blasphemous

neaning

profane; impious

evamnle

The people in the room were shocked by his his blasphemous language.

bristling

meaning

rising like bristles; showing irritation

example

The dog stood there, bristling with anger.

catharsis

neaning

purging or cleansing of any passage of the body

exampl

Aristotle maintained that tragedy created a cathorsis by purging the soul of base concepts.

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congenital

neaning

existing at birth

example

His congenital deformity disturbed his parents.

courier

meaning

messenger

example

The publisher sent a special courier to pick up the manuscript.

dank

neanin

damp

example

The walls of the dungeon were dank and slimy.

deprecate

meaning

express disapproval of; protest against; belittle

example

A firm believer in old-fashioned courtesy, Miss Post deprecated the modern tendency to address new acquaintances by their first names.

discursive

meaning

digressing; rambling

example

They were annoyed and bored by her discursive remarks.

dispassionate

meanin

calm; impartial

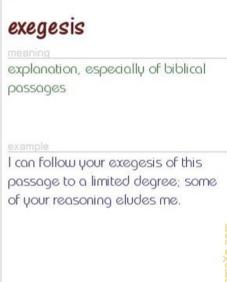
example

In a dispassionate analysis of the problem, he carefully examined the causes of the conflict and proceeded to suggest suitable remedies.

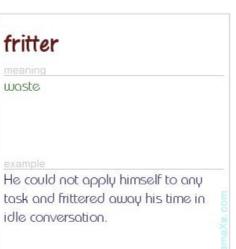
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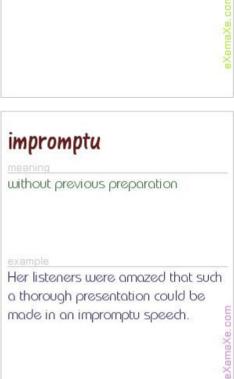




gerontocracy government ruled by old people Gulliver visited a gerontocracy in which the young people acted as servants to their elders, all the while dreaming of the day they would be old enough to have

servants of their own.

grotto
meaning
small cavern
example
The Blue Grotto in Capri can be
entered only by small boats rowed
by natives through a natural
opening in the rocks.



incredulous

neaning

withholding belief; skeptical

example

When Jack claimed he hadn't eaten the jelly doughnut, Jill took an incredulous look at his smeared face and laughed.

inexorable

meaning

relentless; unvielding; implacable

example

After listening to the pleas for clemency, the judge was inexorable and gave the convicted man the maximum punishment allowed by lauss

kismet

meaning

fate

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kismet is the Arabic word for "fate."

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larceny

meaning

theft

example

Because of the prisoner's record, the district attorney refused to reduce the charge from grand larceny to petit larceny.

motif

meaning

theme

example

This simple motif runs throughout the score.

nondescript

meaning

undistinctive; ordinary

example

The private detective was a short, nondescript fellow with no ourstanding features, the sort of person one would never notice in a crowd.

obloquy

meaning

slander; disgrace; infamy

example

I resent the obloquy that you are casting upon my reputation.

obtuse

meaning

blunt; stupid

example

Because he was so obtuse, he could

paragon

meaning

model of perfection

example

The class disliked him because the teacher was always pointing him out as a paragon of virtue.

penchant

neaning

strong inclination; liking

example

He had a strong penchant for sculpture and owned many statues.

pinnacle

neaning

peak

example

We could see the morning sunlight illuminate the pinnacle while the rest of the mountain lay in shadow.

propensity

meaning

natural inclination

exampl

Convinced of his own talent, Sol has an unfortunate propensity to belittle the talents of others.

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provincial

meaning

pertaining to a province; limited in outlook; unsophisticated

example

As provincial governor, Sir Henry administered the Queen's law in his remote corner of Canada.

queasy

meaning

easily nauseated; squeamish

exampl

As the ship left the harbor, he became queasy and thought that he was going to suffer from seasickness.

serrated

meaning

having a sawtoothed edge

example

The beech tree is one of many plants that have serrated leaves.

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shambles

meaning

slaughterhouse; scene of carnage

example

By the time the police arrived, the room was a shambles.

suppliant

meaning

entreating; beseeching

example

He could not resist the dog's suppliant whimpering, and he gave it some food.

tacit

meaning

understood; not put into words

example

We have a tacit agreement based on only a handshake.

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tranquillity

meaning

calmness; peace

example

After the commotion and excitement of the city, I appreciate the tranquillity of these fields and forests.

visage

meaning

face; appearance

example

The stern visage of the judge indicated that she had decided to impose a severe penalty.

vociferous

meaning

clamorous; noisų

example

The crowd grew vociferous in its anger and threatened to take the law into its own hands.

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waffle

meaning

speak equivocally about an issue

example

When asked directly about the governor's involvement in the savings and loan scandal, the press secretary waffled, talking all around the issue.

advocate

meaning

urge; plead for

example

The abolitionists advocated freedom for the slaves.

aggrandize

meaning

increase or intensify; raise in power, wealth, rank or honor

example

The history of the past quarter century illustrates how a President may aggrandize his power to act aggressively in international affairs without considering the wishes of Congress.

meaning

analogy

similarity; parallelism

example

Your analogy is not a good one because the two situations are not similar.

assurance

meaning

promise or pledge; certainty; self-confidence

example

When Gutherie gave Guiness his assurance that rehearsals were going well, he spoke with such assurance that Guiness was convinced.

behemoth

meaning

huge creature; something of monstrous size or power

example

Sportcasters nicknamed the linebacker "The Behemoth."