## SENTENCE COMPLETION VOCABULARY



| CONCILIATE | 19 | 6 | make calm and content; placate (5); mediate in a dispute |
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| IMPRUDENT | 19 | 2 | not showing care for the consequences of an action; rash |
| INTEMPERATE; TEMPER، | 19 | 2 | INTEMPERATE: lacking self-control; characterized by excessive indulgences TEMPERANCE: self-restraint in conduct, indulgence in the appetites, etc. |
| UNIVERSAL | 19 | 6 | of, affecting, or done by all people or things in the world or in a particular group; applicable to all cases |
| AUGMENT | 18 | 4 | make greater by addition; increase |
| AUTONOMY | 18 | 6 | the right or condition of self-government of a State, community, institution, etc.; independence; freedom from external control |
| DISPARAGE | 18 | 7 | to regard or represent as being of little worth; scorn |
| EXPEDIENT | 18 | 1 | advantageous; useful for effecting a desired result; convenient; based on or guided by self-interest |
| PARTISAN (noun \& adj.) | 18 | 3 | noun: a strong, often uncritical, supporter of a party, cause, or person adj.: prejudiced |
| RETICENT | 18 | 2 | not revealing one's thoughts or feelings readily |
| AUSTERE | 17 | 4 | severe or strict in appearance or manner; unadorned (4); plain; lacking comforts or luxuries |
| BENIGN | 17 | 1 | good-natured; kindly; favorable; beneficial |
| DUBIOUS | 17 | 4 | hesitating or doubting; not to be relied upon; of questionable value; suspect |
| FOSTER | 17 | 1 | to help to develop; promote |
| GREGARIOUS | 17 | 3 | fond of the company of others; sociable; (of animals) living in flocks or colonies |
| MITIGATE | 17 | 5 | make less severe, serious, or painful; "mitigating": (of a fact or circumstance) lessening the gravity (11) or culpability (2) of an action |
| PARADOX | 17 | 3 | a statement that seems contradictory, but may be true in fact |
| PRAGMATIC | 17 | 3 | dealing with things in a practical rather than theoretical way |
| redundant | 17 | 0 | not or no longer needed or useful; superfluous (22); unnecessary words |
| ARTICULATE (adj. \& verb) | 16 | 2 | adj.: fluent and clear in speech <br> verb: pronounce (words) distinctly; clearly express (an idea or feeling) <br> noun: the teeling that sometning or someone is unworthy of consideration or |
| DISDAIN (noun \& verb) | 16 | 1 | respect <br> verh- cnnsider with disdain |
| EXACERBATE | 16 | 4 | make (something bad) worse |
| SCRUTINIZE | 16 | 3 | to examine or observe with great care; inspect critically |
| BELITTLE | 15 | 1 | dismiss as unimportant |
| BENEVOLENT | 15 | 2 | well meaning and kindly |
| CANDID; CANDOR | 15 | 3 | CANDID: truthful and straightforward; frank CANDOR: the quality of being open and honest |
| CAPRICIOUS; CAPRICE | 15 | 5 | CAPRICIOUS: given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behavior CAPRICE: a sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behavior |


| COLLABORATE | 15 | 4 | work jointly on an activity or project |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| CYNICAL | 15 | 1tending not to believe in the integrity or sincerity of others; skeptical; <br> contemptuous; mocking |  |
| INCONSPICUOUS | 15 | 3 | not clearly visible or attracting attention |


| RECLUSIVE | 14 | 3 | living a secluded, solitary life |
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| REVERE; IRREVERENT | 14 | 4 | REVERE: (verb) respect or admire deeply <br> IRREVERENT: disrespectful |
| SERENE | 14 | 4 | calm, peaceful, and untroubled; tranquil (15) |



| ORTHODOX | 11 | 2 | conforming with traditional or generally accepted beliefs; conventional (30) ; normal |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PLACID | 11 | 3 | not easily upset or excited; calm |
| PRECLUDE | 11 | 3 | prevent (something) from happening or (someone) from doing something |
| provincial | 11 | 0 | unsophisticated or narrow-minded |
| REPREHENSIBLE | 11 | 1 | deserving condemnation |
| subvert | 11 | 0 | undermine (32) the power and authority of (an established system or institution); to corrupt (11), as in morals |
| TRITE | 11 | 2 | (of a remark or idea) lacking originality or freshness; dull on account of overuse |
| VENERABLE | 11 | 1 | accorded great respect because of age, wisdom, or character |
| VERBOSE | 11 | 2 | using or expressed in more words than are needed |
| ABSTRUSE | 10 | 2 | difficult to understand; obscure (26) |
| AFFABLE | 10 | 4 | good-natured and sociable |
| AVERSION | 10 | 2 | a strong dislike or disinclination |
| bombast | 10 | 0 | grandiose but empty language |
| CALLOUS | 10 | 1 | insensitive and cruel; hardness in feelings |
| CHRONOLOGICAL | 10 | 6 | arranged in order of time |
| COSMOPOLITAN (adj. \& r | 10 | 2 | adj.: consisting ot people trom many ditterent countries and cultures; tamiliar with and <br> at ease in manv different conuntries and c.ultures noun' a cosmonnlitan nerson |
| DEBILITATE | 10 | 1 | severely weaken |
| DEBUNK | 10 | 5 | discredit (a widely held opinion); reduce the inflated reputation of |
| DEPRECATE | 10 | 2 | express disapproval of; belittle (15) |
| DIDACTIC | 10 | 2 | intended for instruction; morally instructive |
| DIVERGE | 10 | 4 | (ot a road, route, or line) separate trom another route and go in a difterent direction; <br> (nf an nnininn or annrnar.h) differ |
| ESOTERIC | 10 | 2 | intended for or understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge |
| EXASPERATE | 10 | 3 | irritate intensely |
| FEASIBLE | 10 | 3 | possible and practical to achieve easily or conveniently |
| GENIAL; CONGENIAL | 10 | 1 | GENIAL: friendly and cheerful <br> CONGENIAL: pleasant because of qualities or interests similar to one's own |
| IMPECCABLE | 10 | 1 | in accordance with the highest standards; faultless; unblemished; unerring |
| IMPEDE; IMPEDIMENT | 10 | 3 | IMPEDE: delay or block the progress or action of IMPEDIMENT: a hindrance or obstruction |


| IMPETUOUS | 10 | 1 | acting or done quickly and rashly; moving forcefully and rapid |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LEVITY | 10 | 3 | the treatment of a serious matter with humor or lack of respect |
| MAR | 10 | 4 | harm the appearance or quality of |
| ORNATE | 10 | 2 | elaborately or highly decorated |
| pedant | 10 | 0 | a person excessively concerned with minor detail or with displaying technical knowledge |
| PROLIFERATE | 10 | 2 | reproduce rapidly; increase rapidly in number |
| PROLIFIC | 10 | 2 | producing much fruit or foliage or many offspring; (of an artist, author, etc.) producing many works; plentiful |
| rancor | 10 | 0 | bitterness; resentment |
| TERSE | 10 | 3 | sparing in the use of words; abrupt |
| TRACTABLE; INTRACTAE | 10 | 1 | I KAC I ABLE: easy to control or intluence; (ot a situation or problem) easy to deal with <br> INTRACTARI F• hard tn solve or deal with stuhhorn |
| ALOOF | 9 | 2 | cool and distant |
| ANACHRONISM | 9 | 5 | a thing belonging to a period other than the one in which it exists; the placing of something in the wrong historical period |
| appease | 9 | 0 | placate (6) (someone) by agreeing to his demands |
| CONJECTURE (noun \& ve | 9 | 4 | noun: an opinion or conclusion based on incomplete information; a guess verb: form a conjecture; guess |
| COVET | 9 | 1 | yearn to possess (something belonging to someone else) |
| DAUNT; UNDAUNTED | 9 | 5 | UAUN I: cause to teel intımıdated or apprenensive (/) UNDAUNTED: not intimidated or discouraged by difficulty, danger or disannnintment |
| DEARTH | 9 | 1 | a scarcity or lack |
| DELIBERATE (adj. \& verb) | 9 | 3 | adj.: done consciously and intentionally; careful and unhurried verb: engage in long and careful consideration |
| DEPLETE | 9 | 2 | reduce the number or quantity of; use up (energy, stocks, etc.); exhaust |
| DEPLORE | 9 | 2 | feel or express strong disapproval of |
| DISCORD | 9 | 3 | lack of agreement or harmony |
| DISSEMINATE | 9 | 1 | to scatter about; spread widely |
| diversion | 9 | 0 | a diverting or turning aside; something intended to distract attention; a recreation or pastime |
| DOCILE | 9 | 3 | ready to accept control or instruction; submissive |
| ECCENTRIC | 9 | 1 | unconventional (30) and slightly strange; whimsical (9) |
| ECONOMY | 9 | 2 | careful management of available resources; a financial saving |
| ELICIT (verb) | 9 | 1 | evoke or draw out (a response or reaction) |


| EMPIRICISM | 9 | 2 the theory that all knowledge is derived from experience and observa |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EMULATE | 9 | 2 try to equal or surpass [a person or thing admired], typically by imitation |
| EPHEMERAL | 9 | 3 lasting or living for a very short time |
| erudite | 9 | 0 having or showing knowledge or learning |
| EUPHEMISM | 9 | 3 <br> a mild or less direct word substituted for one that is harsh or blunt when referring to something unpleasant or embarrassing |
| ICONOCLAST | 9 | 7 a person who attacks cherished beliefs or institutions |
| IDIOSYNCRASY | 9 | 2 a way of behaving or thinking peculiar to an individual; a distinctive characteristic of a thing |
| indigenous | 9 | 0 originating or occurring naturally in a particular place; native |
| INSINUATION | 9 | 2 an unpleasant hint or suggestion |
| INTERMINABLE | 9 | 2 endless |
| LOATHE; LOATH | 9 | 3 <br> LOATHE: (verb) feel hatred or disgust for LOATH: (adj.) unwilling or reluctant; disinclined |
| NURTURE (as verb) | 9 | 2 <br> rear and encourage the development of (a child); cherish (a hope, belief, or ambition) |
| PAUCITY | 9 | 4 smallness or insufficiency of supply or quantity |
| POIGNANT | 9 | 2 evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret |
| REBUT (verb) | 9 | 3 claim or prove to be false |
| RECIPROCAL; RECIPRO( | 9 | KLCIPKUCAL: given, telt or done in return; mutual <br> 1 RECIPROCATE: respond to (a gesture, action, or emotion) with a corresponding nne |
| RHETORIC | 9 | 2 <br> the art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing; language with a persuasive or impressive effect, but often lacking sincerity or meaningful content |
| SPORADIC | 9 | 1 occurring at irregular intervals or only in a few places |
| stoical | 9 | 0 enduring pain and hardship without showing one's feelings or complaining |
| TRANSCEND | 9 | 4 be or go beyond the range or limits of; be superior to; surpass |
| TRANSIENT (adj. \& noun) | 9 | 1 <br> adj.: lasting only for a short time; staying or working in a place for short time only noun: a transient person |
| UTILITARIAN | 9 | 2 useful or practical rather than attractive |
| VACILLATE | 9 | 2 waver between different opinions or actions |
| whim; whimsical | 9 | wVHIM: a sudden desire or change ot mına <br> 0 WHIMSICAL: playfully quaint or fanciful; acting or behaving in a capricious (15) manner |
| ZEALOT | 9 | 2 a fanatical and uncompromising follower of a religion or policy |
| AMENABLE | 8 | 1 willing to respond to persuasion or suggestions |
| artifact | 8 | 0 a functional or decorative man-made object |


| astute | 8 | 0 | good at making accurate judgments; shrewd |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| AUSPICIOUS | 8 | 1 | indicating a good chance of success; favorable |
| CAJOLE | 8 | 2 | persuade (someone) to do something by sustained coaxing or flattery |
| CAMOUFLAGE (as verb) | 8 | 2 | to disguise in order to conceal |
| CIRCUMSPECT (adj.) | 8 | 2 | cautious or prudent (19) |
| Deferential | 8 | 0 | respectful; showing deference (humble submission and respect) |
| DELETERIOUS | 8 | 6 | harmful to health or well-being; injurious |
| DILATORY | 8 | 2 | slow to act; intended to cause delay |


| malevolent | 8 | 0 | wishing evil to others; ill will |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| obstinate | 8 | 1 | stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or chosen course of action; hard to deal with or overcome |
| PAINSTAKING | 8 | 1 | very careful and thorough |
| PHILANTHROPY | 8 | 1 | the desire to help others, esp. through donation of money to good causes |
| POMPOUS; POMP | 8 | 1 | POMPOUS: affectedly (7) grand, solemn, or self-important; pretentious; POMP: ceremony and splendid display |
| PROTRACT | 8 | 1 | prolong, draw out |
| QUALIFY | 8 | 2 | modify (a statement) by adding restrictions or reservations |
| REPLICATE | 8 | 1 | make an exact copy of; reproduce; repeat (an experiment) to obtain a consistent result |
| SPURIOUS | 8 | 4 | false or fake; (of a line of reasoning) apparently but not actually valid (28) |
| STATIC (as adj.) | 8 | 4 | lacking movement, action, or change |
| STRINGENT | 8 | 3 | (of regulations or requirements) strict, precise, and exacting |
| tumult; tumultuous | 8 | 0 | IUMULI: a Ioud, contused noise, as caused by a large mass ot people; confusion <br> TI IMIIII TI IOI IS• verv Inuid nr unrnarinus• excited ennfısed or disorderlv |
| TURBULENT | 8 | 1 | characterized by conflict, disorder, or confusion |
| VOCIFEROUS | 8 | 1 | noisy; vehement or clamorous (4) |
| WARRANT (as verb) | 8 | 1 | to authorize; justify; officially affirm or guarantee |
| affectation | 7 | 0 | behavior, speech, or writing that is artificial and designed to impress |
| ameliorate | 7 | 0 | make (something) better; improve |
| ANALOGOUS | 7 | 1 | comparable in certain respects |
| ANECDOTE | 7 | 2 | a short entertaining story about a real incident or person |
| apprehensive | 7 | 0 | anticipating something with anxiety or fear |
| APPROPRIATE (as verb) | 7 | 2 | take for one's own use without permission; devote (money) to a special purpose |
| authoritarian (adj. \& noun) | 7 | 0 | adj.: favoring or enforcing strict obedience to authority noun: an authoritarian person |
| AVOW | 7 | 1 | assert or confess openly |
| bolster (as verb) | 7 | 0 | support or strengthen |
| CANTANKEROUS | 7 | 2 | bad-tempered, quarrelsome, and uncooperative |
| CAUSTIC | 7 | 5 | able to burn or corrode organic tissue by chemical action; scathingly (6) sarcastic; biting |
| CIRCUMSCRIBE | 7 | 3 | restrict; limit; define logically; draw a line around; form the boundary of; encircle; encompass |


| CLANDESTINE | 7 | 1 | surreptitious (7) or secretive |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | give (someone) sometning to reduce or balance the bad etrect of loss, suttering, |
| COMPENSATE | 7 | 2 | or iniurv- make un for (something undesirable) hv exertinc an onnosite fnrce or effect |
| CONVIVIAL | 7 | 1 | (of an atmosphere or event) friendly and lively; (of a person) cheerful and sociable |
| CREDULOUS (IN-) | 7 | 1 | CREDULOUS: excessively ready to believe things; gullible INCREDULOUS: unwilling or unable to believe |
| CURSORY | 7 | 1 | hasty and therefore not thorough |
| delineate | 7 | 0 | describe or indicate precisely |
| DEVOID (adj.) | 7 | 4 | (with "of") entirely lacking in |
| DISGRUNTLED (adj.) | 7 | 1 | angry or dissatisfied |
| EBULLIENT (adj.) | 7 | 3 | cheerful and full of energy |
| EMBODY | 7 | 1 | give a tangible or visible form to (an idea or quality); include or contain as a constituent part |
| enervate | 7 | 0 | cause to feel drained of energy |
| EPITOME | 7 | 2 | a perfect example of (a quality or type); a summary of a written work |
| EXHAUSTIVE | 7 | 2 | leaving nothing out; fully comprehensive |
| faction | 7 | 0 | a small dissenting group within a larger one |
| FASTIDIOUS | 7 | 3 | very attentive to accuracy and detail; very concerned about matters of cleanliness |
| FLIPPANT | 7 | 1 | not showing the proper seriousness or respect |
| FRUGAL | 7 | 1 | sparing or economical as regards money or food |
| GRATUITOUS | 7 | 1 | given free of charge; uncalled for |
| incisive | 7 | 0 | intelligently analytical and concise; (of an action) quick and direct |
| INDICTMENT | 7 | 2 | a formal charge or accusation of a serious crime; an indication that a system or situation is bad and deserves to be condemned |
| INSIDIOUS | 7 | 2 | characterized by treachery or slyness; proceeding in a gradual, subtle way, with harmful effect |
| INSULAR | 7 | 1 | isolated from outside influences, and often narrow-minded as a result; illiberal |
| INTIMATE (verb \& adj.) | 7 | 2 | verb: hint or imply <br> adj.: closely acquainted; familiar; private and personal |
| INUNDATE (verb) | 7 | 3 | flood; overwhelm with things to be dealt with |
| ITINERANT (adj. \& noun) | 7 | 6 | adj.: traveling from place to place noun: an itinerant person |
| JUDICIOUS | 7 | 2 | having or done with good judgment |
| MALICE ; MALICIOUS | 7 | 2 | MALICE: the desire to do harm to someone; ill will MALICIOUS: characterized by malice; intending or intended to do harm |


| MEAGER | 7 |  | lacking in quantity or quality; lean; thin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MEDIOCRITY | 7 | 4 | the state or quality of being moderate to inferior in quality; ordinary; a person of mediocre ability |
| METAPHOR | 7 | 2 | a figure of speech in which a word or phrase is applied to something to which it is not literally applicable (e.g. "food for thought"); a thing symbolic of something else |
| novice | 7 | 0 | a person new and inexperienced in a job or situation |
| OBFUSCATE | 7 | 1 | make unclear or unintelligible |
| ostentation | 7 | 0 | flamboyant display which is intended to impress; pretentiousness |
| PAROCHIAL | 7 | 2 | having a narrow outlook or scope; provincial (11) |
| PRECARIOUS | 7 | 3 | not securely held or in position; likely to fall; dependent on chance; uncertain |
| PREDILECTION | 7 | 4 | a preference or special liking for something |
| PRODIGIOUS | 7 | 1 | impressively large |
| reproach; irreproachable | 7 | 0 | REPROACH: express one's disapproval of or disappointment with IRREPROACHABLE: beyond criticism |
| SAGACIOUS | 7 | 1 | having or showing good judgment |
| SANGUINE (adj.) | 7 | 2 | cheerfully optimistic; of or pertaining to blood; florid (3), ruddy complexion |
| SCANT | 7 | 2 | barely sufficient or adequate; barely amounting to the amount specified |
| SUCCINCT | 7 | 2 | briefly and clearly expressed |
| sullen | 7 | 0 | bad-tempered and sulky |
| SUPERSEDE | 7 | 2 | take the place of; supplant (6) |
| SURREPTITIOUS | 7 | 1 | done secretly or furtively (5) |
| TAINT (noun \& verb) | 7 | 2 | noun: a trace of a bad or undesirable quality or substance verb: contaminate or pollute; affect with a bad or undesirable quality |
| TEMPER (as verb) | 7 | 6 | to moderate, modify; serve as a neutralizing or counterbalancing force to |
| THERAPEUTIC | 7 | 5 | serving to cure or heal or preserve health |
| UNASSAILABLE; ASSAIL | 7 | 3 | UINASSAILABLE: unabie to De attackea, questionea, or dereatea ASSAIL: attack violently; (of an unpleasant feeling) come upon (someone) strnnalv |
| URBANE | 7 | 1 | (esp. of a man) suave (2), courteous, and refined |
| ACRIMONIOUS | 6 | 4 | angry and bitter |
| ANIMOSITY | 6 | 2 | a feeling of strong dislike or hatred; hostility |
| APPROBATION | 6 | 2 | approval; praise |
| archaic |  | 0 | belonging to former or ancient times; old or in an old-fashioned style |


| ARDOR | 6 | 3 | great enthusiasm; passion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CATHARSIS | 6 | 2 | the release of pent-up emotions, for example through drama |
| circumvent | 6 | 0 | find a way around (an obstacle); to get the better of or prevent by craft or ingenuity |
| COMMEMORATE | 6 | 5 | honor the memory of as a mark of respect |
| condescend | 6 | 0 | show that one feels superior; act in a gracious or patronizing (5) act or manner; do something despite regarding it as below one's dignity |
| CONDITIONAL | 6 | 1 | subject to one or more conditions being met; qualified (7) |
| CONSTITUENTS | 6 | 1 | residents of a district or members of a group represented by an elected official |
| CONVERGE | 6 | 2 | come together from different directions so as eventually to meet |
| CONVICTION | 6 | 1 | a firmly held belief or opinion; the quality of showing that one is convinced of what one believes or says |
| cryptic (adj.) | 6 | 0 | mysterious or obscure (26) in meaning |
| DECRY | 6 | 2 | publicly denounce |
| DIFFUSE (verb \& adj.) | 6 | 1 | verb: spread over a wide area adj: spread out over a large area; not concentrated; lacking clarity or conciseness |
| EFFICACIOUS | 6 | 4 | effective |
| EFFUSIVE | 6 | 2 | expressing gratitude or approval in an unrestrained manner |
| egalitarian | 6 | 0 | in accordance with the principle that all people are equal and deserve equal rights and opportunities |
| ENGENDER | 6 | 3 | give rise to; cause; produce |
| ENUMERATE | 6 | 2 | to specify as in a list; mention (a number of things) one by one |
| EQUANIMITY | 6 | 2 | calmness; composure |
| EQUIVOCATE | 6 | 2 | to use ambiguous (23) words or expressions in order to mislead; prevaricate (1) |
| ESCHEW | 6 | 3 | to abstain from; to shun; avoid |
| exorbitant | 6 | 0 | (of a price or amount charged) unreasonably high |
| expedite; expeditious | 6 | 0 | EXPEDITE: cause to happen sooner or be accomplished more quickly EXPEDITIOUS: quick and efficient |
| FORESTALL (verb) | 6 | 2 | prevent or obstruct (something anticipated) by taking advance action; anticipate and prevent the action of |
| HACKNEYED | 6 | 2 | (of a phrase or idea) unoriginal and trite (11) |
| HAUGHTY | 6 | 2 | arrogantly superior and disdainful (16); having or showing great pride in oneself and contempt for others |
| HYPERBOLE | 6 | 4 | deliberate exaggeration, not meant to be taken literally |
| IMPLACABLE; PLACATE | 6 | 1 | IMPLACABLE: unable to be appeased (9); relentless; unstoppable PLACATE: make less angry or hostile; calm or appease |


| irrevocable | 6 | 0 | not able to be changed, reversed, or recovered |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| JADED (adj.) | 6 | 1 | tired out or lacking enthusiasm after having had too much of something |
| lackadaisical | 6 | 0 | lacking enthusiasm and thoroughness |
| LOFTY | 6 | 1 | noble; elevated; haughty (6) and aloof (9) |
| MALLEABLE | 6 | 1 | able to be hammered or pressed into shape without breaking or cracking; easily influenced |
| MANIFEST (adj. \& verb) | 6 | 1 | adj.: clear and obvious verb: show or demonstrate; become apparent; (of a ghost) appear |
| MERCENARY (adj. \& nour | 6 | 2 | adj.: motivated chiefly by the desire for gain noun: a professional soldier hired to serve in a foreign army |
| nebulous | 6 | 0 | in the form of a cloud or haze; hazy; vague or ill-defined |
| OBSEQUIOUS | 6 | 2 | obedient or attentive to an excessive or servile (6) degree |
| PERILOUS | 6 | 1 | full of danger or risk |
| peruse (verb) | 6 | 0 | read or examine thoroughly or carefully |
| POLEMIC; POLEMICAL | 6 | 6 | POLEMIC: a strong verbal or written attack POLEMICAL: of or involving disputatious (4) or controversial debate |
| PORTEND; PORTENT | 6 | 3 | PORTEND: be a sign or warning that something (momentous or disastrous) is likely to happen PORTENT: (noun form) a sign or warning ... |
| PRECOCIOUS | 6 | 2 | having developed certain abilities or inclinations at an earlier age than usual |
| precursor | 6 | 0 | a person who or thing that comes before another of the same kind |
| PROCRASTINATE | 6 | 2 | delay or postpone action |
| PROFICIENT | 6 | 1 | competent; skilled |
| rejuvenate | 6 | 0 | make or cause to appear younger or more vital |
| reprove; reproof | 6 | 0 | REPROVE: rebuke (1); reprimand; express disapproval of REPROOF: a rebuke or reprimand |
| SALUTARY | 6 | 2 | (of something disadvantageous) beneficial in providing an opportunity for learning from experience |
| SANCTION (as verb) | 6 | 1 | give official permission for; to confirm; to authorize, permit; warrant (8); impose a sanction or penalty on |
| SERVILE | 6 | 1 | excessively willing to serve or please others; of or characteristic of a slave or slaves |
| STIFLE | 6 | 1 | smother or suppress; prevent or constrain (an activity or idea) |
| STRIDENT | 6 | 3 | loud and harsh; presenting a point of view in an excessively forceful way |
| SUPPLANT | 6 | 2 | supersede (7) and replace |
| TANGENTIAL | 6 | 1 | having only a slight connection or relevance; peripheral (4); diverging (10) from a previous course; erratic |
| tenuous | 6 | 0 | very slight or insubstantial; very slender or fine |


| timorous | 6 | 0 | lacking in courage or confidence; nervous |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TRANSITORY | 6 | 1 | not permanent; temporary; fleeting |
| TREPIDATION | 6 | 3 | a feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen |
| UNSCATHED; SCATHING | 6 | 3 | UNSCATHED: without suffering any injury, damage, or harm SCATHING: witheringly scornful; severely critical |
| utopian (adj. \& noun) | 6 | 0 | adj.: idealistic noun: an idealistic reformer |
| VAPID (adj.) | 6 | 2 | offering nothing that is stimulating or challenging |
| VICARIOUS | 6 | 2 | experiencea in the imagınation througn the teelings and actions of another person; <br> acting or done for another |
| VIGILANT | 6 | 1 | keeping careful watch for possible danger or difficulties |
| VIRULENT | 6 | 3 | (of a disease or poison) extremely severe or harmful in its effects; (of a pathogen, esp. a virus) highly infective; bitterly hostile |
| VOLATILE | 6 | 1 | (of a substance) easily evaporated at normal temperatures; liable to change rapidly and unpredictably, esp. for the worse |
| ABATE (verb) | 5 | 3 | (of something bad) become less intense or widespread |
| ACQUIESCE | 5 | 2 | accept or consent in something without protest |
| ADROIT | 5 | 2 | clever or skillful in using the hands or mind; adept (4) under pressing conditions |
| ADULATION | 5 | 1 | excessive admiration |
| allusion | 5 | 0 | an indirect reference to something |
| AMALGAM; AMALGAMAT | 5 | 4 | AMALGAM: a mixture or blend AMALGAMATE: combine or unite to form one organization or structure |
| arbiter; arbitration | 5 | 0 | ARBITER: a person selected to judge a dispute ARBITRATION: the use of an arbitrator to settle a dispute |
| ARDUOUS | 5 | 1 | difficult and tiring |
| ASCETIC (adj. \& noun) | 5 | 0 | adj.: strictly self-disciplined and avoiding any sensory pleasure or luxuries noun: an ascetic person |
| ASSIDUOUS (adj.) | 5 | 2 | showing great care and perseverance |
| BRAZEN | 5 | 1 | bold and shameless |
| BRUSQUE (adj.) | 5 | 1 | abrupt or offhand in manner or speech |
| BUOYANT | 5 | 2 | able to keep afloat; cheerful and optimistic |
| CALLOW (adj.) | 5 | 1 | (of a young person) inexperienced and immature |
| carnivorous | 5 | 0 | (of an animal) feeding on flesh |
| CATALYST | 5 | 1 | a substance that increases the rate ot a cnemical reaction witnout itselt undergoing <br> anv nermanent chemical chance- a nerson or thinc that nres.initates an event |
| CIRCUITOUS | 5 | 2 | (of a route) longer than the most direct way |


| coerce (verb) | 5 | 1 | persuade (an unwilling person) to do something by using force or threats |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| COMPLICITY | 5 | 2 | involvement with others in an unlawful activity |
| concord; concordance | 5 | 0 | CUNCOKL: agreement; narmony; a treaty <br> CUNCURUANC:: an alphabetical list of the important words in a text, usually with citations of the nassanes conncerne. |
| confound | 5 | 0 | surprise or bewilder; prove wrong; defeat (a plan, aim, or hope) |
| construe | 5 | 0 | interpret in a particular way |
| COPIOUS (adj.) | 5 | 3 | abundant; plentiful |
| DEBACLE | 5 | 2 | an utter failure or disaster |
| denigrate | 5 | 0 | criticize unfairly; disparage (18) |
| DEPRAVE | 5 | 1 | lead away from what is natural or right; corrupt (11) |
| DEROGATE | 5 | 2 | (with "from") detract from; deviate from; disparage (18) |
| despot | 5 | 0 | a ruler with absolute power; esp. one who exercises it in a cruel or oppressive way |
| DIMINUTIVE | 5 | 1 | extremely or unusually small |
| disconcert | 5 | 0 | disturb the composure of; discomfit (1) |
| DISSOLUTION; DISSOLU* | 5 | 2 | the formal closing down or ending of an assembly, official body, or agreement; disintegration; debauched (1) living; dissipation (3); lacking moral restraint |
| EDIFY | 5 | 2 | instruct or improve morally or intellectually |
| ELATED (adj.) | 5 | 2 | extremely happy and excited |
| EMANCIPATE | 5 | 1 | to set free, esp. from legal, social, or political restrictions; free from slavery |
| ENMITY | 5 | 1 | the state of being an enemy; hostility |
| EULOGY | 5 | 1 | a speech or piece of writing that praises someone highly; esp., a funeral oration |
| EVANESCENT | 5 | 2 | quickly fading from sight, memory, or existence |
| EVOCATIVE (adj.) | 5 | 2 | evoking strong memories, images, or feelings |
| EXPENDABLE | 5 | 1 | suitable to used once only; not worth preserving; able to be sacrificed because of little significance when compared to an overall purpose |
| EXTRAPOLATE | 5 | 2 | extend the application of (a method, conclusion, etc.) to different or larger groups |
| facile (adj.) | 5 | 0 | ignoring the complexities of an issue; superficial (24); (of an achievement) easily accomplished |
| fiasco | 5 | 0 | a ludicrous or humiliating failure |
| FOREBODING; FOREBO[ | 5 | 2 | FOREBODING: a portent (6); an omen; a presentiment (1) of coming evil FOREBODE: act as an advance warning of (something bad) |
| FORESHADOW | 5 | 2 | be a warning or indication of |

## SENTENCE COMPLETION VOCABULARY

| FORGE (as verb) | 5 | 1 | move <br> forward aradually or steadilv |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FORGO | 5 | 4 | go without (something desirable) |
| FURTIVE (adj.) | 5 | 2 | characterized by guilty or evasive (11) secrecy; stealthy (1) |
| GALVANIZE | 5 | 3 | shock or excite into action |
| genteel | 5 | 0 | polite and refined |
| HAMPER (as verb) | 5 | 1 | hinder or impede (10) the movement or progress of |
| HARBINGER | 5 | 2 | a person or thing that announces or signals the approach of something |
| HERESY | 5 | 5 | belief or opinion contrary to orthodox (11) religious (esp. Christian) doctrine; opinion profoundly (24) at odds with what is generally accepted |
| HETEROGENEOUS | 5 | 2 | diverse in character or content |
| hierarchy | 5 | 0 | a ranking system ordered according to status or authority; an arrangement according to relative importance or inclusiveness |
| HOMOGENEOUS | 5 | 1 | of the same kind; consisting of parts all of the same kind |
| IMPUDENT | 5 | 1 | not showing due respect for another person; impertinent (3) |
| IMPUGN (verb) | 5 | 2 | dispute the truth, validity (27), or honesty of |
| INCONTROVERTIBLE | 5 | 1 | not able to be denied or disputed |
| INORDINATE | 5 | 1 | unusually large; excessive |
| INTRANSIGENT | 5 | 1 | refusing to change one's views |
| INTREPID | 5 | 1 | fearless; adventurous |
| JOCULAR | 5 | 2 | fond of or characterized by joking; humorous |
| LAX (adj.) | 5 | 1 | not sufficiently strict, severe, or careful; (of limbs or muscles) relaxed |
| LIBERATE | 5 | 2 | set free, esp. from imprisonment or oppression |
| LUKEWARM | 5 | 2 | only moderately warm; unenthusiastic |
| LUMINOUS | 5 | 2 | bright or shining, esp. in the dark |
| malign (adj. \& verb) | 5 | 0 | adj.: harmful or evil verb: speak ill of |
| MERCURIAL (adj.) | 5 | 2 | subject to sudden changes of mood; fickle |
| MODICUM | 5 | 2 | a small amount; bit |
| MOLLIFY | 5 | 2 | to calm in temper or feeling; soothe; to lessen in intensity; temper (7); to reduce the rigidity of; soften |
| MUNIFICENT (adj.) | 5 | 1 | very generous in giving; lavish |


| nomad | 5 | 2 | a member of a people continually moving to find fresh pasture for its animals and having no permanent home; a wanderer |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| oblique | 5 | 0 | neither parallel nor at right angles; slanting; not explicit or direct |
| ODIOUS | 5 | 1 | extremely unpleasant; repulsive |
| officious | 5 | 0 | asserting authority or interfering in an overbearing way |
| OMNISCIENT | 5 | 3 | knowing all things |
| opulent | 5 | 0 | ostentatiously (7) rich and luxurious |
| OUTMODED | 5 | 1 | old-fashioned; made outdated |
| PALLIATE (verb) | 5 | 2 | to lessen the severity of without curing; alleviate; to make (an offense) appear less serious; excuse |
| PATRONIZE | 5 | 2 | to be kind or helpful to, but in a haughty (6) or snobbish way |
| PEDESTRIAN (as adj.) | 5 | 3 | ordinary and dull; uninspired; prosaic (13) |
| PERFUNCTORY (adj.) | 5 | 3 | carried out with a minimum of effort or reflection |
| PERNICIOUS | 5 | 1 | tending to destroy, kill, or injure, esp. in a gradual or subtle way; destructive, ruinous |
| PITFALL | 5 | 4 | a hidden or unsuspected danger or difficulty |
| PRECIPITATE (as adj.) | 5 | 1 | acting or done hastily or rashly; very sudden or abrupt |
| PRECIPITOUS (adj.) | 5 | 1 | (of a change in a condition or situation) sudden and dramatic; hasty; precipitate; dangerously high or steep |
| PUGNACIOUS | 5 | 2 | eager or quick to argue, quarrel, or fight |
| PUNCTILIOUS | 5 | 2 | showing great attention to detail or correct behavior; very exact; scrupulous (15) |
| QUELL (verb) | 5 | 3 | put an end to (a rebellion or other disorder), typically by force; subdue or suppress |
| RECTIFY | 5 | 2 | put right; correct |
| RELEGATE | 5 | 1 | place in an inferior rank or position; to exile or banish to |
| revile | 5 | 0 | criticize in an abusive or scornful way |
| rustic | 5 | 0 | of the country, rural; simple or artless; rough or uncouth |
| scapegoat | 5 | 0 | a person who is blamed for the wrongdoings or mistakes of others |
| SEDATE (as adj.) | 5 | 1 | calm and unhurried; staid (5) and rather dull |
| SEDENTARY (adj.) | 5 | 2 | sitting; seated; tending to sit down a lot; taking little physical exercise; tending to stay in the same place for much of the time |
| staid | 5 | 0 | respectable and unadventurous; settled in character and conduct; dignified and serious |
| SYCOPHANT | 5 | 3 | a person who seeks favor by flattering people of wealth or influence |


| TANGIBLE | 5 | 1 | perceptible by touch; clear and definite; real |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TORPID; TORPOR | 5 | 2 | TORPID: mentally or physically inactive; (of an animal) dormant TORPOR: physical or mental inactivity; lethargy (8) |
| TOUT (verb) | 5 | 2 | attempt to sell (something), typically by a direct or persistent approach; attempt to persuade people of the merits of |
| UBIQUITOUS (adj.) | 5 | 4 | present, appearing, or found everywhere |
| UNPERTURBED | 5 | 3 | not mentally or physically disturbed; not confused or agitated |
| USURP | 5 | 1 | take (a position of power) illegally or by force; take the place of (someone in power) illegally |
| variegated | 5 | 0 | marked with different colors in spots, streaks, etc.; having variety; varied |
| VERACITY | 5 | 1 | conformity to facts; accuracy; habitual truthfulness |
| VESTIGE | 5 | 1 | a remaining trace of something that once existed; the smallest amount |
| VILIFY | 5 | 1 | speak or write in an abusively disparaging (18) manner |
| VOLUMINOUS | 5 | 1 | (of clothing or drapery) loose and ample; (of writing) very lengthy and full |
| WAIVE; WAIVER | 5 | 1 | WAIVE (verb): refrain from insisting on or applying (a right or claim) WAIVER (noun): an act or instance of waiving a right or claim |
| WANE (verb) | 5 | 1 | grow gradually less in extent, as the moon after it is full; grow dim, as a light; decrease in strength or extent |
| ABSOLUTE (adj.) | 4 | 2 | not qualified or diminished in any way; total; having unlimited power; not relative or comparative |
| ACCOST (verb) | 4 | 1 | approach and address boldly or aggressively |
| ADEPT (adj. \& noun) | 4 | 3 | adj.: very skilled or proficient (6) noun: a person who is adept at something |
| admonish | 4 | 0 | reprimand firmly; earnestly urge or warn |
| ADORN | 4 | 2 | make more attractive or beautiful; decorate |
| ANOMALY (noun) | 4 | 2 | something that deviates from what is standard or normal |
| ANTECEDENT | 4 | 1 | a preceding thing or circumstance |
| ANTIPATHY | 4 | 1 | a strong feeling of dislike; aversion (10) |
| antiquated | 4 | 0 | old-fashioned or out-dated |
| ARCANE (adj.) | 4 | 1 | understood by few; mysterious |
| ATTENUATE | 4 | 1 | reduce the strength, effect, or value of; make thin or thinner |
| ATTEST | 4 | 2 | provide or serve as clear evidence of; declare that something exists or is the case |
| audacious | 4 | 0 | willing to take bold risks; impudent (5); unrestrained by convention (30) or propriety; insolent; spirited and original |
| AVARICE | 4 | 1 | extreme greed for wealth or material gain |


| AVENGE | 4 |  | inflict harm in return for (a wrong) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| AVERT | 4 | 3 | turn away (one's eyes); prevent or ward off (an undesirable occurrence) |
| BASE (as adj.) | 4 | 2 | without moral principles; ignoble (1) |
| BELLICOSE (adj.) | 4 | 1 | aggressive and ready to fight |
| blithe (adj.) | 4 | 0 | cheerfully or thoughtlessly indifferent |
| BOON (noun) | 4 | 3 | a thing that is helpful or beneficial |
| BRIDGE (as verb) | 4 | 2 | be or make a bridge over or between |
| buttress (noun \& verb) | 4 | 0 | noun: a projecting support built against a wall; a projecting portion of a hill or mountain <br> verh' sunnnert with hultresses. strennthen |
| CACOPHONY | 4 | 3 | a harsh discordant (9) mixture of sounds |
| camaraderie | 4 | 0 | mutual trust and friendship |
| CANNY (adj.) | 4 | 1 | shrewd, esp. in financial or business matters |
| CASTIGATE | 4 | 1 | reprimand severely, esp. by public criticism |
| CATEGORICAL (adj.) | 4 | 1 | unambiguously (23) explicit and direct |
| CAVALIER (as adj.) | 4 | 1 | showing a lack of proper concern |
| CEREBRAL (adj.) | 4 | 2 | relating to the cerebrum of the brain; intellectual rather than emotional or physical |
| CHAGRIN | 4 | 1 | mortification (3) arising from disappointment or failure; acute vexation or annoyance |
| charisma | 4 | 0 | compelling attractiveness or charm; a capacity to inspire devotion and enthusiasm |
| CHASTISE | 4 | 1 | reprimand severely |
| CHICANERY | 4 | 2 | the use of trickery to achieve one's purpose |
| CLAIRVOYANCE | 4 | 1 | the supposed faculty of perceiving events in the future or beyond normal sensory contact |
| clamor (noun \& verb) | 4 | 0 | noun: a loud and confused noise; vehement protest or demand verb: (of a group) make a clamor |
| consternation | 4 | 0 | anxiety or dismay |
| CONSTRICT | 4 | 2 | make or become narrower, esp. by encircling pressure; tighten; deprive of freedom of movement |
| CONSUMMATE (as adj.) | 4 | 2 | showing great skill and flair |
| contrite (adj.) | 4 | 0 | deeply sorry for having done wrong; repentant |
| COUNTENANCE (as verb) | 4 | 3 | admit as acceptable or possible; give approval to; sanction (6); permit |
| CUMULATIVE | 4 | 1 | increasing or increased by successive additions |


| DEBASE | 4 |  | lower the quality, value, or character of |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| decimate | 4 | 0 | destroy or kill a large proportion of; drastically reduce the strength of |
| DEFT (adj.) | 4 | 1 | quick and neatly skillful |
| demagogue | 4 | 0 | a political leader who appeals to popular desires and prejudices |
| DEMOGRAPHY | 4 | 1 | the study of the structure of human populations using statistics of births, deaths, wealth, disease, etc. |
| DEMONSTRATIVE | 4 | 1 | tending to show one's feelings openly |
| DICHOTOMY | 4 | 1 | a separation or contrast between two things |
| DISAFFECTED | 4 | 1 | discontented through having lost one's feelings of loyalty or commitment |
| DISPUTATIOUS | 4 | 2 | fond of argument; (of an argument or situation) motivated by or causing strong opinions |
| DIVISIVE | 4 | 4 | causing disagreement or hostility |
| DOUR (adj.) | 4 | 1 | very severe, stern, or gloomy |
| ENFRANCHISE | 4 | 2 | give the right to vote to; free (a slave) |
| entail (verb) | 4 | 0 | make (something) as an inevitable (20) part or consequence |
| EQUITABLE | 4 | 3 | fair and impartial; just |
| ESPOUSE (verb) | 4 | 1 | adopt or support (a cause, belief, or way of life) |
| ESTRANGE (verb) | 4 | 1 | cause to teel less close or triendly; (estranged) (ot a nusband or wite) no longer living with their snouse |
| expunge | 4 | 0 | obliterate (11) or remove completely |
| EXPURGATE (verb) | 4 | 2 | remove matter regarded as obscene or unsuitable from (a text or account) |
| exult | 4 | 0 | show or feel triumphant elation |
| FACETIOUS | 4 | 1 | trivially or inappropriately humorous |
| FATALISM | 4 | 1 | the belief that all events are predetermined and inevitable (20); a submissive attitude to events |
| fathom (as verb) | 4 | 0 | understand after much thought |
| foil (as verb) | 4 | 0 | prevent the success of |
| FORBEARING; FORBEAR | 4 | 1 | FORBEARING (adj.) : patient and restrained FORBEARANCE: patient self-control and restraint; tolerance |
| FORTUITOUS | 4 | 2 | happening by chance rather than design; happening by a lucky chance; fortunate |
| FRENETIC | 4 | 1 | frantic; frenzied; fast and energetic in a rather wild and uncontrolled way |
| GUILELESS | 4 | 1 | lacking guile; artless; innocent and without deception |


| impervious | 4 | 0 | allowing fluid to pass through; "impervious to" unable to be affected by |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| inane (adj.) | 4 | 0 | lacking sense or meaning; silly |
| incorrigible | 4 | 0 | not able to be corrected or reformed |
| INDOLENT | 4 | 2 | wanting to avoid activity or exertion; lazy |
| INEFFABLE (adj.) | 4 | 1 | too great or extreme to be expressed in words; too sacred to be uttered |
| INEXORABLE (adj.) | 4 | 2 | impossible to stop or prevent; impossible to persuade by entreaty or request |
| INIMITABLE (adj.) | 4 | 1 | impossible to imitate; unique |
| INSATIABLE | 4 | 2 | impossible to satisfy |
| INSURGENT (adj. \& noun) | 4 | 1 | adj.: rising in active revolt noun: a rebel or revolutionary |
| INTRINSIC | 4 | 1 | belonging to the basic nature of someone or something; essential |
| INTROVERT | 4 | 1 | a shy, reticent (18) person; Psychology: a person predominately concerned with his own thoughts and feelings |
| jubilant | 4 | 0 | happy and triumphant |
| JUXTAPOSE (verb) | 4 | 1 | place (two or more things) side by side or close to one another |
| LUGUBRIOUS (adj.) | 4 | 2 | mournful; sad and dismal |
| LURID | 4 | 1 | unpleasantly vivid in color; (of a description) shocking or sensational |
| MACHINATIONS | 4 | 2 | plots and intrigues; scheming |
| MARGINAL | 4 | 2 | of minor importance, small, having little effect |
| MAVERICK | 4 | 1 | an unorthodox (11) or independent-minded person; an individualist |
| MISAPPREHENSION | 4 | 1 | a mistaken belief; a misunderstanding |
| MODIFY | 4 | 2 | make partial changes to |
| morose (adj.) | 4 | 0 | sullen (7) and ill-tempered |
| NEFARIOUS | 4 | 1 | wicked; iniquitous (1); villainous (1) |
| NOCTURNAL | 4 | 2 | of or pertaining to the night; of an animal: active (only) during the night |
| OBSTREPEROUS (adj.) | 4 | 1 | voicing loud opposition; noisy or unruly, esp. in resisting |
| obtuse (adj.) | 4 | 0 | annoyingly insensitive or slow to understand; not sharp-pointed or sharp-edged; blunt |
| onerous | 4 | 0 | involving an oppressive amount of effort and difficulty |
| OSCILLATE | 4 | 1 | move or swing back and forth at a regular rate; waver between extremes of opinion or emotion |


| PANACEA | 4 | 2 | solution or remedy for all for all difficulties or disease |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PARADIGM | 4 | 2 | a typical example, pattern or model of something; a conceptual model underlying the theories and practice of a scientific subject |
| PARAMOUNT (adj.) | 4 | 1 | more important than anything else; supreme; having supreme power |
| PARSIMONY | 4 | 1 | extreme unwillingness to spend money or use resources |
| peevish | 4 | 0 | irritable; fretful; cross |
| PENITENT (adj. \& noun) | 4 | 1 | adj.: feeling sorrow for having done wrong and willing to atone (2) noun: a person who repents or submits to penance |
| PEREMPTORY (adj.) | 4 | 2 | insisting on immediate attention or obedience; brusque (5) and imperious |
| PERIPHERAL | 4 | 2 | outer; external; of secondary importance; marginal (4) |
| PERSPICACIOUS (adj.) | 4 | 2 | having an acuteness of perception, discernment (24), or understanding |
| PLAUDITS | 4 | 4 | praise; enthusiastic approval |
| pliant (adj.) | 4 | 0 | able to be (easily) bent or folded; lithe (2), flexible; readily influenced; yielding, compliant; accommodating |
| PRESCIENT | 4 | 1 | having knowledge of actions and events before they occur |
| PROFUSE (adj.) | 4 | 2 | plentiful; abundant |
| propagate | 4 | 0 | breed by natural processes from the parent stock; promote (an idea, knowledge, etc.) widely; transmit in a particular direction <br> the Ieading cnaracter in a arama, timm, or novel; a prominent tigure in a reai |
| protagonist | 4 | 0 | situation; <br> an advocate or chamnion of a cause or idea |
| PUNCTUATE | 4 | 1 | interrupt at intervals throughout |
| QUALITATIVE | 4 | 1 | of, concerned with, or measured by quality |
| quandary | 4 | 0 | a state of uncertainty; dilemma |
| querulous | 4 | 0 | complaining in a petulant (2) or whining manner |
| QUERY (noun \& verb) | 4 | 1 | noun: a question, esp. one expressing doubt verb: ask a query |
| REACTIONARY (adj. \& no | 4 | 1 | adj.: opposing political or social progress or reform noun: a person holding reactionary views |
| REBUFF (verb \& noun) | 4 | 1 | verb: to reject in an abrupt or ungracious manner noun: an abrupt rejection |
| recant | 4 | 0 | renounce a former opinion or belief |
| RECTITUDE | 4 | 2 | morally correct behavior; uprightness of character |
| remiss (adj.) | 4 | 0 | lacking care or attention to duty, negligent |
| RENAISSANCE | 4 | 1 | the revival of art and literature under the influence of classical models in the 14th16th centuries; a revival of or renewed interest in something |
| RESCIND | 4 |  | revoke, cancel, or repeal (a law, order, or agreement) |


| residual (adj. \& noun) | 4 | 0 | adj.: remaining after the greater part or quantity has gone or been subtracted noun: a residual quantity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RETRENCH | 4 | 1 | reduce costs or spending in response to economic difficulty |
| retribution | 4 | 0 | punishment inflicted in the spirit of moral outrage or personal vengeance |
| RETROGRADE (adj. \& ver | 4 | 2 | adj.: directed or moving backwards; reverting to an earlier and inferior condition verb: go back in position or time |
| rudimentary | 4 | 0 | of or pertaining to basic principles; immature, undeveloped, or basic |
| ruminate (verb) | 4 | 0 | think deeply about something |
| sanctimonious | 4 | 0 | making a show of being morally superior; affecting (7) piety, pretending sanctity (1) |
| SENSATIONALISM | 4 | 2 | (in the media) the use of exciting or shocking stories or language at the expense of accuracy, in order to provoke public interest or excitement |
| SMUG | 4 | 3 | irritatingly pleased with oneself; self-satisfied |
| SOPORIFIC | 4 | 2 | inducing drowsiness or sleep |
| spurn | 4 | 0 | reject with contempt |
| STYMIE | 4 | 1 | prevent or hinder the progress of |
| subsidy; subsidize | 4 | 0 | subsidy: a grant of money, as from a government to a private enterprise subsidize: support (an organization or activity) financially |
| SUBSIST | 4 | 2 | maintain or support oneself, esp. at a minimal level |
| SUBTERFUGE | 4 | 1 | a trick or deception used in order to achieve one's goal |
| SUPERCILIOUS (adj.) | 4 | 1 | having an air of contemptuous superiority |
| TEMPORAL | 4 | 1 | of, relating to, or limited by time; relating to worldly affairs; secular (3) |
| TENET | 4 | 1 | a central principle or belief |
| TRENCHANT (adj.) | 4 | 1 | of language, style, etc.: vigorous and incisive; effective, energetic |
| UNTENABLE | 4 | 2 | not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection |
| vacuous | 4 | 0 | showing a lack of thought or intelligence |
| vanquish | 4 | 0 | defeat thoroughly |
| VIABLE | 4 | 1 | capable of working successfully; feasible (10); Biology (of a plant, animal, or cell) capable of surviving or living successfully |
| VITRIOL | 4 | 2 | extreme bitterness or malice (7) |
| VITUPERATION | 4 | 1 | bitter and abusive language |
| vivacious | 4 | 0 | attractively lively and animated |
| aberration | 3 | 0 | a departure from what is normal or acceptable; a mental or moral lapse |


| abridge | 3 |  | shorten (a text or film) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ACADEMIC (as adj.) | 3 | 1 | relating to education and scholarship; scholarly rather than technical or practical; of only theoretical interest |
| accolade | 3 | 0 | something given as a special honor or in recognition of merit |
| affront (noun \& verb) | 3 | 0 | noun: an action or remark that causes offense verb: offend the modesty or values of |
| ALACRITY | 3 | 1 | eager willingness, often with quick, lively action |
| ARABLE | 3 | 2 | (of land) able to be plowed and used for the cultivation of crops |
| archive (noun \& verb) | 3 | 0 | noun: a collection of historical documents or records verb: place in an archive |
| AVID (adj.) | 3 | 1 | keenly interested or enthusiastic |
| BENT (noun); BENT ON (a | 3 | 2 | BENT: a tendency; a natural leaning or propensity BENT ON: determined to do or have |
| berate (verb) | 3 | 0 | scold or criticize angrily |
| blandishments | 3 | 0 | flattery intended to persuade or cajole (8) |
| BLIGHT (noun \& verb) | 3 | 1 | noun: a plant disease, esp. one caused by fungi; a thing that spoils something verb: infect (plants) with blight; spoil or destroy |
| BUCOLIC (adj.) | 3 | 2 | relating to rural or pastoral (1) life |
| BURGEON (verb) | 3 | 2 | grow or increase rapidly |
| caricature | 3 | 0 | the exaggerated imitation of a person, literary style, etc., for comic or grotesque effect |
| CARP (as verb) | 3 | 1 | complain or find fault continually |
| CATACLYSM | 3 | 2 | a violent upheaval or disaster |
| CATER (TO) | 3 | 2 | seek to gratify another's desires |
| CERTITUDE | 3 | 3 | a feeling of absolute certainty |
| charlatan | 3 | 0 | a person falsely claiming to have a certain expertise |
| collage | 3 | 0 | an art form in which various materials are arranged and stuck to a backing; a combination or collection of various things |
| COLLOQUIAL | 3 | 2 | (of language) used in ordinary or familiar conversation; not formal or literary |
| COLLUDE; COLLUSION | 3 | 1 | COLLUDE (verb): come to a secret understanding; conspire COLLUSION: secret cooperation in order to cheat or deceive |
| COMPUNCTION | 3 | 1 | a feeling of guilt or moral scruple (15) that prevents or follows wrongdoing; remorse |
| CONFLAGRATION | 3 | 1 | an extensive and destructive fire |
| connotation | 3 | 0 | an idea or feeling invoked by a word in addition to its primary or literal meaning |
| consecrate | 3 | 0 | make or declare sacred |


| CONTINGENT (adj.) | 3 | 1 | dependent on; conditional (6) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| conundrum | 3 | 0 | a confusing and difficult problem or question; a riddle |
| COSMETIC (as adj.) | 3 | 3 | relating to treatment intended to improve a person's appearance; improving only the appearance of something |
| CRITERION | 3 | 1 | a principle or standard by which something may be judged or decided |
| decadent | 3 | 0 | characterized by moral or cultural decline; luxuriously self-indulgent |
| DEMISE (noun) | 3 | 1 | a person's death; the end or failure of something |
| demure (adj.) | 3 | 0 | (of a woman) reserved (13), modest, and shy |
| dexterity | 3 | 0 | skill in performing tasks, esp. with the hands |
| DIEHARD (noun) | 3 | 1 | a person who supports something uncompromisingly |
| DISCRETE (adj.) | 3 | 2 | individually separate and distinct |
| dissipate | 3 | 0 | to scatter; disperse (14); to make disappear; to waste or squander; to vanish; to indulge in pleasure to the point of harming oneself |
| DOCTRINAIRE (adj.) | 3 | 1 | seeking to impose a doctrine without compromise; theoretical and unpractical; dogmatically (12) adhering to a doctrine |
| droll (adj.) | 3 | 0 | amusing in a strange or quaint way |
| drone (noun \& verb) | 3 | 0 | noun: an idler; loafer verb: speak tediously and at length |
| EFFRONTERY | 3 | 1 | insolence or impertinence (3); impudence (5); audacity (4) |
| EGREGIOUS | 3 | 1 | remarkably bad; flagrant (3) |
| ELEGANT | 3 | 1 | graceful and stylish; pleasingly ingenious and simple |
| ENCROACH | 3 | 2 | gradually intrude on (a person's territory, rights, etc.); advance gradually beyond expected or acceptable limits |
| ENTITY | 3 | 1 | a thing with distinct and independent existence, as opposed to a relation, function, etc. |
| escapade | 3 | 0 | an incident involving daring and adventure |
| EUPHONIOUS | 3 | 1 | sounding pleasant |
| exhort | 3 | 0 | strongly encourage or urge (someone) to do something |
| EXPOSITION | 3 | 1 | a comprehensive description and explanation of a theory; a large public exhibition of art or trade goods |
| EXTANT (adj.) | 3 | 1 | still in existence; not extinct |
| EXTEMPORARY (adj.) | 3 | 1 | done or spoken without preparation |
| extenuate | 3 | 0 | lessen the seriousness of (an offence) by referring to a factor that helps excuse it |
| EXTROVERT | 3 | 1 | an outgoing, socially confident person; Psychology a person predominately concerned with external things or objective considerations |


| flag (as verb) | 3 | 0 | become tired or less enthusiastic; "flagging" becoming weaker or less dynamic |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| FLAGRANT | 3 | 1 | conspicuous (15); blatant |
| FLORID (adj.) | 3 | 1 | having a red or flushed complexion; elaborately or excessively ornate (10) or intricate |
| FLOUT (verb) | 3 | 3 | openly disregard (a rule, law, or convention (30)) |
| foible | 3 | 0 | a minor personal weakness, habit, trait, inclination; esp. one forming a source of misguided pride |
| HALLOW (verb) | 3 | 2 | make holy; consecrate (3); honor as holy; "hallowed" greatly revered (14) |
| HARANGUE (verb \& noun) | 3 | 2 | verb: criticize at length in an aggressive manner noun: a forceful and aggressive speech |
| HARBOR (as verb) | 3 | 1 | keep (a thought or feeling) secretly in one's mind; give a refuge or shelter to; carry the germs of (a disease) <br> the pursuit ot pleasure; sensual selt-Indulgence; the theory that pleasure (in the |
| hedonism | 3 | 0 | sense <br> of the satisfaction of desires) is the himhest nond and nroner aim nf human life |
| impalpable | 3 | 0 | imperceptible to the touch; intangible (5); not easily grasped or understood by the mind; producing no definite mental impression |
| IMPERTINENT | 3 | 1 | not showing proper respect; insolent; impudent (5) |
| IMPETUS | 3 | 1 | an impelling force; an impulse; something that incites; a stimulus |
| IMPROMPTU (as adj.) | 3 | 1 | unplanned or unrehearsed |
| IMPROVIDENT | 3 | 1 | lacking care for the future |
| INFUSE | 3 | 1 | pervade; fill; instill (a quality) in someone or something; soak (tea, herbs, etc.) to extract the flavor or healing properties |
| ingratiate | 3 | 0 | bring oneself into favor with someone by flattering or trying to please them |
| inimical (adj.) | 3 | 0 | tending to obstruct or harm; hostile |
| INURE | 3 | 1 | to accustom or habituate to, harden or render impervious (4) to |
| INVECTIVE | 3 | 1 | strongly abusive or critical language |
| INVIOLABLE | 3 | 2 | never to be infringed or dishonored |
| irascible | 3 | 0 | easily provoked to anger or resentment; prone (3) to anger; irritable, hottempered |
| irrepressible | 3 | 0 | not able to be restrained |
| lassitude | 3 | 0 | a state or feeling of weariness, diminished energy or listlessness |
| litigious | 3 | 0 | given to carrying on lawsuits; quarrelsome; of lawsuits |
| lucrative (adj.) | 3 | 0 | producing wealth or profit; profitable |
| milestone | 3 | 0 | an important event; a turning point |
| MONOPOLY | 3 | 2 | the exclusive possession or control of the supply of a commodity or service; exclusive possession or control of something |


| morbid | 3 | 0 | characterized by preoccupation with unwholesome thoughts or feelings; gruesome; grisly |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| mortify | 3 | 0 | cause to feel embarrassed or humiliated; subdue (physical urges) by self-denial or discipline |
| MOSAIC | 3 | 2 | a picture or pattern produced by inlaying small bits of colored stone, tile or glass; resembling mosaic in diversity of composition |
| nominal | 3 | 0 | existing in name only; (of a sum of money) very small, far below the real value or cost |
| OBDURATE | 3 | 2 | stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or course of action; obstinate (8) |
| OPAQUE; OPACITY | 3 | 1 | OPAQUE: impenetrable by light; obscure (26) OPACITY: obscurity; impenetrability |
| OPPORTUNE (adj.) | 3 | 1 | done or occurring at an especially convenient or appropriate time |
| ostracize | 3 | 0 | to exclude from a society or group |
| OUST | 3 | 2 | to force out; expel; dispossess |
| panorama | 3 | 0 | an unbroken view of a surrounding region; a complete survey of a subject or sequence of events |
| paragon | 3 | 0 | a model of excellence or perfection of a kind; a peerless example |
| pathos | 3 | 0 | a quality that evokes pity or sadness |
| PEJORATIVE | 3 | 2 | expressing contempt or disapproval |
| PENCHANT | 3 | 1 | a strong liking or inclination |
| PERFIDIOUS | 3 | 1 | literary: treacherous; deceitful and untrustworthy |
| PERPETRATE | 3 | 1 | carry out or commit (a bad or illegal action) |
| phlegmatic | 3 | 0 | sluggish or unexcited; unemotional and stolidly (2) calm |
| ponderous | 3 | 0 | slow and clumsy because of great weight; dull or laborious |
| PREPOSSESSING (adj.) | 3 | 1 | attractive or appealing in appearance |
| PRESAGE (verb \& noun) | 3 | 1 | verb: be a sign or warning of (an imminent event) noun: an omen or portent (6) |
| PRISTINE (adj.) | 3 | 1 | in its original condition; clean and fresh as if new |
| PRONE (adj.) | 3 | 1 | likely or liable to suffer from, do or experience (something unfortunate); disposed or inclined (to) |
| prospectus | 3 | 0 | a formal summary of a proposed venture or project |
| providential | 3 | 0 | occurring at a favorable time; opportune (3); involving divine foresight or interference |
| pundit | 3 | 0 | an authority who frequently pronounces on a subject in public |
| purport (verb \& noun) | 3 | 0 | verb: appear to be or do, esp. falsely noun: the meaning of something; the purpose of something |
| RAZE | 3 | 2 | tear down and destroy (a building, town, etc.) |


| recapitulate | 3 | 0 | marize and state again the main points of |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| REITERATE | 3 | 1 | say something again or repeatedly |
| respite | 3 | 0 | a short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant |
| RETROSPECTIVE | 3 | 1 | looking back on or dealing with past events or situations |
| SACROSANCT (adj.) | 3 | 1 | regarded as too important or valuable to be interfered with; very sacred, holy, or inviolable (3) |
| sanctuary | 3 | 0 | a place of refuge or safety; a nature preserve; a place where injured or unwanted animals are cared for; a holy place |
| sate (satiate) (verb) | 3 | 0 | satisfy fully; supply with as much as or more than is desired or can be managed |
| SCINTILLATE (verb) | 3 | 1 | emit flashes of light; sparkle; to be brilliant and exciting |
| scurrilous (adj.) | 3 | 0 | making scandalous claims about someone in order to damage their reputation |
| SECULAR (adj.) | 3 | 2 | not religious, sacred, or spiritual |
| SEDULOUS | 3 | 1 | showing dedication and diligence; persistent |
| SERENDIPITY | 3 | 1 | the making of happy and unexpected discoveries by accident or when looking for something else; such a discovery |
| solace | 3 | 0 | comfort in sorrow, misfortune, or distress; consolation; a source of comfort or consolation |
| SONOROUS | 3 | 1 | (of a sound) deep and full; (of speech) using imposing or grandiose language |
| SPECIOUS | 3 | 1 | having the ring of truth or plausibility (20) but actually fallacious (8); deceptively attractive |
| STIPULATE; STIPULATIO | 3 | 0 | STIPULATE: demand or specify as part of a bargain or agreement STIPULATION: an essential condition of an agreement |
| STRATIFY | 3 | 1 | form or arrange in layers or strata; arrange or classify |
| SUBJECTIVE | 3 | 1 | based on or influenced by personal feelings, tastes, or opinions |
| SYMBIOSIS | 3 | 1 | relationship of mutual benefit or dependence |
| TRANSCRIBE | 3 | 1 | put (thoughts, speech or data) into written or printed form; make a copy of, especially in another alphabet or language |
| UNPALATABLE | 3 | 2 | not pleasant to taste; difficult to put up with or accept |
| UNSULLIED | 3 | 1 | not spoiled or made impure; unmarred (10) |
| UPBRAID | 3 | 1 | to rebuke (1) severely; censure (12); scold |
| VIGNETTE | 3 | 2 | a short, usually descriptive literary sketch; a short scene or incident, as from a movie |
| VIRTUOSO | 3 | 1 | a person highly skilled in music or another artistic pursuit |
| viscera; visceral | 3 | 0 | VISCERA: the internal organs in the main cavities of the body VISCERAL: (of a feeling) deep and instinctive rather than rational |
| voracious | 3 | 0 | greedy in eating; ravenous; gluttonous; eagerly consuming something |


| ABASE | 2 | 1 | "abase oneself": behave in a way that lessens others' respect for one |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| accrue | 2 | 0 | to come as a natural growth or periodic increase, as interest on money |
| ACUITY | 2 | 1 | sharpness or keenness of thought, vision or hearing |
| ACUMEN | 2 | 2 | the ability to make good judgments and take quick decisions |
| ADAMANT (adj.) | 2 | 1 | refusing to be persuaded or to change one's mind |
| ADJUNCT (noun \& adj.) | 2 | 1 | noun: an additional and supplementary part adj.: connected in an auxiliary way |
| adulterate | 2 | 0 | make poorer in quality by adding another substance |
| AGGREGATE | 2 | 1 | a whole formed by combining several different elements |
| ALCHEMY | 2 | 1 | the chemistry of the Middle Ages, the chief aim of which was to change the baser elements into gold |
| amenity | 2 | 0 | a useful or desirable feature of a place |
| amorphous (adj.) | 2 | 0 | without a definite shape or form; vague or indefinite |
| anguish (noun) | 2 | 0 | severe mental or physical pain or suffering |
| APLOMB (noun) | 2 | 2 | self-confidence or calm assurance; self-possession; poise |
| APPORTION (verb) | 2 | 1 | to divide or assign according to a plan |
| APT (adj.) | 2 | 1 | appropriate; suitable; "apt to": having a tendency to; quick to learn |
| ARBOREAL (adj.) | 2 | 1 | related to trees; living in trees |
| arboretum | 2 | 0 | a garden devoted to the study and display of trees |
| archetype | 2 | 0 | a very typical example; an original model; a recurrent motif in literature or art |
| ARREST | 2 | 2 | to seize by legal authority and take into custody; stop or check (progress or a process) |
| ASSUAGE | 2 | 1 | to make (an unpleasant feeling) less intense; calm (anger, etc.); satisfy or slake (1) (thirst, etc.) |
| atonement | 2 | 0 | amends for a wrong or injury |
| ATROPHY (verb) | 2 | 2 | (of body tissue or an organ) waste away; gradually become less effective or vigorous |
| augury | 2 | 0 | an omen; the interpretation of omens |
| autocrat | 2 | 0 | a ruler who has absolute power; a domineering person |
| automaton | 2 | 0 | any automatic device, esp. a robot; a person acting like a robot |
| avuncular | 2 | 0 | like an uncle in being friendly towards a younger person |
| axiom | 2 | 0 | a proposition regarded as self-evidently true |


| bane (noun) | 2 |  | a cause of great distress or annoyance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| beguile | 2 | 1 | to charm, enchant or trick |
| belated (adj.) | 2 | 0 | coming late or too late |
| BEREFT | 2 | 1 | 1. (bereft of) deprived of; without. <br> 2. lonely and abandoned. |
| boor (noun) | 2 | 0 | a rough and bad-mannered person |
| bourgeois (adj. \& noun) | 2 | 0 | adj.: characteristic of the midale class, esp. in being materialistic or conventional (30) <br> noun' a hournenis nerson |
| brandish (verb) | 2 | 0 | wave or flourish (something) as a threat or in anger or excitement |
| broach (verb) | 2 | 0 | raise (a sensitive subject) for discussion; pierce or open (a cask or container) to draw out liquid |
| capacious | 2 | 0 | having a lot of space inside; roomy |
| CAPITULATE | 2 | 1 | give in to an opponent or an unwelcome demand |
| cavalcade | 2 | 0 | a procession of vehicles, riders, or people on foot |
| CHARY (adj.) | 2 | 2 | cautiously reluctant |
| CHIMERICAL (adj.) | 2 | 1 | like a mythical chimera; illusory or impossible to achieve |
| CIRCUMLOCUTION | 2 | 1 | the use of many words where fewer would do |
| CLOAK (noun \& verb) | 2 | 1 | noun: something that hides or covers verb: dress or hide in a cloak |
| cloy (verb) | 2 | 0 | to satiate (3), disgust, or sicken with an excess of richness, sweetness, or sentiment |
| COGENT (adj.) | 2 | 1 | (of an argument or case) clear, logical, and convincing |
| compendious (adj.) | 2 | 0 | presenting the essential facts in a comprehensive but concise way |
| CONCOMITANT (adj. \& no | 2 | 1 | adj.: naturally accompanying or associated noun: a concomitant phenomenon |
| CONFER (verb) | 2 | 1 | grant (a title, degree, benefit, or right); have discussions |
| CONSIGN (verb) | 2 | 1 | deliver to someone's possession or care; send (goods) by a public carrier |
| corollary (noun \& adj.) | 2 | 0 | noun: a Iogical proposition that tollows trom one arready proved; a arect consequence <br> adi • assnciated' sunnlementarv |
| credence | 2 | 0 | belief in or acceptance of something as true; the likelihood of something being true; plausibility (20) |
| creed; credo | 2 | 0 | CREED: a system of religious belief; a faith; a statement of beliefs or principles CREDO: a statement of a person's beliefs or aims |
| CUE (noun \& verb) | 2 | 1 | noun: a signal or prompt for action verb: give a cue to or for |
| culinary (adj.) | 2 | 0 | of or for cooking |
| culpable | 2 | 0 | deserving blame |



| EXCISE (as verb) | 2 | 1 | cut out surgically; remove (a section) from a text or piece of music |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EXCORIATE | 2 | 1 | to tear or wear off the skin of, abrade; to censure (12) strongly, denounce |
| exculpate (verb) | 2 | 0 | show or declare to be not guilty of wrongdoing |
| EXPROPRIATE | 2 | 1 | (of the state) take (property) from its owner for public use or benefit |
| facade | 2 | 0 | the face of a building, esp. the front; a deceptive outward appearance |
| FARCE | 2 | 1 | a comic dramatic work or genre using buffoonery (1) and horseplay and typically including ludicrously improbable situations; an absurd event |
| fawn (as verb) | 2 | 0 | give a servile (6) display of exaggerated flattery or affection |
| feral (adj.) | 2 | 0 | (of an animal or plant) in a wild state, esp. after having been domesticated; resembling a wild animal |
| fervid (adj.) | 2 | 0 | intensely or excessively enthusiastic |
| fetter (noun and verb) | 2 | 0 | noun: a chain or shackle (1) around a prisoner's ankles; a restraint or check verb: restrain with fetters; "be fettered": be restricted |
| FILIAL (adj.) | 2 | 1 | relating to or due from a son or daughter |
| finagle | 2 | 0 | to obtain or achieve by indirect, usually deceitful methods |
| FIREBRAND (noun) | 2 | 1 | a fervent (8) supporter of a particular cause, esp. one who incites unrest |
| FITFUL (adj.) | 2 | 1 | acting or occurring intermittently (1); not regular or steady |
| FLOUNDER (as verb) | 2 | 1 | stagger clumsily in mud or water; have trouble doing or understanding something |
| FOOLHARDY (adj.) | 2 | 2 | recklessly bold or rash |
| FOP (noun) | 2 | 1 | a man who is excessively concerned with his clothes and appearance |
| founder (verb) | 2 | 0 | (of a ship) fill with water and sink; (of a plan or undertaking) to fail |
| fountainhead | 2 | 0 | an original source |
| FULSOME (adj.) | 2 | 1 | complimentary or flattering to an excessive degree; of large size or quantity; generous or abundant |
| GAFFE | 2 | 2 | a clumsy social error; a faux pas; a blatant mistake or misjudgment |
| GALL (verb) | 2 | 1 | to irk or exasperate (10), vex; irritate; annoy |
| gargantuan | 2 | 0 | enormous; gigantic |
| garret (noun) | 2 | 0 | a room on the top floor of a house, typically under a pitched roof; an attic |
| GERMANE | 2 | 2 | truly relevant; pertinent |
| GLOSS OVER (verb) | 2 | 1 | to try to conceal or pass over by mentioning briefly or misleadingly |
| HEINOUS | 2 |  | outrageously evil |


| HODGEPODGE | 2 | 1 | a jumble; a mixture of dissimilar ingredients |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| HUSBAND (v); HUSBAND | 2 | 1 | HUSBAND: to manage economically; conserve HUSBANDRY: careful management or conservation of resources |
| HYBRID | 2 | 2 | the offspring of 2 plants or animals of different species or varieties, such as a mule; a thing made by combining 2 different elements |
| ignominious | 2 | 0 | marked by shame or disgrace; deserving shame or disgrace; despicable; degrading, debasing (4) |
| immaculate | 2 | 0 | perfectly clean; without a flaw or error; pure; innocent; sinless |
| IMPECUNIOUS | 2 | 2 | having little or no money; poor |
| impressionable | 2 | 0 | easily impressed or influenced; sensitive |
| INCANDESCENT | 2 | 2 | glowing with intense heat; very bright; characterized by ardent (5) emotion, intensity, or brilliance |
| INCANTATION | 2 | 1 | words chanted in magic spells or rites |
| INCAPACITATE | 2 | 1 | to prevent from functioning in a normal way |
| inchoate | 2 | 0 | just begun, incipient (1), rudimentary (4); not yet fully formed or developed |
| INCULCATE | 2 | 1 | to instill (an idea, habit, etc.) by persistent instruction |
| incur | 2 | 0 | to acquire (something undesirable); to bring upon oneself |
| INDELIBLE | 2 | 1 | (of ink or a mark) unable to be removed or effaced (12); unable to be forgotten |
| indigent (adj. \& noun) | 2 | 0 | poor, needy; (noun) a needy person |
| INDOMITABLE | 2 | 2 | not easily discouraged or defeated |
| INFER | 2 | 1 | to deduce from evidence or reasoning rather than from explicit statements |
| INFINITESIMAL | 2 | 1 | an extremely small or insignificant quantity, amount, etc. |
| INSUPERABLE | 2 | 1 | impossible to overcome |
| interpolate | 2 | 0 | to change (a text, etc.) by inserting new material; to insert between or among others |
| INVETERATE | 2 | 1 | persisting in an ingrained habit; habitual |
| invidious | 2 | 0 | of a comparison or distinction: unacceptable, unfair, and likely to arouse resentment or anger in others |
| JINGOISM | 2 | 1 | the advocacy or practice of a bellicose (4) foreign policy; loud and blustering (1) patriotism |
| jovial | 2 | 0 | cheerful and friendly |
| languish | 2 | 0 | to become weak, droop; live under distressing conditions; long or pine for |
| latent | 2 | 0 | hidden, concealed; present or existing, but not manifest (6), exhibited, or developed |
| LEGION | 2 | 1 | a large number; multitude |


| libertine | 2 | 0 | a man who behaves without moral principles, especially in sexual matters |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| licentious | 2 | 0 | lacking moral discipline or ignoring legal restraint, especially in sexual conduct; having no regard for accepted rules or standards |
| LITHE | 2 | 1 | bending easily; flexible; supple (2) |
| mainstay | 2 | 0 | a chief support |
| malfeasance | 2 | 0 | misconduct or wrongdoing, especially by a public official |
| MANIFESTO | 2 | 2 | a public declaration of principles, policies, or intentions, especially of a political nature |
| MARTINET | 2 | 1 | a rigid disciplinarian |
| MATRIARCH | 2 | 1 | a woman who rules a family, clan or tribe; a woman who dominates a group or activity; a highly respected woman who is a mother |
| maudlin | 2 | 0 | characterized by tearful sentimentality; mawkishly (2) emotional; weakly sentimental |
| MAWKISH | 2 | 2 | feebly sentimental; imbued with sickly or false sentiment |
| meander | 2 | 0 | to follow a winding and turning course; to move aimlessly and idly without fixed direction |
| MELLIFLUOUS | 2 | 1 | pleasingly smooth and musical to hear |
| MENAGERIE | 2 | 1 | a collection of live wild animals on exhibition; a diverse or miscellaneous group |
| mendacious | 2 | 0 | untruthful |
| mentor | 2 | 0 | a wise and trusted counselor or teacher |
| MESMERIZE | 2 | 1 | to hypnotize |
| milieu | 2 | 0 | a person's social environment |
| MISANTHROPE | 2 | 2 | a person who hates or distrusts all people |
| misnomer | 2 | 0 | an inaccurate or misleading name; the wrong use of a name or term |
| MONOLITHIC | 2 | 1 | (of an organization) large and autocratic (2) or monopolistic (3) |
| MORALISTIC | 2 | 1 | marked by a narrow-minded morality |
| moratorium | 2 | 0 | a temporary prohibition of an activity |
| moribund | 2 | 0 | at the point of death; in terminal decline, lacking vigor |
| MOTLEY (adj. \& noun) | 2 | 1 | adj.: incongruously (20) varied in appearance or character noun: a varied mixture |
| MULTIPLICITY | 2 | 2 | a large number or variety |
| MYOPIA | 2 | 1 | short-sightedness; lack of foresight or intellectual insight |
| narcissism | 2 | 0 | excessive love or admiration for oneself |


| nascent (adj.) | 2 | 0 | just coming into existence and beginning to develop |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| nihilism | 2 | 0 | the general rejection of customary beliefs in morality, religion, etc. |
| nondescript | 2 | 0 | hard to classify or describe |
| nonplussed | 2 | 0 | put at a loss as to what to think, say, or do; bewildered |
| notorious | 2 | 0 | famous for some bad quality or deed |
| nuance | 2 | 0 | a subtle difference in or shade of meaning, expression, color, etc. |
| OLFACTION | 2 | 2 | the sense of smell |
| OSSIFY | 2 | 2 | to change into bone; to fix rigidly in a custom, etc. |
| pander to | 2 | 0 | to cater (3) to the lower tastes and desires of others or exploit their weaknesses |
| PARASITIC | 2 | 1 | living at others' expense without making any useful return |
| parody | 2 | 0 | an amusingly exaggerated imitation of the style of a writer, artist or genre |
| pensive | 2 | 0 | thoughtful, meditative, musing, reflective; spec. sadly or sorrowfully thoughtful; gloomy, brooding, melancholy |
| PERQUISITE | 2 | 1 | something in addition to regular pay for one's work |
| PETULANT | 2 | 1 | impatient or irritable, esp. over a petty annoyance; childishly sulky or badtempered |
| PICAYUNE | 2 | 1 | trivial or petty; worthless |
| PIQUE (noun \& verb) | 2 | 1 | noun: irritation or resentment arising from hurt pride verb: stimulate (interest or curiosity) |
| platitude | 2 | 0 | a trite (11) or banal (13) remark or statement, especially one expressed as if it were original or significant |
| PLIABLE | 2 | 1 | easily bent or folded; flexible, supple (2), yielding; flexible in disposition or character; easily influenced; compliant; docile (9) |
| POSTULATE (verb) | 2 | 1 | to assume to be true, real, etc., esp. as a basis for argument; to take for granted |
| PREEMPT | 2 | 2 | to appropriate (7), seize, or take before someone else; to have precedence or dominance over |
| PRETEXT | 2 | 1 | an ostensible or false reason used to justify an action; an excuse; an effort or strategy intended to conceal something |
| PRIVATION | 2 | 1 | a state in which essentials such as food and warmth are lacking |
| PROFLIGATE | 2 | 1 | recklessly extravagant (11 )or wasteful; dissolute (5); licentious (2) |
| PROGENITOR | 2 | 1 | an ancestor or parent; the originator of an artistic, political, or intellectual movement |
| promulgate | 2 | 0 | promote or make more widely known; put (a law or decree) into effect by official proclamation |
| propitious | 2 | 0 | well-disposed; favorably inclined; (of an omen, etc.) good, boding well; (of weather, an occasion, etc.) favorable, timely, opportune (3) |
| PROSCRIBE | 2 |  | forbid, esp. by law; denounce or condemn |


| PROTEAN | 2 | 1 tending or able to change or adapt; variable or versatile |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| prototype | 2 | 0 the first thing or being of its kind; model |
| prurient | 2 | 0 having or encouraging an excessive interest in sexual matters |
| PSEUDONYM | 2 | 1 a fictitious name assumed by an author; a pen name |
| pungent | 2 | 0 producing a sharp sensation of taste and smell; sharp, biting, or stimulating |
| purvey | 2 | 0 provide or supply (food or drink) as one's business |
| QUIESCENT | 2 | 1 quiet; still; inactive |
| quixotic | 2 | 0 caught up in the romance of noble deeds and the pursuit of unreachable goals; idealistic without regard to practicality. capricious (15); impulsive |
| rail (as verb) | 2 | 0 "rail against/at": complain or protest strongly about or to |
| ramifications | 2 | 0 complex consequences of an action or event |
| RAMPANT | 2 | 1 growing unchecked; widespread |
| recrimination | 2 | 0 an accusation in response to one from someone else |
| reductive | 2 | 0 tending to present a subject or problem in a simplified form, esp. one viewed as crude |
| reparation | 2 | 0 the making of amends for a wrong; compensation (7), as for war damage |
| REPERTOIRE | 2 | 1 the stock of songs, etc. that a player or company is prepared to perform |
| RESURGENT | 2 | 2 increasing or reviving after a period of little activity, popularity, or occurrence |
| RETIRING | 2 | 1 reserved (13); modest; shy |
| revel | 2 | 0 to engage in lively and noisy festivities; take great pleasure (in) |
| salient | 2 | 0 most noticeable or important; conspicuous (15), prominent |
| SERPENTINE | 2 | 1 of or like a serpent: subtly shy, treacherous; winding, sinuous |
| SINECURE | 2 | 2 a position or office requiring little or no work, esp. one yielding profit or honor |
| SINGULAR | 2 | 1 unique; extraordinary; remarkable |
| SLAVISH | 2 | 1 blindly dependent or imitative; servile (6) or submissive |
| slothful | 2 | 0 lazy; idle |
| sophistry | 2 | 0 the use of false arguments, esp. to deceive; a false argument |
| spate | 2 | 0 a sudden flood, rush, or outpouring |
| stolid | 2 | 0 having or revealing little emotion or sensibility; impassive; calm, dependable |


| stupefy; stupor | 2 | 1 | SIUPEFY: to make (someone) unable to think or teel properly; astonısh and shock <br> STIIPOR a state of near-ıunenncrinusness or incensihilitv |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| suave | 2 | 0 | (of a man) charming, confident and elegant; polished; urbane (7) |
| succulent | 2 | 0 | (of food) tender, juicy, and tasty |
| SULTRY | 2 | 2 | (of the weather) humid and hot; displaying or suggesting passion; provocative |
| SUPPLE | 2 | 1 | easily bent, flexible; lithe (2); limber |
| supposition | 2 | 0 | an assumption or hypothesis |
| SURFEIT | 2 | 1 | too great an amount; overindulgence, esp. in food or drink; disgust, nausea, etc resulting from excess |
| surmise (verb \& noun) | 2 | 0 | verb: suppose without having evidence noun: a supposition (2) or guess |
| SYNERGY | 2 | 1 | the interaction of 2 or more agents or forces so that their combined effect is greater than the sum of their individual effects |
| TAWDRY | 2 | 1 | cheap and showy; gaudy |
| TEMPESTUOUS | 2 | 2 | very stormy; characterized by strong and turbulent (8) emotion |
| toady | 2 | 0 | a person who behaves servilely (6) or fawns (2) on someone |
| TRAVAIL | 2 | 1 | physical or mental work, esp. painful exertion; hardship; suffering |
| TRIFLING | 2 | 1 | frivolous; shallow; of little importance; trivial |
| TRIGGER (verb) | 2 | 2 | to initiate (an action) |
| TRUCULENT | 2 | 1 | quick to argue or fight; defiant |
| unctuous | 2 | 0 | unpleasantly flattering; oily; characterized by obsequious (6) charm |
| vagary | 2 | 0 | an unexpected and inexplicable (11) change; a capricious (15), outlandish, or eccentric (9) act or notion; a caprice (15), a whim (9) |
| VAUNT | 2 | 1 | to extol (12) boastfully; brag of (a thing) |
| VENAL | 2 | 1 | open to, or characterized by, bribery or corruption (11) |
| VERBATIM | 2 | 1 | using exactly the same words; corresponding word for word |
| VERISIMILITUDE | 2 | 1 | the appearance of being true or real |
| vitiate | 2 | 0 | to spoil; corrupt (11); pervert; to invalidate (28) (a contract, etc.) |
| voluble | 2 | 0 | speaking or spoken incessantly and fluently |
| WATERSHED | 2 | 2 | a critical point that marks a division or a change of course; a turning point |
| WEATHER (verb) | 2 | 1 | to pass through safely ["weathered a storm"] |
| wily | 2 | 0 | skilled at gaining an advantage, esp. deceitfully; crafty; sly; full of wiles |


| abashed | 1 |  | barrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| abet | 1 | 0 | to encourage or assist (someone) to do something wrong, in particular to commit a crime |
| abjure | 1 | 0 | swear to give up (a belief or claim) |
| ABSENTEE | 1 | 1 | of or relating to one that is absent; not in residence |
| ABUT | 1 | 1 | to be next to or share a boundary with; touch or lean on |
| acerbic | 1 | 0 | astringently sour, harsh-tasting; fig. bitter and sharp, esp. in speech, manner, or temper |
| ACRID | 1 | 1 | unpleasantly bitter or pungent (2) |
| acronym | 1 | 0 | a word formed from the initial letters of other words (e.g. laser; Aids) |
| alliteration | 1 | 0 | the occurrence of the same letter or sound at the beginning of adjacent or closely connected words |
| ALLUSION | 1 | 1 | an indirect reference to something |
| ANCILLARY (adj.) | 1 | 1 | providing subsidiary (1) support; additional; supplementary |
| ANDROGYNOUS | 1 | 1 | having both male and female characteristics, hermaphroditic; being neither distinguishably masculine or feminine, as in dress, appearance, etc.; unisex |
| ANTEDILUVIAN | 1 | 1 | belonging, referring, or appropriate to the time before the Flood described in Genesis; utterly out of date; very antiquated (4) |
| ANTHROPOCENTRIC | 1 | 1 | regarding human beings as the central element of the universe; interpreting reality exclusively in terms of human values and experience |
| ANTIPODES | 1 | 1 | the direct opposite of something |
| aphorism | 1 | 0 | a concise witty remark which contains a general truth; maxim (1); adage |
| apocryphal | 1 | 0 | widely circulated but unlikely to be true; not genuine, spurious (8) |
| ARCHIPELAGO | 1 | 1 | an extensive group of islands |
| ARTIFICE | 1 | 1 | the use of cunning plans or devices in order to trick or deceive |
| ascribe | 1 | 0 | to attribute (a particular cause, person or period) to; regard (a quality) as belonging to |
| ASPERITY | 1 | 1 | roughness or harshness; sharpness of temper |
| aspersion | 1 | 0 | (often in phrase cast aspersions on) an attack on someone's character or reputation |
| AVANT-GARDE (adj. \& no | 1 | 1 | adj.: (in the arts) new and experimental noun: (the avant-garde) avant-garde ideas or artists |
| AVIARY | 1 | 1 | a large enclosure for holding birds in confinement |
| BAIT (verb) | 1 | 1 | to torment or harass, esp. by verbal attacks |
| baleful | 1 | 0 | menacing; deadly; harmful; ominous (12) |
| BALK (verb) | 1 | 1 | to stop and refuse to move or act; to hesitate or recoil (at) |


| balm | 1 |  | anything healing or soothing |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BANTER (noun \& verb) | 1 | 1 | noun: the good-humored exchange of teasing remarks verb: engage in banter |
| baroque (as adj) | 1 | 0 | highly ornate (10) and extravagant in style |
| BASK | 1 | 1 | to expose oneself pleasantly to warmth, another's favor, etc. |
| BEGRUDGE | 1 | 1 | to resent another's possession of (something); to give with reluctance |
| beleaguer | 1 | 0 | to besiege by encircling; to beset or harass |
| benighted (adj.) | 1 | 0 | ignorant or unenlightened |
| BETOKEN (verb) | 1 | 1 | to presage (3); to be a warning or sign of |
| bifurcate | 1 | 0 | divide into two branches or forks |
| bilious | 1 | 0 | having a spiteful, peevish (4) disposition; ill-humored |
| BILK | 1 | 1 | to cheat or swindle; defraud |
| BLUDGEON (noun \& verb) | 1 | 1 | noun: a short club with a heavy end, used as a weapon verb: beat with a bludgeon; bully into doing something |
| BLUSTER (verb \& noun) | 1 | 1 | verb: talk in a loud and aggressive way with little effect; (of wind and rain) blow or beat fiercely and noisily noun: noisy, inflated talk |
| BOOM | 1 | 1 | a period of great prosperity or rapid economic growth |
| BREACH (verb \& noun) | 1 | 1 | verb: make a gap or hole in; break through; break (a rule or agreement) noun: a gap made in a wall or barrier; an act of breaking a rule or agreement |
| buffer | 1 | 0 | anything that lessens shock, as of collision |
| BUFFET (verb) | 1 | 1 | to punch, fight; to thrust about |
| buffoon | 1 | 0 | a ridiculous but amusing person |
| bulwark | 1 | 0 | a defensive wall; rampart; a defense; protection |
| BYZANTINE (adj.) | 1 | 1 | highly complicated; intricate and involved; very devious or underhand |
| CADENT | 1 | 1 | having cadence or rhythm |
| CALUMNY | 1 | 1 | a false statement maliciously (7) made to injure another's reputation |
| canonical | 1 | 0 | according to canon law; accepted as being authentic, accurate, and authoritative |
| canonize | 1 | 0 | to admit formally to the canon of saints; regard as a saint; fig. idolize, glorify |
| CARAPACE | 1 | 1 | the hard upper shell of a tortoise or crustacean |
| CATACOMB | 1 | 1 | an underground cemetery consisting of a gallery with recesses for tombs |
| cavort | 1 | 0 | to bound or prance about in a sprightly manner; caper; to have lively or boisterous fun; romp |

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| CEILING | 1 | 1 | aircraft <br> c.an reach |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| chauvinism | 1 | 0 | exaggerated or aggressive patriotism; excessive or prejudiced support for one's own cause, group or sex |
| churlish | 1 | 0 | rude, mean-spirited, and surly |
| CIVILITY | 1 | 1 | courteous behavior; politeness; a courteous act or utterance |
| clemency | 1 | 0 | mildness or gentleness of temper in the exercise of authority or power; mercy, leniency |
| cognizance | 1 | 0 | knowledge or awareness |
| collate | 1 | 0 | to collect ana combine (texts or intormation); compare ana anaıyze ( $\angle$ or more sources of information): examine (a book) to make sure the sheets are in correct order |
| COLOR (verb) | 1 | 1 | to influence, esp. in a negative way |
| CONCERT | 1 | 1 | mutual agreement, concord (5); united in action or intention |
| CONFLUENCE | 1 | 1 | the junction of two rivers; an act or process of merging |
| CONGLOMERATE | 1 | 1 | something consisting of a number of different and distinct things |
| connoisseur | 1 | 0 | an expert judge in matters of taste |
| CONTIGUOUS | 1 | 1 | sharing a common border; next or together in sequence |
| convex | , | 0 | curving outward like the surface of a sphere |
| countermand | 1 | 0 | to command the opposite of; revoke (a command) by a contrary one |
| COUNTERPOINT | 1 | 1 | set in contrast (against); emphasize by juxtaposition (4) the contrast between |
| CULL | 1 | 1 | to remove rejected members or parts of |
| dalliance | 1 | 0 | frivolous spending of time; dawdling; playful flirtation |
| debauchery | 1 | 0 | excessive indulgence in sensual pleasures; immorality; licentiousness (2); seduction from duty or virtue; corruption (11) |
| declaim | 1 | 0 | to speak or recite in an emphatic or dramatic way |
| defunct | 1 | 0 | no longer existing or functioning |
| demur; demurral | 1 | 0 | DEMUR: raise doubts or objections; show reluctance DEMURRAL: a mild, polite, or considered expression of opposition |
| DENIZEN | 1 | 1 | an inhabitant or occupant |
| despoil | 1 | 0 | to sack; plunder; to deprive of something valuable by force, rob |
| destitute | 1 | 0 | extremely poor and lacking the means to provide for oneself |
| desultory | 1 | 0 | lacking purpose or enthusiasm; going from one thing to another erratically and intermittently (1) |
| DIAPHANOUS | 1 | 1 | light, delicate and translucent |

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tormal pronouncement trom an authoritative source; a short statement that

| dictum | $10$ | expresses a neneral nrincinle |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| din (noun \& verb) | 10 | noun: a prolonged loud and unpleasant noise verb: instill (information) into by constant repetition |
| DIRGE | 11 | a lament for the dead, esp. one forming part of a funeral rite; a mournful song, piece of music, or sound |
| DISCOMFIT | 11 | 1 make uneasy or embarrassed; disconcert (5) |
| DISPATCH (verb \& noun) | 11 | verb: send off to a destination or for a purpose; deal with (a task or problem) quickly and efficiently noun: promptness and efficiency |
| dissimulate | 10 | 0 to hide or disguise one's thoughts or feelings; dissemble (2) |
| doleful | $10$ | ot a person etc.: tull of paın, griet, or surterıng; sorrowtul; meaancnoly, discontented; <br> sad mournful |
| dowager | 10 | a widow with a title or property derived from her late husband; informal: a dignified elderly woman |
| DRACONIAN | 11 | 1 (of laws) excessively harsh |
| DUPE (verb \& noun) | 11 | verb: to deceive, fool, trick noun: a victim of deception |
| edifice | 10 | 0 a building, esp. a large, imposing one; a complex abstract or conceptual system |
| ELEGIAC | 11 | of, like, or fit for an elegy (a mournful poem, esp. of lament and praise for the dead); sad, mournful |
| emulsify | 10 | to form into an emulsion (a fluid formed by the suspension of one liquid in another) |
| ENAMOR | 11 | 1 be filled with love or admiration for |
| encumber | 10 | 0 be a burden or impediment (10) to |
| ENTOMOLOGY | 11 | 1 the branch of zoology concerned with the study of insects |
| ENTOURAGE | 11 | 1 a group of people attending or surrounding an important person; a retinue |
| EPISTOLARY | 11 | 1 of or associated with letters or the writing of letters; being in the form of a letter |
| EVENTUALITY | 11 | 1 something that may occur; a possibility |
| EXECRABLE | 11 | 1 extremely bad or unpleasant |
| EXEGESIS | 11 | 1 critical explanation or interpretation of a text, esp. of scripture |
| EXIGENCY | 11 | 1 urgent need or demand |
| EXPATRIATE (noun, adj \& | 11 | noun: a person who lives outside his native country adj: living outside one's native country verb: settle abroad |
| expound | 10 | 0 to present and explain (a theory or idea) systematically |
| extirpate | 10 | 0 to pull up by the roots; to destroy totally; exterminate |
| FANFARE | 11 | 1 a spectacular public display; an elaborate welcome or introduction |
| FELL (verb) | 11 | 1 to cut down (a tree); knock down |

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| FERRET (verb) | 1 | 1 | to search for something in a place or container; ferret out: investigate assiduously (5) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| fetid | 1 | 0 | smelling very unpleasant |
| flora | 1 | 0 | the plants of a particular region, habitat, or geological period |
| flotilla | 1 | 0 | a small fleet of ships or boats |
| FLOTSAM | 1 | 1 | wreckage found floating on the sea |
| fodder | 1 | 0 | food for cattle and other livestock |
| GARISH | 1 | 1 | obtrusively bright and showy; lurid (4) |
| GINGERLY (adv. \& adj.) | 1 | 1 | adv.: in a careful or cautious manner adj.: showing great care or caution |
| GLACIAL | 1 | 1 | lacking warmth and friendliness; coldly detached |
| glib | 1 | 0 | of a speaker, speech: articulate (16) and voluble (2) but insincere and shallow |
| goad (noun \& verb) | 1 | 0 | noun: a sharp-pointed stick used in driving oxen; any driving impulse, spur verb: provoke to action; urge on with a goad |
| GRUFF | 1 | 1 | (of a voice) rough and low in pitch; abrupt or taciturn (14) in manner |
| HALCYON | 1 | 1 | (of a past time) idyllically (1) happy and peaceful |
| hallmark | 1 | 0 | a mark or symbol of genuineness or high quality |
| HAVEN | 1 | 1 | a place of shelter, safety, or retreat; a refuge |
| HERALD (noun \& verb) | 1 | 1 | noun: a person or thing viewed as a sign that something is about to happen verb: signal the imminence of; announce or proclaim |
| HIATUS | 1 | 1 | a gap or an interruption, in space, time or continuity; a break |
| HISTRIONIC | 1 | 1 | of actors or acting; overly theatrical; excessively emotional; affected (7) |
| homage | 1 | 0 | anything given or shown to give honor or reverence (14) |
| honorific | 1 | 0 | conferring or showing respect or honor |
| HOODWINK | 1 | 1 | deceive or trick; delude |
| HUBRIS | 1 | 1 | excessive pride, self-confidence, or presumption (12); arrogance |
| idyllic | 1 | 0 | extremely happy, peaceful, or picturesque |
| ignoble | 1 | 0 | not honorable; base (4); mean |
| immerse | 1 | 0 | to cover completely in a liquid; submerge; to engage wholly or deeply; absorb |
| impasse | 1 | 0 | a situation offering no escape or resolution, as a deadlocked argument |
| importune | 1 | 0 | harass with persistent requests |


| impound | 1 | 0 | to take and hold in legal custody |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| imprecation | 1 | 0 | a spoken curse |
| IMPREGNABLE | 1 | 1 | unable to be captured or entered by force; unable to be overcome |
| impressionistic | 1 | 0 | based on subjective impressions presented unsystematically |
| incendiary | 1 | 0 | (of a bomb or other device) designed to cause fires; tending to stir up conflict or |
| incipient | 1 | 0 | beginning to happen or develop |
| indefatigable | 1 | 0 | tireless; incapable or seemingly incapable of being fatigued |
| INDICES | 1 | 1 | pointers or indicators of; indications of |


| LOOPHOLE | 1 |  | an ambiguity (23) or inadequacy in the law or a set of rules |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| MALADY | 1 | 1 | disease; illness |
| malediction | 1 | 0 | a curse |
| MARSHAL (verb) | 1 | 1 | assemble (a group of people, esp. soldiers) in order; bring together (facts, information, etc.) in an organized way |
| MASQUERADE (noun \& vt | 1 | 1 | noun: a false show or pretense; a masked ball verb: pretend to be someone that one is not |
| matriculate | 1 | 0 | enroll or be enrolled in a college or university |
| maxim | 1 | 0 | a short statement expressing a general truth or rule of conduct |
| melee | 1 | 0 | confused, hand-to-hand fighting in a pitched battle; a violent free-for-all; a confused, tumultuous (8) mingling |
| MEMBRANOUS | 1 | 1 | relating to, made of, or similar to a membrane (a thin, soft layer, esp. of animal or plant tissue, that covers or lines an organ, part, etc. |
| MERCANTILE | 1 | 1 | relating to trade or commerce |
| miffed | 1 | 0 | offended or irritated |
| MINCE | 1 | 1 | to moderate or restrain (words) for the sake of politeness and decorum |
| MINISTRATION | 1 | 1 | the act of giving help or care; service |
| MINUTIAE | 1 | 1 | small or precise details |
| MIRE (noun \& verb) | 1 | 1 | noun: a stretch of swampy or boggy ground; a difficult situation from which it is hard to escape verb: become stuck in or covered with mud; be in difficulties |
| miscreant | 1 | 0 | a person who behaves badly or unlawfully |
| monosyllabic | 1 | 0 | consisting of one syllable; using brief words because reluctant to converse |
| moot (adj.) | 1 | 0 | subject to debate; arguable; without legal significance, through having previously been decided or settled; of no practical importance; irrelevant |
| morass | 1 | 0 | an area of muddy or boggy ground; a complicated or confused situation |
| MULTIFARIOUS | 1 | 1 | having great variety; diverse |
| MUTILATE | 1 | 1 | to inflict a violent and disfiguring injury on (someone); inflict serious damage on (something) |
| noisome | 1 | 0 | having an extremely offensive smell, to the point of arousing disgust; foul; harmful or dangerous |
| noxious | 1 | 0 | harmful to health or morals; injurious or unwholesome |
| obeisance | 1 | 0 | a gesture of respect, as a bow; homage (1); deference (8) |
| obviate | 1 | 0 | remove (a need or difficulty); avoid; prevent |
| occlude | 1 | 0 | stop, close up, or obstruct; to prevent the passage of |
| onus | 1 | 0 | a burden, duty, or responsibility |


| OPPROBRIUM | 1 | 1 | harsh criticism or scorn; the disgrace attached to shameful conduct; anything bringing shame |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ORACULAR | 1 | 1 | relating to an oracle; hard to interpret; holding or claiming the authority of an oracle |
| ORGY | 1 | 1 | unrestrained indulgence in any activity |
| ornithology | 1 | 0 | the scientific study of birds |
| overweening | 1 | 0 | presumptuously (12) arrogant; overbearing; excessive; immoderate |
| pacific | 1 | 0 | of a peaceful nature; tranquil (15); appeasing (9) |
| pallid | 1 | 0 | having an abnormally pale or wan expression; lacking in radiance or vitality; feeble or insipid (13) |
| paltry | 1 | 0 | (of an amount) very small or meager; petty; trivial |
| panoply | 1 | 0 | a complete or impressive collection or display |
| PASTEL | 1 | 1 | a pale and subdued shade of a color |
| PASTICHE | 1 | 1 | an artistic composition made up of bits from various sources; a hodgepodge (2) |
| PASTORAL | 1 | 1 | ot or relatıng to the country or country lite; rural; charmıngly simple and serene (14); <br> idvllie. (1) |
| pedagogy | 1 | 0 | the art or profession of teaching |
| PELLUCID | 1 | 1 | translucently clear; easily understood |
| penurious | 1 | 0 | extremely poor; parsimonious (4) |
| PERENNIAL | 1 | 1 | lasting throughout the whole year or a succession of years; continual, perpetual; enduring |
| PERMUTATION | 1 | 1 | each of several possible ways in which a set or number of things can be ordered or arranged |
| pertinacious | 1 | 0 | stubborn; persistent |
| PILFER | 1 | 1 | to steal (things of little value) |
| pillory (verb) | 1 | 0 | attack or ridicule publicly |
| pinnacle | 1 | 0 | a high place or situation; the highest point or pitch; the culmination or climax (of success, ambition,etc.); a person who has attained this |
| placebo | 1 | 0 | a meaicine prescribed tor the psycnological benetit to the patient ratner than tor any physiological effect; a substance that has no therapeutic effect, used as a enntrol in testina new druns |
| plebeian | 1 | 0 | lower-class or lacking in refinement |
| plenitude | 1 | 1 | an ample amount or quantity; an abundance |
| PLETHORA | 1 | 1 | an excessive amount of |
| polarize | 1 | 0 | divide into two sharply contrasting groups or sets of beliefs |
| POLICE (verb) | 1 | 1 | to control, protect, etc. with police or a similar force; to keep clean and orderly |


| POLYGLOT | 1 | 1 | eaking, writing, written in, or composed of several languages |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| pontifical | 1 | 0 | pompously (8) dogmatic (12) or self-important; pretentious |
| posthumous | 1 | 0 | occurring or continuing after one's death; published after the author's death; born after the father's death |
| POTENTATE | 1 | 1 | a monarch or ruler |
| PRACTITIONER | 1 | 1 | one who practices something, especially a profession |
| PRECIOSITY | 1 | 1 | over-refinement in language or art; affectation (7), esp. in language |
| predicate (verb) | 1 | 0 | assert (something) about the subject of a sentence or an argument of proposition |
| prerogative | 1 | 0 | an exclusive right or privilege |
| presentiment | 1 | 0 | an intuitive feeling or foreboding (5) about the future |
| PRETERNATURAL | 1 | 1 | beyond what is normal or natural |
| PREVARICATE | 1 | 1 | avoid giving a direct answer when asked a question; to stray from or evade the truth; equivocate (6) |
| proclivity | 1 | 0 | a tendency to do or choose something regularly; an inclination or predisposition |
| prodigal (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 0 | adj.: wastefully extravagant; lavish noun: a prodigal person; a spendthrift |
| prodigy | 1 | 0 | a person, esp. a young one, with exceptional abilities; an outstanding example of a quality; an amazing or unusual thing |
| proffer | 1 | 0 | to offer for acceptance (usually something intangible (5)) |
| progeny | 1 | 0 | children; offspring |
| proletariat | 1 | 0 | workers or working-class people |
| promiscuous | 1 | 0 | navıng or cnaracterızea by many transient (y) sexual relatıonsnıps; inaıscrımınate (23) or casual |
| propinquity | 1 | 0 | nearness in time or space |
| proprietary | 1 | 0 | relating to or characteristic of an owner or ownership; (of a product) marketed under a registered trade name <br> adj: Iying stretched out on the ground with one's tace downwards; overcome with |
| prostrate (adj. \& verb) | 1 | 0 | distress or exhaustion; verb: throw oneself flat on the ground in reverence or suhmissinn |
| protégé | 1 | 0 | a person guided and helped in his career by another person |
| provisional | 1 | 0 | arranged or existing for the present, possibly to be changed later |
| puerile | 1 | 0 | childishly silly and trivial |
| purge | 1 | 0 | rid (someone or something) of people or things considered undesirable or harmful |
| PURIST | 1 | 1 | one who is strict or excessively observant of precise usage in language, style, etc. |
| raiment |  | 0 | archaic or literary clothing |


| REBUKE (verb \& noun) | 1 | 1 | verb: to criticize or reprimand severely noun: a sharp criticism |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| recalcitrant | 1 | 0 | obstinately uncooperative |
| recondite (adj.) | 1 | 0 | (of a subject or knowledge) obscure (26) |
| redolent | 1 | 0 | strongly reminiscent or suggestive of; fragrant; sweet-smelling |
| REDOUBTABLE | 1 | 1 | arousing fear or awe; formidable; worthy of respect or honor |
| REDRESS (verb \& noun) | 1 | 1 | verb: to compensate (7) for [a wrong, etc.] noun: remedy or compensation for a wrong or grievance |
| refract | 1 | 0 | (of water, air or glass) make (a ray of light) change direction when it enters at an angle |
| REJOINDER | 1 | 1 | a sharp or witty reply |
| remonstrance | 1 | 0 | a forcefully reproachful (7) protest |
| remuneration | 1 | 0 | money paid for work or a service |
| RENEGADE | 1 | 1 | one who abandons a party, movement, etc. to join the opposition; turncoat |
| reprise (noun \& verb) | 1 | 0 | noun: a repeated passage in music; a further performance of something verb: repeat (a piece of music or a performance) |
| reprobate (noun \& adj.) | 1 | 0 | noun: a person without moral principles adj.: unprincipled |
| requisite (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 0 | adj.: made necessary by particular circumstances or regulations noun: a thing that is necessary for the achievement of a specified end |
| RESPLENDENT | 1 | 1 | attractive and impressive through being richly colorful or sumptuous |
| restive | 1 | 0 | unruly or balky; nervous under restraint; restless |
| revel | 1 | 0 | engage in lively and noisy festivities; (with "in", gain great pleasure from |
| RUSE (noun) | 1 | 1 | a stratagem, trick, or artifice (1); a subterfuge (4) |
| russet | 1 | 0 | a moderate to strong reddish-brown color |
| sallow | 1 | 0 | (of a person's face or complexion) of a yellowish or pale brown color |
| salubrious | 1 | 0 | conducive or favorable to health or well-being |
| SALVO | 1 | 1 | a simultaneous discharge of firearms; a sudden outburst, as of cheers or praise; forceful verbal or written assault <br> military or economic actions taken by a state or alliance ot states to coerce (b) |
| sanctions | 1 | 0 | another <br> tn c.nnform tn an internatinnal anreement nr norms of c.nnduct. |
| sanctity | 1 | 0 | holiness; saintliness; ultimate importance and inviolability |
| sardonic | 1 | 0 | grimly mocking or cynical (15) |
| savanna | 1 | 0 | a grassy plain in tropical and subtropical regions, with few trees |
| schema | 1 | 0 | a diagrammatic representation; an outline or a model |


| schism | 1 | 0 | a division between strongly opposed parties; a separation or division into factions (7) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| scuttle | 1 | 0 | to sink (one's own ship) deliberately; deliberately cause (a scheme) to fail; to scrap, discard |
| sect | 1 | 0 | a group of people with different religious beliefs (typically regarded as heretical <br> (5)) from those of a larger group to which they belong; a group with extreme ideas |
| SEDATIVE (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 1 | adj.: promoting calm or inducing sleep noun: a sedative drug |
| SEDITION | 1 | 1 | conduct or speech inciting rebellion against the authority of a state or monarch |
| SEEDY | 1 | 1 | worn and shabby; unkempt; tired or sick; unwell; somewhat disreputable; squalid |
| seminal | 1 | 0 | having the properties of seed; containing the possibility of future development; highly original and influential; important |
| SEQUESTER | 1 | 1 | to cause to withdraw into seclusion; to remove or set apart; segregate |
| shackle (noun \& verb) | 1 | 0 | noun: "snackles": a pair ot tetters (2) connected by a chaın, used to tasten a prisoner's wrists or ankles tonether verh- chain with shackles• restrain limit |
| shelve | 1 | 0 | abandon or defer (a plan or project) |
| SHROUD (noun \& verb) | 1 | 1 | noun: a length of cloth or garment in which a dead person is wrapped for burial verb: cover or envelop so as to conceal from view |
| sierra | 1 | 0 | a long jagged mountain chain |
| SKIRT (as verb) | 1 | 1 | to pass around rather than across or through |
| SKULK | 1 | 1 | hide or move around secretly, typically with a sinister or cowardly motive; lurk; move about stealthily (1); evade work or obligation; shirk |
| slake | 1 | 0 | satisfy (a desire, thirst, etc.) |
| slipshod | 1 | 0 | marked by carelessness; sloppy or slovenly |
| solvent (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 0 | adj.: having assets in excess of liabilities; able to dissolve other substances noun: the liquid in which another substance is dissolved to form a solution |
| SOMNAMBULISM | 1 | 1 | sleepwalking |
| somnolent | 1 | 0 | sleepy; drowsy; inducing drowsiness |
| sordid | 1 | 0 | dirty; filthy; squalid; wretched; base (4); ignoble (1); mean |
| SPARK (as verb) | 1 | 1 | to activate; to stir up; to rouse to action |
| stealthy | 1 | 0 | moving, acting, or taking place by stealth or secretly; furtive (5) in movement or action |
| steep (as verb) | 1 | 0 | soak or be soaked in water or other liquid; fill or imbue with a particular quality or influence |
| stilted (adj.) | 1 | 0 | (of language, style, etc.): stiff and unnatural; artificially or affectedly (7) lofty (6); formal, pompous (8), bombastic (10) |
| STOPGAP | 1 | 1 | a temporary solution or substitute |
| STRAITEN | 1 | 1 | to make narrow; to enclose in a limited area; confine; to put or bring into difficulties or distress, especially financial hardship |
| stricture | 1 |  | rule restricting behavior or action; a sternly critical remark |


| stultify | 1 | 0 | cause to feel bored or drained of energy; enervate (7); cause to feel foolish or absurd |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| subsidiary (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 0 | adj.: less important than but related or supplementary to noun: a subsidiary company |
| SUBTEXT | 1 | 1 | an underlying theme in a piece of writing or speech |
| sundry (adj. \& noun) | 1 | 0 | aaj.: or varıous kinas <br> noun: (pl. sundries) various items not important enough to be mentioned individuallv |
| supplicate | 1 | 0 | ask or beg for something earnestly or humbly; to beseech |
| sybarite | 1 | 0 | anyone very fond of luxury and pleasure |
| syncopate | 1 | 0 | (of music or a rhythm) having the beats or accents displaced so that strong beats become weak and vice versa |
| TABLE (as verb) | 1 | 1 | to postpone indefinitely consideration of (a legislative bill, etc.) |
| TACTILE | 1 | 1 | perceptible to the sense of touch; tangible (5) |
| TALISMAN | 1 | 1 | an object thought to have magical powers and to bring good luck, avert (4) evil, etc. |
| TANTAMOUNT (adj.) | 1 | 1 | with "to": equivalent in seriousness to; virtually the same as |
| TELLING (adj.) | 1 | 1 | having a striking or revealing effect; significant |
| temerity | 1 | 0 | foolish or rash boldness |
| TEMPORIZE | 1 | 1 | to act evasively (11) in order to gain time, avoid argument, or postpone a decision |
| TONIC | 1 | 1 | a medicinal substance taken to give a feeling of vigor or well-being; something with an invigorating (8) effect |
| topography | 1 | 0 | the arrangement of the natural and artificial physical features of an area; a detailed description or representation on a map of such features |
| torrid | 1 | 0 | very hot and dry; full of intense emotions arising from sexual love; ardent (5) |
| tortuous | 1 | 0 | full of twists and turns; excessively lengthy and complex |
| TRAFFIC (as verb) | 1 | 1 | to deal or trade in something of an illicit or disreputable nature |
| TRAVESTY | 1 | 1 | an absurd or grotesque imitation, such as parody (2) of a literary work |
| TREACLY | 1 | 1 | cloyingly (2) sweet or sentimental |
| TROVE | 1 | 1 | a collection of valuable items discovered or found; a treasure-trove |
| turpitude | 1 | 0 | depravity (5); wickedness; baseness (4); a base act |
| UNDULATE | 1 | 1 | move with a smooth wave-like motion; have a wavy form or outline |
| unstinting | 1 | 0 | given or giving without restraint; unsparing |
| veneer | 1 | 0 | a thin decorative covering of fine wood applied to a coarser wood or other material; an attractive appearance that covers or disguises true nature or feelings |
| VENOM | 1 | 1 | extreme malice (7), bitterness, or aggression |


| VENT (as verb) | 1 | 1 | give tree expression to (a strong emotion); aiscnarge (arr, gas, or ıiquid) tnrougn an nutlet |
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| VERDANT | 1 | 1 | green; covered with green vegetation |
| verity | 1 | 0 | a true principle or belief; truth |
| vicissitudes | 1 | 0 | changes of circumstances or fortune |
| vie | 1 | 0 | compete eagerly with others in order to do or achieve something |
| VILLAIN | 1 | 1 | a person who is guilty or capable of a crime or wickedness; a wrongdoer |
| viscous | 1 | 0 | having a thick, sticky consistency between solid and liquid |
| WAYWARD | 1 | 1 | headstrong, willful, disobedient, etc.; unpredictable; erratic |
| whet | 1 | 0 | sharpen the blade of (a tool or weapon); excite or stimulate (someone's desire, interest, or appetite) |
| wink at | 1 | 0 | to pretend not to see |
| WINNOW | 1 | 1 | to separate or get rid of (an undesirable part) |
| wistful | 1 | 0 | full of wishful yearning; pensively (2) sad; melancholy |
| wordmonger | 1 | 0 | a person who deals in (esp. strange, pedantic (10), or vacuous(4)) words |
| ZENITH | 1 | 1 | the point in the sky directly overhead; the highest point |

