

12.	communal	kuh MYOON ul	pertaining to a group or community	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	individual
	A hermit does not enjoy communal situations.			
	Derivatives >>	commune, communed, communing, communally, communalism, communalist, communalization,		
13.	contempt	kun TEMPT	scorn, extreme dislike or disdain	
	Synonyms >>	despicableness, pitiableness, scurviness	Antonym >>	respect
	The man treated the gossiping woman with contempt; talking about other people was beneath his dignity.			
	Derivatives >>	contemptible, contemptuous		
14.	copious	KO pee us	abundant	
	Synonyms >>	ample	Antonym >>	sparse
	I always take copious notes in my history class.			
	Derivatives >>	copiousness, copiously		
15.	deft	DEFT	skillful, adroit	
	Synonyms >>	clever, cunning, dexterous, ingenious	Antonym >>	clumsy
	He was very deft in handling the questions from the reporter.			
	Derivatives >>	deftness, deftly		
16.	degeneration	dee gen er A shun	a state of decline	
	Synonyms >>	decadence, decline	Antonym >>	progress
	The priest was called after the degeneration of the man's condition.			
	Derivatives >>	degeneracy, degenerately, degenerateness, degenerative, degenerous		
17.	derision	deh REH zhun	scoffing at, mockery, ridicule	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	applause
	The boy received much derision for his plaid gym shorts.			
	Derivatives >>	derisive, derisiveness, derisively, derisory		
18.	desecrate	DES uh krate	to violate the sanctity of something, to profane, to adulterate	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	to consecrate; to laud; to praise
	The hoodlums desecrated the cemetery by painting on the tombstones.			
	Derivatives >>	desecrater, desecration		
19.	desolate	DES uh lit	deserted, without inhabitants, barren	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	populous
	Some of the western states have large areas that are desolate.			
	Derivatives >>	desolately, desolateness, desolater, desolating, desolation		
20.	despairing	deh SPARE ing	hopeless, despondent, discouraged	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	hopeful
	The woman's despairing tears touched the hearts of many.			
	Derivatives >>	despair, despaired, despairful, despairfully, despairingly, despairingness		
21.	discern	deh SURN	to differentiate between two or more things	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	to ignore; to be oblivious; to
	Because of the fog, I was barely able to discern the landing strip.			
	Derivatives >>	discerner, discernible, discernable, discernibleness, discernibly, discernably, discerningly, discernment		
22.	discord	DIS kord	lack of agreement, tension, strife	
	Synonyms >>	contention, dissension, variance	Antonym >>	harmony; agreement
	There is a lot of discord in the nation over the issue of abortion.			
	Derivatives >>	discordance, discordancy, discordant, discordantly, discordantness		
23.	dispatch	deh SPATCH	to send away with promptness or speed; speed, quickness	
	Synonyms >>	haste, expediency	Antonym >>	to delay; slowness, inefficiency
	The officer dispatched his troops to the scene of conflict.			
	Derivatives >>	dispatched, dispatching, dispatches		
24.	enthraling	en THROL ing	captivating, spellbinding	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	boring
	Because the book was so enthralling, I stayed awake all night reading it.			
	Derivatives >>	enthrall, enthralled, enthrallingly, enthrallment		
25.	esoteric	es uh TER ik	understood only by a small group or a select few	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	obvious
	The English teachers were having an esoteric discussion about the correct usage of some obscure word.			
	Derivatives >>	esoterical, esoterically, esotericism, esotericist, esoterism, esotery		