

1. <b>acquisitive</b>	definition: able to get and retain ideas synonym: greedy, grasping antonym: altruistic, unretentive	16. <b>reconnaissance</b>	definition: a survey made for military purposes synonym: scouting expedition
2. <b>arrogate</b>	definition: claim or take without right synonym: expropriate, usurp antonym: relinquish, renounce, abdicate	17. <b>substantiate</b>	definition: to establish by evidence synonym: verify, validate, authenticate antonym: refute, disprove, invalidate
3. <b>banal</b>	definition: hackneyed, trite synonym: stale, insipid antonym: novel, original	18. <b>taciturn</b>	definition: silent or quiet synonym: uncommunicative, laconic antonym: garrulous, loquacious, verbose
4. <b>belabor</b>	definition: work on excessively synonym: overwork	19. <b>temporize</b>	definition: act evasively in order to gain time synonym: hedge, dillydally, procrastinate
5. <b>carping</b>	definition: tending to find fault; petty, nasty synonym: nit-picking antonym: approving	20. <b>tenable</b>	definition: capable of being held or defended synonym: defensible, maintainable antonym: indefensible, unjustifiable
6. <b>coherent</b>	definition: holding or sticking together synonym: connected, consistent, cohesive antonym: chaotic, disjointed		
7. <b>congeal</b>	definition: liquid to solid, thicken synonym: harden, coagulate, solidify antonym: melt, liquefy		
8. <b>emulate</b>	definition: to imitate synonym: copy, mimic, measure up to		
9. <b>encomium</b>	definition: a formal expression of praise synonym: panegyric, commendation antonym: condemnation, criticism		
10. <b>eschew</b>	definition: to avoid, shun synonym: abstain from, forgo antonym: embrace, adopt		
11. <b>germane</b>	definition: relevant, appropriate, fitting synonym: pertinent antonym: irrelevant, extraneous, inappropriate		
12. <b>insatiable</b>	definition: demanding as not to be satisfied synonym: unquenchable, ravenous, voracious		
13. <b>intransigent</b>	definition: irreconcilable synonym: uncompromising, unyielding antonym: halfhearted, yielding		
14. <b>invidious</b>	definition: offensive; cause bitterness and resentment synonym: malicious, pejorative antonym: complimentary, flattering, ameliorative		
15. <b>largesse</b>	definition: lavish or bountiful contributions synonym: liberality, munificence antonym: stinginess, miserliness		