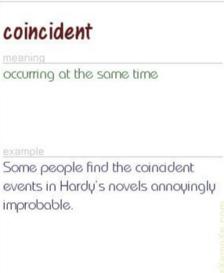
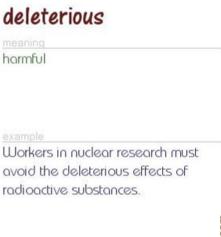
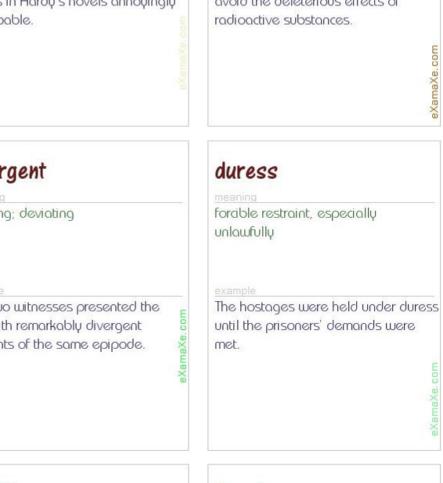
clamber climb by crawling She clambered over the wall.











espionage spying In order to maintain its power, the government developed a system of espionage that penetrated every hosehold.





forebears

neanino

ancestors

evamnle

Reverence for one's forebears
(sometimes referred to as ancestor worship) plays an important part in many Oriental cultures.

idiosyncratic

meaning

private; peculiar to an individual

example

Such behavior is idiosyncratic, it is as easily identifiable as a signature.

ignoble

neaning

of lowly origin; unworthy

exampl

This plan is inspired by ignoble motives and I must, therefore, oppose it.

XamaXe.

incongruity

neaning

lack of harmony; absurdity

example

The incongruity of his wearing sneakers with formal attire amused the observers.

lascivious

meaning

lustful

example

Because they might arouse lascivious impulses in their readers, the lewd books were banned by the clergy.

leniency

meaning

mildness; permissiveness

example

Considering the gravity of the offense, we were surprised by the leniency of the sentence.

lull

meaning

moment of calm

example

Not wanting to get wet, they waited under the awning for a lull in the rain.

miasma

meaning

swamp gas; heavy, vaporous atmosphere, often emanating from decaying matter; pervasive corrupting influence

example

The smog hung over Victorian London like a dark cloud; noisome, reeking of decay, it was a visible miasma.

mitigate

neanin

appease

example

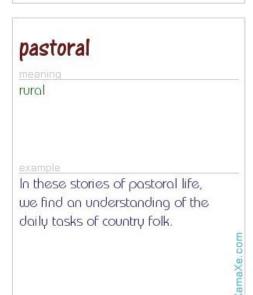
Nothing he did could mitigate her wrath; she was unforgiving.

o XamaXa

nemesis revenging agent Captain Bligh vowed to be Christian's nemesis.







potent

influential

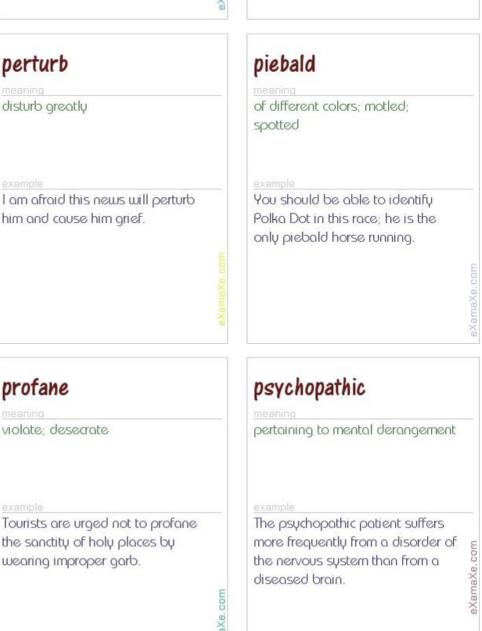
sole eyewitness.

powerful; persuasive; greatly

The jury was swayed by the highly

potent testimony of the crime's





remediable reparable Let us be grateful that the damage is remediable.





senility

old age; feeble mindedness of old age

Most of the decisions are being made by the junior members of the company because of the senility of the president.

servitude

slavery; compulsory labor

Born a slave, Douglass resented his wife of servitude and plotted to escape to the North.

sublimate

refine; purify

We must strive to sublimate these desires and emotions into worthwhile activities.

succumb

yield; give in; die

I succumb to temptation whenever it comes my way.

surly

rude; cross

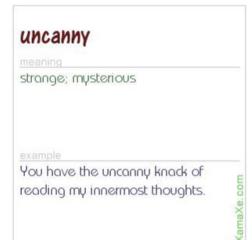
Because of his surly attitude, many people avoided his company.

thrifty

careful about money; economical

A thrifty shopper compares prices before making major purchases.

trenchant meaning cutting; keen example I am afraid of his trenchant wit for it is so often sarcastic.





verbiage

meaning

pompous array of words

example

After we had waded through all the verbiage, we discovered that the writer had said very little.

zany

meanin

crazy; comic

example

I can watch the Marx brothers' zany antics for hours.

zeal

meaning

eager enthusiasm

example

Wang's zeal was contagious; soon all his fellow students were busily making posters, inspired by his ardent enthusiasm for the cause.

avuncular

neaning

like on uncle

example

Avuncular pride did not prevent him from noticing his nephew's shortcomings.

bastion

neaning

stronghold; something seen as a source of protection

example

The villagers fortified the town hall, hoping this improvised bastion could protect them from the guerrila raids.

clairvoyant

meaning

having foresight; fortuneteller

example

Cassandra's clairvoyant warning was not heeded by the Trojans.