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### Meaning-Synonym-Antonyms

- Abysmal Adj. Bottomless Use: His arrogance is exceeded only by his abysmal ignorance  
Terrible, awful, dreadful, appalling, very bad, Superb
- acronym n. A word formed by the initial letters of a multi-word name Contraction, ellipsis
- admonish v. Warn strongly, reprove Use: He admonished his listeners to change their wicked ways  
Reprove, reprimand, chide, rebuke, usurp Approve
- Circumspect v. Investigation before acting
- Use: She tried always to be circumspect
- Cautious, prudent, careful, guarded, wary, judicious, vigilant, reckless
- Conciliation n. The act of placating Appeasement, pacification, propitiation Incitement
- Connotation n. Suggested or implied meaning of an expression. Use: Foreigners frequently are unaware of the connotations of the words they use. Nuance, suggestion, implication, undertone, overtone, subtext
- covert Adj. Secret or hidden, not openly practiced or vowed n. a covering that serves to conceal or shelter something Use: Investigations of CIA reveal that such covert operations can get out of control  
Clandestine, concealed, stealthy, underground, copse, wood, thicket Open
- Covetous Adj. Avaricious, eagerly desirous of Use: The child was covetous by nature and wanted to take the toys belonging to his classmates  
envious, jealous, desirous, greedy  
Generous, temperate
- Deprecate v. Express disapproval of, protest against, belittle Use: A firm believer of old-fashioned courtesy, Miss Post, deprecated the modern tendency to address new acquaintances by their first names. Denounce, deplore, condemn, censure, denigrate, decry, belittle. Approve
- Diligence n. Care and perseverance in carrying out tasks. Use: Her employers were greatly impressed by her diligence and offered her a partnership in the firm  
Hard-working, assiduousness, meticulousness, conscientiousness, painstakingness Laziness, carelessness
- negligence
- Discretion n. Ability to adjust action to circumstances Use: Use your discretion in this matter and do not discuss the matter with anyone. Prudence, caution, acumen, predilection, sagacity,

wariness, volition Indiscretion

- dispel v. Scatter, drive away, cause to vanish Use: The bright sunlight eventually dispelled the morning mist Disperse Attract
- Dissemination v. Opening to public discussion or debate, the act of spreading something, Use: By their use of the internet, propagandists, have been able to disseminate their pet doctrines to new audiences around the globe Broadcasting, diffusion, propagation
- Dogmatic Adj. Opinionated Use: We tried to discourage him from being so dogmatic, but nothing could convince him that his opinions might be wrong Arbitrary, doctrinal, unbending, inflexible, authoritarian, Flexible
- echelon n. A body of troops arranged in a line Level, stratum, rank, height
- fallible Adj. Liable to err. Use: I Know I am fallible, but I feel confident that I am right this time Imperfect, unsound, mortal, weak, frail, Perfect
- Harbinger n. An indication of the approach of something or someone, forerunner v. Fore shadow or presage Use: The crocus is an early harbinger of spring Forerunner, herald, potent, omen
- illustrious Adj. Widely known and esteemed Memorable, well-known, famous Inglorious, shameful
- impetus n. A force that moves something along, incentive, stimulus Use: A new federal highway program would create jobs and will give added impetus to our economic recovery Momentum, thrust, motivation inertia
- Intermittent Adj. Periodic Use: The outdoor wedding reception had to be shifted indoor to avoid the intermittent showers that fell on and of all afternoon. Alternating, sporadic Constant
- Latent Adj. Potentially existing, but not presently evident or realized Use: Polaroid pictures are popular at the parties because you can see the latent photographic image gradually appear before your eyes Dormant, embryonic, suppressed, undeveloped, Overt
- Latitude n. Freedom from narrow limitations Use: I think you have permitted your son too much latitude in this manner Leeway, freedom, autonomy, liberty, room, rope
- Manifestation n. Outward demonstration, indication Use: Mozart's early attraction to the harpsichord was the first manifestation of his pronounced musical bent Sign, demonstration, expression, symptom
- mitigate v. Lessen or try to lessen the seriousness or extent of Use: Nothing he could do to mitigate her anger, she refused to forgive him Appease, alleviate, allay, assuage, mollify, extenuate, palliate Aggravate, exacerbate

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- motley Adj. Multicolored or mixed Use: He wore a motley tunic, red and green and blue and gold all patched together haphazardly Assorted, diversified, mixed, dissimilar, Uniform, homogenous, monochrome
- pensive Adj. Dreamily thoughtful, thoughtful with a hint of sadness Use: The pensive lover gazed at the portrait of his beloved and sighed deeply. Brooding, pondering, meditative, contemplative
- prolific Adj. Abundantly fruitful Use: She was a prolific writer, who produced as many as three books a year Productive, abundant, fecund Unproductive, scarce
- relinquish v. Give up something with reluctance, yield Use: Once you get used to fringes like expense account meal and company car, it is very difficult to relinquish them Surrender, renounce, abandon, repudiate, cede
- Vanquish, retain
- solicit v. Request earnestly, seek Use: The Mayor telephoned all the members of the city council to solicit their votes Importune, implore, crave, beseech, Grant
- tractable Adj. Docile, easily managed, susceptible to suggestion Use: Although Susan seemed to be a tractable young woman, she had a stubborn streak of independence Obedient, dutiful, well-mannered Disobedient, intractable
- veer v. Change in direction Use: After what seemed to be an eternity, the wind veered to the east and the storm abated Turn, swerve
- Vehement Adj. Forceful, intensely emotional; with marked vigor Use: He became so Vehement in describing what had happened with him that he started jumping up and down Fervent, passionate, Apathetic
- Caprice n. Whim, a sudden desire. Use: She was an unpredictable creature, acting on caprice, never taking thought of consequences Whim, impulse, quirk, fad, fancy, notion
- stifle v. Suppress, extinguish, inhibit Use: Halfway through the boring picture, Laura gave up trying to stifle her yawns. Smother, asphyxiate, choke, suffocate, strangle, curb, restrain, repress, Let out
- concur v. Agree Use: Did you concur with the decision of the court or did you find it unfair? Agree, harmonize, coincide, assent, acquiesce Conflict, resist
- lethargy v. Lack of vitality or energy Use: A complete day's work left him in a state of lethargy Stupor, indolence, weariness Get-up-and-go
- Furtive Adj. Stealthy, sneaky, secret and sly or sordid Use: Noticing the furtive glance the customer gave the diamond bracelet on the counter, the jeweler wondered whether he had a potential shoplifter in his hands Surreptitious, clandestine open

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- efface v. Wipe out or make dim Use: The coin had been handled so many times that its date had been effaced Obliterate, eradicate, Engrave
- Pretentious Adj. Intended to attract notice and impress others, making unjustified claims, overambitious Use: The other prize winner isn't wearing her medal. isn't it a bit pretentious of you to wear yours? Ostentatious, pompous, conceited Down-to-earth
- compunction n. a feeling of deep regret (usually of some misdeed) Use: The judge was especially sever in his sentencing as the criminal had shown no compunction for his heinous crime Regret, scruple, qualm, guilt, reluctance, hesitation, confiscate