

| <b>VOCABULARY WORD</b> | <b>SYNONYMS</b>  |
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| <b>abandon</b>         | leave behind, relinquish, desert, discard                                |
| <b>abolish</b>         | put an end to, end, do away with, stop, eliminate, eradicate, get rid of |
| <b>absent</b>          | not present, missing, omitted, devoid of                                 |
| <b>absorb</b>          | soak up, take in, suck up  |
| <b>abstract</b>        | conceptual, intangible, nonfigurative, theoretical                       |
| <b>abundant</b>        | plentiful, copious, profuse, bountiful, ample                            |
| <b>accordingly</b>     | therefore, hence, consequently, thus                                     |
| <b>accumulate</b>      | build up, mount up, accrue, gather, collect, amass                       |
| <b>adaptation</b>      | adjustment, change, alteration, variation                                |
| <b>adequately</b>      | sufficiently, passably, satisfactorily, tolerably                        |
| <b>adjust</b>          | regulate, adapt, alter, amend, change                                    |
| <b>adopt</b>           | take on, accept, assume, welcome   |
| <b>adorned</b>         | decorated, ornamented, decked out, bejeweled                             |
| <b>adrift</b>          | drifting, floating, loose, free, aimless, wandering                      |
| <b>advent</b>          | arrival, start, beginning, dawn, introduction                            |
| <b>aerial</b>          | from the sky, atmospheric, from above                                    |
| <b>aesthetic</b>       | artistic, visual, beautiful  |
| <b>affected</b>        | touched, altered, influenced, changed                                    |
| <b>affluent</b>        | wealthy, rich, prosperous, well-to-do                                    |
| <b>agent</b>           | component, part, ingredient, element                                     |
| <b>aggressive</b>      | dynamic, forceful, tough, vigorous                                       |
| <b>ambiguous</b>       | vague, cloudy, unclear, uncertain  |
| <b>amplify</b>         | intensify, increase, magnify, augment                                    |
| <b>analogous</b>       | similar, parallel, corresponding, comparable, like, related              |
| <b>ancestor</b>        | forebear, forerunner, antecedent, precursor, predecessor                 |
| <b>annihilate</b>      | destroy, obliterate, wipe out, ruin                                      |
| <b>anonymous</b>       | unknown, no name, nameless   |
| <b>apart from</b>      | aside from, despite, except for, excluding                               |
| <b>apparition</b>      | vision, phantom, specter, ghost  |
| <b>appeal</b>          | attraction, charm, allure, attractiveness, charisma                      |
| <b>apply</b>           | administer, assign, execute, implement                                   |
| <b>aptly</b>           | correctly, appropriately, properly                                       |
| <b>array</b>           | collection, group, assortment, selection                                 |
| <b>ascribe to</b>      | assign, credit, attribute to   |
| <b>aspect</b>          | part, point, element, characteristic, feature                            |

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| <b>aspiring</b>       | ambitious, desiring, hopeful  |
| <b>associate</b>      | connect, link, relate, correlate                                    |
| <b>assure</b>         | ensure, guarantee, make certain, confirm, secure                    |
| <b>astounding</b>     | astonishing, amazing, surprising, incredible                        |
| <b>attain</b>         | reach, achieve, accomplish, get                                     |
| <b>attainment</b>     | achievement, accomplishment, realization, success                   |
| <b>awakened</b>       | woken, woken up, aroused, stirred, stimulated, roused               |
| <b>awkward</b>        | uncomfortable, discomfited, gawky, cumbersome                       |
| <b>backdrop</b>       | framework, grounding, practice, preparation, qualification          |
| <b>barely</b>         | hardly, scarcely, scantily  |
| <b>barren</b>         | infertile, unproductive, desolate, empty                            |
| <b>barter</b>         | exchange, trade, negotiate, bargain                                 |
| <b>be composed of</b> | consist of, be made of, contain, be comprised of                    |
| <b>bear</b>           | abide, encounter, experience, put up with, suffer                   |
| <b>belie</b>          | confute, contradict, deny, disaffirm, disagree, negate, repudiate   |
| <b>benign</b>         | amiable, benevolent, favorable, friendly, genial, gentle, good      |
| <b>beyond</b>         | further than, past, away from, ahead of                             |
| <b>bias</b>           | prejudice, partiality, favoritism, predisposition, preconception    |
| <b>bite</b>           | lacerate, pierce, wound, gnaw, chew, eat                            |
| <b>blast</b>          | shoot, discharge, explode, blow up                                  |
| <b>blot out</b>       | hide, cover, secret, veil, mask                                     |
| <b>bode well</b>      | have potential, look good, indicate, suggest                        |
| <b>boom</b>           | prosperity, boost, gain, growth                                     |
| <b>caged</b>          | captive, bound, confined, penned, restricted                        |
| <b>canopy</b>         | top layer in a forest, formed by the crowns of the trees            |
| <b>capacity</b>       | ability, capability, aptitude, faculty, competence, facility        |
| <b>cast light on</b>  | illuminate, illustrate, clarify, elucidate, shed light on           |
| <b>casual</b>         | informal, laid-back, relaxed  |
| <b>categorize</b>     | classify, sort, catalogue, group                                    |
| <b>cater to</b>       | pamper, indulge, accommodate, provide, furnish                      |
| <b>celebratory</b>    | festive, commemorative, triumphant, congratulatory                  |
| <b>center</b>         | concentrate, attract, bring together, centralize, collect           |
| <b>chance</b>         | luck, fortune, good fortune, fate                                   |
| <b>channel</b>        | guide, carry, conduct, direct, funnel, pipe, route, send, transport |
| <b>chaos</b>          | disorder, disorganization, disarray, turmoil, confusion             |
| <b>characteristic</b> | trait, feature, quality, attribute                                  |
| <b>chop</b>           | cut, chop up, slice, hack, ax, sever, split                         |

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| <b>clamor</b>        | noise, sound, loud ringing, bellowing                               |
| <b>close-range</b>   | nearby, adjacent, close, immediate, proximate                       |
| <b>clue</b>          | sign, hint, tip, evidence   |
| <b>clumsy</b>        | awkward, inept, ungainly, gauche                                    |
| <b>cognition</b>     | attention, awareness, cognizance, comprehension                     |
| <b>cohesive</b>      | unified, consistent, solid, interconnected, organized, interrelated |
| <b>coincide</b>      | agree, match, correspond, concur, happen together                   |
| <b>collective</b>    | communal, combined, joint, shared, united                           |
| <b>colossus</b>      | mammoth, behemoth, titan, giant                                     |
| <b>combustible</b>   | flammable, explosive, burnable                                      |
| <b>compile</b>       | amass, accumulate, collect, assemble, gather, hoard                 |
| <b>complex</b>       | multifaceted, complicated, intricate, elaborate                     |
| <b>composite</b>     | compound, complex, fused, combined, multiple                        |
| <b>compulsory</b>    | mandatory, commanded, required, necessary                           |
| <b>conceal</b>       | hide, cover, secret, obscure, mask                                  |
| <b>concealed</b>     | hidden, covered, buried, obscured, masked, cloaked                  |
| <b>concept</b>       | idea, view, belief, impression, perception                          |
| <b>concerted</b>     | together, concentrated, in unison, as one                           |
| <b>concur</b>        | agree, acquiesce, consent, be in harmony                            |
| <b>confer</b>        | bestow, present, grant, give, award                                 |
| <b>confident</b>     | sure, certain, positive, convinced, secure                          |
| <b>confined</b>      | restricted, constricted, restrained, circumscribed, limited         |
| <b>confirmed</b>     | validated, authenticated, corroborated, supported                   |
| <b>conform</b>       | obey, adapt, accommodate, comply, follow, mind, observe             |
| <b>congenial</b>     | supportive, pleasant, amenable, agreeable                           |
| <b>consciousness</b> | awareness, realization, notice, perception                          |
| <b>consort with</b>  | associate with, socialize with, meet, partner with                  |
| <b>constituent</b>   | ingredient, element, component, part                                |
| <b>constricted</b>   | circumscribed, compressed, confined, limited, restricted            |
| <b>contemplate</b>   | consider, think, reflect, ponder                                    |
| <b>contract</b>      | grow smaller, decrease, reduce, tighten, tauten                     |
| <b>contrast</b>      | difference, dissimilarity, disparity, distinction                   |
| <b>converse</b>      | contrary, opposite, reverse   |
| <b>convey</b>        | share, transmit, express, communicate, put across                   |
| <b>coordinated</b>   | synchronized, harmonized, corresponding, matched                    |
| <b>core</b>          | center, corpus, foundation, heart, root                             |
| <b>counterpart</b>   | equal, equivalent, complement, partner                              |

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| <b>cover</b>          | cap, overlay, sheet, top, covering                               |
| <b>crater</b>         | hole, pit, cavity, depression                                    |
| <b>crucial</b>        | vital, critical, central, key, essential, fundamental, important |
| <b>cultivate</b>      | develop, nurture, promote, foster                                |
| <b>date back to</b>   | go back to, originate, begin, derive from                        |
| <b>decay</b>          | deteriorate, rot, fall apart, crumble, decompose                 |
| <b>defiance</b>       | disobedience, audacity, opposition, rebellion                    |
| <b>deficient</b>      | lacking, scarce, under-provided, incomplete, insufficient        |
| <b>degradation</b>    | decline, destruction, decrease                                   |
| <b>demand</b>         | insist, stipulate, require, order, command                       |
| <b>demolish</b>       | destroy, raze, wreck, annihilate, ruin                           |
| <b>dense</b>          | thick, intense, opaque, crowded                                  |
| <b>densely</b>        | thickly, tightly, compactly, closely, solidly, heavily           |
| <b>dependent</b>      | reliant, contingent, subject (to), controlled by                 |
| <b>deposit</b>        | leave, place, put, set down                                      |
| <b>detect</b>         | find, discover, uncover, reveal                                  |
| <b>devastation</b>    | destruction, damage, desolation                                  |
| <b>device</b>         | instrument, apparatus, equipment, machinery, tool                |
| <b>devise</b>         | invent, develop, create, come up with                            |
| <b>devote</b>         | dedicate, offer, give, commit                                    |
| <b>diminish</b>       | reduce, lessen, decline, dwindle, decrease                       |
| <b>discernible</b>    | apparent, perceptible, noticeable, distinct, evident             |
| <b>discrimination</b> | distinction, difference, contrast, differential                  |
| <b>dispatch</b>       | send away, ship, send off, transmit                              |
| <b>disperse</b>       | scatter, break up, diffuse, dispel                               |
| <b>dispersed</b>      | separated, dispelled, scatter, spread out                        |
| <b>disposal</b>       | removal, discarding, dumping                                     |
| <b>disrepute</b>      | disgrace, ill repute, disrespect, disregard                      |
| <b>dissolve</b>       | break up, melt, soften, liquify                                  |
| <b>distorted</b>      | indistinct, unclear, hazy, imprecise, faint, vague               |
| <b>distributed</b>    | dispersed, spread, disseminated, circulated, scattered, strewn   |
| <b>diverse</b>        | varied, assorted, sundry, different, dissimilar                  |
| <b>diversity</b>      | variety, assortment, mixture,                                    |
| <b>dogma</b>          | creed, doctrine, belief  |
| <b>domain</b>         | area, field, sphere, realm                                       |
| <b>dominant</b>       | prevalent, principal, main, leading, central                     |
| <b>dramatic</b>       | powerful, effective, sensational, striking, vivid                |

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| <b>drastically</b> | radically, severely, considerably, significantly, hugely        |
| <b>draw</b>        | attract, lure, appeal to, entice, bring in, pull                |
| <b>draw off</b>    | siphon off, drain off, suck up, cull                            |
| <b>durability</b>  | toughness, sturdiness, strength, resilience, hardness           |
| <b>duration</b>    | time, period, interval, extent, length                          |
| <b>dweller</b>     | inhabitant, resident, occupant, tenant                          |
| <b>eclectic</b>    | comprehensive, mixed, assorted, broad, diverse, varied          |
| <b>ecosystem</b>   | ecology, flora and fauna, environment                           |
| <b>edifice</b>     | structure, building, construction                               |
| <b>elaborate</b>   | complex, complicated, intricate, detailed, sophisticated        |
| <b>elusive</b>     | indefinable, mysterious, obscure, intangible                    |
| <b>embedded</b>    | entrenched, implanted, set in, fixed, rooted                    |
| <b>ember</b>       | cinder, ash, glowing coal, hot coal, spark                      |
| <b>embraced</b>    | welcomed, accepted, adopted, taken in                           |
| <b>emerge</b>      | come out, appear, materialize, become known, emanate, originate |
| <b>emergence</b>   | coming out, appearance, manifestation, materialization          |
| <b>emit</b>        | send out, transmit, give off, voice, let off                    |
| <b>emphasize</b>   | highlight, stress, accentuate, call attention to, focus         |
| <b>employ</b>      | use, utilize, make use of, occupy, operate, exploit             |
| <b>endeavor</b>    | enterprise, venture, effort, attempt, undertaking               |
| <b>endow</b>       | bestow, present, grant, give, award, bequeath, provide          |
| <b>engage</b>      | take part in, take on, embark on, partake, participate          |
| <b>enhance</b>     | build up, improve, augment, develop, boost                      |
| <b>enlarge</b>     | increase, expand, widen, extend                                 |
| <b>enriched</b>    | augmented, supplemented, improved, enhanced, deepened           |
| <b>equate</b>      | pair, liken, associate, match                                   |
| <b>equilibrium</b> | balance, symmetry, stability                                    |
| <b>equip</b>       | provide, furnish, outfit, endow, supply                         |
| <b>equivalent</b>  | equal, correspondent, complement, partner, counterpart          |
| <b>era</b>         | time, epoch, period, age, generation                            |
| <b>eradicate</b>   | eliminate, exterminate, remove, get rid of, wipe out            |
| <b>erect</b>       | build, construct, raise, put up                                 |
| <b>erode</b>       | wear away, wear down, corrode                                   |
| <b>essentially</b> | basically, fundamentally, in essence, in effect, effectively    |
| <b>evaluate</b>    | assess, appraise, estimate, calculate, weigh up                 |
| <b>evanescent</b>  | elusive, evasive, ambiguous, deceptive, unsubstantial           |

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| <b>evident</b>     | obvious, apparent, clear, plain, manifest                         |
| <b>evolution</b>   | development, growth, progress, progression, advancement, fruition |
| <b>evolve</b>      | develop, change, progress, advance, go forward                    |
| <b>exceed</b>      | surpass, top, go beyond, go above                                 |
| <b>exceptional</b> | unusual, special, extraordinary                                   |
| <b>exclusively</b> | particularly, completely, singularly, solely                      |
| <b>exercise</b>    | employ, execute, exert, use, utilize, wield                       |
| <b>exhibit</b>     | show, display, reveal, illustrate                                 |
| <b>exorbitant</b>  | excessive, costly, inflated, huge, massive                        |
| <b>exploit</b>     | use develop, utilize, make use of                                 |
| <b>exponent</b>    | example, exemplar, model, representative, sample, specimen        |
| <b>exposed</b>     | bare, uncovered, disclosed, revealed                              |
| <b>exquisite</b>   | beautiful, fine, superb, lovely                                   |
| <b>extract</b>     | take out, remove, haul out, dig out, dig up                       |
| <b>extracted</b>   | removed, hauled out, dug up, pulled out, taken out                |
| <b>façade</b>      | frontage, pretense, veneer, mask, cover                           |
| <b>faculty</b>     | ability, capability, aptitude, talent, competence, facility       |
| <b>fairly</b>      | quite, rather, moderately, somewhat, practically                  |
| <b>far-flung</b>   | distant, remote, far away, outlying, isolated                     |
| <b>fatal</b>       | deadly, lethal, incurable, terminal, mortal, grave, critical      |
| <b>fatigue</b>     | exhaustion, tiredness, weariness, weakness                        |
| <b>favored</b>     | preferential, preferred, privileged, chosen                       |
| <b>fertile</b>     | abundant, teeming, fruitful, plentiful                            |
| <b>filtering</b>   | distillation, filtration, refinement, straining                   |
| <b>firm</b>        | company, organization, group, business, enterprise                |
| <b>flash</b>       | exhibit, brandish, expose, show                                   |
| <b>flicker</b>     | sputter, flash, waver, glimmer                                    |
| <b>flourish</b>    | thrive, grow, burgeon, prosper, do well, boom, increase           |
| <b>flow</b>        | continue, glide, move, pass, proceed, progress, rush              |
| <b>fluctuate</b>   | change, alternate, deviate, vary, alter                           |
| <b>fluctuation</b> | change, variation, deviation, alternation                         |
| <b>flux</b>        | fluctuation, change, instability, unrest                          |
| <b>folly</b>       | foolishness, stupidity, idiocy, silliness                         |
| <b>forage</b>      | hunt, seek, scavenge, rummage, search                             |
| <b>formed</b>      | created, produced, constituted, established                       |
| <b>formidable</b>  | awesome, colossal, great, impressive, intimidating                |

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| <b>forthcoming</b>   | approaching, impending, imminent                              |
| <b>foster</b>        | develop, nurture, promote, encourage, support, build up       |
| <b>fragment</b>      | piece, section, portion, part                                 |
| <b>frantic</b>       | frenetic, frenzied, hectic, agitated                          |
| <b>fringe</b>        | peripheral, marginal, hem, edge, perimeter                    |
| <b>front</b>         | area, field, domain   |
| <b>frustratingly</b> | exasperatingly, infuriatingly, nauseatingly, annoyingly       |
| <b>function</b>      | work, perform, serve, operate, run, act                       |
| <b>gather</b>        | collect, group, pick, accumulate                              |
| <b>generate</b>      | produce, create, manufacture, turn out                        |
| <b>generically</b>   | commonly, collectively, generally, universally, widely        |
| <b>given</b>         | known, specified, certain, particular                         |
| <b>glance</b>        | fleeting look, glimpse, quick look, peek                      |
| <b>glide</b>         | move smoothly, soar, wheel, drift, coast                      |
| <b>gradient</b>      | incline, slope, ramp, pitch, ascent                           |
| <b>gradual</b>       | steady, regular, ongoing, slow, continuing                    |
| <b>grasp</b>         | clutch, grab, seize, grip, take hold of                       |
| <b>harsh</b>         | unforgiving, severe, austere                                  |
| <b>haul</b>          | tow, drag, pull, lug, heave                                   |
| <b>hazardous</b>     | dangerous, risky, perilous, unsafe, harmful                   |
| <b>hesitant</b>      | uncertain, cautious, tentative, timid, diffident              |
| <b>hinterland</b>    | vicinity, neighborhood, surrounding area                      |
| <b>hoard</b>         | store, stockpile, cache, collection, amassment                |
| <b>home in</b>       | zoom in, pinpoint, focus, hone in                             |
| <b>homogenous</b>    | same, uniform, standardized, identical, consistent            |
| <b>hostile</b>       | adverse, unfriendly, inhospitable, antagonistic, unfavorable  |
| <b>hurl</b>          | throw, fling, toss, chuck, launch, heave                      |
| <b>illustrated</b>   | exemplified, demonstrated, portrayed, shown                   |
| <b>imitate</b>       | copy, replicate, duplicate, reproduce                         |
| <b>immobile</b>      | not moving, motionless, stationary, still                     |
| <b>immunity</b>      | protection, exemption, invulnerability, imperviousness        |
| <b>impact</b>        | crash, collision, shock, blow                                 |
| <b>impart</b>        | share, confer, convey, grant, give, reveal, disclose, divulge |
| <b>impending</b>     | imminent, looming, approaching                                |
| <b>imperceptibly</b> | unnoticeably, indiscernibly, barely, faintly, undetectably    |
| <b>in effect</b>     | basically, more or less, essentially, in essence              |
| <b>inborn</b>        | innate, natural, instinctive, intuitive, congenital, inherent |

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| <b>incubation</b>     | gestation, fecundation, maturation                                    |
| <b>inevitably</b>     | unavoidably, inescapably, certainly, definitely                       |
| <b>innovative</b>     | inventive, creative, pioneering, new, novel                           |
| <b>innumerable</b>    | countless, numerous, infinite, immeasurable                           |
| <b>inorganic</b>      | lifeless, dead, non-living, inert                                     |
| <b>institution</b>    | organization, establishment, beginning, start                         |
| <b>insulator</b>      | cover, coverage, protection, layer                                    |
| <b>insure</b>         | guarantee, assure, ensure, promise                                    |
| <b>integrate</b>      | incorporate, combine, assimilate, mix, put together                   |
| <b>interdependent</b> | inter-reliant, co-dependent, mutually dependent                       |
| <b>intersect</b>      | cross, crisscross, traverse, overlap                                  |
| <b>interval</b>       | period, spell, spurt, term  |
| <b>intrinsic</b>      | central, inherent, built-in, basic, fundamental                       |
| <b>invariably</b>     | always, habitually, perpetually, consistently, regularly, customarily |
| <b>investigation</b>  | study, examination, inquiry, exploration, survey                      |
| <b>irrigate</b>       | water, saturate, soak, wet  |
| <b>isolation</b>      | seclusion, loneliness, remoteness, segregation, separation            |
| <b>itinerant</b>      | traveling, roving, wandering, roaming, nomadic                        |
| <b>jolting</b>        | surprising, shocking, astounding, astonishing                         |
| <b>keen</b>           | sharp, acute, fine, honed, incisive, observant, perceptive            |
| <b>kindle</b>         | burn, ignite, inflame, light, set fire                                |
| <b>lack</b>           | shortage, dearth, insufficiency, paucity                              |
| <b>lacking</b>        | missing, absent, deficient  |
| <b>lament</b>         | bemoan, moan, wail, cry   |
| <b>lay hands on</b>   | get hold of, obtain, get, acquire, come by                            |
| <b>lay out</b>        | arrange, chart, design, plan, map                                     |
| <b>leisurely</b>      | unhurried, easy, relaxed, slow  |
| <b>lighten</b>        | ease, lessen, reduce, alleviate, cheer up, improve, lift              |
| <b>limited</b>        | restricted, constricted, restrained, circumscribed                    |
| <b>literal</b>        | exact, accurate, factual, precise, perfect                            |
| <b>litter</b>         | scatter, clutter, strew   |
| <b>loosely</b>        | insecurely, limply, freely, slackly                                   |
| <b>lubricant</b>      | something that lessens or prevents friction or difficulty             |
| <b>maintain</b>       | uphold, preserve, keep, continue, retain, prolong                     |
| <b>mammoth</b>        | enormous, huge, gigantic, massive                                     |
| <b>manifest</b>       | obvious, patent, apparent, evident, clear                             |
| <b>manipulate</b>     | control, maneuver, operate, direct                                    |

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| <b>mark</b>         | denote, designate, earmark, evince, indicate, signify                     |
| <b>mass</b>         | many, majority, bulk  |
| <b>massively</b>    | very, extremely, particularly, extraordinarily                            |
| <b>meaningless</b>  | futile, hollow, insignificant, senseless, trivial                         |
| <b>measure</b>      | amount, quantity, indication, degree, gauge                               |
| <b>mechanism</b>    | device, instrument, apparatus, means, method, system                      |
| <b>merge</b>        | combine, join, blend, unite   |
| <b>meticulously</b> | carefully, scrupulously, thoroughly, particularly, painstakingly, exactly |
| <b>migrate</b>      | travel, rove, roam, journey   |
| <b>minimal</b>      | nominal, minimum, lowest, smallest  |
| <b>minimize</b>     | reduce, diminish, lessen, curtail, decrease                               |
| <b>minuscule</b>    | tiny, small, meager, minute, diminutive                                   |
| <b>misleading</b>   | deceptive, ambiguous, confusing, false                                    |
| <b>mock</b>         | ridicule, tease, make fun of, scorn, deride, scoff at                     |
| <b>mode</b>         | form, style, manner, method, means, approach, way                         |
| <b>moderately</b>   | fairly, reasonably, somewhat, sort of, more or less                       |
| <b>modify</b>       | alter, change, transform, adapt   |
| <b>mold</b>         | shape, sculpt, form, fashion, construct, create, produce, make            |
| <b>molten</b>       | melted, liquified, dissolved  |
| <b>monitor</b>      | watch, observe, supervise, examine, scrutinize, keep an eye on            |
| <b>mosaic</b>       | medley, assortment, mixture, montage, variety                             |
| <b>motif</b>        | design, conception, arrangement, configuration, construction              |
| <b>multitude</b>    | crowd, throng, mass, swarm, horde   |
| <b>mundane</b>      | ordinary, dull, routine, monotonous, commonplace, boring                  |
| <b>nature</b>       | character, spirit, makeup, quality, feature                               |
| <b>nearly</b>       | almost, virtually, practically, just about                                |
| <b>nocturnal</b>    | of the night, night, night-time   |
| <b>notably</b>      | particularly, remarkably, especially, conspicuously                       |
| <b>noticed</b>      | observed, perceived, noted, discerned, detected                           |
| <b>notion</b>       | idea, view, concept, belief, impression, opinion, perception              |
| <b>notoriously</b>  | infamously, disreputably, scandalously                                    |
| <b>obsolete</b>     | out-of-date, outdated, archaic, outmoded, old-fashioned                   |
| <b>obtain</b>       | get, gain, acquire, attain  |
| <b>obviously</b>    | apparently, noticeably, clearly, visibly, evidently                       |
| <b>occupy</b>       | inhabit, reside in, dwell in, live in                                     |
| <b>odd</b>          | strange, abnormal, unusual, weird, peculiar                               |

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| <b>officially</b>   | formally, legitimately, publicly, authoritatively, on the record        |
| <b>off-putting</b>  | repellent, distasteful, forbidding, objectionable, repulsive            |
| <b>operation</b>    | process, action, function   |
| <b>optical</b>      | visual, ocular, perceptual  |
| <b>ostentation</b>  | flamboyancy, pretentiousness, affectation, posturing                    |
| <b>outbreak</b>     | start, beginning, initiation, eruption                                  |
| <b>outlying</b>     | remote, out-of-the-way, distant, far-flung                              |
| <b>outnumber</b>    | to exceed the number of; to be more numerous than, surpass              |
| <b>output</b>       | production, productivity, yield, gain, turnout                          |
| <b>outright</b>     | absolute, consummate, straightforward, unequivocal, utter               |
| <b>outweigh</b>     | supersede, overshadow, prevail over, offset                             |
| <b>overall</b>      | general, all-embracing, comprehensive, inclusive, global                |
| <b>overcome</b>     | defeat, conquer, beat, prevail over, surmount, triumph over             |
| <b>overlapping</b>  | extending, going beyond, overhanging, overlaying                        |
| <b>overly</b>       | excessively, too, exaggeratedly, exceedingly, more than usually         |
| <b>override</b>     | supersede, take priority over, prevail, dominate, overrule              |
| <b>overtake</b>     | pass, outdo, surpass, exceed  |
| <b>overwhelm</b>    | overcome, defeat, overpower, prevail over                               |
| <b>pale</b>         | light, pallid, colorless, faint   |
| <b>part</b>         | separate, divide, split, segregate, parcel                              |
| <b>participant</b>  | contributor, contestant, applicant, partaker, accomplice                |
| <b>particle</b>     | unit, constituent, part, element, speck                                 |
| <b>particularly</b> | chiefly, mainly, predominantly, mostly                                  |
| <b>partitioned</b>  | divided, separated, split, segregate, set off                           |
| <b>partly</b>       | in part, partially, to a certain degree, somewhat                       |
| <b>patch</b>        | spot, area, space, piece  |
| <b>patchy</b>       | erratic, irregular, inconsistent, unreliable                            |
| <b>patron</b>       | sponsor, fan, host, supporter   |
| <b>peculiar</b>     | idiosyncratic, individual, distinctive, particular, special, inimitable |
| <b>peculiarity</b>  | oddity, habit. Idiosyncrasy, eccentricity                               |
| <b>peculiarly</b>   | abnormally, unusually, strangely, curiously                             |
| <b>pen</b>          | write, compose, draft, draw up, jot down, ink                           |
| <b>perceived</b>    | apparent, supposed, seeming, alleged                                    |
| <b>perceptual</b>   | visual, ocular, optical   |
| <b>permeate</b>     | pervade, infuse, flood, fill, saturate                                  |
| <b>persist</b>      | persevere, continue, keep on, carry on, endure                          |
| <b>perspective</b>  | viewpoint, standpoint, point of view, opinion                           |

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| <b>phenomenal</b>    | extraordinary, exceptional, unique, unparalleled               |
| <b>phenomenon</b>    | fact, event, occurrence, happening                             |
| <b>pioneering</b>    | groundbreaking, original, new, revolutionary                   |
| <b>plethora</b>      | overabundance, excess, surfeit, glut, superfluity              |
| <b>plot</b>          | allotment, area, division, land, parcel, patch, piece          |
| <b>plunge</b>        | descend, drop, fall, go down, immerse, plummet, submerge, sink |
| <b>ponderous</b>     | heavy, weighty, unwieldy, cumbersome, bulky, hefty             |
| <b>portray</b>       | show, display, illustrate, depict                              |
| <b>possess</b>       | have, enjoy, maintain, be endowed with                         |
| <b>precarious</b>    | dangerous, insecure, hazardous, unstable                       |
| <b>precedence</b>    | priority, preference, superiority, primacy                     |
| <b>precept</b>       | principle, theory, belief, rule, opinion, view, ideology       |
| <b>precipitate</b>   | lead to, bring on, cause, trigger, lead to                     |
| <b>precursor</b>     | forerunner, ancestor, predecessor, antecedent, pioneer         |
| <b>preserved</b>     | conserved, maintained, protected, safeguarded                  |
| <b>pretentious</b>   | ostentatious, conceited, exaggerated, showy                    |
| <b>prevail</b>       | dominate, triumph, succeed, overcome                           |
| <b>prevalent</b>     | common, widespread, rife, rampant, ubiquitous                  |
| <b>prey</b>          | quarry, victim, target, kill                                   |
| <b>primitive</b>     | primordial, ancient, prehistoric, primal, primeval             |
| <b>principal</b>     | main, major, chief, primary, prime, key, foremost              |
| <b>prized</b>        | valued, cherished, esteemed, regarded, precious, treasured     |
| <b>proclaim</b>      | declare, say, state, announce                                  |
| <b>profitable</b>    | beneficial, conducive, fruitful, lucrative, remunerative       |
| <b>profound</b>      | deep, weighty, intense, insightful                             |
| <b>project</b>       | show, display, transmit, broadcast                             |
| <b>proliferation</b> | production, creation, increase, rise                           |
| <b>prolific</b>      | fruitful, productive, profuse, teeming, fertile                |
| <b>prominent</b>     | famous, well-known, important, major                           |
| <b>property</b>      | trait, attribute, characteristic, feature, quality             |
| <b>proponent</b>     | supporter, advocate, patron, promoter                          |
| <b>proportioned</b>  | regular, balanced, even, symmetrical                           |
| <b>proven</b>        | authenticated, affirmed, documented, substantiated             |
| <b>provide</b>       | offer, supply, grant, present, grant, give                     |
| <b>provincial</b>    | pastoral, rural, rustic, small-town                            |
| <b>provision</b>     | supplies, food, staples,                                       |
| <b>proximity</b>     | adjacency, closeness, immediacy, juxtaposition                 |

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| <b>puzzling</b>       | mystifying, bewildering, perplexing, confusing, baffling             |
| <b>random</b>         | arbitrary, haphazard, by chance, unsystematic                        |
| <b>ransack</b>        | lay waste, pillage, loot, raid, ravage                               |
| <b>rapid</b>          | fast, quick, speedy, swift, hasty, hurried, brisk                    |
| <b>readily</b>        | easily, with no trouble, effortlessly, simply, straightforwardly     |
| <b>reason</b>         | argue, debate, discuss, persuade                                     |
| <b>reasonable</b>     | equitable, fair, temperate, rational, sensible                       |
| <b>receptacle</b>     | container, vessel, holder,   |
| <b>recollection</b>   | memory, remembrance, reminiscence                                    |
| <b>reconnaissance</b> | investigation, scouting, inspection, exploration                     |
| <b>record (v)</b>     | register, log, chronicle   |
| <b>recover</b>        | retrieve, salvage, recuperate  |
| <b>recruit</b>        | employ, take on, draft, enlist, engage, hire, sign up                |
| <b>recruitment</b>    | enlistment, conscription, induction, draft                           |
| <b>redirect</b>       | to change the course or direction of something                       |
| <b>reflect</b>        | reveal, indicate, expose, show, manifest, display                    |
| <b>refute</b>         | disprove, contest, rebut, dispute, counter                           |
| <b>regulate</b>       | govern, rule, impose, reign  |
| <b>relatively</b>     | comparatively, moderately, fairly, reasonably                        |
| <b>reliably</b>       | dependably, consistently, unfailingly, regularly                     |
| <b>remnant</b>        | trace, bit, piece, leftovers, remainder                              |
| <b>representative</b> | descriptive, illustrative, characteristic, symbolic                  |
| <b>reservoir</b>      | storage, tank, pool, basin   |
| <b>residue</b>        | deposit, remains, remainder, rest                                    |
| <b>resilient</b>      | tough, durable, pliant, flexible                                     |
| <b>resistance</b>     | opposition, defiance, refusal, nonacceptance                         |
| <b>respective</b>     | separate, particular, personal, individual                           |
| <b>restrict</b>       | limit, confine, curb, control, inhibit, contain                      |
| <b>result in</b>      | create, afford, bring, bring about, cause, effect, produce, generate |
| <b>returns</b>        | income, proceeds, profit   |
| <b>revise</b>         | change, amend, alter, modify, transform, adjust                      |
| <b>rich in</b>        | full of, abounding, plentiful, loaded with, heavy in                 |
| <b>rise</b>           | increase, ascension, expansion, soaring                              |
| <b>rival</b>          | competing, opposing, contending, vying                               |
| <b>rugged</b>         | rocky, rough, jagged, uneven, craggy                                 |
| <b>saturated</b>      | soaked, drenched, inundated, flooded, waterlogged                    |

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| <b>scale</b>         | climb, mount, ascend   |
| <b>scarcity</b>      | shortage, lack, dearth, insufficiency, paucity                 |
| <b>scent</b>         | smell, aroma, essence, fragrance, perfume                      |
| <b>scramble</b>      | move quickly, rush, scuttle, jostle                            |
| <b>scrape</b>        | scratch, peel, pare, chafe                                     |
| <b>set forth</b>     | describe, present, propose, submit, lay out                    |
| <b>sharply</b>       | drastically, radically, severely, considerably                 |
| <b>shatter</b>       | smash, break, splinter, destroy                                |
| <b>shelter</b>       | protection, covering, dwelling, haven, housing, lodging        |
| <b>shift</b>         | change, alteration, modification, move, swing                  |
| <b>shortage</b>      | dearth, lack, scarcity, deficiency, paucity                    |
| <b>shuttle</b>       | ferry, transport, carry, commute                               |
| <b>shy away</b>      | avoid, evade, recede, recoil, retreat                          |
| <b>similarly</b>     | likewise, correspondingly, equally, in the same way            |
| <b>simulate</b>      | replicate, reproduce, imitate, copy, recreate                  |
| <b>simultaneous</b>  | at the same time, concurrent, synchronized, coincident         |
| <b>single out</b>    | choose, decide on, designate, finger                           |
| <b>sinuous</b>       | winding, circuitous, coiling, convoluted, meandering, twisting |
| <b>situated</b>      | located, positioned, placed, sited                             |
| <b>skilled</b>       | accomplished, expert, capable, skillful, talented              |
| <b>slide</b>         | coast, drift, slip, glide, move, flow                          |
| <b>solitary</b>      | alone, single, individual, isolated, unaccompanied             |
| <b>soluble</b>       | able to be dissolved   |
| <b>sophisticated</b> | complicated, refined, complex, advanced                        |
| <b>sort</b>          | arrange, organize, classify, rank, group, separate             |
| <b>span</b>          | cover, bridge, extend over, reach over                         |
| <b>sparse</b>        | meager, bare, light, thin, scant, scarce, limited              |
| <b>spawn</b>         | generate, produce, initiate, create                            |
| <b>speculation</b>   | theory, guess, opinion, supposition                            |
| <b>spotlight</b>     | showcase, display, highlight, underscore                       |
| <b>sprout</b>        | grow, develop, burgeon, shoot up, spring up                    |
| <b>squeeze</b>       | clutch, grip, grasp, wring, compress, constrict, pinch         |
| <b>stage</b>         | phase, degree, division, step                                  |
| <b>stand out</b>     | be obvious, be conspicuous, stick out, be noticeable           |
| <b>standard</b>      | normal, typical, average, usual                                |
| <b>standardize</b>   | make uniform, make the same, homogenize, conform               |
| <b>stark</b>         | complete, utter, total, sheer, absolute                        |

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| <b>statement</b>       | record, report, invoice, score                                     |
| <b>status</b>          | position, social standing, standing, place                         |
| <b>stimulus</b>        | incentive, motivation, spur, impetus, momentum, force              |
| <b>straightforward</b> | direct, clear-cut, frank, uncomplicated                            |
| <b>strain</b>          | distend, extend, push, tauten, tighten                             |
| <b>stretch</b>         | extend, reach, spread out  |
| <b>strict</b>          | harsh, rigid, severe, firm, stern                                  |
| <b>strike</b>          | beat, hammer, knock, smash, pound                                  |
| <b>strongly</b>        | firmly, tightly, sturdily, robustly, stoutly                       |
| <b>struggle</b>        | fight, hardship, adversity, suffering, battle, difficulty          |
| <b>studded</b>         | dotted, dappled, peppered, sprinkled                               |
| <b>stymie</b>          | stump, confound, bewilder, perplex                                 |
| <b>subject to</b>      | accountable, bound by, contingent, captive, vulnerable             |
| <b>subsequent</b>      | following, succeeding, ensuing, successive, consequent             |
| <b>subsequently</b>    | later, consequently, afterward, next                               |
| <b>subsistence</b>     | survival, continuation, life                                       |
| <b>substance</b>       | matter, material, essence, thing, element                          |
| <b>substantiate</b>    | validate, confirm, authenticate, corroborate, bear out             |
| <b>subtle</b>          | slight, delicate, faint, understated                               |
| <b>succession</b>      | series, sequence, chain, string, progression                       |
| <b>sufficiently</b>    | adequately, amply, satisfactorily, suitably, effectively           |
| <b>suit</b>            | fit, match, become, go well with                                   |
| <b>suited</b>          | right, appropriate, fit, apt                                       |
| <b>supposed</b>        | thought, believed, hypothetical, theoretical                       |
| <b>surge</b>           | rush, billow, deluge, flood, outpouring, wave                      |
| <b>surpass</b>         | exceed, better, outdo, go beyond, beat, outperform                 |
| <b>survey</b>          | review, study, investigate, look over                              |
| <b>suspect</b>         | doubtful, dubious, questionable, uncertain, unsure, iffy           |
| <b>suspicion</b>       | doubt, misgiving, mistrust, distrust                               |
| <b>symbolic</b>        | representative, figurative, emblematic, representational           |
| <b>tactic</b>          | method, approach, course, policy, strategy, scheme                 |
| <b>task</b>            | job, chore, duty, responsibility, assignment, undertaking          |
| <b>taste</b>           | preference, inclination, liking, choice, leaning                   |
| <b>technique</b>       | method, system, practice, procedure, tactic                        |
| <b>tend to</b>         | be inclined to, be apt to, be likely to, be predisposed to         |
| <b>tenet</b>           | principle, theory, belief, precept, rule, opinion, view, ideology  |
| <b>theory</b>          | idea, hypothesis, concept, belief, impression, opinion, perception |

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| <b>thick</b>             | deep, bulky, solid, substantial, dense                           |
| <b>thus</b>              | therefore, consequently, as a result, so, hence, in consequence  |
| <b>tolerate</b>          | stand, bear, abide, endure                                       |
| <b>trace</b>             | fragment, hint, indication, particle                             |
| <b>traced</b>            | tracked, trailed, followed, locate                               |
| <b>trajectory</b>        | route, course, path, line, trail                                 |
| <b>transitional</b>      | in between, halfway, intermediary, middle                        |
| <b>transplantation</b>   | transference, conversion, transmission, conveyance, transfer     |
| <b>trickle down</b>      | flow down, drip, filter, ooze                                    |
| <b>turbulent</b>         | unstable, disorderly, chaotic, tumultuous                        |
| <b>typify</b>            | characterize, epitomize, symbolize, exemplify, illustrate        |
| <b>undergo</b>           | experience, endure, go through, feel                             |
| <b>unique</b>            | sole, exclusive, distinctive, individual, distinct               |
| <b>unraveled</b>         | unwound, destroyed, ruined, damaged                              |
| <b>upsurge</b>           | rise, increase, surge, gain, expansion                           |
| <b>utilitarian</b>       | useful, practical, serviceable, functional                       |
| <b>utilize</b>           | use, exploit, employ, make use of, operate                       |
| <b>utter</b>             | complete, total, sheer, absolute                                 |
| <b>utterance</b>         | sound, statement, expression, speech, remark, declaration        |
| <b>vagueness</b>         | ambiguousness, generalization, obscurity, cloudiness, blurriness |
| <b>variation</b>         | difference, divergence, variant, deviation, disparity            |
| <b>vary</b>              | change, alternate, deviate, fluctuate                            |
| <b>vast</b>              | huge, enormous, gigantic, immense, immeasurable                  |
| <b>velocity</b>          | speed, rate, rapidity, swiftness, pace, quickness                |
| <b>versatile</b>         | adaptable, adroit, facile, mobile                                |
| <b>viability</b>         | feasibility, practicability, possibility, capability             |
| <b>viable</b>            | feasible, practical, workable, possible                          |
| <b>virtually</b>         | almost, practically, nearly, effectively                         |
| <b>volume</b>            | quantity, amount, capacity, size                                 |
| <b>vulnerable</b>        | susceptible, exposed, weak, defenseless, open to, in danger      |
| <b>wave</b>              | upsurge, surge, flood, groundswell                               |
| <b>whirr</b>             | hum, buzz, drone, whine  |
| <b>widespread</b>        | extensive, prevalent, general, common, pervasive                 |
| <b>windswept</b>         | bare, desolate, exposed, unsheltered                             |
| <b>with reference to</b> | referring to, regarding, in respect to                           |
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