#### ascribe

meaning

preventing infection; having a cleansing effect

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Hospitals succeeded in lowering the mortality rate as soon as they introduced asceptic conditions.

# atrophy

meaning

wasting away

example

Polio victims need physiotherapy to prevent the atrophy of affected limbs.

#### awe

meaning

solemn wonder

example

The tourists gazed with awe at the tremendous expanse of the Grand Canyon.

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#### bard

neaning

poet

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The ancient bard Homer sang of the fall of Troy.

# blunder

meaning

error

example

The ariminal's fatal blunder led to his capture.

#### bouillon

meaning

clear beef soup

example

The cup of bouillon served by the stewards was welcomed by those what been chilled by the cold ocean breezes.

# buffoonery

meanino

clowning

example

John Candy's buffoonery in Uncle Buck was hilarious.

# chameleon

meaning

lizard that changes color in different situations

example

Like the chameleon, he assumed the political coloration of every group he met.

# clapper

neanin

striker (tongue) of a bell

example

Wishing to be undisturbed by the bell, Dale wound his scarf around the clapper to muffle its striking.

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# convoke meaning call together example Congress was convoked at the

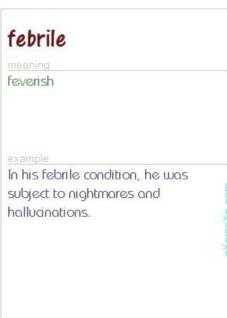
outbreak of the emergency.

# crescendo meaning increase in the volume or intensity, as in a musical passage; climax example The overture suddenly changed from a quiet pastoral theme to a crescendo featuring blaring trumpets and clashing cymbols.



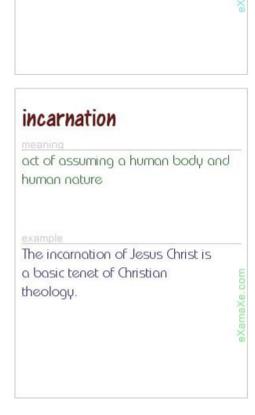
# ehmity meaning ill will; hatred example At Camp David President Carter labored to bring an end to the enmity that prevented Egypt and Israel from living in peace.





fleece	
meaning	
wool coat c	f a sheep
example	
example They shear	sheep of their fleece,
They shear	sheep of their fleece, then comb into separate
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# malingerer

neanino

one who feigns illness to escape duty

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The captain ordered the sergeant to punish all malingerers and force them to work.

# malodorous

meaning

foul-smelling

example

The component heap was most malodorous in summer.

#### marital

meaning

pertaining to marriage

exampl

After the publication of his book on marital affairs, he was often consulted by married people on the verge of divorce.

# mealymouthed

neanino

indirect speech; hypocritical; evasive

example

Rather than tell Jill directly what he disliked, Jack made a few mealymouthed comments and tried to change the subject.

#### onerous

meanin

burdensome

example

He asked for an assistant because his work load was too onerous.

opportune

meaning

timely; well chosen

example

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You have come at an opportune moment for I need a new secretary.

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# pan

meaning

criticize harshly

example

Hoping for a rave review of his new show, the playwright was miserable when the critics panned it unanimously.

# parity

meaning

equality; close resemblance

example

I find your analogy inaccurate because I do not see the parity between the two illustrations.

#### poseur

meanin

person who pretends to be sophisticated, elegant, etc., to impress others

example

Some thought Dali was a brillant painter; others dismissed him as a poseur.

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# posterity

meaning

descendants; future generations

example

We hope to leave a better world to posterity.

# prim

meaning

very precise and formal; exceedingly proper

example

Many people commented on the contrast between the prim attire of the young lady and the inappropriate clothing worn by her escort.

# rejoinder

meaning

retort; comeback; reply

exampl

When someone has been rude to me, find it particularly satisfying to come up with a quick rejoinder.

#### saturate

neanino

soak

example

Their clothes were saturated by the rain.

# sluggish

meaning

slow; lazy; lethargic

example

After two nights without sleep, she felt sluggish and incapable of exertion.

#### sordid

meaning

filthy; base; vile

example

The social worker was angered by the sordid housing provided for the homeless.

# splice

meaning

fasten together; unite

example

Before you splice two strips of tape together, be sure to line them up evenly.

# streotyped

meaning

oversimplified; lacking individuality; seen as a type

example

My chief objection to the book is that the characters are stereotyped; they come across as ethnic caricatures, not as real people with individual quirks, fears, and dreams.

# subside

meaning

settle down; descend; grow quiet

example

The doctor assured us that the fever would eventually subside.

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# tout

meaning

publicize; praise excessively

example

I lost confidence in my broker after he touted some junk bonds that turned out to be a bad investment.

# unprepossessing

neaning

unattractive

example

During adolescence many attractive young people somehow acquire the false notion that their appearance is unprepossessing.

#### vent

meaning

small opening; outlet

exampl

The wine did not flow because the air vent in the barrel was clogged.

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#### visceral

neaning

felt in one's inner organs

example

She disliked the visceral sensations she had whenever she rode the roller coaster.

#### wan

meaning

having a pale or sickly color; pallid

example

Suckling asked, "Why so pale and wan, fond lover?"

#### winnow

meaning

sift; separate good parts from bad

example

This test will winnow out the students who study from those who don't bother.

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### adverse

meaning

unfavorable; hostile

example

adverse circumstances compelled him to close his business.

#### anemia

meaning

condition in which blood lacks red corpuscles

example

The doctor ascribes her tiredness to anemia.

#### arrears

meanin

being in debt

example

He was in arrears with his payments on the car.

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