reference

Syn. Hint, denotation

Ant. Declaration, announcement

Use: Her allusion caused me to act in the play.

Aloft – up in the rigging, overhead

Syn. Above, upward

Ant. Below, under

Use: The monkey was sitting aloft on the tree.

Aloof – to keep away

Syn. Detached, silent

Ant. Concerned

Use: Lord Balram was aloof from the battle of Mahabharata.

Altercation – a dispute with anger, fight

Syn. Clash, conflict

Ant. Harmony, unity

Use: The altercation between these two has disturbed me a lot.

Alternative – to choose from a number of choices

Syn. Election, option

Ant. Force, duty

Use: We were left with no alternative except saying the truth.

Altruism – regard for others

Syn. Benevolence, selflessness

Ant. Malevolence

Use: His altruism sometimes trouble him.

Always – at all times

Syn. Ever, forever

Ant. Never

Use: I promised him to be there for him always.

Amalgamate – to get united

Syn. Consolidate, merge

Ant. Separate, Divide

Use: They have decided to amalgamate both the companies

Amass – heap together, accumulate

Syn. Pile, stack

Ant. Scatter

Use: Without any order she amasses all the clothes.

Amateur – one who cultivates a thing as a pastime

Syn. Jackleg, dilettante

Ant. Competent

Use: He is amateur in gardening.

Amaze – overwhelm with wonder

Syn. Stupefy, stun, startle

Ant. Calm, demystify

Use: His return after such a long time was sure to amaze everyone.

Ambidextrous – superiorly clever

Syn. Deceitful, deceptive

Ant. Innocent, honest

Use: The ambidextrous dealer made us fool and sold the material to him.

Ambience – a quality or impression

Syn. Atmosphere, character

Use: I like the ambience of Café Coffee Day.

Ambiguous – having doubtful meaning

Syn. Cryptic, disguised

Ant. Evident, certain

Use: The prices of dresses are ambiguous and not clear.

Ambiguity – doubtfulness of meaning

Syn. Obliquity, cloudiness

Ant. distinctness, evidence

Use: there is ambiguity of quotation from the two dealers.

Ambivalent – having confused feelings

Syn. Uncertain, disinclined

Ant. Certain, decided

Use: She is ambivalent about marriage.

Amble – move at easy pace

Syn. Walk, ramble

Ant. Run, sprint, hasten

Use: To amble in the park is his favourite pastime.

Ameliorate – to make better

Syn. Improve, intensify

Ant. Worsen, spoil

Use: The doctors are trying hard to ameliorate the cub.

Amenable – one who is responsible for success or failure of something

Syn. Accountable, answerable

Ant. Exempt, irresponsible

Use: Mom warned us that we will be amenable if we get hurt in Karate practice.

Amend – make improvements

Syn. Ameliorate, improve

Ant. Damage, injure

Use: I asked him to amend my moped but he refused.

Amiable – lovable, easy-going

Syn. Agreeable, mellow

Ant. Discourteous, impolite

Use: His amiable nature is loved by everyone.

Amicable – showing a friendly spirit

Syn. Genial, hearty

Ant. Estranged, cold

Use: We settled us in the new society very well because of our amicable neighbours.

Amity – friendly relations

Syn. Brotherhood, kindness

Ant. Enmity, hostility

Use: The two families have amity from their parents' time.

Amnesia – loss of memory

Syn. Forgetfulness, blackout

Ant. Remembrance, deadeye

Use: She is suffering from amnesia from around 1 year.

Amnesty – act of oblivion, pardon

Syn. Forgiveness, leniency

Ant. Sentence, conviction

Use: The terrorists of 26/11 attack a never be granted amnesty.

Amok – in reckless manner

Syn. wildly, riotously

Ant. Orderly, systematically

Use: He was late so did his breakfast in amok.

Amorphous – shapeless, anomalous

Syn. Featureless, vague

Ant. Structured, shaped

Use: the teacher started from an amorphous round shape but ended it in a perfect drawing of tortoise.

Amplify – to enhance or enlarge

Syn. Compound, build up

Ant. Curtail, constrict

Use: He amplified the sound of music even when I asked him to stop.

Amplitude – abundance

Syn. Breadth, dimension

Ant. Crunch, deficit

Use: We grow amplitude of mangoes in our mango parks.

Amputated – cut off usually limb

Syn. Cut away, dismember

Ant. Mended, attached

Use: They amputated the branches of our tress which were on their side.

Amulets – something worn to keep away evil

Syn. Talisman, symbol

Ant. Jinx, spell

Use: Aunt brought amulet for me from Ajmer.

Amuse – find diversion for

Syn. Occupy, evolve

Ant. Upset, fret

Use: She found herself unable in finding a book to amuse her.

Anarchy – where there is no disregard for rules or wrongdoing

Syn. Misrule, outlawry

Ant. Monarchy, legitimacy

Use: A person can't imagine a peaceful life in an anarchy.

Anathema – a solemn curse

Syn. Malediction, spell

Ant. Blessing, citation

Use: she cursed an anathema on the robber.

Ancillary – subservient to primary

Syn. Secondary, subordinate

Ant. Primary, chief

Use: Profit earning is the ancillary objective of a business.

Anger – state of being angry rage

Syn. Annoyed, displeasure

Ant. Pleasantness, happiness

Use: He broke the vase in anger.

Animadversion – remarks by criticism or reproof

Syn. Accusation, blame

Ant. Praise

Use: His animadversion on my report made me wince.

Animosity – violent hatred, extreme dislike

Syn. Enmity, antipathy

Ant. Love, friendliness

Use: Their animosity has led them to destruction of each other.

Annexed – something added

Syn. Extension, attachment

Ant. Detachment

Use: I annexed the sheet to the main sheet as the last bell rang.

Annihilate – to destroy the existence

Syn. Demolish, extinguish

Ant. Raise, put up

Use: They annihilated the old building in order to build a Shopping complex.

Annihilation – a complete destruction

Syn. Demolition, wreckage

Ant. Rescue, restoration

Use: The annihilation of garden has caused several birds to lose their nests.

Annotate – write remarks on books

Syn. Illustrate, define

Ant. Outline, delineate

Use: her habit to annotate helps her while revising.

Annul – to declare invalid

Syn. Invalidate, rescind

Ant. Legalize, legitimize

Use: The news that the paper was leaked caused to annul the previous exam.

Anodyne – which reduces pain or trouble

Syn. Painless, mild

Ant. Harmful, injurious.

Use: there is no anodyne for heartache.

Anomalous – deviating from normal

Syn. Irregular, divergent

Ant. Regular, casual

Use: His anomalous visits to office without concern caused the suspicion.

Anomaly – far from normal

Syn. Eccentric, aberrant

Ant. Normal, average

Use: I suspect anomaly in that tyro.

Anon – soon, within a short time

Syn. Shortly, presently

Ant. Now, currently

Use: he promised me to visit in anon.

Anonymous – of unknown name

Syn. Untitled, obscure

Ant. Named, known

Use: I got a bouquet from an anonymous person.

Antagonism – active opposition

Syn. Enmity, vindictiveness

Ant. Favour, civility

Use: The antagonism of the opponents caused non passing of bill in the parliament.

Antagonize – to provoke opposition

Syn. Embitter, enrage

Ant. Sweeten, appease

Use: he antagonized me publicly for fight so I didn't refuse.

Antipathy – settled aversion to

Syn. Disgust, abhorrence

Ant. Liking

Use: His antipathy to him led him to murder him.

Antithesis – difference

Syn. Opposite, contrary

Ant. Duplicate, replica

Use: The properties of chemical are the antithesis between them.

Anxiety – troubled state of mind

Syn. Concernment, nervousity

Ant. Calm, content

Use: The anxiety of the exam didn't let me sleep.

Apart – separate from others'

Syn. Except, other than

Ant. Connected, together

Use: Apart from the bedroom, I liked the entire house.

Apathetic – insensible to emotion

Syn. Impassive, cold

Ant. Sympathetic, sensitive

Use: His apathetic good-bye made me wince in the heart.

Apathy – mental indolence, insensibility

Syn. Callosity, coolness

Ant. Compassion, empathy

Use: His apathy towards his parents can't be understood.

Aphorism – an old saying, short pithy maxim

Syn. Adage, proverb

Use: The old aphorisms hold some meaning in them.

Apiary – place where bees are kept

Syn. Beehive, bee home

Use: They will build an apiary in the rented area.

Aplomb – handling of emotions

Syn. Composure, equilibrium

Ant. Anxiety, disquiet

Use: He played with aplomb on the field.

Apocryphal – which arouses suspicion

Syn. Dubious, questionable

Ant. Authentic, true

Use: It was apocryphal that whether the City would be able to make a goal.

Apogee – the highest point

Syn. Climax, pinnacle

Ant. Base, bottom

Use: Feeling so tired when reached the apogee of the mountain.

Apology – regretful acknowledgement of offence

Syn. Justification, explanation

Ant. Accusation, complaint

Use: His innocent apology couldn't keep me angry for long.

Apoplexy – loss of consciousness due to blockage in vein or artery

Syn. Senselessness

Ant. Consciousness

Use: I didn't know that he was a patient of apoplexy.

Apostasy – abandonment of one's religion

Syn. Estrangement, tergiversation

Ant. Adoption, faith

Use: He has lost his faith and hence want apostasy.

Apotheosis – deified ideal

Syn. Ideal, epitome

Ant. Demon

Use: They have tried to make this building as an apotheosis.

Appalled – dismaying, terrifying

Syn. Frightful, ghastly

Ant. Appealing, soothing

Use: I was appalled by the sudden of that lunatic.

Appease – to soothe or satisfy

Syn. Console, comfort

Ant. Aggravate, infuriate

Use: We were trying to appease Dad as he was angry with the neighbor.

Appellation – a name or title by which one is known

Syn. Denomination, designation

Use: She is on cloud nine after appellation as a Vice-President of the Company.

Append – attach as an accessory

Syn. Conjoin, supplement

Ant. Disjoin

Use: Mom appended kajal behind my ear when I left.

Applaud – express approval

Syn. Acclaim, clap

Ant. Admonish, chide

Use: Everybody applauded for my idea of quality control

Apportion – assign a portion or share

Syn. Allocate, distribute

Ant. Withhold, keep

Use: Mom apportioned us our share of Ice cream.

Apposite – to the point

Syn. Relevant, pointed

Ant. Irrelevant, pointless

Use: He was amazed by her apposite points in the debate.

Appraisal – an opinion of something

Syn. Estimation, judgement

Ant. Castigation, computation

Use: We were happy after getting appraisal from the State Art Association

Appreciative – which deserves approval

Syn. Approving, applauding

Ant. Censuring, scornful

Use: Their appreciative work for poor people drew the attention of State.

Apprehend – to have an idea of

Syn. Know, perceive

Ant. Miss, misconceive

Use: She never apprehends the importance of a deadline.

Apprehension – suspicion of a harm or bad luck

Syn. Disquiet, fearfulness

Ant. Excitement, optimistic

Use: Mom was a bit annoyed with the apprehension.

Apprise – to give notice of

Syn. Enlighten, notify

Ant. Misinform

Use: She apprised me of his entry.

Appropriate – suitable for

Syn. Relevant, pertinent

Ant. Improper, unsuited

Use: It is not appropriate to send him outside in such a hot weather.

Aquarium – tank for aquatic plant or animals

Syn. Fishbowl, fish tank

Ant. terrarium

Use: We have brought a new aquarium with lots of fishes in it.

Arable – fit for tilling

Syn. Cultivable, fertile

Ant. Barren

Use: They are looking for an arable land in the nearby village.

Arbitrary – capricious

Syn. Aimless, desultory

Ant. Set, arranged

Use: I don't trust him as his plan are always arbitrary.

Ardent – very eager for something

Syn. Anxious, desirous

Ant. Nonchalant, aloof

Use: The child was ardent to go for the bull ride game.

Arraignment – to accuse with

Syn. Indictment, prosecution

Ant. Exculpation, acquittal

Use: His arraignment was wrong on the innocent boy.

Arrears – outstanding debt

Syn. Liability, obligation

Ant. Asset

Use: We have filed a suit against them for our arrears.

Arrested – seized by an authority

Syn. Confined, caught

Ant. Free, liberated

Use: he is arrested for a charge of murder against him.

Arrogant – feeling of superiority

Syn. Haughty, imperious

Ant. Humble, unarrogant

Use: He is very arrogant and not easy going.

Art - skill applied to design

Syn. Creativity, inventiveness

Ant. Unskilled

Use: She left her job to concentrate on her art work.

Assent – agree to

Syn. Accede, consent

Ant. Reject, dissent

Use: She has not assented to come with us.

Assert – maintain one's opinion

Syn. Declare, boost

Ant. Ignore, neglect

Use: I always assert to compliance of traffic rules

Assistance – to assist or help

Syn. Aid, support

Ant. Constraint, hindrance

Use: His assistance helped me a great deal to complete the work on time.

Associate – have intercourse with

Syn. Fellow, mate

Ant. Dissociate

Use: her associates are always ready to help her.

Assuage – to mitigate or make less severe

Syn. Lessen, allay

Ant. Aggravate, impair

Use: It is impossible to assuage the family who has lost their loved ones.

Assumption – to consider as fact at starting point.

Syn. Supposition, hypothesis

Ant. Factual, real

Use: We took the assumption that around this much money would be required as capital.

Astonish – to be surprised

Syn. Amazed, bewilder

Ant. Calm, known

Use: He wished to astonish her by sudden appearance.

Astronomy – science of heavenly bodies

Syn. Astrograph, uranology

Ant. Biologist

Use: Astronomy is a bit difficult for common people.

Astute – having craftiness

Syn. Shrewd, cunning

Ant. Artless, ingenuous

Use: Children should be innocent and not astute.

Atrocious – much disturbing

Syn. Horrible, awful

Ant. Pleasing appealing

Use: The atrocious serial killing has shocked the entire police department.

Attack – fall upon with violence

Syn. Assault, attempt

Ant. Shield, shelter

Use: Proper care is required to save children from the attack of diseases.

Attain – reach arrive at

Syn. Acquire, obtain

Ant. Lose

Use: She has attained an age of 21.

Audacious – having rude or bold behaviour

Syn. Brazen, impudent

Ant. Modest, polite

Use: the audacious little boy annoyed me.

Audacity – boldness

Syn. Arrogance, hardihood

Ant. Timidity, shyness

Use: Her audacity caused her severe humiliation.

Augury – a declaration or sign for future happenings

Syn. Omen, prophecy

Ant. Hastiness, hovel

Use: The augury by that old woman proved to be true.

Auspicious – having omens of success

Syn. Encouraging, promising

Ant. Depressing, discouraging

Use: My thorough study has made me auspicious for exams.

Authentic – exactly as appears

Syn. Original, reliable

Ant. Artificial, factitious

Use: it is hard to consider these evidences as authentic.

Authoritative – one who likes to order around

Syn. Bossy, masterful

Ant. Humble, modest

Use: Our new authoritative boss is a bit annoying.

Authorize – give authority to

Syn. Enable, sanction

Ant. Constrain, disallow

Use: I want to authorize him to sign my documents.

Automatic – to do without thought

Syn. Mechanical, unwilling

Ant. Reasoned, thoughtful

Use: I accepted the new job automatically.

Avenged – exact retribution for

Syn. Retaliate, revenge

Ant. Forgive, remit

Use: He has put all the efforts to avenge.

Aversion – dislike or antipathy

Syn. Repulsion, loathing

Ant. Fondness, liking

Use: My aversion to dry fruits is a bit strange for everyone.

Avoid – to get away from

Syn. Escape, avert

Ant. Accept, concur

Use: I made all the efforts to avoid confrontation with him.

Awaken – to arouse the consciousness

Syn. Awake, rouse

Ant. Lull, rest

Use: She put all her energy to knock the door and awaken him.

Awkward – hard to deal with

Syn. Clumsy, inelegant

Ant. Composed, graceful

Use: His awkward behaviour in the party was very unusual.

Axiom – an established fact

Syn. Adage, aphorism

Ant. Ambiguity, nonsense

Use: The law of gravity is an axiom, no doubt.

B

Babble – a trivial talk, talk idly

Syn. Chatter, gibberish

Ant. Wisdom, sense

Use: He was babbling even when I told him to go.

Babel – a confused scene, a confused noise of talk

Syn. Tumult, clatter

Ant. Paradise, calm

Use: We stooped at the Babel near the square.

Badger – one who bothers.

Syn. Brit, heckle

Ant. alleviate, comfort

Use: The final exams are a badger for every student.

Baffle – to thwart or perplex

Syn. Astound, bewilder

Ant. Explain, enlighten

Use: I was baffled with the strange sound in the kitchen as I was on phone.

Baleful – showing sign of a calamity to come.

Syn. Destructive, pernicious.

Ant. Unthreatening

Use: The weather is baleful of a rainy storm.

Ballistic – losing anger

Syn. Angered, inflamed

Ant. Pleased, delighted

Use: Her comment blazoned his ballistic mood.

Ballsy – aggressively bold

Syn. Bold, brash, audacious

Ant. timid, vacillant

Use: Her son is very ballsy.

Banal – commonplace, monotonous

Syn. Insipid, unexciting

Ant. Poignant, exciting

Use: Her dress was so banal for a function like this.

Band – group of people with same interest

Syn. Assembly, collection

Ant. Disperse, disjoin

Use: A band of musician was invited at the function.

Bandy – discuss, exchange

Syn. Argue, debate

Ant. Straight

Use: They were bandying over such a silly topic that I left.

Bane – a cause of ruin, deadly position

Syn. Curse, hazard.

Ant. Felicity, blessing

Use: His coming to office was a bane for all the staff.

Barb – an intention to hurt one's feelings

Syn. Insult, outrage

Ant. Accolade, praise

Use: He barbed to hurt me by mentioning his name.

Barbarous – uncivilized, crude

Syn. Brutal, ferocious

Ant. Cultured, refined

Use: The explorers found Red Indians to be very barbarous.

Baron – a person possessing great power in some field

Syn. Ruler, peer

Use: Tiger Woods is a baron in golf.

Barrel – a cylindrical container

Syn. Drum, hogshead

Ant. Grain, granule

Use: All the barrels of liquor are confiscated by the police.

Bashful – shy, not comfortable around people

Syn. Introverted, modest

Ant. Immodest, outgoing

Use: She was so bashful but I liked her.

Bastion – a protection from fortification

Syn. Stronghold, fortress

Ant. Weak spot, flaw

Use: They were confident about their bastion.

Bawdy – obscene, filthy

Syn. Raunchy, Lascivious

Ant. Decorous, acceptable

Use: He is suspended for passing a bawdy comment on a female staff.

Beady – covered with beads or drops.

Syn. Small

Ant. Plain

Use: Her beady pink dress is very pretty.

Beam – a ray of light

Syn. Gleam, glint, shimmer

Ant. Dullness

Use: A beam of light was enough to show the way.

Becalm – to make calm or quiet

Syn. Soothe, ease, tranquilize

Ant. Foment, rouse

Use: I was trying to becalm her as she was crying bitterly.

Beckon – make mute signal

Syn. Motion, wave

Ant. Repulse, repudiate

Use: She beckoned him to stop babbling.

Bedazzled – to get in control by a spell

Syn. Enchant, mesmerize

Ant. Unimpressed

Use: The baby was bedazzled by the toy.

Bedlam – person having sick state of mind

Syn. Insane, crackbrained

Ant. Rational, sane

Use: He has not slept for two nights due to work and now behaving like a bedlam.

Beefy – muscular, heavily built

Syn. Solid, herculean

Ant. Light, slim

Use: The Wrestler opposite him was so beefy.

Beguide – to charm by magic, amuse

Syn. Captivate, disarm

Ant. Disgust, repel

Use: I was beguiled by his confidence in public speaking.

Beholden – under obligation, indebted

Syn. Obligated, grateful

Ant. Ungrateful, unobligated

Use: I was beholden as he helped me in completing the project.

Beleaguer – to besiege or surround

Syn. Blockade, encircle

Ant. Liberate, release

Use: The police beleaguer the robbers in the Bank.

Belittle – to lower in rank, to make small

Syn. Deprecate, vilipend

Ant. Favor, recommend

Use: The opponent was trying to belittle our leader among public.

Bellicose – one who is eager to fight

Syn. Aggressive, warlike.

Ant. Amiable, cordial

Use: We were trying to stop the fight but the driver was such a bellicose.

Beneficial – advantageous, serviceable

Syn. Helpful, auspicious, propitious

Ant. Injurious, harmful

Use: To shift him to the hostel is beneficial for him.

Benevolent – desirous to do good.

Syn. Charitable, chivalrous

Ant. Malevolent. Mean

Use: She is very benevolent and goes to any orphanage in city every week to help.

Berate – to criticize hatefully

Syn. Scold, rebuke, reprimand

Ant. Praise, hail

Use: he berated me when he checked the report.

Bereavement – death, deprivation

Syn. Loss, end of life

Ant. Comfort, health

Use: The cat's bereavement was sure after the accident.

Berk – a person lacking good sense

Syn. Jackass, featherhead

Ant. Thinker, genius

Use: Our peon is a berk as he can't even staple a document correctly.

Besotted – drunkard, blitzed

Syn. Drunken, inebriated

Ant. Clearheaded, temperate

Use: He was talking in a besotted manner so we have to push him out of the house.

Bestow – confer as a gift.

Syn. Donate, give away

Ant. Retain, preserve

Use: So many children bestowed their toys for poor children.

Betroth – blind with promise to marry

Syn. Commit, espouse, vow

Ant. Divorce, leave

Use: He betrothed to marry as soon as he will get a job.

Beverage – a drinkable liquid

Syn. Liquid refreshment

Ant. Food, victuals

Use: The beverages served at the party were so foul.

Bewilder – to suffer from confusion

Syn. Confound, perplex

Ant. Clearheaded

Use: I was bewildered on so much suggestions by everyone.

Bewitching – attractive, captivating

Syn. Fascinating, enchanting

Ant. Boring, disgusting

Use: The sight of the sea in moonlight was really bewitching.

Bigotry – great prejudice to one's opinion

Syn. Dogmatism, intolerance

Ant. Tolerance, liberating

Use: her bigotry on every suggestion was irritating everyone.

Bigwig – One who is significant in a group

Syn. Big leaguer, biggie

Ant. Inferior, underling

Use: Reliance is a bigwig in telecom industry.

Bilge – absurd ideas

Syn. Folly, foolishness

Ant. Reasonability, sense

Use: He has got only bilge in his mind.

Biography – a history of person's life

Syn. Memoir, story

Ant. Anecdote, asder

Use: He has revealed so many secrets in his biography.

Biopsy – a surgical procedure

Syn. Excision, surgery

Ant. Idleness

Use: He is discharged today from hospital after his biopsy.

Bizarre – of different appearance or effort

Syn. Outlandish, rare

Ant. Commonplace, ordinary

Use: Her costume was so bizarre that everybody was staring at her.

Blabber – one who talks meaningless.

Syn. Babblers, prattler

Ant. Sense, clamour

Use: I refused to talk but that babblers was not ready to go.

Blades – a hand weapon

Syn. Sword, scimitar

Ant. Verso stator

Use: The blades of the scissor were sharp.

Blair – make loud noise

Syn. Trumpet, bellow

Ant. Silence, lull

Use: I was awake due to their blair.

Blasé – indifferent, bored

Syn. Disinterested, unconcerned

Ant. Interested, naïve

Use: She is blasé on every matter in office.

Blasphemous – impiously irreverent

Syn. Sacrilegious, atheistic

Ant. Pious, reverent

Use: His blasphemous talk annoyed his mother.

Blather – to talk loquacious nonsense

Syn. Noise, upheaval

Ant. Peace, quiet

Use: She kicked him out as he was blathering.

Blaze – bright flame or fire, violent outburst of passion.

Syn. Flash, outburst

Ant. Peace

Use: The blazes were coming out of the burning house.

Blazon – to make something public

Syn. Announce, declare, flash

Ant. Conceal, suppress

Use: Our meeting in the café was enough to blazon the rumor.

Bleak – dreary, chilly

Syn. Stormy, turbulent

Ant. Cloudless, clear

Use: The bleak storm made it impossible to go on.

Bleed – deep sadness, feel extreme pain from pity

Syn. Torture, lament, groan

Ant. Delight, beam

Use: My heart bleeds when I saw little children as beggars.

Blench – to drawback in fear

Syn. Shrink, quail, flinch

Ant. Approach, confront

Use: She blenched when she came to know that there was someone in house.

Bless – to consecrate, invoke god’s favor on

Syn. Comment, offer benediction

Ant. Curse, condemn

Use: The old lady bless me as I helped her cross the road.

Blithe – having a good mood

Syn. Cheerful, buoyant

Ant. Sad, unhappy

Use: The baby was in a blithe after a good nap.

Blizzard – a windy storm

Syn. Snowfall, squall, whiteout

Ant. Rain

Use: all the flights were cancelled due to the blizzard.

Blooper – blunder, impropriety

Syn. Boner, error

Ant. Blowback

Use: To trust her again was a blooper.

Boast – thing or fact one is proud of

Syn. Glory, pride, crown-jewel

Ant. Disgrace, shame

Use: He boasts too much about his new iPhone.

Bob – to shorten, to cut something

Syn. Crop, cut back

Ant. Lengthen, extend

Use: The curtains were perfect but she bobbed them.

Bogey – something that causes fear.

Syn. The devil, beast, ogre

Ant. Being, reality

Use: Bathed in different holi colors he was looking so bogey.

Bohemian – of free and easy habits, socially unconventional

Syn. Deviant, lone

Ant. Follower, conformist

Use: My bohemian behavior offends everyone.

Boisterous – noisily cheerful, violent, rough

Syn. Raucous, raffish

Ant. Peaceful, sober, calm

Use: He reacted in a boisterous way when he got selected in medical college.

Bolster – to serve as support

Syn. Prop, sustain

Ant. Steady, underlie

Use: Whenever I needed she was always there as a bolster.

Boner – to make a mistake

Syn. Blunder, bungle

Ant. Remedy, rectify

Use: I don't regret over my previous boners.

Boar – a uncastrated pig.

Syn. Swine, porker

Use: There were so many boars at their farm.

Boozing – to consume alcoholic drink

Syn. having liquor

Ant. Abstinence

Use: The party was at its peak and everyone was boozing.

Bosh – nonsense, a foolish talk

Syn. Blither, blarney, folly

Ant. Rationality, sense

Use: The child was just boshing still the mother was listening.

Bounder – a cheerfully or noisily ill-bred person

Syn. Barbarian, savage

Ant. Gentleman

Use: Once he is drunk, he acts like a bounder.

Bouquet – a bunch of flowers

Syn. Corsage, garland, lei

Ant. Reek, stink

Use: I carried a bouquet for him in hospital.

Bovine – related to cow's specie

Syn. Oxen

Use: They are planning to get some more bovine for their farm.

Boycott – to ban, to refuse to have relation with

Syn. To embargo, prohibit

Ant. Encourage, support

Use: Gandhiji asked everyone to boycott British goods.

Bozo – clown like person

Syn. Joker, comedian

Use: to make the baby laugh he acted as a bozo.

Brag – to talk boastfully

Syn. Boast, exult, prate

Ant. Modest, quiet

Use: Nobody listens to his brag talk.

Brandish – to flaunt about or flourish

Syn. Display, exhibit

Ant. Withhold, conceal

Use: She is so brandish about her new bungalow.

Brash – audacious, bold

Syn. Hasty, incautious

Ant. Cautious, discreet

Use: She talked so brashly in the meeting.

Brass – effrontery

Syn. Rudeness, insolence

Ant. Caution, prudence

Use: To brass the boss was a bad idea.

Brawl – nasty fight, squabble

Syn. Broil, ruckus, tumult

Ant. Peace, harmony

Use: There was no need to brawl when we were peacefully talking.

Brawn – muscular

Syn. Power, potency, vigor

Ant. Impotence, debility

Use: The wrestler was brawn.

Breach – infringement of law or rule

Syn. Contravention, violation

Ant. Observance, non-violation

Use: They were penalized due to breach of contract.

Brevity – shortness, conciseness

Syn. Compression, contraction

Ant. Elongating, expansion

Use: Due to the bad weather brevity of the function was necessary.

Brew – to be about to happen

Syn. Ferment, raise

Ant. Decline, abate

Use: Nobody knows what the next day will brew.

Bridle – to control or curb

Syn. Hold, restrain, regulate

Ant. Loose, up leash

Use: The govt. bridles the railway sector in India

Brittle – easily broken, apt to break

Syn. Fragile, delicate

Ant. Tough, resilient

Use: The artifacts are so brittle.

Broach – to make it, up for discussion

Syn. Introduce, mention

Ant. Suppress, quit

Use: I was afraid so she broached the topic before daddy.

Broadcast – to put forth, scatter, for general public

Syn. Circulate, telecast, simulcast

Ant. Secrete, restrict

Use: The broadcast of the Republic day parade was about to start.

Brochure – a short booklet with no paper cover

Syn. Pamphlet, leaflet

Use: They have got their brochures printed for IPO.

Brook – to tolerate, to put up with

Syn. Bear, endure

Ant. Falter, give up

Use: She brooked his nonsense for a long time.

Bruit – to spread about loudly.

Syn. Bluster, Babel

Ant. Quietude, calm

Use: He bruited the news of our engagement.

Bubbly – gurgling with joy

Syn. Buoyant, high-spirited

Ant. Sullen, constrained

Use: The baby was bubbling after seeing his mamma.

Bucolic – an open area with few people

Syn. Pastoral, rural

Ant. Metropolitan, urbanized

Use: We passed through a bucolic to reach the town.

Budge – to change one's position

Syn. Move, shift, stir

Ant. Stay, tarry

Use: I was annoyed as Mom budged my things in the room.

Bully – having considerable power on weak or poor

Syn. A blusterer, a hector

Ant. Poor, lousy

Use: He is bully in the whole college.

Bumble – to fly with a fluttering sound

Syn. Hum, rustle

Ant. To hold down

Use: There was mosquito bumbling near his ear.

Bumpkin – a simple person from a small town of a country

Syn. Hayseed, yokel

Ant. Urbanized, cosmopolitan

Use: He needs to learn a lot as he is still a bumpkin.

Bunch – collection of something

Syn. Batch, crew, mob

Ant. Individual, one

Use: The bunch of students entered the library.

Bungle – to do something in a clumsy way

Syn. Mismanage, fumble

Ant. Refine, better

Use: I am not used to cooking so I bungle all the time.

Buoyant – in a good mood

Syn. Cheerful, eupeptic

Ant. Joyless, torpid

Use: Everybody likes her due to her as she is always buoyant.

Burden – a load, weight of grief

Syn. Affliction, charge, duty

Ant. Belief, help

Use: It is hard for me to carry this much burden upstairs.

Burdensome – imposing a burden, oppressive

Syn. Brutal, hard

Ant. Cozy, endurable

Use: It is getting burdensome for her to manage home and office both.

Burgeon – to begin to grow

Syn. Bloom, expand, intensify

Ant. Diminish, recede

Use: The money plant I sew has burgeoned.

Burly – of stout sturdy built

Syn. Herculean, muscular

Ant. Lean, slim

Use: The boys ceased to misbehave when they saw the burly bouncer.

Burst – to rush forth, explode, to fly violently

Syn. Blowout, bombardment

Ant. calm, slum

Use: The crowd burst in for the circus.

Business – something to be dealt with

Syn. An affair, trade

Ant. A vocation

Use: He is trying hard to expand his business.

Bustling – involved in a continuous activity

Syn. Active, diligent, engaged

Ant. Dormant, idle

Use: His mind was bustling around his project.

Bustle – to hustle about or hurry

Syn. Bluster, alarums

Ant. Stillness, quiet

Use: The thief hustled so as to avoid arrest.

Buxom – plump, bosomy

Syn. Comely, chubby

Ant. Petite, small

Use: Her child was so buxom.

C

Cabal – a secret intrigue

Syn. gang, clique, pack

Ant. individual

Use: Their cabal succeeded in freaking out the teacher.

Cabinet – a closet

Syn. Cupboard, locker

Ant. mansion, castle

Use: All the clothes fell over me as I opened the closet.

Cache – left behind for future use

Syn. hoard, deposit, reservoir

Ant. distribute, allocate

Use: People should live in present instead of cache the money.

Cadence – measured movement of sound

Syn. rhythm, accent, throb

Ant. chaotic, noisy

Use: I heard the cadence of his foot on the stairs.

Cajole - to soothe by flattery or deceit

Syn. charm, tempt

Ant. bully, oblige

Use: He was angry so I was cajoling him to soothe his mind.

Calamity – a grave disaster

Syn. tragedy, debacle

Ant. blessing, miracle

Use: The calamity in the city requires a lot to overcome the loss.

Callous – having no tender feeling

Syn. unsympathetic, hardened

Ant. compassionate, sensitive

Use: The callous crowd did not help the victim of the accident.

Calm – free from disturbance or agitation

Syn. Tranquil, peaceful

Ant. agitated, anxious

Use: I came to know something was wrong as she was sitting so calm.

Calumny – malicious representation of someone

Syn. defamation, criticism

Ant. commendation, praise

Use: Her calumny about me distorted my image in the office.

Camouflage – to put on for purpose of disguise

Syn. Cloak, conceal, veil

Ant. reveal, show, unveil

Use: It was dark and due to his camouflage I couldn't recognize him.

Campaign – an organized course of action

Syn. mission, project

Ant. inaction, rest

Use: They made an earnest appeal to join campaign against the polio.

Canals – an artificial watercourse

Syn. Channel, passage

Ant. ridge

Use: Some canals are required to facilitate the farmers.

Canard – a unfounded rumor

Syn. false report, gossip

Ant. truth, reality

Use: The Canard about the beast at last proved as wrong.

Candid – unprejudiced

Syn. Direct, impartial, honest

Ant. uncandid, biased

Use: The candid judgment made everyone happy.

Candidate – who is likely to gain a position

Syn. Aspirant, applicant

Ant. elector, companion

Use: he was a sure candidate for this position.

Canny – having cleverness in judgment

Syn. shrewd, sharp

Ant. artless, innocent

Use: The canny HR head knows it very well what to do with lazy persons.

Cant – a tilted position

Syn. gradient, slope

Ant. decline, dip

Use: It was hard for me to drive on the cant hill.

Cantankerous – having a bad temper

Syn. quarrelsome, surly

Ant. amiable, friendly

Use; the cantankerous woman in our neighborhood is despised by all.

Canter – an easy gallop

Syn. step, walk, motion

Ant. sit, stay

Use: The canter of the little baby was so amusing.

Capacity – content one can hold

Syn. capability, competence

Ant. incapability

Use: It is not in my capacity to hold such burden for such long time.

Capricious – inconstant

Syn. changeable, mercurial

Ant. constant, stable

Use: The capricious amoeba was amusing children as they saw it in the lab.

Capricorn – astrological sign

Syn. tenth sign of zodiac

Use: My astrological sign is Capricorn and his is Leo.

Captivate – to fascinate by a charm

Syn. enchant, bewitch

Ant. displease, offend

Use: It was a captivating cackle of a baby.

Captivity – being enslaved

Syn. confinement, bondage

Ant. liberty, freedom

Use: The captivity of our soldiers enraged the entire country.

Capture – seizing as captive

Syn. confiscation, abduction

Ant. release, liberate

Use: The little children were trying to capture the squirrel.

Carcass – dead body

Syn. corpse, deceased

Ant. lively, living

Use: The carcass was first brought to the hospital for postmortem.

Cardinal – fundamental, very important

Syn. central, leading

Ant. least, inferior

Use: It was cardinal to vegetarian to get admitted in the hostel.

Careen – to make unsteady motions

Syn. stagger, sway

Ant. steady, still

Use: The careen of newly born colt was something new for me.

Careless – unconcerned, thoughtless

Syn. incautious, negligent

Use. He is careless for his exams, result will make him sincere.

Caress – to touch tenderly

Syn. fondle, love, stroke

Ant. beat, hit, punch

Use: I woke up as my mom caressed my forehead.

Caricature – a poor imitation

Syn. mockery, cartoon

Ant. homage, tribute

Use: The newspaper has to face protest for making caricature of Gandhiji.

Carouse – to celebrate with liquor

Syn. booze, jubilate

Ant. grieve

Use: The carouse of the neighbors don't let us sleep.

Carp – to indulge in faultfinding

Syn. complaint, lament

Ant. praise, applause

Use: The city newspaper only carp about the facilities in city.

Carrion – remains of dead

Syn. filth, corpse

Ant. beautiful, good

Use: The vultures used to eat the carrion.

Castigate – to punish badly

Syn. harass, upbraid

Ant. laud, commend

Use: The teacher is suspended for castigating the child.

Casual – due to chance

Syn. accidental, incidental

Ant. deliberate, intended

Use: It was just a casual meeting and not a formal one.

Catalogue – a complete list in a systematic order

Syn. Register, roll

Ant. amorphous

Use: She handed me a catalogue as I left the salon.

Catalyst – that stimulates

Syn. impulse, motivation

Ant. blockage, obstruction

Use: All she need is a catalyst to resume her dance practice.

Catapult – a boy's shooting connivance

Syn. throw, launch, rifle

Ant. withhold

Use: The catapult reminds of the childhood pranks.

Categorical – without any conditions

Syn. absolute, explicit

Ant. ambiguous, conditional

Use: Their announcement of categorical visit caused us to arrange everything so soon.

Catnap – short sleep

Syn. drowse, slumber

Ant. awaken, arise

Use: I knew it what was going around me in my catnap.

Catty – desirous of inflicting pain

Syn. malicious, venomous

Ant. compassionate, benevolent

Use: I always want to escape that catty guy.

Cause – a reason for an action

Syn. Factor, motive

Ant. effect, result

Use: My habit of saying truth is a cause of my troubles.

Caution – avoidance of rashness

Syn. alertness, prudence

Ant. imprudence, carelessness

Use: I must take caution while talking to any stranger.

Cavalier – having too high opinion of oneself

Syn. arrogant, haughty

Ant. humble, modest

Use: Don't understand how to deal with a cavalier like him.

Cavity – a hollow place

Syn. Burrow, basin

Ant. bump, protrusion

Use: my leg was twisted due to the cavity in road as I ran.

Cease – to stop doing

Syn. cessation, closure

Ant. continuation

Use: They were frightened after receiving a blackmailing letter to cease their charity.

Cede – to transfer or surrender

Syn. render, convey

Ant. retain, withhold

Use: I decided to cede my property to my nephew.

Celestial – related to heaven

Syn. unearthly, stellar

Ant. earthly, mundane

Use: Mom woke me up from my dream of a celestial palace.

Censure – an expression of disapproval

Syn. rebuke, reproach

Ant. approval, sanction

Use: The censure for her higher studies was not shocking in such family.

Centenary – hundredth anniversary

Syn. centennial, century

Use: We all gathered to celebrate the centenary of our institution.

Ceremonious – follower of set forms or customs

Syn. formal, punctilious

Ant. informal, casual

Use: They were finding a ceremonious guy for her marriage.

Cessation – ceasing, pause

Syn. closure, termination

Ant. continuation

Use: the cessation of factory caused unemployment to many laborers.

Certainty – an undoubted fact

Syn. Conviction, surety

Ant. doubt, uncertainty

Use: There was no certainty of my getting passed in the exam.

Certitude – feeling certain

Syn. assuredness, surety

Ant. uncertainty, doubt

Use: She had a certitude that she wants to become a pilot.

Chafe – make sore by rubbing

Syn. irritate, peel

Ant. comfort, heal

Use: The chafe amplified the wound.

Chagrin – acute disappointment

Syn. annoyance, mortification

Ant. pleasure, joy

Use: Her confrontation was the reason of chagrin to my Mom.

Chapter – a division or a part

Syn. Wing, phase

Ant. whole

Use: Her divorce was the end of a chapter of her life.

Chant – to utter musically

Syn. chime, chorus, serenade

Ant. bewail, cursive

Use: Whenever she speaks, it is like a chant.

Charismatic - very attractive

Syn. appealing, enchanting

Ant. repellent, jading

Use: The charismatic eyes of her cat were really very different.

Chary – cautious

Syn. careful, prudent

Ant. incautious, hasty

Use: His chary habits save him from any mishappening.

Chaste – pure in taste or style

Syn. Decent, modest

Ant. unchaste, indecent

Use: The chaste saint had a divine glow in his whole demeanor.

Chastise – to punish, to beat

Syn. Castigate, censure

Ant. comfort, inspirit

Use: There was no use in chastising the servant.

Chattel – a person who is considered as a property

Syn. Slave, servant

Ant. master, owner

Use: I am not a chattel and will do whatever I want to.

Check – a sudden arrest of motion

Syn. Restraint, hindrance

Ant. aid, help

Use: The police put several checks to stop the culprit from leaving the city.

Cheerful – in good spirits

Syn. buoyant, gay

Ant. cheerless, sullen

Use: her cheerful mood made everyone happy.

Chemistry – science of elements and their laws

Syn. Related with chemicals

Ant. solution

Use: Chemistry is the only subject which I never got in my mind.

Cherubic – like an angel

Syn. Divine, heavenly

Ant. demonic, devilish

Use: the little girl was cherubic in the angel costume.

Chide – to contend in angry words

Syn. Scold, upbraid, berate

Ant. praise, accredit

Use: Mom chided me as I did not go to school.

Chisel – to treat unfairly

Syn. Defraud, cheat

Ant. compensate

Use: The prisoners were enraged due to the chisel of the jailer.

Chivalry – gallantry, valor

Syn. bravery, valiance

Ant. cowardice, fearfulness

Use: The chivalry of Panna Dhai who saved Uday Singh is famous all over in India.

Chronic – constantly present or recurring

Syn. ceaseless, perpetual

Ant. temporary, occasional

Use: The chronic appearance of a car near my house created the suspicion.

Churlish – having bad behavior

Syn. rude, sure, cantankerous

Ant. gentle, polite

Use: The churlish driver messed with the traffic police on the square.

Cinch – an easy job

Syn. cakewalk, sure thing

Ant. labor, hard

Use: He was thinking that shifting the house was a cinch.

Cipher – a person of no importance

Syn. nothingness, nobody

Ant. notable

Use: The upper class treats the poor kids as cipher.

Circumspect – taking everything into account

Syn. careful, guarded

Ant. incautious, careless

Use: I knew that I needed to be circumspect in this audit.

Cite – to mention as an example

Syn. Quote, mention, adduce

Ant. disregard, ignore

Use: The teacher cited me as a brilliant student and asked everyone to be like me.

Civilization – advanced state of social development

Syn. Lifestyle, society

Ant. barbarism, cruelty

Use: The civilization in the society has resulted lack of brotherhood.

Clamber – to move up

Syn. climb, mount

Ant. drop, descend

Use: We were trying hard to clamber the valley in the snowy weather.

Clamor – a confused noise

Syn. shouting, roar

Ant. silence, mumble

Use: The clamor of a fight in the street woke me up.

Clarion – a rousing call to action

Syn. trumpet, loud

Use: The wolves' clarion was audible from the forest.

Clarity – clearness

Syn. Perspicuity, translucence

Ant. opacity, unclarity

Use: The question required clarity from the students regarding their rambling in midnight.

Clash – to be at variance with

Syn. conflict, fight

Ant. harmony, agree

Use: It was unbelievable that a cat was the reason of clash.

Classify – to arrange particularly

Syn. organize, distribute

Ant. disarrange, mess

Use: I assigned them the work to classify the books in the library as per the genre.

Clear – transparent, obvious

Syn. Undoubted, crystal clear

Ant. cloudy, cryptic

Use: It was now clear in my mind after watching the sequel.

Cleave – to hold together

Syn. adhere to, stick to

Ant. loosen, let go

Use: I was cleaved to my opinion and he to his.

Clemency – mildness of temper

Syn. lenience, mercifulness

Ant. pitilessness, harshness

Use: His clemency after my mischief was disarming.

Cliché – a literary phrase

Syn. hackneyed, stereotype

Ant. fresh, new

Use: He was even shocked when the little girl asked him the meaning of cliché he always uses.

Climb – to make way up

Syn. Rise, hike, raise

Ant. drop, fall, plunge

Use: The spider was trying to climb the rock and became an inspiration for a soldier.

Clinch – to end up the dispute

Syn. settle, conclude

Ant. muddle, unsettle

Use: At last my offer resulted in the clinch.

Clinical – who is not interested?

Syn. detached, disinterested

Ant. passionate

Use: He is clinical to hear my music.

Clobber – sort of clothes

Syn. apparel, garments

Use: I grabbed my clobber and some other useful stuff and left the house.

Clout – to hit or rap

Syn. smash, blow, bust

Ant. feebleness, frail

Use: The sound of clout made me shiver.

Clumsy – ill-contrived

Syn. awkward, graceless

Ant. elegant, graceful

Use: I thought myself clumsy when saw him looking perfect.

Clutter – an untidy state or activity

Syn. turmoil, bluster

Ant. peace, orderliness

Use: The lizard caused the clutter in the class.

Coalesce – to come together, to be an association

Syn. congregate, confederate

Ant. separate, split

Use: They have agreed to coalesce for the business purpose.

Coarse – lacking delicacy

Syn. unrefined, crude, rough

Ant. refined, sophisticated

Use: The coarse behaviour by the watchman annoyed me but I preferred not to mess.

Cockeyed – not intelligent

Syn. foolish, nonsense

Ant. sensible, judicious

Use: The cockeyed student left the exam copy blank.

Coercion – to impose forcibly

Syn. compulsion, pressure

Ant. consent, approval

Use: They applied coercion to get the property of the old lady.

Coeval – of the same age

Syn. coexistent, coincidental

Ant. asynchronous

Use: I had no interest in the coeval writers but I liked those British writers.

Cogent – compelling assent

Syn. authoritative, forceful

Ant. indecisive, feeble

Use: I found my new tuition teacher to be cogent.

Cohere – to remain united

Syn. accord, harmonize, concord

Ant. clash, separate

Use: The dying old man wanted the family to be cohered after him.

Coin – stamped piece of metal used as money

Syn. currency, bucks

Use: The Congress Govt. had banned the 25 and 50 paise coins.

Collateral – subordinate but from same source

Syn. ancillary, auxiliary

Ant. primary, first, principle

Use: We put the house as a collateral for the loan.

Collation – compare

Syn. resemblance, comparability

Use: There is nothing in collation with Taj Mahal in the world.

Collect – to bring or come together (even emotional feelings)

Syn. Compile, compose

Ant. disperse, break up

Use: I collected myself after the insult and decided to leave the house.

Collusion – fraudulent secret understanding between two opponents

Syn. conspiracy, connivance

Ant. honesty

Use: They assented on a collusion that no party will retaliate.

Colossal – like a colossus

Syn. gigantic, leviathan

Ant. micro, little, tiny

Use: The sinking of a colossal ship like Titanic was a great loss.

Colt – an inexperienced person

Syn. Beginner, freshman

Ant. expert, master, veteran

Use: I was a colt when I joined the internship.

Comatose – in a condition of coma

Syn. half dead, dormant

Ant. vibrant, lively

Use: The doctors are trying hard to recover him from comatose.

Comate – one who associates

Syn. attendant, colleague

Ant. foe, opponent

Use: my comates in the office are very helpful.

Combat – to oppose or strive against

Syn. Battle, conflict

Ant. accord, retreat

Use: The meeting was held so as to avoid any combat and to establish the peace and harmony.

Comely – pleasant to see

Syn. handsome, pretty

Ant. disgusting, fool

Use: The comely fountain show stopped us in our tracks as we were passing by.

Commemorate - to celebrate by a ceremony

Syn. memorialize, consecrate

Ant. forget, disregard

Use: Kaifiyat is organized every year to commemorate the legend Kaifi Azmi.

Commendable – which deserves praise

Syn. Admirable, praiseworthy

Ant. censurable, reprehensible

Use: The commendable NGO is awarded for its god work.

Commercial – pertaining to trade or sale

Syn. Marketable, saleable

Ant. non-commercial, non-saleable

Use: The Company has appointed a new person for its commercial operations.

Commission – task committed to a person

Syn. authorization, duty

Ant. discharge, unauthorized

Use: It was a great moment when my brother was commissioned in the navy.

Communiqué – an official intimation

Syn. proclamation, announcement

Ant. listen, collect

Use: it was a communiqué that the leaves were to be cancelled for the next two months.

Compassion – to understand one's happiness or sorrow

Syn. sympathy, kindness

Ant. antipathy, cruelty

Use: My compassion could not help to reduce their grief.

Compeer - of equal rank

Syn. comrade, peer

Ant. superior, senior

Use: The compeers in my office are all jealous of me.

Compendium – an abstract or summary

Syn. Compilation, collection

Ant. un-abridgement, wordiness

Use: It is not easy to make a compendium of a 1000 page book in just two pages.

Compeer – of equal rank

Syn. comrade, peer

Ant. superior, senior

Use:

Complacent – satisfied with oneself

Syn. egotistic, prideful

Ant. uncomplacent, humble

Use: You can't expect praising words from a complacent person.

Complaisant – eager to please

Syn. Compliant, obedient

Ant. defiant, obstinate

Use: The complaisant students hushed as they saw their teacher coming.

Complex – consisting of many parts involved therein

Syn. convoluted, tangled

Ant. simple, non-complex

Use: It took me about an hour to solve that complex problem.

Complicated – having so many aspects involved

Syn. Complex, tough

Ant. simple, plane

Use: The complicated situations in life make us strong.1

Comport – to be compatible

Syn. Accord, harmonize

Ant. contradict, disagree

Use: Even the professor comported my idea of that new machine.

Compose – to form or constitute

Syn. Craft, prepare, formulate

Ant. discompose, destroy

Use: I was trying to compose a song for the school farewell.

Composure – calmness in behaviour

Syn. countenance, coolness

Ant. anxiety, discomposure

Use: Her composure on her bad result was shocking.

Comprise – to contain or include

Syn. Assimilate, compose

Ant. exclude

Use: The delicious dish comprised some awesome spices and a different recipe.

Compromise – agreement by mutual concession

Syn. negotiation, consensus

Ant. disagreement, defer

Use: I never compromise with my principles.

Comrade – companion, fellow

Syn. associate, mate

Ant. foe, adversary

Use: The comrades in the camp were very enthusiastic for next activity.

Concave – of interior curvature

Syn. Dented, curved

Ant. convex

Use: She preferred concave glasses for their bedroom windows.

Conceal – to keep from being known

Syn. hide, disguise

Ant. reveal, expose

Use: Have to say a hundred lies to conceal the truth.

Concede – to yield after disagreeing

Syn. Grant, submit

Ant. resist, confront

Use: I conceded at last that it was my fault.

Conceive – to formulate in mind

Syn. imagine, fantasize

Ant. forget

Use: I was conceiving myself as a CA as the results were going to be out soon.

Concern – to feel anxiety about

Syn. Nervosity, unease

Ant. serenity, comfort

Use: I was detached but still concerned about his reply.

Conciliate – to win over from hostility

Syn. Appease, mollify

Ant. enrage, infuriate

Use: I tried to conciliate his mood after the fight.

Conclusive – the final decision

Syn. Convincing, final

Ant. inconclusive, debatable

Use: It was conclusive that I was shifting to Delhi.

Concoct – to create by imagination

Syn. Invent, fabricate

Ant. replicate, imitate

Use: I had concocted a thousand times my dream house.

Concomitant – being together

Syn. Accompanying, attendant

Ant. unrelated

Use: The concomitant officers were also called as the witness.

Concourse – a flocking together

Syn. Mob, crowd, gang

Ant. individual

Use: The concourse was going to stop at the Mahakal Temple.

Concur – to come to the same point

Syn. Agree, consent

Ant. disagree, clash

Use: Both of us concurred to order pasta after going through the menu.

Concussion – violent shaking

Syn. Blow, jolt

Ant. healthy

Use: The stormy wind was causing concussion to trees and all other exposed things.

Condemned – to give a judicial decision against

Syn. Ensure, blame

Ant. honor, bless

Use: He is condemned for the murder.

Condone – to treat as non-existent

Syn. Disregard, forgive

Ant. to object, mind

Use: He was angry so condoning me.

Conduit – a passageway for water

Syn. canal, river, stream

Ant. stopper, blockage

Use: The farmers decided to make some conduits themselves.

Confab – an informal conversation

Syn. Chitchat, chatter

Ant. argument, debate

Use: The confab in the other corner was disturbing me.

Confederacy – a league of confederates

Syn. Alliance, confederation

Ant. conflict, controversy

Use: a great meeting was going to be held of some secret confederates.

Confer – to take counsel with

Syn. Advice, discuss

Ant. deprive, beg

Use: I pursued him to confer about my future.

Confident - Feeling or showing assurance

Syn. certain, doubtless

Ant. uncertain, dubious

Use: I am confident about this job.

Confine – to keep within limits, to hold in custody

Syn. Restrict, imprison

Ant. liberate, release

Use: They told me that I will be confined for a night.

Confirm – to put past doubt

Syn. authenticate, approve

Ant. deny, reject

Use: She confirmed the identity of the Dead.

Conform – to change as per the situation

Syn. adapt, adjust

Ant. misadjust

Use: Several animals extinct as they did not conform as per the situation.

Confound – to throw into confusion

Syn. Disturb, distress

Ant. enlighten, comfort

Use: It is his usual habit to confound whenever I am about to make a decision.

Confront – to come face to face with

Syn. dare, oppose, affront

Ant. avoid, step aside

Use: I was going to confront the teacher for punishing my innocent brother.

Congeval – to become hard

Syn. Firm, concrete

Ant. to melt, mild

Use: I am trying to be congeal and trying to forget the past.

Congenial – pleasurable to

Syn. pleasant, alluring

Ant. unpleasant

Use: Instead of going to bar, I stopped to see the congenial folk dances.

Congeries – a heap or pile

Syn. Collection, assemblage

Ant. disperse

Use: The congeries of clothes to be washed was waiting for me.

Congested – suffering congestion

Syn. choked, teeming

Ant. open, free

Use: It was so suffocating in the congested hall.

Coniferous – bearing fruit cones

Syn. Evergreen, bushy

Ant. deciduous

Use: The coniferous shrubs were all over there in the garden.

Connivance – conspiracy

Syn. collusion, cabal

Ant. secret

Use: Their connivance could not harm anything.

Connoisseur – having extensive knowledge in a field

Syn. expert, master

Ant. yokel, amateur

Use: The Old man seemed to be a connoisseur in the Sorcery.

Conquer – to overcome

Syn. beat, dominate

Ant. liberate, release

Use: Napoleon's motive was to conquer the world.

Conquest – a thing conquered

Syn. Victory, takeover

Ant. failure, surrender

Use: Ashoka's conquest over Kalinga was just one of all his victories.

Consecrate – to make sacred

Syn. Holy, sanctified

Ant. mundane, worldly

Use: Going temple daily does not consecrate your sins.

Consecutive – following in order

Syn. Orderly and unbroken sequent

Ant. inconsecutive

Use: I was dispatching the orders consecutively when suddenly my phone rang.

Consensus – agreement of opinion of all

Syn. unanimity, accord

Ant. conflict, dispute

Use: It took me two days to get the consensus about the picnic place.

Consent – to agree to

Syn. Clearance, approval

Ant. denial, refusal

Use: I required his consent to attend the concert.

Consequence - that comes from a cause

Syn. Outcome, result

Ant. reason, cause, root

Use: The consequence of my failure was that I had to go back.

Considerate – thoughtful about feelings or rights of others

Syn. solicitous, tender

Ant. mean, uncivil

Use: The crew wanted a considerate leader for themselves.

Consignment – goods sent to a trader

Syn. Shipment, assignment, load

Ant. acquire, collect

Use: The consignment was late and the trader was getting angry on the phone.

Console – to comfort in sorrow

Syn. Sympathy, solace

Ant. agitate, annoy

Use: We all went to her house to console her after her father's death.

Consolidate – to bring together under a control

Syn. Unite, integrate

Ant. separate, weaken

Use: We both decided to consolidate the business and become partners.

Consonance – agreement in meaning

Syn. Chorus, concord

Ant. dissonance, discord

Use: The students' consonance proved that they had learnt the lesson.

Conspicuous – attracting notice

Syn. Flamboyant, showy

Ant. inconspicuous, concealed

Use: The conspicuous necklace on her neck was attracting everyone's notice.

Conspiracy – plotting for evil doing

Syn. connivance, collusion

Ant. righteousness, honesty

Use: The police was unaware of the conspiracy regarding the riots.

Constituent – making part of whole

Syn. element, component

Ant. total, whole

Use: She gathered all the constituents required to make her doll's house.

Construe – to interpret

Syn. Decipher, simplify

Ant. confuse, complicate

Use: I construed the chapter to my friends who had not attended the lecture.

Consummate – to make perfect

Syn. Accomplished, professed

Ant. unfit, incompetent

Use: He was just finishing and consummating the painting.

Consumption – use or devouring

Syn. Depletion, destruction

Ant. growth, development

Use: The consumption of liquor and tobacco needs to be banned for all.

Contagious – corrupting influence

Syn. catching, spreadable

Ant. non communicable

Use: Common cold is a contagious disease.

Contamination – getting impure

Syn. pollutant, impurity

Ant. purity, purifier

Use: The chemicals from the factories are the cause of contamination of rivers.

Contemporary – of same time

Syn. coexistent, coeval

Ant. asynchronous

Use: It was amazing to visit the fort and to see the contemporary art.

Contempt – feeling of scorn

Syn. hatred, disdain

Ant. respect, esteem

Use: He never hides his contempt for me.

Contemptuous – feeling or showing contempt

Syn. Scornful, insolent

Ant. applauding, admiring

Use: The contemptuous king ordered to hang the servant.

Contend – to strive for

Syn. fight, compete

Ant. let go, leave

Use: They are contending hard for their house.

Contentious – quarrelsome

Syn. Bellicose, stubborn

Ant. sociable, agreeable

Use: He blamed her wife to be contentious and demanded for divorce.

Contentment – satisfaction of mind

Syn. gratification, gladness

Ant. discontentment, sadness

Use: A vacation in every six months is required for the contentment.

Contort – to bend out of natural shape

Syn. Torture, distort

Ant. Straighten, uncurl

Use: Sitting their free he contorted my hair belt.

Contradict – to say the opposite

Syn. Un-favourable, opposite

Ant. Identical, similar

Use: My views were going to contradict the reasons he had given.

Contribution – payment made in aid to a common fund

Syn. Assistance, beneficence

Ant. debt, deposit

Use: Even our little contribution can help in the work for needy.

Contrive – to think out

Syn. Devise, conceive

Ant. imitate, replicate

Use: I contrived that it was a planned strategy to kick her out of the office.

Control – power to provide direction for

Syn. Authority, command

Ant. impotency, powerlessness

Use: I like to exercise control on everything around me.

Conundrum – hard to understand

Syn. A puzzle, riddle

Ant. solution, clarification

Use: The Jigsaw was a conundrum for me.

Convene – to hold a meeting

Syn. Summon, assembly

Ant. dissolve, disperse

Use: I ordered to convene a meeting after the office.

Converge – to come together at one point

Syn. concentrate, gather

Ant. disunite, disperse

Use: All the people converged on the roads as the earthquake hit the city.

Conversant – well acquainted with a subject

Syn. Versed, cognizant

Ant. oblivious, ignorant

Use: The conversant scientists' allegation can not be denied if it comes to his subject.

Conversion – a change from one to another

Syn. Transition, modification

Ant. constant, unchangeable

Use: The conversion of a flower to a pigeon was an amazing trick shown by the magician.

Convex – of exterior curvature

Syn. Bent, out curved

Ant. concave

Use: he killed her with a broken convex glass.

Convey – to transport or transfer from one to another

Syn. Transmit, carry

Ant. keep, withhold

Use: I conveyed the message without even giving it a shot.

Convict – a sentenced criminal

Syn. guilty, prisoner

Ant. victim

Use: The convict was smiling shamelessly at the journalist.

Convivial – being happy together

Syn. festive, merry

Ant. detached, reclusive

Use: The convivial of my family is all I want.

Convoluting – interrelated or rolled up together

Syn. Complicated, tangled

Ant. simple, noncomplex

Use: The convoluted crossword was making him anxious.

Convoy – a team of soldiers going with supply carts as guard

Syn. escort, accompany

Ant. neglect, abandon

Use: The convoy came for our rescue didn't help much.

Coolant – that causes to cool

Syn. Refrigerant, cooling agent

Ant. frozen, consistent

Use: The cold drink worked as a coolant for the body.

Copious - in abundance

Syn. Plentiful, munificent

Ant. scarce, insufficient

Use: Aunt has sent copious gifts for us.

Copper – brownish pink color

Syn. Hazel, rust

Use: They were searching for a copper haired boy.

Corporeal – having a body

Syn. corporal, material

Ant. spiritual, intangible

Use: Firstly I thought it was just a spirit but it was corporeal.

Corpulent – very fat

Syn. bulky, flesh, full

Ant. skinny, slim

Use: They were making their goats corpulent as Eid was coming.

Corroborate – to make sure formally

Syn. authenticate, attest

Ant. contradict, disapprove

Use: The BOS corroborated the change in syllabus.

Corrupt – doing wrong for own purpose

Syn. Debased, degraded

Ant. incorruptible, honest

Use: He was honest in the start but now he is also a corrupt officer like others.

Cosmopolitan – free from national prejudices

Syn. urbane, worldly – wise

Ant. naïve, unworldly

Use: Some cosmopolitan professors were invited to guide us for the future.

Cottage – a tiny house, shelter

Syn. bungalow, home

Ant. castle, mansion

Use: We stayed in the little cottage at the road side as the rain started.

Counsel – an opinion

Syn. Advice, solution, suggestion

Ant. mislead, delusion, defraud

Use: I headed towards my lawyer for the counsel in the case.

Counterfeit – not genuine

Syn. fake, deceptive

Ant. real, true

Use: The expert at once identified that it is just a counterfeit and not the real map.

Courageous – who has no fear

Syn. Brave, gallant

Ant. coward, frightened

Use: The courageous little boy saved the cat.

Courteous – polite in manner

Syn. civilized, affable

Ant. discourteous, rude

Use: A courteous soldier helped us to come out from the congested crowd.

Courtesy – courteous behaviour

Syn. kindness, civility

Ant. discourtesy, rudeness

Use: The teacher asked the class to show courtesy before the School Inspector.

Cowardice – want of courage to face danger

Syn. timidity, cowardliness

Ant. courageousness, bravery

Use: His cowardice in the situation annoyed her wife so much.

Cowries' – a small seashell

Syn. clam, cockleshell

Use: The little kids were collecting cowries on the beach.

Crass – grossly stupid

Syn. coarse, rugged

Ant. cultured, refined

Use: To exclude him just because he is crass is not right.

Creation – the act of creating

Syn. invention, production

Ant. destruction

Use: I thank everyday these Car makers for creation of such awesome cars.

Crèche – a playschool for little children

Syn. Nursery, preschool

Use: She dropped the baby to crèche and headed for her office.

Cracks – having exceptional knowledge

Syn. Accomplished, crackerjack

Ant. amateur, jackleg

Use: The cracks artist won the prize for his painting.

Credence – the act of believing

Syn. Reliance, certainty

Ant. mistrust, disbelief

Use: The credence on such a guy was a foolish act.

Creditable – that deserves praise

Syn. commendable, admirable

Ant. discreditable

Use: All the credible students were awarded for their results.

Crevices – a small crack

Syn. Fissure, chink, gap, rift

Ant. mend, bond, blockade

Use: I got my finger wounded by the crevice in the door.

Criminal – person guilty of crime

Syn. Immoral, illegitimate

Ant. lawful, moral

Use: The criminal winked at the crowd as he was brought out of the court.

Crisis – the time of acute danger

Syn. Emergency, situation, condition

Ant. peace, easement, success

Use: Hurricane caused crisis in the affected area.

Crucial – of great importance

Syn. critical, vital, essential

Ant. minor, trivial

Use: It was a crucial moment when they had to make the choice.

Cruelty – cruel temper or conduct

Syn. brutality, harshness

Ant. kindness, sympathy

Use: A king can never win the common men's heart by the cruelty.

Cruise –to travel in a ship

Syn. boat, trip, voyage

Ant. exertion, stay

Use: We are going in a cruise these vacations.

Crumble – to break into crumbs

Syn. Collapse, perish

Ant. build

Use: The earthquakes crumbled a lot of buildings.

Cryptic – veiled in obscurity

Syn. ambiguous, concealed

Ant. evident, obvious

Use: The cryptic conversation was out of my understanding.

Culmination – to reach the highest point

Syn. Apex, crown, climax

Ant. nadir, bottom

Use: Her culmination from being a team member to Regional Head is really admiring.

Cultivation – development of land for agriculture

Syn. To improve, progress

Ant. destruction, crudeness, harm

Use: The farmers are engaged in the cultivation now-a-days.

Cumulative – increasing by being added

Syn. Incremental, accruable

Ant. decremental, regressive

Use: By their cumulative efforts they have succeeded in building this company.

Cursory – without attention to details

Syn. hasty, madcap

Ant. deliberate, foresighted

Use: The cursory departure caused him to forget the important papers of case.

Curtail – to cut down or shorten

Syn. reduce, compress

Ant. amplify, lengthen

Use: I was advised to curtail my speech.

Cynic – a surly person

Syn. non believer, misanthropist

Ant. optimist

Use: He never enters the church, he is a cynic.

D

Dabble – to do anything in a slight manner

Syn. Play at, fiddle with

Ant. Take seriously

Use: She loves to see her son dabbling around in the house.

Dainty – a choice morsel

Syn. Exquisite, tasty

Ant. Tasteless, inferior

Use: Her Butter Khichdi was really dainty.

Dally – to spend time in idleness

Syn. Fiddle, dawdle

Use: He doesn't do anything except dallying in the streets.

Damsel – a young girl

Syn. Maiden, chic

Ant. Man, male

Use: damsels are worshipped on the ninth day of Durga Puja.

Dangerous – which may cause harm

Syn. adverse, injurious

Ant. harmless, innocent

Use: We all know liquor is dangerous for health but don't despise it.

Daring – having courage for any purpose

Syn. courageous, adventurous

Ant. coward, timid

Use: He was daring that he went to principal to discuss the issue.

Deadlock – a disagreement which can't be settled

Syn. Impasse, bottleneck, dilemma

Ant. Agreement, conclusion

Use: His being non-vegetarian is the only bottleneck of their relation.

Deadpan – showing no emotion

Syn. Numb, reticent

Ant. Vivacious, dynamic

Use: daddy was deadpan when I left the house.

Debacle – sudden ruin or utter collapse

Syn. Tragedy, misfortune

Ant. Boon, conquest, success

Use: The earthquake caused a debacle for the city.

Debase – to lower in character, to make less in value

Syn. Corrupt, vitiate, disgrace

Ant. Elevate, uplift

Use: Choice of wrong persons in life is enough to debase a person.

Debauch – to pervert from virtue

Syn. Debase, demoralize

Ant. Refine, amend, restore

Use: His friends are the reason of his debauch

Debilitate – to cause debility, to weaken

Syn. Enfeeble, deplete

Ant. Toughen, energize

Use: My disease has debilitated me.

Debonair – having nice manners

Syn. Civilized, cultured, tranquil

Ant. Rustic, gawky

Use: His debonair manners are honored in office.

Decadence – decline in level

Syn. Deterioration, debasement

Ant. Rise, development

Use: The little rain has caused decadence in heat.

Decapitate – to cut off the head

Syn. Behead, trim, scalp

Ant. Headed

Use: He decapitated the cigar and put it in his mouth.

Decay – to rot, decompose

Syn. Decline, relapse

Ant. Rejuvenation, recovery

Use: His body has started to decay when it was found in his apartment.

Deceit – piece of deception

Syn. Craftiness, artifice

Ant. Candidness, sincerity

Use: His deceit has broken her heart.

Decide – to come to a judgment after discussion

Syn. conclude, determine

Ant. debate, reject

Use: I decide not to go to his party.

Decipher - to make out, to get the idea

Syn. Apprehend, conceive

Ant. cipher, mislead

Use: It was she who deciphered the way out from the cave.

Decimate – to put to death

Syn. Destroy, demolish, ruin

Ant. mend, fix, raise

Use: And it was there in front of our eyes, the lion killed the stag.

Decline – to show a downward tendency

Syn. decadence, degradation

Ant. accretion, recovery

Use: The rain has resulted in a decline in temperature.

Decrepit – weaken as a result of age

Syn. Crippled, feeble

Ant. fit, healthy, young

Use: You cannot deny the decrepit as getting old.

Dedicate – to give up to some special purpose

Syn. Fidelity, devotion

Ant. disloyalty, infidelity

Use: He wanted to dedicate his life to music but it was not feasible for him.

Defalcate – to steal other's money

Syn. Forge, pilfer, to put hand in cookie jar

Ant. return, reimburse, compensate

Use: The cashier caught red handed defalcating the money.

Defend – to keep safe, to protect

Syn. guard, fence

Ant. attack, recant

Use: Parents always defend their child even if they are wrong.

Defer – to put off

Syn. Postpone, detain, hold off

Ant. continue

Use: The Company has put an option to defer the meeting.

Deference – compliance with

Syn. Obedience, surrender

Ant. disobedience, defiance

Use: The teacher requires deference from me which is not possible for me.

Defraud – to cheat or rob fraudulently

Syn. chisel, exploit

Ant. repay, support, help

Use: The manufacturer defrauded us by using low quality material.

Defray – to provide expense of

Syn. Bear, pay, contribute

Ant. receive, take, owe

Use: It is wrong that girls try to escape defray.

Deft – trained, skilful

Syn. Dexterous, competent

Ant. butterfingere, handy

Use: Don't doubt the deft artist, he will make a nice portrait, I bet.

Deign – to be not too proud to

Syn. Vouchsafe, concede

Ant. awe, rise, proud

Use: He is very humble and is not deign of his wealth.

De jure – existing as a fact

Syn. rightfully, legally

Ant. hypothetical, platonic

Use: It is a de jure that he killed his wife and there is no doubt.

Delay – to act slowly on purpose

Syn. detention, deferral

Ant. haste, promptness

Use: Ladies' make up causes the delay in every work.

Delectable – pleasure giving

Syn. Delightful, alluring

Ant. unpleasant, ghastly

Use: Her mother's cooking is delectable especially her biryani.

Deleterious – that can cause harm

Syn. Baleful, harmful, hostile

Ant. benign, harmless

Use: Being a heart patient, he knew it that running was deleterious for him.

Deliberate – intentional

Syn. Calculated, considered

Ant. unintentional, by chance

Use: It was her deliberate effort to bypass him but he caught her.

Delicate – tender or easily harmed, full of grace

Syn. sensitive, elegant

Ant. coarse, insensible

Use: Kids are delicate like flowers.

Delicious – Highly delightful to taste

Syn. Savory, mouthwatering

Ant. distasteful, un-savory

Use: The pizza was so delicious that I ate two like them.

Delineate – to portray, to describe

Syn. Demonstrate, define

Ant. misstate, misrepresent

Use: The witness delineated the victim's appearance very accurately.

Delude – to make believe what is untrue

Syn. Beguile, deceive

Ant. reveal, disclose

Use: The accountant had tried very hard to delude the evidences.

Delve – to search deeply into

Syn. Examine, investigate

Ant. skim over, neglect

Use: That new officer delved into the case and solved it.

Demagogue – who stirs up public feelings

Syn. Agitator, instigator

Ant. peacemaker

Use: Some demagogues had caused the riot in the city.

Demolish – to bother or crush

Syn. Destroy, decimate

Ant. restore, create, make

Use: It is necessary to demolish diseases like polio.

Demonstrate – to establish the truth of

Syn. prove, establish

Ant. allege, disprove

Use: That photograph was enough to demonstrate that he was guilty.

Demur – to raise objection

Syn. Challenge, protest

Ant. approval, assent

Use: it was fruitless to demur against the Daddy's wish.

Demure – affectedly coy

Syn. Girlish, overmodest

Ant. uncoy, social

Use: They could not appoint such a demure girl for concern handling job.

Departure – going away

Syn. desertion, parting

Ant. arrival, coming

Use: We also left after their departure.

Deplete – to use until little or none left

Syn. decrease, absorb, consume

Ant. increase, amplify

Use: the exhaustive use of petroleum is depleting its reservoirs.

Deplorable – that deserves pity

Syn. miserable, regrettable

Ant. pleasing, gratifying.

Use: the puppy was in a deplorable state when I found him lying beside the road.

Deplore – to express grief

Syn. Clement, bewail, moan

Ant. cheer, beam, rejoice

Use: Worthless to deplore on petty issues.

Deportment – one's conduct

Syn. Demeanor, behavior

Ant. unruliness, abeyance

Use: It was clear from her deportment that she was worried.

Depravity – moral corruption

Syn. Wickedness, evilness

Ant. legitimacy, decency

Use: His depravity led him to the jail and then to his end.

Deprecate – to plead against

Syn. Object, disfavor

Ant. support, approve

Use: The lawyers forget the dignity when deprecates anyone.

Deprive – to take away something desired

Syn. Disrobe, divest, dismantle

Ant. confer, supply and offer

Use: The hurricane deprived many of the houses in the town.

Deride – to laugh at as of no value

Syn. Scoff at, ridicule

Ant. applaud, commend

Use: They derided me when I shared my idea of helping poor children.

Derive – to have from a source

Syn. infer, make out

Ant. achieve, arrive at

Use: I wanted to know where did he derive such solution from?

Derogatory – causing loss of respect of another

Syn. degrading, depreciatory

Ant. laudative, complimentary

Use: His derogatory remarks couldn't do any harm to my image in office.

Designation – a name or title

Syn. epithet, appointment

Ant. retention

Use: He was appointed on the designation of regional Head

Despot – an absolute ruler

Syn. a dictator, tyrant

Ant. Civilian, common

Use: A minister needs to be the servant of public instead of a despot.

Destiny – pre determined events

Syn. foreordination, fortune

Ant. will, choice

Use: We cannot decide our destiny but we can choose the path towards it.

Destroy – to make away everything

Syn. ruin, demolish, decimate

Ant. raise, create, mend

Use: The hurricane destroyed everything in its way.

Desultory – to change from one to another

Syn. Deviating, unmethodical

Ant. Logical, consistent

Use: The desultory of Heena leaves into beautiful design is really artful.

Detract – reduce. Take away a part

Syn. Decrease, depreciate

Ant. Increase, optimize

Use: She decided that she will detract her shopping.

Devastating – destructive

Syn. disastrous, fatal

Ant. constructive, protective

Use: It was the devastating effect of the acid rain after nuclear attack.

Devious – to attain an objective by deceptive means

Syn. Shrewd, serpentine

Ant. Ingenious, trustful

Use: Passing an examination by devious means will lead you nowhere.

Devise – to form a scheme

Syn. contrive, fabricate

Ant. imitate, reproduce

Use: They devised some really beautiful designs of Jewellery.

Devolve – to pass on to other

Syn. transfer, delegate

Ant. Administer, accomplish

Use: She knows how to devolve the work in subordinates.

Devour – to destroy or consume

Syn. deplete, exhaust

Ant. conserve, protect

Use: The blast devoured the whole building.

Devout – earnestly, religious

Syn. Devoted, pious

Ant. Impious, faithless

Use: he is very devout and spends around half an hour praying to god.

Diabolic – wicked, monstrosly devil

Syn. Evil, malevolent

Ant. Saint, angel

Use: That diabolic man killed his own children.

Dialogue – a conversation between two or more persons

Syn. chat, discussion

Ant. monologue, soliloquy

Use: A dialogue was required between us.

Diastolic – rhythmic expansion and contraction

Syn. heartbeat, pulsation

Ant. still

Use: my heart was on his chest and I was listening to his diastolic heart.

Dictator – a person with supreme authority

Syn. oppressor, tyrant

Ant. weakling, follower

Use: The ministers of our country consider themselves as dictators.

Diffident – without belief in one's own power

Syn. Hesitant, dubious

Ant. Bold, confident

Use: He is diffident whether he will pass the examination.

Dignify – to show honor to

Syn. elevate, glorify

Ant. belittle, degrade

Use: Several people gathered to dignify the Late Dean of the University.

Digressive – who changes topic frequently

Syn. desultory, rambling

Ant. Consistent

Use: The digressive participants made the debate dull.

Dilatory – tending to cause delay

Syn. leisurely, laggard

Ant. prompt, hasty, speedy

Use: The dilatory girls caused delay in the function.

Dingy – dirty looking

Syn. filthy, tainted

Ant. clean, pure

Use: We all despise those dingy beggars who ramble on the road.

Disapprobation – disapproval, to reject

Syn. Censure, dispraise

Ant. Favor, praise

Use: Daddy's disapprobation for the school tour made me cry.

Discharge – to disburden

Syn. release, disembark

Ant. hold, keep

Use: The property was going to be discharge from the claim.

Disconcert – to derange or upset

Syn. Embarrass, disquiet

Ant. Console, relieve

Use: The news of his death disconcerted me for a long time.

Disdain – to treat as unworthy of notice

Syn. Scorn, detestation

Ant. Adoration, admiration

Use: the children in the school disdain him as he was poor.

Disgraceful – shameful

Syn. ignominious, notorious

Ant. reputable, respectable

Use: Her disgraceful act in the class made everyone despise her.

Dishearten – to cause to lose hope

Syn. discourage, dispirit

Ant. encourage, hearten

Use: Their scolding disheartened me and I decided to leave.

Dishonesty – use of fraudulent means

Syn. falsehood, craftiness

Ant. honesty, integrity

Use: His dishonesty led him to his destruction.

Disparable – different from one another

Syn. Distinctive, unlike

Ant. Identical, alike

Use: Indian and western culture is very disparable.

Disperse – to break up from assembled state

Syn. disassemble, spill

Ant. gather, assemble

Use: The jar slipped from my hands and all the chocolates dispersed on the floor.

Divert – to draw of attention of

Syn. deviate, distract

Ant. focus

Use: Their aim was to divert me from my goal.

Divine – superhumanly excellent

Syn. awesome, exceptional

Ant. pathetic, tolerable

Use: There was a divine glow on the saint's face.

Divulge – to tell what has been secret

Syn. disclose, reveal

Ant. conceal, cloak

Use: We need to divulge the actual position of the Company.

Doe – a female animal

Syn. deer

Ant. sire

Use: How can someone hunt a beautiful doe?

Dogwood - shrub with clusters of small flowers

Syn. cornel, Cornus Florida

Use: There were so many dogwoods on that hill.

Dull – wanting liveliness

Syn. boring, monotonous

Ant. engaging, exciting

Use: The dull party was in need of something exciting music.

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Eagerness – keen desire

Syn. Alacrity, enthusiasm

Ant. Apathy

Use: I couldn't hide my eagerness to meet my favorite actor.

Earmark – to assign for a definite purpose

Syn. Sanctify, employ

Ant. Misapply, misuse

Use: We have already earmarked a portion for shopping.

Ebullient – In a state of boiling

Syn. Enthusiastic, buoyant

Ant. Apathetic

Use: His mind was ebullient so I escaped **without** meeting him.

Eccentric – different, whimsical

Syn. Bizarre, outlandish

Ant. Ordinary, routine

Use: He is eccentric but still I like him.

Ecstasy – great joy, trance

Syn. Euphoria, bliss

Ant. Depression, misery

Use: In ecstasy for the party, he forgot the cake.

Edge – a boundary line

Syn. Borderline, verge

Ant. Center, heart

Use: I have asked her many times not to sit on the edge of terrace.

Edifice – a large building

Syn. Structure, building

Ant. Demolition, erosion

Use: We are fortunate that we have an edifice like Taj Mahal in India.

Efface – to wipe out or rub out

Syn. Erase, destroy

Ant. Save, conserve

Use: it is hard efface a memory

Effeminate – act like a woman

Syn. Womanish, sissified

Ant. Manly, masculine

Use: He was effeminizing when struck a little in his knee.

Effete – having energies worn out

Syn. Exhausted, spent

Ant. Energetic

Use: The physical work effete body like hell.

Efficient – qualified for duty

Syn. Capable, competent

Ant. Inefficient, useless

Use: The workers were very efficient and completed the work very nicely.

Effrontery – shamelessness

Syn. Rudeness, impudence

Ant. Modesty, manners

Use: My effrontery hurt him I know but I was drunk.

Effusive – freely expressing feeling

Syn. Emotional, dramatic

Ant. Reticent, modest

Use: He talks effusively after getting drunk but normally he is shy.

Egregious – notable due to fault

Syn. Striking, glaring

Ant. Unnoticeable, trivial

Use: All the visitors were frowning at the egregious portrait of new artist.

Either – one or the other

Syn. One of two, this one

Ant. Neither

Use: Either I will go or he will come.

Elevate – to lift up or raise

Syn. Heighten, ascend

Ant. Drop, lower

Use: He is trying to elevate himself.

Eliminate – to remove, to set aside

Syn. Exclude, expel

Ant. Welcome, include

Use: two chapters have been eliminated from our syllabus.

Eloquence – fluent and powerful speech

Syn. Oratory, expression

Ant. Inarticulateness

Use: His eloquence stunned everyone in the hall.

Elan – enthusiasm, flair

Syn. Spirit, vivacity

Ant. Dullness

Use: His elan for the roller coaster ride was really annoying me as I hate it.

Elated – high spirited

Syn. Aroused, cheered

Ant. Sad, depressed

Use: An elated salesperson approached us as we entered the showroom.

Electrify – to cause a pleasurable feeling

Syn. Excite, thrill, turn on

Ant. Jade, deject, dispirit

Use: Seeing my favorite dish in dinner electrified my heart.

Electrocute – to execute by electricity

Syn. Kill, burn, crucify

Ant. Save

Use: it was an old way to electrocute the criminal.

Elements – a part that makes whole

Syn. Component, part

Ant. Whole, entirety

Use; it is said that human body is made up of five elements.

Elite – being the best in a group

Syn. Gentlefolk, gentility

Ant. Trash, peasantry

Use: The school has arranged a separate section for the elite students.

Elliptical – use of few words to convey a great meaning

Syn. Compact, monosyllabic

Ant. Verbose, embellished

Use: His elliptical speech had a great effect on the students.

Elucidate – to make the meaning clear

Syn. Explain, annotate, clear

Ant. Vague, confuse

Use: I asked him to elucidate what he said as it was very confusing.

Emaciated – to waste due to hunger or disease.

Syn. Haggard, starving

Ant. Beefy, healthy

Use: His emaciating figure made me cry when he returned after these six months.

Emanate – to issue

Syn. Release, vent

Ant. Absorb, inhale, suck

Use: Gangotri is the point from which The Ganges emanates.

Emancipate – to make free

Syn. Discharge, liberate

Ant. Confine, restrain

Use: We tried hard to emancipate the little cat from the horny bushes.

Embark – to engage in

Syn. Commence, start

Ant. Cease, close, end

Use: I am ready to embark my own practice.

Embellish – to decorate, to beautify

Syn. Garnish, smarten

Ant. Dismantle, uglify

Use: The embellishment for the Christmas are everywhere in the market.

Embodiment – a form

Syn. Avatar, epitome

Ant. Illusion

Use: The embodiment of the Taj after attack was required.

Embolden – to give boldness to

Syn. Encourage, hearten

Ant. Discourage, dispirit

Use: We need to embolden her before she leaves the house for her higher studies.

Embrace – to accept, to surround

Syn. Encompass, enclose

Ant. Strip, denude

Use: The cool air embraced me as I stepped in the balcony.

Embroid – to bring confusion

Syn. Broil, enmesh

Ant. Liberate, release

Use: the options she gave embroiled my mind.

Emend – to correct, remove error

Syn. Amend, correct

Ant. Worsen, damage

Use: We tried to emend the generator but nothing was visible in the dark.

Emerge – to come up in view

Syn. Arise, appear

Ant. Hide

Use: He called the name and the servant emerged from the kitchen.

Emigration – to move to another place

Syn. Migration, departure

Ant. Arrival

Use: So many birds come here for emigration.

Eminent – high in rank or fame

Syn. Notable, prestigious

Ant. Average, mediocre

Use: I was amazed that why I was invited in the party of eminent officers.

Emission – matter sent out

Syn. Discharge, elimination

Ant. Absorption

Use: the emission of hazardous chemicals into river pollutes them.

Emote – dramatize

Syn. Play, act, perform

Ant. Play down

Use: These daily soap serials emote too much so I hate them.

Emotion – deep feeling

Syn. Ardency, intensity

Ant. Composure, reticence

Use: My dog loves me too much but can't express its emotions verbally.

Empathy – to understand someone's feeling

Syn. Compassion

Ant. apathy

Use: It is not a big deal if you just empathize when needed.

Emphasis – vigor of expression

Syn. Stress, focus, accent

Ant. De-emphasis, disregard

Use: We have to lay emphasis on the compliances.

Emphasize – to lay stress on

Syn. Illuminate, focus

Ant. De emphasize

Use: We were asked to emphasize on the opponent's weakness while the competition.

Empire – territory of an emperor

Syn. Kingdom, dominion

Ant. Disintegration, despotism

Use: He was worshipped as a god in his empire.

Empirical – guided by experience (in spending)

Syn. Experiential, tried-and-true

Ant. Unempirical, hypothetical

Use: This book is written by my empirical mind.

Emulate – try to equal or imitate

Syn. Equal, correspond

Ant. Diversity, disparity

Use: It is against the rules to emulate a copyright or trademark.

Enable – to supply with means

Syn. Empower, authorize

Ant. Prohibit, disallow

Use: her help enabled us to shift the house.

Encharm – cast a spell on

Syn. Enchant, delectate

Ant. Disenchant

Use: Her look is enough to encharm.

Encompass – to surround

Syn. To encircle, close in

Ant. Strip

Use: So many heavenly bodies encompass the earth but we can't see them all.

Encourage – to give courage to

Syn. Hearten, inspire

Ant. Discourage, depress

Use; several fans were present to encourage their favorite teams.

Encrypt – to encode for concealment

Syn. Cipher, codify

Ant. Decode, decrypt

Use: We encrypt our mails before sending them to avoid any hacking.

Encumber – an impediment or burden

Syn. Hamper or surcharge

Ant. Discharge, disencumber

Use: His property is encumbered by the Bank for non-payment of loan.

Endeavour – to make an effort

Syn. Strive, try

Ant. Quit

Use: We are endeavouring hard to clear the exams in first shot.

56. Endemic – found in certain people or places

Syn. Regional, domestic

Ant. Non native

Use: Dal Bati is endemic to the Malwa Region.

Endow – to give a permanent source of income

Syn. Finance, contribute

Ant. Disendow

Use: The businessman has decided to endow a sum for the temple.

Endowment – to invest with powers or qualities

Syn. Talent, gift

Ant. Inability, weakness

Use: His endowment of his property for poor is exemplary.

Endure – to bear, to remain

Syn. Handle, suffer

Ant. Fight, turn down

Use: She said that she will no longer endure the unusual demands of her In-laws.

Enervate – to cause to become weak

Syn. Enfeeble, disable

Ant. Strengthen

Use: The operation has enervated me badly.

Enforce – plan in force

Syn. Apply, dictate

Ant. Abandon, give up

Use: He enforced the workers to do over-time due to pressure.

Engulfed – swallowed up

Syn. Submerged, drenched

Ant. Parch, dry

Use: And slowly the man was engulfed by the shark.

Enhance – to make better or greater

Syn. Amplify, heighten

Ant. Subside, lighten

Use: you need to research on the subject in order to enhance your knowledge in it.

Enigma – difficult to understand

Syn. A riddle, mystery

Ant. Clarity, solution

Use: Math has been an enigma for me right from the school.

Enigmatic – difficult to understand

Syn. Cryptic, occult

Ant. Clear, evident

Use: His enigmatic indication to her made me to doubt him.

Enjoin – to command

Syn. Insist, require

Ant. Yield, surrender

Use: We were going to be enjoined by the new guy.

Enkindle – to set on fire

Syn. Ignite, inflame, burn

Ant. Extinguish, quench

Use: I enkindled all the diaries which contained his memories.

Enlighten – to shed light on a matter

Syn. Inform, instruct

Ant. Mislead

Use: She was called in the university to enlighten students about the career ahead.

Enmity – too much hate for someone

Syn. Grudge, bitterness

Ant. Cordiality, amity

Use: Their enmity has led to the destruction of both the families.

Enormity – great wickedness

Syn. Depravity, sinfulness

Ant. Morality, purity

Use: Even the Stout policemen were shocked by the enormity of murder.

Enormous – very large

Syn. Huge, galactic, giant

Ant. Tiny, Lilliputian little.

Use: I was amazed to see so many enormous ships floating in the sea.

Ensconce – to get settled

Syn. Nestle, lodge

Ant. Unveiled, uncovered

Use: It took us a little time to get ensconced in the new house.

Ensure – to make sure

Syn. Guarantee, assure

Ant. Gamble, contradict

Use: I ensured that I locked the front door and headed for the bedroom.

Enthrall – to captivate

Syn. Enchant, thrill

Ant. Disenchant, tire

Use: His sweet voice enthralled the entire hall.

Enthusiasm – feeling or admiration for someone

Syn. Hunger, desirousness

Ant. Detachment, apathy

Use: The enthusiasm of the crowd encourages the players.

Entice – offer a pleasure

Syn. Allure, induce

Ant. Warn, alert

Use: he enticed the kid with chocolate and kidnapped him.

Entrapment – get trapped in net

Syn. Entanglement, captured

Ant. Disentangle, liberate

Use: There was an entrapment of birds.

Entreat – to make a request

Syn. Appeal, beg, solicit

Ant. Gratify, please

Use: I was entreated to pass that child in exam.

Entrée – right to participate

Syn. Access, approval

Ant. Ejection, removal

Use: membership is compulsory to entrée in any function.

Entropy – falling apart

Syn. Messiness, turmoil

Ant. Structure, growth

Use: The hurricane caused the entropy of the entire city.

Envisage – to form a picture in mind

Syn. Imagine, fantasize

Ant. Unforeseen, wonder

Use: I envisaged myself on a armchair in balcony In my dream.

Envy – to feel jealous of someone's success

Syn. Ill-will, hatred

Ant. Goodwill, sympathy

Use: Never envy but try to reach their on your own.

Eon – a long space of time

Syn. Eternity, era

Ant. Moment, flash

Use: It has taken eon for the human to be civilized.

Ephemeral – short lived

Syn. Transitory, momentary

Ant. Endless, long lasting

Use: An insect is an ephemeral thing.

Epidemic – which passes from one to another

Syn. Contagious, widespread

Ant. Limited, uncontagious

Use: An epidemic in the village killed all.

Epigraph – an inscription

Syn. Memorial, remembrance

Ant: forgetfulness

Use: he started to cry while telling the person about epigraph on her gravestone

Epilogue – the end part

Syn. Conclusion, afterword

Ant. Preface, prologue

Use: The epilogue of the book made me cry.

Epitome – a summary

Syn. Abstract, brief

Ant. Expansion, whole

Use: She made an epitome for his revision.

Epoch – period related to a person or event

Syn. Period, era

Ant. Timeless

Use: The Indians faced great difficulties in the British epoch.

Equilibrium – evenness in all situations

Syn. Balance, firmness

Ant. Non equilibrium

Use: He didn't lose his equilibrium even when his team lost.

Equanimity – evenness of temper

Syn. Composure, equilibrium

Ant. Anxiety, disquiet

Use: Lord Janak was known for his equanimity.

Equinox – time at which sun crosses equator(march 31 and September 22)

Syn. Autumn, period

Ant. Solstice

Use: An equinox occurs twice in a year.

Equitable – free from bias

Syn. Fair, just

Ant. Biased, partial

Use: We went to Mom for an equitable judgment.

Equivocal – having doubtful meaning

Syn. Opaque, obtuse

Ant. Clear, plain

Use: His equivocal comments confuse me sometimes.

Eradicate – to root out

Syn. Complete destruction

Ant. Pressure, protect

Use: Govt. measures are worthless to eradicate poverty.

Errand – to carry out a commission

Syn. Task, mission, duty

Ant. Disruptiveness, holiday

Use: Wake up early on a Sunday morning is an errand I hate.

Errant – who roams for adventure

Syn. Itinerant, rambling

Ant. Immobile, still

Use: An errant traveler asked me to help him in finding his lost stuff.

Ersatz – copied, counterfeit

Syn. Imitation, fake

Ant. Genuine, real

Use: there can be no ersatz of The Taj mahal.

Erudite – deeply read, learned

Syn. Scholarly, educated

Ant. Illiterate, benighted

Use: An erudite teacher who taught us in the school.

Erupt – violently break out

Syn. Eject, spurt, release

Ant. Restrain, contain

Use: His anger started to erupt when he was blamed for delay.

Escape – to find a way out

Syn. Avoidance, evasion

Ant. Endurance, toleration

Use: I was trying to escape his eyesight.

Eschew – to abstain from

Syn. Escape, evade, avoid

Ant. Embrace, pursue

Use: I always try to eschew an encounter with the Dean.

Escort – one that accompanies another for protection

Syn. Attendant, guard

Ant. Drop, leave

Use: I require two escorts for me.

Esoteric –confidential

Syn. Occult, intricate

Ant. Public, known

Use: The army is planning an esoteric mission.

Espionage – to use spies

Syn. Surveillance, spying

Ant. Openness

Use: her wife came to know about the espionage he was using after her.

Essential – very necessary

Syn. Indispensable, prerequisite

Ant. Needless, extra

Use: Baking Powder is essential for cooking cake.

Esteem – to think highly of

Syn. Admiration, fondness

Ant. Abhor

Use: I had always esteem Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam.

Estrange – to cause to become unfriendly

Syn. Alienate, embitter

Ant. Reconcile, appease

Use: The power of our love defeated every attempt to estrange us.

Eternal – that always have and will always exist

Syn. Perpetual, existent

Ant. Mortal, short lived

Use: Our galaxy is eternal.

Ethical – who follows moral conduct

Syn. Honest, guiltless

Ant. Corrupt, evil

Use: the ethical persons never get into any conspiracy.

Eulogy – an expression of praise

Syn. Accolade, tribute

Ant. Reprimand, censure

Use: He has no words for the eulogy.

Euphoria – to be very happy

Syn. Ecstasy, pleasure

Ant. Misery, depression

Use: His euphoria for the new toy made me smile.

Evade – to elude, to slip away from

Syn. Escape, avert

Ant. Pursue, catch

Use: the Company had never tried to evade tax.

Evasive – trying to avoid

Syn. Elusive, fleeting

Ant. Accessible

Use: The evasive bear ran away into the forest as I tried to capture it in my camera.

Evident – clear to the mind

Syn. Apparent, distinct

Ant. Vague, unsure

Use: It is evident that they will not come as it is midnight.

Evil – that can cause harm

Syn. Adverse, damaging

Ant. Safe, harmless

Use: There was an evil smile on his lips which made me shiver.

Exaggerated – to overstate

Syn. Magnify, elaborate

Ant. Understate

Use: He has the habit to exaggerate about himself.

Exalted – who is raised high

Syn. Dignified, high

Ant. Humiliated, debased

Use: the exalted officer was feeling very happy after being awarded.

Exasperated – irritated

Syn. Aggravated, annoyed

Ant. Tranquil, serene

Use: She was exasperated as I woke up from her nice sleep.

Exceptional – better than usual

Syn. Especial, rare

Ant. Normal, ordinary

Use: We may need some extra for exceptional circumstances.

Excited – having a strong desire

Syn. Ardent, eager

Ant. Apathetic, casual

Use: I was excited for the results of competition.

Excruciating – extremely painful

Syn. Tormenting, acute

Ant. Pleasant, bearable

Use: The excruciating bullet attack took his life.

Executioner – one who executes

Syn. Death squad, strangler

Ant. Savior, victim

Use: the executioner readied the rope to hang.

Exemplary – fit to be imitated

Syn. Classic, model

Ant. Poor, vile

Use: She has done an exemplary job in such a short time.

Exhausted – having no strength

Syn. Wearied, fatigued

Ant. Unwearied, rested

Use: The half an hour long wrestling left him exhausted.

Exhort – urge to action

Syn. Stimulate, pressure

Ant. Discourage, dissuade

Use: Everybody exhorted her to sing as she has a very sweet voice.

Exhume – to dig out

Syn. Unearth, disinter

Ant. Inhume, bury

Use: they exhumed our lawn saying that they are searching for evidence.

Exonerate – to free from blame

Syn. Absolve, release

Ant. Accuse, charge

Use: I felt relieved when judge exonerated him from the charge of murder.

Exotic – unusual, strange

Syn. Outlandish, foreign, alien

Ant. Familiar, unexotic

Use: I took the risk and tried the exotic Mexican dish.

Exorbitant – grossly excessive

Syn. Extravagant, immoderate

Ant. Moderate, temperate

Use: He is a bit exorbitant in his spending on books.

Expansion – act of spending

Syn. Enlargement, absorption

Ant. Contraction, compression

Use; We require some additional funds for the expansion of building.

Expatriate – to say a lot on a subject

Syn. Orate, recite

Ant. Contract, abbreviate

Use: The lecturer expatiated on robotics as it is his favorite subject.

Expedite – to facilitate the progress

Syn. Hasten, quicken

Ant. Halt, hindrance

Use: We were provided with extra staff to expedite the project.

Expertise – knowledge gained by practice

Syn. Skill, mastery

Ant. Inexperience

Use: You have practice in order to gain expertise in any field.

Exploit – a heroic act

Syn. Deed, achievement

Ant. Blunder, damage

Use: A person needs to exploit his or her capabilities.

Expose – to reveal the truth

Syn. Unmask, uncloak

Ant. Vile, disguise

Use: this news channel was trying for a long time to expose the minister.

Expostulated – which is opposed

Syn. Remonstrated, defiance

Ant. Accepting, compliance

Use: The expostulated bill got passed in parliament.

Exquisite – extremely delicate

Syn. Elegant, elite

Ant. Rough, vulgar

Use: She made an exquisite cake for the party.

Extemporaneous – done without preparation

Syn. **Impromptu**, impulsive

Ant. Planned, rehearsed

Use: Even their extemporaneous play was entertaining.

Extensive – comprehensive

Syn. Extended, widespread

Ant. Limited, restricted

Use: His extensive knowledge is really incomparable in accounts.

Extinction – becoming non-existent

Syn. Destruction, collapse

Ant. Conservation, rescue

Use: The end of Ice Age caused the extinction of dinosaurs.

Extraction – extracting from

Syn. Origin, abstraction

Ant. Insertion

Use: The team is engaged in the extraction of some rare fossils.

Extraneous – not naturally belonging

Syn. Extrinsic, foreign

Ant. Inherent, innate

Use: Lions have a tendency to kill any extraneous lion.

Extravagant – going beyond limits

Syn. Extreme, lavish

Ant. Provident, frugal

Use: His extravagant shopping causes his mother to worry.

Exultation – feeling of joy

Syn. Jubilation, rejoice

Ant. Depression, dejection

Use: The exultation of kids was evident when they entered their new house.

F

Fabricate- to bring into being

Syn. Form, frame

Ant. Abolish, destroy

Use: The killer tried to fabricate the evidences.

Façade – the forward part

Syn. Front, face

Ant. Inside, Back, rear

Use: I was astonished by the façade of that new building.

Facetious – having intelligent, humor

Syn. Humorous, witty

Ant. Witless, stupid

Use: The facetious comedian made everyone laugh very much.

Facile – having minimal or no difficulty

Syn. Easy, fluent

Ant. Exhausting, complicated

Use: He is very lazy and wants a facile job.

Factitious – artificial

Syn. Ersatz, pretend

Ant. Genuine, real

Use: The factitious statues of famous monuments by the local artist are nice.

Factory – a place for manufacturing

Syn. Plant, workshop

Ant. Store, retail

Use: There was a small fire in their factory last night.

Fallacious – fond to deceive

Syn. Delusive, deceitful

Ant. Candid, straight

Use: The fallacious thug befooled them.

Falsity – a statement to deceive

Syn. Fabrication, falsehood

Ant. Fact, honesty

Use: The judge already knew his falsity habits.

Falter – speak with broken words

Syn. Stumble, stagger

Ant. Continue smoothly

Use: Her son falters a bit so she is worried.

Fame – reputation

Syn. Prestige, rank

Ant. Anonymity, obscurity

Use: I was not used to this fame before being with him.

Fanatic – having a strong liking for something

Syn. Enthusiast, fan

Ant. Passionless, apathetic

Use: He is fanatic for new and branded watches.

Fangs – sharp tooth of animal

Syn. Tusk, canine

Ant. Unscrew

Use: I tried to run but its fangs grabbed my leg.

Fanatical – over enthusiastic

Syn. Biased, erratic

Ant. Impartial, unbiased

Use: Being fanatical for a person hurts at last.

Fantastic – extravagantly fanciful

Syn. Fantasized, ideal

Ant. Existent, genuine

Use: The fantastic show made them famous overnight.

Fantasy – a mental picture

Syn. Imagination, conceit

Ant. Reality, actuality

Use: All my fantasies were about him.

Farrago – medley

Syn. Hotchpotch, clutter

Ant. Organized, order

Use: The escaping of lion caused farrago in the whole zoo.

Fascinate – to attract as if by a spell

Syn. Bewitch, charm

Ant. Irk, displeasure

Use: The kid by fascinated by the rotating train.

Fascination – irresistible charm

Syn. Allure, appeal

Ant. Repulsion

Use: My fascination has no end and that is my fault.

Fathom – to understand

Syn. Comprehend, discern

Ant. Misunderstand

Use: I tried to fathom her situation and console her.

Fastidious – delicate to a fault

Syn. Finical, over demanding

Ant. Carefree, flexible

Use: All my efforts are nothing for my fastidious seniors.

Fatigue – weariness from exertion

Syn. Exhaust, weary

Ant. Energize, vitalize

Use: I am not habitual of this physical work so it causes me much fatigue.

Fatuous – senseless

Syn. Dumb, stupid, foolish

Ant. Apt, brilliant, sharp

Use: The fatuous colleague killed my hour.

Fawn – work in order to win superior

Syn. Bootlick, ingratiate

Ant. Disdain, scorn

Use: He is fawning to have promotion.

Faze – discompose

Syn. Distress, dismay

Ant. Comfort, console

Use: The news of the brutal murder fazed everyone.

Feature – characteristic of a thing

Syn. Attribute, property

Use: She compared the features of almost 30 phones before buying.

Feckless – lacking purpose

Syn. Fruitless, futile

Ant. Fruitful, beneficial

Use: His feckless visits cause suspicion.

Fecund – fruitless

Syn. Fertile, prolific

Ant. Dead, barren, sterile

Use: The farmers are doing every effort to keep the land fecund.

Feeble – lacking in strength

Syn. Delicate, enervated

Ant. Stout, strong

Use: The feeble calf was mooing for its mother.

Feign – to invent to forge

Syn. Bluff, pretend

Ant. Actual, real

Use: They were not magician but only trying to feign by the tricks.

Feisty - who is eager to fight

Syn. Discordant, aggressive

Ant. Peaceful, friendly

Use: The manager tried to calm the feisty customer.

Felicity – joys of heaven

Syn. Bliss, benediction

Ant. Affliction, curse, evil

Use: The C.A Final results caused felicity for her family.

Feline – cat like

Syn. Cunning, deceitful

Ant. Plain, direct

Use: She is innocent and don't understand his feline intentions.

Feral – far from civilized society

Syn. Brutal, uncivilized

Ant. Domesticated, tamed

Use: Mowgli was a feral in human society.

Ferocious – violent, fierce

Syn. Vicious, cruel

Ant. Gentle, genial

Use: She was horrified to see that ferocious demon in her dream.

Fertile – bearing or producing abundantly

Syn. Fecund, lush, productive

Ant. Meager, barren, dead

Use: The CEO's efforts have made the company fertile from a nearly insolvent one.

Fester – to generate matter

Syn. Rot, rankle

Ant. Heal, dissipate

Use: The memories only fester the wounds of heart.

Fetid – stinking

Syn. Noisome, nasty

Ant. Flowery, aromatic

Use: The dead dog was causing fetid in the whole street.

Feud – lasting mutual hostility

Syn. Dispute, conflict

Ant. Agreement, harmony

Use: The family feud was the reason they couldn't marry.

Fickle – which changes continuously

Syn. Capricious, fluctuating

Ant. Stable, constant

Use: The fickle colors were amazing to see.

Fictitious – not genuine

Syn. Imaginary, fictitious

Ant. Existent, actual

Use: We found so many fictitious accounts while auditing.

Fidelity – bound by pledge

Syn. Faithfulness, loyalty

Ant. Falsity, infidelity

Use: Akbar never doubted Birbal's fidelity.

Fiend – superhumanly wicked

Syn. Devil, monster

Ant. Angel, saint

Use: Kans was a fiend as he killed newborns of her sister.

Fired – dismissed

Syn. Sent away, expel

Ant. Maintain, welcome

Use: I couldn't stay even if I wanted to because I was fired.

Fleeting – that passes away rapidly

Syn. Momentary, transitory

Ant. Eternal, enduring

Use: Love to see the fleeting birds in the evening.

Flimsy – not likely to be true

Syn. Dubious, unapt

Ant. Likely, conceivable

Use: I laughed on my flimsy dream when I woke up.

Filthy – having foul things

Syn. Dirty, polluted

Ant. Clean, decent, pure

Use: I threw away his filthy trouser and gave him a fresh one.

Fishy – which is doubtful or questionable

Syn. Dubious, suspicious

Ant. Clear, sure

Use: Our meeting was a fishy matter for my landlady.

Fizz – to hiss

Syn. Sizzle, sibilance

Ant. Be flat

Use: I don't care what anyone fizz about me on my back.

Flabby – limp, not firm

Syn. Soft, squishy

Ant. Solid, hard

Use: The kid turned scarlet as I planted a chaste kiss on his flabby cheek.

Flagrant – noticeable due to incorrectness

Syn. Striking, arresting

Ant. Unnoticeable, slight

Use: The pattern of curtains in her house was flagrant.

Flair – an instinct

Syn. Talent, affinity

Ant. Inability

Use: Ussaine Bolt had a flair to run fast which made him the fastest runner of all time.

Flamboyant – which draws attention

Syn. Brilliant, grabby

Ant. Dim, faint

Use: The flamboyant decorations on the New Year Eve are so beautiful.

Flaunt – to display as to draw attention

Syn. Exhibit, announce

Ant. Curtain, conceal

Use: he is flaunting with his New car all over the streets.

Flaw – a defect

Syn. Blemish, stain

Ant. Adornment

Use: The only flaw in her character is her audacity.

Flawless – which does not have any flaw

Syn. Perfect, ideal

Ant. Flawed, deficient

Use: His flawless performance makes organizers to bag the bucks.

Fledgling – an inexperienced

Syn. Beginner, tyro

Ant. Expert, veteran

Use: His work shows that this fledgling boy have a bright future.

Fleeting – passes away rapidly

Syn. Brief, transitory

Ant. Durable, eternal

Use: Had a fleeting desire to eat non-veg but remembered Mom's vegetarian habits.

Flexible – easily bent or changed

Syn. Pliable, elastic

Ant. Constant, fixed

Use: We have to make a flexible plan for this summer.

Flight – travel through air

Syn. Ballooning, paragliding

Use: The flight of birds is the inspiration behind the airplane's invention.

Flinty – very hard and rough

Syn. Severe, stern

Ant. Soft, soothing

Use: The wrestler's flinty look was enough to make me feel faint.

Flit – to make sudden movements

Syn. Flutter, fly

Ant. Float

Use: The kid was flitting around in the whole kitchen as Mom was readying lunch for him.

Flock – a group of people or (animals)

Syn. Crowd, mob

Ant. Single, individual

Use: The flock was starting to gather for the protest.

Flog – to strike or beat

Syn. Whip, lash

Ant. Caress, soothe

Use: The king ordered the soldier to punish the thief by a flogging him.

Flounce – to go or move impatiently

Syn. Toss, storm

Ant. Calm, composed

Use: She was flouncing across the room in exasperation.

Flounder – proceed in struggling fashion

Syn. falter, stumble

Ant. Glide, sail

Use: The little children were floundering on the songs happily.

Flourish – to prosper or thrive

Syn. Bloom, grow

Ant. Flounder, struggle

Use: Her garden is flourishing and looks like paradise.

Fluctuate – to rise and fall

Syn. Unstable, change

Ant. Stabilize

Use: The temperature fluctuates here very rapidly.

Fluent – flowing, copious and ready

Syn. Eloquent, voluble

Ant. Hesitant, mumbling

Use: A good speaker should be fluent as well as clear.

Flummox – causing mental uncertainty

Syn. Bewilder, confuse

Ant. Sure, decided

Use: So many plans for a single day has put me into flummox.

Flunk – fails, collapse

Syn. Miss, crash

Ant. Flourish, prevail

Use: Another attempt to implant harmony funks.

Foe – an opponent, enemy

Syn. Adversary, rival

Ant. Buddy, friend

Use: It is to create foes than to make friends.

Foil – to keep away from goal

Syn. Discomfit, hamper

Ant. Facilitate, foster

Use: Their player foiled our plan to win the match by that last goal.

Folklore – The old customs, people or stories

Syn. Legend, myth

Ant. Fact, reality

Use: The Indian culture is full of old folklores.

Foment – to encourage, or foster

Syn. Nourish, trigger

Ant. Constrain, hold

Use: It is necessary to foment women in every field.

Forbear – forefathers

Syn. Ancestry, predecessor

Ant. Lineage, inheritor

Use: Our forbears belong to the family of Lord Krishna.

Forbid – to command not to do

Syn. To prohibit, interdict

Ant. Sanction, permit

Use: It is human nature to go which is forbidden.

Forefather – ancestor, father

Syn. Forbear, roots

Ant. Successor, offspring

Use: To blame forefathers that they did nothing for you has no sense

Foreordains – to determine in advance

Syn. Fate, destine

Ant. Uncertain

Use: he has foreordained me as his Company's C.A.

Foreshadow – to prefigure

Syn. Indicate, forecast

Ant. Casual

Use: His rash driving foreshadows that he will hit someone some day.

Foresight – to concern about the future

Syn. Providence, vision

Ant. Hindsight

Use: She spends money by foresighting the future needs.

Forfeit - loss due to fault

Syn. Fine, penalty

Ant. Claim, earn

Use: The bank is going to forfeit his property.

Formless – having no form

Syn. Disorganized, indefinite

Ant. Formed, specific

Use: We have to experiment on a formless amoeba.

Forsake – to refuse, abandon

Syn. Desert, quit

Ant. Have, hold, certain

Use: I wanted the reason why he forsake my plan.

Forte – one's strong point

Syn. Specialty, domain

Ant. Weakness

Use: The last point was her forte which led her to win.

Forthright – free in expressing

Syn. Candid, free hearted

Ant. Reserved, restrained

Use: don't keep anything in heart, say it forthright.

Fortitude – courage in pain or adversity

Syn. Guts, bravery

Ant. Cowardice, cowardliness

Use: Her fortitude has helped her to survive against a deadly disease like cancer.

Fortuitous – happening by chance

Syn. Accidental, casual

Ant. Destined, intended

Use: The fortuitous meet changed my whole life.

Forward – well advanced, early

Syn. Ahead, forth

Ant. Back, last

Use: Someone behind in the queue was pushing us forward.

Foundation – solid ground or base for something to rest upon it

Syn. Keystone, support

Ant. Closure, conclusion

Use: Good education is the foundation for higher studies after school.

Fractions – a part

Syn. Division, fragment

Ant. Entire, whole

Use: A fraction is to be spent on the renovation this month.

Fragile – of delicate constitution

Syn. Dainty, tenuous

Ant. Strong, sturdy

Use: I warned to care for the fragile artifacts.

Frail – one who is morally weak

Syn. Delicate, fragile

Ant. Rigid, unyielding

Use: The policeman easily got the statement from that frail minor culprit.

Frantic – wildly excited

Syn. Delirious, crazy

Ant. Placid, serene

Use: I am getting frantic for our Paris tour.

Fray – a conflict or brawl

Syn. Disturbance, riot

Ant. Harmony, agreement

Use: I woke up with the noise of the fray in the building.

Freeze – to become rigid from frost

Syn. Congeal, ice over

Ant. Boil, heat

Use: I am feeling like I will freeze soon in this cold.

Frenzied – in a delirious fury

Syn. Feverish, active

Ant. Composed, placid

Use: I was frenzied that what he will do after knowing the truth.

Frequently – often occurring

Syn. Continually, repeatedly

Ant. Rare, occasionally

Use: I visit the Old age home frequently to help them.

Fret – to wear out by rubbing

Syn. Gnaw, erode

Ant. Restore, revive

Use: even a fret on a well's border can inspire someone.

Frighten – to terrify into doing

Syn. Startle, amaze

Ant. Cheer, console

Use: I was frightened to ask him for help.

Frivolous – fruitless, of no worth

Syn. Trivial, paltry

Ant. Material, significant

Use: The frivolous attempt to solicit failed.

Frowzy – lacking cleanliness

Syn. Untidy, unkempt

Ant. Chic, combed

Use: His frowzy appearance is disdained by everyone.

Frugal – one who spends economically

Syn. Provident, conserving

Ant. Freehanded, spendthrift

Use: It is not misery if she is frugal in her spending.

Frugality - saving unnecessary expense

Syn. Economy, moderation

Ant. Lavishness

Use: her husband don't like her frugality.

Funk – a foul smell

Syn. Odorousness, filth

Ant. Perfume, fragrance

Use: the spoiled food was spreading funk in the whole kitchen.

Furbish – to polish or make glossy

Syn. Smooth, shine

Ant. Roughen, ruffle

Use: he little child furbish the shoes with the polish for Independence Day celebration.

Futile – worthless, of no effect

Syn. Fruitless, ineffective

Ant. Worthwhile, fruitful

Use: it is futile to request him for anything.

G

Gainsay – to oppose in words

Syn. Contradict, challenge

Ant. Confirm, agree

Use: His gainsay with his boss was not fair.

Gaffe – an unacceptable error

Syn. Blunder, incivility

Ant. Manners, civility

Use: This time his gaffe can't be ignored.

Gaga – having sick state of mind

Syn. Insane, lunatic

Ant. Sane, healthy

Use: The isolation has made him gaga.

Gall – which causes vexation

Syn. Bother, harass, worry

Ant. Cheer, encourage

Use: His ill manners always causes him gall.

Gallant – having a dignified and generous nature

Syn. Noble, greathearted

Ant. Squalid, debased

Use: His gallant manners are so pleasing to everyone.

Gallantry – bravery

Syn. Daringness, courage

Ant. Fearfulness

Use: her gallantry to save the drowning child is really laudable.

Galore – in plenty

Syn. Ample, abundant

Ant. Scarce, deficient

Use: Galore of wine was arranged for the party.

Garble – to choose the wrong

Syn. Mutilate, misstate

Ant. Perfect, correct

Use: To go for hiking was a garble for him as he is a heart patient.

Gargantuan – gigantic, very large

Syn. Galactic, huge, giant

Ant. Tiny, Lilliputian

Use: We saw a gargantuan whale in the sea.

Garish – showy, dazzling

Syn. Blaring, gawdy

Ant. Modest, conservative

Use: He shows everyone garishly his wine collection.

Garrulous – very talkative

Syn. Chattering, prolix

Ant. Taciturn, laconic

Use: Her garrulous talk made me leave the pantry.

Gather – to bring together

Syn. Collect, accumulate

Ant. Split, separate

Use: I went in the garden to gather the flowers for temple.

Gasoline – a kind of fuel

Syn. Gasohol, propellant

Use: We were taught use of gasoline today.

Gauche – who works on cattle

Syn. Cowboy, herdsman

Ant. Urbanist

Use: He wants a gaucho for his farm.

Gaudy – excessive, flamboyant

Syn. Garish, tasteless

Ant. Modest, plain

Use: The gaudy salesman tried to sell us the car but it was not my choice.

Gawky – can't move gracefully

Syn. Clumsy, unsteady

Ant. Sure-footed, graceful

Use: Her gawky walk is not suitable for a ramp.

Gazillion – so much in quantity

Syn. Abundance, pile

Ant. Handful, scatter

Use: There were gazillion bees near that tree.

Generous – noble-minded, Not mean

Syn. Profuse, unsparing

Ant. Stingy, tightfisted

Use: he is generous and always helps the needy.

Genesis - the origin of something

Syn. Commencement, root

Ant. End, omega

Use: It is necessary to know the genesis of the problem.

Genial – sociable and pleasing

Syn. Gracious, cheerful

Ant. Grumpy, irritable

Use: Her children are very genial.

Genocide – a mass murder

Syn. Massacre, slaughter

Ant. Survive

Use: The govt. has made strict policies to stop genocide of animals.

Gentility – good behavior and speech

Syn. Civility, gentleness

Ant. Rudeness, surliness

Use: His gentility is one of his positive points.

Genuine – to be as appear to be

Syn. Original, real, actual

Ant. Vogue, unreal

Use: We require some genuine parts for our car.

Germane – relevant to a subject, pertinent

Syn. Sensible, relevant

Ant. Impertinent, trivial

Use: The topic of journal is germane for understanding of ledger.

Ghastly – extremely, frightful

Syn. Deathlike, vile

Ant. Attractive, pleasing

Use: the child got scared with the ghastly appearance of the TV character.

Giddy – disposed to fall or stagger

Syn. Dizzy, whirling

Ant. Stable, steady

Use: I was feeling giddy after the drink.

Gingerly – to avoid danger or injury to oneself.

Syn. Cautious, careful

Ant. Rash, reckless

Use: The dog walked gingerly towards its master.

Glance – to cast momentary look at

Syn. Glimpse, peek

Ant. Stare

Use: I caught his glance at me.

Gleam – subdued or transient light

Syn. Flash, glance, glint

Ant. Dullness

Use: There was a gleam in her eyes as she saw the ad for sale in newspaper.

Glimpse – faint transient appearance

Syn. Glance, view

Ant. Stare

Use: I just caught a glimpse of thief as he ran.

Glint – to flash or glitter

Syn. Gleam or sparkle

Ant. Dark, dullness

Use: I was arrested by the glint of child's eyes.

Gloaming – the evening twilight

Syn. Evening, dusk, nighttime

Ant. Daytime, aurora

Use: She likes to walk in the gloaming.

Global – including the whole world

Syn. Worldwide, overall

Ant. Individual, local

Use: Internet has given us the choice to shop from global brands.

Globetrotters – one who travels around the globe

Syn. Excursionist, explorer

Use: being a globetrotter is very learning experience.

Gloomy – lacking in cheer, depressing

Syn. Cloudy, dreary

Ant. Cheerful, bright

Use: The slight argument made the house environment gloomy.

Glossy – having superficial luster

Syn. Varnished, silken

Ant. Lusterless, matte

Use: the rain made the road glossy.

Glower – to look angrily

Syn. Glare, frown, sulk

Ant. Smile, beam

Use: She glowered at the child as he was demanding for chocolate.

Gloom – depression, darkness

Syn. Umbrage, gloominess

Ant. Radiance, light

Use: The gloom in the house compelled me to go for a walk.

Glut – to feed to the full

Syn. To choke up, surfeit

Ant. Fasting

Use: The host made the entire guests glut.

Gnarled – having knots, twisted

Syn. Rugged, tortured

Ant. Straight, unbent

Use: she was trying to straighten her gnarled leg.

Gnomic – short, compact

Syn. To the point, trenchant

Ant. Prolix, wordy

Use: her gnomic description confused me.

Goad – that incites or torments

Syn. Provoke, stimulate

Ant. Restraint, balk

Use: Her comment surfeited to goad my anger.

Golly – an expression

Syn. Exclamation, alas

Ant. Damn it, curse

Use: Golly! When did you come?

Goof – a stupid person

Syn. Dumbhead, idiot

Ant. Intellect, genius

Use: Her new boyfriend is a real goof.

Gorgeous – nice to see at

Syn. Dazzling, splendid

Ant. Hideous, disgusting

Use: She was looking gorgeous in the black dress.

Gormless – brainless, dulled

Syn. Slow witted, vacuous

Ant. Brainy, bright

Use: A gormless employee can be the reason of failure of a project.

Grab – to seize suddenly

Syn. Clutch, grasp

Ant. Release

Use: They were trying hard to grab the tender.

Grabby – which attracts attention

Syn. Catchy, flamboyant

Ant. Concealed, faint

Use: The shopkeeper put the grabby dress on the model outside the store.

Graceful – full of charm and dignity

Syn. Elegant, refined

Ant. Tawdry, raffish

Use: Her graceful manners should be adopted by every girl.

Gracious – full of grace, pleasing

Syn. Cordial, sociable

Ant. Abrupt, curt

Use: The little is so gracious.

Gradient – amount of slope

Syn. Slant, slope

Ant. Decline, fall

Use: The gradient outside her house made me fall.

Gradual – happening by degrees

Syn. Step-by-step, progressive

Ant. Abrupt, sudden

Use: The gradual growth in the economy is satisfactory.

Graft – to put a bribe at

Syn. to implant, secure

Ant. Incorruptibility

Use: It was not easy for them to graft the project through me.

Grand – extremely large in size

Syn. Grandiose, massive

Ant. Patty, puny

Use: The kid was happy to see the grand elephant.

Grandiose – pompous on a large scale

Syn. Princely, splendid

Ant. Trivial, humble

Use: His grandiose behavior with his subordinates is awkward.

Granule – a piece, small

Syn. Kernel, fragment

Ant. Grand

Use: The granule of cake invited the ants.

Grapple – a grip, as of wrestler

Syn. Contest, clash

Ant. Harmony, peace

Use: His last grapple knocked out the opponent.

Grateful – thankful to a person

Syn. obliged, gratified

Ant. Ungrateful

Use: I am grateful to him as helped me in my project.

Gratify – to indulge to satisfaction

Syn. Please, satisfy

Ant. Displease

Use: It is so hard to gratify his father.

Grating – harsh to hear

Syn. Coarse, squawking

Ant. Mellifluent

Use: The description of the accident was so grating.

Gratitude – being thankful for

Syn. Thanks, tribute

Ant. Ungratefulness

Use: Her gratitude for the help annoyed him somewhere.

Gregarious – fond of company of others

Syn. Folksy, jovial

Ant. Detached, reticent

Use: He is very gregarious and spends all his night partying somewhere.

Grief – deep trouble or sorrow.

Syn. Heartache, woe

Ant. Jollity, joviality

Use: The loss of her car is the cause of her grief.

Grimace – face made in disgust or jest

Syn. Pout, frown

Ant. Grin, smile

Use: His grimace made her heartache.

Grisly – causing terror

Syn. Horrifying, horrid

Ant. Pretty, nice

Use: The grisly dog made me run towards home.

Grit – the strength to endure pain or hardship

Syn. Bravery, courage

Ant. Timidity

Use: She really has the grit that she is struggling for so many years.

Grove – a group of trees

Syn. Forest, woodland

Ant. Softwood

Use: I saw someone running towards the grove.

Grubby – deserving disgust

Syn. Deplorable, abhorrent

Ant. Noble, admirable

Use: a grubby employee is suspended today.

Grudge – an ill-will towards a person

Syn. Bitterness, prolix

Ant. cordiality

Use: She accepted that she has a grudge for me.

Gruesome – frightful, repellent

Syn. Awful, monstrous

Ant. Soothing, pleasant

Use: the King Kong was not so gruesome but they killed him.

Gruff – rough mannered

Syn. Surly, boisterous

Ant. Good-tempered, polite

Use: He is gruff and is hard to deal with.

Grumble – to murmur a complain

Syn. Growl, mutter

Ant. Cheer, praise

Use: he tasted the soup and started to grumble.

Gruntled – in a good humor

Syn. Mollify, gentle

Ant. Discomfort

Use: I smiled seeing him gruntled.

Guile – a practice of misleading

Syn. Treachery, deceit

Ant. Candidness, honesty

Use: There is a group in city who guiles the innocent.

Guilt – bad conscience over responsibility

Syn. Remorse, culpability

Ant. Innocence

Use: I have not slept for god knows how many nights due to my guilt.

Gulp – to swallow with effort

Syn. Choke, draught

Ant. Nibble

Use: When I first tasted the oyster, it caused me to gulp.

Gutted – to empty or lean out

Syn. Dilapidate, ravage

Ant. Fill, pour

Use: We gutted the underground water tank.

Gyrate – to move in circle or spiral

Syn. Spin, whirl, devolve

Ant. Steady, straight

Use: I felt giddy as the swing started to gyrate.

H

Habitable- that can be habituated

Syn. Homelike, cozy

Ant. Frugal, Spartan

Use: The new seems to be habitable to us.

Habituate – to accustom to

Syn. Prepare, make used to

Ant. Ignore, neglect

Use: She was asked to habituate herself as per hostel's environment.

Haggard – too much skin (due to disease)

Syn. Gaunt, starving

Ant. Beefy, rotund

Use: She was shocked to see him looking so haggard.

Haggle – dispute over price or term

Syn. Bargain, negotiate

Ant. Mishandle, bungle

Use: His interference ended the haggle between her and shopkeeper.

Hale – vigorous, healthy

Syn. Blooming, flourishing

Ant. Ill, unfit

Use: His continuous serving has made her hale again.

Hallowed – who deserves honor

Syn. Sacred, reverend

Ant. Disreputable, infamous

Use: The hallowed teachers of our school will be honored on Teacher's day.

Halting – temporary stoppage

Syn. Cessation, surcease

Ant. Extension, continuation

Use: The lack of experience led to the halting of business.

Hamlet – a small village

Syn. Outpost, vill

Ant. Metro, town

Use: There is no way of transportation to that little hamlet.

Hamper – to hinder or place difficulty

Syn. Constrain, halter

Ant. Facilitate, aid

Use: I was trying hard but some unknown power was hampering it.

Haphazard – by a mere chance

Syn. Accidental, erratic

Ant. Planned, organized

Use: The haphazard making of phone call helped him tracing the thief.

Hapless – unlucky, unfortunate

Syn. Unfavorable, calamitous

Ant. Blessed, privileged

Use: He is hapless that he did not get selected.

Harass – to worry or trouble repeatedly

Syn. Bother, tease

Ant. Aid, help

Use: He complained against him to harass her.

Hardship – a cause of suffering

Syn. Difficulty, tragedy

Ant. Opportunity

Use: The couple vowed to support each other in all the hardships of life.

Hardy – capable of resisting exposure

Syn. Robust, rugged

Ant. Tender, delicate

Use: it is difficult to recover from such a hardy guy.

Harmony – agreement, concord

Syn. Companionship

Ant. Conflict

Use: It is difficult to create harmony between India and Pakistan.

Harness – working equipment

Syn. Handle, work

Ant. Misuse

Use: The artists use harness for their scenes.

Harridan – a haggard woman

Syn. Scold, castigator

Ant. Pleasing

Use: So hard to deal with a harridan like her.

Harrowing – to wound or distress

Syn. Hurtful, painful

Ant. Sweet, pleasing

Use: His harrowing habits are so unpleasant.

Hasty – to do with careless speed

Syn. Quick, impulsive

Ant. Calculated

Use: His hasty run in the house broke my favorite vase.

Haughty – arrogant, dignified

Syn. Egotistic, scornful

Ant. Humble, timid

Use: Even a little money is enough to make people haughty.

Hay – dried grass

Syn. Chaff, swath

Use: There was no way except sleeping on the hay in that cottage.

Hazard – that may cause damage

Syn. Risk, threat

Ant. Safeguard, shelter

Use: Tobacco is a hazardous for health.

Hazy – not clear

Syn. Vague, cloudy

Ant. Transparent, pellucid

Use: The hazy storm compelled us to stop at the roadside.

Headstrong – who resist control

Syn. Self-willed, obstinate

Ant. Obedient, pliable

Use: Her parents have made her this much headstrong as they fulfill her every demand.

Heady – canny, savvy

Syn. Sapiient, veteran

Ant. Half-witted

Use: Some heady customers spoil the mood by their unusual habits.

Heap – group of things lying on one another

Syn. A stack, grouping

Ant. Arranged

Use: He was finding a book from the heap in the library.

Hearten – to fill with courage

Syn. Inspirit, encourage

Ant. Discourage

Use: It took a lot to hearten her for her practice after her last accident.

Heckle – to tease with questions

Syn. Hector, badger

Ant. Support, promote

Use: The journalist was kicked out for heckling the victim.

Hector – one who bullies the weak

Syn. Badger, dominate

Ant. Help

Use: Some hectors in the school kill the confidence of little children.

Hegemony – to control or influence others

Syn. Dominance, lordship

Ant. Impotence

Use: Some people enjoy hegemony over others.

Heedless – one who is not cautious

Syn. Negligent, careless

Ant. Careful, cautious

Use: It is not worth to say anything to this heedless boy.

Heinous – that deserves hate

Syn. Atrocious, evil

Ant. Lovely, good.

Use: his lewd habits have made him so heinous.

Herald – who support a cause

Syn. Apostle, supporter

Ant. Opponent, rival

Use: The heralds supported the party in its turbulent times.

Heretic –one who supports the unacceptable

Syn. Dissident, renegade

Ant. Believer

Use: If I am an atheist I am called heretic.

Hereditary – descending by inheritance

Syn. Inborn, congenital

Ant. Acquired

Use: The diabetes is a hereditary disease.

Heritage – that may be inherited

Syn. Legacy, birthright

Ant. Whole

Use: Parent's property is a heritage for the children.

Hermetic – not to be understood by ordinary minds.

Syn. Dissident, renegade

Ant. Believer

Use: Wizardry is hermetic for muggles.

Hesitant – irresolute, hesitating

Syn. Doubtful, timid

Ant. Eager, inclined

Use: I was so hesitant to ask for my silly doubt.

Hesitatingly – with confusion or doubt

Syn. Doubtfully, skeptically

Ant. Clearly

Use: She entered that mysterious house hesitatingly.

Heterodox – contrary to established opinion

Syn. Unorthodox, casual

Ant. Constrained

Use: He is heterodox towards women's freedom.

Hexagon – six of something

Syn. Semester

Use: The new buzz in the city is the hexagonal building.

Hiatus – a break or space

Syn. Rift, separation

Ant. Fullness

Use: The prisoners tried to escape through the little hiatus.

Hibernate – to remain inactive

Syn. Idle, stagnate

Ant. Estivate

Use: The bear hibernates in winter.

Hidebound – who favors an established fact

Syn. Traditional, conventional

Ant. Radical, unorthodox

Use: there are weavers in Banaras who make silk sarees by the hidebound ways.

Hideous – extremely, horrible

Syn. Frightful, repulsive

Ant. Appealing, soothing

Use: I was so scared by the hideous character of the movie.

Hilt – the handle of a sword

Syn. Grip, holder

Ant. Top, release

Use: He is uncomfortable with the hilt of his bat.

Hindrance – obstruction or obstacles

Syn. Encumbrance, block

Ant. Assistance

Use: Life place many hindrances before a person.

Hipster – one who keep up with the latest trend

Syn. Liberal, free-spirit

Ant. Conventional

Use: He is a hipster for movies.

Histrionic – related to stage or acting.

Syn. Theatrical, artificial

Ant. Undramatic

Use: The histrionic performance of all the characters was laudable.

Hoard – a collection or store for future use

Syn. Reserve, stock

Ant. Lack, need

Use: Several shopkeepers were arrested to hoard the pulses when the prices were gradually rising.

Hoax – to play a trick upon

Syn. Forgery, fake

Ant. Original

Use: he escaped the hoax I tried on him.

Hobnob – to associate familiarly

Syn. Company, confederate

Ant. Estrange, disperse

Use: The children were hobnob and started to play.

Homespun – showing informality

Syn. Modest, folksy

Ant. Pompous, grandiose

Use: There homespun behavior was so disarming.

Hone – to make sharp

Syn. sharpen, edge

Ant. Blunt, gloss

Use: The revision of the whole syllabus has honed me for the exams very well.

Honorary – conferred by way of honor

Syn. Congratulatory

Ant. Abide

Use: The honorary chief guest awarded me the prize.

Hoof – to go on foot

Syn. Hike, hit the road

Use: We should have taken the car instead of that tiring hoof.

Horizon – a place where sky and land seems to meet

Syn. Skyline, purview

Ant. Angle

Use: The setting sun was creating beautiful colors in the horizon.

Horrendous – very unpleasant

Syn. Abhorrent, awful

Ant. Pleasing, Awesome

Use: The horrendous accident killed all his family members.

Hostile – of an enemy

Syn. Opponent, unfriendly

Ant. Favorable, sympathetic

Use: It takes a great effort to compete in a hostile external environment.

Hovel – a small temporary dwelling

Syn. Outhouse, shed

Ant. Mansion, palace

Use: She allowed him to wait in the hovel until the rain stops.

Howling – to cry loudly in pain or grief

Syn. Cry, whoop

Ant. Cheering, laughing

Use: The howling of wolves could be heard far away in the night.

Huddle – to heap or crowd for a purpose

Syn. Meeting, council

Ant. Single, unit

Use: The huddle was there to support liquor ban.

Hue and cry – clamor of pursuit or attack

Syn. Outburst, roar

Ant. Mumble, murmur

Use: The hue and cry was so encouraging for the participants of bull racing.

Humane – a compassionate person

Syn. Benevolent, considerate

Ant. Merciless, barbarous

Use: Our society needs such humane who willingly works for the poor.

Humble – not having a feel of superiority

Syn. Modest, down to earth

Ant. Bold, brash

Use: Being so humble also causes harm.

Humidity – getting, wet, moist

Syn. Damp, watery

Ant. Parched, dry

Use: The summer has brought all heat and humidity with it.

Humiliate – to put down or mortify

Syn. Debase, dishonor

Ant. Praise, honor

Use: It is wrong to humiliate an innocent person in public.

Hurdle – that makes movement difficult

Syn. Chain, block

Ant. Break, boost

Use: She passed all the hurdles and won the completion.

Hypocrisy – simulation of vurture

Syn. Deception, falsity

Ant. Probity, sincerity

Use: It is not good to use hypocrisy against the innocent villagers by these bankers.

Hypothetical – an assumption

Syn. Speculation, unproved

Ant. Actual, real

Use: She was lost in her hypothetical calculations for party.

Hysterical – that intends to cause laughter

Syn. Comic, laughable

Ant. Serious, sober

Use: Her hysterical questions on the chapter annoyed the professor.

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Idealistic – guided more by ideas than reality

Syn. visionary, realistic

Ant. realistic, practical

Use: My idealistic dreams were never going to be true.

Identification – to recognize someone or something

Syn. detection, recognition

Ant. repudiation, reproach

Use: The second round involved the identification of famous characters.

Idolatry – excessive love or attachment

Syn. adoration, fondness

Ant. dislike, hatred

Use: My idolatry towards him faded as I came to know about his reality.

Idyll – a description of picturesque

Syn. frolic, carouse

Ant. hell

Use: The police interfered in the idyll party.

Iffy – not known

Syn. uncertain, doubtful

Ant. certain, sure

Use: These rules of army were iffy to me when I was new.

Igneous – produced by the action of fire

Syn. passionate, ablaze

Ant. cool, subdued

Use: The igneous fireworks were very beautiful.

Ignominious – deserving contempt

Syn. dishonorable, infamous

Ant. decent, honorable

Use: The public threw stones on the ignominious criminal.

Ignore – to refuse to take notice of

Syn. neglect, disregard

Ant. note, regard

Use: I was trying to ignore media and press.

Illegal – contrary to rules and laws

Syn. immoral, evil, unlawful

Ant. legal, ethical

Use: Their illegal works were never going to be exempted.

Illicit – unlawful

Syn. illegal, immoral

Ant. lawful, allowed

Use: It was a illicit plan to rob the bank.

Illusion – deceptive appearance

Syn. delusion, vision

Ant. reality, truth

Use: His illusion couldn't escape my eyes.

Illustrate – to adorn with pictures for explanation

Syn. demonstrate, visualize

Ant. confuse, obscure

Use: I called for some charts to illustrate about the fruits to kids.

Imaginary – existing in imagination

Syn. fictional, unreal

Ant. real, factual

Use: I had to do hard work to have my imaginary home.

Imbecility – an extremely senseless act

Syn. foolishness, madness

Ant. wisdom, insight

Use: I was actually laughing on my own imbecility later.

Imbibe – to take in or absorb

Syn. drink, swallow

Ant. abstain, exhale

Use: I tried to imbibe that tonic but failed as it has a bitter taste.

Imbroglia – a complicated situation

Syn. clash, dispute

Ant. peacemaking, solution

Use: It was an imbroglia whether or not to call the police regarding that blackmailing call.

Immaculate – without any blemish

Syn. clean, pure, virgin

Ant. stained, dirty, impure

Use: A baby is immaculate like an angel.

Immense – very large

Syn. vast, extensive

Ant. inferior, tiny

Use: The immense trunks were being unloaded from the ship.

Immigration – removal from one country to another

Syn. displacement, exile

Use: The terrorist activities in Syria caused the immigration of several million people.

Imminent – about to happen soon

Syn. forthcoming, impending

Ant. remote, bygone

Use: The winds were indicative of the imminent rain.

Imitate – to be like

Syn. copy, mimic

Ant. invent

Use: it was a worthless effort to remake a film like Janjeer.

Immortal – long lasting, not likely to change

Syn. ceaseless, continuing

Ant. mortal, obsolete

Use: Nothing in this world is immortal except love.

Immunity – being proof against any harm or loss

Syn. exemption, defense

Ant. vulnerability

Use: Some tonics were provided by the doctor to increase the immunity power.

Immunize – to render immune

Syn. protect, inoculate

Ant. infect, contaminate

Use: the campaign was run to immunize children from polio.

Immutable – that cannot be changed

Syn. fixed, invariable

Ant. flexible, elastic

Use: I failed in changing his immutable habit of telling lies.

Impair – to make worse

Syn. damage, spoil, vitiate

Ant. fix, mend, heal

Use: His try to mend the oven even impaired it more.

Impartial – free from any bias

Syn. equitable, unprejudiced

Ant. partisan, unjust

Use: They came to me for an impartial judgment.

Impassioned – deeply moved

Syn. emotional, ardent

Ant. Detached, impassive

Use: I was impassioned while watching the movie and started to cry.

Impeach – to call in question, to find fault in

Syn. blame, charge, accuse

Ant. absolve, defend

Use: She impeached me of stealing her broach.

Impeccable – not liable to sin

Syn. immaculate, faultless

Ant. fallible, flawed

Use: He found me impeccable and absolved me.

Impediment – the difficulty in way

Syn. hindrance, deterrent

Ant. incentive, stimulant

Use: Society put several impediments in your way if you do something out of league.

Impenitent – not regretful of doing wrong

Syn. shameless, cruel

Ant. Ashamed, repentant

Use: I was shocked to see that impenitent criminal.

Imperceptible – very slight or gradual

Syn. trivial, insensible

Ant. perceptible

Use: It was an imperceptible threat.

Imperil – to endanger

Syn. compromise, gamble

Ant. preserve, protect

Use: It is not right to imperil studies in order to earn money.

Imperious – not capable of being resisted

Syn. domineering, commanding

Ant. obedient, yielding

Use: I surrendered to the wishes of my imperious dad.

Impersonal – having no personal reference

Syn. unfriendly, detached

Ant. friendly, warm

Use: He don't meet anyone and is very impersonal.

Impertinent – having a rude behavior

Syn. audacious, insolent

Ant. shy, modest

Use: The impertinent trader cast away the beggar.

Impious – not pious

Syn. wicked, blasphemous

Ant. reverent, pious

Use: All the impious souls are destined to go to purgatory.

Implausible – not certain

Syn. doubtful, improbable

Ant. plausible, likely

Use: They were considering some implausible options.

Implicate – to involve into connection with

Syn. entwine, entangle

Ant. untangle, uncoil

Use: The thieves had implicated all my papers in the room in their search.

Implicit – involved though not expressed

Syn. implied, tacit

Ant. explicit, stated

Use: It is implicit that parents love their children.

Implore – to request earnestly

Syn. beg, solicit, demand

Ant. gratify, comfort

Use: I implored him to give me a medical certificate.

Impolitic – injudicious

Syn. imprudent, brash

Ant. careful, wise

Use: The impolitic minister was destined to be punished.

Impose – to place on

Syn. charge, levy

Ant. remit, abate

Use: The AO imposed a penalty of 5% along with surcharge.

Impotent – having no power to achieve goal

Syn. helpless, powerless

Ant. potent, mighty

Use: Einstein was declared as impotent for studies by his teacher.

Impressible – that can be affected

Syn. responsive, sensitive

Ant. insensible

Use: She is very impressible about her family.

Impromptu – without any preparation

Syn. extempore, off-hand

Ant. planned, deliberate

Use: We departed impromptu when we got the news of their accident.

Improve – to make good use

Syn. amend, upgrade

Ant. vitiate, worsen

Use: I am advised to improve my handwriting.

Improvident – does not think about future.

Syn. incautious, imprudent

Ant. farsighted, prudent

Use: His improvident spending left him like a beggar in month end.

Imprudent – indiscreet

Syn. brash, hasty

Ant. prudent, wise

Use: His imprudent work had many errors.

Impulsive – actuated by impulse

Syn. freakish, uncontrollable

Ant. resistible

Use: My impulsive feelings were stirred as I heard about his accident.

Impunity – exemption from punishment

Syn. defense, absolving

Ant. exposure

Use; His being minor bagged him impunity from long term imprisonment.

Impute – to attribute to

Syn. ascribe, blame

Ant. absolve, defend

Use: The Opponent lawyer was imputed to get me punished.

Inadequate – not sufficient

Syn. deficient, scarce

Ant. adequate, sufficient

Use: The food was inadequate to quench his hunger.

Inadvertently – lacking attention

Syn. carelessly, recklessly

Ant. carefully

Use. I was inadvertently wandering in his office when he caught me.

Inalienable – that cannot be transferred

Syn. entailed, inherent

Ant. transitory, alienable

Use: She has got that inalienable habit of doubting everyone from her mother.

Inane – void of sense

Syn. empty, fatuous, foolish

Ant. bright, intelligent

Use: The inane guy was in my team and didn't even know the rules of game.

Inanimate – void of life

Syn. comatose, insentient

Ant. vibrant, inanimate

Use: The blow by the truck in our car made him inanimate at once as he was wounded in head.

Inaugurate – to open, to begin

Syn. initiate, launch

Ant. close, terminate

Use: One of our Professor was called to inaugurate the new wing of school.

Incandescent – glowing with heat

Syn. beaming, luminous

Ant. dark, dim

Use: The pan was incandescent as I left it on the burning stove.

Incarcerate – to confine

Syn. imprison, handcuff

Ant. discharge, liberate

Use: The Inspector was seeming so eager to incarcerate me.

Incense – giving sweet smell when burned

Syn. aroma, essence

Ant. foul, stink

Use: She burned the incense sticks and started to pray as usual.

Incessantly – in continued manner

Syn. consistently, repeatedly

Ant. never, occasionally

Use: He was incessantly winning medals in school.

Incisive – mentally sharp

Syn. intelligent, trenchant

Ant. stupid, obtuse

Use: As always the incisive boy raised his hand when I asked the question.

Incite – to stir up the feelings

Syn. arouse, encourage

Ant. appease, mollify

Use: The news of such brutal murder incited the anger in public.

Incitement – which stirs up some action

Syn. impulse, encouragement

Ant. peace, serenity

Use: His speech worked as an incitement for the riots.

Inclement – severe weather

Syn. stormy, rough

Ant. sunny, nice

Use: It was not a good plan to go for a long drive in such an inclement weather.

Inclination – a liking for something

Syn. affinity, fondness

Ant. aversion, dislike

Use: My inclination towards the football was even more than of a boy.

Incognizant – unaware of

Syn. ignorant, oblivious

Ant. cognizant, informed

Use: I was incognizant of the fact that a murder has took place there.

Incoherence – unordered situation

Syn. nonsense, incongruity

Ant. coherence, structure

Use: The incoherence in the company was due to confiscation of its adulterated products.

Incompetent – not qualified enough

Syn. incapable, unskilled

Ant. competent, capable

Use: They thought me incompetent due to my young age.

Inconceivable – that can not be imagined

Syn. unbelievable, outlandish

Ant. conceivable, imaginable

Use: It was inconceivable that the crass will clear such an exam like this.

Incongruous – out of keeping, absurd

Syn. discordant, improper

Ant. fit, compatible

Use: my idea seemed incongruous to those pedantic people.

Inconsequential – of no importance

Syn. trivial, frivolous

Ant. material, inconsequential

Use: The result was inconsequential as he had decided to quit.

Incorrigible – beyond reform

Syn. irrecoverable, hopeless

Ant. curable, correctable

Use: The machine had become incorrigible so no use of keeping it.

Incredulous – unbelievable

Syn. distrustful, implausible

Ant. possible, credulous

Use: it was incredulous that dinosaurs are still alive.

Incumbent – resting upon someone as by law

Syn. mandatory, forced

Ant. voluntary, indispensable

Use: His wife was an incumbent on him after divorce.

Indebted – obliged to

Syn. bounden, grateful

Ant. opulent, wealthy

Use: He was indebted to them for growing him up.

Indictment – a written charge with a crime

Syn. accusation, allegation

Ant. vindication, acquittal

Use: They had filed an indictment in the court against him.

Indigenous – belonging to a soil or place

Syn. native, inborn

Ant. foreign, outlandish

Use: he was indigenous to England but was here for a job.

Indiscreet – who don't think before doing anything

Syn. injudicious, unwary

Ant. discreet, logical

Use: I was indiscreet while choosing subject.

Indispensable – that can't be set aside

Syn. imperative, necessary

Ant. dispensable, needless

Use: The disease was indispensable and need to be cured properly.

Indisposed – averse due to doubts or uncertainty

Syn. hesitant, dubious

Ant. disposed, eager

Use: he is indisposed about starting his shop.

Indoctrination – to implant in mind

Syn. brainwashing, informing

Ant. to cleaned, unlearned

Use: The volunteers are trying to indoctrinate the idea of education for girls.

Indolent – lazy, slothful

Syn. dull, inert, idle

Ant. vigorous, active

Use: The indolent clerk refused to accept the form saying office was closed.

Indomitable – not to be subdued

Syn. unyielding, unconquerable

Ant. vulnerable, powerless

Use: he is indomitable in the game of chess.

Inducement – an attraction

Syn. persuasion, convincing

Ant. deterrent, repellent

Use: The toy shop is an inducement for the children.

Indulge – to take one's pleasure freely

Syn. give up, yield

Ant. restrain, deny

Use: I indulged myself to the drinking habit.

Inert – very slow in moving

Syn. lethargic, sluggish

Ant. active, energetic

Use: His inert walk was evident that he was not well.

Inevitable – bound to happen or appear

Syn. certain, unavoidable

Ant. evadable, avoidable

Use: The search was inevitable after he had received a notice.

Infallible – not liable to err

Syn. faultless, unflinching

Ant. flawed, fallible

Use: The Popes are considered as infallible.

Infant – a newly born

Syn. child, baby

Ant. adult, oldster

Use: They were very happy with their infant boy.

Infection – diffusive influence

Syn. contagion, corruption

Ant. sterility, immunization

Use: he had got the infection of dengue.

Infer – to conclude by reasoning

Syn. deduce, contemplate

Ant. misconceive

Use: we inferred it by our experiment.

Inflict – to deal forcibly

Syn. impose, force, upon

Ant. urge, demand

Use: She is habitual to inflict her blame on others.

Influence – a moral power

Syn. impact, effect

Ant. triviality, powerlessness

Use: She had no influence of all the efforts by her parents towards her study.

Information – the processed data

Syn. intelligence, findings

Ant. question

Use: We did that survey to collect some vital information.

Infringe – to violate law

Syn. contravene, transgress

Ant. comply, follow

Use: There was a penalty of Rs. 2000 if anyone infringe the rule.

Infuriated – angry

Syn. enraged, furious

Ant. delighted, pleased

Use: I was trying to escape Daddy's infuriated gaze.

Ingenious – free from reserve

Syn. artless, direct

Ant. fake, dishonest

Use: Our Boss was ingenious whenever it came about work.

Inhabitant – one who inhabits a place

Syn. occupant, resident

Ant. guest, visitor

Use: The inhabitants of snowy place used to live in igloo.

Inherit – to receive as a heir

Syn. be granted, accede

Ant. lose, dispense

Use: we were going to inherit a house from our uncle.

Inimical – that can cause harm

Syn. adversary, hostile

Ant. friendly, favorable

Use: The inimical disease was diagnosed a bit late.

Iniquitous – not morally right

Syn. evil, immoral, wicked

Ant. ethical, honorable

Use: It is not wrong to have iniquitous friends until you don't adapt their ways.

Initial – occurring at the time

Syn. first, incipient

Ant. later, last, final

Use: The initial work was to get the permission of Dad.

Inn – a public house for travelers

Syn. lodge, motel, roadhouse

Ant. home, residence

Use: We took a room in a roadside inn as I was not feeling well.

Innate – naturally belonging to

Syn. inborn, deep rooted

Ant. extraneous

Use: I was an innate of a little town ho came here to chase my dreams.

Innings – the turn of a side

Syn. round, move

Use: it was the second innings and the competition was hard.

Innocuous – which doesn't harm

Syn. harmless, safe, anodyne

Ant. harmful, dangerous

Use: The innocuous cub came to me as I offered him a little meat.

Innuendoes – an allusive remark

Syn. insult, indignity

Ant. evidence, proven

Use: His innuendoes about my native place enraged me.

Inquire – to look into

Syn. search, inspect

Ant. answer, reply

Use: I refused their request to inquire any of my family member.

Inquisitive – inclined to seek information

Syn. curious, prying

Ant. indifferent

Use: Our inquisitive neighbor used to have all the information of the society.

Insane – not mentally fit

Syn. senseless, lunatic

Ant. rational, sound

Use: Old people are not insane if they care for us.

Insatiable – that can't be satisfied

Syn. quenchless, greedy

Ant. satiable, controlled

Use: The little puppy was insatiable for love.

Insert – to place in or among others

Syn. interject, install

Ant. eject, exclude

Use: I insert her name in order to find any related records.

Insignificant – not important

Syn. trivial, negligible

Ant. significant, substantial

Use: The evidences we collected were all insignificant.

Insinuations – a gradual introduction to

Syn. indication, suggestion

Ant. declaration, proclamation

Use: It was just an insinuation of my liking the British Literature.

Inspid – flavorless, dull

Syn. unexciting, plain

Ant. thrilling, savory

Use: All the food was seeming inspid in illness.

Insolent – offensively contemptuous

Syn. bold, impudent

Ant. shy, gentle, mild

Use: The insolent driver's behavior to the Old man caused me to interfere.

Insolvent – unable to pay debt

Syn. bankrupt, ruined

Ant. solvent, rich

Use: he has been declared insolvent by the court.

Inspire – to infuse thought or feeling into

Syn. encourage, hearten

Ant. sadden, dispirit

Use: If my speech could inspire a single person then it's worth it.

Instigate – to incite to or bring about

Syn. provoke, encourage

Ant. constrain, hold

Use: he instigated me to write my own novel.

Instil – to infuse slowly in mind

Syn. implant, enroot

Ant. absorb

Use: She instilled in my mind to start my own business.

Instinctive – done without any thought

Syn. impulsive, involuntary

Ant. voluntary, thoughtful

Use: It was my instinctive effort to start writing.

Insularity – narrowness of mind

Syn. prejudice, bias

Ant. unbiased, openness

Use: only education is the way to get over the insularity.

Integrate – to form into a whole

Syn. incorporate, combine

Ant. separate, split

Use: I integrated the class for an activity.

Intense – existing in a high degree, intense emotion

Syn. vehement, ardent

Ant. moderate, impassive

Use: The pain was so intense that I was half conscious.

Intensive – of or in intensity

Syn. deep, acute

Ant. light, moderate

Use: I was feeling intensive joy as came to know about his job.

Interfere – to get oneself into what is not concerned

Syn. meddle, intrude, mess

Ant. avoid, overlook

Use: I had to interfere in the conversation as they were getting loud.

Interregnum – an interval

Syn. hiccup, discontinuity

Ant. continuation

Use: The power cut caused the interregnum in the ceremony.

Interrupt – to break the uniformity

Syn. intrude, cut in

Ant. continue, unbreaking

Use: Professor never liked anyone to interrupt whenever he would be telling a story.

Intimidate – to inspire with fear

Syn. frighten, terrify

Ant. solace, convince

Use: I had told him that his being around intimidate me.

Intolerance – to not tolerate

Syn. opinionatedness, dogmatism

Ant. tolerance

Use: I couldn't help my intolerance and protested.

Intransigent – uncompromising in one's opinion

Syn. headstrong, obdurate

Ant. flexible, yielding

Use: I was intransigent if it comes to my principles.

Intricate – not easy to understand

Syn. complicated, complex

Ant. simple, plain

Use: The problem was intricate but at last I solved it.

Intrigue – an illicit connection

Syn. plot, conspiracy

Use: they failed in the execution of their intrigue.

Intrinsic – being within

Syn. built in, inherent

Ant. extrinsic, external

Use: it was intrinsic in her to not trust anyone.

Intrusion – interference

Syn. interruption, encroachment

Ant. courtesy, aid

Use: The loud music of the celebration causing intrusion in my studies.

Intuitive – perceived by instinct

Syn. emotional, instinctual

Ant. reasoned, calculated

Use: It was intuitive that some evil is about to come.

Invade – to make hostile inroad into

Syn. plunder, attack, assault

Ant. defend, oppose

Use: The plan was to invade the club.

Invective – abusive language

Syn. vituperation, obloquy

Ant. praise, felicitation

Use: The invective words he was using was telling what kind of person he was.

Invigorate – to give life and energy

Syn. enliven, stimulate

Ant. kill, jade

Use: The water invigorated the dying plants.

Invincible – cannot be overcome

Syn. unbeatable, indomitable

Ant. vincible, vulnerable

Use: He is invincible when it comes to general knowledge.

Involve – to include as a part

Syn. entail, take in

Ant. omit, exclude

Use: They involved me in their group as I was new in the school.

Irate – angry

Syn. furious, enraged

Ant. good tempered, kind

Use: My late arrival to home was enough to irate him.

Irregular – not in regular service

Syn. abnormal, devious

Ant. regular, continuous

Use: His irregular calls annoyed me.

Irremediable – for which no remedy is available

Syn. binding, irrecoverable

Ant. remediable, curable

Use: The problem he has created this time is irremediable.

Irreparable – that can't be made good

Syn. irretrievable, irremediable

Ant. repairable, fixed

Use: I dropped my cell in water and now it was declared irreparable.

Irritate – to excite to anger

Syn. annoy, bother

Ant. pacify, appease

Use: The little girl was irritating me by touching my hairs.

J

Jabber – to chatter volubly or meaningless

Syn. Babble, drivel

Ant. Enunciate, pronounce

Use: I asked him to go as he was jabbering.

Jaded – worn out or depleted

Syn. Weary, fatigued

Ant. Unwearied

Use: The poor girl was very jaded so I gave her food.

Jammy – having a good luck

Syn. Favored, blessed

Ant. Unlucky

Use: Such a jammy that only he survived the accident.

Jaunty – high spirited, energetic

Syn. Active, airy, frisky

Ant. Inert, sluggish

Use: His presence is so inviting as he is very jaunty.

Jealousy – to envy someone

Syn. Suspicion, grudge

Ant. Contentment

Use: Jealousy is an insult of oneself.

Jejune – void of interest, scanty

Syn. Boring, tedious

Ant. Astounding, sensational

Use: The news of his death caused a jejune in the whole group for the party.

Jeopardize – to endanger

Syn. Compromise, gamble

Ant. Protect, shield

Use: The quality should not be jeopardized of any product.

Jettison – getting rid of useless stuff

Syn. Dumping, disposal

Ant. Acquisition, deposit

Use: The captain commanded jettison as water started filling in ship.

Jiffy – a short time, moment

Syn. Instant, minute

Ant. Eternity, forever

Use: In a jiffy my world changed a lot.

Jinx – a charm or curse

Syn. Enchantment, spell

Ant. Boon, benefit

Use: She is behaving as she is under a jinx.

Jocular – having intelligent humor

Syn. Clever, frivolous

Ant. Witless, stupid.

Use: being a jocular is better than being befooled.

Jovial – having high spirits

Syn. Blithesome, gay

Ant. Dejected, forlorn

Use: His being jovial is one of his positive point.

Jubilant – feeling of joy, to exultant

Syn. Rejoicing, ecstatic

Ant. Defeated, dejected

Use: He was not getting word to express his jubilant.

Jubilation – demonstration of joy

Syn. Celebration, festivity

Ant. Dejection

Use: They got wild in jubilation.

Judicious – sensible or sound judgment

Syn. Judgmatic, discreet

Ant. Unwise, indiscreet

Use: It is not sensible to question the judicious decision.

Judiciary – judges

Syn. Judicature, bench

Use: The judiciary should always be respected.

Juncture – a critical point or moment of time.

Syn. Flash, instant

Ant. Break, avulsion

Use: He was kicked out in a juncture before he could understand anything.

Just – accepted as right

Syn. Upright, fair, correct

Ant. Improper, inapt

Use: It is just to complain against naughty boys.

Justify- to declare to be true, to make so as to fit accurately

Syn. Support, defend

Ant, abandon, controvert

Use: The lawyer was trying to justify his client's action.

Juvenile – at early stage, being youthful

Syn. Minor, emergent

Ant. Elderly, old

Use: The lunatic got a juvenile as a hostage.

K

Kaput - which has passed its time of use

Syn. Obsolete, outdated

Ant. Recent, new

Use: The kaput machinery is a scrap now.

Keen – eager, having quickness of mind

Syn. Acute, ardent, bright

Ant. Brainless

Use: He is very keen to learn playing piano.

Ken – to know, concept

Syn. Insight, grasp

Ant. Ignorance, foresight

Use: It is necessary to ken the problem.

Kernel – the central or essential part

Syn. Gist, core, crux

Ant. Bounds, crust

Use: They deviated from the kernel while debating.

Kindle – to set on fire

Syn. To inflame, ignite

Ant. Extinguish, smother

Use: He kindled all his old diaries and letters.

Kindred – having close connection

Syn. Analogous, cognate

Ant. Disparate, diverse

Use: He know how to use kindred with the minister.

Kinship – relationship, similarity

Syn. Affinity, kindred

Ant. Distance, diversity

Use: Their kinship ended just because of a slight misunderstanding.

Kip – a place for sleeping

Syn. Bed pallet

Ant. Elicit, wake

Use: She arranged a kip for the injured puppy immediately.

Knave – a rouse, an unprincipled person

Syn. Brute, fiend

Ant. Angel, innocent

Use: He is very infamous and a knave.

Knell – to ring or make sound

Syn. Proclaim, signal

Use: The wolves howl as to knell.

Knotty – puzzling, having many aspects

Syn. Convoluted, complex

Ant. Simplified, plain

Use: He worked hard to solve that knotty case.

Knout – a whip for hitting

Syn. Belt, cane, strap

Ant. Retreat, quest

Use: The teacher is suspended to use a knout on a student.

Kudos – an admiration in public for an achievement

Syn. Applause, accolade

Ant. Belittle

Use: The Army deserves a kudos for their gallantry.

L

Labile – readily open to change

Syn. Changeable, variable

Ant. Immobile, stable

Use: The child's labile expression made everyone laugh.

Laborious – which requires physical effort

Syn. Demanding, herculean

Ant. Relaxed, soothing

Use: The laborious work is not my cup of tea.

Lackadaisical – feebly sentimental

Syn. Apathetic, enervated

Ant. Dishearten

Use: Her lackadaisical behavior annoys me sometimes

Lackey – the footman or servant

Syn. Butler, groom

Ant. foreman, master

Use: She asked the lackey to clean the house.

Lackluster – which lacks shine

Syn. Lusterless, dull

Ant. shiny, radiant

Use; The dress is very lackluster for an occasion like this.

Laggard – a really sluggish or slow person

Syn. Dillydallying, crawling

Ant. Prompt, hurried

Use: We got late due to the laggard cab driver.

Lamb – innocent person

Syn. Tenderfoot

Ant. Beast, wolf

Use: His new intern is a lamb and he is very strict with him.

Lambaste – to criticize harshly

Syn. Berate, castigate

Ant. Praise, laud

Use: I am hurt by that lambaste and want to leave this job now.

Lambent – that shines brightly

Syn. Brilliant, luminous

Ant. Dark, dull

Use: Baby liked the lambent star on the head of Christmas tree.

Lane – a narrow street, passage between two houses

Syn. Alley, boulevard

Ant. Room, hearth

Use: A car killed a little puppy in our lane.

Language – system of words for communication

Syn. Dialect, speech

Ant. silence, quiet

Use: Several languages are used in India.

Languid – lacking strength or energy

Syn. Lethargic, dull

Ant. energetic, active

Use: The hikers were so languid when they reached the top.

Lapiz – a writing instrument (in Spanish)

Syn. Pencil

Use: That girl asked me for the lapiz but I couldn't understand.

Lassitude – to languor

Syn. Collapse, exhaustion

Ant. energy, vitality

Use: The shifting of the house caused so much lassitude.

Laudable – commendable

Syn. Worthy, deserving

Ant. infamous, lousy

Use: His new novel is really laudable.

Laudatory – that deserves praise

Syn. Laudative, complimentary

Ant. blaming

Use: Their work for poor children is laudatory.

Launch – to start on a course

Syn. Commencement, inception

Ant. ending, termination

Use: The whole council is happy on the launch of the ne project.

Laurels – fame, public acknowledgement

Syn. Repute, tribute

Ant. dishonor, affront

Use: I am not used to of the laurels.

Lavish – to bestow or spend lavishly

Syn. Over-abundant, bountiful

Ant. Niggardly, stingy

Use: His lavish spending is even increasing.

Lax – negligent, not exact

Syn. Disregardful, incautious

Ant. careful

Use: The lax driver caused the accident as he was driving on the wrong side.

Laxity – leniency, freedom

Syn. Indulgence

Ant. strictness, severity

Use: The laxity in office I misused by some staff.

Learn – to acquire knowledge

Syn. Attain, determine

Ant. teach

Use: I want to learn Piano as I like it very much.

Leash – a thing to hold or control

Syn. Control, restraint

Ant. liberate

Use: The baby leashed the toy as I asked him to share it.

Leery – suspicious

Syn. Distrustful

Ant. naïve, unweary

Use: They followed the guy as they found him a bit leery.

Leisure – freedom from pressing business

Syn. Relaxation

Ant. exertion, pressure

Use: I want some leisure after the end of financial year closure.

Lengthen – to make longer

Syn. Extend, prolong

Ant. lessen, reduce

Use: My boss wants to lengthen my articleship.

Lenient – not very severe

Syn. Permissive, clement

Ant. severe, restrictive

Use: The staff like the new lenient boss.

Leviathan – of immense size

Syn. Enormous, gigantic

Ant. little, tiny

Use: The leviathan snake made me collapse as it came near me.

Levy – to impose compulsorily

Syn. Burden, imposition

Ant. benefit, aid

Use: The teacher levied a penalty of Rs. 500 on me.

Lewd – lustful, indecent

Syn. Licentious, debased

Ant. decent, modest

Use: I hate that guy as he is very lewd.

Lexical – related to words

Syn. Linguistic

Ant. non lexical

Use: We asked her if she will write for us as she has lexical efficiency.

Liabile – subject to answerable for

Syn. Accountable, answerable

Ant. immune, irresponsible

Use: he is liable to pay the penalty.

Liberal – generous, abundant

Syn. Teeming, rich

Ant. stingy, meager

Use: His liberal donation helped us to make the festival better for those poor kids.

Liberation – to set free

Syn. Freeing, liberty

Ant. bondage, enslavement

Use: His liberation from the blame is not good.

Liberty – right or power to do as one pleases

Syn. Free, volition

Ant. duty, force

Use: My liberty is all I want.

Lien – a right to hold

Syn. Mortgage, charge

Ant. forfeit

Use: He has not given my payment so I lien his papers.

Limber – easily bent

Syn. Flexible, yielding

Ant. rigid, stiff

Use: The police asked from the limber youth and he spit everything he knew about crime.

Limbo – oblivion

Syn. Hell, nothingness

Ant. paradise, surety

Use: After some days our story will be a limbo.

Limitation – that limits freedom

Syn. Restraint, strictness

Ant. freedom

Use: The society has put so many limitations before the girls.

Limpid – easily seen through

Syn. Transparent, clear

Ant. opaque, cloudy

Use: The snow covered the limpid glass of the window.

Linger – to seem long

Syn. Dally, dawdle

Ant. hasten, hurry

Use: He was lingering in the market when I found him.

Listlessness – without energy

Syn. Fatigue, laziness

Ant. vigor, energetic

Use: the last night's late party has caused this listlessness.

Literally – exactly corresponding to original

Syn. Letter by letter

Ant. loosely

Use: I must say he is literally a fool, no doubt.

Livid – bluish unhealthy color

Syn. Ashen, paled

Ant. flushed, rosy

Use: I couldn't recognize him as he was looking so livid.

Loath – disinclined, averse

Syn. Indecisive

Ant. eager, inclined

Use: I am loathing with my decision of leaving him.

Lobby – the entrance hall or waiting area

Syn. Foyer, versatile

Ant. exit, departure

Use: I kept on waiting in the lobby for about an hour.

Lout – a rough mannered fellow

Syn. Hulky, boulder

Ant. idol, hero

Use: I was afraid of that lout in the city bus.

Loyalty – fidelity

Syn. Dedication, devotion

Ant. disloyalty

Use: I can never doubt her loyalty.

Lubricant – substance used to oil machine

Syn. Grease, wax

Ant. glue

Use: The shopkeeper sold me some low graded lubricant.

Lucid – clearly expressed, bright

Syn. Beaming, glowing

Ant. dark, dimmed

Use: The mistake was lucid but he was not ready to accept it.

Lucrative – gainful, profitable

Syn. Advantageous, remunerative

Ant. unprofitable

Use: Every investor want to invest in a lucrative share.

Lucre – obtaining of desired

Syn. Gain, proceeds

Ant. lose, lost

Use: The kid beamed on the lucre of the favorite toy.

Ludicrous – ridiculous, laughable

Syn. Absurd, pathetic

Ant. sincere, solemn

Use: His ludicrous efforts to say sorry annoyed me much.

Luminous – shedding light

Syn. Beaming, lucent

Ant. dusky, dull

Use: The luminous house is all I want for Diwali.

Lunatic – having an abnormal state of mind.

Syn. Crazy, paranoid

Ant. rational, lucid

Use: He is behaving like a lunatic as he has not slept for about a week.

Lurid – ghastly, terrible

Syn. Ashen, pale

Ant. clean, modest

Use: Her lurid face made me shiver.

Luscious – richly sweet in taste or smell

Syn. Dainty, savory

Ant. insipid, yucky

Use: I like the luscious biryani she cooks.

Luster – that cause to shine

Syn. Brightness, sheen

Ant. matte

Use: The luster in her eyes beguiled him.

Luxuriant – profuse, florid

Syn. Opulent, prosperous

Ant. sparse, meager

Use: Our luxuriant Company has all the symptoms that it will grow very well in the near future.

M

Macabre – gruesomely imaginative

Syn. Monstrous, terrific

Ant. appealing delightful

Use: The macabre demon in my dream caused me to jump out of the bed.

Madcap – reckless person

Syn. Daredevil, temerarious

Ant. mousy, fearful, scary

Use: A madcap who was finding a way crashed at my place.

Magnanimous – liberal or honorable

Syn. Lordly, ennobled

Ant. debased, dastardly

Use: The old magnanimous kings were very brave.

Magnate – an influential person

Syn. Tycoon, bigwig

Ant. inferior, underling

Use: He is a magnate of the technology industry.

Maintain – to keep up, to assert as true

Syn. Conserve, justify

Ant. disregard, recant

Use: She has maintained herself charming even at the age of fifty.

Majestic – stately, classy

Syn. Elegant, graceful

Ant. tasteless, dowdy

Use: The majestic appearance of the person in portrait shows that they were very wealthy.

Maladjusted – faultily adjusted

Syn. Muddled, messed up

Ant. well adjusted, unneurotic

Use: The guy maladjusted his luggage under his seat and sat opposite me.

Maladroit – bungling, tasteless

Syn. Fumbled, coordinated

Ant. masterly, skillful

Use: I don't understand how he eats such maladroit food from the mess.

Mala fide – having deceptive intentions

Syn. Deceitful, false

Ant. bona fide

Use: His mala fide intentions were clear he was about to spit something painful.

Malevolent – wishing ill to others

Syn. Malicious, malignant

Ant. benevolent, unmalicious

Use: The malevolent wishes of others can't affect us if we are right.

Malice – desire to harm

Syn. Cattiness, malevolence

Ant. cordiality, civility

Use: Our little argument has sown malice in his heart for me.

Malicious – wishing to do harm

Syn. Malignant, hostile

Ant. benevolent, unmalicious

Use: The malicious wishes are ineffective to do any harm to me if I am right.

Malign – to defame, to vilify

Syn. Despiteful, malignant

Ant. benignant, loving

Use: he wanted to malign me in the whole class.

Malodorous – foul smelling

Syn. Stinking, noisome

Ant. aromatic, fragrant

Use: The place was malodorous and seemed like has not been used for a while.

Maneuver – skilful or crafty plan

Syn. Manage, handle

Ant. fumble, mishandle

Use: It was my maneuver to get the deal from them.

Maniacal – being mentally sick

Syn. Delirious, brainsick

Ant. rational, lucid

Use: The maniacal guy who wanders on the street always frightens me.

Manumit – to set free

Syn. Liberate, uncage

Ant. confine, restrain

Use: His manumit was necessary for the gang to face rivals.

Marrow – the best part

Syn. Heart, essence

Ant. outskirts, periphery

Use: To care someone without any reason is the marrow in life.

Marsupial – a pouched mammal

Syn. Kangaroo, possum

Use: Kangaroo is a marsupial and is found only in Australia.

Mascot – something that brings luck

Syn. Amulet, charm, talisman

Ant. hex, jinx

Use: I don't believe in these things like mascots.

Maverick – deviating from common

Syn. Unorthodox, apostate

Ant. confirming, conventional

Use: Why annoyed with my maverick thoughts? Not levying them on anyone?

Meager – less than the required

Syn. Insufficient, sparse

Ant. bountiful, abundant

Use: The food was meager but the poor child did not say anything.

Meddle – to busy oneself unduly with

Syn. Interfere, mess

Ant. eschew, overlook

Use: Those boys were meddling with us without any cause.

Medieval – pertaining to Middle ages

Syn. Primitive, antique

Ant. modern, current

Use: We went to Bhimbetka in order to see medieval things.

Mediocre – of moderate degree

Syn. Middling, fine

Ant. special, distinguished

Use: His mind works only like a mediocre and can't think anything extraordinary.

Mellifluous – very good or sweet

Syn. Melodic, lyrical

Ant. discordant, unlyrical

Use: There was coming a mellifluous sound from the neighborhood.

Mellow – soft or pleasant in effect

Syn. Mellifluous, mild

Ant. rough, harsh

Use: The mellow voice of the singer was appreciated by all.

Menace – indication of an evil to come

Syn. Danger, threat

Ant. shield, shelter

Use: The little boy in the neighborhood is a real menace.

Mendacious – given to lying or telling untruth

Syn. False, untrue

Ant. candid, truthful, honest

Use: His mendacious habits have caused him to be termed as a "Liar King".

Mercy – a gentle attitude towards an undeserving

Syn. Pity, kindness

Ant. antipathy, enmity

Use: Sometimes mercy on a wrong person can cause regret later.

Meridian – full splendor

Syn. Apex, crown, prime

Ant. nadir, base

Use: The sun was at its meridian when I left the house.

Merit – commendable quality

Syn. Distinction, virtue

Ant. demerit, flaw

Use: The merit of technology can't be counted on fingertips.

Messenger – bearer of a message

Syn. Agent, mailman

Ant. receiver

Use: I was angry as the mailman came with a negative answer.

Metamorphic – formed due to natural agents

Syn. Adaptable

Ant. non metamorphic

Use: There is a metamorphic statue in this temple which is very beautiful.

Metaphors – an implied comparison

Syn. Symbol, image

Ant. unlikeness

Use: Warriors are metaphors of bravery and vigor.

Mete out – to distribute

Syn. To apportion, deal out

Ant. misallocate, withhold

Use: He was there to mete out our degrees.

Miasma – noxious smell

Syn. Steam, vapor, stink

Ant. perfume, aroma

Use: This miasma was due to the boiling of chicken in the kitchen.

Miffed – irritated

Syn. Distressed, offended, hurt

Ant. happy

Use: She was miffed by the confrontation of her little sister.

Migration – to go from one place to another

Syn. Relocate, wander

Ant. stay, stop

Use: Migration of birds is necessary in the time of snow.

Minatory – that causes threat

Syn. Menacing, dreary

Ant. unthreatening, hopeful

Use: That guy from the biker gang is a minatory for me.

Mingy – who saves money

Syn. Mean, miserly

Ant. extravagant, spendthrift

Use: It is very difficult to get any contribution from that mingy woman.

Minuscule – very small, little

Syn. Minute, tiny, micro

Ant. Giant, grandeur

Use: Those minuscule pixies actually exist.

Minute – getting into details

Syn. Detailed, particular

Ant. brief, concise, compact

Use: The CBI Officers asked every minute details about the incident.

Minutiae – very precise detail

Syn. Trivial, small

Ant. generality

Use: he wanted to know the minutiae about me.

Miraculous – supernatural

Syn. Wonderful, unearthly

Ant. ordinary, prosaic

Use: The miraculous magic he did proves that he deserve to be called a wizard.

Mirth – being amused, glee

Syn. Festivity, merriment

Ant. blues, sadness, gravity

Use: The mirth on the bride's face was evident.

Misconstrue – to mistake meaning of

Syn. Misinterpret, misunderstand

Ant. apprehend, make out

Use: He misconstrued what I said and now he is angry.

Misfortune – ill fortune, bad luck

Syn. Calamity, mishap

Ant. fortune, luck

Use: it is my misfortune that I refused to go on the tour.

Mislead – to give a wrong impression

Syn. Beguile, delude, deceive

Ant. divulge, disclose, expose

Use: The accountant was trying to mislead us by silly excuses.

Misplace – to put in wrong place

Syn. Absent, lost

Ant. protected, possessed

Use: My watch was misplaced by myself and now I was getting worried.

Missionary – who works for religious mission

Syn. Pastor, clergyperson

Ant. devil

Use: The hall was booked for a function by the missionaries.

Mitigate – to reduce the severity

Syn. Abate, ease, soothe

Ant. aggravate, intensify

Use: The Advil helped to mitigate the headache and dizziness.

Modest – not excessive

Syn. Reasonable, moderate

Ant. excessive, extreme

Use: I like his sister as she is very modest and not showy like him.

Modicum – a little or small quantity

Syn. Fraction, fragment

Ant. plentiful, enough

Use: The modicum food on her plate justify why she is so skinny.

Modish – as pr the new trends

Syn. Fashionable, stylish

Ant. unmodish, unchic

Use: That modish celebrity is going to get on the cover page of the magazine.

Modulate – to change the key

Syn. To attune to adapt

Ant. amplify, accretion

Use: He modulated the plan of the tour without even asking me.

Moisten – to wet in a small degree

Syn. Damp, soak

Ant. dry, parch

Use: I moistened my napkin and put it on my neck as it was so hot on the pitch.

Molecules – a small part or fragment

Syn. Bit, granule, morsel

Ant. abundance, loads

Use: The molecules of the broken glass were still lying on the floor.

Molest – to cause intentional annoyance

Syn. Harass, abuse

Ant. guard, support

Use: When he try to molest me in the office I complained against him.

Mollify – to calm down

Syn. Appease, pacify, placate

Ant. enrage, inflame

Use: I tried to mollify the Dad as he was angry with neighbor who parked his car in our lot.

Momentous – of great importance

Syn. Consequential, significant

Ant. negligible, trivial

Use: The momentous decision to stay changed my whole life.

Monger – dealer

Syn. Trader, vendor, merchant

Ant. customer, payer

Use: I don't trust these mongers who sells their stuff on the roadside at low prices.

Monitor – to keep an eye on

Syn. Notice, observe, supervise

Ant. neglect, ignore

Use: they have got CCTVs in the store to monitor all the activities.

Monochrome – one color picture or design

Syn. Solid, self

Ant. multi colored, rainbow

Use: The artist knows how to create magic in a monochrome.

Monologue – where only one person speaks

Syn. Soliloquy, address

Ant. dialogue, conversation

Use: the chief guest came on the stage after the monologue and started to talk.

Monotonous – unvarying in tone

Syn. Wearisome, uninteresting

Ant. interesting, involving

Use: The monotonous music in the restaurant was making it much boring to sit there.

Moor – an area with no trees

Syn. Grassland, heath

Ant. forest

Use: He asked her to accompany a walk on the moor.

Mope – to be spiritless

Syn. Linger, saunter

Ant. hustle, sprint

Use: He was moping in the snowy street.

Mordant – stinging of pain

Syn. Acidic, biting

Ant. mild, cordial

Use: The mordant shackles were cutting into my skin as I pulled against them.

Moribund – likely soon to perish

Syn. Expiring, declining

Ant. existing, decline

Use: I couldn't mat my grandma when she was moribund.

Morose – of bitter unsociable temper

Syn. Cheerless, desolate

Ant. buoyant, cheerful

Use: That morose always spoil my mood.

Morphine – narcotic principle of opium

Syn. Drug, hypnotic

Use: they slipped some morphine in her drink.

Mortgage – putting property as security

Syn. Pledge, title

Ant. redeem

Use: he has nothing left after he mortgaged his property for a new loan.

Mosey – to walk very slowly

Syn. Saunter, drift

Ant. sprint, hurry

Use: The mosey procession had occupied the whole street.

Motivate – to supply a motive

Syn. Innervate, inspire

Ant. discourage, dishearten

Use: His speech couldn't do anything to motivate me.

Mottled – having heterogeneous colors

Syn. Diversified, blotted

Ant. monochrome, solid

Use: Her mottled dress was like somebody has puked on it.

Mound – a heap of earth

Syn. Stack, pile

Ant. flat, plain

Use: She made a useless effort to hide behind the mound.

Mourn – to grieve for the loss of

Syn. Lament, moan

Ant. cheer, gain, delight

Use: The dog was mourning as one of its puppy died.

Muggle – having no special qualities

Syn. Common, mediocre

Ant. special, distinct

Use: Those muggles don't want to try their hand on anything.

Mumble – inarticulate or indistinct talk

Syn. Murmur, chatter

Ant. clamor, loud

Use: He was mumbling on the phone about a package

Mundane – to do with earthly things

Syn. Worldly, prosaic

Ant. extraordinary, lofty

Use: His habits and doings were not mundane and always created doubt.

Munificent – liberal in giving'

Syn. Bounteous, charitable

Ant. frugal, niggardly

Use: Some munificent persons daily come here to distribute food to these beggars.

Murky – full with darkness

Syn. Cloudy, misty

Ant. radiant, alight

Use: The house was in a murky place.

Muss – to disarrange

Syn. Disorder, mess, muddle

Ant. orderliness, arrange

Use: The thieves muss all the house and took away all my money.

Muster – to bring or come together

Syn. Congregation, meeting'

Ant. single, unit

Use: it is very difficult to muster little children.

Mutinous – who is rebellious

Syn. Treacherous, revolutionary

Ant. compliant, obedient

Use: Being mutinous for your rights is not wrong.

Mutual – for each other

Syn. Combined, consensual

Ant. unilateral, solitary

Use: There is a mutual liability of all the partners in the firm.

Myriad – of many kind

Syn. Various, sundry

Ant. sole, alone

Use: There are myriad problems associated with today's kids.

Mystic – of hidden meaning

Syn. Cryptic, occult

Ant. evident, obvious

Use: I couldn't understand the mystic words of the wizard.

N

Nab – catch in wrong doing

Syn. Arrest, seize

Ant. Release, liberate

Use: They nabbed him when he was altering the vouchers.

Nadir – the lowest point

Syn. Depth, zero

Ant. Zenith, apex

Use: He has gone to nadir character wise

Naïve – artless, amusingly simple

Syn. Innocent, natural

Ant. Polished, refined

Use: Her naïve little face caught his attention.

Narcotic – inducing sleep or drowsiness

Syn. Sedative, anesthetic

Ant. Awakening, arousing

Use: Mushrooms with vinegar have a narcotic effect.

Naff – inferior

Syn. Shabby, low grade

Ant. Excellent, first-rate

Use: The naff people needs to be educated.

Natty – trim in style

Syn. Elegant, orderly

Ant. Messy, rumpled

Use: That natty woman shopped almost half the cosmetic store.

Nebulous – having a vague meaning

Syn. Cryptic, disguised

Ant. Clear, obvious

Use: I was not going to change my mind by his nebulous talking.

Necromancy – wizardry

Syn. Mascot, incantation

Ant. Science

Use: He does not believe in necromancy.

Nefarious – wicked, evil

Syn. Immoral, unethical

Ant. Moral, ethical

Use: The freedom has led her to nefarious ways.

Negate – to deny or contradict

Syn. Controvert, cancel

Ant. Allow, permit

Use: My boss negated my request for leave.

Neglect – not to pay attention

Syn. Desolation, abandonment

Ant. upkeep

Use: this is not right to neglect a weak student in class.

Negligent – that need not be taken care of

Syn. Disregardful, slack

Ant. Attentive

Use: He was so negligent towards the neighbor's dog which they left with him for a while.

Negotiate – to deal successfully with

Syn. Bargain, work out

Ant. Mishandle, bungle

Use: He succeeded in bagging the deal by negotiation.

Nestle – To settle comfortably

Syn. Lodge, emplace

Ant. Separate

Use: She nestled the child in crèche to complete her work.

Nether – lowest

Syn. Inferior

Ant. Superior

Use: They went to search for the body in the nether of the valley.

Nettle – to stir to slight anger

Syn. Vex, disquiet

Ant. Please, comfort

Use: Even the shortest mistake is enough to nettle him.

Never – not ever

Syn. Not, rarely

Ant. Ever, forever

Use: She promised me to never steal again.

Nifty – marvelous, fashionable

Syn. Chic, smart

Ant. Unpleasant

Use: The entry of that nifty girl was enough to distract half of the class.

Niggardly – meanly covetous

Syn. Uncharitable

Ant. Beneficent, liberal

Use: His niggardly habits has made him quiet infamous.

Niggle – to fiddle

Syn. Criticize, complain

Ant. Commend

Use: He has nothing to do except niggling about everything.

Nihilism – a doctrine that nothing has real existence

Syn. Atheism, disbelief

Ant. Faith, belief

Use: His nihilism is often criticized.

Nimble – quick in motion or mind

Syn. Brainy, brilliant

Ant. Foolish, ignorant

Use: He is selected as he is nimble than all other candidates.

Nit-wit – lacking sense, stupid

Syn. Blockhead, dumb

Ant. Genuine, intellect

Use: Oh please! Don't talk to me about that nit-wit.

Nix – unwilling to accept or grant

Syn. Disapprove, reject

Ant. Allow, grant

Use: The judge is nix on the murderer's release.

Nocturnal – of or related to night

Syn. Nighttime, midnight

Ant. Noon, diurnal

Use: It is not decent to disturb someone at the nocturnal time.

Noisome – noxious, disgusting

Syn. Abhorrent, toxic

Ant. Appealing, alluring

Use: The dead body is smelling noxiously as it was lying there for three days.

Nominal – existing in name or word only

Syn. Virtual, presumed

Ant. Real, true

Use: It is mandatory to record some assets at their nominal value.

Nonchalant – indifferent, cool

Syn. Disinterested, casual

Ant. Attentive, keen

Use: He was nonchalant towards the holiday plan.

Nonplussed – perplexed

Syn. Baffled, bewildered

Ant. Composed, untroubled

Use: he left me nonplussed with his arguments and logic.

Notoriety – known to deserve an ill name

Syn. Celeb, parsonage

Ant. Mediocre, nobody

Use: His lavish habits have made him notoriety.

Notorious – known for something discreditable

Syn. Disregardful, infamous

Ant. Reputable, decent

Use: The notorious student's complaint has been sent to his parents.

Novice – a beginner

Syn. Apprentice, freshman

Ant. Expert, old hand

Use: He is a novice ion this field.

Noxious – bad for body

Syn. Noisome, unhealthy

Ant. Hygienic

Use: The cigarette is noxious for health.

Nuclear – main, principle

Syn. Paramount, silent

Ant. Secondary

Use: The nuclear aim of the event is to gather some money for the poor.

Nullify – to put an end, to render void

Syn. Dissolve, abolish

Ant. Establish, formalize

Use: The defense lawyer tried hard to nullify the objections against his client.

Numerous – containing many units

Syn. Multiple, many, multifold

Ant. Few, limited

Use: There were numerous bats in the basement.

Numskull – stupid

Syn. Jerk, blockhead

Ant. Genius

Use: That numskull was not at all invited.

O

Oaf – an awkward lout

Syn. Clumsy, brute

Ant. Smart, handsome

Use: How could I choose that oaf for the rest of my life.

Obdurate – hardened against good

Syn. Compassionless, heartless

Ant. benevolent, compassionate

Use: Still so many people in the society are obdurate for love marriages.

Obeisance - act of respect

Syn. Respect, homage

Ant. disrespect, condescend

Use: He laughs on my obeisance for nature.

Obfuscate – to confuse

Syn. Complicate, entangle

Ant. simplify, clarify

Use: The choice between these two dresses has obfuscated me.

Objurgate – to scold, to chide

Syn. Condemn, censure

Ant. cite, applause

Use: dad objurgated me as I arrived late from the party.

Obliterate – to rub out.

Syn. Efface, erase, eradicate

Ant. conserve, protest

Use: I have tried hard to obliterate his memories.

Oblivion – state of being forgotten

Syn. Forgetfulness, ignorance

Ant. remembrance, memory

Use: The Company needs to change its policies else it will fade away into oblivion.

Oblong – elongated

Syn. Elliptical, longish

Ant. shorten, curtail

Use: The schedule of our exams is oblong to next week.

Obnoxious – objectionable

Syn. Offensive, displeasing

Ant. congenial, inoffensive

Use: Marigold flowers are obnoxious for me.

Obscure – not having a clear meaning

Syn. Ambiguous, cryptic

Ant. clear, obvious

Use: Whatever that tarot reader said was so obscure for me.

Obsequious – meanly, compliant

Syn. Sycophantic, servile

Ant. disobedient, rebellious

Use: I don't want any obsequious staff in my office.

Observe – to take notice

Syn. Watch, perceive

Ant. disregard, neglect

Use: my only job was to observe the workers that they work properly.

Obsessive – having an irresistible need

Syn. Compulsive, driven

Ant. resistible

Use: I don't think I am wrong if I am obsessive with my work.

Obstacle – a hindrance in way

Syn. Impediment, blockage

Ant. incentive, assistance

Use: I am ready to face every obstacle that comes in my way.

Obstinate – not easily subdued

Syn. Headstrong, self-opinionated

Ant. compliant, flexible

Use: it is not easy to deviate an obstinate girl like me.

Obstreperous – causing loud noise

Syn. Cocipherous, clamorous

Ant. silent, hushed, quiet

Use: The obstreperous procession woke me up in the morning.

Obstruct – to prevent the progress

Syn. Cramp, hamper, restrain

Ant. clear, make way

Use: The IInd group is obstructing his CA Final.

Obverse – counter part of a fact

Syn. Contrary, opposite

Ant. duplicate, ersatz

Use: My sister has an obverse nature than mine.

Obviate – to get rid of, to prevent

Syn. Avert, negate

Ant. foster, facilitate

Use: It is not easy to obviate the habit of waking up late.

Obvious – without any doubt

Syn. Clear cut, evident

Ant. dubious, cloudy, cryptic

Use: It is obvious that I will attend her marriage as she is my best friend.

Occasionally – at particular times

Syn. Now and then, seldom

Ant. often, routinely

Use: We just met occasionally, it was not a plan.

Occident – the western part

Syn. Sunset, westward

Ant. sunrise, east

Use: She said that she will decide something special for the occident part of the house.

Occult – difficult to understand

Syn. Mystic, cryptic

Ant. clear, apparent

Use: Mathematics is occult for me.

Occupation – possession

Syn. Occupancy, residency

Ant. ejection, vacating

Use: The landlord gave us the house but he was not very happy with such occupation.

Oceanography – related to seas and oceans

Syn. Aquatic, marine

Use: His obsession for oceanography was not much supported by his family.

Octagon – having eight sides and angles

Syn. Octave, eight

Use: It was an octagon shaped box placed on her table.

Odious – deserving hatred

Syn. Awful, disgusting

Ant. appealing, delightful

Use: The odious terrorist deserved to be hanged.

Odium – widespread dislike or reprobation

Syn. Disesteem, disrepute

Ant. esteem, admiration

Use: I can't understand how my result is odium for the family.

Odor – smell, scent

Syn. Fragrance, aroma

Ant. stink, sully

Use: I am allergic to the odor of lavender.

Offbeat – different from normal

Syn. Odd, unusual

Ant. regular, usual

Use: The music was a little offbeat in the club.

Offence – illegal act

Syn. Crime, misdeed

Ant. morality, virtue

Use: Criminals are not afraid of the police and that's why offences are increasing.

Offensive – disrespectful

Syn. Displeasing, detestable

Ant. pleasing, kind, nice

Use: She was getting offensive as she was much drunk.

Offhand – without any preparation

Syn. Unpremeditated, impulsive

Ant. planned, considerate

Use: My offhand trips to different cities are the best thing in my life.

Offload – to lessen the burden

Syn. Discharge, eliminate

Ant. imposition, encumbrance

Use: I helped him to offload his work.

Offset – to reduce the adverse effect

Syn. Balance, counter

Ant. harm

Use: Her permission for me to stay in offset half of my problem.

Offspring – upcoming generation

Syn. Descendants, progeny

Ant. forefather, ancestor

Use: Parents grow up their offspring to make them able.

Often – at short intervals

Syn. Frequently, repeatedly

Ant. rarely, seldom

Use: He comes to meet me often.

Omega – last of a series

Syn. End, conclusion

Ant. start, inception, alpha

Use: You can never count to the omega of the stars.

Onerous – burdensome

Syn. Brutal, hard handed

Ant. genial, agreeable

Use: Her parents made her married to a onerous guy who keeps ordering her around.

Onslaught – a fierce attack

Syn. Assault, strike

Ant. shield, protection

Use: Our bowlers' onslaught got the rival team on their knees.

Onus – the responsibility for a blunder

Syn. Stain, guilt, blame

Ant. innocence

Use: I knew it that the onus was upon me of getting drunk.

Oodles – super abundance

Syn. Fistful, enough

Ant. scarce, ounce

Use: I couldn't handle the oodles of wealth he was pouring on me.

Oomph – energy in body

Syn. Vigor, vitality

Ant. laziness

Use: The athletes' oomph is really something admirable.

Opalescent – pearl white

Syn. Pearlescent, iridescent

Ant. dull

Use: My mom bought me an opalescent dress for my birthday.

Opaque – not clear

Syn. Obscure, vague

Ant. transparent, clear

Use: The opaque and tinted glass didn't let me see the guy's face.

Oppose – to set against

Syn. Resist, counter

Ant. succumb, surrender to

Use: It is not easy to oppose the whole society.

Opponent – rival of other

Syn. Adversary, hostile, foe

Ant. friend, partner

Use: The opponent participant looked at me like a hawk.

Opportunity - A favorable juncture

Syn. chance, well-timed

Ant. threat

Use: It was a great opportunity for me.

Oppressors – who treats with harshness or injustice

Syn. Tyrannize, tyrant

Ant. benefactor, liberator

Use: When it comes to my rights my mom is like an oppressor.

Opprobrium – reproachful language

Syn. Scurrility, disgrace

Ant. glory, esteem

Use: Never imagined he could use such opprobrium in my presence.

Optimistic – one who thinks all good

Syn. Encouraging, hopeful

Ant. pessimistic, discouraging

Use: My being optimistic helps me very much.

Opulent – having much wealth

Syn. wealthy, prosperous

Ant. poor, penniless

Use: Being an opulent is of no use if you are such a miser.

Oracular – of doubtful meaning

Syn. Prophetic, dogmatic

Ant. discrete, conclusive

Use: Boys and their oracular jobs are really annoying.

Orbit – an area or boundary

Syn. Circumference, dominion

Ant. interior

Use: All the celestial bodies keep moving in their orbits.

Ordain – to settle authoritatively

Syn. Command, mandate

Ant. cancel, nullify

Use: he ordained me to stay at his place as I was not feeling well.

Ordinance – a statute, a decree

Syn. Rule, law

Ant. bafflement, havoc

Use: The ordinance of school requires us to attend the school meeting.

Orgy – celebration related to sensual enjoyment

Syn. Debauchery, carousal

Ant. abstinence, celibacy

Use: Our orgy whole night cause problems to our neighbors.

Origin – the point of start or invention

Syn. Inception, genesis

Ant. end, conclusion

Use: The origin of the talk was office which turned to argument.

Ornamental – beautifying, ornate

Syn. Embellishing, decorating

Ant. plain, unembellished

Use: The ornamental picture of the old queen was astonishing.

Ornate – richly adorned

Syn. Spectacular, flamboyant

Ant. plain, unadorned

Use: The ornate bride was looking so pretty.

Osmosis – a separation to percolate and mix

Syn. Transit, transference

Ant. disperse

Use: I tried to put an osmosis between my friend that lewd guy.

Ostensible – apparent and not real

Syn. Assumed, evident

Ant. hidden, unapparent

Use: It is ostensible from her look that she is much arrogant.

Ostentatious – which displays pretentiously

Syn. Gaudy, flamboyant

Ant. unflashy, plain

Use: She is very ostentatious about her new car.

Ostracize – to expel from society

Syn. Cast out, exclude

Ant. embrace, welcome

Use: They have been ostracized from the industry for cheating.

Outbreak – breaking out

Syn. Eruption, outburst

Ant. calm, doldrums

Use: The door opened and some masked guys out broke with guns in their hands.

Outcry – cry of distress

Syn. Clamor, uproar

Ant. murmur, rumbling

Use: I heard the outcry on the door and hurried towards it.

Outlast – to exceed in duration

Syn. Endure, perpetuate

Ant. fall apart, succumb

Use: Their marriage outlasted for about 60 years which is pretty good time.

Outmoded – which is outdated

Syn. Kaput, obsolete

Ant. current, recent

Use: The outmoded phones with keypad can still be found with some people.

Outrage – forcible violation of other's rights or sentiments

Syn. Lividity, anger

Ant. patience, calm

Use: His outrage was something I couldn't bear so I left.

Outstanding – still unsettled

Syn. Mature, prominent

Ant. cleared, average

Use: I have some outstanding matters to deal with before I leave the town.

Oval – shaped like an egg

Syn. Elliptic, ovate

Use: We gifted her an oval photo frame with beautiful pearl work around it.

Overlook – to take no notice of

Syn. Disregard, neglect

Ant. notice, respect

Use: I got it that he was trying to overlook his wounds which were hurting him badly in heart.

Overt – openly done

Syn. Apparent, public

Ant. concealed, private

Use: The Company's manufacturing process were all overt as they believed in all quality.

Overture – open up for negotiations

Syn. Bid, forward

Ant. conclusion, end

Use: An overture from either side was required to end this fight.

Overweening – thinking too much of oneself

Syn. Arrogant, pompous

Ant. modest, humble

Use: The overweening celebrity left the party in between.

Overwrought - suffering from excitement

Syn. Anxious, frenzied

Ant. serene, tranquil

Use: I was so overwrought from my result that I forgot I have to tell him.

Overwhelm – to bury beneath

Syn. Oppress, overpower

Ant. comforting, vacillant

Use: I was so overwhelmed by his confession that I started to cry.

P

Painstaking – something that reduce pain

Syn. Careful, industrious

Ant. Careless, unmindful

Use: His being with me was painstaking in itself.

Paint – to beautify with colors

Syn. color, compose, decorate

Ant. uncover, reveal

Use: She used to paint the walls with her name in different styles.

Palatial – showing richness like a palace

Syn. luxuriant, plush

Ant. austere

Use: Just want to have a palatial bungalow like the one I saw in my dream.

Palette – a pack of something

Syn. an artist's palette for holding colors

Use: It was evident from his palette that he has just finished a picture.

Palliate – to cover up or to alleviate

Syn. disguise, conceal, cloak

Ant. accuse, blame, condemn

Use: I palliated the puppy under my bed as Mom was coming.

Pallid – deficient in color, wan

Syn. ashen, sickly looking

Ant. rosy, blooming, glowing

Use: I was frightened with my own pallid face when I was severely ill.

Palpable – that can be touched or verified

Syn. Clear, obvious, tangible

Ant. Vague, unclear, intangible

Use: A spirit is not palpable.

Palpitate – beat at a rapid pace, to throb

Syn. pound, pulsate, quiver

Ant. still

Use: My heart was palpitating while watching that horror movie.

Paltry – deserving disgust or loathing

Syn. mean and trivial, contemptible

Ant. commendable, admirable

Use: He has been a paltry since he was caught stealing in office.

Pamper – to gratify to the full, fulfilling every needs

Syn. to coddle, to overindulge

Ant. ignore, withhold

Use: It is not right to pamper the kids too much.

Pamphlet – a thin paper covered body

Syn. booklet, brochure

Use: I saw that ad in a pamphlet.

Pandemonium – scene of anarchy, abode of demons

Syn. turmoil, uproar

Ant. peace, stillness

Use: Better in our city than the life in a pandemonium state like Bihar.

Panel – a group of jury person

Syn. committee, assembly

Use: I was also selected as a jury in the panel.

Paraffin – a waxy distilled substance

Syn. paraffin oil, petroleum

Use: We are searching for some new paraffin dealers.

Paragon – some perfect, a model of excellence

Syn. classic, patron, ideal

Ant. flaw, abhor, actual

Use: The queen is really a paragon of grace.

Paralyze – powerless, unable to move

Syn. Palsy, disable, immobilize

Ant. Energize, empower, vitalize

Use: It was difficult for everyone to see him lying in paralyzed manner.

Paramount – possessing the highest title

Syn. eminent, supreme, superior

Ant. inferior, inconsiderable

Use: Grandpa was the paramount person in our family.

Paranoia – emotional disorder, mental illness

Syn. craziness, delusions

Ant. healthy, fit

Use: The lack of sleep has caused him this paranoia.

Parched – to dry by exposure

Syn. scorched, waterless

Ant. moist, wet, damp

Use: My throat was parched from walking miles in that desert.

Parliamentarian – related to parliament

Syn. jurisdictional, senatorial

Use: These parliamentarians have no other work than making these silly laws.

Parlous – hard to deal with, dangerous

Syn. surprisingly clever, delicate

Ant. harmless, safe, innocent

Use: The hostel warden is a parlous if we get late.

Parsimonious – one who avoids waste, frugal

Syn. prudent, saving, tightfisted

Ant. generous, lavish, liberal

Use: Being parsimonious is not bad, but not everywhere.

Pertness – impudence

Syn. audacity, boldness

Ant. shyness, timidity

Use: She has learned that pertness since she has gone to hostel.

Passage – crossing from one place to another

Syn. path, gateway, boulevard

Ant. whole, barrier

Use: We escaped through that passage behind her home.

Passé – old-fashioned, outdated

Syn. extinct, obsolete

Ant. fashionable, new

Use: The fashion of those passé loafers is again in the trend.

Pastoral – of rural life

Syn. countrified, nonurban

Ant. urban, urbanized

Use: he has lived that pastoral life and is not ready to change as per the city.

Pathetic – appealing to compassion, deserving pity

Syn. Miserable, pitiful, poor

Ant. Heartwarming, delightful, pleasant

Use: The animals in the zoo are in a pathetic condition.

Patience – endurance under pain or weariness

Syn. tolerance, bearing

Ant. impatience, resistance

Use: I was losing my patience as the time of result was coming soon.

Patricide – the murderer of own father

Syn. carceral, decedent

Use: The court sentenced death to the patricide culprit.

Pattern – a usual manner

Syn. model, fashion

Ant. unusual

Use: It was an old pattern of his mornings.

Patriotic – having love for one's country

Syn. nationalist, loyal

Ant. unpatriotic

Use: It is not only the soldiers who should be patriotic but every single person of the country.

Patter – an informal conversation

Syn. chitchat, chatter

Ant. silence, quiet

Use: I asked them to leave as they were pattering in the library.

Paucity – scarcity, falling small of a required amount

Syn. crunch, deficit, lack

Ant. abundance, surplus

Use: The paucity of the money was hindrance in the opening of showroom.

Pavement – paved footway

Syn. footpath, causeway

Ant. ceiling

Use: There was a group of some volunteers chatting on the pavement.

Peasant – a country man

Syn. rustic, rural

Ant. gentleman, noble

Use: The city traders used to cheat the innocent peasants.

Peculiar – different from the normal

Syn. bizarre, strange

Ant. common, normal

Use: My eye caught that peculiar guy who was waiting for his turn for having my autograph.

Pedagogy – science of teaching

Syn. education, literacy

Ant. confusion, ignorance

Use: The teacher of our country needs to learn pedagogy first.

Pedantic – stuck with formal rules

Syn. pompous, bookish

Ant. imprecise, informal

Use: His pedantic habits are not even accepted to his family.

Peerless – unequalled, having no rival

Syn. matchless, unrivaled, unique

Ant. ordinary, inferior

Use: The cooking skills of Vikas Khanna are peerless.

Peevish – easily irritated or annoyed, hard to please

Syn. prickly, petulant

Ant. cordial, genial, agreeable

Use: Kids' play in the garden was annoying the old peevish watchman.

Pegs – a pin for holding

Syn. fastening, attachment

Ant. detachment

Use: The pin was lying on the floor and I stepped onto it.

Pejorative – to treat someone of less importance

Syn. degrading, belittling

Ant. applauding, laudative

Use: The adept writers were treating me in a pejorative manner as I was the youngest writer there.

Pell-mell – in disorderly state

Syn. disorganized, muddled

Ant. ordered, organized

Use: My mom used to scold me about the pell-mell stuff in my room.

Pellucid – free from obscurity, clear

Syn. transparent, crystallizing

Ant. cloudy, opaque

Use: His indication was pellucid for me to run behind my dreams.

Penchant – inclination to something

Syn. leaning, liking

Ant. aversion, disliking

Use: A soldier's penchant to his gun is obvious.

Penitence – sorrow for one's sins

Syn. repentance, shame

Ant. remorselessness, shamelessness

Use: The guy was going to be hanged but still had no penitence.

Penetrable – that provides access

Syn. accessible, permeable

Use: We entered the place through a penetrable window.

Penury – want of necessities of life

Syn. destitution, indigence

Ant. prosperity, luxury

Use: Leave gifts for Christmas, they have got penuries for their sustenance right now.

Perceive – to become aware of

Syn. behold, regard

Ant. disregard, pass over

Use: From their conversation, I perceived that they were medical students.

Perennial – coming year by year

Syn. enduring, ceaseless

Ant. short, casual

Use: It is their perennial celebration.

Perfunctory – done merely to pass muster

Syn. superficial, automatic

Ant. careful, prudence

Use: To grab drink after work was perfunctory for all of them.

Peripheral – to supply extra as per the want

Syn. accessory, additional

Ant. principle, primary

Use: We were provided with peripherals when we bought the microwave.

Perky – high-spirited, active

Syn. energetic, vital

Ant. lazy, lethargic

Use: The perky monkey was amusing the children in the zoo.

Permeable – admitting the passage

Syn. porous, breathable

Ant. nonporous, watertight

Use: The permeable ventilation kept us alive in that packed little place.

Permit – to give permission

Syn. allow, assent

Ant. forbid, prohibit

Use: We required a permit from our parents or guardian to go out.

Perpetual – that is not going to end

Syn. continuous, incessant

Ant. periodic, mortal

Use: Life is uncertain and not perpetual. So live it like it is your last day.

Perplex – to puzzle

Syn. complicate, bewilder

Ant. simplify, enlighten

Use: Her last sentence put me into a perplexed situation.

Persecution – ill-treatment

Syn. infliction, torture

Ant. help, support

Use: His audacious way of talking has led to his persecution by the family.

Perseverance – continuous strive for

Syn. diligence, constancy

Ant. indolence, lethargy

Use: My perseverance for the job at last helped me to grab one.

Persistent – striving even after difficulties

Syn. tenacious, dedicated

Ant. yielding, quitting

Use: At last the persistent mountaineers reached the top.

Personable – good-looking, handsome

Syn. attractive, charming, comely

Ant. disagreeable, unsociable

Use: The personable model is going to be on the cover of the fashion magazine.

Perspire – to sweat

Syn. secrete, be wet

Ant. dry

Use: I was perspiring with the anticipation about my interview.

Persuasive – act of persuading

Syn. influencing, alluring

Ant. prevention

Use: All the evidences were persuasive of his fault.

Perturbed – to throw into confusion, to disturb mentally

Syn. Troubled, flustered, bothered

Ant. Composed, valiant, calm

Use: The choice between the two sarees perturbed her.

Perverse – willfully on the wrong way

Syn. wicked, peevish, mean

Ant. compliant, willing

Use: I knew that it was wrong but I perversely chose the dark path.

Pesky – annoying, vexatious

Syn. frustrating, irritating

Ant. delightful, pleasing

Use: The pesky servant in his shop was about to be punched by me.

Pester – to impose oneself upon

Syn. bother, trouble

Ant. please, console

Use: My aunt is all ready to pester herself on my Daddy.

Phony – fake, pretended behavior for committing fraud usually

Syn. artificially, forged

Ant. real, genuine

Use: The accountant had entered some phony entries and was now trying to hide them.

Piddling – not of much significance

Syn. unimportant

Ant. important, significance

Use: His threat of leaving job was piddling as always.

Pierce – to penetrate

Syn. cutting, stinging

Ant. gentle, mild

Use: her harsh words pierced my heart.

Piffle – silly or common place stuff, contrary to good sense

Syn. humbug, folly

Ant. rationality, sense

Use: Her piffle choice in clothes makes her looking so silly.

Pioneer – explorer, the one who originates

Syn. first, primary, initial

Ant. following, latter

Use: Madam Marie Curie is the pioneer of radium.

Piquant – pungent and sharp

Syn. savory, spicy

Ant. insipid, unsavory

Use: The piquant smell from the kitchen was making me even hungrier

Placate – to reduce the rage

Syn. conciliate, mollify

Ant. infuriate, enrage

Use: To cook his favorite dish is the only way to placate him.

Placid – of a calm and unruffled nature, mild

Syn. composed, collected, peaceful

Ant. fierce, stormy

Use: The placid salesgirl helped me to grab the things of my choice.

Plain – straightforward, clear

Syn. apparent, obvious

Ant. vague, obscured

Use: Her plain answers impressed the interviewer.

Plan – a way of doing things

Syn. strategy, design, scheme

Ant. accident, chance

Use: The plan was to frighten the boy who was annoying our friend.

Plaudits – round of applause

Syn. inuring, commendation

Ant. criticism, disapproval

Use: The plaudits after the play were evident of its being hit.

Plausible – that can be accepted as reasonable, specious

Syn. Believable, presumptive, decisive

Ant. Doubtful, dubious, flimsy

Use: they decided to consider the plausible options he provided to them.

Plead – to make an appeal

Syn. request, petition

Ant. decide, object

Use: There was no use to plead to him as his heart was like a stone.

Pleasure – sensual-gratification

Syn. amusement, solace

Ant. sadness

Use: People go to their deity's place in order to seek mental pleasure.

Plenary – not lacking any part, fully attended

Syn. complete, entire, full

Ant. abbreviated, incomplete

Use: The plenary supermarket had everything we want.

Plentiful – more than full

Syn. ample, abundant

Ant. bare, insufficient

Use: People are not ready to donate even after being plentiful.

Plunder – to steal by open force, to embezzle

Syn. Pillage, rapine, raven

Ant. Gift

Use: They used to plunder as there was no one to question them.

Poignant – sharp to the mind or sense

Syn. Pungent, acute, keen

Ant. Insipid, unaffecting

Use: His scent was very poignant.

Point – an exact moment

Syn. instant, juncture

Ant. middle, nadir

Use: It was the point in our argument that made me to leave at once.

Poised – in a balanced position

Syn. hanged, stabilize

Ant. unbalanced, dizzy

Use: I felt that the axe was poised just above my neck.

Polygon – A shape with many angles and sides

Syn. rectangle, square

Use: A polygon shaped paperweight was lying on his table.

Pompous – showing self-importance

Syn. arrogant, conceited

Ant. plain, modest

Use: The pompous Pope felt himself insulted by Napoleon when he took the crown from him.

Ponderous – showing lack of interest

Syn. dull, heavy, boring

Ant. engaging, involving

Use: I was ponderous for any classes in the summer vacation.

Portend – a significant sign, a prodigy

Syn. Indicate, forecast, bespeak

Ant. sudden

Use: It was a sort of portend that he was not in a very good mood.

Portent – an indication of evil to come

Syn. warning, threat

Ant. hope, doom

Use: The stormy weather was a portent of furious rain.

Portly – bulky, of stately appearance

Syn. heavy, plumpish

Ant. skinny, slender

Use: I was trying to get in but the portly bouncer came in my way.

Portray – to describe the essential points

Syn. depict, delineate

Ant. distort, misstate

Use: The guide was portraying the history as we were rambling in the museum.

Possible – that can exist, practicable

Syn. reasonable, achievable

Ant. impossible, hopeless

Use: it was possible that he could come tonight.

Post – a column for support

Syn. leg, mast

Ant. displace

Use: I hide behind the post as they came searching for me.

Postpone – to put off for future use

Syn. hold, delay

Ant. act, do

Use: The hearing was postponed due to lack of evidences.

Potential – capable of coming into being

Syn. possible, probable

Ant. real, factual

Use: It was not in my potential to deny his request.

Powerful – having great power

Syn. strong, influential

Ant. weak, impotent

Use: The money can make anyone powerful.

Practical – shown by action rather than words

Syn. realistic, feasible

Ant. impossible, impractical

Use: Education is nothing if you don't know the practical use of it.

Precarious – dependent on chance, risky

Syn. ambiguous, perilous

Ant. undoubted, certain

Use: To escape from hostel in the night was precarious but we took the risk and went out.

Precede – to come or go before

Syn. forego, antedate

Ant. succeed, follow

Use: A sluggish guy was preceding me in the queue.

Precipitate – to cause to go hurriedly or violently, done with careless speed

Syn. Rash, hurried, cursory

Ant. deliberate, leisurely, slow

Use: The orders precipitated the proceedings in the case.

Predicament – an unpleasant situation, a dangerous state

Syn. circumstance, dilemma

Ant. solution, good fortune

Use: Much courage is required to get over a predicament.

Predilection – mental preference

Syn. aptitude, favor

Ant. dislike, apathy

Use: My predilection for him was clear enough to raise rumors.

Premature – occurring before the right time

Syn. early, untimely, abrupt

Ant. belated, delayed

Use: The premature attack could be a reason of the failure.

Prescription – an established way

Syn. custom, norm

Ant. lawlessness

Use: The priests always follow all the prescriptions of the church.

Presumptuous – feeling superior over

Syn. arrogant, imperious

Ant. reserved, timid, shy

Use: The presumptuous King ordered the collection of more taxes.

Prevaricate – to make misleading statement

Syn. fabricate, equivocate

Ant. swear, validate

Use: The witness prevaricated in the court on the instructions of the lawyer.

Primitive – pertaining to an early time, ancient

Syn. original, uncivilized, rusty

Ant. Current, modern, new

Use: We were taught about primitive man in school.

Pride – arrogant, bearing

Syn. self-regard, esteem

Ant. modesty, humility

Use: My pride is all I got.

Primitive – of an early time

Syn. crude, unsophisticated

Ant. advanced, modern

Use: Grandma always had some primitive use of the spices in kitchen.

Privilege – peculiar advantage

Syn. birthright, honor

Ant. duty, obligation

Use: They thought I was privileged as My Dad is the Trusty of the University.

Probity – conformity to an accepted standard of right and wrong

Syn. Honesty, integrity, decency

Ant. Indecency, impropriety

Use: Everybody respect her in the office due to her probity.

Proclivity – an inclination to some activity

Syn. leaning, impulse, affection

Ant. aversion, dislike

Use: My proclivity towards writing is not accepted to my dad.

Procrastinate – to put off doing day-to-day things

Syn. postpone, hold off

Ant. quicken, accelerate

Use: I procrastinated my novel work due to my exams.

Prodigy – a miracle, marvelous thing

Syn. portent, enormity

Ant. idiotic, normality

Use: The prodigy about my future was dark and I knew the reason.

Prodigious – causing wonder, astonishment

Syn. amazing, astounding

Ant. tedious, mundane

Use: The prodigious artwork was really very different.

Profess – to declare oneself to be

Syn. admit, assert

Ant. conceal, hide

Use: I professed that I was suffering from Cancer.

Profession – a vocation with academic qualification

Syn. employment, business

Ant. hobby, fun

Use: Our profession doesn't allow us to cheat the clients.

Proficient – fully acquainted

Syn. expert, adept, ace

Ant. amateur, inexperienced

Use: The artwork by a proficient artist was going to be exhibited in the city.

Profligate – a person fallen below moral standard

Syn. backslider, libertine

Ant. saint, conserver

Use: They think me that I am profligate in the company of these bikers.

Profound – deep in skill or knowledge

Syn. scholarly, learned

Ant. superficial, plain

Use: He is profound in teaching and knows how to deal with students.

Profusion – in abundance, lavishly

Syn. heap, good deal

Ant. little, pinch

Use: The profusion of money has changed his whole demeanor.

Prognosis – forecast of course of disease

Syn. diagnosis, retelling

Ant. past, by gone

Use: The doctor's prognosis of me having Hepatitis B was shocking.

Prohibit – to forbid the doing or use of

Syn. Block disallow, prevent

Ant. Allow, permit, push

Use: The govt. is trying hard to prohibit liquor.

Proliferate – sudden increase

Syn. escalate, expand

Ant. decline, decrease

Use: Company's profit has proliferated after the launch of the new product.

Prolong – to cause to continue

Syn. elongate, lengthen

Ant. curtail, reduce

Use: The Defense lawyer's request was to prolong the hearing.

Promote – to help to go forward

Syn. encourage, support

Ant. hinder, discourage

Use: The Ngo's motive is to promote education for all.

Promulgate – to publish as coming into force

Syn. proclaim, announce

Ant. revoke, suppress

Use: The Govt. suddenly promulgated the ban of 500 and 1000 Rupees notes.

Prompt – ready in action

Syn. immediate, quick

Ant. belated, delayed

Use: She was prompt in following the orders.

Prone – lying front downwards

Syn. inclining, flat

Ant. vertical, upright

Use: I stumbled and fell prone on the floor.

Propagation – dissemination

Syn. spreading, circulation

Ant. hide, concealment

Use: The propagation of my engagement to that billionaire was in all the newspapers.

Prophetic – serving as a prediction

Syn. predictive, telling

Ant. promising

Use: The medical certificate was a prophetic evidence of her coming death.

Proponent – a person who favors a cause

Syn. advocator, friend

Ant. rival, opponent

Use: I am a proponent of a secular society.

Preposterous – contrary to reason

Syn. absurd, insane

Ant. reasonable, portent

Use: her explanation was preposterous according to the situation.

Proscribe – to ostracize, to order not to do

Syn. dissuade, ban

Ant. allow, promote

Use: She was proscribed to travel by plane as she is a heart patient.

Prose – unversified-language

Syn. speech, essay

Ant. poetry

Use: She used to write everything in prose.

Prosperous – having growth and well being

Syn. flourishing, thriving

Ant. depressed, unprosperous

Use: I prayed for everyone to be prosperous and happy.

Prosperity – state of being wealthy

Syn. opulence, abundance

Ant. poverty, adversity

Use: The new tax laws does not confirm to prosperity of the poor.

Protean – versatile, able to do many kind of things

Syn. Adept, proficient

Ant. Limited, inexperienced

Use: I want to improve myself and be a protean.

Protest – to offend or oppose

Syn. challenge, debate

Ant. to be with, agree

Use: We should protest against any wrongdoing to us as well as others.

Protract – to extend, to lengthen, deviation

Syn. Defer, elongate

Ant. Curtail, abbreviate

Use: They have protracted the plan for GST.

Provincial – a narrow minded person

Syn. parochial, insular

Ant. cosmopolitan, open-minded

Use: Her provincial did not allowed to study further.

Prowess – bravery combined with skill, valor

Syn. Dauntlessness, courageousness

Ant. Faintheartedness, mousiness

Use: Samson's prowess was famous in the nearby villages.

Provoke – to call forth, to make angry

Syn. Exasperate, affront, aggravate

Ant. Delight, please

Use: Her reply was enough to provoke him.

Proximity – closeness between two

Syn. nearness, vicinity

Ant. remoteness

Use: To watch TV with such proximity causes problems in eyes.

Prudent – discreet, avoiding rashness

Syn. Clever, judgmatic

Ant. Careless, incautious

Use: his prudent nature always saves him conspiracies.

Pseudonym – a fictitious name

Syn. pen name, anonym

Ant. name

Use: Charlotte Bronte used the pseudonym Currer Bell for her novels.

Puddles – a small dirty pool

Syn. basin, pond

Use: The kids were playing in the puddles after the rain has stopped.

Pun – a play on words with more than one meaning

Syn. ambiguity, innuendo

Ant. aphorism

Use: To pun in your answers does not get more marks.

Punctilious – very exact in behavior

Syn. correct, decorous, formal

Ant. Improper, unmannerly, informal

Use: Being in army, they are required to be punctilious.

Punish – handle or test severely

Syn. castigate, charge

Ant. absolve, pardon

Use: I do not want to punish any child but they compel me to do so.

Punitive – designed to punish

Syn. Disciplinary, penalizing

Ant. Non punitive

Use: the punitive rules are required in school.

Puny – undersized, feeble, small

Syn. Weak, dwarfish

Ant. Giant, mammoth

Use: The baby was trying to hold me with the puny hands.

Pupil – a learner

Syn. student, novice

Ant. teacher, professor

Use: In the start, I had only one pupil in my class but things have changed now.

Purgatory – a place of spiritual purging

Syn. hell, inferno

Ant. heaven, paradise, bliss

Use: A severe disease is an experience of purgatory on earth itself.

Purity – free from any physical or moral corruption

Syn. innocence, decorum

Ant. impurity, wickedness

Use: I completely trust the purity of her character.

Putative – supposed, which is evident

Syn. Prima facie, ostensible

Ant. Unapparent, hidden

Use: the putative evident were ignored and the innocent guy is arrested.

Q

Quack – a fake person, pretend to be something else

Syn. Fraud, hoaxer

Ant. Expert, authority

Use: A quack robbed her jewellery by fooling her.

Quadrennial – comprising four years.

Syn. Occurring once in four year.

Use: A leap year comes in quadrennial.

Quaff – drink down in copious draught, drink to the bottom

Syn. Gulp, sip, slurp

Ant. Eject, full, pour

Use: He was so thirsty that he quaffed it in a second.

Quagmire – a situation from which there is no escape

Syn. Dilemma, rattrap

Ant. Solution

Use: His lying habit has put him in this quagmire.

Quail – to drawback in fear

Syn. Flinch, shrink

Ant. Advance, confront

Use: I quailed as I saw a shadow wandering upstairs.

Quaint – daintily odd or old-fashioned

Syn. Bizarre, erratic, eccentric

Ant. Commonplace, routine, prosaic

Use: Everybody looked at her as she entered the hall in a quaint dress.

Qualification – a skill or ability to perform a particular job.

Syn. Capability, expertise.

Ant. Inability, disqualification.

Use: He has got all the qualification for this post.

Qualms – scruple or twinge of conscience

Syn. Dubiety, suspicion

Ant. Confidence, sureness

Use: I have no qualms for what I did.

Quandary – a perplexed state

Syn. Dilemma, quagmire

Ant. Cinch

Use: His question has put me into quandary.

Quantum – a particular mass of matter, required amount

Syn. Measure, quantity, volume

Ant. Part, whole

Use: The quantum of syllabus is too much for the finals.

Quarrelsome – one who is very apt to quarrel.

Syn. Brawly, agonistic, bellicose.

Ant. Affable, amiable, genial.

Use: His mother is called again to school for her quarrelsome son.

Quarry – an intended prey

Syn. Victim, target

Ant. Predator, hunter

Use: The quarry was attacked by a knife.

Quaver – to tremble with fear

Syn. Shiver, vibrate

Ant. Steady, peaceful

Use: She quavered with the harsh voice of his father.

Queasy – causing nausea, feeling uncomfortable

Syn. Upset, sickly

Ant. Settled, well

Use: She left the party as she was a bit queasy.

Queer – to put out of order, whimsical

Syn. Nauseated, queasy, squeamish

Ant. Settled, healthy, well

Use: He is queer for liquor.

Querulous – one who complains a lot.

Syn. Fidgety, grumpy.

Ant. Patient, tolerant.

Use: He can't help it out if his wife is so querulous.

Quibble – to play on words to evade the truth

Syn. Croak, gravel

Ant. Straightforward

Use: She was quibbling to delay their entrance.

Quiescent – being in a state of rest, dormant, silent.

Syn. Lazy, slack, sluggard

Ant. Active, engaged, occupied

Use: He is not well as he is very quiescent from the morning.

Quiet – tranquility, with or without little sound.

Syn. Quiescent, hushful.

Ant. Boisterous, loud, clamorous.

Use: The class became silent as the teacher entered.

Quip – to say something to cause laughter.

Syn. Giggle, mockery

Ant. Misinterpretation

Use: He started to quip as he came to know I was upset.

Quirk – a trick of gesture

Syn. Eccentricity, mannerism

Ant. sameness

Use: It's his quirk that he always carry two watches with him.

Quisling – one who betrays

Syn. Traitor, serpent

Ant. Loyalist

Use: Better being alone than to be with a quisling friend.

Quiver – tremble or vibrate with fear.

Syn. Shudder, shake.

Ant. Still, steadfast.

Use: My heart quivered as daddy shouted on the servant.

Quixotic – aiming at impossible ideas than realistic

Syn. Unrealistic, visionary

Ant. Practical

Use: His quixotic dreams will always be dreams.

Quote – repeat something spoken, to state price of.

Syn. Recite, bid.

Ant. Hide, insert.

Use: The price they quote is high as compared to others.

R

Rabble - gathering, mob, the lower part of the populace.

Syn. Herd, flock, pack.

Ant. Gentlefolk, nobility, peerage.

Use: There is always rabble at places like fair.

Rabid - extremist, revolutionary, furious.

Syn. Violent, headstrong.

Ant. Moderate, conservative.

Use: Her rabid behavior in office caused her lose her job.

Radical – broad- minded

Syn. Nonconventional

Ant. strict, doctrinal

Use: His radical thinking is the reason his daughters are so successful now.

Radioactivity – conductivity

Syn. Heat, energy

Ant. inactiveness

Use: The radioactivity in the atmosphere affects our skin.

Rage – a fit of violent anger

Syn. Delirium, uproar, turmoil

Ant. peace, placidity

Use: His rage is something really intolerable.

Rakish - having or showing a lower moral character or standard

Syn. Demoralized, depraved.

Ant. Ethical, righteous, virtuous.

Use: The party leaders acts in rakish manner while their party promotions for elections.

Rankle - to cause recurring pains, to gnaw at heart.

Syn. Burn, rage, sizzle.

Ant. Soothe, appease, relieve.

Use: His mere appearance make her rankle.

Rapid – fast, speedy

Syn. Prompt, hasty

Ant. crawling, dawdling

Use: The runners were running rapidly towards the end line.

Rapt - to be carried away by emotion or in spirit.

Syn. Rhapsodic, euphoric.

Ant. Disheartened, disconsolate.

Use: She was so rapt after looking her picture in the newspaper as a topper.

Rapture - ecstatic delight, overwhelmed by usually pleasurable emotion.

Syn. Elatedness, euphoria.

Ant. Misery, sadness, desolation.

Use: Having his first kid in arms after so long wait made him rapture.

Raring - enthusiastic, keen

Syn. Eager, willing.

Ant. Reluctant.

Use: The kids were so raring to visit zoo that I couldn't refuse.

Raspy - easily irritated, annoyed.

Syn. Perverse, petulant.

Ant. Cordial, good-tempered,

Use: Ongoing problems in life have made him a bit raspy.

Rather – to a degree or extent, for choice

Syn. Relatively, quite

Ant. very, deadly

Use: I would rather go to home instead of the bar.

Rational, having the ability to reason.

Syn. Sane, logical, analytic.

Ant. Brainless, doltish, illogical.

Use: It is important for the Govt. to deal in a rational manner with Pakistan.

Ratify, bear out, affirm.

Syn. Certify, confirm, consent.

Ant. Disagree, deny.

Use: I just wanted to ratify my mistake.

Rational – having ability to reason

Syn. Reasonable, analytic

Ant. irrational

Use: His rational decision is always welcomed by everyone.

Raucous - being rough ion a high spirited way, knockabout.

Syn. Boisterous, rowdy.

Ant. Sober, solemn, peaceful.

Use: He acted in a raucous way after seeing his son's report card.

Raunchy - depicting sexual matters in a way that is unacceptable in polite society.

Syn. Filthy, dirty, foul.

Ant. Decorous, polite, respectable.

Use: Some people start making raunchy jokes as and when they get opportunity.

Ravel - to separate the strands.

Syn. solve, disentangle.

Ant. Snarl tangle.

Use: He was so determined to ravel her secret.

Ravine – mountain cleft, narrow gorge

Syn. Canyon, crevice

Ant. plain, mound

Use: The car was struck in the ravine where nobody could help.

Raving - showing signs of madness.

Syn. Delirious, wildly.

Ant. Calm, composed.

Use: His behavior was so raving after he drank.

Ravishing - very pleasing to look at.

Syn. Aesthetic beautiful.

Ant. Disgusting, loathsome.

Use: I was so lost in the ravishing face of the child.

Razor – a cutting instrument

Syn. Cutting edge, blade

Ant. blunt, obtuse

Use: She cut her wrist with the razor.

Realized – realization into fact

Syn. Ascertain, discover, learn

Ant. miss, forget, unlearn

Use: I realized it later that I was wrong.

Rebuke – to disapprove publicly

Syn. Reprimand, reprove

Ant. praise, acclamation

Use: The rebuke of convicts by the general public is not right.

Recant – to disallow former opinion

Syn. To detract one's words, repeal, repudiate

Ant. contend, affirm

Use: The lawyer is habitual of recanting his views in the court.

Recapitulate – to go quickly through again

Syn. Brief, abstract

Ant. extend, protract

Use: I recapitulated through the chapter before exam.

Recede – to go or shrink back

Syn. Abate, decline

Ant. emerge, distend

Use: The wound receded automatically.

Recipient – the one who receives

Syn. Receiver, beneficiary

Ant. sender, benefactor

Use: I sent the mail but it never reached to the recipient.

Reciprocal – inversely correspondent

Syn. Mutual, communal

Ant. non reciprocal

Use: There must be reciprocal feelings in any relationship.

Reckless – lack of concern of consequences

Syn. Venturesome, daring

Ant. cautious, responsible

Use: He is reckless and hence he always suffers.

Reckon – to ascertain or decide without actual measurement

Syn. To guess, estimate

Ant. calibrate, measure

Use: I reckoned from a distance that it was him.

Recollect – to call to mind

Syn. Remember, remind

Ant. forget, unlearn

Use: It was hard to recollect what had happened before I became unconscious.

Recondite – difficult to understand prima facie

Syn. Complicated, hard

Ant. easy, simple

Use: The new work was recondite but then I got habitual of it.

Record – to keep a track of

Syn. Documentation, history

Ant. delete

Use: It is the worst job to keep a record of everything in office.

Recoup –to indemnify or provide for a loss

Syn. Compensate, satisfy

Ant. worsen, lose

Use: I told him earlier that he will have to recoup for any damages.

Rectangle – having four corners, a quadrilateral

Syn. A cube, square

Ant. a pyramid

Use: The class learned about the rectangles in school today.

Rectitude – an accepted standard of conduct

Syn. Morality, righteousness

Ant. indecency, indecorum

Use: His deviation from the rectitude was just a start.

Rector – head of an educational or religious institution

Syn. Clergyperson, pastor

Ant. pupil, student

Use: We used to make fun of the rector in our childhood.

Redolent – having a strong pleasant smell

Syn. Aromatic, savory

Ant. skunky, noisome

Use: The redolent perfume filled my nose and I was lost for a moment.

Reek – a foul or stale smell

Syn. Malodorous, vileness

Ant. perfume, fragrance

Use: The filth and garbage was reeking in the whole slum area.

Refine – to make free from defects

Syn. Amend, better, improve

Ant. worsen, damage

Use: It is not easy to refine the yokels.

Reform – to make better

Syn. Refine, improve

Ant. degrade, demean

Use: We are trying to reform the product as per the suggestions.

Refractory – rebellious

Syn. Stubborn, defiant

Ant. disciplined, behaved

Use: The teacher punished the refractory guy and asked him to leave the class.

Refrain – to keep away from doing

Syn. Abstain, cease

Ant. begin, continue

Use: Mom asked the little baby to stay away from the dog.

Refresh – to freshen up, to reanimate

Syn. Recreate, renew

Ant. to wear out

Use: I was working whole of the night and needed to refresh myself.

Refulgent – shine gloriously, casting light

Syn. Glowing, blazing

Ant. unlit, shady

Use: The refulgent decorations were making the church beautiful.

Refurbish – to renew, to renovate

Syn. Mend, restore

Ant. damage, passé

Use: We appointed him to refurbish our house.

Refuse – to decline a request or offer

Syn. Disapprove, reject

Ant. consent, allow

Use: It is not easy to refuse for a job like this.

Regicide – a murderer of an authority

Syn. Parricide, fratricide

Ant. security

Use: The regicides were arrested who killed the Home Minister.

Regimentation – an arrangement or discipline

Syn. Regulization, strictness

Ant. subjugation, disorganization

Use: The new Principal focused on the regimentation of the school.

Rehabilitate – to restore to privileges

Syn. Heal, mend, relieve

Ant. damage, hurt

Use: It was hard for me to rehabilitate from cancer.

Reincarnate – rebirth, renewal

Syn. Materialization, resurrection

Ant. decease, death

Use: It is unbelievable that humans are reincarnated sometimes.

Reinforce – to support or strengthen by man or material

Syn. Substantiate, avouch

Ant. undermine, weaken

Use: The additional forces failed to reinforce us while the battle.

Reinstate – to re-establish

Syn. To put in power again

Ant. to let go, fire

Use: The motive is to reinstate India as a world power.

Reiterate – to repeat, to say several times

Syn. To encapsulate, repeat

Ant. elapse, secrete

Use: She was reiterating her will to go for shopping.

Rejig – to organize again

Syn. To rearrange, alter

Use: It took my whole day to rejig my room after my arrival.

Rejuvenate – the state of coming to former position

Syn. Freshen, renew

Ant. outwear, ruin

Use: Doctor said I will rejuvenate in some time.

Relegate – to force to leave, to exile

Syn. Banish, cast out

Ant. receive, take in

Use: Lord Rama's Mother's will caused him to relegate.

Released – set free, unfastened

Syn. Discharged, free from obligation

Ant. discomforted, tormented

Use: He was going to be released after 10 year of imprisonment.

Relent – to relax severity

Syn. Concede, give in

Ant. resist, thwart

Use: The coach relented us a little after we were completely exhausted.

Reluctant - unwilling to do something

Syn. Reticent, averse

Ant. eager, keen, willing

Use: She was reluctant to go for hiking.

Remedy – something that corrects undesirable

Syn. Antidote, corrective

Ant. disease

Use: There is no remedy available for Hepatitis b.

Remember – to retain in memory

Syn. Recollect, remind

Ant. forget, miss

Use: I used to remember his face due to his smile.

Reminiscence – recovery of facts by mental efforts

Syn. Recollection, remembrance

Ant. forget

Use: The reminiscence was necessary if I wanted to know about myself.

Remiss - negligent, fail to care

Syn. Disregardful, unwary

Ant. attentive, concerned

Use: She is a remiss if it comes to books.

Remnant – small remaining part or piece or group

Syn. Leavings, left over

Ant. main, most

Use: The remnants of the food on my plate caught his eye as I tried to escape.

Remonstrance – to protest, show disapproval

Syn. Objection, challenge

Ant. approval, sanction

Use: The remonstrance of labors was getting worse.

Remonstrate – to make protest with person

Syn. Object, defy

Ant. accept, assent

Use: It was a bad idea to remonstrate for such a trivial matter.

Remorse – bitter repentance of wrong doing

Syn. Regret, guilt

Ant. remorselessness

Use: There is no use to remorse once you have committed the wrong.

Remote – far away, not close

Syn. Distant, isolated

Ant. close, nearby

Use: I was sent in a remote area for survey.

Renaissance – revival of art and architectural dwell

Syn. Glory, pinnacle

Ant. dark age

Use: The period of Napoleon was the Renaissance period for France.

Rend – to split, to cause to separate

Syn. Tear, rupture

Ant. join, mend

Use: And all their efforts succeeded in rending us.

Reneg – to desert or reject a promise

Syn. Recant, back out

Ant. follow, adhere to

Use: He was teasing her for reneging her promise.

Renounce – to give up, surrender

Syn. To cede, resign

Ant. claim, confiscate

Use: She knew it that it was not right to renounce someone else's desire.

Renunciation – giving up, abandonment

Syn. Self-denial, refusal

Ant. embrace, espousal

Use: There was no choice other than to accept the renunciation for playing football until exam.

Repartee – a witty response

Syn. Crack, witticism

Ant. bewilder

Use: The repartee from the culprit shocked everyone in the court room.

Repeal – to break, to put an end

Syn. Revocation, annulment

Ant. initiation, continuation

Use: The decision to repeal business was welcomed by all the partners.

Repellent – uninviting, awful

Syn. Loathsome, objectionable

Ant. alluring, congenial

Use: The smell of drugs in that place was repellent and I just wanted to leave.

Repine – to fret, complain

Syn. Grumble, caterwaul

Ant. accept, rejoice

Use: The children started to repine as their mother entered the house.

Replenish – to fill up again

Syn. To refill, supply

Ant. drain, waste

Use: He was striving to replenish all the wishes of his family.

Replete – filled, having sufficient

Syn. Fully sated, satiate

Ant. famished, empty

Use: It is not easy to replete all the wishes of everyone.

Repress – to put down, to suppress

Syn. Quell, stifle

Ant. support, stir

Use: The hard blow on the nose repressed him to the ground.

Reprive – to suspend or release

Syn. Relief, delay

Ant. charge, punish

Use: He was reprived from the jail to meet his ill mother.

Reproach – to scold or upbraid

Syn. Berate, chastisement

Ant. plaudit, citation

Use: The public reproach by his husband hurt her and she left him.

Reprove – to charge with a fault orally or gently

Syn. Reprimand, rebuke

Ant. praise, extol

Use: Dad rebuked me for my result.

Repugnant – distasteful

Syn. Disgusting, foul

Ant. appealing, inviting

Use: was ill so everything I ate was seeming so repugnant.

Requisition - a formal demand in writing

Syn. Request, solicit

Ant. provision, give

Use: We had filed a requisition for a rebate in the penalty.

Rescind – to render null, to cancel

Syn. Revoke, call off

Ant. take up, continue

Use: The Assessing Officer rescinded our plea.

Rescue – to save from danger or harm

Syn. Safeguard, protection

Ant. imperil, endanger

Use: He entered the burning house in order to rescue the little child.

Resentment – a feeling of indignation

Syn. Affront, displeasure

Ant. pleasure, satisfaction

Use: Her joblessness was the reason of her resentment.

Reservation – something on which an argument depends

Syn. Qualification, condition

Ant. openness, alacrity

Use: Everything was alright in the audit except some of the reservations regarding loans.

Resilience – resuming to the original form

Syn. Elasticity, flexibility

Ant. rigidity, fragility

Use: The resilience of her mood shocked me.

Resistant – one who disobey

Syn. Contrary, defiant

Ant. obedient

Use: My mom is highly resistant for keeping the gun.

Resplendent – shining with brilliant luster

Syn. Blazing, beaming

Ant. dull, cloudy

Use: The resplendent stars were making it even more beautiful in the night.

Respond – to make an answer

Syn. Communicate, retort

Ant. inquire, interrogate

Use: I was in no mood to respond to his mail.

Restive – fretful or obstinate under control

Syn. Uneasy, refractory

Ant. peaceful, tranquil

Use: I was restive to be in the bar of rash bikers.

Restraint – something to limit an action

Syn. Constraints, ban

Ant. freedom

Use: The society put so many restraints in your way if you want to do something different.

Resurrect – spring to life or activity

Syn. Revive, renew

Ant. kill, quench

Use: The doctor resurrected the little cubs.

Retail – to offer to sale in small quantity

Syn. Sell, hawk, trade

Ant. buy, purchase

Use: The profit margin is very small in the retail market.

Retardant – tending to retard or slow down

Syn. To lessen

Ant. to inflame

Use: I put some more oil in the retardant lamp.

Retention – to retain

Syn. Memory, hold

Ant. disposal, discharge

Use: Yoga helped me to improve my retention capacity.

Reticent – reserved in speech

Syn. Taciturn, introverted

Ant. rambling, prolix

Use: They were shocked that a reticent girl like me could deliver such speech.

Retired – secluded

Syn. Cloistered

Ant. visible

Use: I gave my retired shoes to the beggar who was walking bare feet in snow.

Retouch – to improve towards better

Syn. Repair, brush up

Ant. damage, blight

Use: The old house just needed a retouch.

Retrace – to trace back

Syn. Backtrack, retell

Ant. forget

Use: I retraced my memory to recall the face of the guy.

Retract – to take or pull back

Syn. Recant, withdraw

Ant. claim, adhere to

Use: He retracted me or else the car would have hit me.

Retreat – to go back, to move away from difficulty

Syn. Pullout, flinch

Ant. advancement

Use: He retreated from CA course as failed once.

Reveal – to make known

Syn. Disclose, expose

Ant. disguise, conceal

Use: The journalist tried hard to reveal the true face of ministry.

Revelation – to make known something concealed

Syn. Disclosure, divulgence

Ant. concealment

Use: The revelation of my job was a shock for the family.

Revenge – responding to an act with the same

Syn. To avenge, counterattack

Ant. clemency, forgiveness

Use: The gang has decided to revenge for the murder.

Reverent – showing reverence

Syn. The one who respects

Ant. reverend

Use: The reverent students hold a ceremony in order to honor their teacher.

Revolution – a fight against ruler

Syn. Rebellion, mutiny

Ant. counterrevolution

Use: The revolution of 1857 failed due to lack of harmony.

Reserved – uncommunicative

Syn. Reticent, cautious

Ant. vocal, gossipy

Use: Her reserved nature is annoying as she never answers.

Resources – means of supplying a want

Syn. Resort, expedient

Ant. adversity, inability

Use: We had to gather some resources to survive in a place like this.

Reunite – to join again

Syn. Patch up, reunify

Ant. separate, estrange

Use: It was hard to reunite them as they had decided of divorcing.

Revamp – to change in a way

Syn. Alter, modify, change

Ant. stabilize, set

Use: She revamped his whole room.

Revel – to make merry, to carouse

Syn. Frolic, festivity

Ant. grieve, distress

Use: They reveled for the whole night after their graduation.

Revenue – income

Syn. Proceeds, profit

Ant. expenses, outgo

Use: Taxes are a major source of revenue for the Govt.

Rhapsodic – bloated

Syn. Distended, augmented

Ant. shrunken

Use: Her rhapsodic explanation annoyed me.

Ride – to go on a conveyance

Syn. Lift, transportation

Use: We decided to ride his Audi instead of my Mercedes.

Ridge – a long narrow hilltop, a mountain range

Syn. Crease, elevation

Ant. flat, plain

Use: The far away ridges were visible from our hotel room.

Rife – numerous, teeming

Syn. Astir, surfeited

Ant. devoid, vacant

Use: They had rife of bikes in their garage.

Rigid – that cannot be bent

Syn. Strict, punctilious

Ant. flexible, relaxed

Use: The rigid rules of the hostel were too much annoying.

Robotics – done without any thought

Syn. Mechanical, automatic

Ant. calculated, prepared

Use: They had decided to develop robotics who could work for them.

Rogue – one who deceits, a rascal

Syn. Swindler, deceptive

Ant. ethical, honest

Use: A rogue robbed us as we were new in the city.

Romance – a love affair suggesting romance

Syn. Heart affair, amour

Ant. dislike, hatred

Use: The ambience on the boat was suggestive of romance.

Rotund – rounded, plump

Syn. Chubby, corpulent

Ant. lean, slender

Use: The rotund guy blocked my way as I tried to pass them.

Rough – not having a smooth surface

Syn. Coarse, rugged

Ant. flat, smooth

Use: The rough surface of the valley was irritating my feet.

Rout – ignorant people or of the lowest class

Syn. Scum, trashed

Ant. gentlefolk, gentry

Use: The upper class society requires some rout to serve them.

Ruin – fallen or impaired state

Syn. Ruination, undoing

Ant. creation, form

Use: The ruin of his kingdom was sure the King was ignorant of disquiet.

Rustic – a person from a town or country

Syn. Yokel, hayseed

Ant. cosmopolitan, urbanite

Use: His appearance told everything that he was a rustic.

Rusting – the decaying of iron

Syn. Rotting, decaying

Ant. improve, achromatic

Use: The non maintenance of the car has caused rusting on it.

Rustle – the sound of leaves

Syn. Breeze, bustle

Ant. crawl, creep

Use: The rustle in the churchyard made me tremble.

Ruthless – lacking sympathy, merciless

Syn. Hardened, insensate

Ant. kind, clement

Use: His ruthless behavior hurt me.

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Sacred – dedicated to some religion

Syn. Devotional, spiritual

Ant. profane, worldly

Use: It is wrong to hurt someone's sacred feelings.

Sacrilege – to profane the sacred

Syn. Affront, insult

Ant. worship, purification

Use: The sacrilege of Hindu Goddess was the reason of riot.

Sadistic – having desire to make others suffer

Syn. Merciless, brutal, barbarous

Ant. compassionate, sympathetic, tender hearted

Use: I was advised to stay away from that sadistic neighbor.

Sagacity – insight and practical wisdom

Syn. Perception, sapience

Ant. foolishness

Use: Her sagacity during any emergency is really admirable.

Salient – which is important

Syn. Prominent, significant

Ant. unnoticeable

Use: You need to know all the salient features of a phone before buying it.

Salubrious – favorable to health

Syn. Restorative, healthy

Ant. harmful, toxic

Use: Why all the salubrious food is distasteful?

Salutary – contributing to well being

Syn. Beneficent, favorable

Ant. harmful, injurious

Use: The habit of regular running for some time is salutary for health.

Sanctify – to purify from sin

Syn. Cleanse, refine

Ant. corrupt, tarnish

Use: It is a Hindu Mythology that river Ganges sanctifies all your sins.

Sanctum – a holy place, privet room

Syn. Sacrarium, shrine

Use: It is not allowed to enter the sanctum after the closure of temple.

Sangfroid – coolness in danger or difficulty

Syn. Composedness, apathy

Ant. concern, disquiet

Use: His sangfroid was shocking when IT Dept. started the raid at his place.

Sanguine – bright and florid

Syn. Flush, bloomy

Ant. ashen, pale, sallow

Use: God knows what the reason behind her sanguine beauty is.

Sanitation – improving of sanitary conditions

Syn. Hygiene, cleanliness

Ant. infection, dirtiness

Use: The inspector found very bad sanitation facilities in the Govt. school.

Sarcastic – containing sarcasm

Syn. Acidulous, pungent

Ant. gentle, mild, playful

Use: Passing sarcastic comments is her only bad habit.

Satisfy – to meet the wishes

Syn. Fulfill, quench, satiate

Ant. tease, arouse

Use: The comedian tried hard to satisfy the viewers and succeeded in it.

Saucy – impudent to superiors, cheeky

Syn. Bold, audacious

Ant. modest, humble

Use: His saucy behavior has caused him to receive several warnings.

Saunter – to wander leisurely

Syn. Ramble, stroll

Ant. sprint, hasten

Use: I like to saunter in evening in my lawn.

Savage – in primitive state

Syn. Uncivilized, heathen

Ant. gentleman

Use: it is difficult to control these savage workers.

Savant – a man of learning

Syn. Scholar, genius

Ant. blockhead, dumbbell

Use: Our savant professors are really very good.

Scabrous – rough to touch

Syn. Encrusted, coarse

Ant. smooth, plain

Use: The scabrous floor cased my feet to swell.

Scads – a significant amount

Syn. Abundance, deal

Ant. little, fragment

Use: They sent scads of oranges from their gardens.

Scale – a device for measuring weight

Syn. Balance

Ant. dismount

Use: The scale stopped working as the bulky man stood on it.

Scalpel – a cutting tool of surgeon

Syn. Scimitar, blade

Use: We are not adept to the things like scalpel so better maintaining a distance.

Scanty – barely sufficient

Syn. Scarce, deficient

Ant. abundant, ample

Use: I was so hungry that even so much food also seemed scanty.

Scarcity – insufficiency

Syn. Deficiency, scarceness

Ant. abundance, sufficiency

Use: So many people came without invitation and this caused the scarcity of food.

Scatter – to disperse

Syn. Litter, shatter

Ant. collect, gather

Use: I got up and started gathering my scattered stuff.

Sceptic – a person who doubts

Syn. Skeptic, doubter

Ant. conceiver, believer

Use: The sceptic inspector was even doubting me who filed the complaint.

Scheduled – to be according to the plan

Syn. Anticipated, decided

Ant. untimely

Use: Our train was scheduled at 01:30 a.m. in the midnight.

Scion - young member of a family

Syn. Heir, graft, child

Ant. ancestor, antecedent

Use: She was not in the favor of putting scions in the politics.

Scintillate – to emit sparks, to scintillate

Syn. Flash, glow, radiate

Use: The stars were scintillating beautifully in the sky.

Scoff – to despise, to make fun of

Syn. Belittle, ridicule

Ant. praise

Use: The teacher scoffed him for his funny outfit.

Scold – to criticize angrily

Syn. Castigate, chastise

Ant. praise, laud

Use: I was not ready for the scold and started crying.

Screech – a scream of fright or pain

Syn. Howl, shriek

Ant. whisper

Use: A screech in the backyard woke me up.

Scribble – write hurriedly

Syn. To write erratically, scrawl

Ant. legible, neat

Use: The scribble in the letter she left was evident that she was in a hurry.

Sculptor – one who makes sculptures

Syn. Artist, chiseller

Ant. sculpture

Use: The sculptors are competing that who will make the best sculpture for the Durga Puja.

Scurry – to run hurriedly

Syn. To blow, sprint

Ant. stroll, crawl

Use: My dog made him to scurry off.

Scurvy – dishonorable

Syn. Despicable, shabby

Ant. admirable

Use: Such scurvy person could not be appointed as a professor.

Secede – to separate oneself

Syn. Withdraw, quit

Ant. join, unite

Use: I seceded myself from them as I came to know about him.

Seethe – to be agitated

Syn. Sizzle, rankle

Ant. composed, calm

Use: His comment about her family was enough to seethe her.

Segregate – to take from rest and set apart

Syn. Separate, seclude

Ant. integrate, associate

Use: The teacher segregated the student for the school play.

Seldom – not often, rarely

Syn. Occasionally, infrequently

Ant. often, generally

Use: I seldom go at her home as it is very far from my place.

Senility – feebleness in old age

Syn. **Decline**, caducity

Ant. youth, infancy

Use: The senility also brings diseases along with it.

Sensitive – touchy or quick to take offence

Syn. Delicate, sensible

Ant. deadened, insensible

Use: I am called sensitive if I react on their silly comments.

Sentence – declaration of a punishment

Syn. Judgment, arbitrament

Ant. free, liberate

Use: The victim was shocked by the sentence as he was confident of his release.

Sententious – brief and full of meaning

Syn. Compact, crisp

Ant. redundant

Use: The saint said something sententious which the King couldn't understand.

Sentimental – having great feeling

Syn. Fervent, intense

Ant. detached, impassive

Use: Being sentimental does not mean that you are weak.

Sepulcher – resting place for a dead body

Syn. Grave, tomb, cemetery

Use: One can conquer the whole world but owns only in a sepulcher after death.

Sequel – the succeeding part

Syn. Series, sequent, row

Ant. start, original

Use: The sequel of that horror novel is already a hit.

Sequence – in a series

Syn. Consecution, chain

Ant. disorder, confusion

Use: I asked the class to go out in a sequence.

Sequestered – kept apart

Syn. Secluded, segregated

Ant. integrated, associated

Use: The best was sequestered for their benefactress.

Serene – clear and calm

Syn. Unperturbed, placid

Ant. boisterous, deafening

Use: Her serene demeanor was also attracting.

Servility – bondage

Syn. Slavery, enslavement

Ant. release, free

Use: He had accepted this servility at his own choice.

Servitude – slavery or bondage

Syn. Bondage, incarceration

Ant. liberation, freedom

Use: The Old saints just wanted servitude from their apostles.

Sever - to cut or break off

Syn. Disunite, part, split

Ant. blend, mingle

Use: The dog severed the doll while playing.

Severe – harsh and strict

Syn. Rough, ungentle

Ant. tender, gentle

Use: The severe murder is the only headline in all the newspapers.

Severity – harsh treatment or manifestation

Syn. Cruelty, sternness

Ant. softness, pity

Use: The severity in the Govt. hostel attracted the media as one of the student died.

Shabby – dressed in worn or threadbare clothes

Syn. Dilapidated, mean

Ant. maintained, patched

Use: His shabby manners are so abhorred in the office.

Shackle – that which obstructs free action

Syn. Constraint, hindrance

Ant. free, enclose

Use: When I come to consciousness my hand were tied to the roof with shackles.

Shake – to move violently

Syn. Shiver, tremble

Ant. tranquility, steadiness

Use: The rough voice behind made me shook from head to foot.

Sham – pretend to what it is not

Syn. Fake, false, mock

Ant. genuine, real

Use: The expert caught the sham articles sold by the art dealer.

Sharpen- to make sharp

Syn. Whet, edge

Ant. blunt, smooth

Use: The butcher used to sharpen his axe whenever I crossed that street.

Shimmer – tremulous light

Syn. Gleam, glister

Ant. gloom, dimness

Use: The shimmer of her dress was very beautiful and really something different.

Shindy – free-fight, commotion

Syn. Bluster, uproar

Ant. Quiet, orderliness

Use: The boys shindy fight made me come out of the house.

Shirk - to get out of the performance of duty

Syn. Escape, avoid, prevent

Ant. Accept, embrace

Use: Parents can't shirk from their responsibility to educate their children.

Shore up – to reinforce

Syn. Strengthen, support

Ant. Ruin, discourage

Use: The fans are always the one to shore up the players in the field.

Shot – to attain an end

Syn. Crack, attempt

Ant. misfortune

Use: She cleared her Civil Services Exam in first shot.

Shrinkage – amount of diminution

Syn. Decline, reduction

Ant. accretion, enlargement

Use: The misuse by the ministers caused the shrinkage of Royal Treasury.

Shroud – concealing agency

Syn. Covering, cloak, veil

Ant. expose, uncover

Use: I needed a shroud as my leg was wounded badly and I wanted something to cover it up.

Significant – full of meaning

Syn. Important, substantial

Ant. insignificant, worthless

Use: The recording in her phone was a significant evidence.

Silent – marked by silence

Syn. Speechless, mute

Ant. clamorous, noisy

Use: The teacher asked the class to be silent and resumed to her work.

Simmer – be in a state of suppressed anger

Syn. Uptight, sparkle

Ant. freeze, dampen

Use: The simmer on my mind was at the boiling point when I came to know about all this.

Simplicity – artlessness

Syn. Clarity, lucidity

Ant. unclarity, ambiguity

Use: Beauty lies in simplicity.

Simplify – to make simple

Syn. Streamline, explain

Ant. complexify, perplex

Use: We have to simplify our own problems and no one else would come for it.

Simultaneous – occurring at the same time

Syn. Coexistent, synchronous

Ant. asynchronous

Use: I was cooking my dinner and simultaneously talking to him on the phone.

Sincere – genuine, undecitful

Syn. Natural, honest

Ant. insincere, skeptical

Use: As he is the sincere most student of the class, he is declared the monitor.

Sincerity – straightforwardness

Syn. Honesty, genuineness

Ant. insincerity, dishonesty

Use: His sincerity towards his work differs him from everyone else.

Sink- to fall slowly downwards

Syn. Decline, deteriorate

Ant. heighten, arise

Use: Some technical problem caused the ship to sink.

Sip – small mouthfuls

Syn. Sample, taste

Ant. gulp, devour, guzzle

Use: I took a sip of my chilled wine as I was quenched.

Situation – a position

Syn. Appointment, office

Ant. unemployment, joblessness

Use: The situation in the office is that nobody wants to work there.

Skepticism – an attitude of not trusting easily

Syn. Suspicion, reservation

Ant. trustworthiness

Use: An auditor should exercise the skepticism.

Skilful – having expert knowledge on a subject

Syn. Adept, proficient

Ant. unskilful, untalented

Use: The skilful piano player enchanted everyone with his music.

Skinflint – s great miser

Syn. Stingy, tightfisted

Ant. Spendthrift

Use: Our boss is a great skinflint

Skullduggery – to get the work done by cleverness

Syn. Artfulness, cunning

Ant. Candor, directness

Use: Their skullduggery couldn't help them to conceal the fraud.

Slacken – to make less tight

Syn. Loosen, abate

Ant. tighten, stiffen

Use: He slackened his grip on me as I told him the truth.

Slanderslap-happy

Syn. joyous, cheerful

Ant. sad

Use: That slanderslap makes everyone happy with his bright mood.

Slantwise – tilted, slanted

Syn. Oblique, crooked

Ant. balanced, straight

Use: The slantwise rod in the gate wounded my back.

Sleaze – person whose behavior is not good

Syn. Rogue, bounder

Ant. Gentleman, idol

Use: Their new tenant is a sleaze.

Slipshod – careless or negligent

Syn. Slovenly, negligent

Ant. Neat, careful

Use: That slipshod left the gas knob open today.

Slithering - to creep by smoothly

Syn. stealthily, glide

Ant. no slippery

Use: The slithering snake faded away somewhere in the lawn.

Slob – whose behavior is not good

Syn. Sleaze, blizzard

Ant. Saint, angel

Use: That slob got the ball of that little child and refused to return it.

Slovenly – disorderly, not neat or tidy

Syn. Slobby, shabby

Ant. Groomed, chic

Use: His slovenly look made mom frown.

Sluggish – slowly moving

Syn. Inert, lethargic

Ant. Prompt, quickened

Use: His sluggish movements caused her to doubt that there was something wrong with him.

Slumber – sleep

Syn. Napping, repose

Ant. sleeplessness, insomnia

Use: There was something in my drink that caused me to slumber.

Smarmy – oily, buttery

Syn. Sycophantic, fulsome

Ant. Rough, savory

Use: He slipped on the smarmy surface and broke his leg.

Smother – to kill by stopping breathe

Syn. Choke, stifle

Ant. breathe, revive

Use: The guy almost smothered me but I bit his hand and escaped.

Smudge – foul stain

Syn. Dirty, distain

Ant. purify, clans

Use: Mom was angry for that smudge on my T-shirt as it was not removed after wash.

Smug – who thinks too high of oneself

Syn. Complacent, pompous

Ant. modest, uncomplacent

Use: No one helped that smug when he needed.

Snag – complication in situation

Syn. Barrier, hitch

Ant. Convenience, advantage

Use: He always tries to put snag in my ways.

Sneer – derisive smile or remark

Syn. Scorn, mock

Ant. Praise, cheer

Use: His sneer remark on my marriage made me sting.

Snide – not as per the accepted standards

Syn. Dishonorable, immoral

Ant. Ethical, honorable

Use: Her snide habits has caused her ban from society.

Snug – sufficing for comfort

Syn. Affording, sheltered

Ant. Uncomfortable

Use: I was tired and the snug bed was inviting me to it.

Sobre – not given to drink

Syn. Moderate, abstinent

Ant. drunk, immoderate

Use: I was sober and ready to get my drunk friends to home safely.

Sobriquet – an additional name

Syn. Nickname, pen name

Ant. original

Use: They have sobriquet him with the name “Tank” as he is hulky.

Solicit – to seek by a petition

Syn. Demand, request

Ant. Compel, force

Use: I was soliciting for a week’s leave.

Solidification – to make solid

Syn. Hardening, concretion

Ant. liquifying

Use: My heart requires some solidification as it is very touchy and sentimental.

Soluble – that is easily dissolved

Syn. Dispersible, dissoluble

Ant. insoluble

Use: The salt is soluble in water.

Soporific – that causes sleep

Syn. Sedative, narcotic

Ant. stimulating, restorative

Use: The soporific medicine helped me to sleep in my insomnia.

Sorcery – having supernatural powers

Syn. Witchcraft, wizardry

Ant. science

Use: He used to make gold from the lead with his sorcery powers.

Sordid – inspired by low or mercenary ends

Syn. Squalid, tainted

Ant. Limpid, Immaculate

Use: His bad habits has sordid the murder.

Sorely – with grief or pain

Syn. Bitterly, sorrowfully

Ant. Gleefully, merrily

Use: her sorely description made me cry for her.

Sparse – thinly scattered

Syn. Rare, eager

Ant. Full, plentiful

Use: The real rudraksh are very sparse.

Spasmodic – sudden & violent

Syn. Intermittent, unsteady

Ant. Steady, habitual

Use: He was unaware and couldn't bear the spasmodic blow.

Spear – a long pointed weapon

Syn. Lance, pike, partisan

Use: The primitive men invented weapons like spear to hunt.

Specific – concerned with

Syn. Special, precise, particular

Ant. non specific, general

Use: She is always very specific about what does she want to buy.

Specification – requirement of anything

Syn. Detail, qualification

Ant. vagueness, generalization

Use: All the specifications of that Smartphone are good so I have decided to buy it.

Spectator – the one who watches

Syn. Viewer, watcher

Ant. participant, performer

Use: The players have no existence without the spectators.

Spherical – sphere shaped

Syn. Circular, orbicular

Ant. concave, dented

Use: The large spherical snow ball took him away with it.

Spice – something used to flavoring

Syn. Seasoning, aroma

Ant. uninteresting, tasteless

Use: The spices prepared by Grandma had very different taste from these packed ones.

Spirit – disposition or mental attitude

Syn. Temper, mood

Ant. lethargy, weakness

Use: I was in high spirits and ready to party as my result had been good.

Spiritual – concerned with spirit or soul

Syn. Unworldly, incorporeal

Ant. substantial, corporeal

Use: I was not at all interested in their spiritual talk.

Splendid – magnificent

Syn. Brilliant, admirable

Ant. pathetic, atrocious

Use: The splendid artifacts caught my attention suddenly.

Spoilt – which is damaged

Syn. Destroyed, vitiated

Ant. purified, sanctified

Use: The juice that fell on him spoilt his white shirt as well.

Sporadic – not regular

Syn. Irregular, spasmodic

Ant. Constant, orderly

Use: The sporadic announcements caused the failure of the function.

Sprain – a twist to cause pain

Syn. Wrench, pull, twist

Ant. heal, cure

Use: It was his habit to sprain whenever he caught a mistake in the reports.

Spurious – not genuine, fictitious

Syn. Forged, unauthentic

Ant. True, real

Use: Dreams are always spurious they never come true.

Spurn – to treat with contempt

Syn. Reject, disapprove

Ant. Tolerate, consent

Use: They spurn him as he is a yokel.

Squad – a party of men

Syn. Crew, bunch, band

Ant. individual

Use: The squad of CBI entered the house with a bang.

Stable – likely to endure firm

Syn. Determinate, settled

Ant. unstable, indefinite

Use: I need my mind stable for the exam so I am not going to meet anyone till the exam.

Stagger – uncertainty about what is right

Syn. Balance, falter

Ant. decide, advance

Use: I staggered between the choices I was provided.

Stagnant – not flowing in a current

Syn. Motionless, dormant

Ant. moving, changing

Use: The stagnant water beside the road causes mosquitoes.

Staid – of sober demeanor

Syn. Dignified, decorous

Ant. Crude, frivolous

Use: Her staid look is enough to attract the attention.

Stain – cause of reproach

Syn. Tarnish, sully

Ant. Cleanse, dignify

Use: My one mistake is the only stain on my character.

Stalemate – a point in a fight where no one is winning or is ready to let go.

Syn. Impasse, deadlock

Ant. progress, decision

Use: My job was the stalemate in all our arguments.

Stalk – to steal up to game

Syn. Chase, hunt, track

Ant. to leave, go

Use: I came to know that someone was stalking me for around a week.

Stalwart – stouthearted, courageous

Syn. Valorous, gallant

Ant. Coward, nerveless

Use: Everybody praised the stalwart guy who fought with the bull.

Standard – required qualities which are fixed

Syn. Prevailing, customary

Ant. nonstandard

Use: Grandma always wanted the pudding of her standard which she used to make.

Stare – to look with a fixed gaze

Syn. Gawk, observe

Ant. glimpse, peek

Use: I kept staring at him when he blamed me as he was one of my very good friends.

Startle – to surprise or frighten suddenly

Syn. Bewilder, shock

Ant. comfort, compose

Use: I was startled as I heard someone walking around in my room upstairs.

Starvation – the act of starving

Syn. Famine, shortage, scarcity

Ant. opulence, profusion

Use: Many people die every year in African countries due to starvation.

Starve – to kill with hunger

Syn. Underfeeding, malnourishment

Ant. satisfy, surfeit

Use: The little girl died due to the cold and starving in this snowy weather.

Statute – ordinance of government or an authority

Syn. Constitution, enactment

Ant. higher law

Use: No one can act beyond what the statute provides.

Staunch – untiring in service or loyalty

Syn. Determined, faithful

Ant. Disloyal, fickle

Use: My sister is really staunch for her studies.

Steadfast – showing constancy

Syn. Dedicated, pious

Ant. Falter, uncertain

Use: A steadfast student in the class raised the hand when the question was asked.

Steady – constant in motion

Syn. frequent, regular

Ant. irregular, inconstant

Use: As I got that blow on my head I couldn't stand steady and collapsed.

Stealth – evasion of notice

Syn. Sneaking, backstairs

Ant. open, evident

Use: A lion need to be stealth in order to hunt the prey.

Sterling – of excellent quality

Syn. Classic, fabulous

Ant. inferior, middling

Use: We were astonished by the sterling paintings in the exhibition.

Stifle – to cause difficulty of breathing

Syn. Smother, suffocate, choke

Ant. breathe, revive

Use: We were caught in the lift and now it started to stifle.

Stimulus – thing that evokes activity

Syn. Encouragement, impulse

Ant. discouragement

Use: The petrol works as a stimulus for the vehicle.

Stimulate – to apply stimulus

Syn. Strengthen, encourage

Ant. calm, enfeeble

Use: It is hard to stimulate a person who has suffered so many failures.

Sting - to cheat or rob

Syn. to defraud or stick

Ant. comfort, cure

Use: The shopkeeper sting the innocent and ignorant villagers.

Stodgy – overfull, indigestible

Syn. Tough, burdensome

Ant. Digestible, exciting

Use: The extra hotdog I had is making me feel stodgy.

Storey – a part of building/house

Syn. Floor

Ant. whole, house

Use: We are adding one more storey to our house.

Stout – having considerable strength

Syn. Hardened, rugged

Ant. delicate, tender

Use: The stout bouncer stopped us on the entry gate.

Stouthearted – having no fear

Syn. Courageous, Spartan

Ant. Mousy, scary, fainthearted

Use: The stouthearted girl fought the 8 boys alone.

Strategy – the art to accomplish an end

Syn. Game plan, scheme

Ant. off hand

Use: The Company's strategy was good but it needs to be a little flexible.

Streak – irregular line

Syn. Band, hint, element

Ant. drape

Use: The baby took my pencil and started drawing streaks on the table.

Strenuous – with great exertion

Syn. Forceful, assertive

Ant. unemphatic, mild

Use: He strenuously put me in this project even after I denied.

Stricture – comment of a critical nature

Syn. Criticism, rebuke

Ant. appreciation, rebuke

Use: Her stricture on his earnings hurt him very much.

Strife – quarrels, lack of harmony

Syn. Conflict, dispute

Ant. Agreement, concord

Use: Their paternal house is the cause of their strife.

Stringent – making severe restrictions

Syn. Strict, rigid, exact

Ant. yielding, flexible

Use: The Hostel rules are very stringent as they seem to me.

Strive – to try earnestly

Syn. Struggle, endeavor

Ant. quit, give up

Use: I am striving hard to crack the IAS exam this time.

Stroll – to walk leisurely

Syn. Wander, ramble

Ant. hurried, sprint

Use: Two boys were strolling in the street as I saw out of the window.

Struggle – to make great efforts under difficulties

Syn. Fight, exertion

Ant. give up, submit

Use: A man's struggles only make him strong.

Studious – given to study or reading

Syn. Scholarly, bookish

Ant. unscholarly, ignorant

Use: The studious guy who comes to library is good.

Stumble – to have partial fall

Syn. Tumble, plunge

Ant. stand, firm

Use: I stumbled in my high heels a little but then managed.

Stupendous – that astonishes

Syn. Amazing, astounding

Ant. jading, dull

Use: The crowd was very happy after such an stupendous performance of the City group.

Stupor – dazed or torpid state

Syn. Lethargy, fatigue

Ant. Vivacity, spiritedness

Use: The practice has made me stupor.

Sturdy – not easily knocked down

Syn. Rugged, robust, hard

Ant. weakened, fragile, frail

Use: The sturdy looking guy punched him hard in the face.

Style – a manner

Syn. Appearance, delicacy

Ant. gracelessness, inelegance

Use: The boys are following that beard style now-a-days.

Subaltern – a person of lower rank

Syn. Inferior, subordinate

Ant. Senior, superior

Use: He distributed the work to subalterns and went for a break.

Subjugate – to conquer and force to submit

Syn. Dominate, overcome

Ant. liberate, manumit

Use: They subjugated me to come with them for the party.

Subsequent – coming after or next

Syn. After, later, following

Ant. Prior, early

Use: We are going to buy a car in the subsequent month.

Subservient – serving to promote some

Syn. Slavish, subordinate

Ant. domineering, adamant

Use: All my works are subservient to my study.

Substantial – having substance, not illusory

Syn. Meaningful, worthwhile

Ant. Worthless, obscure

Use: He brought some substantial photographs of the incident.

Subtle – clever, intellect

Syn. Artful, tricky

Ant. innocent

Use: I don't like that subtle friend of my brother.

Subvert – to effect loss or destruction

Syn. Cheapen or corrupt

Ant. Elevate, uplift

Use: The hurricane subverted a large part of the city

Succumb – to give up & submit

Syn. Surrender, relent

Ant. resist, oppose

Use: I tried again and again as I was not going to succumb to my failures.

Sudden – occurring unexpectedly

Syn. Abrupt, startling

Ant. predicted, expected

Use: The sudden changes in the plan annoyed me.

Suffer – to bear inconvenience

Syn. Endure, undergo

Ant. disallow, deny

Use: Why always a lady has to suffer the social laws.

Suffocate – to kill by stop breath

Syn. Choke, stifle, smother

Ant. revive, breathe

Use: It started to suffocate in the congested hall.

Suggest – propose for acceptance

Syn. Recommend, indicate

Ant. announce, declare

Use: I suggested her job in my office as she was searching for one.

Sullen – ill-humored

Syn. Quick tempered, irritable

Ant. sociable, relaxed

Use: His continuous illness has made him a bit sullen.

Sumptuous – showing signs of wealth

Syn. Plush, luxuriant

Use: She was shocked after entering into such sumptuous palace.

Supercilious – nonchalant, insolently

Syn. Haughty, lordly

Ant. unarrogant, humble

Use: The supercilious attitude of the actress is not acceptable to the co-artists.

Superficial – showing a lack of depth

Syn. External, cursory

Ant. Deep

Use: The superficial love will fade away soon.

Superfluous – more than enough

Syn. Surplus, dispensable

Ant. deficient, insufficient

Use: Even my superfluous wealth is not enough to fulfill all his wishes.

Supersede – to appoint another person in place of

Syn. Substitute, replace

Ant. mandate, depose

Use: I was superseded in place of my retiring boss.

Supersonic – very fast

Syn. Ultrasonic, rapid, speedball

Ant. sonic, hearable

Use: 4G network is supersonic.

Surgeon – person skilled in surgery

Syn. Expert, specialist

Ant. patient

Use: I was thrilled when the surgeon entered with his team and tools.

Surmount – to get over by effort

Syn. Defeat, conquer, overcome

Ant. collapse, fail

Use: We surmounted all the others in order to get the Best Retail Company award.

Surplus – left over after fulfillment

Syn. Extra, remaining

Ant. essential, lacking

Use: They distributed the surplus food into the nearby slums.

Surrender – to give oneself up

Syn. Submission, compromise

Ant. resistance, fight

Use: I am resisting and will not surrender myself to the society rules.

Sustain – to keep from falling

Syn. Nourish, replenish

Ant. turn down, destroy

Use: Her care helped the garden to sustain.

Sustenance – to enable from fall down

Syn. Nourishment, provision

Ant. extinction

Use: Food is necessary for the sustenance of the body.

Swampy – wet ground

Syn. Muddy, wet, marshy

Ant. dried, parched

Use: The little rain left the streets swampy.

Swell – enlarge, expand

Syn. Increase, upraise

Ant. decline, decrease

Use: The little injury has made my whole leg to swell.

Sycophant – a flatterer

Syn. Today, bootlicker

Ant. True, sincere

Use: That sycophant wanted promotion by bribing me.

Sympathize – to tell or express sympathy

Syn. Commiserate, empathize

Ant. hurt, ignore

Use: It is worthless to sympathize someone who has lost a loved one.

Symptoms – sign of existence of something

Syn. Warning, indication

Ant. awareness, sensation

Use: The symptoms were clear that I was suffering from cancer.

Synopsis – a brief statement of topics

Syn. Summary, abbreviation

Ant. enlargement, amplification

Use: I was assigned to write the synopsis of the book.

Syntax – sentence construction

Syn. Structure, pattern

Use: Today I was going to teach them syntax.

Systolic – contraction of heart

Syn. Pulsation, abatement

Use: Doctor said there was some problem in the systolic activity of his heart.

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Taboo – a prohibition by general consent

Syn. Banned, forbidden

Ant. Accepted, allowed

Use: Swine are a taboo for Muslim community.

Taciturn – not inclined to converse

Syn. Reserved, introverted

Ant. Vocal, sociable

Use: She has become so taciturn after the accident.

Tactful – showing tact

Syn. Diplomatic, considerate

Ant. Impolitic, tactless

Use: It is needful to be tactful while dealing with a guy like him.

Tactical – plan to achieve a desired result

Syn. Judicious, wise

Ant. Unfeasible, wise

Use: The Company has come up with a tactical strategy for this year.

Tamed – domesticated, lacking spirit

Syn. Enslave, restrain

Ant. Untamed, violent

Use: All the team members were tamed after the boring meeting.

Tamper – to handle mischievously

Syn. Fiddle, mess

Ant. Improve

Use: The servant's negligence tampered the artifact.

Taint – sully, blemish

Syn. Dishonor, disrepute

Ant. Modesty, honesty

Use: All his good works are not sufficient to nullify his taints.

Talkative – fond of talking

Syn. Communicative, vocal

Ant. Taciturn, reserved

Use: The new girl in the office is very talkative.

Tangible – that can be touched or felt

Syn. Palpable, corporeal

Ant. Intangible

Use: All the tangible assets are liable for depreciation.

Taper – diminishing in intensity gradually

Syn. Abate, lessen

Ant. Intensify, distend

Use: The bruises on her neck from accident have now started to taper.

Tariff – a tax or fee

Syn. Duty, charge

Ant. Abatement

Use: The govt. has decided to increase tariff on luxury goods.

Tawdry – pretentious but common

Syn. Cheap, showy

Ant. Sophisticated, nice

Use: Everybody dejected the tawdry outfits in exhibition.

Tawny – of orange brown color

Syn. Blonde, golden

Ant. Brunette

Use: The tawny dress was looking so foul on her.

Technology – explanation of terms of art

Syn. Science, automation

Ant. Customary, old –time

Use: The technology has affected the business rapidly.

Tedious – wearisome, tiresome

Syn. Dreary, dull, stale

Ant. Amazing, exciting

Use: the long journey back to home was tedious.

Tee – commencement

Syn. Start, tee off

Ant. End, stop

Use: To tee off the business they need huge capital.

Teem – to pour out

Syn. Bristle, bulge

Ant. Lack, want

Use: She teem the water in his glass.

Temerity – extreme boldness

Syn. Brashness, audacity

Ant. Modesty, civility

Use: His temerity caused him trouble.

Temperament – one's attitude or mood

Syn. Temper, outlook

Ant. Inability

Use: The turbulent times tests the temperament of a person.

Temperate – of mild temperature

Syn. Moderate, gentle

Ant. Violent, immoderate

Use: I confess about my mistakes to my mom as she is temperate.

Temporary – to last for a limited time

Syn. Interim, provisional

Ant. Settled, permanent

Use: The seasonal workers need some temporary place to live.

Temporize – to act to suit the time or occasion

Syn. Protract, draw out

Ant. Accost, choose

Use: It was necessary to temporize the strategy in which the company failed.

Tenacious – apt to retain even after difficulties

Syn. Dedicated, determined

Ant. Quitting, yielding

Use: She won the game as she was tenacious.

Tenor – aim, intent, gist

Syn. Mood, path

Ant. Low spirits

Use: The tenor was to come with trophy and they succeeded in it.

Tenuous – very weak or thin

Syn. Airy, ethereal

Ant. Significant, thick

Use: The severe illness has made him tenuous.

Tepid – not much interested

Syn. Halfhearted, impassive

Ant. Hearty, keen

Use: He is tepid to finance our new startup.

Terminate – to come to an end

Syn. Conclude, wind up

Ant. Commence, inaugurate

Use: The scarcity of money caused the termination of project.

Terrific – causing great terror

Syn. Dreadful, frightful

Ant. Appealing, pleasant

Use: The terrific storm has caused several problems.

Testy – short-tempered, irritable

Syn. Cantankerous, annoyed

Ant. Happy, pleasant.

Use: His testy behavior causes me trouble sometimes.

Tetchy – touchy, easily offended

Syn. Oversensitive, tender

Ant. Amiable, relaxed

Use: I talk to him cautiously as he is very tetchy.

Thrash – to blow away

Syn. Surmount, take, rush

Ant. Relax, rest

Use: He sat on the toy and thrashed it.

Threatening – showing a sign of evil to come

Syn. Baleful, menacing

Ant. Unthreatening, hopeful

Use: She got pale after the threatening phone call.

Thrifty – economical, thriving

Syn. Provident, prudent

Ant. Extravagant, lavish

Use: Her thrifty habits have helped her saved a significant amount.

Throb – to pulsate with high speed

Syn. Flutter, pound, pulse

Ant. Still, calm

Use: My heart started to throb after the long run.

Throes – an unpleasant sensation or spasm

Syn. Pang, pain

Ant. Comfort, ease

Use: As doctor put that equipment under my teeth it caused me throes.

Throng – a large crowd

Syn. Congregation, press

Ant. Few, fleck

Use: A throng was outside the court to know the judgment.

Throttle – to compress the throttle

Syn. Choke, suffocate

Ant. Restore, revive

Use: He throttled down everyone who came in his way.

Thwart – to frustrate or foil

Syn. Hamper, interfere

Ant. Assist, facilitate

Use: I hate anyone thwart me in my work.

Tiff – a slight quarrel

Syn. Dispute, fight

Ant. Agree, assent

Use: A tiff is something very common between every couple.

Tightwad – a person stingy with money

Syn. Miser, greedy

Ant. Spendthrift, prodigal

Use: It is very difficult to get your money back from a tightwad.

Timid – faint-hearted

Syn. Fearful, scary

Ant. Gallant, intrepid

Use: Being so timid is not good.

Tirade – angry speech or scolding

Syn. Assault, berate

Ant. Accolade, praise

Use: The students retired to their classrooms after principal's tirade.

Titanic – very large, gigantic

Syn. Grand, enormous

Ant. Minute, tiny

Use: The titanic new building in the city is really a view.

Titter – an amusing low sound of laugh

Syn. Cackle, chuckle

Ant. Wail, moan

Use: There was a titter among students as the teacher slipped from chair.

Tomfoolery – playful or mischievous behavior

Syn. Clownery, childishness

Ant. Seriousness, severity

Use: Sometimes his tomfoolery crosses the limit.

Toothsome – tasty, pleasing

Syn. Tasteful, dainty

Ant. Abhorrent, repellent

Use: All the dishes presented by contestants were toothsome.

Topple – to get down or fall down

Syn. Stumble, slip

Ant. Get up, rise

Use: She toppled down from the stairs.

Torpid – sluggish, inactive

Syn. Lethargic, motionless

Ant. Dynamic, active

Use: His torpid state is worrying me.

Tout – soliciting custom

Syn. Commend, acclaim

Ant. Belittle, discommend

Use: His tout dealing helped the builder to get two more residents.

Traitor – guilty of betrayal, who acts disloyally

Syn. Betrayer, conspirator

Ant. Loyalist, partisan

Use: It's better to die than being a traitor.

Trajectory – a course or path

Syn. Direction, flow

Use: It is not my usual way to follow the established trajectory.

Tranquil – serene, free from uproar

Syn. Peaceful, silent

Ant. Boisterous, clattery

Use: Her tranquil behavior is very pleasing.

Transform – to change the form or character

Syn. Alchemize, transfigure

Ant. Maintain, preserve

Use: Their Company transforms the waste into useful stuff.

Transgressor – one who infringes

Syn. Immoralist, evildoer

Ant. Innocent, angel

Use: The notice was evident that any transgressor will be punished.

Transient – momentary

Syn. Temporary, transitory

Ant. Eternal, immortal

Use: His transient visits leave me annoyed.

Transitory – of a passing nature

Syn. Temporary, transient

Ant. Permanent

Use: These transitory changes in weather affect the health.

Transparent – that can be clearly seen through

Syn. Crystalline, lucent

Ant. Opaque, cloudy

Use: All the staff is visible through the transparent door of my cabin.

Transverse – set crosswise

Syn. Pivot, thwart, oblique

Ant. Direct, lengthways

Use: It was useless to go transversely.

Travesty – imitation that misinterprets the original

Syn. Mockery, caricature

Ant. Homage, tribute

Use: Any attempt to recreate the ancient art is a mere travesty.

Treachery – violation of faith

Syn. Dishonesty, betrayal

Ant. Fidelity, honesty

Use: The treachery in a relationship is very hard to bear.

Treason – violation of trust

Syn. Disloyalty, falsity

Ant. Devotion, loyalty

Use: No one knows what made him treason her.

Tremble – to shake with fear or cold

Syn. Shiver, tremor

Ant. Steady, stable

Use: I started to tremble as stepped out in the snow.

Trenchant – having a thin edge, sharp

Syn. Keen, whetted

Ant. Flat, blunt

Use: I got a cut from the trenchant glass window.

Trepidation – a state of fright

Syn. Fear, anxiety

Ant. Guts, boldness

Use: The blackmailing letter left me with trepidation about the family.

Triangle – a shape having three corners

Syn. Trine, trilogy

Use: The teacher started the chapter of Triangle today.

Trigger – to make something function or motion

Syn. Start, activate

Ant. Suppress, stop

Use: The minister's influence triggered the reopening of case.

Triplets – a set of three

Syn. Trio, triple

Use: She gave birth to beautiful triplets.

Trivial – ordinary, of no importance

Syn. Frivolous, negligible

Ant. Material, significant

Use: The internal factors were not much trivial for their strategy.

Troop – military, flock

Syn. Combatants, legion

Ant. Civilians, noncombatants

Use: The troop has returned from the war place.

Tropic – very hot, summer

Syn. Burning, hot

Ant. Polar, cold

Use: The heat is an indication that this May is going to be tropic.

Trudge – to walk with effort, toil along

Syn. Reel, sway

Ant. Float, glide

Use: The wound in my leg is causing me to trudge.

Tumble – suffer, downfall

Syn. Messed, muddled

Ant. Ordered, organized

Use: He is tumbling as he is too much drunk.

Turbulent – given to making disturbances

Syn. Riotous, fierce

Ant. Serene, peaceful

Use: The recession has created turbulent situation for the companies.

Tut – showing impatience

Syn. Hasty

Ant. Calm, sincere

Use: The doctor's answer increased tut.

Tyro – a beginner, learner

Syn. Apprentice, novice

Ant. Veteran, vet

Use: He is great at work being a tyro.

U

Ubiquitous – that can be seen anywhere

Syn. Common, quotidian

Ant. Infrequent, aberrant

Use: Selam trees are very ubiquitous in this area.

Ultraist – holder of extreme opinion in politics.

Syn. Extremist, revolutionary

Ant. Conservative, moderate

Use: He thinks that all Democratic Party people are ultraist.

Umbrage – the feeling of being offended

Syn. Resentment, vexation

Ant. Appeasement, pleasure

Use: I was left with umbrage when my younger sister blamed me.

Unabashed – one who is not ashamed

Syn. Shameless, arrant

Ant. Embarrassed, ashamed

Use: Everybody scolded him but he is so unabashed.

Unanimity – a state of agreement among all

Syn. Accord, consensus

Ant. Disagreement

Use: A unanimity of opinion is required to pass the bill in parliament which is impossible.

Unanimous – marked by agreement. All of one mind

Syn. Agreeable, congenial, kindred, harmonious

Ant. Disagreeable, disharmonious

Use: There is a unanimous opinion about the picnic spot.

Unassuaged – not quenched, unsatisfied

Syn. Displeased, disappointed

Ant. Satisfied, gratified

Use: He was so hungry that he was unassuaged even after having my whole lunch.

Unaware – not informed of or about

Syn. Ignorant, clueless

Ant. Au courant, knowledgeable

Use: We were unaware about their homecoming so we all were surprised.

Unbeknown – which is not known

Syn. Unknown, unfamiliar

Ant. Known, familiar

Use: English was still unbeknown in their village.

Unbend – relax, unfasten, be affable

Syn. Straighten, free of constraint

Ant. Bend, curved, curled

Use: Bhagatsingh stood unbend in the court even after he was ordered to be hanged.

Unborn – not brought to life, future

Syn. Forthcoming, expected, awaited

Ant. Past, bygone

Use: They have so many dreams about their unborn child.

Unbridled – one who is not under control

Syn. Unbounded, uncontrolled

Ant. Bridled, unconstrained

Use: Bruno, the bull mastiff I had, was so unbridled.

Uncalled (for) – unnecessary, not required

Syn. Needless, unwelcome

Ant. Essential, necessary.

Use: It was a really uncalled for a topic in that situation.

Unceasing – something not going to end, ceaseless

Syn. Incessant, eternal, persistent

Ant. Stoppable, ceasing

Use: The change in technology is unceasing.

Unceremonious – informal

Syn. Blunt, hasty

Ant. Formal, polite

Use: The application he wrote for Income Tax Assessment was very unceremonious so I rejected it.

Uncouth – lacking in ease or polish

Syn. Classless, unsophisticated

Ant. Couth, polished

Use: The son of our servant was uncouth but he is improving since he joined school.

Undiscerning – blind, sightless

Syn. Destitute, purblind

Ant. Sighted, sharp

Use: It was so dark in the basement that it was undiscerning for me.

Undulating – having wavy motion

Syn. Flowing, oscillating

Ant. Steady, fixed

Use: She was lost and was fixedly watching towards the undulating pendulum.

Uneasy – feeling of uncomfot, disturbance

Syn. Ill at ease, insecure

Ant. Confident, sure

Use: She was getting uneasy as she knew no one there.

Unequivocal – which is not ambiguous.

Syn. Clear, evident, apparent

Ant. Ambiguous, clouded

Use: It was unequivocal that he had taken the necklace from her drawer.

Unexpurgated – not lacking, complete

Syn. Entire, faultless

Ant. Censored

Use: Her work was very unexpurgated that the auditors had not much queries.

Unfailing – not likely to be failed, or running short

Syn. Unerring, faultless

Ant: flawed, fallible

Use: She was so confident on the unfailing of her son.

Unfeigned – sincere, honest

Syn. Genuine

Ant. Artificial, feigned

Use: Everybody was struck at her unfeigned beauty.

Unfledged – lacking in experience or maturity.

Syn. Adolescent, juvenile

Ant. Precocious, mature

Use: Christian was unaware that Ana was so unfledged.

Unmitigated – which is absolute or complete

Syn. Pure, fair, definite

Ant. Dubious, restricted

Use: There were unmitigated chances of his selection.

Unobtrusive – which is not readily noticed.

Syn. Hidden, unnoticeable

Ant. Flashy, apparent

Use: There was an unobtrusive instruction in the bill which did not catch my eye.

Unprecedented – not experienced before, for which there is no previous example

Syn. Fresh, novel, strange

Ant. Established, familiar

Use: The earthquake in this area is really unprecedented.

Unreliable – one who cannot be trusted

Syn. Deceitful, deceptive

Ant. Reliable, true

Use: Prateek is very unreliable so don't put a little faith in whatever he said.

Unruffled – calm, composed

Syn. Cool-headed, unflappable

Ant. Ruffled, flappable

Use: he was unruffled even when everyone was using harsh words for him.

Unsavory – disgusting to the sense of taste.

Syn. Uninviting, distasteful

Ant. Appealing, flavorful

Use: The food was so unsavory as it was my first attempt to cook food.

Unightly – not pretty, disagreeable to the eyes.

Syn. Hideous, horrid

Ant. Beautiful, pleasing

Use: His arm was so unsightly after the surgery.

Untoward – awkward, unlucky

Syn. Troublesome, inauspicious.

Ant. Auspicious, lucky.

Use: Meeting him was so untoward for my life.

Unusual – not common, remarkable

Syn. Different, odd, out of the ordinary

Ant. Common, usual

Use: An expert opinion is required in the unusual circumstances.

Unwitting – unaware of the state of the case.

Syn. Incidental, unintended

Ant. Destined, expected

Use: His arrival in the meeting was so unwitting.

Unwonted – unaccustomed, unusual

Syn. Bizarre, eminent

Ant. Frequent, customary

Use: It was so unwonted for me to attend such boring charitable dinners.

Upbraid – to criticize for personal failings

Syn. Reprimand, scold

Ant. Approve, praise

Use: Mr. Kapoor was upbraiding his daughter for her marks in the exam.

Uphill – sloping upward, requiring physical effort

Syn. Laborious, herculean

Ant. Effortless, relaxed

Use: She was feeling great difficulty on the uphill drive.

Upheaval – a vast social or other change

Syn. Convulsion, insurgency

Ant. Rest, peace

Use: President Donald Trump's policies has caused an upheaval in American society.

Upholstery – provide with covering

Syn. Cushioning, padding

Use: She was very happy when she grabbed the tender for upholstery of The Taj.

Uppish – self- assertive, having a feeling of superiority

Syn. Lordly, masterful

Ant. Humble, modest

Use: She hates her Dad's uppish nature.

Upright – of high standard virtue, erect, strictly honorable

Syn. Decent, honest, decorous, straight

Ant. Dishonest, dishonorable

Use: Gandhiji is termed as Father of nation due to his upright nature.

Urge – a very strong desire, entreat or solicit earnestly

Syn. Fancy, passion, yearn

Ant. Dislike, dissuade

Use: I had an urge to cry when he scolded me.

Urgent – pressing, requiring immediate attention

Syn. Called for, clamant

Ant. Moderate, unimportant

Use: The doctor went away for an urgent case.

Useless – serving no useful purpose, fruitless

Syn. Unusable, idle

Ant. Handy, useful, working

Use: The old technology has been useless due to the advent of the new one.

Usher – person who guides others to a place, who act as a servant

Syn. Attendant, escort, precursor

Ant. Abandon, desert

Use: The usher led us to the place where everybody was already waiting for us.

Usually – which occurs commonly

Syn. Customarily, most often

Ant. Exceptionally, unusually

Use: I don't drink usually except some special occasions.

Utterance – manner of speaking, act of putting something into words.

Syn. Articulation, verbalism

Ant. Silence, mispronunciation

Use: Her mere utterance drew the attention because usually she is very silent.

Utter – complete, total

Syn. Definite, unqualified

Ant. Equivocal, restricted

Use: I was utterly mad after his behaving like this.

V

Vacancy – empty space, available place

Syn. Vacuum, void

Ant. Fill, overflow

Use: I applied as there is a vacancy in their office.

Vaccination – immunization

Syn. Inoculation, injection

Ant. Disease

Use: We were going to hospital for baby's vaccination.

Vacuous – lacking what should be present

Syn. Empty, vacant, clear

Ant. Filled, occupied

Use: I opened the locker for my jewellery but it was vacuous.

Vagary – a whimsical idea or action

Syn. Freak, crank, whim

Ant. Verity, certainty

Use: The idea of night out was a vagary.

Vague – ill-defined, not clearly expressed

Syn. Ambiguous, cryptic

Ant. Definite, clear

Use: I couldn't understand anything from his vague talk.

Vain – proud, egoistic

Syn. Boastful

Ant. Humble, modest

Use: He don't care, he is living in vain.

Valiant – intrepid, brave

Syn. Heroic, courageous

Ant. Scary, fearful

Use: Our armed forces are full of valiant soldiers.

Valor – to show great courage

Syn. Bravery, gallantry

Ant. Cowardice, feebleness

Use: their valor in the war deserves to be honored.

Validity – having binding force

Syn. Lawfulness, efficacy

Ant. Invalidity

Use: They checked the validity of the customer's claim.

Value – worth or utility

Syn. Valuation, assessment

Ant. Worthless, disvalue

Use: The officer assessed the value of goods.

Vanish – to disappear, dwindle to nothing

Syn. Wane see, dissipate

Ant. Emerge, materialize

Use: I tried hard to vanish the stain from the shirt.

Vanity – vain pride in oneself, self-conceit

Syn. Egotism, pomposity

Ant. Modesty, altruism

Use: His vanity will take him nowhere.

Vanquish – to conquer, to defeat in contest

Syn. Dominate, overpower

Ant. Liberate, release

Use: She vanquished almost 50 people in program.

Variable – apt to change

Syn. Alterable, adjustable

Ant. Constant, unvarying

Use: The cost of the products is variable.

Variiegation – marked with different colors

Syn. Rainbow, spectrum

Ant. Monochrome, like

Use: The artist created beautiful variegations with lights.

Vast – of huge extent, large in size

Syn. Great, giant, gigantic

Ant. Little, tiny

Use: The vast change in the city surprised me.

Vaunted – boastful, flaunted

Syn. Prat, bragged

Ant. Modest

Use: His vaunting habit is very annoying.

Veer – to change direction

Syn. Deviate, severe

Ant. Straighten

Use: The driver veered the way due to traffic.

Vehement – extreme, violent, so eager

Syn. Dreadful, vicious

Ant. Feeble, lightened

Use: He is always so vehement to party.

Venal – that may be bought (in relation to person)

Syn. Bribable, mercenary

Ant. Ethical, incorruptible

Use: They made a plan to catch the venal officer red-handed.

Vendetta – blood-feud

Syn. Hostility, revenge, rivalry

Ant. Harmony, peace

Use: the war caused so much vendetta.

Venerable – deserving honor, entitled to veneration

Syn. Reverend, reputable.

Ant. Disgraceful, vile

Use: Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam was a venerable person.

Venerate – to regard someone with respect

Syn. Worship, honor

Ant. Pique, offend

Use: I venerate our School Principal.

Veracity – truthfulness, integrity

Syn. Righteousness

Ant. Mendaciousness, deceit

Use: I like him and his veracity.

Verbose – using so many words to express an idea.

Syn. Wordy, prolix

Ant. Compact, brief

Use: Writing the paper in a verbose manner doesn't fetch more marks.

Verbosity – to use so many words

Syn. Loquacity, verboseness

Ant. Brief, concise

Use: he writes well but his verbosity is the only problem.

Verdict – opinion arrived at

Syn. Decision, judgment

Ant. Halt, draw

Use: To expel him was the verdict of Dean.

Verisimilitude – to exist in reality

Syn. Realism, genuineness

Ant. Falseness, impossibility

Use: The strange things in the sky were verisimilitude not an imagination.

Verify – to confirm by proof or support

Syn. Authenticate, bear out

Ant. Disprove, rebut

Use: The police came again to verify the statement given by the victim.

Vermilion – a beautiful red color

Syn. Carmine, cherry, flushed

Use: She brought a beautiful vermilion saree for me.

Versed – experienced in

Syn. Acquainted, informed

Ant. Unaware, ignorant

Use: Our gardener is very well versed in his job.

Verve – enthusiasm, energy

Syn. Vigor, passion

Ant. Exhaustion, fatigue

Use: I was really verved to go for hiking.

Vessel – a craft to travel on water

Syn. Watercraft, canoe

Ant. Strainer

Use: we were going to board a large vessel.

Veterinary – to examine and treat animals

Syn. Vet, veteran

Ant. Novitiate, learner

Use: We visited the veterinary with our sick cat.

Vexation – state of distress, harassment

Syn. Importunity, botheration

Ant. Pleasure, delight

Use: Her behavior caused me vexation.

Viable – capable of being done

Syn. Doable, feasible

Ant. Hopeless, impracticable

Use: The option of transfer is not viable for their family.

Vial – a small vessel, small glass bottle

Syn. Phial, flask

Ant. Strainer

Use: the magician turned the pigeon into a beautiful vial.

Vicious – extreme, dreadful

Syn. Furious, aggravated

Ant. Subdued, lessened

Use: The decision was going to lead to a vicious future.

Victim – the sufferer, the one who is harmed

Syn. Prey, collateral

Ant. Injurer, victor

Use: The police arrived to get the statement of the victim.

Victory – conquest, win over

Syn. Dominion, control

Ant. Defeat, failure

Use: Indian cricket team got a brilliant victory over England.

Vie - to enter into rivalry

Syn. Compete, oppose, strive

Ant. Concede, reconcile

Use: It is not worth for him to vie against them.

Vigorous – having strength

Syn. Energetic, robust, kinetic

Ant. Lethargic, sluggish

Use: She has a vigorous position among all the others.

Vindicate – to establish the truth, to defend

Syn. Corroborate, support

Ant. Contradict, question

Use: I was there to vindicate him.

Virago – a bad tempered woman, fierce lady

Syn. Termagant, fury

Ant. sophisticated

Use: A virago can make a cheerful house a dream.

Virtue – moral goodness, efficacy

Syn. Excellency, grace, superiority

Ant. Flaw, disvalue

Use: The virtues of a man makes him great.

Virulent – a desire to cause o someone suffering

Syn. Malignant, venomous

Ant. Compassionate, sympathetic

Use: The virulent smile was evident that he was going to do some evil.

Vision – sight, having no objective reality

Syn. Dream delusion, fable

Ant. Actuality, reality

Use: acting on the basis of a mere vision is foolishness.

Vista – a distant view, a mental prospect

Syn. Glimpse, panorama

Ant. Blindness

Use: The vista of sea is really beautiful from here.

Vitiate – to render defective, to affect morally (bad)

Syn. Darken, tarnish

Ant. Cleanse, ennoble

Use: His entry vitiated the whole party.

Vituperative – using harsh or insulting language

Syn. Abusive, foulmouthed

Ant. Gracious, courteous

Use: it is prohibited in office to use vituperative language.

Vivid – forming a picture by description

Syn. Visual, photographic

Ant. Shadowy, cryptic

Use: She created a vivid picture even when she is blind.

Vocabulary – language, list of words

Syn. Glossary, dictionary

Use: She has improved her vocabulary.

Vocation – occupation, business

Syn. Billet, duty, function

Ant. Avocation, pursuit

Use: He is busy from day to night in his vocation.

Vociferous – loud, clamorous

Syn. Noisy, clamant

Ant. Quiet, silent

Use: Being vociferous every time can cause trouble.

Volatile – which changes frequently

Syn. Flickery, mercurial

Ant. Uniform, persistent

Use: His volatile nature is so difficult to understand.

Volcanic – agitable, galvanic

Syn. Hot-heated, fierce

Ant. Easy, passive

Use: He is a bit volcanic so I keep some distance from him.

Voracious – eager to devour or eat

Syn. Ravenous, esurient

Ant. Satiated, full

Use: The Indoreans are very voracious.

Votary – one devoted to a pursuit.

Syn. Disciple, apostle

Ant. Apostate, defector

Use: He is a votary of Buddhism.

Voyage – a journey in water

Syn. Journey, tour, trip

Ant. Bide, bump

Use: Christopher Columbus was on a voyage to find America when he arrived India.

Vulgar – offending against good taste

Syn. Filthy, disgusting

Ant. Decent, acceptable

Use: She has a vulgar taste.

Vulnerable – prone to harm or injury

Syn. Exposed, susceptible

Ant. Guarded, shielded

Use: The goods are vulnerable so need to be kept cautiously.

Vouch – to declare to be true

Syn. Guarantee, confirm, witness to

Ant. Deny, contradict, reject

Use: The guard vouched the entry of an old woman.

W

Wacko – not mentally fit

Syn. Brainsick, crackpot

Ant. Healthy

Use: That wacko wasted my half an hour.

Waggish – having a reckless playfulness

Syn. Coy, tricky

Ant. Sober, stern

Use: She is very depressed because of her waggish son.

Wail – a prolonged cry in pain

Syn. Whine, sob

Ant. Whimper

Use: I could hear the wail of the prisoner.

Waive – to let go

Syn. Relinquish, abdicate

Ant: claim, retain

Use: The bank waived their loan due to their insolvency.

Walk- a journey on foot.

Syn. Ramble, stroll, wander.

Ant. Steady.

Use: The night was nice so we went for a walk.

Wallop – two things coming together forcefully

Syn. Collision, slam, rash

Ant. Weaken, release

Use: It was the sound of wallop of his car into our fence.

Wallow – to roll about, reel

Syn. Loll, flounder

Ant. Cry, moan

Use: He wallowed for a long time as I told him about my prank on teacher.

Wane – decrease in size after the full.

Syn. Diminish, lessen.

Ant. Increase, raise, rise.

Use: The fleet size wanes in the daytime as compared to morning and evening.

Wangle – to secure by dubious means.

Syn. Frame, mastermind.

Ant. Bobble, fumble

Use: Kuber has got this position by wangling with HR Dept.

Wanton – luxuriant, unchaste

Syn. Sportive, lustful

Ant. Decent, righteous

Use: His wanton habits are very troublesome for his parents.

Warble – to sing in a musical manner which have a pleasing effect.

Syn. Tune, melody.

Use: He stuck at the door when he heard the warble of a female voice.

Warmonger – one who attempts to cause a war

Syn. Agitator, instigator

Ant. Dove, pacifist

Use: He was the warmonger between me and Sourabh.

Warning – notice of possible occurrence, notice that serves to warn.

Syn. Cautionary, notification.

Ant. Advice, recommendations.

Use: I gave him warning that Dad was angry.

Warrant – an authorization to carry out distress usually arrest.

Syn. Carte blanche, ducat

Ant. Breach, break

Use: Mr. Sharma asked for the warrant as Income Tax Officers entered his house.

Wary – having a cautious nature

Syn. Alert, canny

Ant. Careless, incautious

Use: He avoided the embezzlement in the shop due to his wary nature.

Waspish – ill-tempered

Syn. Cantankerous, fretful

Ant. Polite

Use: Everybody avoids him in the office as he is very waspish.

Weal – the state of doing well for one's happiness or success.

Syn. Prosperity, robustness

Ant. Ill-being, misery

Use: The govt. has introduced several schemes for the weal of public.

Weapons - device used for protection that can cause harm.

Syn. Arms, Armament.

Ant. Medicine or something that brings peace.

Use: they are loaded with weapons for the war.

Weary – tired, tedious.

Syn. Impatient, drowse.

Ant. Energize, active.

Use: He was so weary after long hour's practice.

Weave - to scatter or set here and there among others.

Syn. Interlace, tangle.

Ant. Uncoil, disentangle.

Use: The handloom industry people weave beautiful sarees.

Whammy – words having magical power.

Syn. Spell, charm

Ant. Blessing

Use: He is so mad for her as she has put a whammy on him.

Wheedle – to get someone do a thing by flattery

Syn. Coax, flatter, beguile

Ant. Oblige, bully

Use: She get her work done by wheedling Priyanka.

Whim – a sudden idea or fancy

Syn. Caprice, notion

Ant. Certainty, fact

Use: A whim came to my mind to find his lost dog.

Whimper – to make feeble sound in pain or resentment

Syn. Gripe, grumble

Ant. Praise, applause

Use: I kept whimpering for the whole night in pain as no hospital admitted me in the night.

Whimsical – playful or lively in nature

Syn. Capricious, dicey, fantastic

Ant. Behaving, sensible, reasonable

Use: Aditi's child is very whimsical.

Whine – plaintive noise in pain.

Syn. Grumble, sob, wail

Ant. Pleasure, happiness

Use: I couldn't sleep due to a puppy's whine far in the street.

Whippersnapper – a person having no influence

Syn. Morsel, nothing

Ant. Bigwig, magnate

Use: She came to me for recommending her in college as her own brother is a whippersnapper.

Whirlwind – a violent whirling or eddy of wind.

Syn. Cyclonic, rapid.

Ant. Slow, steady.

Use: It was a fearful view of whirlwind.

Whisk – a sweeping motion from side to side or up and down

Syn. Wave, flutter

Ant. Retard, decelerate

Use: I saw someone whisking a lamp for signal.

Whither – to what place, in what direction

Syn. Whereabouts

Ant. Defined, known

Use: She was confused whither to go.

Widespread – having a considerable extent.

Syn. Expansive, extended.

Ant. Limited, restricted.

Use: We have got our spies widespread in the whole country.

Wilt – to wither, to dry up

Syn. weaken, sag

Ant. Bloom, rise

Use: All my flowers wilted as I forgot to put them in water.

Wink – a motion as communication, signaling moment.

Syn. Blink, gleam, flash.

Ant. Colossal, broad.

Use: He gave me a wink with his salacious smile.

Wisdom - ability to understand and reason.

Syn. Insight, acumen, discernment.

Ant. Stupidity, obtuseness.

Use: Rani Laxmibai fought with wisdom and brevity.

Wisely- to work in an intelligent manner.

Syn. Prudently, discreetly.

Ant. Unwisely, foolishly.

Use: Leave it to her. She takes all her decisions wisely.

Witty – full of verbal wit, funny.

Syn. Entertaining, amusing

Ant. Serious, unfunny

Use: Everybody in the room was amused with her witty replies.

Woe – something that causes hurt or suffering

Syn. Agony, curse, catastrophe

Ant. Happiness, relief, joy

Use: His harsh words caused her woe.

Workshop – a place of work usually for manufacturing

Syn. Manufactory, factory

Use: The car is in the workshop for repair.

Worry – Fret oneself, be in a trouble or anxiety.

Syn. Fear, concern, disquiet.

Ant. Calm, reassurance, comfort.

Use: His being late made her worry about him.

Wound – bodily damage, injury.

Syn. Bruise, harm, hurt.

Ant. Heal, cure.

Use: He has got a wound on his arm.

Wrest – to take or force by effort or violent.

Syn. Distort, pervert

Ant. Cram, implant, wedge

Use: Being in the sport of wrestling, he is always eager to wrest.

Wrinkled – a crease of the skin or face.

Syn. Crinkle, crumple, furrow

X

Xenophobia – a belief without basis.

Syn. Bad opinion, bias

Ant. Respect, tolerance

Use: Before she knew me, she had xenophobia for me.

Y

Yank- to apply a force, to pull with a jerk

Syn. Draw, tug.

Ant. Thrust, push.

Use: She yanked him from the bed.

Yard- a considerable amount.

Syn. Much, abundance.

Ant. Granule, scrap

Use: He produces yards of brilliant music.

Yearn- to have a strong will to own.

Syn. Desiderate, crave.

Ant. Despise, execrate.

Use: Her child was yearning for a puppy.

Yelp-to cry loudly or emotionally.

Syn. Howl, squeak, shriek.

Ant. Murmur, whisper.

Use: She yelped with as she got a cut in her finger.

Yield- an increase, production.

Syn. Earnings, gain, return.

Ant. Cost, disbursement.

Use: The field's yield is good this year.

Yoke- being a slave.

Syn. Servility, slavery.

Ant. Liberation, autonomy.

Use: At last, she threw off the yoke of her in-laws.

Yokel- a country person.

Syn. Countryman, hayseed.

Ant. cosmopolitan, sophisticate.

Use: They laughed at him for him being a yokel.

Youth- age between childhood and adult.

Syn. Adolescent.

Ant. Elder, senior, oldster.

Use: He knows the meaning of hard work even in his youth.

Z

Zany - one who lacks a good sense, a bafoon

Syn. Absurd, brainless, daft

Ant. Brainy, prudent

Use: It was a zany plan of two minors to rob the ATM in which they failed.

Zeal, eagerness

Syn. Dedication, zest

Ant. Apathy, carelessness

Use: Several people expressed zeal to participate in activity.

Zenith, The peak point.

Syn. Apex, top, pinnacle.

Ant. Depths, bottom

Use: He is presently at zenith in his career.

Zest – relish, keen interest or enjoyment

Syn. Flavor, savor

Ant. Dullness, blandness

Use: The new restaurant opened in the city has a good zest.

Zoom, a monotonous sound of a thing in motion.

Syn. Buzz, drone.

Ant. Howl, roar.

Use: I woke up with the zoom of baby's car.

****THE END****
