

**TKU Spelling Bee Word List**

No.	Word	word Class	Definition
1	addle	v	muddle; drive crazy; become rotten
2	adjure	v	request solemnly
3	ambience	n	environment; atmosphere
4	ambrosia	n	food of the gods
5	amenities	n	convenient features; courtesies
6	antecede	v	precede
7	anthropomorphic	adj	having human form or characteristics
8	assimilate	v	absorb; cause to become homogeneous.
9	impervious	adj	impenetrable; incapable of being damaged or distressed
10	marauder	n	raider; intruder
11	malign	v	speak evil of; bad-mouth; defame
12	sleight	n.	dexterity
13	domicile	n	home.
14	askance	adv	with a sideways or indirect look.
15	derelict	adj	abandoned.
16	confiscate	v	seize; commandeer
17	ghastly	adj	horrible.
18	wry	adj	twisted; with a humorous twist.
19	sanguine	adj	cheerful; hopeful.
20	assiduous	adj	diligent.
21	consensus	n	general agreement
22	prosody	n	the art of versification
23	argot	n	slang.
24	haphazard	adj	random; by chance.
25	emeritus	adj	retired but retained in an honorary capacity
26	prognosticate	v	predict
27	choreography	n	art of representing dances in written symbols; arrangement of dances.
28	excoriate	v	scold with biting harshness; strip the skin off
29	nostalgia	n	homesickness; longing for the past
30	atelier	n	workshop; studio.
31	pillage	v	plunder
32	cascade	n	small waterfall
33	paddock	n	saddling enclosure at race track; lot for exercising horses
34	optician	n	maker and seller of eyeglasses
35	delirium	n	mental disorder marked by confusion.
36	agglomeration	n	collection; heap
37	brusque	adj	blunt; abrupt
38	milieu	n	environment; means of expression
39	precocious	adj	advanced in development
40	catastrophe	n	calamity.
41	hypochondriac	n	person unduly worried about his health; worrier without cause about
42	amputate	v	cut off part of body; prune
43	impious	adj	irreverent
44	indenture	v	bind as servant or apprentice to master
45	quorum	n	number of members necessary to conduct a meeting
46	abominable	adj	detestable; extremely unpleasant; very bad
47	entrepreneur	n	businessman; contractor
48	vacillation	n	wavering; indecisiveness; fluctuation.
49	impugn	v	dispute or contradict (often in an insulting way); challenge; gainsay
50	mercantile	adj	concerning trade
51	apparition	n	ghost; phantom
52	propellants	n	substances that propel or drive forward
53	procrastinate	v	postpone; delay or put off
54	acrimonious	adj	bitter in words of manner
55	acclimate	v	adjust to climate
56	magnanimous	adj	generous
57	bureaucracy	n	overregulated administrative system marked by red tape
58	comatose	adj	in a coma; extremely sleepy
59	recidivism	n	habitual return to crime
60	saturate	v	soak.
61	adhere	v	stick fast to
62	lexicon	n	dictionary
63	mercurial	adj	capricious ; changing ; fickle

64	gourmand	n	epicure; person who takes excessive pleasure in food and drink.
65	versatile	adj	having many talents; capable of working in many fields.
66	whimsical	adj	capricious; fanciful; quaint.
67	amicable	adj	politely friendly; not quarrelsome
68	quietude	n	tranquillity
69	agility	n	nimbleness
70	taciturn	adj	habitually silent; talking little
71	banal	adj	hackneyed; commonplace; trite.
72	amulet	n	charm; talisman
73	scrupulous	adj	conscientious; extremely thorough.
74	affiliation	n	joining; associating with
75	inveigh	v	protest strongly; denounce; attack with words
76	reticence	n	reserve; uncommunicativeness; inclination to be silent.
77	bereavement	n	state of being deprived of something valuable or beloved.
78	culdesac	n	blind alley; trap
79	awry	adv	crooked; wrong; amiss.
80	sacrosanct	adj	most sacred; inviolable.
81	inscrutable	adj	incomprehensible ; not to be discovered
82	evanescent	adj	fleeting; vanishing
83	solstice	n.	point at which the sun is farthest from the equator
84	accessory	n	additional object; useful but not essential thing
85	undulate	v	move with a wavelike motion.
86	detergent	n	cleansing agent.
87	solicitous	adj.	worried; concern
88	impromptu	adj	without previous preparation; off the cuff; on the spur of the moment
89	augment	v	increase; add to.
90	reminiscence	n	recollection
91	surly	adj	rude; cross
92	promontory	n	headland
93	aspirant	n	seeker after position or status.
94	accelerate	v	move faster
95	atrocious	n	brutal deed.
96	debutante	n	young woman making formal entrance into society
97	disingenuous	adj	lacking genuine candor; insincere.
98	eclipse	v	darken; extinguish; surpass.
99	machination	n	evil schemes or plots
100	catapult	n	slingshot; a hurling machine
101	impinge	v	infringe; touch; collide with
102	hydrophobia	n	rabies; fear of water.
103	extraneous	adj	not essential; external
104	tutelary	adj	protective; pertaining to a guardianship
105	maudlin	adj	effusively sentimental
106	ponderous	adj	weighty; unwieldy
107	phlegmatic	adj	calm; not easily disturbed
108	precedent	n	something preceding in time that may be used as an authority or guide for future action
109	unprecedented	adj	novel; unparalleled.
110	terminus	n	last stop of railroad
111	inchoate	adj	recently begun; rudimentary; elementary
112	mollify	v	soothe
113	collateral	n	security given for loan
114	anthropologist	n	a student of the history and science of mankind
115	enmity	n	ill will; hatred
116	cacophony	n	discord
117	contravene	v	contradict; oppose; infringe on or transgress
118	humdrum	adj	dull; monotonous.
119	conspiracy	n	treacherous plot
120	gregarious	adj	sociable.
121	subterfuge	n	deceitful stratagem; trick; pretense
122	connivance	n	pretense of ignorance of something wrong; assistance; permission to offend
123	hapless	adj	unfortunate.
124	choleric	adj	hot-tempered.
125	austere	adj	forbiddingly stern; severely simple and unornamented.
126	incompatible	adj	inharmonious
127	diatribe	n	bitter scolding; invective.

128	hiatus	n	gap; interruption in duration or continuity; pause.
129	impiety	n	irreverence; lack of respect for God
130	grimace	n	a facial distortion to show feeling such as pain, disgust, etc.
131	amalgamate	v	combine; unite in one body
132	bauble	n	trinket; trifle.
133	quagmire	n	soft wet boggy land; complex or dangerous situation from which it is difficult to free oneself
134	exigency	n	urgent situation
135	equinox	n	period of equal days and nights; the beginning of spring and autumn
136	frugality	n	thrift; economy
137	deify	v	turn into a god; idolize.
138	opprobrious	adj	despicable; disgraceful
139	prelude	n	introduction; forerunner
140	contusion	n	bruise
141	carnivorous	adj	meat-eating
142	harass	v	to annoy by repeated attacks.
143	propitious	adj	favorable; fortunate; advantageous
144	coalesce	v	combine; fuse.
145	ambivalence	n	the state of having contradictory or conflicting emotional attitudes
146	mercenary	adj	motivated solely by money or gain
147	aesthetic	adj	artistic, dealing with or capable of appreciation
148	animosity	n	active enmity
149	etymology	n	study of derivation, structure and development of words
150	presage	v	foretell
151	chastise	v	punish.
152	lineaments	n	features of the face
153	sacerdotal	adj	priestly.
154	ingratiate	v	make an effort to become popular with
155	equilibrium	n	balance
156	adulation	n	flattery; admiration
157	automaton	n	robot; person performing a task mechanically.
158	consonance	n	harmony; agreement
159	arbiter	n	a person with power to decide a dispute; judge
160	anthropoid	adj	manlike
161	eugenic	adj	pertaining to the improvement of race
162	quadruped	n	four-footed animal
163	leniency	n	mildness; permissiveness
164	posthumous	adj	after death (as of child born after father's death or book published after author's death)
165	apothecary	n	druggist
166	querulous	adj	fretful; whining
167	bifurcate	adj	divide into two branches; forked.
168	hoax	n	trick; deception; fraud.
169	stagnant	adj.	motionless; stale; dull
170	congruence	n	correspondence of parts; harmonious relationship
171	polygamist	n	one who has more than one spouse at a time
172	viscous	adj	sticky; gluey.
173	haughtiness	n	pride; arrogance.
174	anoint	v	consecrate
175	carousal	n	drunken revel
176	euthanasia	n	mercy killing
177	pediatrician	n	expert in children's diseases
178	promote	v	help to flourish; advance in rank; publicize
179	catholic	n	broadly sympathetic; liberal.
180	matriarch	n	woman who rules a family or larger social group
181	capillary	adj	having a very fine bore
182	caparison	n	showy harness or ornamentation for a horse
183	clandestine	adj	secret.
184	voracious	adj	grant; choose to give in reply; permit.
185	equestrian	n	rider on horseback
186	descant	v	discuss fully.
187	obstetrician	n	physician specializing in delivery of babies
188	saturnine	adj	gloomy
189	diurnal	adj	daily.
190	accomplice	n	partner in crime
191	eulogy	n	expression of praise, often on the occasion of someone's death

192	defamation	n	harming a person's reputation.
193	exuberant	adj	abundant; joyfully enthusiastic; flamboyant; lavish
194	nocturnal	adj	done at night
195	nascent	adj	incipient; coming into being
196	decimate	v	skill, usually one out of ten
197	kismet	n	fate
198	striated	adj.	marked with parallel bands
199	dowdy	adj	slovenly; untidy.
200	voluminous	adj	bulky; large.
201	fidelity	n	loyalty
202	anemia	n	condition in which blood lacks red corpuscles
203	emanate	v	issue forth.
204	antithesis	n	contrast; direct opposite of or to
205	desultory	adj	aimless; haphazard; digressing at random.
206	obeisance	n	bow
207	cabal	n	small group of persons secretly united to promote their own interests
208	dilemma	n	problem; choice of two unsatisfactory alternatives.
209	centripetal	adj	tending toward the center.
210	adjunct	n	something added on or attached (generally nonessential or inferior)
211	affinity	n	kinship
212	partisan	adj	one-sided; prejudiced; committed to a party
213	vertex	n	summit.
214	jocund	adj	merry; cheerful; blithe
215	surcease	n	end; cessation
216	monolithic	adj	solidly uniform; unyielding
217	ornithology	n	study of birds
218	besmirch	v	soil, defile.
219	dissent	v	disagree.
220	flotilla	n	small fleet
221	alleviate	v	relieve
222	amphitheater	n	oval building with tiers of seats
223	exodus	n	departure
224	espionage	n	spying
225	salient	adj	protruding; strikingly conspicuous; jumping.
226	despondent	adj	depressed; gloomy.
227	chimerical	adj	fantastically improbable; highly unrealistic; imaginative.
228	barrage	n	barrier laid down by artillery fire.
229	caliber	n	ability; capacity
230	sobriquet	n.	nickname
231	laggard	adj	slow; sluggish
232	dissonance	n	discord.
233	importunate	adj	urging; demanding
234	recession	n	withdrawal; retreat; time of low economic activity
235	gratuitous	adj	given freely; unwarranted; uncalled for.
236	rescind	v	cancel
237	patriarch	n	father and ruler of a family or tribe
238	abyss	n	enormous chasm; vast bottomless pit
239	sardonic	adj	cynically mocking; sarcastic.
240	bludgeon	n	club; heavy-headed weapon.
241	incorrigible	adj	uncorrectable
242	polyglot	adj	speaking several languages
243	allay	v	calm; pacify
244	tantrum	n	fit of petulance; caprice
245	iridescent	adj	exhibiting rainbowlike colors
246	antipathy	n	aversion; dislike
247	impertinent	adj	insolent
248	alloy	n	a mixture as of metals
249	hilarity	n	boisterous mirth.
250	antagonism	n	active resistance
251	scion	n	offspring.
252	astronomical	adj	enormously large or extensive.
253	psychopathic	adj	pertaining to mental derangement
254	burgeon	v	grow forth; send out buds
255	labyrinth	n	maze

256	aghast	adj	horrified
257	dissertation	n	formal essay.
258	emblazon	v	deck in brilliant colors
259	patronize	v	support; act superior toward; be a customer of
260	elysian	adj	relating to paradise; blissful.
261	surreptitious	adj	secret; furtive; sneaky; hidden
262	polemic	n	controversy; argument in support of a point of view
263	wastrel	n	profligate.
264	kiosk	n	booth; summerhouse; open pavilion
265	affable	adj	courteous; cordial; approachable
266	anathema	n	solemn curse
267	amnesia	n	loss of memory
268	holocaust	n	destruction by fire.
269	chameleon	n	lizard that changes color in different situations.
270	derivative	adj	unoriginal; derived from another source.
271	abscond	v	depart secretly and hide
272	colloquial	adj	pertaining to conversational or common speech
273	arrears	n	being in debt.
274	citadel	n	fortress.
275	salubrious	adj	promoting good health; healthful.
276	mayhem	n	injury to body
277	olfactory	adj	concerning the sense of smell
278	apocalyptic	adj	prophetic; pertaining to revelations
279	omnivorous	adj	eating both plant and animal food; devouring everything
280	astringent	adj	binding; causing contraction.
281	succor	v	aid; assist; comfort
282	abusive	adj	coarsely insulting; physically harmful
283	ethnology	n	study of man
284	winsome	adj	agreeable; gracious; engaging.
285	duenna	n	attendant of young female; chaperone.
286	cache	n	hiding place
287	fraudulent	adj	cheating; deceitful
288	adventitious	adj	accidental; casual
289	perspicacious	adj	having insight; penetrating; astute
290	appellation	n	name; title
291	abbreviate	v	shorten
292	liaison	n	contact keeping parts of an organization in communication; go-between; secret love affair
293	extemporaneous	adj	not planned; impromptu
294	amity	n	friendship
295	amnesty	n	pardon
296	ambulatory	adj	able to walk
297	adulterate	v	make impure by mixing with baser substances
298	hovel	n	shack; small, wretched house.
299	contentious	adj	quarrelsome
300	abstemious	adj	temperate; sparing in drink, etc
301	pristine	adj	characteristic of earlier times; primitive; unspoiled
302	facade	n	front (of building); superficial or false appearance
303	obsequious	adj	slavishly attentive; servile; sycophantic.
304	burlesque	v	give an imitation that ridicules
305	vivacious	adj	animated; gay.
306	noncommittal	n	neutral; unpledged; undecided
307	hortatory	adj	encouraging; exhortative.
308	prevalent	adj	widespread; generally accepted
309	axiom	n	self-evident truth requiring no proof.
310	synthesis	n	combining parts into a whole
311	aquiline	adj	curved, hooked
312	epithet	n	descriptive word or phrase
313	benevolent	adj	generous; charitable.
314	vignette	n	picture; short literary sketch.
315	pyromaniac	n	person with an irresistible desire to set things on fire
316	lethargic	adj	drowsy; dull
317	vehement	adj	forceful; intensely emotional; with marked vigor.
318	declivity	n	downward slope
319	obdurate	adj	stubborn

320	surfeit	v	sate; stuff; indulge to excess in anything
321	largess	n	generous gift
322	incongruous	adj	not fitting; absurd
323	memento	n	token; reminder
324	diaphanous	adj	sheer; transparent.
325	encomium	n	praise; eulogy
326	inanimate	adj	lifeless
327	advocate	v	urge; plead for
328	feign	v	pretend
329	lacerate	v	mangle; tear
330	adage	n	wise saying; proverb
331	rationalize	v	give a plausible reason for an action in place of a true, less admirable one; offer an excuse
332	internecine	adj	deadly; mutually destructive; relating to an internal conflict
333	artisan	n	a manually skilled worker.
334	eclecticism	n	selection of elements drawn from disparate sources.
335	variegated	adj	many-colored.
336	alimentary	adj	supplying nourishment
337	rapacious	adj	predatory; greedy; plundering
338	abstruse	adj	obscure; profound; difficult to understand
339	ambidextrous	adj	capable of using either hand with equal ease
340	pachyderm	n	thick-skinned animal
341	exasperate	v	vex
342	obstreperous	adj	boisterous; noisy
343	annotate	v	comment; make explanatory notes
344	acquittal	n	deliverance from a charge
345	dally	v	trifle with; procrastinate
346	hierarchy	n	body divided into ranks.
347	demoniac	adj	fiendish.
348	herbivorous	adj	grain-eating.
349	adamant	adj	hard; inflexible
350	pinion	v	restrain
351	indolence	n	laziness
352	rancor	n	bitterness; hatred
353	cataract	n	great waterfall; eye abnormality
354	quarantine	n	isolation of person or ship to prevent spread of infection
355	granulate	v	form into grains.
356	embezzlement	n	stealing
357	execrable	adj	very bad
358	cajole	v	coax; wheedle
359	paean	n	song of praise or joy
360	tawdry	adj	cheap and gaudy
361	mortician	n	undertaker
362	enigmatic	adj	obscure; puzzling
363	resplendent	adj	dazzling; glorious; brilliant.
364	autonomous	adj	self-governing.
365	repugnance	n	loathing.
366	philanthropist	n	lover of mankind; doer of good
367	vying	v	contending.
368	longevity	n	long life
369	alacrity	n	cheerful promptness
370	mogul	n	powerful person
371	paradigm	n	model; example; pattern
372	dubious	adj	questionable; filled with doubt.
373	promiscuous	adj	indiscriminate (often sexually); haphazard; irregular
374	complement	v	complete; consummate; make perfect
375	amenable	adj	readily managed; willing to be led
376	aeon	n	long period of time; an age
377	repertoire	n	list of works of music, drama, etc., a performer is prepared to present.
378	ostracize	v	exclude from public favor; ban
379	pseudonym	n	pen name
380	temerity	n	boldness; rashness
381	dichotomy	n	split; branching into two parts (especially contradictory ones).
382	tutelage	n	guardianship; training
383	acidulous	adj	slightly sour; sharp, caustic

384	anomaly	n	irregularity
385	cynosure	n	the object of general attention
386	pusillanimous	adj	cowardly; fainthearted
387	implausible	adj	unlikely; unbelievable
388	precipitous	adj	steep; overhasty
389	bigotry	n	stubborn intolerance.
390	aspersion	n	slandorous remark.
391	propulsive	adj	driving forward
392	alluvial	adj	pertaining to soil deposits left by rivers, etc
393	orthography	n	correct spelling
394	acoustic	n	science of sound; quality that makes a room easy or hard to hear in
395	admonition	n	warning
396	tertiary	adj	third in rank or order
397	aggregate	v	gather; accumulate
398	ingenuous	adj	naïve ; young ; unsophisticated
399	sapient	adj	wise; shrewd.
400	sanguinary	adj	bloody.
401	accolade	n	award of merit
402	postulate	n	essential premise; underlying assumption
403	saffron	adj	orange-colored; colored like the autumn crocus.
404	palliate	v	lessen violence (of a disease); alleviate; moderate intensity; gloss over with excuses.
405	aseptic	adj	preventing putrefaction or blood poisoning by killing bacteria.
406	sagacious	adj	perceptive; shrewd; having insight.
407	avarice	n	greediness for wealth.
408	complaisant	adj	trying to please; obliging
409	agnostic	n	one who is skeptical of the existence or knowability of a god or any ultimate reality
410	intransigent	adj	refusing any compromise
411	corpulent	adj	very fat
412	abeyance	n	suspended action
413	verdant	adj	green; lush in vegetation.
414	acumen	n	mental keenness
415	monastic	adj	related to monks or monasteries; removed from worldly concerns.
416	intermittent	adj	periodic; on and off
417	philistine	n	narrow-minded person, uncultured and exclusively interested in material gain
418	panorama	n	unobstructed view; comprehensive survey; range
419	syllogism	n	logical formula utilizing a major premise, a minor premise, and a conclusion
420	gauche	adj	clumsy; boorish.
421	pejorative	adj	negative in connotation; having a belittling effect
422	reprehensible	adj	deserving blame.
423	solecism	n.	construction that is flagrantly incorrect grammatically
424	privation	n	hardship; want
425	placate	v	pacify; conciliate
426	palpable	adj	tangible; easily perceptible; unmistakable
427	ablution	n	washing
428	impermeable	adj	impervious; not permitting passage through its substance
429	extravert	n	person interested mostly in external objects and actions
430	aberration	n	deviation from the expected or normal; mental irregularity or disorder
431	astigmatism	n	eye defect that prevents proper focus.
432	recondite	adj	abstruse; profound; hidden from view
433	saccharine	adj	cloyingly sweet.
434	galaxy	n	large, isolated system of stars, such as the Milky Way; any collection of brilliant personalities
435	dour	adj	sullen; stubborn.
436	momentum	n	quantity of motion of a moving body; impetus
437	sonorous	adj.	resonant
438	anonymous	adj	having no name
439	sacrilegious	adj	desecrating; profane.
440	preamble	n	introductory statement
441	revelry	n	boisterous merrymaking.
442	proletarian	n	member of the working class
443	larceny	n	theft
444	penance	n	self-composed punishment for sin
445	suavity	n	urbanity; polish
446	subaltern	n	subordinate
447	necromancy	n	black magic; dealings with the dead

448	ineluctable	adj	irresistible ; not to be escaped
449	inebriety	n	habitual intoxication
450	strident	adj.	loud and harsh; insistent
451	sibylline	adj	prophetic; oracular.
452	cohort	n	armed band
453	heretic	n	person who maintains opinions contrary to the doctrines of the church.
454	countenance	v	approve; tolerate
455	adjuration	n	solemn urging
456	dissection	n	analysis; cutting apart in order to examine.
457	bestial	adj	beastlike; brutal.
458	hypothetical	adj	based on assumptions or hypotheses; supposed.
459	promulgate	v	proclaim a doctrine or law; make known by official publication
460	tyro	n	beginner; novice
461	colossal	adj	huge
462	corollary	n	consequence; accompaniment
463	empirical	adj	based on experience
464	indemnify	v	make secure against loss; compensate for loss
465	prosaic	adj	dull and unimaginative; matter-of-fact; factual
466	alimony	n	payments made to an ex-spouse after divorce
467	evasive	adj	not frank; eluding
468	pinnacle	n	peak
469	asperity	n	sharpness (of temper).
470	caricature	n	exaggerated picture or description; distortion
471	valedictory	adj	pertaining to farewell.
472	imminent	adj	impending; near at hand
473	prefatory	adj	introductory
474	diabolical	adj	devilish.
475	posterity	n	descendants; future generations
476	bastion	n	fortress; defense.
477	mesmerize	v	hypnotize ; fascinate
478	mendacious	adj	lying ; habitually
479	allegory	n	story in which characters are used as symbols; fable
480	antediluvian	adj	antiquated; ancient
481	incarcerate	v	imprison
482	clemency	n	disposition to be lenient; mildness, as of the weather.
483	dilettante	n	aimless follower of the arts; amateur; dabbler.
484	incongruity	n	lack of harmony; absurdity
485	lagoon	n	shallow body of water near a sea; lake
486	encompass	v	surround
487	finesse	n	delicate skill
488	quizzical	adj	teasing; bantering; mocking; curious
489	nautical	adj	pertaining to ships or navigation
490	podiatrist	n	doctor who treats ailments of the feet
491	vivisection	n	act of dissecting living animals.
492	vanguard	n	advance guard of a military force; forefront of a movement.
493	anomalous	adj	abnormal; irregular
494	grandiose	adj	pretentious; high-flown; ridiculously exaggerated; impressive.
495	actuarial	adj	calculating; pertaining to insurance statistics
496	effluvium	n	noxious smell.
497	penurious	adj	stingy; parsimonious
498	audit	n	examination of accounts.
499	misdemeanor	n	minor crime
500	stalwart	adj.	strong and vigorous; unwaveringly dependable
501	cognate	adj	related linguistically: allied by blood: similar or akin in nature
502	belligerent	adj	quarrelsome.
503	apposite	adj	appropriate; fitting
504	ubiquitous	adj	being everywhere; omnipresent
505	prevaricate	v	lie
506	palpitate	v	throb; flutter
507	aromatic	adj	fragrant.
508	rhetoric	n	art of effective communication; insincere language.
509	remunerative	adj	compensating; rewarding
510	inexorable	adj	relentless ; unyielding ; implacable
511	prognosis	n	forecasted course of a disease; prediction



512	dulcet	adj	sweet sounding.
513	entomology	n	study of insects
514	euphemism	n	mild expression in place of an unpleasant one
515	conscientious	adj	scrupulous; careful
516	xenophile	n	one attracted to foreign people, manners, and styles.
517	assessment	n	appraisal; estimation.
518	gait	n	manner of walking or running; speed
519	increment	n	increase
520	cantankerous	adj	ill humored; irritable
521	indigenous	adj	native
522	erroneous	adj	mistaken; wrong
523	alias	n	an assumed name
524	hermitage	n	home of a hermit.
525	eviscerate	v	disembowel; remove entrails
526	indissoluble	adj	permanent
527	exacerbate	v	worsen; embitter
528	preposterous	adj	absurd; ridiculous
529	amphibian	adj	able to live both on land and in water
530	atheistic	adj	denying the existence of God.
531	therapeutic	adj	curative
532	culvert	n	artificial channel for water
533	granary	n	storehouse for grain.
534	cloister	n	monastery or convent.
535	hubris	n	arrogance; excessive self-conceit.
536	wrath	n	anger; fury.
537	lieu	n	instead of
538	pecuniary	adj	pertaining to money
539	ascertain	v	find out for certain.
540	benign	adj	kindly; favorable; not malignant.
541	infantile	adj	childish
542	sundry	adj	various; several
543	nepotism	n	favoritism (to a relative)
544	lilliputian	adj	extremely small
545	irascible	adj	irritable; easily angered
546	annul	v	make void
547	accost	v	approach and speak first to a person
548	ecstasy	n	rapture; joy; any overpowering emotion.
549	titular	adj	nominal holding of title without obligations
550	oligarchy	n	government by a privileged few
551	incantation	n	singing or chanting of magic spells; magical formula
552	homogeneous	adj	of the same kind.
553	auxiliary	adj	helper, additional or subsidiary.
554	assuage	v	ease or lessen (pain); satisfy (hunger); soothe (anger).
555	brochure	n	pamphlet
556	sepulcher	n	tomb.
557	obelisk	n	tall column tapering and ending in a pyramid
558	pellucid	adj	transparent; limpid
559	charlatan	n	quack; pretender to knowledge.
560	asylum	n	place of refuge or shelter; protection.
561	nebulous	adj	vague; hazy; cloudy.
562	euphonious	adj	pleasing in sound
563	duress	n	forcible restraint, especially unlawfully.
564	beguile	v	mislead or delude; pass time.
565	conflagration	n	great fire
566	epitaph	n	inscription in memory of a dead person
567	insomnia	n	wakefulness; inability to sleep
568	exorbitant	adj	excessive
569	precursor	n	forerunner
570	secession	n	withdrawal.
571	endemic	adj	prevailing among a specific group of people or in a specific area or country
572	atrophy	v	waste away.
573	panoply	n	full set of armor
574	missile	n	object to be thrown or projected
575	gadfly	n	animal-biting fly; an irritating person

576	bawdy	adj	indecent; obscene.
577	connubial	adj	pertaining to marriage or the matrimonial state
578	censor	n	overseer of morals; person who reads to eliminate inappropriate remarks.
579	pacifist	n	one opposed to force; antimilitarist
580	myopic	adj	nearsighted; lacking foresight
581	aplomb	n	poise
582	horticultural	adj	pertaining to cultivation of gardens.
583	pertinacious	adj	stubborn; persistent
584	imperious	adj	domineering; haughty
585	chauvinist	n	blindly devoted patriot.
586	clique	n	small exclusive group.
587	atavism	n	reversion to an earlier type; throwback.
588	disheveled	adj	untidy.
589	pulsate	v	throb
590	stamina	n.	strength; staying power
591	recapitulate	v	summarize
592	capricious	adj	fickle; incalculable
593	xenophobia	n	fear and hatred of anything foreign.
594	impeach	v	charge with crime in office; indict
595	dissuade	v	advise against; persuade not to do; discourage.
596	obituary	adj	death notice
597	ascetic	adj	practicing self-denial; austere.
598	propound	v	put forth for analysis
599	bellicose	adj	warlike.
600	protocol	n	diplomatic etiquette
601	abjure	v	renounce upon oath
602	barrister	n	counselor-at-law.
603	vitreous	adj	pertaining to or resembling glass.
604	autopsy	n	examination of a dead body; post-mortem.
605	saline	adj	salty
606	moribund	adj	at the point of death
607	usury	n	lending money at illegal rates of interest.
608	reconnaissance	n	survey of enemy by soldiers; reconnoitering
609	disarray	n	a disorderly or untidy state.
610	clarion	adj	shrill trumpetlike sound.
611	restitution	n	reparation; indemnification.
612	analgesic	adj	causing insensitivity to pain
613	soliloquy	n.	the act of talking to oneself
614	indict	v	charge
615	futile	adj	useless; hopeless; ineffectual
616	insouciant	adj	indifferent; without concern or care
617	dexterous	adj	skillful.
618	charisma	n	divine gift; great popular charm or appeal of a political leader
619	catharsis	n	purging or cleansing of any passage of the body.
620	narcissist	n	conceited, self-centered person
621	mediocre	v	ordinary; commonplace
622	flotsam	n	drifting wreckage
623	vitriolic	adj	corrosive, sarcastic.
624	spectrum	n.	colored band produced when beam of light passes through a prism.
625	deciduous	adj	falling off as of leaves
626	circuitous	adj	roundabout.
627	acclivity	n	sharp upslope of a hill
628	refractory	adj	stubborn; unmanageable
629	beleaguer	v	besiege or attack; harassed.
630	capitulate	v	surrender
631	agitate	v	stir up; disturb
632	disputatious	adj	argumentative; fond of argument.
633	precipice	n	cliff; dangerous position
634	peripatetic	adj	walking about; moving
635	celibate	adj	unmarried; abstaining from sexual intercourse.
636	masticate	v	chew
637	sobriety	n.	moderation (especially regarding indulgence in alcohol); seriousness
638	imbroglio	n	complicated situation; painful or complex misunderstanding; entanglement
639	alienate	v	make hostile; separate

640	ballast	n	heavy substance used to add stability or weight.
641	dissemble	v	disguise; pretend.
642	adroit	adj	skillful
643	somnolent	adj.	half sleep
644	regime	n	method or system of government
645	symmetry	n	arrangement of parts so that balance is obtained; congruity
646	votary	n	follower of a cult.
647	catalyst	n	agent that brings about a chemical change while it remains unaffected and unchanged
648	stringent	adj.	severe; rigid; constricted
649	cessation	n	stopping.
650	delectable	adj	delightful; delicious.
651	implement	v	supply what is needed; furnish with tools
652	lassitude	n	languor; weariness
653	stymie	v	present an obstacle; stump
654	turbid	adj	muddy; having the sediment disturbed
655	palaver	v	chatter; talk idly; flatter
656	precarious	adj	uncertain; risky
657	resuscitate	v	revive
658	zenith	n	point directly overhead in the sky; summit.
659	requiem	n	mass for the dead; dirge.
660	virulent	adj	extremely poisonous; hostile; bitter.
661	provincial	adj	pertaining to a province; limited in outlook; unsophisticated
662	oscillate	v	vibrate pendulumlike; waver
663	paranoia	n	psychosis marked by delusions of grandeur or persecution
664	astral	adj	relating to the stars.
665	desiccate	v	dry up.
666	nemesis	n	revenging agent
667	courier	n	messenger
668	luxuriant	adj	abundant; rich and splendid; fertile
669	conjugal	adj	pertaining to marriage
670	douse	v	plunge into water; drench; extinguish.
671	vitiate	v	spoil the effect of; make inoperative.
672	impotent	adj	weak; ineffective
673	badger	v	pester; annoy.
674	accrue	v	come about by addition
675	interstices	n	chinks; crevices
676	venial	adj	forgivable; trivial.
677	puissant	adj	powerful; strong; potent
678	lapidary	n	worker in precious stones
679	detriment	n	harm; damage.
680	archaic	adj	antiquated.
681	mulct	v	defraud a person of something
682	insular	adj	like an island; narrow-minded
683	animus	n	hostile feeling or intent
684	vixen	n	female fox; ill-tempered woman.
685	satiate	v	satisfy fully.
686	solemnity	n.	seriousness; gravity
687	exhume	v	dig out of the ground; remove from a grave
688	anneal	v	reduce brittleness and improve toughness by heating and cooling
689	arbitrary	adj	unreasonable or capricious; randomly chosen; tyrannical
690	arcade	n	a covered passageway
691	purveyor	n	furnisher of foodstuffs; caterer
692	suave	adj.	smooth; bland
693	pastiche	n	piece of writing or music made up of borrowed bits and pieces; hodgepodge
694	chassis	n	framework and working parts of an automobile.
695	acetic	adj	vinegary
696	codicil	n	supplement to the body of a will
697	pugilist	n	boxer
698	gluttonous	adj	greedy for food.
699	macabre	adj	gruesome; grisly
700	vacuous	adj	empty; inane.
701	palatable	adj	agreeable; pleasing to the taste
702	esoteric	adj	hard to understand; known only to the chosen few
703	catechism	n	book for religious instruction; instruction by question and answer.

704	fecundity	n	fertility; fruitfulness
705	sylvan	adj	pertaining to the woods; rustic
706	dwindle	v	shrink; reduce.
707	affray	n	public brawl
708	libertine	n	debauched person, roue
709	medley	n	mixture
710	genteel	adj	well-bred; elegant.
711	hubbub	n	confused uproar.
712	anarchy	n	absence of governing body; state of disorder
713	culpable	adj	deserving blame
714	germane	adj	pertinent; bearing upon the case at hand.
715	allocate	v	assign
716	patrimony	n	inheritance from father
717	affidavit	n	written statement made under oath
718	retrograde	v	go backwards; degenerate.
719	cavalcade	n	procession; parade.
720	acme	n	peak; pinnacle; highest point
721	sybarite	n	lover of luxury
722	apogee	n	highest point
723	plethora	n	excess; overabundance
724	demolition	n	destruction.
725	accede	v	agree
726	archipelago	n	group of closely located islands.
727	omniscient	adj	all-knowing
728	decorous	adj	proper
729	definitive	adj	final; complete.
730	ichthyology	n	study of fish.
731	flaccid	adj	flabby
732	palette	n	flat surface on which a painter mixes pigments; ranger of colors commonly used by a particular artist
733	succulent	n/adj	juicy; full of richness
734	equanimity	n	calmness of temperament; composure
735	annuity	n	yearly allowance
736	paucity	n	scarcity
737	disburse	v	pay out.
738	motley	adj	multi-colored; mixed
739	desecrate	v	profane; violate the sanctity of.
740	igneous	adj	produced by fire; volcanic.
741	meretricious	adj	flashy ; tawdry
742	ascendancy	n	controlling influence.
743	adipose	adj	fatty
744	abdicate	v	renounce; give up
745	biennial	adj	every two years.
746	moiety	n	half; part
747	plagiarism	n	theft of another's ideas or writings passed on as original
748	haggard	adj	wasted away; gaunt.
749	apostate	n	one who abandons his or her religious faith or political beliefs
750	inertia	n	state of being inert or indisposed to move
751	odorous	adj	having an odor
752	maelstrom	n	whirlpool
753	pithy	adj	concise; meaningful; substantial; meaty
754	libelous	adj	defamatory; injurious to the good name of a person
755	plausible	adj	having a show of truth but open to doubt; specious
756	enjoin	v	command; order; forbid
757	nuptial	adj	related to marriage
758	angular	adj	sharp and stiff in character
759	authenticate	v	prove genuine.
760	nefarious	adj	very wicked.
761	terrestrial	adj	earthly (as opposed to celestial); pertaining to the land
762	queue	n	line
763	thaumaturgist	n	miracle worker; magician
764	misogamy	n	hatred of marriage
765	drudgery	n	menial work.
766	peremptory	adj	demanding and leaving no choice
767	irreconcilable	adj	incompatible; not able to be resolved

768	abnegation	n	renunciation; self-sacrifice
769	sarcasm	n	scornful remarks; stinging rebuke.
770	verbatim	adv	word for word.
771	enamored	adj	overwhelmed by love
772	aperture	n	opening; hole
773	recusant	adj	refusing to comply (applied specifically to those who refused to confirm to Church of England practices)
774	nubile	adj	marriageable
775	doughty	adj	courageous.
776	supplicate	v	petition humbly; pray to a grant favor
777	paltry	adj	insignificant; petty; trifling
778	malleable	adj	capable of being shaped by pounding; impressionable
779	conundrum	n	riddle; difficult problem
780	forbearance	n	patience
781	allege	v	state without proof
782	panacea	n	cure-all; remedy for all diseases
783	surrogate	n	substitute
784	nauseate	v	cause to become sick; fill with disgust
785	implacable	adj	incapable of being pacified
786	tortuous	adj	winding; full of curves
787	ensconce	v	settle comfortably
788	hyperbole	n	exaggeration; overstatement.
789	palatial	adj	magnificent
790	leonine	n	like a lion
791	cherubic	adj	angelic; innocent-looking.
792	gourmet	n	connoisseur of food and drink.
793	fraught	adj	filled
794	conversant	adj	familiar with
795	impropriety	n	improperness; unsuitableness
796	augury	n	omen; prophecy.
797	deleterious	adj	harmful.
798	boisterous	adj	violent; rough; noisy.
799	impetuous	adj	violent; hasty; rash
800	abrogate	v	abolish
801	enigma	n	puzzle
802	lesion	n	unhealthy change in structure, injury
803	pantomime	n	acting without dialogue
804	humane	adj	kind; marked by kindness or consideration.
805	perspicuous	adj	plainly expressed
806	corporeal	adj	bodily; material
807	appease	v	pacify; soothe; relieve
808	apotheosis	n	deification; glorification; elevation to godhead; an ideal example of something
809	oblique	adj	slanting; deviating from the perpendicular or from a straight line
810	hermetically	adv	sealed by fusion so as to be airtight.
811	agrarian	adj	pertaining to land or its cultivation
812	clairvoyant	adj	having fortuneteller.
813	ominous	adj	threatening
814	apiary	n	a place where bees are kept
815	authoritative	adj	having the weight of authority; peremptory and dictatorial.
816	monotheism	n	belief in one God
817	yeoman	n	farmer who cultivates his own land; freeholder ranking below gentry.
818	pummel	v	beat or pound with fists
819	obfuscate	v	confuse; muddle; cause confusion; make needlessly complex
820	incandescent	adj	strikingly bright; shining with intense heat
821	reserve	n	self-control; care in expressing one-self.
822	debacle	n	sudden downfall; complete disaster
823	circumlocution	n	indirect or roundabout expression.
824	insidious	adj	treacherous ; stealthy ; sly
825	schism	n	division; split.
826	idyllic	adj	charmingly carefree; simple.
827	demented	adj	insane.
828	puerile	adj	childish; immature
829	contiguous	adj	adjacent to; touching upon
830	asinine	adj	stupid.
831	propitiate	v	appease

832	abstract	adj	theoretical; not concrete; non-representational
833	eccentricity	n	oddity; idiosyncrasy.
834	crotchety	adj	eccentric; whimsical
835	conspicuous	adj	easily seen; noticeable; striking
836	anchor	v	secure or fasten firmly; be fixed in place
837	accoutre	v	equip
838	baroque	adj	highly ornate.
839	scurrilous	adj	vulgar; coarse; foul-mouthed; obscene.
840	prehensile	adj	capable of grasping or holding
841	cadaver	n	corpse
842	ludicrous	adj	ridiculous; laughable; absurd
843	assail	v	assault.
844	perennial	n	something long-lasting
845	obligatory	adj	binding; required
846	censure	v	blame; criticize.
847	coerce	v	force; repress
848	pariah	n	social outcast
849	consecrate	v	dedicate; sanctify
850	amiable	adj	agreeable; lovable
851	dermatologist	n	one who studies the skin and its diseases.
852	plaintive	adj	mournful
853	wrangle	v	quarrel; obtain through arguing; herd cattle.
854	recumbent	adj	reclining; lying down completely or in part
855	vertiginous	adj	giddy; causing dizziness.
856	nonchalance	n	indifference; lack of concern; composure
857	satellite	n	small body revolving around a larger one.
858	cerebral	adj	pertaining to the brain or intellect.
859	pulchritude	n	beauty; comeliness
860	heresy	n	opinion contrary to popular belief; opinion contrary to accepted religion.
861	anarchist	n	person who rebels against the established order
862	anesthetic	n	substance that removes sensation with or without loss of consciousness
863	aphasia	n	loss of speech due to injury
864	emollient	n	soothing or softening remedy
865	gambol	v	skip; leap playfully.
866	unctuous	adj	oily; bland; insincerely suave
867	elegiacal	adj	like an elegy; mournful.
868	disquisition	n	a formal systematic inquiry; an explanation of the results of a formal inquiry.
869	luscious	adj	pleasing to taste or smell
870	carat	n	unit of weight for precious stones; measure of fineness of gold
871	rummage	v	ransack; thoroughly search.
872	retaliate	v	repay in kind ( usually for bad treatment)
873	calligraphy	n	beautiful writing; excellent penmanship
874	disseminate	v	distribute; spread; scatter (like seeds).
875	altercation	n	wordy quarrel
876	idolatry	n	worship of idols; excessive admiration.
877	harangue	n	noisy speech.
878	infamous	adj	notoriously bad
879	pragmatic	adj	practical (as opposed to idealistic); concerned with the practical worth or impact of something
880	acid	adj	sharp; bitterly pungent
881	persiflage	n	flippant conversation; banter
882	frieze	n	ornamental band on a wall
883	primordial	adj	existing at the beginning (of time); rudimentary
884	canvass	v	determine votes, etc
885	titillate	v	excite superficially; tickle
886	propriety	n	fitness; correct conduct
887	accessible	adj	easy to approach; obtainable
888	rancid	adj	having the odor of stale fat
889	aggrandize	v	increase or intensify
890	alliteration	n	repetition of beginning sound in poetry
891	trajectory	n	path taken by a projectile
892	artifice	n	deception; trickery.
893	sadistic	adj	inclined to cruelty.
894	plebiscite	n	expression of the will of a people by direct election
895	attenuate	v	make thin; weaken.

896	superannuated	adj	retired on pension because of age
897	anachronism	n	an error involving time in a story
898	fiduciary	adj	pertaining to a position of trust
899	loquacious	adj	talkativeness.
900	miscellany	n	mixture of writings on various subjects
901	dolorous	adj	sorrowful.
902	platitude	n	trite remark; commonplace statement
903	burnish	v	make shiny by rubbing; polish
904	epitome	n	perfect example or embodiment
905	clavicle	n	collarbone.
906	sinecure	n.	well-paid position with little responsibility
907	serendipity	n	gift for finding valuable or desirable things by accident; accidental good fortune or luck.
908	redolent	adj	fragrant; odorous; suggestive of an odor
909	quandary	n	dilemma
910	proboscis	n	long snout; nose
911	regicide	n	murder of a king or queen
912	gauntlet	n	leather glove.
913	morose	adj	ill-humored; sullen; melancholy
914	visceral	adj	felt in one's inner organs.
915	knavery	n	untrustworthiness; lack of principles; villainy
916	derogatory	adj	expressing a low opinion.
917	severance	n	the act of dividing or separating.
918	reprieve	n	temporary stay.
919	acerbity	n	bitterness of speech and temper
920	debauch	v	corrupt; seduce from virtue
921	acuity	n	sharpness
922	celestial	adj	heavenly; relating to the sky.
923	prurient	adj	having or causing lustful thoughts and desires
924	reimburse	v	repay
925	irrelevant	adj	not applicable; unrelated
926	mellifluous	adj	sweetly or smoothly flowing ; melodious
927	illimitable	adj	infinite.
928	proclivity	n	inclination; natural tendency
929	vouchsafe	v	grant; choose to give in reply; permit.
930	opprobrium	n	public disgrace or reproach; vilification
931	neophyte	n	recent convert; beginner
932	voluptuous	adj	ravenous.
933	demure	adj	grave; serious; coy.
934	ancillary	adj	serving as an aid or accessory; auxiliary
935	parry	v	ward off a blow; deflect
936	quiescent	adj	at rest; dormant; temporarily inactive
937	intrepid	adj	fearless
938	unanimity	n	complete agreement
939	hackneyed	adj	commonplace; trite.
940	covenant	n	agreement
941	allusion	n	indirect reference
942	chicanery	n	trickery.
943	innocuous	adj	harmless
944	bourgeois	adj	middle class; selfishly materialistic; dully conventional.
945	carion	n	rotting flesh of a dead body
946	apothegm	n	pithy, compact saying
947	amorphous	adj	formless; lacking shape or definition
948	monotony	n	sameness leading to boredom
949	formidable	adj	inspiring fear or apprehension; difficult; awe-inspiring
950	incapacitate	v	disable
951	picaresque	adj	pertaining to rogues in literature
952	writhe	v	twist in coils; contort in pain.
953	incessant	adj	uninterrupted
954	conduit	n	aqueduct; passageway for fluids
955	cynic	n	one who is skeptical or distrustful of human motives
956	connoisseur	n	person competent to act as a judge of art, etc.; a lover of art
957	archetype	n	prototype; primitive pattern.
958	hazardous	adj	dangerous.
959	accretion	n	growth; increase

960	pique	n	irritation; resentment
961	antiseptic	n	substance that prevents infection
962	inequity	n	unfairness
963	fractious	adj	unruly
964	venerable	adj	deserving high respect.
965	gnome	n	dwarf; underground spirit.
966	approbation	n	approval
967	despotism	n	tyranny.
968	nonentity	n	nonexistence; person of no importance
969	cardinal	adj	chief
970	canine	adj	related to dogs; doglike
971	congenital	adj	existing at birth
972	scourge	n	cause of widespread devastation; severe punishment; whip.
973	append	v	attach
974	parturition	n	delivery; childbirth
975	orotund	adj	having a round, resonant quality; inflated speech
976	inept	adj	lacking skill ; unsuited ; incompetent
977	dais	n	raised platform for guests of honor
978	analogous	adj	comparable
979	beneficiary	n	person entitled to benefits or proceeds of an insurance policy or will.
980	alchemy	n	medieval chemistry
981	serenity	n	calmness; placidity.
982	asteroid	n	small planet
983	abstinence	n	restraint from eating or drinking
984	insatiable	adj	not easily satisfied ; unquenchable ; greedy
985	fallacious	adj	misleading
986	garrulity	n	talkativeness.
987	crevice	n	crack; fissure
988	threnody	n	poem or song of lamentation; dirge
989	affluence	n	abundance; wealth
990	inclement	adj	stormy; unkind
991	ignoble	adj	unworthy; based in nature; not noble.
992	gullible	adj	easily deceived.
993	stentorian	adj.	extremely loud
994	licentious	adj	amoral; lewd and lascivious; unrestrained
995	colloquy	n	informal discussion
996	servile	adj	slavish; cringing.
997	fanciful	adj.	not likely to succeed or happen in the real world
998	pluviosity	adj.	marked by or regularly receiving heavy rainfall
999	argillaceous	adj.	of, relating to, or containing clay or clay minerals
1000	logorrhea	n.	excessive and often incoherent talkativeness or wordiness