

GRE Big Book Words List (3)

gastric

adj. of, pertaining to, or near the stomach.

gastritis

n. inflammation of the stomach.

gastronomy

n. the art of preparing and serving appetizing food.

gauge

n. measuring instrument; measure; judge

gendarme

n. in continental europe, particularly in france, a uniformed and armed police officer.

genealogist

n. a tracer of pedigrees.

genealogy

n. account or history of descent of person or family from ancestor; lineage

generality

n. quality of being general; an idea having general application

generalize

v. reach conclusion; become systemic and spread throughout the body

generally

adv. ordinarily.

generate

v. bring into being; give rise to; produce

generic

a. of an entire group or class; general

generosity

n. noble birth; quality of being noble; noble-mindedness; liberality in giving

genesis

n. coming into being of something; origin

geniality

n. warmth of disposition and manners; kindness; sympathy

genital

adj. of or pertaining to the animal reproductive organs.

genitive

adj. indicating source, origin, possession, or the like.

genteel

a. well-bred; marked by refinement in taste and manners

gentile

adj. belonging to a people not Jewish.

geology

n. science which treats the structure and mineral constitution of the globe

germane

a. related to the topic being discussed or considered; appropriate or fitting; relevant

germinate

v. cause to sprout or grow; come into existence

gestation

n. pregnancy.

gesticulate

v. to make gestures or motions, as in speaking, or in place of speech.

gesture

n. motion of hands or body to emphasize or help to express a thought or feeling

ghastly

a. horrible; inspiring shock; extremely unpleasant or bad

gibe

v. mock; laugh at with contempt and derision

giddy

a. lacking seriousness; dizzy; frivolous and lighthearted

gigantic

a. exceedingly large; huge; very large or extensive

giver

n. one who gives, in any sense.

glacial

a. like a glacier; extremely cold; lacking warmth and friendliness

glacier

n. a large body of ice which flows under its own mass, usually downhill

gladden

v. to make joyous.

glazier

n. one who cuts and fits panes of glass, as for windows.

glimmer

n. dim or intermittent flicker or flash of light; faint glow; shimmer

glimpse

n. glance; a quick look ; see briefly; a brief or incomplete view

globose

adj. spherical.

globular

adj. spherical.

glorious

a. having or deserving glory; famous; characterized by great beauty and splendor; magnificent; wonderful

glutinous

adj. sticky.

gluttonous

adj. given to excess in eating.

gnash

v. to grind or strike the teeth together, as from rage.

gordian

knot n. any difficulty the only issue out of which is by bold or unusual manners.

gosling

n. a young goose.

gossamer

a. sheer, light, delicate, or tenuous

gourd

n. a melon, pumpkin, squash, or some similar fruit having a hard rind.

gourmand

n. person who takes excessive pleasure in food and drink

graceless

adj. ungracious.

gradation

n. a step, degree, rank, or relative position in an order or series.

gradient

adj. moving or advancing by steps.

granary

n. building for storing threshed grain; region yielding much grain

grandeur

n. quality or condition of being grand; magnificence

grandiloquent

a. speaking or expressed in lofty style; using high sounding language; overly wordy

grandiose

a. impressive from inherent grandeur; large and impressive, in size, scope or extent

grantee

n. the person to whom property is transferred by deed.

grantor

n. the maker of a deed.

granular

a. consisting of or resembling grains; having grainy texture

granulate

v. form into grains or small masses; make rough on surface

granule

n. a small grain or particle.

grapple

v. wrestle; come to grips with; seize firmly, as with the hands

gratification

n. act of gratifying, or pleasing, either the mind, the taste, or the appetite

gratify

v. give pleasure to; satisfy; indulge; make happy

gratuitous

a. given freely; unwarranted; granted without recompense; unearned

gratuity

n. something given freely or without recompense; free gift; a present

gravity

n. seriousness; solemn and dignified feeling; natural force between two massive bodies

gregarious

a. sociable; seeking and enjoying the company of others

grenadier

n. a member of a regiment composed of men of great stature.

grief

n. pain of mind; mental suffering arising from any cause, as misfortune, loss of friends; sorrow; sadness

grievance

n. cause of grief or distress; discomfort or pain

grievous

a. causing grief or sorrow; painful; afflictive; hard to bear; offensive; harmful

grimace

n. facial distortion to show feeling such as pain, disgust

grindstone

n. revolving stone disk used for grinding, polishing, or sharpening tools; millstone

grisly

a. frightfully; terribly; inspiring horror

grotesque

a. fantastic; comically hideous; unnatural in shape or size; abnormal

grotto

n. small cave, usually with attractive features

ground

n. solid surface of the earth; bottom; lowest part

guess

v. form an opinion concerning, without knowledge or means of knowledge; judge of at random

guile

n. skillful deceit; disposition to deceive or cheat; disguise cunningly

guileless

a. free from deceit; sincere; honest

guinea

n. an english monetary unit.

guise

n. outward appearance or aspect; mode of dress; false appearance

gullible

a. easily deceived or cheated; easily tricked because of being too trusting

gumption

n. common sense.

gusto

n. nice or keen appreciation or enjoyment; enthusiasm

guy

n. stay-rope.

guzzle

v. to swallow greedily or hastily; gulp.

gynecocracy

n. female supremacy.

gynecology

n. the science that treats of the functions and diseases peculiar to women.

gyrate

v. to revolve.

gyroscope

n. an instrument for illustrating the laws of rotation.

habitable

adj. fit to be dwelt in.

habitant

n. dweller.

habitual

adj. according to usual practice.

habitude

n. customary relation or association.

hackney

v. to make stale or trite by repetition.

haggard

a. wasted away; showing wearing effects of overwork or suffering

halcyon

a. idyllically calm and peaceful; marked by peace and prosperity

hale

adj. of sound and vigorous health.

handwriting

n. penmanship.

hanger-on

n. a parasite.

happy-go-lucky

adj. improvident.

harangue

n. noisy speech; speech or piece of writing with strong feeling or expression

harass

v. irritate or torment persistently; wear out; exhaust

harbinger

n. forerunner; an indication of approach of something or someone

hard-hearted

adj. lacking pity or sympathy.

hardihood

n. foolish daring.

harmonious

a. concordant; accordant; suitable and fitting

havoc

n. wide and general destruction; devastation; waste

hawthorn

n. a thorny shrub much used in England for hedges.

hazard

n. danger; risk

head

first adv. precipitately, as in diving.

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heartrending

adj. very depressing.

heathenish

adj. irreligious.

heedless

a. unaware, without noticing; unmindful or thoughtless

heifer

n. a young cow.

heinous

a. grossly wicked; abominable; hateful; infamous

hemorrhage

n. discharge of blood from a ruptured or wounded blood-vessel.

hemorrhoids

n. pl. tumors composed of enlarged and thickened blood-vessels, at the lower end of the rectum.

henchman

n. a servile assistant and subordinate.

henpeck

v. to worry or harass by ill temper and petty annoyances.

heptagon

n. a figure having seven sides and seven angles.

heptarchy

n. a group of seven governments.

herbaceous

adj. having the character of a herb.

herbarium

n. a collection of dried plants scientifically arranged for study.

herbivorous

a. grain-eating; plant-eating; feeding only on plants

hereditary

a. descended, or capable of descending, from an ancestor to an heir at law

heredity

n. genetics; inheritance; genetic transmission of characteristics from parent to offspring

heresy

n. opinion contrary to popular belief; opinion contrary to accepted religion

heretic

n. one who holds to a heresy; one who believes some doctrine contrary to the established faith or prevailing religion

heritage

n. legacy; something that is passed down from preceding generations; a tradition

hernia

n. protrusion of any internal organ in whole or in part from its normal position.

hesitancy

n. a pausing to consider.

hesitant

a. reluctant, irresolute; tending to wait, or proceed with caution or reservation

hesitation

n. vacillation.

heterodox

a. unorthodox; unconventional; not in agreement with accepted beliefs, especially in church doctrine

heterogeneity

n. unlikeness of constituent parts.

heterogeneous

a. consisting of dissimilar elements or parts; completely different

heteromorphic

adj. deviating from the normal form or standard type.

hexagon

n. a figure with six angles.

hexangular

adj. having six angles.

hexapod

adj. having six feet.

hiatus

n. gap; interruption in duration or continuity; pause

hibernal

a. wintry; belonging or relating to winter

hibernian

adj. pertaining to ireland, or its people.

hideous

a. frightful, shocking, or offensive to the eyes; offensive to moral sensibilities; despicable

hilarious

a. by or causing great merriment or happiness; gay or merry

hillock

n. a small hill or mound.

hinder

v. put at a disadvantage; tie up; hamper; prevent the progress

hindmost

adj. farthest from the front.

hindrance

n. something that holds back or causes problems with something else; obstacle

hirsute

adj. having a hairy covering.

hoard

v. stockpile; accumulate for future use

hoarse

a. having a harsh, rough, grating voice or sound, as when affected with a cold; making a rough, harsh cry or sound

homage

n. special honor or respect shown or expressed publicly; tribute

homogeneity

n. congruity of the members or elements or parts.

homogeneous

a. of the same or similar nature or kind

homologous

adj. identical in nature, make-up, or relation.

homonym

n. a word agreeing in sound with but different in meaning from another.

homophone

n. a word agreeing in sound with but different in meaning from another.

honorarium

n. a token fee or payment to a professional man for services.

hoodwink

v. deceive; take in by deceptive means; delude

horde

n. a large group or crowd; wandering troop or gang; a moving crowd

hosiery

n. a stocking.

hospitable

a. disposed to treat guests with warmth and generosity; receptive

hospitality

n. act or practice of one who is hospitable; reception and entertainment of strangers or guests without reward

hostility

n. unfriendliness; hatred; state of being hostile

huckster

n. one who retails small wares.

humane

a. marked by kindness, mercy, or compassion

humanitarian

n. philanthropic; one devoted to the promotion of human welfare and to social reforms

humanize

v. to make gentle or refined.

humbug

n. anything intended or calculated to deceive or mislead.

humiliate

v. cause to feel shame; hurt the pride of

hussar

n. a light-horse trooper armed with saber and carbine.

hustle

v. bustle; cause to move furtively and hurriedly

hybrid

n. something of mixed origin or composition

hydra

n. the seven- or nine-headed water-serpent slain by hercules.

hydraulic

adj. involving the moving of water, of the force exerted by water in motion.

hydrodynamics

n. the branch of mechanics that treats of the dynamics of fluids.

hydroelectric

adj. pertaining to electricity developed water or steam.

hydromechanics

n. the mechanics of fluids.

hydrometer

n. an instrument for determining the density of solids and liquids by flotation.

hydrostatics

n. the branch of science that treats of the pressure and equilibrium of fluids.

hydrous

adj. watery.

hygiene

n. cleanliness; sanitation

hypercritical

a. excessively exacting; inclined to judge too severely

hypnosis

n. supervening of sleep; production of sleep; hypnotic state; hypnotism

hypnotic

a. having the quality of producing sleep; tending to produce sleep; soporific

hypnotism

n. an artificially induced somnambulistic state in which the mind readily acts on suggestion.

hypnotize

v. to produce a somnambulistic state in which the mind readily acts on suggestions.

hypocrisy

n. practice of professing beliefs, feelings, or virtues that one does not hold; falseness; expression of agreement that is not supported by real conviction

hypocrite

n. one who puts on a false appearance of virtue; one who pretends to hold beliefs

hypodermic

a. of or pertaining to the parts under the skin; injected beneath the skin

hypotenuse

n. the side of a right-angled triangle opposite the right angle.

hypothesis

n. assumption; theory

hysteria

n. behavior exhibiting excessive or uncontrollable emotion, such as fear or panic; mental disorder

ichthyic

adj. fish-like.

ichthyology

n. branch of zoology that deals with study of fishes

ichthyosaurs

n. a fossil reptile.

icily

adv. frigidly.

iciness

n. the state of being icy.

icon

n. religious image; idol; important and enduring symbol

iconoclast

n. an image-breaker.

idealize

v. to make to conform to some mental or imaginary standard.

idiom

n. expression whose meaning differs from meanings of its individual words; distinctive style

idiosyncrasy

n. behavioral attribute that is distinctive and peculiar to an individual

idolize

v. to regard with inordinate love or admiration.

ignoble

a. of lowly origin; not noble in quality, character, or purpose; unworthy

ignominious

adj. shameful.

iliad

n. a greek epic poem describing scenes from the siege of troy.

illegal

adj. not according to law.

illegible

a. incapable of being read; unclear; not legible

illegitimate

a. not according to law; not regular or authorized; unlawful; improper

illiberal

adj. stingy.

illicit

a. illegal; unlawful; not authorized or permitted

illimitable

a. without limits in extent, size, or quantity

illiterate

a. uncultured; uneducated; not able to read or write

ill-natured

adj. surly.

illogical

adj. contrary to the rules of sound thought.

illuminant

n. that which may be used to produce light.

illuminate

v. provide or brighten with light; clear up or make understandable; enlighten

illumine

v. to make bright or clear.

illusion

n. misleading vision; being deceived by a false perception or belief

illusiv

a. deceptive; misleading; based on or having the nature of an illusion

illusory

a. deceptive or tending of deceive; not real

imaginable

adj. that can be imagined or conceived in the mind.

imaginary

a. having existence only in the imagination; fanciful; visionary

imbibe

v. drink in; absorb or take in as if by drinking

imbroglio

n. a misunderstanding attended by ill feeling, perplexity, or strife.

imbrue

v. to wet or moisten.

imitation

n. emulation; copying the actions of someone else

imitator

n. one who makes in imitation.

immaculate

a. spotless; flawless; absolutely clean

immaterial

adj. of no essential consequence.

immature

adj. not full-grown.

immeasurable

adj. indefinitely extensive.

immense

a. enormous; boundless; so great as to be beyond measurement

immerse

v. plunge into anything, especially a fluid; sink; dip

immersion

n. act of immersing, or state of being immersed; sinking within a fluid; dipping

immigrant

n. one who comes to a country where they were not born in order to settle there; non-native

immigrate

v. move into another country to stay there permanently

imminence

n. impending evil or danger.

imminent

a. near at hand; close in time; about to occur

immiscible

adj. separating, as oil and water.

immoral

a. not moral; contrary to conscience or the divine law; wicked; unjust; dishonest

immortalize

v. to cause to last or to be known or remembered throughout a great or indefinite length of time.

immovable

adj. steadfast.

immune

a. resistant to; free or exempt from; not subject to

immutable

a. unable to be changed without exception; not mutable

impair

v. injure or hurt; become worse; affect negatively

impalpable

a. difficult to perceive senses or mind

impartial

a. not biased; fair; showing lack of favoritism

impassable

a. not able to be traveled or crossed

impassible

adj. not moved or affected by feeling.

impassive

a. without feeling; revealing little emotion or sensibility; not easily aroused or excited

impatience

n. unwillingness to brook delays or wait the natural course of things.

impeccable

a. faultless; incapable of sin or wrongdoing

impecunious

a. without money; poor; penniless

impede

v. hinder; charge with improper conduct; challenge validity of; try to discredit

impel

v. drive or force onward; drive forward; urge to action through moral pressure

impend

v. to be imminent.

imperative

n. having power command or control; critically importance; some duty that is essential and urgent

imperceptible

a. impossible or difficult to perceive by the mind or senses

imperfectible

adj. that can not be perfected.

imperil

v. to endanger.

imperious

a. urgent or pressing; able to deal authoritatively; dictatorial

impermissible

adj. not permissible.

impersonal

a. having no personal preference; objective

impersonate

v. mimic; imitate; assume or act the character of represent another person with comic intentions

impersuadable

adj. unyielding.

impertinence

n. rudeness.

imperturbable

a. unshakably calm; placid; incapable of being disturbed or disconcerted

impervious

a. impenetrable; incapable of being damaged or distressed

impetuosity

n. rashness.

impetuous

a. marked by sudden and violent force; hasty; impulsive and passionate

impetus

n. incentive; stimulus; force or energy associated with a moving body

impiety

n. irreverence; lack of respect for God

impious

a. irreverent; lacking due respect or dutifulness

implausible

a. unlikely; difficult to believe; dubious

impliable

adj. capable of being inferred.

implicate

v. incriminate; involve or imply as necessary accompaniment or result

implicit

a. implied or understood though not directly expressed

imply

v. express or indicate indirectly; signify

impolitic

adj. inexpedient.

importation

n. the act or practice of bringing from one country into another.

importunate

a. urging; demanding; expressing earnest entreaty

importune

v. beg persistently; ask for urgently or repeatedly; annoy

impotent

a. weak; ineffective; lacking physical strength or vigor; incapable of sexual intercourse

impoverish

v. make poor; reduce to poverty or indigence; exhaust the strength, richness, or fertility of

impracticable

adj. not feasible.

impregnable

a. invulnerable; able to withstand attack

impregnate

v. to make pregnant.

impromptu

a. without previous preparation

improper

adj. not appropriate, suitable, or becoming.

impropriety

n. improper act; improper or unacceptable usage in speech or writing

improvident

a. thriftless; not providing for future; incautious

improvise

v. compose, perform, or do something with little or no preparation

imprudent

a. lacking caution; injudicious; not attentive to consequence

impudence

n. offensively bold behavior; trait of being rude

impugn

v. dispute or contradict, often in insulting way; challenge

impulsion

n. impetus.

impulsive

a. having power of driving or impelling; giving an impulse; moving; impellent

impunity

n. freedom from punishment or harm; exemption from injury, suffering, or discomfort

impure

adj. tainted.

impute

v. lay responsibility or blame for, often unjustly

inaccessible

a. unreachable; not available; unattainable

inaccurate

adj. not exactly according to the facts.

inactive

adj. inert.

inadequate

a. not sufficient to meet a need; insufficient; poor

inadmissible

adj. not to be approved, considered, or allowed, as testimony.

inadvertent

a. not intentional; not on purpose; careless; negligent; inattentive

inadvisable

adj. unadvisable.

inane

a. silly; senseless; unconsciously foolish; void

inanimate

a. lifeless; not animated or energetic; dull

inapprehensible

adj. not to be understood.

inapt

a. unapt; not apt; unsuitable; inept.

inarticulate

a. speechless; without or deprived of the use of speech or words

inaudible

adj. that can not be heard.

inborn

adj. implanted by nature.

inbred

adj. innate.

incandescence

n. the state of being white or glowing with heat.

incandescent

a. strikingly bright; shining with intense heat; emitting light as result of being heated

incapacitate

v. disable or disqualify; deprive of capacity or natural power

incapacity

n. want of power to apprehend, understand, and manage.

incarcerate

v. imprison; put into jail; shut up or enclose

incendiary

n. arsonist; bomb that is designed to start fires

incentive

n. something, such as the fear of punishment or the expectation of reward

inception

n. beginning of something; taking in, as by swallowing; process of receiving within

inceptive

adj. beginning.

incessant

a. uninterrupted; unceasing; continuing without interruption

inchmeal

adv. piecemeal.

inchoate

a. recently begun; imperfectly formed or developed; elementary

inchoative

n. that which begins, or expresses beginning.

incidence

n. rate of occurrence; particular occurrence

incident

n. usually minor event or condition that is subordinate to another; event; happening

incidentally

ad. by chance; accidentally

incinerate

v. to reduce to ashes.

incipience

n. beginning.

incipient

a. beginning to exist or appear; in an early stage

incisor

n. a front or cutting tooth.

incite

v. arouse to action; motivate; induce to exist

incitement

n. that which moves to action, or serves as an incentive or stimulus.

incoercible

adj. incapable of being forced, constrained, or compelled.

incoherence

n. want of connection, or agreement, as of parts or ideas in thought, speech, etc.

incoherent

a. lacking cohesion, connection, or harmony; unable to think in clear manner

incombustible

adj. that can not be burned.

incomparable

adj. matchless.

incompatible

a. inharmonious; impossible to coexist; not easy to combine harmoniously

incompetence

n. general lack of capacity or fitness.

incompetent

a. not qualified in legal terms; inadequate for or unsuited to a particular purpose or application

incomplete

adj. lacking some element, part, or adjunct necessary or required.

incomprehensible

a. unintelligible; difficult to understand

incompressible

adj. resisting all attempts to reduce volume by pressure.

inconceivable

a. impossible to comprehend or grasp fully; unable to be conceived, unbelievable

incongruous

a. not fitting; lacking in harmony or compatibility

inconsequential

a. insignificant; lacking importance; not following from premises or evidence; illogical

inconsiderable

adj. small in quantity or importance.

inconsistent

adj. contradictory.

inconstant

adj. changeable.

incontrovertible

a. indisputable; not open to question

inconvenient

a. not suited to your comfort, purpose or needs

indefensible

adj. untenable.

indefinitely

ad. endlessly; incessantly; for a long time, no end defined; forever

indelible

a. impossible to remove, erase, or wash away; permanent

indescribable

a. incapable of being described

indestructible

adj. that can not be destroyed.

indicant

adj. that which points out.

indicator

n. one who, or that which, shows or points out

indict

v. charge; accuse formally of a crime

indigence

n. poverty.

indigenous

a. native; originating where it is found

indigent

a. poor; experiencing want or need; impoverished

indigestible

adj. not digestible, or difficult to digest.

indigestion

n. a disorder of digestive function; difficulty in digesting

indignant

a. affected with indignation; wrathful; passionate; irate; feeling wrath by unworthy or unjust treatment

indignity

n. offensive or insulting treatment

indiscernible

adj. not perceptible.

indiscreet

adj. lacking wise judgment.

indiscriminate

a. choosing at random; not marked by fine distinctions

indispensable

a. essential; requisite; impossible to be omitted or remitted

indistinct

adj. vague.

indivertible

adj. that can not be turned aside.

indivisible

adj. not separable into parts.

indolence

n. laziness.

indolent

a. lazy; slow to heal, grow, or develop; inactive

indomitable

a. unconquerable; incapable of being overcome

induct

v. to bring in.

indulgence

n. the yielding to inclination, passion, desire, or propensity in oneself or another.

inebriate

v. to intoxicate.

inedible

adj. not good for food.

ineffable

a. unutterable; cannot be expressed in speech

inefficiency

n. that which does not accomplish an intended purpose.

inefficient

adj. not accomplishing an intended purpose.

ineligible

a. unsuitable; disqualified by law, rule, or provision; unworthy of being chosen

inept

a. lacking of judgment, sense, or reason; unsuited; inappropriate; foolish

inert

a. inactive; lacking power to move; unable to move or act

inestimable

adj. above price.

inevitable

a. unavoidable; incapable of being avoided or prevented

inexcusable

adj. not to be justified.

inexhaustible

a. incapable of being exhausted, emptied, or used up; unending; not to be wasted or spent

inexorable

a. not capable of being swayed; unyielding; implacable

inexpedient

adj. unadvisable.

inexpensive

adj. low-priced.

inexperience

n. lack of or deficiency in experience.

inexplicable

a. not explicable; not explainable; incapable of being explained, interpreted, or accounted for

inexpressible

adj. unutterable.

inextensible

adj. of unchangeable length or area.

infallible

a. incapable of failure or error

infamous

a. notoriously bad; having exceedingly bad reputation

infamy

n. total loss or destitution of honor or reputation.

inference

n. inferring by deduction or induction; truth or proposition drawn from another which is admitted or supposed to be true; conclusion; deduction

infernal

a. pertaining to hell; devilish; abominable; awful

infest

v. overrun; invade in great numbers; occupy in large numbers or live on a host

infidel

n. one who does not hold same religious beliefs as another

infidelity

n. lack of faith or belief in some religious system; unfaithfulness to a sexual partner, especially a spouse

infinite

a. unlimited or boundless, in time or space; without limit in power, capacity, knowledge, or excellence

infinity

n. unlimited extent of time, space, or quantity; eternity; boundlessness; immensity

infirm

adj. lacking in bodily or mental strength.

infirmity

n. health facility where patients receive treatment

infirmity

n. weakness; bodily ailment or weakness, especially one brought on by old age

inflammable

adj. easily set on fire or excited.

inflammation

n. a morbid process in some part of the body characterized by heat, swelling, and pain.

inflexible

a. rigid; stiff; incapable of being changed

influence

n. power affecting person or thing; effect of one thing on another; flowing in or upon; influx

influential

a. important; powerful; having or exercising influence or power

influx

n. flowing into; mass arrival or incoming

infrequency

n. rareness.

infrequent

adj. uncommon.

infringe

v. act contrary to, as a law, right, or obligation; annul or hinder

infuse

v. introduce into the body through a vein; undergo the process of infusion

infusion

n. act or process of infusing; introduction of a solution into person through vein for therapeutic purposes

ingenious

a. clever; having inventive or cunning mind

ingenuity

n. quality or power of ready invention; quickness or acuteness in forming new combinations

ingenuous

a. naive and trusting; young; unsophisticated

inglorious

adj. shameful.

ingraft

v. to set or implant deeply and firmly.

ingratiate

v. become popular with; make agreeable or acceptable

ingratitude

n. lack of gratitude; forgetfulness of kindness or favors received

ingredient

n. element in a mixture or compound

inherence

n. the state of being permanently existing in something.

inherent

a. firmly established by nature or habit

inhibit

v. restrain; prevent or forbid; hold back

inhospitable

adj. not disposed to entertain strangers gratuitously.

inhuman

a. not human; not governed by feelings proper to human nature; specifically, not humane; hard-hearted; unfeeling; cruel

inhume

v. to place in the earth, as a dead body.

inimical

a. unfriendly; hostile; harmful; detrimental

iniquity

n. absence of, or deviation from, just dealing; want of rectitude or uprightness; gross injustice; unrighteousness; wickedness

initiate

v. begin; originate; admit into membership

inject

v. put in; infuse ; force or drive fluid into something

injunction

n. act of enjoining; act of directing, commanding, or prohibiting

inkling

n. slight hint or indication; slight understanding

inland

a. within the land; more or less remote from the ocean or from open water; interior

inlet

n. a small body of water leading into a larger.

inmost

adj. deepest within.

innocuous

a. having no adverse effect; harmless

innovate

v. change or alter by bringing in something new

innuendo

n. hint; indirect implication , usually malicious

innumerable

a. countless; numerous

inoffensive

a. harmless; innocent; giving no offense

inopportune

a. untimely; poorly chosen; inconvenient; unseasonable; unsuitable

inquire

v. ask a question; seek for truth or information by putting queries

inquisition

n. a court or tribunal for examination and punishment of heretics.

inquisitive

a. disposed to ask questions, especially in matters which do not concern the inquirer; given to examination, investigation, or research

inquisitor

n. questioner, especially who is excessively rigorous or harsh; investigator

inroad

n. entrance of an enemy into a country with purposes of hostility; sudden or desultory incursion or invasion; raid; encroachment

insatiable

a. not easily satisfied; impossible to satiate or satisfy; greedy

inscribe

v. write or engrave; mark down as something to be read; imprint; assign or address to

inscrutable

a. impenetrable; not readily understood; mysterious

insecure

adj. not assured of safety.

insensible

a. unconscious; unresponsive; very small or gradual

insentient

adj. lacking the power of feeling or perceiving.

inseparable

adj. that can not be separated.

insidious

a. spreading harmfully in a subtle manner; designed or adapted to entrap

insight

n. understanding; grasping the inner nature of things intuitively

insignificance

n. lack of import or of importance.

insignificant

a. not large enough to consider or notice; lacking in importance; trivial

insinuate

v. hint; suggest; introduce by subtle and artful means

insipid

a. lacking flavor or zest; not tasty; dull

insistence

n. continual and persistent demands

insistent

adj. urgent.

insolence

n. scornful treatment; insulting speech or conduct

insolent

a. strange; unusual; haughty or brutal in behavior or language; grossly rude or disrespectful

insomnia

n. inability to sleep; lack of sleep

inspector

n. high ranking police officer; investigator who observes carefully

instance

n. example that is cited to prove a contention or illustrate a point; case or occurrence

instant

n. a very brief portion of time.

instantaneous

a. instant; immediate; occurring with no delay

instigate

v. goad or urge forward; provoke; incite

instigator

n. one who incites to evil.

instill

v. drop in; pour in drop by drop; impart gradually; infuse slowly; cause to be imbibed.

instructive

a. serving to instruct or enlighten or inform; enlightening

insufficiency

n. inadequacy.

insufficient

a. of a quantity not able to fulfill a need or requirement

insular

a. of isolated people, especially having a narrow viewpoint

insulate

v. make an island of; place in a detached situation, or in a state having no communication with surrounding objects; isolate; separate

insuperable

a. incapable of being excelled; unbeatable

insuppressible

adj. incapable of being concealed.

insurgence

n. uprising.

insurgent

a. rising in revolt against established authority; rebelling against leadership of political party

insurrection

n. rebellion; uprising; rising against civil or political authority

intangible

a. not able to be perceived by senses, as touch; vague

integrity

n. quality or condition of being whole or undivided; completeness

intellect

n. ability to learn and reason; ability to think abstractly or profoundly

intellectual

n. of intellect; showing intellect; requiring the use of the mind, rather than emotions or instinct

intelligence

n. ability to comprehend; understand and profit from experience; intellect; power of cognition

intelligible

a. understandable; clear to the mind

intemperance

n. immoderate action or indulgence, as of the appetites.

intension

n. the act of stringing or stretching, or state of being strained.

intensive

a. thorough; concentrated; tending to give force or emphasis

intention

n. motive; with respect to marriage; aim that guides action

interact

v. interplay; act together or towards others or with

intercede

v. to mediate between persons.

intercept

v. take or seize by the way; cause to stop on the passage; obstruct or interrupt the progress of

intercession

n. entreaty in behalf of others.

intercessor

n. a mediator.

interdict

n. authoritative act of prohibition.

interim

n. time between one event, process; interval of time

interlocutor

n. one who speaks in dialogue or takes part in conversation

interlude

n. a short entertainment on the stage between the acts of a play, or between the play and the afterpiece; intervening episode, feature, or period of time

intermediate

a. middle; lying between two extremes

interminable

a. being or seeming to be without an end; endless; tedious; continual

intermission

n. act of suspending activity temporarily; interval during which there is a temporary cessation of something

intermit

v. to cause to cease temporarily.

intermittent

a. periodic; on and off; stopping and starting at intervals

interpolation

n. verbal interference.

interpose

v. place between; thrust; intrude; be between, either for aid or for troubling

interposition

n. a coming between.

interpreter

n. a person who makes intelligible the speech of a foreigner by oral translation.

interrogate

v. question closely; examine by questioning formally or officially

interrogative

adj. having the nature or form of a question.

interrogatory

n. a question or inquiry.

interrupt

v. terminate; make a break in

intersect

v. cross; meet; meet at a point

intervale

n. a low tract of land between hills, especially along a river.

intervene

v. get involved; come, appear, or lie between two things

intestate

adj. not having made a valid will.

intestine

a. inward; internal with regard to a state or country; domestic; not foreign

intimacy

n. closeness, often affectionate; privacy; familiarity

intimidate

v. frighten; make timid; fill with fear

intolerable

adj. insufferable.

intolerance

n. inability or unwillingness to bear or endure.

intolerant

a. not enduring; not able to endure; unwilling to tolerate difference of opinion

intoxicant

n. anything that unduly exhilarates or excites.

intoxicate

v. stimulate or excite; stupefy or excite by the action of a chemical substance such as alcohol

intracellular

adj. occurring or situated within a cell.

intramural

adj. situated within the walls of a city.

intrepid

a. fearless; indicating or springing from courage

intricacy

n. complication; complexity; state or quality of being intricate or entangled; perplexity; involution

intricate

a. complex; elaborate; having many complexly arranged elements

intrigue

v. captivate; cause to be interested or curious; plot for: scheme for

intrinsic

a. relating to essential nature of a thing; inherent; built-in

introductory

adj. preliminary.

introgession

n. entrance.

intromit

v. to insert.

introspect

v. to look into.

introversion

n. the act of turning or directing inward, physically or mentally.

introvert

v. to turn within.

intrude

v. trespass; enter as an uninvited person

intrusion

n. inappropriate or unwelcome addition; infringement; violation; forcible inclusion or entry

intuition

n. immediate insight; power of knowing without reasoning

inundate

v. overwhelm; cover with water, especially floodwaters

inundation

n. flood.

inure

v. apply in use; use or accustom till no pain or inconvenience; harden; habituate

invalid

a. of no force or weight; not valid; weak; void; null

invalid

a. of no force or weight; not valid; weak; void; null

invalidate

v. make invalid; nullify; destroy

invaluable

a. valuable under estimation; inestimable; priceless

invariable

adj. unchangeable.

invasion

n. raid; attack; act of invading, especially the entrance of an armed force into a territory to conquer

invective

n. abusive language used to express blame or ill will

inveigh

v. to utter vehement censure or invective.

inventive

adj. quick at contrivance.

inverse

a. opposite; reversed in order, nature, or effect; turned upside down

inversion

n. change of order so that the first shall become last and the last first.

invert

v. turn upside down or inside out; reverse the position, order, or condition of

investigator

n. one who investigates.

investor

n. one who invests money.

inveterate

a. deep-rooted; firmly and long established; habitual

invidious

a. designed to create ill will or envy

invigorate

v. give vigor to; give life and energy to; strengthen; animate

invincible

a. incapable of being overcome or defeated; unconquerable

inviolable

a. secure from corruption, attack, or violation; unassailable

invoke

v. call upon; ask for; request earnestly

involuntary

a. acting or done without or against one's will

involution

n. complication.

involve

v. wind round; connect with something; include necessarily; engage thoroughly

invulnerable

a. incapable of injury; impossible to damage, injure, or wound

inwardly

adv. with no outward manifestation.

iota

n. very small amount; a bit; ninth letter of the Greek alphabet

irascible

a. irritable; easily angered; excited by or arising from anger

irate

a. feeling or showing extreme anger; enraged

ire

n. anger; wrath; keen resentment; irritate

iridescence

n. a many-colored appearance.

iridescent

a. exhibiting or giving out colors like those of rainbow; gleaming or shimmering with rainbow colors

irk

v. to afflict with pain, vexation, or fatigue.

irksome

a. causing annoyance, weariness, or vexation; tedious

irony

n. expression by deliberate contrast between apparent and intended meaning; witty language used to insult

irradiance

n. luster.

irradiate

v. expose to radiation; cast rays of light upon

irrational

a. illogical; lacking reason; insane

irreducible

adj. that can not be lessened.

irrefragable

adj. that can not be refuted or disproved.

irrefragible

adj. that can not be broken or violated.

irrelevant

a. not applicable; unrelated; having no connection with

irreligious

adj. indifferent or opposed to religion.

irreparable

a. not able to be corrected or repaired

irrepressible

a. unable to be restrained; difficult or impossible to control or restrain

irresistible

a. overwhelming; tempting; charming

irresponsible

a. reckless; carefree; showing lack of care for consequences

irreverence

n. lack of proper respect; disrespectful act or remark

irreverent

a. disrespectful; showing lack of due respect; not revering god

irreverential

adj. showing or expressing a deficiency of veneration, especially for sacred things.

irreversible

a. impossible to reverse or be reversed

irrigant

adj. serving to water lands by artificial means.

irrigate

v. supply land with water artificially; clean a wound with a fluid

irritable

a. easily annoyed; abnormally sensitive to a stimulus

irritancy

n. the quality of producing vexation.

irritant

n. a mechanical, chemical, or pathological agent of inflammation, pain, or tension.

irritate

v. rouse to impatience or anger; annoy; provoke

irruption

n. sudden invasion.

isle

n. island; spot within another of a different color

islet

n. a little island.

isobar

n. a line joining points at which the barometric pressure is the same at a specified moment.

isochronous

adj. relating to or denoting equal intervals of time.

isolate

v. seclude; set apart or cut off from others

isothermal

adj. having or marking equality of temperature.

itinerant

a. wandering; traveling place to place, especially to perform work or duty

itinerary

n. plan of trip; guidebook for traveler

itinerate

v. to wander from place to place.

jargon

n. language used by a special group; technical terminology; nonsensical or meaningless talk

jaundice

n. a morbid condition, due to obstructed excretion of bile or characterized by yellowing of the skin.

jeopardize

v. endanger; imperil; put at risk

jingo

n. one of a party in great britain in favor of spirited and demonstrative foreign policy.

jocose

a. given to joking; merry; humorous

jocular

a. humorous, amusing or joking; sportive; not serious

joggle

n. a sudden irregular shake or a push causing such a shake.

journalize

v. to keep a diary.

joust

v. to engage in a tilt with lances on horseback.

jovial

a. good-natured; marked by good cheer; cheerful and good-humored

jubilation

n. rejoicing; feeling of extreme joy

judgment

n. the faculty by the exercise of which a deliberate conclusion is reached.

judicature

n. distribution and administration of justice by trial and judgment.

judicial

a. pertaining or appropriate to courts of justice, or to a judge; sanctioned or ordered by court

judiciary

n. that department of government which administers the law relating to civil and criminal justice.

judicious

a. exhibiting good judgment or sound thinking; prudent

juggle

v. to play tricks of sleight of hand.

jugglery

n. the art or practice of sleight of hand.

jugular

adj. pertaining to the throat.

juicy

a. full of juice; lucrative; richly interesting

junction

n. connection; joint; intersection; crossing

junctionure

n. point in time, especially a critical point; joining point

junta

n. group of men joined in political intrigue; group of military officers ruling a country

judicial

adj. assumed by law to exist.

jurisdiction

n. authority; right and power to interpret and apply the law

jurisprudence

n. philosophy or science of law; division or department of law

juror

n. one who serves on a jury or is sworn in for jury duty in a court of justice.

justification

n. good or just reason; condition or fact of being justified

juvenile

n. youth; adolescent; not fully grown or developed

juxtapose

v. to place close together.

keepsake

n. anything kept or given to be kept for the sake of the giver.

kerchief

n. a square of linen, silk, or other material, used as a covering for the head or neck.

kernel

n. central or vital part; most material and central part; grain or seed as of corn

kiln

n. large oven; furnace

kiloliter

n. one thousand liters.

kilometer

n. a length of 1,000 meters.

kilowatt

n. one thousand watts.

kimono

n. a loose robe, fastening with a sash, the principal outer garment in japan.

kind-hearted

adj. having a kind and sympathetic nature.

kingling

n. a petty king.

kingship

n. royal state.

kinsfolk

n. pl. relatives.

knavery

n. deceitfulness in dealing.

knead

v. to mix and work into a homogeneous mass, especially with the hands.

knickknack

n. a small article, more for ornament than use.

knight

errant n. one of the wandering knights who in the middle ages went forth in search of adventure.

knighthood

n. chivalry.

laborious

a. demanding much work or care; tedious

labyrinth

n. maze; complex structure of interconnecting passages

lacerate

v. to tear rudely or raggedly.

lackadaisical

a. lacking purpose or zest; halfhearted; lacking spirit or liveliness

lactation

n. the secretion of milk.

lacteal

adj. milky.

lactic

adj. pertaining to milk.

laddie

n. a lad.

ladle

n. a cup-shaped vessel with a long handle, intended for dipping up and pouring liquids.

laggard

a. slow; sluggish; wasting time

landholder

n. landowner.

landlord

n. a man who owns and lets a tenement or tenements.

landmark

n. a familiar object in the landscape serving as a guide to an area otherwise easily lost track of.

landscape

n. scenery; expanse of scenery that can be seen in a single view

languid

a. lacking energy or vitality; weak; sluggish; lacking spirit or liveliness

languor

n. feeling of lack of interest or energy; depression

lapse

n. gliding, slipping, or gradual falling; unobserved or imperceptible progress; slip or error; failing in duty

lascivious

adj. lustful.

lassie

n. a little lass.

latency

n. the state of being dormant.

latent

a. present or potential but not evident or active; dormant; hidden

later

adv. at a subsequent time.

lateral

a. coming from side; situated at or extending to the side

latish

adj. rather late.

lattice

n. openwork of metal or wood, formed by crossing or interlacing strips or bars.

laud

v. give praise to; glorify; celebrate or honor

laudable

a. deserving of praise; worthy of high praise

laudation

n. high praise.

laudatory

adj. pertaining to, expressing, or containing praise.

laundress

n. washerwoman.

laureate

adj. crowned with laurel, as a mark of distinction.

lave

v. wash or flow against; wash one's face and hands

lawgiver

n. a legislator.

lawmaker

n. a legislator.

lax

a. loose and not easily controlled; lacking in rigor or strictness

laxative

a. having a tendency to loosen or relax.

lea

n. a field.

leaflet

n. small leaf; leaf like organ or part

leaven

v. cause to rise, especially by fermentation; add a rising agent to

leeward

n. that side or direction toward which the wind blows.

left-handed

adj. using the left hand or arm more dexterously than the right.

legacy

n. gift made by a will; something handed down from an ancestor

legalize

v. to give the authority of law to.

legging

n. a covering for the leg.

legible

a. readable; distinct; plainly discernible; apparent

legionary

n. a member of an ancient roman legion or of the modern french legion of honor.

legislate

v. make laws; create or pass laws

legislative

adj. that makes or enacts laws.

legislator

n. a lawgiver.

legitimacy

n. accordance with law.

legitimate

a. accordant with law; lawful; based on logical reasoning; reasonable

leisure

n. convenience; vacancy; freedom to choose a pastime or enjoyable activity

leniency

n. mildness; quality of mercy or forgiveness, especially in the assignment of punishment as in a court case

lenient

a. relaxing; emollient; softening

leonine

adj. like a lion.

lethargy

n. inactivity; showing an unusual lack of energy

levee

n. an embankment beside a river or stream or an arm of the sea, to prevent overflow.

lever

n. simple machine consisting of a rigid bar pivoted on a fixed point and used to transmit force

leviathan

n. something unusually large of its kind, especially a ship; very large animal, especially a whale

levity

n. lack of seriousness; lightness of manner or speech, especially when inappropriate

levy

v. impose fine or tax; collect payment

lewd

a. lustful; indecent; suggestive of or tending to moral looseness

lexicographer

n. author or compiler of dictionary; one employed in making of vocabulary or wordbook of language

lexicography

n. the making of dictionaries.

lexicon

n. dictionary; a stock of terms used in particular profession, subject, or style; vocabulary

liable

v. bound or obliged in law or equity

libel

n. defamatory statement; act of writing something that smears a person's character

liberalism

n. opposition to conservatism.

liberate

v. set free, as from oppression, confinement, or foreign control; discharge; release

licentious

a. amoral; unrestrained; lacking moral discipline or ignoring legal restraint

licit

adj. lawful.

liege

adj. sovereign.

lien

n. a legal claim or hold on property, as security for a debt or charge.

lieu

n. stead.

lifelike

adj. realistic.

lifelong

adj. lasting or continuous through life.

lifetime

n. the time that life continues.

ligament

n. that which binds objects together.

ligature

n. anything that constricts, or serves for binding or tying.

light-hearted

adj. free from care.

ligneous

adj. having the texture of appearance of wood.

likelihood

n. possibility, strong probability; state of being probable

likely

adj. plausible.

liking

n. fondness.

limitation

n. a restriction.

linear

a. having form of a line; straight; consisting of lines; lineal

liner

n. vessel belonging to a regular line of packets, as ship or plane

lingo

n. language.

lingua

n. the tongue.

lingual

adj. pertaining to the use of the tongue in utterance.

linguist

n. one who is acquainted with several languages.

linguistics

n. humanistic study of language and literature

liniment

n. medicinal liquid that is rubbed into skin to relieve muscular stiffness and pain

liquefacient

adj. possessing a liquefying nature or power.

liquefy

v. to convert into a liquid or into liquid form.

liqueur

n. an alcoholic cordial sweetened and flavored with aromatic substances.

liquidate

v. settle accounts to pay them off; clear up

liquor

n. any liquid, as water, milk, blood, sap, juice; alcoholic or spirituous fluid

listless

a. lacking in spirit or energy to exert effort

literacy

n. reading and writing; ability to read and write

literal

a. according to the letter or verbal expression; exactly as stated

literature

n. imaginative or creative writing, especially of recognized artistic value; art or occupation of a literary writer

lithe

a. flexible; moving and bending with ease

lithesome

adj. nimble.

lithograph

n. a print made by printing from stone.

lithotype

n. in engraving, an etched stone surface for printing.

litigant

n. a party to a lawsuit.

litigate

v. to cause to become the subject-matter of a suit at law.

litigious

adj. quarrelsome.

littoral

adj. of, pertaining to, or living on a shore.

liturgy

n. a ritual.

livelihood

n. subsistence; financial means whereby one lives

livid

a. lead-colored; black and blue; discolored, as from a bruise; extremely angry

loam

n. a non-coherent mixture of sand and clay.

loath

a. unwilling or reluctant; filled with disgust or aversion; dislike

loathe

v. dislike greatly; hate; cause to dislike or avoid

locative

adj. indicating place, or the place where or wherein an action occurs.

loch

n. a lake.

locomotion

n. self-propelled movement; power or ability to move

lode

n. a somewhat continuous unstratified metal-bearing vein.

lodgment

n. the act of furnishing with temporary quarters.

logic

n. reasoned and reasonable judgment; a system of reasoning

logical

a. reasonable; based on known statements or events or conditions

logician

n. an expert reasoner.

loiterer

n. one who consumes time idly.

loneliness

n. solitude.

longevity

n. long life; great duration of life; long duration or continuance, as in an occupation

loot

n. act of plundering; plunder; booty, especially, the boot taken in a conquered or sacked city

loquacious

a. talkative; given to continual talking; chattering

lordling

n. a little lord.

lough

n. a lake or loch.

louse

n. a small insect parasitic on and sucking the blood of mammals.

lovable

adj. amiable.

lowly

adv. rudely.

low-spirited

adj. despondent.

lucid

a. easily understood; clear; intelligible

lucrative

a. profitable; producing good profit

ludicrous

a. laughable; completely devoid of wisdom or good sense

luminary

n. celebrity; person who is an inspiration to others; person who has achieved eminence in specific field

luminescence

n. showing increase.

luminescent

adj. showing increase of light.

luminosity

n. light; radiance; quality of being luminous

luminous

a. shining; emitting light, especially emitting self-generated light

lunacy

n. insanity or madness; something deeply misguided

lunar

a. pertaining to the moon; affecting the moon

lunatic

a. insane; mad; wildly or giddily foolish

lune

n. the moon.

lurid

a. causing shock or horror; gruesome

luscious

a. pleasing or sweet to taste or smell

lustrous

a. giving out or shedding light, as sun or fire; reflecting light; having brilliant surface

luxuriance

n. excessive or superfluous growth or quantity.

luxuriant

a. abundant; rich and splendid; fertile

luxuriate

v. to live sumptuously.

lying

n. untruthfulness.

lyre

n. one of the most ancient of stringed instruments of the harp class.

lyric

n. short poem of songlike; expressing deep personal emotion

macadamize

v. to cover or pave, as a path or roadway, with small broken stone.

machinery

n. the parts of a machine or engine, taken collectively.

machinist

n. one who makes or repairs machines, or uses metal-working tools.

macrocosm

n. the whole universe or entire world; complex structure, such as society, considered as single entity that contains numerous smaller-scale structures

madden

v. make mad; drive to madness; craze; excite violently with passion; make very angry

madonna

n. a painted or sculptured representation of the virgin, usually with the infant jesus.

magician

n. one who performs magic tricks to amuse an audience; sorcerer; wizard

magisterial

adj. having an air of authority.

magistracy

n. the office or dignity of a magistrate.

magnanimous

a. generous; high-minded; chivalrous

magnate

n. powerful or influential person, especially in business or industry

magnet

n. a body possessing that peculiar form of polarity found in nature in the lodestone.

magnetize

v. make magnetic; attract strongly, as if with a magnet

magnificence

n. grandeur; splendor; grand or imposing beauty

magnificent

a. grand or noble in thought or deed; outstanding of its kind

magnitude

n. extent; greatness of rank, size, or position

maharaja

n. a great hindu prince.

maidenhood

n. virginity.

maintain

v. keep in any particular state or condition; keep up or carry on; continue

maintenance

n. preservation; support; continuance; court-ordered support paid by one spouse to another

maize

n. tall annual cereal grass bearing kernels on large ears

makeup

n. composition; structure; the way in which someone or something is composed

malady

n. disease, disorder, or ailment; unwholesome condition

malaria

n. a fever characterized by alternating chills, fever, and sweating.

malcontent

n. person dissatisfied with current conditions; discontented person

malediction

n. curse; evil speaking; utterance of curse or execration

malefactor

n. criminal; one who does evil or injury to another

maleficent

adj. mischievous.

malevolence

n. ill will.

malevolent

a. having or exhibiting ill will; wishing harm to others; malicious

malign

v. speak evil of; bad-mouth; defame

malignant

a. injurious; tending to cause death; disposed to do evil

malleable

a. capable of being shaped by pounding; impressionable

mallet

n. hammer; a tool resembling a hammer but with a large head; a light drumstick with a rounded head

maltreat

v. treat ill; abuse; treat roughly.

mandate

n. authoritative command or instruction; commission of authorizing to administer a territory

mandatory

a. obligatory; required or commanded by authority

mane

n. the long hair growing upon and about the neck of certain animals, as the horse and the lion.

man-eater

n. an animal that devours human beings.

maneuver

n. plan for attaining a particular goal; deliberate coordinated movement; strategy

mania

n. craze; madness; an irrational but irresistible motive for a belief or action

maniac

a. raving with madness; raging with disordered intellect; wildly disordered

manifesto

n. public declaration of principles; statement of policy

manlike

adj. like a man.

manliness

n. the qualities characteristic of a true man, as bravery, resolution, etc.

mannerism

n. exaggerated display; behavioral attribute that is distinctive and peculiar to an individual

manor

n. the landed estate of a lord or nobleman.

mantel

n. the facing, sometimes richly ornamented, about a fireplace, including the usual shelf above it.

mantle

n. loose sleeveless coat worn over outer garments; cloak as a symbol of authority; covering; envelop

man-trap

n. a place or structure dangerous to human life.

manufacturer

n. a person engaged in manufacturing as a business.

manumission

n. emancipation.

manumit

v. to set free from bondage.

marine

a. sea-dwelling; maritime; naval

maritime

a. relating to, or adjacent to the sea; nautical

maroon

n. in the West Indies and Guiana, a fugitive slave, or a free black person, living in the mountains

martial

a. relating to, or suggestive of war; connected with the armed forces

martian

adj. pertaining to mars, either the roman god of war or the planet.

martyrdom

n. submission to death or persecution for the sake of faith or principle.

marvel

n. wonder; strong surprise; astonishment

masonry

n. craft of a construction worker; structure built of stone or brick

masquerade

n. assembly of persons wearing masks, and amusing themselves with dancing, conversation, or other diversions; dramatic performance by actors in masks

massacre

n. killing of a considerable number of human beings under circumstances of atrocity or cruelty

massive

a. enormous; colossal; consisting of great mass; containing a great quantity of matter

masterpiece

n. chief excellence or great talent; outstanding work of art or craft