

1. candid	completely honest, straightforward	33. staid	unemotional; serious
2. conjecture	inference; guesswork	34. arcane	known or understood by only a few
3. didactic	instructive	35. assimilate	to absorb or become absorbed; to make or become similar
4. effusive	showing dramatic emotion; overflowing	36. autonomy	independence; self-determination
5. euphemism	a mild, indirect, or vague term substituting for a harsh, blunt, or offensive term	37. cosmopolitan	worldly; widely sophisticated
6. extrapolate	to infer or estimate by extending or projecting known information	38. derivate	something that comes from another source
7. incoherent	lacking cohesion or connection	39. esoteric	intended for or understood by only a small group
8. insinuate	to imply or communicate stealthily	40. gaffe	a clumsy social error; a faux pas
9. loquacious	very talkative	41. idiosyncrasy	characteristic peculiar to an individual or group
10. lucid	easily understood; clear	42. insular	isolated; narrow or provincial
11. rhetoric	the art of using language effectively and persuasively	43. orthodox	adhering to the traditional and established, especially in religion
12. acumen	quickness, accuracy, and keenness of judgement or insight	44. potentate	one who has the power and position to rule over others; monarch
13. adroit	dexterous; deft	45. castigate	to scold, rebuke, or harshly criticize
14. ascertain	to find out, as through investigation or experimentation	46. censure	to issue official blame
15. astute	shrewd; clever	47. denounce	to condemn openly
16. circumspect	careful; prudent; discreet	48. reclusive	seeking or preferring seclusion or isolation
17. disseminate	to scatter widely, as in sowing seed	49. relinquish	to retire from; give up or abandon
18. erudition	deep, extensive learning	50. renounce	to give up (a title, for example), especially found by formal announcement
19. pedantic	excessively concerned with book learning and formal rules	51. vituperative	marked by harshly abusive condemnation
20. perspicacious	shrewd; clear-sighted	52. circumscribe	to draw a circle around; to restrict
21. pragmatic	practical	53. contiguous	sharing an edge or boundary; touching
22. precocious	exhibiting unusually early intellectual aptitude or maturity	54. conciliatory	appeasing; soothing; showing willingness to reconcile
23. prolific	very productive; producing great qualities	55. credible	capable of being believed; plausible
24. prospectus	formal proposal	56. exonerate	to free from blame
25. rudimentary	basic; elementary; in the earliest stage of development	57. incontrovertible	indisputable; not open to question
26. abstruse	difficult to understand	58. indict	to officially charge with wrongdoing or a crime
27. callous	emotionally hardened; unfeeling	59. litigious	prone to engage in lawsuits
28. convoluted	intricate; complex	60. partisan	devoted to or biased in support of a party, group, or cause
29. disaffected	having lost faith or loyalty; discontent	61. parity	equality, as in amount, status, or value (antonym: disparity)
30. enigma	a puzzle, mystery, or riddle	62. rectitude	moral uprightness; righteousness
31. inscrutable	difficult to fathom or understand; impenetrable	63. remiss	lax in attending to duty; negligent
32. reticent	inclined to keep silent; reserved	64. repudiate	to reject the validity or authority of

65. sanctimonious	feigning piety or righteousness	98. pejorative	disparaging, belittling, insulting
66. scrupulous	principled, having a strong sense of right and wrong; conscientious and exacting	99. vex	to annoy or bother; to perplex
67. solicitous	concerned	100. vindicative	disposed to seek revenge; revengeful; spiteful
68. substantiate	to support with proof or evidence; verify	101. bombastic	given to pompous speech or writing
69. veracity	adherence to the truth; truthfulness	102. ebullience	intense enthusiasm
70. vindicate	to free from blame	103. exorbitant	exceeding all bounds, as of custom or fairness
71. cajole	to urge with repeated appeals, teasing, or flattery	104. exuberant	full of unrestrained enthusiasm or joy
72. chicanery	trickery	105. embellish	to ornament or decorate; to exaggerate
73. obsequious	fawning and servile	106. flagrant	extremely or deliberately shocking or noticeable
74. sycofant	insincere, obsequious flatter	107. gratuitous	given freely; unearned; unnecessary
75. altruism	unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness	108. lavish	extravagant
76. eminent	distinguished; prominent	109. lugubrious	mournful, dismal, or gloomy, especially to an exaggerated or ludicrous degree
77. empathy	identification with and understanding of another's situation, feelings, and motives	110. opulent	displaying great wealth
78. extol	to praise highly	111. ornate	elaborately decorated
79. laudatory	full of praise	112. penchant	a strong inclination or liking
80. magnanimous	courageously or generously noble in mind and heart	113. redundant	needlessly repetitive
81. philanthropic	humanitarian; benevolent; relating to monetary generosity	114. ubiquitous	being or seeming to be everywhere at the same time; omnipresent
82. reciprocate	to mutually take or give; to respond in kind	115. vicarious	felt or undergone as if one were taking part in the experience or feelings of another
83. defunct	no longer existing or functioning	116. vignette	a short scene or story
84. eradicate	to get rid of as if by tearing it up by the roots; abolish	117. amalgam	a combination of diverse elements; a mixture
85. quell	to put down forcibly; suppress	118. inundate	to overwhelm as if with a flood; to swamp
86. raze	to level to the ground; demolish	119. multifarious	diverse; various
87. squelch	to crush as if by trampling; squash	120. multiplicity	state of being various or manifold; a great number
88. supplant	to usurp the place of, especially through intrigue or underhanded tactics	121. ameliorate	to make something better; improve
89. stymie	to thwart or stump	122. beneficial	helpful
90. abase	to lower in rank, prestige, or esteem	123. curative	able to heal or cure
91. deride	to mock contemptuously	124. palliative	relieving or soothing the symptoms of a disease or disorder without effecting a cure
92. derogatory	insulting or intended to insult	125. therapeutic	having or exhibiting healing powers
93. disparage	to speak of negatively; to belittle	126. complement	something that completes, goes with, or brings to perfection
94. effrontery	brazen boldness; presumptuousness	127. epitome	a representative or example of a type
95. ignominy	great personal dishonor or humiliation; disgraceful conduct	128. felicitous	admirably suited
96. impugn	to attack as false or questionable	129. belie	to misrepresent or disguise
97. mar	to damage, especially in a disfiguring way	130. debunk	to expose untruths, shams, or exaggerated claims
		131. dubious	doubtful; of unlikely authenticity

132.	deplicitous	deliberately deceptive
133.	fabricate	to make up in order to deceive
134.	fallacy	a false motion
135.	mendacious	lying; untruthful
136.	specious	having the ring of truth but actually false
137.	ambiguous	open to more than one interpretation
138.	ambivalent	simultaneously feeling opposing feelings; uncertain
139.	apathetic	feeling or showing little concern
140.	capricious	impulsive and unpredictable
141.	equivocal	open to two or more interpretations and often intended to mislead
142.	erratic	markedly inconsistent
143.	impetuous	suddenly and forcefully energetic or emotional
144.	impetus	an impelling force or stimulus
145.	sporadic	occurring at irregular intervals
146.	vacillate	to sway from one side to the other
147.	whimsical	unpredictable
148.	flag (v)	to decline in vigor or strength; to tire
149.	jaded	worn out
150.	ingenuous	lacking in cunning
151.	subterfuge	a deceptive stratagem or device
152.	surreptitious	secretive; sneaky
153.	dearth	scarce supply; lack
154.	modicum	a small, moderate, or token amount
155.	paucity	smallness in number; scarcity
156.	squander	to spend wastefully
157.	temperate	moderate; restrained
158.	tenuous	having little substance or strength; shaky
159.	diligent	hardworking
160.	maverick	one who is independent and resists adherence to a group
161.	mercenary	motivated solely by a desire for money or material gain
162.	obstinate	stubbornly attached to an opinion or a course of action
163.	proliferate	to grow or increase rapidly
164.	tenacity	persistence
165.	vigilant	watchful
166.	extraneous	irrelevant

167.	juxtapose	to place side by side, especially for comparison
168.	superfluous	unnecessary
169.	synergy	combined action or operation
170.	tangential	merely touching or slightly connected
171.	aesthetic	appreciation of beauty
172.	aural	related to the ear or the sense of hearing
173.	cacophony	discordant, unpleasant noise
174.	dirge	a funeral hymn
175.	eclectic	made up of a variety or sources or style
176.	incongruous	lacking in harmony
177.	sonorous	producing a deep or full sound
178.	strident	loud, harsh, grating, or shrill
179.	debacle	disastrous
180.	tumultuous	noisy and disorderly
181.	debilitate	weaken
182.	anachronistic	the representation of something as existing in the wrong time period
183.	archaic	old
184.	dilatory	habitually late
185.	ephemeral	lasting for only a brief time
186.	redolent	fragrant
187.	temporal	limited by time
188.	onerous	burdensome
189.	portent	omen
190.	prescience	foresight
191.	austere	strict
192.	banal	predictable
193.	hackneyed	worn out through overuse
194.	insipid	uninteresting
195.	prosaic	dull
196.	soporific	tending to induce sleep
197.	vapid	dull
198.	brevity	briefness
199.	expedient	convenient, speedy
200.	transient	passing quickly in time or space
201.	augment	to supplement
202.	bolster	to hearten
203.	burgeon	to grow and flourish

204.	copious	plentiful
205.	distend	to swell out or expand from internal pressure, as when overly full
206.	grandiose	grand
207.	prodigious	enormous
208.	profundity	great depth of intellect, feeling, or meaning
209.	redouble	to double
210.	scintillating	brilliant
211.	averse	strongly disinclined
212.	conspicuous	obvious
213.	demure	modest and reserved
214.	diffidence	shyness
215.	docile	submissive to instruction
216.	innocuous	harmless
217.	placid	calm or quiet
218.	quiescent	inactive
219.	concord	agreement
220.	dogmatic	stubbornly attached to insufficiently proven beliefs
221.	fastidious	carefully attentive to detail, difficult to please
222.	intransigence	refusal to moderate a position or to compromise
223.	jocular	characterized by or given to joking
224.	meticulous	extremely careful and precise
225.	affable	friendly
226.	alacrity	cheerful readiness, eagerness
227.	amiable	agreeable
228.	benign	kind and gentle
229.	sanguine	optimistic
230.	belligerent	eager to fight
231.	byzantine	extremely complicated or devious
232.	cantankerous	ill-tempered and quarrelsome
233.	contentious	quarrelsome
234.	deleterious	having a harmful effect
235.	exacerbate	aggravate
236.	flippant	disrespectfully humorous or casual
237.	insolent	insulting in manner or speech
238.	nefarious	vicious
239.	pernicious	deadly
240.	rancorous	bitter, deep-seated ill-will

241.	repugnant	arousing disgust; offensive
242.	tawdry	gaudy and cheap
243.	arboreal	relating to or resembling trees
244.	invocation	a call for assistance, support, or inspiration
245.	stratify	to separate into layers
246.	variegated	varicoloured
247.	verdant	green with vegetation
248.	effusive	showing excessive emotion; overflowing
249.	prolific	intellectually productive
250.	disaffected	disloyal
251.	cathartic	relaxing after an emotional outburst
252.	clandestine	secret
253.	novel	new; original
254.	supercilious	arrogant
255.	alleviate	to ease a pain or burden