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# Top 100 GRE Vocabulary Words

Learn 100 high-frequency GRE vocabulary words with meanings, examples, synonyms, and antonyms.

**CATEGORY**

**GRE Vocabulary**

**LEVEL**

**Advanced**

**WORDS**

**100**

This Top 100 GRE Vocabulary Words list is designed to help learners prepare effectively for the GRE Verbal section. These high-frequency words commonly appear in Text Completion, Sentence Equivalence, and Reading Comprehension questions, and each word includes meaning, example sentence, synonyms, and antonyms for deeper understanding.

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## OVERVIEW

## Resource Summary

A quick overview of this LVF resource before you move into the lesson or vocabulary pages.

### At a glance

- **Resource Type:** Word List PDF
- **Category:** GRE Vocabulary
- **Level:** Advanced
- **Total Words:** 100
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- **Intermediate Words:** 37
- **Advanced Words:** 63
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### How to use this PDF

1. Read the definitions carefully.
2. Review examples and usage notes.
3. Try the practice section independently.
4. Check the answer key for self-review.

## STARTER LIST

## Words you will meet in this PDF (but not limited to)

- **Abate** — To become less intense or severe.
- **Aberrant** — Different from what is normal or expected.
- **Abhor** — To hate something strongly.
- **Alleviate** — To make pain or a problem less severe.
- **Ambiguous** — Having more than one possible meaning.
- **Ameliorate** — To improve a bad situation.
- **Anomaly** — Something unusual or different from what is expected.
- **Apathy** — Lack of interest, emotion, or concern.

## VOCABULARY PAGE 1

## Top 100 GRE Vocabulary Words

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**Abate**

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To become less intense or severe.

**EXAMPLE**

The storm began to abate after midnight.

**SYNONYMS**

lessen

diminish

**ANTONYMS**

intensify

increase

**Aberrant**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Different from what is normal or expected.

**EXAMPLE**

The scientist noticed an aberrant pattern in the data.

**SYNONYMS**

abnormal

irregular

**ANTONYMS**

normal

typical

**Abhor**

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To hate something strongly.

**EXAMPLE**

Many people abhor cruelty in any form.

**SYNONYMS**

detest

loathe

**ANTONYMS**

admire

love

**Alleviate**

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To make pain or a problem less severe.

**EXAMPLE**

The policy was designed to alleviate poverty.

**SYNONYMS**

ease

relieve

**ANTONYMS**

worsen

intensify

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**Ambiguous**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Having more than one possible meaning.

**EXAMPLE**

The instructions were ambiguous and confused the students.

**SYNONYMS**

unclear

vague

**ANTONYMS**

clear

obvious

**Ameliorate**

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To improve a bad situation.

**EXAMPLE**

The reforms helped ameliorate working conditions.

**SYNONYMS**

improve

enhance

**ANTONYMS**

worsen

damage

**Anomaly**

NOUN

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Something unusual or different from what is expected.

**EXAMPLE**

The sudden rise in temperature was an anomaly.

**SYNONYMS**

irregularity

exception

**ANTONYMS**

normality

standard

**Apathy**

NOUN

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Lack of interest, emotion, or concern.

**EXAMPLE**

Voter apathy can weaken democratic participation.

**SYNONYMS**

indifference

unconcern

**ANTONYMS**

enthusiasm

interest

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**Arbitrary**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

## MEANING

Based on personal choice rather than reason.

## EXAMPLE

The rule seemed arbitrary and unfair.

## SYNONYMS

random

unreasonable

## ANTONYMS

logical

reasoned

**Arduous**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

## MEANING

Very difficult and requiring great effort.

## EXAMPLE

Preparing for the exam was an arduous process.

## SYNONYMS

difficult

demanding

## ANTONYMS

easy

effortless

**Austere**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

## MEANING

Strict, plain, or without luxury.

## EXAMPLE

The monk lived an austere life.

## SYNONYMS

severe

plain

## ANTONYMS

luxurious

indulgent

**Belligerent**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

## MEANING

Hostile or aggressive.

## EXAMPLE

His belligerent tone made discussion difficult.

## SYNONYMS

hostile

aggressive

## ANTONYMS

peaceful

friendly

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### Benevolent

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Kind and generous.

#### EXAMPLE

The benevolent donor supported the school.

#### SYNONYMS

kind

charitable

#### ANTONYMS

cruel

selfish

### Bolster

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

To support or strengthen.

#### EXAMPLE

The new evidence helped bolster her argument.

#### SYNONYMS

support

reinforce

#### ANTONYMS

weaken

undermine

### Capricious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Changing suddenly and unpredictably.

#### EXAMPLE

The capricious weather disrupted the event.

#### SYNONYMS

unpredictable

fickle

#### ANTONYMS

steady

consistent

### Censure

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

To strongly criticize or express disapproval.

#### EXAMPLE

The committee voted to censure the official.

#### SYNONYMS

criticize

condemn

#### ANTONYMS

praise

approve

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### Clandestine

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Secret or hidden, often for a questionable reason.

**EXAMPLE**

They held a clandestine meeting at night.

**SYNONYMS**

secret covert

**ANTONYMS**

open public

### Coerce

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To force someone to do something.

**EXAMPLE**

The law prevents employers from trying to coerce workers.

**SYNONYMS**

force pressure

**ANTONYMS**

persuade allow

### Coherent

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Logical, clear, and easy to understand.

**EXAMPLE**

Her essay presented a coherent argument.

**SYNONYMS**

logical clear

**ANTONYMS**

confused unclear

### Complacent

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Too satisfied with oneself, often ignoring risks.

**EXAMPLE**

The team became complacent after early success.

**SYNONYMS**

self-satisfied smug

**ANTONYMS**

alert concerned

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**Concise**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Expressing much in few words.

**EXAMPLE**

The report was concise but informative.

**SYNONYMS**

brief

compact

**ANTONYMS**

lengthy

wordy

**Condemn**

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To express strong disapproval.

**EXAMPLE**

Leaders condemned the violent attack.

**SYNONYMS**

denounce

criticize

**ANTONYMS**

approve

praise

**Conundrum**

NOUN

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

A difficult problem or puzzle.

**EXAMPLE**

The ethical conundrum had no easy solution.

**SYNONYMS**

puzzle

dilemma

**ANTONYMS**

solution

clarity

**Credible**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Believable or trustworthy.

**EXAMPLE**

The witness gave a credible explanation.

**SYNONYMS**

believable

reliable

**ANTONYMS**

doubtful

unreliable

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**Culprit**

NOUN

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

A person or thing responsible for a problem.

**EXAMPLE**

Poor planning was the main culprit behind the delay.

**SYNONYMS**

offender

cause

**ANTONYMS**

victim

helper

**Debilitate**

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To weaken seriously.

**EXAMPLE**

The illness can debilitate patients for weeks.

**SYNONYMS**

weaken

impair

**ANTONYMS**

strengthen

energize

**Deference**

NOUN

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Respectful submission to someone's opinion or authority.

**EXAMPLE**

The junior lawyer showed deference to the judge.

**SYNONYMS**

respect

regard

**ANTONYMS**

disrespect

defiance

**Deprive**

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To take something necessary away from someone.

**EXAMPLE**

Lack of sleep can deprive students of focus.

**SYNONYMS**

deny

strip

**ANTONYMS**

provide

supply

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**Didactic**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Intended to teach, sometimes in a moralizing way.

**EXAMPLE**

The novel has a strongly didactic tone.

**SYNONYMS**

instructive

educational

**ANTONYMS**

entertaining

uninformative

**Diligent**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Careful and hardworking.

**EXAMPLE**

A diligent student reviews vocabulary every day.

**SYNONYMS**

hardworking

careful

**ANTONYMS**

lazy

careless

**Disparate**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Clearly different or unrelated.

**EXAMPLE**

The study compared data from disparate sources.

**SYNONYMS**

different

diverse

**ANTONYMS**

similar

related

**Eclectic**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Made up of elements from many different sources.

**EXAMPLE**

Her reading list was eclectic and wide-ranging.

**SYNONYMS**

varied

diverse

**ANTONYMS**

narrow

uniform

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**Egregious**

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

## MEANING

Extremely bad or shocking.

## EXAMPLE

The report exposed egregious errors in the system.

## SYNONYMS

shocking

outrageous

## ANTONYMS

minor

acceptable

**Elucidate**

VERB

ADVANCED

## MEANING

To explain clearly.

## EXAMPLE

The professor used examples to elucidate the theory.

## SYNONYMS

explain

clarify

## ANTONYMS

confuse

obscure

**Eminent**

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

## MEANING

Famous and respected in a field.

## EXAMPLE

The lecture was delivered by an eminent economist.

## SYNONYMS

distinguished

renowned

## ANTONYMS

unknown

ordinary

**Enigma**

NOUN

ADVANCED

## MEANING

Something mysterious or difficult to understand.

## EXAMPLE

The ancient symbol remains an enigma.

## SYNONYMS

mystery

puzzle

## ANTONYMS

explanation

clarity

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### Ephemeral

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Lasting for a very short time.

#### EXAMPLE

Social media trends are often ephemeral.

#### SYNONYMS

temporary

brief

#### ANTONYMS

permanent

lasting

### Equanimity

NOUN

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Calmness under pressure.

#### EXAMPLE

She handled the crisis with equanimity.

#### SYNONYMS

composure

calmness

#### ANTONYMS

panic

agitation

### Erratic

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Unpredictable or irregular.

#### EXAMPLE

His erratic attendance affected his performance.

#### SYNONYMS

irregular

unpredictable

#### ANTONYMS

steady

consistent

### Esoteric

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Understood by only a small group of people.

#### EXAMPLE

The article used esoteric technical language.

#### SYNONYMS

obscure

specialized

#### ANTONYMS

common

accessible

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### Exacerbate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To make a problem worse.

#### EXAMPLE

The shortage of staff exacerbated the delay.

#### SYNONYMS

worsen

aggravate

#### ANTONYMS

improve

ease

### Exasperate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To annoy or frustrate greatly.

#### EXAMPLE

The repeated delays began to exasperate the passengers.

#### SYNONYMS

irritate

frustrate

#### ANTONYMS

calm

please

### Fastidious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Very attentive to detail and difficult to please.

#### EXAMPLE

The editor was fastidious about grammar.

#### SYNONYMS

meticulous

particular

#### ANTONYMS

careless

sloppy

### Feasible

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Possible and practical to do.

#### EXAMPLE

The plan is ambitious but feasible.

#### SYNONYMS

possible

practical

#### ANTONYMS

impossible

impractical

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### Fortuitous

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Happening by chance, often luckily.

#### EXAMPLE

Their fortuitous meeting led to a partnership.

#### SYNONYMS

accidental

lucky

#### ANTONYMS

planned

deliberate

### Frugal

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Careful with money or resources.

#### EXAMPLE

A frugal lifestyle helped him save more.

#### SYNONYMS

economical

thrifty

#### ANTONYMS

wasteful

extravagant

### Garrulous

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Excessively talkative.

#### EXAMPLE

The garrulous guest dominated the conversation.

#### SYNONYMS

talkative

chatty

#### ANTONYMS

quiet

reserved

### Gratify

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

To please or satisfy.

#### EXAMPLE

The positive feedback gratified the team.

#### SYNONYMS

satisfy

please

#### ANTONYMS

disappoint

upset

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### Gregarious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Sociable and enjoying company.

**EXAMPLE**

His gregarious nature made him popular.

**SYNONYMS**

sociable

outgoing

**ANTONYMS**

reserved

introverted

### Harbinger

NOUN

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

A sign that something is coming.

**EXAMPLE**

Dark clouds were a harbinger of heavy rain.

**SYNONYMS**

sign

indicator

**ANTONYMS**

result

consequence

### Hinder

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To make progress difficult.

**EXAMPLE**

Poor internet access can hinder online learning.

**SYNONYMS**

obstruct

delay

**ANTONYMS**

help

support

### Iconoclast

NOUN

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

A person who challenges established beliefs or traditions.

**EXAMPLE**

The artist was seen as an iconoclast in her field.

**SYNONYMS**

rebel

challenger

**ANTONYMS**

conformist

traditionalist

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### Impecunious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Having little or no money.

**EXAMPLE**

The impecunious student relied on scholarships.

**SYNONYMS**

poor

penniless

**ANTONYMS**

wealthy

affluent

### Implacable

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Unable to be calmed, changed, or satisfied.

**EXAMPLE**

She faced implacable opposition to her proposal.

**SYNONYMS**

relentless

unyielding

**ANTONYMS**

flexible

forgiving

### Incessant

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Continuing without interruption.

**EXAMPLE**

The incessant noise made concentration impossible.

**SYNONYMS**

constant

nonstop

**ANTONYMS**

occasional

intermittent

### Inevitable

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Certain to happen.

**EXAMPLE**

Some mistakes are inevitable during learning.

**SYNONYMS**

unavoidable

certain

**ANTONYMS**

avoidable

uncertain

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### Ingenious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Clever and inventive.

#### EXAMPLE

The engineer proposed an ingenious solution.

#### SYNONYMS

clever

inventive

#### ANTONYMS

unimaginative

dull

### Inimical

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Harmful or hostile.

#### EXAMPLE

The policy was inimical to small businesses.

#### SYNONYMS

harmful

hostile

#### ANTONYMS

helpful

friendly

### Inspid

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Dull, bland, or lacking interest.

#### EXAMPLE

The presentation was accurate but inspid.

#### SYNONYMS

dull

bland

#### ANTONYMS

exciting

flavorful

### Laconic

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Using very few words.

#### EXAMPLE

His laconic reply ended the discussion.

#### SYNONYMS

brief

concise

#### ANTONYMS

verbose

talkative

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### Lethargic

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Lacking energy or enthusiasm.

#### EXAMPLE

He felt lethargic after a sleepless night.

#### SYNONYMS

sluggish

tired

#### ANTONYMS

energetic

active

### Lucid

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Clear and easy to understand.

#### EXAMPLE

The professor gave a lucid explanation.

#### SYNONYMS

clear

understandable

#### ANTONYMS

confusing

unclear

### Lucrative

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Producing a lot of money or profit.

#### EXAMPLE

Technology consulting can be a lucrative career.

#### SYNONYMS

profitable

rewarding

#### ANTONYMS

unprofitable

costly

### Magnanimous

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Generous and forgiving, especially toward rivals.

#### EXAMPLE

The winner was magnanimous in victory.

#### SYNONYMS

generous

noble

#### ANTONYMS

petty

selfish

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### Mendacious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Dishonest or lying.

**EXAMPLE**

The mendacious statement damaged his credibility.

**SYNONYMS**

dishonest

deceitful

**ANTONYMS**

truthful

honest

### Meticulous

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Extremely careful and detailed.

**EXAMPLE**

Her meticulous notes helped the whole class.

**SYNONYMS**

careful

precise

**ANTONYMS**

careless

sloppy

### Mitigate

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

To make something less severe.

**EXAMPLE**

The new measures helped mitigate the risk.

**SYNONYMS**

reduce

lessen

**ANTONYMS**

worsen

intensify

### Negligent

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Failing to take proper care.

**EXAMPLE**

The company was negligent in handling safety checks.

**SYNONYMS**

careless

inattentive

**ANTONYMS**

careful

responsible

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### Obdurate

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Stubborn and unwilling to change.

#### EXAMPLE

He remained obdurate despite strong evidence.

#### SYNONYMS

stubborn

inflexible

#### ANTONYMS

flexible

yielding

### Obscure

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Difficult to understand or not well known.

#### EXAMPLE

The passage contained several obscure references.

#### SYNONYMS

unclear

unknown

#### ANTONYMS

clear

famous

### Obsequious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Too eager to please or obey.

#### EXAMPLE

The obsequious assistant agreed with everything.

#### SYNONYMS

servile

submissive

#### ANTONYMS

assertive

independent

### Ostentatious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Showy in order to impress others.

#### EXAMPLE

The room was decorated in an ostentatious style.

#### SYNONYMS

showy

flashy

#### ANTONYMS

modest

simple

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### Paradox

NOUN

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

A statement or situation that seems contradictory but may be true.

#### EXAMPLE

It is a paradox that more choices can make decisions harder.

#### SYNONYMS

contradiction

puzzle

#### ANTONYMS

consistency

certainty

### Pernicious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Very harmful, often in a gradual way.

#### EXAMPLE

Misinformation can have pernicious effects.

#### SYNONYMS

harmful

destructive

#### ANTONYMS

beneficial

harmless

### Placate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To calm someone who is angry.

#### EXAMPLE

The manager tried to placate the unhappy customer.

#### SYNONYMS

calm

appease

#### ANTONYMS

provoke

anger

### Pragmatic

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Practical and focused on results.

#### EXAMPLE

She offered a pragmatic solution to the problem.

#### SYNONYMS

practical

realistic

#### ANTONYMS

idealistic

impractical

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### Prevalent

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

**MEANING**

Common or widespread.

**EXAMPLE**

Online learning is now prevalent worldwide.

**SYNONYMS**

common

widespread

**ANTONYMS**

rare

uncommon

### Prodigal

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Wastefully extravagant.

**EXAMPLE**

His prodigal spending left him in debt.

**SYNONYMS**

wasteful

extravagant

**ANTONYMS**

frugal

economical

### Prolific

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Producing many works, results, or ideas.

**EXAMPLE**

The prolific author published three books in one year.

**SYNONYMS**

productive

creative

**ANTONYMS**

unproductive

inactive

### Quixotic

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Unrealistically idealistic.

**EXAMPLE**

His quixotic plan ignored practical limitations.

**SYNONYMS**

idealistic

impractical

**ANTONYMS**

realistic

pragmatic

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### Recalcitrant

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Stubbornly refusing to obey rules.

**EXAMPLE**

The recalcitrant employee ignored repeated warnings.

**SYNONYMS**

defiant

stubborn

**ANTONYMS**

obedient

cooperative

### Reconcile

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To restore agreement or make things consistent.

**EXAMPLE**

The manager tried to reconcile the conflicting reports.

**SYNONYMS**

settle

harmonize

**ANTONYMS**

conflict

separate

### Refute

VERB

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

To prove something wrong.

**EXAMPLE**

The researcher refuted the earlier theory.

**SYNONYMS**

disprove

rebut

**ANTONYMS**

confirm

support

### Reticent

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

**MEANING**

Unwilling to speak freely.

**EXAMPLE**

She was reticent about discussing her plans.

**SYNONYMS**

reserved

quiet

**ANTONYMS**

talkative

open

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### Sagacious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Wise and showing good judgment.

#### EXAMPLE

The sagacious leader avoided unnecessary conflict.

#### SYNONYMS

wise

perceptive

#### ANTONYMS

foolish

unwise

### Sanguine

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Optimistic or hopeful.

#### EXAMPLE

She remained sanguine about the outcome.

#### SYNONYMS

optimistic

hopeful

#### ANTONYMS

pessimistic

doubtful

### Scrutinize

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To examine very carefully.

#### EXAMPLE

The committee will scrutinize the proposal.

#### SYNONYMS

inspect

examine

#### ANTONYMS

ignore

overlook

### Spurious

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

False or not genuine.

#### EXAMPLE

The article was based on spurious claims.

#### SYNONYMS

false

fake

#### ANTONYMS

genuine

authentic

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### Substantiate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To provide evidence to support a claim.

#### EXAMPLE

You need data to substantiate your argument.

#### SYNONYMS

prove

confirm

#### ANTONYMS

disprove

weaken

### Superfluous

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

More than needed; unnecessary.

#### EXAMPLE

The editor removed superfluous details.

#### SYNONYMS

unnecessary

excessive

#### ANTONYMS

necessary

essential

### Taciturn

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Quiet and saying little.

#### EXAMPLE

The taciturn professor rarely spoke outside class.

#### SYNONYMS

silent

reserved

#### ANTONYMS

talkative

outgoing

### Tentative

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Not final or certain.

#### EXAMPLE

We made a tentative plan for the meeting.

#### SYNONYMS

provisional

uncertain

#### ANTONYMS

definite

final

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### Ubiquitous

ADJECTIVE

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

Present everywhere.

#### EXAMPLE

Smartphones have become ubiquitous in modern life.

#### SYNONYMS

everywhere

widespread

#### ANTONYMS

rare

scarce

### Vacillate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To keep changing opinions or decisions.

#### EXAMPLE

He continued to vacillate between the two choices.

#### SYNONYMS

hesitate

waver

#### ANTONYMS

decide

resolve

### Validate

VERB

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

To confirm that something is true or acceptable.

#### EXAMPLE

The experiment helped validate the hypothesis.

#### SYNONYMS

confirm

verify

#### ANTONYMS

invalidate

reject

### Venerate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To respect deeply.

#### EXAMPLE

Many people venerate the scientist for her discoveries.

#### SYNONYMS

respect

revere

#### ANTONYMS

disrespect

scorn

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### Verbose

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Using too many words.

#### EXAMPLE

The verbose explanation could have been shorter.

#### SYNONYMS

wordy

long-winded

#### ANTONYMS

concise

brief

### Vindicate

VERB

ADVANCED

#### MEANING

To prove someone or something right.

#### EXAMPLE

The new evidence vindicated her decision.

#### SYNONYMS

justify

defend

#### ANTONYMS

blame

condemn

### Wary

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Careful because of possible danger or problems.

#### EXAMPLE

Investors remained wary of the unstable market.

#### SYNONYMS

cautious

careful

#### ANTONYMS

careless

trusting

### Zealous

ADJECTIVE

INTERMEDIATE

#### MEANING

Showing strong enthusiasm or passion.

#### EXAMPLE

The zealous volunteer worked tirelessly.

#### SYNONYMS

enthusiastic

passionate

#### ANTONYMS

apathetic

indifferent



PRACTICE

## Mini Worksheet

Use the meanings and context from this PDF to answer the following practice questions.

1. Write the meaning of *Abate* and use it in one sentence.

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2. Write the meaning of *Aberrant* and use it in one sentence.

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3. Write the meaning of *Abhor* and use it in one sentence.

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4. Write the meaning of *Alleviate* and use it in one sentence.

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5. Write the meaning of *Ambiguous* and use it in one sentence.

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6. Write the meaning of *Ameliorate* and use it in one sentence.

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## ANSWER KEY

## Suggested Answers

These answer points are designed to support self-review and classroom guidance.

**1. Abate****Meaning:**

To become less intense or severe.

**Example:**

The storm began to abate after midnight.

**2. Aberrant****Meaning:**

Different from what is normal or expected.

**Example:**

The scientist noticed an aberrant pattern in the data.

**3. Abhor****Meaning:**

To hate something strongly.

**Example:**

Many people abhor cruelty in any form.

**4. Alleviate****Meaning:**

To make pain or a problem less severe.

**Example:**

The policy was designed to alleviate poverty.

**5. Ambiguous****Meaning:**

Having more than one possible meaning.

**Example:**

The instructions were ambiguous and confused the students.

**6. Ameliorate****Meaning:**

To improve a bad situation.

**Example:**

The reforms helped ameliorate working conditions.