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Words

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1. Abbreviate	Shorten,abridge	37. enhance	improve, augment
2. Abstinence	act of refraining from	38. ephemeral	momentary, fleeting
3. Adulation	high praise	39. evanescent	short-lived, as an image
4. adversity	misfortune	40. exasperation	irritation, frustration
5. aesthetic	pertaining to beauty	41. exemplary	outstanding
6. amicable	agreeable	42. extenuating	guilt diminishing
7. anachronistic	out-of-date	43. florid	flushed, ornate
8. anecdote	short account of event	44. fortuitous	lucky
9. anonymous	nameless	45. frugal	thrifty
10. antagonist	opponent	46. hackneyed	overused, cliched
11. arid	extremely dry	47. haughty	arrogant, condescending
12. assiduous	hard-working	48. hedonist	pleasure seeker
13. asylum	sanctuary	49. hypothesis	theory requiring proof
14. benevolent	friendly, helpful	50. impetuous	rash, impulsive
15. camaraderie	trust among friends	51. impute	to attribute to someone
16. censure	to criticize harshly	52. incompatible	unable to work together
17. circuitous	indirect, roundabout	53. inconsequential	trivial
18. clairvoyant	able to see the future	54. inevitable	unavoidable, certain
19. collaborate	to work together	55. integrity	honesty, decency
20. compassion	sympathy, mercy	56. intrepid	fearless, adventurous
21. compromise	to settle differences	57. intuitive	instinctive, untaught
22. condescending	patronizing	58. jubilation	joy, exultation
23. conditional	provisional, contingent	59. lobbyist	persuader of legislators
24. conformist	follower of customs	60. longevity	long life
25. congregation	crowd of people	61. mundane	ordinary, common
26. convergence	joining of parts	62. nonchalant	calm, casual
27. deleterious	harmful	63. novice	beginner
28. demagogue	rabble-rousing leader	64. opulent	wealthy
29. digression	straying from main point	65. orator	speaker
30. diligent	hard-working	66. ostentatious	displaying wealth
31. discredit	dishonor, disgrace	67. parched	dried up
32. disdain	to regard with scorn	68. perfidious	disloyal
33. divergent	variant, moving apart	69. precocious	talented beyond one's age
34. empathy	sharing of feelings	70. pretentious	pompous, self-important
35. emulate	follow an example	71. procrastinate	to delay unnecessarily
36. enervating	tiring, weakening	72. prosaic	run-of-the-mill

73.	prosperity	wealth, success
74.	provocative	inflammatory
75.	prudent	wise, careful, cautious
76.	querulous	irritable
77.	rancorous	hateful
78.	reclusive	withdrawn, hermit-like
79.	reconciliation	agreement after a quarrel
80.	renovation	state of being renewed
81.	resilient	quick to recover
82.	restrained	controlled, restricted
83.	reverence	profound respect
84.	sagacity	wisdom
85.	scrutinize	to observe carefully
86.	spontaneity	impulsive action
87.	spurious	phony, false
88.	submissive	meek
89.	substantiate	to verify, confirm
90.	subtle	elusive, sly, ambiguous
91.	superficial	lacking in depth
92.	superfluous	more than enough
93.	suppress	to end an activity
94.	surreptitious	secret, stealthy
95.	tactful	diplomatic, polite
96.	tenacious	persistent, resolute
97.	transient	temporary, fleeting
98.	venerable	respectable due to age
99.	vindicate	to clear from blame
100.	wary	watchful, alert