

WORD	MEANING	EXAMPLE	CATEGORY
Hyperbole	an extravagant exaggeration	The main element of the product's commercial was a hyperbole describing rapid weight loss.	Regular Communication Words
Hyperbolic	related to language that is extremely exaggerated	While Jim fought only one attacker during the mugging attempt, he changed his story into a hyperbolic tale by adding a few other attackers.	Regular Communication Words
Hypercritical	overcritical; always finding fault	The girl's father is hypercritical, always finding fault in everything she does.	Regular Communication Words
Hypertonic	a solution that contains more dissolved salt or electrolytes than is found in normal cells and blood	The hypertonic solution was so salty that it could be safely ingested.	Regular Communication Words
Hyperventilate	to breathe at a very rapid rate	Erratic breathing while exercising can lead you to hyperventilate.	Regular Communication Words
Hyphenate	to divide by a small line or dash	Some people wrongfully hyphenate words like "uncovered" and "jelly-fish" because it doesn't need a hyphen in them.	Regular Communication Words
Hypnosis	a trancelike state of altered consciousness in which a person is more susceptible to suggestions	Placing the patient into a state of hypnosis, the doctor was able to offer suggestions that would help him quit smoking.	Regular Communication Words
Hypnotic	tending to induce sleep	If I take too high a dosage of the medication, its hypnotic affect will cause me to drift into a deep sleep.	Regular Communication Words
Hypnotic	mesmerizing; spell-binding	After being placed in a trance, the sound of a spoon clicking against the teacup sent the victims into a hypnotic state.	Regular Communication Words
Hypnotize	to fascinate in a way that captures one's full attention	The sway in the woman's hips seemed to hypnotize the men who drooled as they stared.	Regular Communication Words

Hypochondriac	one who believes he or she is always ill	Because my uncle is a hypochondriac, he is quick to diagnose himself with a life-threatening illness.	Regular Communication Words
Hypocorism	is a pet name or nickname	Although his name was Barry, his hypocorism was the Flash.	Regular Communication Words
Hypocrisy	the practice of professing standards, beliefs, etc, opposite to one's real character or actual behavior	Students protested that the rule about cell phones was just a bunch of hypocrisy because teachers were always using their cell phones.	Regular Communication Words
Hypocritical	describes behavior that goes against what one claims to believe	The hypocritical protesters shouted threats to the abortion clinic workers but refused to financially support the mothers who give birth to the unwanted infants.	Regular Communication Words
Hypodermic	associated with the area under the skin	The drug addict stole hypodermic needles from the pharmacy.	Regular Communication Words
Hypotenuse	the longest side of a right triangle	Using the Pythagorean Theorem, the mathematician was able to find the triangle's hypotenuse as well as its shorter sides.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothalamus	a small part of the brain that controls the autonomic nervous system and the secretion of hormones	After an injury to the hypothalamus region of his brain, the patient had trouble with his appetite and metabolism.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothecate	to pledge property as security for a debt	To get their son out of jail, the family had to hypothecate their property in lieu of a cash bond.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothermia	a dangerous drop in body temperature brought on by cold temperature	Most victims of the sinking of died not from drowning, but from hypothermia brought on by the icy water.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothesis	a proposed explanation or theory that is studied through scientific testing	The scientist's hypothesis did not stand up, since research data was inconsistent with his guess.	Regular Communication Words

Hypothesize	to come up with an educated guess based on prior knowledge or statistics	Scientists hypothesize that the Big Bang Theory was not actually caused by a giant meteor but ozone depletion.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothetical	founded on a theory or idea that has not been verified as true	For an assignment, each student had to write a response to a hypothetical scenario as though it had actually occurred.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothetically	being considered as a possibility but not yet reality	Hypothetically going through a black hole could lead us to an alternate universe, but we have no way of confirming that theory.	Regular Communication Words
Hypothyroidism	a condition in which the thyroid gland doesn't produce enough of certain important hormones	A diagnosis of hypothyroidism was given to the patient when bloodwork showed her thyroid gland was not producing adequate amounts of hormones.	Regular Communication Words
Hypotrophy	gradual degeneration of an organ or tissue caused by a loss of cells	Although hypotrophy involves the degeneration of tissue, it is a key part of building body muscle.	Regular Communication Words
Hypoxia	a medical or scientific condition in which there are low levels of oxygen concentration in the body or water	Sea life is all but suffocated when hypoxia causes oxygen depletion in the water.	Regular Communication Words
Hysteria	a situation of unrestrained enthusiasm or intense fear	The hostages were in a state of hysteria when they were rescued by the police.	Regular Communication Words
Hysterical	affected by uncontrolled emotions	The hysterical play kept the audience cackling the entire show.	Regular Communication Words
Hysterically	done with uncontrolled or extreme emotions	Out of the blue, the insane woman began to cackle hysterically.	Regular Communication Words
Hysterics	an uncontrollable crying or laughing spell	The widow was in a state of hysterics at her husband's funeral.	Regular Communication Words

Ibidem	denotes a footnote citation that was already referenced in a prior footnote	Because I had already written the footnote once, when it came up on another page later I simply marked it as Ibidem.	Regular Communication Words
Icicle	a hanging piece of ice that is formed when dripping water freezes	In order for an icicle to grow, a constant flowing stream of water must be moving over the ice.	Regular Communication Words
Icon	a person who is very famous or popular	Michael Jackson was a global icon, known around the world for his music and performing abilities.	Regular Communication Words
Iconic	very famous or popular	Iconic venues in the city draw in site-seers from all over the globe.	Regular Communication Words
Iconoclast	someone who attacks the beliefs, customs, and opinions that most people in a society accept	Because Jared was an iconoclast and dared to question the company's mission, he was fired from his job.	Regular Communication Words
Idea	a thought or opinion	Each idea the intern offered was initially turned down by management, but later used without credit being given.	Regular Communication Words
Ideal	perfect; model	The ideal environment for the polar bear is somewhere with cold temperatures and plentiful amounts of ice.	Regular Communication Words
Idealism	believing in or pursuing some perfect vision or belief that is unrealistic	Steeped in idealism, most of the middle-aged woman's financial goals were either impractical unrealistic.	Regular Communication Words
Idealist	someone who pursues a certain idea or goal, even when it is unrealistic	An idealist at heart, the woman agreed to the loan terms even though she knew the payments were too expensive for her budget.	Regular Communication Words
Idealize	regard or represent as perfect or better than in reality	Jay Gatsby like to idealize his past relationship with Daisy as a fairy tale, when in reality they were constantly fighting.	Regular Communication Words

Ideation	the forming of ideas	Positive ideation can keep your mind centered and focused on the path ahead.	Regular Communication Words
Identical	an exact copy	The set of identical twins always confuse their teachers and sometimes their parents!	Regular Communication Words
Identification	something that identifies a person, animal, or thing	Showing identification to the clerk, the passenger was able to board the bus with no problem.	Regular Communication Words
Identify	to select something based on noticeable characteristics	Eyewitnesses were able to identify the suspect by the unusual tattoo he had in the middle of his forehead.	Regular Communication Words
Identity	who someone is	With a blonde wig and dark trench coat, the celebrity's identity was unrecognizable.	Regular Communication Words
Ideogram	a written symbol that represents an idea or object	An ideogram with a cigarette and an X over it was placed on the door, warning patrons that no smoking was allowed in the building.	Regular Communication Words
Ideology	principles or beliefs associated with a group or person	When Jeff's governmental ideology changed, he decided to start his own political party.	Regular Communication Words
Idiocy	stupidity	The intellectual community is appalled by the idiocy of those who do not acknowledge scientific research.	Regular Communication Words
Idiom	a phrase or sentence that contains a meaning that is different than its individual words	Even though the Japanese student knew every vocabulary word in the idiom, he failed to know what the expression meant.	Regular Communication Words
Idiomatic	a phrase that is specific to a particular language or time period	My grandmother loves idiomatic phrases like the pot calling the kettle black.	Regular Communication Words
Idiopathic	relating to a disease that manifests spontaneously or that has no known cause	Josh's idiopathic arthritis arrived out of the blue when he was just 25 years old.	Regular Communication Words

Idiosyncrasy	an odd habit or peculiar behavior; behavior or way of thought specific to an individual	Her worst idiosyncrasy involved repeating back every word that was said to her.	Regular Communication Words
Idiosyncratic	quirky or peculiar behavior or traits of an individual	The strange bird let out a high-pitched sound that is idiosyncratic to its species.	Regular Communication Words
Idiot	a stupid person	The senseless idiot was able to solve the math problem one plus one.	Regular Communication Words
Idle	not in use; inactive	Since the taxi driver has not had any fares in a while, his car has been idle.	Regular Communication Words
Idleness	inactivity; laziness	The lazy sheep herder's idleness caused him to fall asleep in the field while a wolf lurked nearby.	Regular Communication Words
Idly	inactively; lazily	The lazy boy stood idly by as the rest of his siblings helped unload the groceries from the car.	Regular Communication Words
Idol	hero	Ruby Bridges is an idol for young school girls around the world who admire her courage and bravery.	Regular Communication Words
Idolatry	extreme devotion to something or someone who is not a god	It is sad how many people exhibit idolatry towards celebrities.	Regular Communication Words
Idolize	to adore, admire, or love greatly	The teen had begun to idolize the pop singer and had posters of them plastering her bedroom walls.	Regular Communication Words
Idyllic	happy, peaceful, picturesque	The tiny town by the sea is an idyllic place for the young couple to raise their twin daughters.	Regular Communication Words
Iffy	uncertain or unsettled	I am iffy on taking the job offer since the hours are long and the pay is a little low.	Regular Communication Words

Igneous	solidified from lava or magma	After the volcano erupted and lava covered the ground, many igneous rocks were created.	Regular Communication Words
Ignite	to arouse or give energy to a situation	The march in Selma was just what Dr. Martin Luther King needed to ignite others around the nation.	Regular Communication Words
Ignition	the action of setting something on fire	Firefighters suspected arson but could not located an ignition source.	Regular Communication Words
Ignoble	not deserving respect; not honorable	Because Frank has a habit of not showing up on time, he has an ignoble reputation as someone who is not very responsible.	Regular Communication Words
Ignominious	very embarrassing; shameful or disgraceful	When the boxer got knocked out in the first round, everyone knew it was the beginning of an ignominious defeat for him.	Regular Communication Words
Ignominy	public shame or disgrace	After being confronted about the theft, the official left the room in ignominy.	Regular Communication Words
Ignoramus	someone who is completely uninformed	The reporter proved he was an ignoramus when he gave out false information during the broadcast.	Regular Communication Words
Ignorance	lack of knowledge; unawareness	The woman's ignorance regarding Hispanic culture led her to assume that everyone who speaks Spanish is Mexican.	Regular Communication Words
Ignorant	lacking knowledge; uninformed	My little sister was ignorant of the rules of the playground and pushed and shoved all of the other children.	Regular Communication Words
Ignore	refusing to acknowledge someone or something	My husband's ability to ignore the television while sleeping is amazing to a light sleeper like myself.	Regular Communication Words

Ilk	a type of individual who is similar to others in a certain category	Only famous entertainers, athletes, and people of this ilk are allowed inside the VIP club area.	Regular Communication Words
Ill will	wishing someone harm	Despite the fact that William cheated on her, Briana wished him no ill will.	Regular Communication Words
Ill-Advised	inadvisable, foolish, or unwise	I think you would be ill-advised to go sky diving without a parachute, but if you don't believe me I won't have a chance to say I told you so.	Regular Communication Words
Ill-fated	destined to fail; cursed with bad luck	Romeo and Juliet's ill-fated relationship was doomed from the day they laid eyes on one another.	Regular Communication Words
Illegality	an act that is prohibited by law	One illegality that we are all familiar with is murder, but some people seem to forget that littering and loitering are crimes as well.	Regular Communication Words
Illegible	not clear enough to be read or understood	The cashier refused to cash my check because she could not understand the check writer's illegible signature.	Regular Communication Words
Illegitimate	not authentic, genuine, official, or recognized as the real deal	Deckson is considered an illegitimate son because he was born out of wedlock and not from the same father as the man his mother is married to.	Regular Communication Words
Illicit	going against what is considered to be normal	I dumped my boyfriend because of his illicit drug habit.	Regular Communication Words
Illiterate	incapable of writing and reading	The illiterate man could not complete the job application.	Regular Communication Words
Illness	a disease or sickness of the body	After coming down with a strange illness, the sick girl could no longer walk or talk.	Regular Communication Words

Illogical	lacking sense or sound reasoning; contrary to logic	An argument cannot be won with illogical reasoning.	Regular Communication Words
Illogical	lacking sense or clear reasoning	It is illogical to believe that someone could tell your future since there is little scientific proof that psychics are real.	Regular Communication Words
Illuminate	to bring attention to or shine light upon	Hopefully the justice department's investigation will illuminate the police corruption in the small town.	Regular Communication Words
Illusion	something that appears to look like something, but it actually is not	The mirrored walls in the fun house created an optical illusion which made it difficult to walk afterwards.	Regular Communication Words
Illusive	based on an illusion or something that isn't real	The pond the hiker saw in the distance was only an illusive mirage and not a real source of water.	Regular Communication Words
Illusory	founded on something that is not genuine	Linda started an illusory friendship with her rival as part of her plan to destroy the girl's reputation.	Regular Communication Words
Illustrate	provide with pictures	Once the preschool book was written, the artist was hired to carefully illustrate the book with a picture on every page.	Regular Communication Words
Illustrious	respectable because of one's accomplishments	The leader of the country will recognize the illustrious scientist in a private ceremony.	Regular Communication Words
Image	a visual representation of a person or object	The camera was used to take a still-shot image of the fruit sitting on the table.	Regular Communication Words
Imagery	images of objects or people or words that convey these visuals in creative works	The church refused the donated portrait because of the satanic imagery it contained.	Regular Communication Words
Imaginable	feasible, possible, or able to be conceivably thought	In the past, such a thing as spaceflight would not have been imaginable, but yet here we are, having visited the Moon.	Regular Communication Words

Imaginary	existing only in the imagination; make-believe	My family makes fun of me since I always had an imaginary friend when I was younger instead of befriending my classmates.	Regular Communication Words
Imagination	the creative ability to form images, ideas, and sensations in the mind	The creative writing teacher expected her students to use their imagination when writing their poems so that it would showcase their artistic talent.	Regular Communication Words
Imaginative	containing original and interesting ideas	Every applicant knew that the new job of instructional designer would require an imaginative mind in order to create such motivating lessons for middle schoolers.	Regular Communication Words
Imagine	to visualize or see a picture of something in one's mind	When I'm sad, I close my eyes and imagine happier times to lift my spirits.	Regular Communication Words
Imbalance	lack of balance or being out of proportion	An imbalance of the number of men and women in Alaska makes it extremely difficult for a man to find a wife.	Regular Communication Words
Imbalance	something that is out of proportion or off center	An extreme vitamin imbalance gave the runner such high iron that her liver shut down.	Regular Communication Words
Imbecile	a word used to describe a person who behaves in a stupid or foolish manner	The teacher was reprimanded for referring to one of her students as an imbecile because he constantly asked silly questions.	Regular Communication Words
Imbibe	to drink (used frequently of alcoholic beverages)	Best practice dictates that anyone who intends to imbibe alcoholic beverages should make sure to have dependable transportation to get home.	Regular Communication Words
Imbroglio	a confusing situation	Will the treaty end this imbroglio that has kept the two countries at war for over sixty years?	Regular Communication Words

Imbue	to cause to be strongly influenced by a quality or emotion	After the terrorist bombings, the government placed several of the country's flags at the site of the ruins to imbue patriotism.	Regular Communication Words
Imitate	to copy or simulate the function of something else	Young children will often attempt to imitate their parents, which is why you shouldn't do anything you wouldn't want your child to do while they're watching.	Regular Communication Words
Imitation	a copy or fake version of a genuine article or object	Even though it's an imitation, the copy of the painting sold for almost as much as the original.	Regular Communication Words
Immaculate	without any blemish or imperfection	Since I am having guests over for dinner, my house must be cleaned until it is immaculate.	Regular Communication Words
Immaterial	not relevant	The judge told the jury to disregard the testimony because it was immaterial to the trial.	Regular Communication Words
Immature	not fully developed to adulthood	A human is immature for many years, having to go through nearly two decades of development before becoming an adult.	Regular Communication Words
Immediacy	being immediate or urgent	The manic man talks with immediacy as if his words are being driven by a motor.	Regular Communication Words
Immediate	without delay; instant	When code blue was announced on the intercom of the hospital, everyone noticed the immediate attention of every nurse was revealed as they ran for the door.	Regular Communication Words
Immense	of a gigantic size	The museum was so immense it took us two days to make our way through it.	Regular Communication Words
Immensity	great size	While hiking on a month-long mountainous trip, Davy felt the immensity of the wilderness.	Regular Communication Words

Immerse	to become deeply involved in something	To keep her mind off her divorce, Jill will immerse herself in work.	Regular Communication Words
Immersive	surrounding a person in a way that makes them feel completely involved in the moment or process	Many English programs adopt an immersive approach that requires the learner to be completely surrounded with people speaking the new language.	Regular Communication Words
Immigrant	a person who comes to a country from another country in order to permanently settle there	Since my grandfather was an immigrant from Sweden, he brought his Swedish culture and traditions to the United States with him.	Regular Communication Words
Immigrate	to leave one country to permanently stay in another country	Sari would like to immigrate to the United States and find a better life than the one she has in Syria.	Regular Communication Words
Immigration	the act of permanently relocating to a different country	During the immigration process, the Chinese citizen was permitted to move to France.	Regular Communication Words
Imminent	likely to occur at any moment	When the Secret Service arrived, everyone knew the president's arrival was imminent.	Regular Communication Words
Immobile	not moving; motionless	After falling off of his porch, the elderly man became immobile and couldn't move his leg.	Regular Communication Words
Immoderate	excessive	An immoderate amount of compliments was dished out towards the employer so that it seemed like the employee was simply trying to get a raise instead of speaking honestly.	Regular Communication Words
Immodest	lacking modesty and decency	Her immodest nature of thinking everyone was beneath her created an unfriendly atmosphere for her.	Regular Communication Words
Immolation	the act of killing or sacrificing somebody	Eating nothing but candy is a sure path towards immolation of your health.	Regular Communication Words

Immoral	morally wrong	Today it is considered immoral to murder someone, but during the ancient times murder was common.	Regular Communication Words
Immorality	state or quality of being immoral or evil	Several students at the school were suspended due to the immorality of their conduct when they pushed and made fun of a special needs student.	Regular Communication Words
Immortal	one who is not susceptible to death	Angels are immortal beings, incapable of death.	Regular Communication Words
Immovable	unable to be moved	The bumbling robbers became quickly aware that the ATM machine was securely fixed to an immovable wall so that it could not be taken.	Regular Communication Words
Immune	exempt or protected from something unpleasant	Since I have been a teacher, I have not been sick one day due to being immune from most childhood sicknesses after countless exposure.	Regular Communication Words
Immunity	freedom from punishment or prosecution	Since the accomplice lied on the stand, he is not eligible for immunity and may serve time in jail.	Regular Communication Words
Immunization	the process of protecting a person against an illness, typically by vaccine	After receiving my shots, I knew my immunization records would be up-to-date which would allow me to register for school.	Regular Communication Words
Immunize	to make something immune or invulnerable to something else	We use vaccination to immunize the human body, making it highly resistant to certain contagions like the flu.	Regular Communication Words
Immunoglobulin	any of the glycoproteins in blood serum that respond to invasion by foreign antigens and that protect the host by removing pathogens	An immunoglobulin was detected in the man's body that seemed to fight off his disease before it spread.	Regular Communication Words

Immure	to lock up behind walls	Caught robbing a bank, Jason knew the police would immure him in a jail cell for an extended period of time.	Regular Communication Words
Immutable	unable to be changed	Although I tried to get the bank president to change his mind about giving me the loan, I finally realized his decision was immutable.	Regular Communication Words
Imp	a badly behaved child	As the new teacher walked into the classroom, she realized the boy in front would be an imp not just the class clown.	Regular Communication Words
Impact	have a strong effect on someone or something	Rising pollution and increased burning of fossil fuels has had a huge impact on global warming.	Regular Communication Words
Impair	damage or weaken something	Alcohol can greatly impair your judgement.	Regular Communication Words
Impairment	an injury or damage	Following his car accident, the man suffered an impairment in which he could only walk with the help of a crutch.	Regular Communication Words
Impale	to pierce with something sharp	During the horror movie, the knife would impale the girl through the heart killing her instantly.	Regular Communication Words
Impalpable	not capable of being physically touched	While you can view the signs of love, you can't touch love because it's impalpable.	Regular Communication Words
Impart	to distribute a portion of something	A teacher's job is to impart knowledge to her students.	Regular Communication Words
Impartial	to not offer influence to any side	Since the judge is related to the defendant, it is not possible for him to be impartial during the trial.	Regular Communication Words

Impassable	impossible to travel along	Without having shoulders on the highway, the stalled car made it impassable for any traffic to go through to the next town.	Regular Communication Words
Impasse	a situation that prevents advancement	Yesterday, the two parties did not make any progress on the contract terms because they had reached an impasse.	Regular Communication Words
Impassioned	overflowing with strong emotion	The widow's impassioned speech brought the members of congress to their feet.	Regular Communication Words
Impassive	having, or revealing, no emotion; expressionless	Even though it was very exciting, Jon delivered the news in an impassive voice in the hope that everyone would stay calm.	Regular Communication Words
Impatient	restless or irritated under delay or opposition	After waiting for half an hour in line, the impatient customer stormed out of the store and called the manager to complain.	Regular Communication Words
Impavid	extreme courage or bravery	Mongols were impavid warriors who rode into dangerous battles without a thought of death.	Regular Communication Words
Impeach	to charge a public official with a crime	Without sufficient evidence, you cannot hope to impeach a public official.	Regular Communication Words
Impeccable	perfect in every way	With your impeccable English skills, writing essays should be a cinch.	Regular Communication Words
Impecunious	lacking money; penniless	Since Janice grew up in an impecunious household, she knew a great deal about surviving on very little.	Regular Communication Words
Impede	to interfere with or slow the progress of	If you do not eat while you are sick, the lack of nutrients will impede your recovery.	Regular Communication Words

Impediment	something that interferes with a person's ability to complete a task	My broken wrist is the impediment preventing me from finishing my new novel.	Regular Communication Words
Impedimenta	oversized gear that makes it awkward to carry	While boarding the small airplane, I held up the line of people going to their seats as I tried to shove my impedimenta for my skiing trip into the small overhead bin.	Regular Communication Words
Impel	to drive an individual to perform in a certain way	The manufacturer hopes its commercial will impel us to purchase its new product.	Regular Communication Words
Impending	going to occur; coming	When I refused to pay the fake fortuneteller, she warned me of impending doom in my future.	Regular Communication Words
Impenetrable	not capable of being entered	If the castle is truly impenetrable, our enemies will never gain access to the king.	Regular Communication Words
Impenitent	unapologetic; remorseless	Even after being sentenced to life in prison, the impenitent man was not sorry for his crimes.	Regular Communication Words
Imperative	essential	If you're serious about getting healthy, it's imperative that you follow a healthy lifestyle, make the right food choices, and exercise regularly.	Regular Communication Words
Imperceptible	not perceptible by a sense or by the mind	When I had my headphones over my ears, the noise outside was imperceptible.	Regular Communication Words
Imperfect	not perfect	After misrepresenting herself on her resume, it was obvious to the company that she was really an imperfect candidate for the job.	Regular Communication Words
Imperfection	a defect or flaw	An imperfection in the painting surprisingly made it more valuable to collectors.	Regular Communication Words

Imperial	relating to an empire, emperor, or the concept of imperialism	If a member from an imperial family approaches you, then your response should be to bow before them.	Regular Communication Words
Imperialism	a course of action that involves vigorously expanding a nation's power over other countries by any means necessary	The country's inability to embrace imperialism is responsible for its lack of geographical expansion over the years.	Regular Communication Words
Imperil	to be in danger of something or someone	Although most people do see the threat, littering in the ocean can imperil many different marine life like dolphins due to their ingestion of plastic litter.	Regular Communication Words
Imperious	domineering; expecting ones' orders to be followed	The principal is an imperious woman who expects to be obeyed.	Regular Communication Words
Imperishable	to last forever or at least for a long time	To survive the Apocalypse, the worried man stockpiled his cellar with an array of imperishable products like dried beans and powdered milk.	Regular Communication Words
Impermanence	the state of being temporary	The impermanence of the new the car's smell caused the woman to buy air fresheners.	Regular Communication Words
Impermeable	not allowing substances to pass through	The impermeable rain coat kept water from ruining the woman's cashmere sweater.	Regular Communication Words
Impermissible	not allowed	The student knew having her cell phone at school was impermissible but brought it anyway.	Regular Communication Words
Impersonal	having no interest in other people and lacking warmth or emotion; cold	Breaking up with me over text was a very impersonal way to end our relationship.	Regular Communication Words
Impersonally	remaining neutral and not showing feelings or personality	Cookout invitations were sent out impersonally through a group text.	Regular Communication Words

Impersonate	to deliberately act or appear like someone else	Most people try to impersonate Elvis Presley by wearing a sparkling jumpsuit, dark sunglasses, and jet black hair, in addition to singing one of his songs.	Regular Communication Words
Impertinent	behaving without proper respect; rude	Although she thought she was just being funny, her teacher didn't agree and sent her to the principal's office for being impertinent.	Regular Communication Words
Imperturbable	not disturbed or excited easily	The imperturbable actress carried on with her performance even when her costar forgot his lines.	Regular Communication Words
Impervious	not allowing something to enter or pass through	Let us hope these thin walls are impervious to the freezing cold tonight!	Regular Communication Words
Impetuous	acting without thinking—done impulsively; sudden decision	His impetuous behavior landed him in prison.	Regular Communication Words
Impetus	a force that causes something to be done or to become more active	The high crime rate was the impetus for the hiring of one hundred new police officers in our city.	Regular Communication Words
Impiety	lack of respect for God	Speaking with impiety of holy things was a crime in the city-state, but few were ever prosecuted.	Regular Communication Words
Impinge	to produce an effect, usually an unwanted one	Hopefully the bad weather will move in a different direction and not impinge upon our plans for an outdoor reception.	Regular Communication Words
Impious	lacking reverence or respect, especially towards a god	His lack of protocol in the church caused him to gain a reputation for being impious.	Regular Communication Words
Impish	acting in a childish way like a rascal	As the strict businessman walked down Main Street, he took notice of the group of impish teenagers ahead of him yelling at the passersby.	Regular Communication Words

Implacable	not capable of being appeased	The little boy was implacable when his parents left him alone with the babysitter.	Regular Communication Words
Implant	to embed or establish something in a fixed position	When the stubborn child would get upset with his mother for not getting his wish, he would implant his foot firmly on the rug with a scowl on his face.	Regular Communication Words
Implausible	unlikely or questionable	The drug manufacturer was fined for making implausible claims about its weight loss products.	Regular Communication Words
Implement	to put into effect	The computer programmer estimates it will take twenty hours to implement the code changes in the software.	Regular Communication Words
Implementation	the process of executing or putting a plan into motion	Many people are calling for a nationwide gun registry, but implementation of such a program would be difficult.	Regular Communication Words
Implicate	to hint a person or object is responsible for something, often an illegal deed	If the evidence is found, it will implicate the person behind the brutal act.	Regular Communication Words
Implication	an idea or belief that is suggested from something else	Cheryl's hiding of her report card gave me the implication she had failed at least one of her classes.	Regular Communication Words
Implicit	understood though not clearly or directly stated	Although you never stated I could use your car, your permission was implicit when you handed me your car keys.	Regular Communication Words
Implode	to explode inward	Everyone was shocked to see the loving couple's relationship implode and end in divorce.	Regular Communication Words
Implored	sincerely begged	The little boy implored his kidnapper to let him go.	Regular Communication Words
Imply	to hint at something without directly stating or presenting	When I said I would never wear a blue dress, I was not trying to imply blue was not a good color choice for you.	Regular Communication Words

Impolite	being rude	Her impolite ways of constantly interrupting me every time I spoke made me want to avoid her at any cost.	Regular Communication Words
Impolitely	doing something rudely or without manners	Lucas impolitely burped at the table during dinner and failed to excuse himself.	Regular Communication Words
Impolitic	foolish	I realized it was an impolitic idea to talk on my cell phone and walk through a curvy path in the woods since I am aware of my clumsiness and no sense of direction.	Regular Communication Words
Imponderable	difficult or impossible to comprehend or evaluate	She wanted to enter the contest but guessing the amount of jelly beans in the barrel was imponderable.	Regular Communication Words
Import	to bring in from a foreign country	Due to the high tariffs placed on goods, the company decided to buy the raw materials in the United States instead of deciding to import them.	Regular Communication Words
Importance	the value or substance of something	The doctor always stresses to his patients the importance of a healthy diet and lots of exercise.	Regular Communication Words
Importance	being of great value or worth	The doctor explained the importance of eating healthy meals and getting rest to the sick patient.	Regular Communication Words
Importunate	demanding in an annoying way	My mother left her husband because he was an importunate man who treated her like an unpaid servant.	Regular Communication Words
Importune	to request (someone) pressingly and persistently for or to do something	Even after I had politely declined and shut the door, I could hear the salesman continuing to importune me to let him demonstrate the expensive vacuum cleaner.	Regular Communication Words

Impose	to apply controls or rules	To maintain order, the prison warden will impose as many rules as necessary to keep the inmates in line.	Regular Communication Words
Imposition	an unreasonable and burdening demand or request	Mary's nature of imposition by always asking her co-workers to do her work caused her to lose her job.	Regular Communication Words
Impossibility	the condition of something not being able to be done	Elizabeth's boss was classified as a scrooge by his employees, and Elizabeth saw the impossibility to make the job worthwhile.	Regular Communication Words
Impossible	not possible; not able to be done or happen	The employees grew angry with their boss for assigning such an impossible task of creating the monthly reports overnight.	Regular Communication Words
Impossibly	in a way that is unnecessary or ridiculously extreme	Because the line to get into the restaurant was impossibly long, the couple decided to eat at a different café.	Regular Communication Words
Imposter	a person who pretends to be someone else in order to trick and deceive people	The imposter mimicked our dad's voice to perfection.	Regular Communication Words
Imposture	the act of deceiving while using a fake identity	The scam artist's imposture involved convincing elderly people he could increase their retirement incomes for a small fee.	Regular Communication Words
Impotent	lacking in power, as to act effectively; helpless	When my husband was diagnosed with cancer, I felt impotent because I could not help him with his pain.	Regular Communication Words
Impound	to remove and keep property by law	After stopping payments on their new car, the bank would impound their car in a secured lot until the couple would pay the overdue amount.	Regular Communication Words
Impoverished	wiped out financially; poor	The impoverished girl knew she did not have enough money to attend college.	Regular Communication Words

Impractical	not reasonable because it is unlikely to happen	Even though his son was very smart, it was impractical for the father to believe his son could learn quantum physics while in kindergarten.	Regular Communication Words
Incidentally	by the way	Incidentally, Joan is no longer returning my phone calls since she borrowed money from me.	Regular Communication Words
Incinerate	destroy by burning	If an atom bomb was dropped over Manhattan, the whole city would incinerate in a flash.	Regular Communication Words
Incipient	just beginning to appear or develop	Because the incipient plan has no backup measure, there is no chance it will succeed.	Regular Communication Words
Incised	cut carefully with a sharp tool	Using a scalpel, the surgeon incised the woman's stomach and removed the tumor from her body.	Regular Communication Words
Incisive	clear and direct; sharp	The teacher's incisive tone made it clear that she was done playing games.	Regular Communication Words
Incite	to stir up or excite	The racist man tried to incite hatred in his children by telling them falsehoods about minority groups.	Regular Communication Words
Inclement	unpleasant weather in being stormy, rainy, or snowy	Inclement weather is causing us to postpone our picnic.	Regular Communication Words
Inclination	the tendency to act or feel a certain way about something or someone	A coward's natural inclination is to walk away from a fight.	Regular Communication Words
Incline	a surface or area that tends to go upward	Because of my knee injury, it is difficult for me to walk up the incline.	Regular Communication Words
Include	to make something part of a greater whole	We wanted to include the new transfer student, so we invited him to sit with us at lunch on his first day.	Regular Communication Words

Inclusion	the act of adding a person or thing to a situation or agreement	The inclusion of the harp in the orchestra will enhance future performances.	Regular Communication Words
Inclusive	covering every person and every aspect of a situation	The comprehensive insurance plan is inclusive of both medical and emergency cancellation policies.	Regular Communication Words
Incognito	without revealing one's identity; in disguise	Even stars who go out incognito are often recognized by the public and hounded by the paparazzi.	Regular Communication Words
Incoherent	not logical or easily understood	After drinking too much at the party, Larry became incoherent and made very little sense.	Regular Communication Words
Income	money that is earned/brought in monthly	After losing his job, Mr. Davis had to find a new way to get income flowing in every month.	Regular Communication Words
Incommodious	not comfortable; unpleasant	I sat on the floor because the lumpy couch was incommodious.	Regular Communication Words
Incommunicado	not in a position where one can communicate with other individuals	During our honeymoon, my husband and I will be incommunicado.	Regular Communication Words
Incomparable	without equal	To me my favorite chocolate is incomparable.	Regular Communication Words
Incompatible	not able to peacefully exist in the same area	Because my husband and I were incompatible, our marriage ended after two weeks.	Regular Communication Words
Incompetent	unskilled; not capable	The robber was so incompetent he locked himself in the bank vault.	Regular Communication Words
Incomprehensible	impossible or difficult to understand	After hearing to the incomprehensible rap, listeners were left wondering what the musician meant.	Regular Communication Words

Inconceivable	impossible to believe	It is inconceivable that the young boy walked twenty miles without shoes in freezing weather.	Regular Communication Words
Inconclusive	not conclusive, not leading to a conclusion	The blood test was inconclusive for any diseases, so they wanted to redraw blood.	Regular Communication Words
Incongruent	mismatched; unsuited	Because the two ingredients are incongruent, they will not create a tasty dressing.	Regular Communication Words
Incongruous	out of place; inconsistent or incompatible	How incongruous of a fat doctor telling me to lose weight!	Regular Communication Words
Inconsequential	not important or significant	When you walk with your head down and eyes lowered, you come across as being inconsequential.	Regular Communication Words
Inconsiderable	minor, small or unimportant	With such an inconsiderable injury, the athlete simply continued to play the game since he knew the scratch in his leg wouldn't cause him any problems.	Regular Communication Words
Inconsiderate	not considerate of others, thoughtless	It is inconsiderate to leave a mess for someone else to clean up.	Regular Communication Words
Inconsistent	not occurring in a specific pattern	The weather pattern is too inconsistent to be predictable.	Regular Communication Words
Inconsolable	not capable of being consoled	The old man was inconsolable at his wife's funeral.	Regular Communication Words
Inconspicuous	not easily observed	The celebrity hoped she looked inconspicuous so her fans would not approach her in the grocery store.	Regular Communication Words
Inconstancy	infidelity; unfaithfulness	Known for his inconstancy, the married man had children with women all over town.	Regular Communication Words

Incontinent	inability to control ones actions or hold back from something desired	Someone who has Tourette syndrome is considered incontinent because they have little to no control over repeated words or sudden movements.	Regular Communication Words
Incontrovertible	cannot deny or disprove; unable to change form	How can you deny the incontrovertible proof staring you in the face?	Regular Communication Words
Inconvenience	a disruption, bother, or annoyance	Because I hate the cold, having to sit under the air conditioning vent at work is an inconvenience.	Regular Communication Words
Inconvenient	causing difficulties or troubles	The car accident was an inconvenient start to my holiday weekend.	Regular Communication Words
Incorporate	to include or mix	In order to provide a complete report, Henry and his staff incorporate the graphs and charts into the written text.	Regular Communication Words
Incorporated	included; combined	The bride was insistent that the wedding planner make sure that red, white, and blue were incorporated in her big day.	Regular Communication Words
Incorporeal	lacking form or substance	Most believe the soul to be incorporeal, as it can exist without a physical shell.	Regular Communication Words
Incorrect	not accurate	Each incorrect answer caused the team to lose fifty points from the score board.	Regular Communication Words
Incorrigible	not capable of being reformed	Because my daughter's behavior is incorrigible, she might be grounded for at least a year.	Regular Communication Words
Incorruptible	having integrity that cannot be corrupted	The incorruptible jury member refused to be pressured into voting not guilty by the defendant's family members.	Regular Communication Words

Increase	made greater in size or amount	An increase in the amount of the loan made it possible for the car shoppers to purchase the vehicle they really wanted.	Regular Communication Words
Increasingly	progressively	As the city continues to grow, it is increasingly harder to find a parking spot down town.	Regular Communication Words
Incredible	so extraordinary that it seems impossible	An incredible act of kindness, a stranger off the street offered to donate a kidney for the ill teenager.	Regular Communication Words
Incredibly	to a great extent	The woman was incredibly sorry that she took the job offer once she realized the company was going out of business in a few months.	Regular Communication Words
Incredibly	very; extremely	The puny teenager found it incredibly difficult to pick up the heavy barbell from the floor.	Regular Communication Words
Incredulity	a feeling of not being able to believe something or of not wanting to believe it	When the UFO appeared above my house, I was speechless with incredulity.	Regular Communication Words
Incredulous	unbelievable; cannot accept as true	The lottery winner was incredulous and could not believe his good fortune.	Regular Communication Words
Incredulously	in a way that shows disbelief or skepticism	All of the audience shook their heads incredulously as the unattractive contestant was crowned beauty queen.	Regular Communication Words
Increment	a degree by which something is increased or enlarged	In prison, one phone increment is ten minutes.	Regular Communication Words
Incriminate	to suggest an individual has done something inappropriate or illegal	The man refused to talk because he did not want to incriminate himself in court.	Regular Communication Words
Incubate	to keep eggs safe and warm so they can grow and hatch	Like some other snakes, pythons incubate their eggs by coiling their bodies over them.	Regular Communication Words

Incubation	the process of warming eggs so that they will hatch	Farmers often take on the incubation process themselves since modern day hens are not always attentive to their eggs.	Regular Communication Words
Incubator	a specialized crib that is used to care for infants or eggs, in which the temperature and oxygen content of the air can be controlled	The eggs in the incubator must be kept at a temperature of 99.5 for proper growth and development.	Regular Communication Words
Incubus	a demon or evil spirit supposed to descend upon sleeping women in order to have sex with them	In the myth, the incubus surprised sleeping women with sexual advances.	Regular Communication Words
Inculcate	to frequently instill an idea or belief firmly in someone's mind	In order to inculcate a love of reading, the teacher encourages her students to read different types of literature.	Regular Communication Words
Inculcate	to incriminate or accuse someone of doing something	Evidence was used to inculcate the suspects and lead to their eventual conviction.	Regular Communication Words
Incumbent	the person or group that currently has the title or position	After twenty years in office, the incumbent politician is finally retiring from politics.	Regular Communication Words
Incur	acquire	It was impossible to incur any debt after a year of being unemployed.	Regular Communication Words
Incurable	not having the ability to be remedied or healed	When Sally found out she had an incurable and terminal disease, her family decided to help her do everything on her bucket list before she died.	Regular Communication Words
Incurious	uninterested; unconcerned	I was surprised that my parents were so incurious in this semesters grades since they usually pester me about my scores.	Regular Communication Words
Incurred	having gained something, usually something unpleasant, because of one's own actions	Because I made too many long distance calls while out of the country, I incurred many different charges on my phone bill.	Regular Communication Words

Incurring	acquiring or causing yourself to come into	The company was careful with its firing practices because management feared incurring costly law suits.	Regular Communication Words
Incursion	an entry into an area that does not belong to the entrants	When the troops made an incursion across the border, they ruined any chance for peace between the two countries.	Regular Communication Words
Indebted	obligated or committed to paying someone back for something	The businessman makes his money by giving indebted people large loans to pay back their debts to others.	Regular Communication Words
Indecent	offensive; crude	The crazy old cook was charged with indecent exposure after pulling his pants down and peeing on a stop sign.	Regular Communication Words
Indecipherable	illegible; incomprehensible	Signing his indecipherable signature, the doctor's name was barely legible.	Regular Communication Words
Indecision	unable to decide between choices	The politician's indecision in policy ties caused him to lose the votes of both the Republicans and Democrats.	Regular Communication Words
Indecisive	hesitant; wavering	An indecisive shopper, the customer could not choose between the two dresses she liked.	Regular Communication Words
Indecorous	not proper; inappropriate	Everyone was shocked when Gail wore the indecorous outfit to the church party.	Regular Communication Words
Indicate	to highlight or show	The green light will indicate the strength of the batteries.	Regular Communication Words
Indication	sign; signal	There was no indication that a break-in had occurred other than the broken window at the back of the house.	Regular Communication Words
Indicative	serving as a sign, indication or suggestion of something	The child's anger problems were likely indicative of a deeper issue.	Regular Communication Words

Indictment	accusation	There are some people who truly believe that the recent natural disasters are an indictment against Man's lack of respect for the planet.	Regular Communication Words
Indifferent	not interested in or concerned about something	As political aides, we are going door-to-door in hopes of getting indifferent voters to come out to the polls.	Regular Communication Words
Indigence	a state of extreme poverty and lack	High medical costs are a significant cause of indigence for many of the elderly who are living in poverty.	Regular Communication Words
Indigene	an indigenous person that is a native of a certain place	While sitting around the campfire, the Australian indigene told his grandchildren the stories of his native ancestors.	Regular Communication Words
Indigenous	produced, living, or existing naturally	The class of students enjoyed learning about unusual animals that are indigenous and found naturally in the wild in North America.	Regular Communication Words
Indigent	extremely poor	The indigent man could not afford food or clothing.	Regular Communication Words
Indigestion	pain in the stomach area that is associated with digesting food	Chewing your food more before swallowing can help prevent the pain of indigestion during digestion.	Regular Communication Words
Indignant	angry because of an unfair situation or someone's unfair behavior	If I'm indignant, it's because you threw that book at me!	Regular Communication Words
Indignity	a situation or event that makes an individual feel embarrassment	I felt as though I suffered a huge indignity when my ex husband brought his young girlfriend to my birthday party.	Regular Communication Words
Indigo	dark blue	Using the plant to dye her clothing indigo, the young woman admired her dark blue gown.	Regular Communication Words

Indirect	secondary, unintentional	Indirect exposure to cigarette smoke can still lead to lung cancer.	Regular Communication Words
Indiscernible	difficult or impossible to see, notice, or hear	Due to the foggy weather conditions, the camp pictures were so indiscernible.	Regular Communication Words
Indiscreet	having a penchant for revealing secrets or acting without subtlety	My indiscreet friend has a habit of blurting out pretty much everything, including all of the secrets she is not supposed to tell.	Regular Communication Words
Indiscrete	not divisible or able to be separated into distinct parts	The rock was indiscrete, breaking into small pieces when the lab tech tried to divide it.	Regular Communication Words
Indiscretion	lack of good judgment or foolish behavior	After spilling his wife's secret, he was punished for his indiscretion.	Regular Communication Words
Indiscriminate	done without consideration	Becca regretted her indiscriminate choice in men when her boyfriend cleared out her bank account.	Regular Communication Words
Indispensable	vital; essential	Cara does so much work in the office that she is indispensable to the productive running of the business.	Regular Communication Words
Indisposed	not feeling well	Because Maggie is indisposed with a high fever, she will not be attending the banquet.	Regular Communication Words
Indisputable	not subject to doubt	It is an indisputable fact smoking cigarettes can increase the risk of lung cancer.	Regular Communication Words
Indissoluble	indestructible; not possible to dissolve, disintegrate or break-up	The bond between the sisters was indissoluble as they were rarely apart.	Regular Communication Words
Indistinguishable	difficult to tell apart	Fred was indistinguishable to his classmates since his twin brother was standing next to him.	Regular Communication Words

Individual	separate; single	Each individual egg was filled with candy and other treats for the children.	Regular Communication Words
Individualism	uniqueness, distinctiveness	The bride's need for individualism led her to seek out a dress that was exotic.	Regular Communication Words
Individuality	the qualities that make a person or thing unique	Because he chose an original monologue, his individuality set him apart from the other actors during the audition.	Regular Communication Words
Indivisible	united; inseparable	Though some try to forget it, topic of slavery is indivisible from the story of our country's history.	Regular Communication Words
Indoctrinate	to convince people to believe a certain idea or concept	The cult leader will indoctrinate his followers with his beliefs.	Regular Communication Words
Indoctrination	the process of teaching or brainwashing a person into believing something without question	A few men in the city resisted communist indoctrination efforts, but most were programmed to side with the government.	Regular Communication Words
Indolent	wanting to avoid activity or exertion; lazy	Jackson lost his job because he was an indolent employee who did nothing but sleep at his desk all day.	Regular Communication Words
Indomitable	not capable of being defeated	Even when my father was stricken with cancer, he remained an indomitable force who never stopped fighting to live a normal life.	Regular Communication Words
Indubitable	without doubt; undisputable	Since Woods has over ninety percent of the votes, it is an indubitable fact he is our new legislator.	Regular Communication Words
Indubitably	in a manner that leaves no possibility of doubt; unquestionably	The young prodigy is indubitably talented, but he doesn't have the stage presence to go with his talent.	Regular Communication Words

Induce	to bring about or lead by persuasion	Sharon read somewhere that one can induce childbirth by smoking a cigarette, but her doctor strongly urged her against attempting something so foolhardy.	Regular Communication Words
Inducement	something that persuades someone to do something	As an incentive for the workers, the company offered an inducement to encourage them to remain accident free.	Regular Communication Words
Induction	a formal ceremony in which a person is appointed to an office or into military service	The Girl Scout Induction Ceremony was taking place at the local meeting hall.	Regular Communication Words
Indulge	to give in to one's desires or wants	If Al does not indulge in his coffee every morning, he finds it hard to concentrate at work.	Regular Communication Words
Indulgent	A person who gives others permission and gifts regardless of the consequences	My indulgent parents give me everything I want.	Regular Communication Words
Industrial Revolution	the rapid development of industry that occurred in the late 18th and 19th centuries, brought about by the introduction of machinery	During the Industrial Revolution, a majority of the population shifted from rural farming areas to industrialized cities.	Regular Communication Words
Industrial	having highly developed factories, mechanical production, or consumer output	First world countries are almost always industrial, having complex factories capable of mass producing almost anything that they desire.	Regular Communication Words
Industrialization	the steps a nation takes to modernize itself while developing industries	While industrialization increased processing times, it also reduced the labor force and left many people without much-needed employment.	Regular Communication Words
Industrious	diligent; hardworking	The industrious young man finished his four-year degree in two years.	Regular Communication Words

Industry	hard work or effort	The kitchen was transformed into a place of industry as we had to work very hard to make enough food for all of our guests.	Regular Communication Words
Inebriated	behaving as though affected by alcohol; drunk	After leaving the restaurant, the police officer cornered the patron to see if he was inebriated.	Regular Communication Words
Inedible	unable to be eaten	Many people have become sick by eating the poisonous and inedible berries growing near the blueberries.	Regular Communication Words
Ineffable	incapable of being expressed in words	The model's beauty is ineffable and has everyone tongue-tied.	Regular Communication Words
Ineffective	not performing as expected	The housekeeper returned the ineffective vacuum cleaner and purchased one that worked much better.	Regular Communication Words
Ineffectual	incapable of generating the sought after effects	Once I realized the medicine was ineffectual, I stopped taking it.	Regular Communication Words
Inefficacious	not producing the desired effect	Liam thought that if he bought Julie flowers and expensive gifts she would reciprocate his love but his tactic was inefficacious.	Regular Communication Words
Inefficient	not performing to ability or productivity	The inefficient bridge needed extensive work before it would be cleared for travel.	Regular Communication Words
Ineluctable	impossible to alter	Perhaps there is no hope for Jerry because even after a year in rehab his drug addiction seems ineluctable.	Regular Communication Words
Inept	having or showing no skill	The teenager was an inept driver who could not back out of his driveway without hitting something.	Regular Communication Words
Ineptitude	the quality of being unfit or inept	Because of Bill's ineptitude, he lost his job.	Regular Communication Words

Inequality	an unfair, not equal, state	Inequality in the ingredients was likely the cause of the bitter tasting recipe the chef copied from his mentor.	Regular Communication Words
Ineradicable	not capable of being removed completely	Though black-market drugs are probably ineradicable, the government is still fighting to remove them from our society.	Regular Communication Words
Inert	without power to act or move	Since my wounded dog is inert, I have to lift him up and put him in the car.	Regular Communication Words
Inertia	the tendency to continue being motionless or inactive	The legislators' inertia has allowed the budget extension to expire before a solution can be put in place.	Regular Communication Words
Inestimable	to such an extent the worth can't be properly valued	It's impossible to define the inestimable role police officers play in keeping society safe.	Regular Communication Words
Inevitable	incapable of being avoided or evaded	Since Mary never wears shoes, it was inevitable that she would get a piece of glass in her foot.	Regular Communication Words
Inevitably	going to happen; unavoidable	Although my dog runs away sometimes, he inevitably returns home after a few hours.	Regular Communication Words
Inexcusable	too bad to be justified or tolerated	When her best friend started dating her ex boyfriend, she knew their friendship was over because that kind of betrayal was inexcusable.	Regular Communication Words
Inexhaustible	endless; limitless	The inexhaustible buckets of peanuts are continuously refilled as guests eat from them.	Regular Communication Words
Inexorable	not able to be persuaded or stopped by any means; stubborn	Of course, the public is enraged by the inexorable rise in gas prices.	Regular Communication Words
Inexpedient	impractical or unwise	It would be inexpedient to go walking through the desert without several bottles of water to keep you hydrated.	Regular Communication Words

Inexplicable	incapable of being explained or interpreted	Because the weather was clear and sunny a few moments ago, the sudden thunderstorm is inexplicable.	Regular Communication Words
Inextricably	in a manner that is impossible to be unlinked	The site where the black men were lynched has been inextricably linked with sorrow and hate.	Regular Communication Words
Infallible	not capable of being wrong or of failing	While you may think you are infallible, you make mistakes just like everyone else!	Regular Communication Words
Infamous	notorious; having a negative reputation	The singer is infamous for her indecent costumes.	Regular Communication Words
Infamy	the condition of being known for something unpleasant or bad	In hopes of gaining infamy, the troubled youth brought a gun to school.	Regular Communication Words
Infancy	the beginning stage of growth	The hurricane seemed like a minor problem in its infancy but quickly grew into a devastating storm.	Regular Communication Words
Infant	a young child, typically a baby that is not yet considered a toddler	A human baby is considered an infant until it is about one year old, when it typically starts learning to walk and speak to some extent.	Regular Communication Words
Infantile	pertaining to infants	Two adults began to squabble in a most infantile way, displaying behavior that was very inappropriate for their age.	Regular Communication Words
Infantry	a group of soldiers that march and fight on foot	The infantry marched into battle with their rifles on their back and a mission in their hearts.	Regular Communication Words
Infatuated	to have a strong liking for someone [L] [SEP]Or something	Even as a young boy, the singer was infatuated with music.	Regular Communication Words
Infection	a disease or virus that makes one sick	Because she didn't wash the cut on her hand regularly, Tessa ended up with a nasty infection inside the scratch.	Regular Communication Words

Infelicitous	not well-timed or suitable	Given the host's spouse had recently died, my comment about wanting to die was infelicitous.	Regular Communication Words
Infer	to make a guess based on evidence and reasoning	Based on satellite images, we can infer with a degree of certainty that Japan is about to launch an attack.	Regular Communication Words
Inference	a conclusion or opinion that is formed because of known facts or evidence	From the data collected, scientists were able to make the inference that the water was polluted to the extent it was unsafe to drink.	Regular Communication Words
Inferential	relating to or involving inference	If you use inferential thought, you imply things based on the facts you already know to be true.	Regular Communication Words
Inferior	of lower value or quality	Slaves are viewed as inferior to their owners.	Regular Communication Words
Inferiority	the fact of being around people who are more capable than you	I had a feeling of inferiority when everyone around me could answer the questions easily except for me.	Regular Communication Words
Infernal	horrible	The infernal noise from my neighbor's party kept me awake all night.	Regular Communication Words
Inferno	an increasingly dangerous fire	The firefighters can't stop the inferno in the woods until the wind stops blowing heavily.	Regular Communication Words
Infidel	an individual who does not believe in a specific religion	The old woman called me an infidel because I refused to attend her church.	Regular Communication Words
Infidelity	the act of being unfaithful to your intimate partner	My husband's infidelity with another woman led me to file for divorce.	Regular Communication Words
Infiltrate	to secretly penetrate, enter or gain access	After the air conditioning unit malfunctioned, a large amount of debris would infiltrate the air and cause sickness to the household.	Regular Communication Words

Infinite	an amount that is so endless it's impossible to calculate	Because there are an infinite amount of stars in the sky, it would be impossible to count each one.	Regular Communication Words
Infinitesimal	very small	In the grand scheme of things, so many of our problems are actually quite infinitesimal, and you shouldn't waste the energy worrying about them.	Regular Communication Words
Infinity	endlessness, unlimitedness; an eternity	Humans do not live to infinity, but we do have a life expectancy of roughly 75 to 80 years.	Regular Communication Words
Infirm	feeble and weak in health, usually because of illness or old age	The infirm patients were sent to live out the rest of their days in the nursing home.	Regular Communication Words
Infirmity	physical/mental weakness or disability	He felt sorry for his uncle, feeling the alcoholism was a serious infirmity.	Regular Communication Words
Inflame	to cause someone to become very angry or a situation to become extremely tense	When calling each other names and pushing, the couple seemed to inflame the fight that landed them both in jail.	Regular Communication Words
Inflammable	capable of burning; easily set on fire	Once drenched in lighter fluid, the inflammable charcoal bricks ignited in fire when the match touched the first brick.	Regular Communication Words
Inflammatory	having or relating to the irritation or swelling on or in the body	The elderly Mr. Thompson's inflammatory arthritis could be detected by others due to his slow, painful walk and bloated knees.	Regular Communication Words
Inflatable	capable of being filled with air	A small hole in the inflatable raft caused the air to seep out and the swimmer to sink.	Regular Communication Words
Inflate	to fill something up with air or gas	Before Julie could ride her bike to the beach, she had to inflate her flattened tire with air.	Regular Communication Words

Inflation	a steady rise in the prices of services and goods	Inflation occurs as the value of currency decreases.	Regular Communication Words
Inflection	an alteration in tone or pitch	When Jan's inflection kept changing during her speech, we knew she was nervous.	Regular Communication Words
Inflexible	not flexible; not capable of bending or being bent	Being extremely hard and capable of cutting through other stones and glass, diamonds are one of the most inflexible substances on Earth.	Regular Communication Words
Inflict	to force something unpleasant upon a person or thing	Our troops will inflict hefty casualties on their foes.	Regular Communication Words
Influence	power to change, affect, control or manipulate someone or something	Since they would influence my decisions, my mother told me to choose my friends wisely.	Regular Communication Words
Influential	having or exerting influence or power	Because she is very successful, my sister is an influential person in my life.	Regular Communication Words
Influenza	a contagious viral infection that attacks your lungs (also called the flu)	After being diagnosed with influenza, the patient was put on anti-biotics, and her breathing was monitored.	Regular Communication Words
Influx	the arrival of a large flow of people, things, or emotions	I was unprepared for the influx of joy I felt when my boyfriend proposed.	Regular Communication Words
Inform	to give someone information or facts	It is a teacher's job to inform their students about everything they need to know to generally live an educated life, from languages to science.	Regular Communication Words
Informal	casual and relaxed	The informal dinner only required that you wear casual clothing and not fancy attire.	Regular Communication Words

Informant	a person who gives information to someone else	The police claim that a secret informant called and told them who committed the crime.	Regular Communication Words
Infraction	a violation of the rules	One more infraction and Jason will be suspended from school.	Regular Communication Words
Infrastructure	basic foundation or underlying framework (as of a system or organization)	The aging infrastructure of the cities roads, tunnels and bridges are in urgent need of repair.	Regular Communication Words
Infringe	to trespass upon something	Having that much work to do at home will only infringe upon my time with my family.	Regular Communication Words
Infuriated	extremely angry	The CEO was infuriated when he saw the fictitious news piece insulting his company.	Regular Communication Words
Infuse	to fill with a certain quality	Cook the rice until you thoroughly infuse it with the taste of the herbs and spices you added.	Regular Communication Words
Infusion	the act of adding one thing to something else in order to make it stronger or more successful	The secret to great sweet tea is the infusion of black and orange pekoe teas into the hot water.	Regular Communication Words
Ingenuity	the capacity to find solutions for tough problems	When Jack fixed the jeep, his friends were impressed with his mechanical ingenuity.	Regular Communication Words
Ingenuous	innocent; naive	Jessica's ingenuous nature made her an easy target for the con man.	Regular Communication Words
Ingest	to eat or drink something by swallowing or by taking it through the skin	Trained assassins and military personnel used to hide cyanide pills on their back teeth so that in the event of capture, they could bite down and ingest the poison quick enough to die.	Regular Communication Words
Inglorious	shameful or dishonorable	It's a shame that the thieving CEO gave up his career for an inglorious life of crime.	Regular Communication Words

Ingrained	established; firmly fixed	Being right-handed was ingrained in me so that it was very difficult to write with my left hand.	Regular Communication Words
Ingrate	an ungrateful person	When you do not appreciate your gifts, you are being an ingrate.	Regular Communication Words
Ingratiate	to try to get someone's approval by doing or saying things that will please them	Since the new teacher failed to ingratiate herself with the students, she found it hard to maintain an orderly classroom.	Regular Communication Words
Ingratitude	a lack or absence of gratitude; thanklessness	After having received such a large gift, Harry displayed ingratitude when he began to complain that it was too small.	Regular Communication Words
Ingress	a means of entry or the action of going into an area	The glass doors on the hotel's second floor provide ingress into the mall.	Regular Communication Words
Inhabit	to live or reside in some place	While we renovated our home, we would need to inhabit our summer cabin.	Regular Communication Words
Inhabitant	an animal or individual who resides in a specific place	When the apartment inhabitant came home from work, he saw his belongings outside and knew he'd been evicted.	Regular Communication Words
Inhabitants	people or animals who live in a place	Being well aware of the ragged hole in the ground, the homeowners worried about the inhabitants of it being a poisonous snake.	Regular Communication Words
Inhale	to suck in a breath	Yoga students inhale deeply through their nose, hold, and then slowly let out their breath to release the stress from their bodies.	Regular Communication Words
Inherent	existing in something as a permanent, essential, or characteristic attribute	Most mothers have an inherent need to protect their children.	Regular Communication Words

Inheritance	things (money or property) you receive when someone dies	Katrina had to go to the lawyer's office to find out about her inheritance after her brother died.	Regular Communication Words
Inhibition	a personal feeling of fear or embarrassment that stops one from behaving naturally	My inhibition makes me nervous about being watched so I try to blend into the scenery.	Regular Communication Words
Inhospitable	not welcoming or friendly	The inhospitable man did not offer his guests any refreshments.	Regular Communication Words
Inhuman	something that is so cruel or immoral as to be considered beyond human capability	Many people rightly consider the Holocaust to be one of the most inhuman crimes to ever be committed by mankind.	Regular Communication Words
Inhumane	describing a situation or act that reveals a lack of compassion for those suffering	The man was arrested for committing an inhumane act against the puppy.	Regular Communication Words
Inimical	not friendly; hostile	Although I attempt to avoid the school bully, he always goes out of his way to be inimical to me.	Regular Communication Words
Inimitable	something so special or unique, it's impossible to copy or imitate	Every once in a while, a band comes along that is so unique they are completely inimitable.	Regular Communication Words
Iniquity	extremely immoral or unfair behavior	When I went to my brother's college dorm, I saw drunken boys exhibiting iniquity towards girls.	Regular Communication Words
Initial	the first; preliminary	On the initial test, I made a bad grade, but I'm hoping to pass the second one.	Regular Communication Words
Initially	at the beginning	Newly hired employees are trained for three days, initially, then given their own register serving customers.	Regular Communication Words
Initiation	the process of being formally accepted as being a member of a group	During the initiation, the new Girl Scouts had to promise to be the best they could be.	Regular Communication Words

Initiative	an introductory step or act taken by a person	Emma took the initiative to clean her room before her parents asked.	Regular Communication Words
Inject	to introduce something new to a situation	My boss likes to inject humor when talking with his staff which makes us feel comfortable around him.	Regular Communication Words
Injudicious	unwise; showing poor judgement	The dumb kid's injudicious decision to rob the bank landed him in the slammer for 15 years.	Regular Communication Words
Injunction	an court order which demands that something must or must not be done	Because he had witnessed the murder, the man received an injunction to testify in court.	Regular Communication Words
Injure	to hurt or damage something	The runner always stretches before running so that he doesn't injure or hurt his body in anyway.	Regular Communication Words
Injurious	causing injury	Illegal drugs are injurious to your health.	Regular Communication Words
Injustice	unfair treatment	Many are up in arms over police injustice around the country.	Regular Communication Words
Inkling	an idea, thought, or suggestion	Even after Phil watched the teacher perform sample problems, he still had no inkling of how to complete the assignment.	Regular Communication Words
Inmate	a person who is in jail or prison	After being convicted of murder, the man became inmate number #8675309.	Regular Communication Words
Inmate	a person who is in jail or in prison	After just one day in the county jail, the inmate wished that he had never committed his crimes.	Regular Communication Words
Inmost	innermost	He buried his deepest desires in the inmost recesses of his heart and hid them from the world.	Regular Communication Words

Innards	the internal organs of a human or animal	After removing the innards, the taxidermist began the task of producing a life-like display of the bear.	Regular Communication Words
Innate	a quality or ability which you are born with, or which is present naturally	Unlike both of her sisters who adore children, Elise does not have an innate desire to raise a family.	Regular Communication Words
Innkeeper	someone who oversees a small motel	When the bed and breakfast advertised for an innkeeper, the woman applied for the job since she could manage the staff in the restaurant and house efficiently.	Regular Communication Words
Innocent	not guilty of a crime or wrongdoing; harmless	Thankfully, the judge took the new evidence into consideration and released the innocent man.	Regular Communication Words
Innocuous	not harmful or offensive	Because the virus was innocuous, the hospital staff had no need to worry about the leak.	Regular Communication Words
Innovate	to bring about something new	It will be hard for you to keep your job at the technology company if you cannot innovate amazing mobile applications.	Regular Communication Words
Innovation	coming up with new ideas or technologies	The innovation of brilliant minds is what grants humanity amazing technology such as space flight or the internet.	Regular Communication Words
Innuendo	a statement that indirectly suggests someone has done something immoral, improper, etc.	Although the dialogue in the book is not sexually explicit, the writer makes great use of innuendo to convey his message.	Regular Communication Words
Innumerable	too many in number to be counted	The popular celebrity receives an innumerable amount of fan mail each week.	Regular Communication Words
Inoculate	to treat a person with a vaccine to prevent disease	Before doctors were able to inoculate people with a polio vaccine, many people died from the disease.	Regular Communication Words

Inopportune	at an awkward time or period	Since the economy is depressed, it is an inopportune period for the Fed to raise interest rates.	Regular Communication Words
Inordinate	excessively large	Every year I spend an inordinate amount of time selecting Christmas presents for my large family.	Regular Communication Words
Input device	any hardware device that sends data to a computer, allowing you to interact with and control it	A keyboard or some other input device is needed to send information from the user to the computer.	Regular Communication Words
Input	something put into a system or process (i.e., information, advice, money)	With the teacher's input, the students were able to complete their science project and enter it into the contest.	Regular Communication Words
Inquest	the process in which a court of law or a coroner investigates the circumstances of a person's death	The judge ordered an inquest after several family members requested their loved one's death be investigated further.	Regular Communication Words
Inquire	to obtain information by asking questions	The police are going to inquire about your whereabouts on the night of the murder.	Regular Communication Words
Inquiry	the asking of questions for informational purposes	A credit inquiry was made to see if the couple qualified for the loan.	Regular Communication Words
Inquisition	intensive questioning	As soon as I get home from my first date, I will have to face my nosey mother's inquisition.	Regular Communication Words
Inquisitive	eager for knowledge; curious	The inquisitive cat loves to sit in the windowsill.	Regular Communication Words
Insane	being of an irrational or crazy mental state	The insane woman believed that she had two different people living inside of her mind, and that they were entirely separate from her.	Regular Communication Words
Insanity	the state of being mentally ill or having an unwell mind	During his bouts with insanity, the painter would talk to himself and create strange pieces of art.	Regular Communication Words

Insatiable	never have enough of something	After being lost in the desert for days, the dehydrated man figured that all the water in the world would not quench his insatiable thirst.	Regular Communication Words
Inscribe	to write on an object	Jake asked the jeweler to inscribe a beautiful message on the engagement ring.	Regular Communication Words
Inscription	writing carved into something	The painting looked like a real one but the inscription on the back proved it was a fake.	Regular Communication Words
Inscrutable	incapable of being investigated or understood	When Larry wrote the letter, he was so tired the writing was nearly inscrutable.	Regular Communication Words
Insect	small invertebrate animals with multiple pairs of legs, generally with an exoskeleton	Whenever someone mentions the word 'insect,' the first thing that comes to our mind is usually ants or beetles.	Regular Communication Words
Insecure	not confident in oneself	Someone that is insecure in their English abilities is very unlikely to participate in a spelling bee, due to their lack of faith in themselves.	Regular Communication Words
Insensate	lacking logic and reasoning	The insensate simpleton decided to put his hand on the electric fence even though there was a sign that made it obvious he shouldn't.	Regular Communication Words
Insensitive	having no concern or care for the feelings of other people	I do not mean to be insensitive, but my lack of understanding for other people's troubles sometimes comes across as that.	Regular Communication Words
Insensitive	feeling or showing no concern for the feelings of others	Ariel's husband tends to be insensitive, never caring much about her emotional needs.	Regular Communication Words
Inseparable	unable to be separated	Two inseparable friends are always near each other and are impossible to find apart, almost as though they are one being.	Regular Communication Words

Insert	to place something inside of something else	If you want a soda, you must insert a dollar into the drink machine.	Regular Communication Words
Inside	the inner part of a thing	The wet children hurried to get inside the building as the rain continued to pour down outside.	Regular Communication Words
Insidious	something that is slowly and secretly causing harm	The insidious playboy planned to con the heiress out of her fortune.	Regular Communication Words
Insight	the knowledge of a subject's real nature	The psychological insight from the simulation will reveal how the prospective pilots will work under stress.	Regular Communication Words
Insightful	having or showing a very good understanding of something	We were fascinated as we listened to the captivating and insightful words of the speaker who had such an accurate understanding of history.	Regular Communication Words
Insignia	a patch or badge that indicates a person's official or military rank, or which group or organization they belong to	Because Rita is a Chicago Cubs fan, she wears the team logo as her insignia.	Regular Communication Words
Insignificant	not important or negligible	An ant may be insignificant by itself, but an entire army of ants can terrorize the entirety of the Amazon rainforest.	Regular Communication Words
Insinuate	1.) to imply or suggest that something negative is true» 2.) to insert yourself into a place of favor in a subtle way	During the debate, the senator tried to insinuate his opponent was not qualified for office.	Regular Communication Words
Insipid	dull or boring	When you present, please do not be an insipid speaker who makes everyone fall asleep!	Regular Communication Words
Insist	to demand something in a forceful way	Kaden's pushy parents insist that he go to law school even though he really wants to be a nurse.	Regular Communication Words
Insistent	demanding that something happen	His wife's insistent nagging finally got him to get up and clean the gutters.	Regular Communication Words

Insofar	to the extent that	Unfortunately, the school system can only educate you insofar as you study its teachings, as it cannot directly imprint info on your brain.	Regular Communication Words
Insolent	rude or impolite	When the insolent young man yelled my name, I ignored him and walked towards my car.	Regular Communication Words
Insoluble	can't be solved or explained	The frustrated student spent hours trying to solve the seemingly insoluble math problem.	Regular Communication Words
Insomnia	a condition in which one has trouble sleeping regularly	If you are afflicted with insomnia you are unable to go to sleep on a regular basis, which will often make you tired in the morning.	Regular Communication Words
Insomniac	a person who is regularly unable to sleep	As an insomniac, it takes me nearly two hours to go to sleep almost every night, making me even more exhausted in the mornings.	Regular Communication Words
Insouciant	not concerned about anything; carefree	The insouciant mother did not blink an eye when her son complained of a tummy ache.	Regular Communication Words
Inspect	to study someone or something to discover any flaws or to find answers to a question-like in an investigation	Mechanics at the dealership inspect the car before buying or selling.	Regular Communication Words
Inspiration	a person or thing that inspires	The inspiration for my painting was my favorite pet.	Regular Communication Words
Inspire	to excite and encourage	The writer loved to inspire others with his uplifting poems.	Regular Communication Words
Install	to put something in position so that it can be used	The electrician will install our new stove today so that my mother can cook dinner tonight.	Regular Communication Words

Installment	a part or portion of something, especially money paid in increments	The buyer has paid one installment out of twelve and will pay the remaining portions by the month.	Regular Communication Words
Instance	a specific example or single occurrence of something	This shoplifting instance was only one example of why the shop installed hidden cameras.	Regular Communication Words
Instant	happening or coming immediately	The instant the baking soda hit the vinegar, it exploded into a foamy, mess of bubbles and liquid.	Regular Communication Words
Instantaneous	done immediately	When the emergency room physician detected the patient's ruptured spleen, he wheeled the patient upstairs for an instantaneous operation or the patient would die.	Regular Communication Words
Instead	in place of, as a substitute	Instead of using the locker that was assigned to him, the high school senior carries around his books in a backpack.	Regular Communication Words
Instigate	to trigger something	Justine hoped to instigate Will and Gail's separation by spreading false rumors about Will's late nights at work.	Regular Communication Words
Instigator	A person who causes something usually bad to happen	Although he wasn't involved in the actual fight, Ed was the instigator that got the whole thing started.	Regular Communication Words
Instill	to slowly cause a person to develop a feeling or attitude	The detective tried to instill fear in the suspect by telling him about the dangers of prison.	Regular Communication Words
Instinct	an innate ability that allows an individual or animal to respond without actively making a decision	The bear's maternal instinct made her fight to the death to save her cub.	Regular Communication Words
Instinctive	unlearned and done without thought or reasoning	Breathing is instinctive because nobody has to teach you how to do it.	Regular Communication Words

Institute	to start, begin, or launch something	The local police department will institute a search for the missing boy at 8 a.m.	Regular Communication Words
Institution	an organization created for a specific purpose such as religion or education	A university is an educational institution that is designed to provide the necessary knowledge for people to gain a career in the field of their choice.	Regular Communication Words
Instruct	to tell someone or teach someone to do something	You could hear the loud military leader instruct his troop on where to march from the other side of the hill.	Regular Communication Words
Instruction	an order, command, or direction that tells someone what to do or how to do it	Allie received a bad grade on her project because she ignored her teacher's last instruction and did it incorrectly.	Regular Communication Words
Instrumental	something that directly influences a movement, goal, or aim, usually positive	Martin Luther King Jr. was an instrumental part of the Civil Rights Movement that brought about more freedom for African Americans.	Regular Communication Words
Insubordination	the act of refusing to follow the instructions of an individual who is considered to be one's superior	The soldier's refusal to follow orders was nothing less than insubordination.	Regular Communication Words
Insubstantial	not enough; not strong enough	Because the evidence was insubstantial, there wasn't strong enough proof to charge the man with murder.	Regular Communication Words
Insufferable	unbearable	Jean filed for divorce from her insufferable husband after only three days of marriage.	Regular Communication Words
Insufficient	not enough; inadequate	The insufficient quantity of soap in the laundry room made it difficult to wash all of the clothing.	Regular Communication Words
Insular	not interested in meeting anyone outside your own group or country, or not interested in learning new ideas or ways of doing things	Because the insular man had lived on a deserted island for several years, he was not very good at making conversation.	Regular Communication Words

Insulation	material used to keep something (usually a building) warm	Thick insulation was added to the walls and the attic to keep the cold air out of the old farmhouse.	Regular Communication Words
Insulin	a hormone made by the pancreas that controls the level of the sugar glucose in the blood	Because he has diabetes, the man's pancreas does not make enough insulin to control his sugar glucose levels.	Regular Communication Words
Insult	to speak to or about someone in an abusive, degrading, or disrespectful way	Because her husband liked to insult her with rude jokes when he drank alcohol, Jodi begged him to stop drinking.	Regular Communication Words
Insuperable	not possible to achieve	No matter how hard the kitten tried, it could not face the insuperable challenge of climbing back down the tree.	Regular Communication Words
Insurance	a practice or arrangement by which a company or government agency provides a guarantee of compensation for specified loss, damage, illness, or death in return for payment of a premium.; a thing providing protection against a possible eventuality	It's recommended that renters get insurance on their belongings in case of a robbery.	Regular Communication Words
Insure	to guarantee or reassure	The local car salesman would insure a perfect car for every buyer and he would put it in a binding contract.	Regular Communication Words
Insurgent	a rebel; one of several people who take up arms against the local state authority	For his crimes against the state, he was tried as an enemy insurgent.	Regular Communication Words
Insurmountable	incapable of being passed over or overcome	Even though the task of cleaning out the garage seemed insurmountable, Sue had the place spotless and ready for her new car by Monday.	Regular Communication Words
Insurrection	an organized uprising against an authoritative body	During the insurrection, several convicts held a prison doctor hostage.	Regular Communication Words

Intact	not disturbed or spoiled in any way	After Sheila drank two bottles of tequila, her memory was no longer intact.	Regular Communication Words
Intake	the amount of a substance (i.e., food, water) that is brought into the body	While trying to lose weight, Henry lowered his daily calorie intake to just 1,200 calories eaten.	Regular Communication Words
Intangible	lacking a touchable form	While emotions can be expressed, they are intangible because they cannot be physically touched.	Regular Communication Words
Integer	a whole number	Each integer on the number line is marked with a dash.	Regular Communication Words
Integral	important and necessary	The engine is an integral part of any motor vehicle.	Regular Communication Words
Integrate	to come together or be put together in order to make a single unit	The activists marched and protested to integrate schools so children of all races could learn together.	Regular Communication Words
Integration	the action of making something whole by combining things together	The integration of several schools has decreased the number of academic options in our community.	Regular Communication Words
Integrity	firm adherence to a code of especially moral or artistic values	Because the politician was considered a man of integrity, most of the people voted for him in the last election.	Regular Communication Words
Intellect	the capability to view things in a logical manner	The scientist has a keen intellect and can easily solve most puzzles.	Regular Communication Words
Intellectual	involving the capability to process high level concepts	Because the teen's intellectual development is subpar, he cannot process higher level theories.	Regular Communication Words
Intelligence	knowledge typically gained through research or studying	Intelligence isn't born, but learned through years of heavy studying.	Regular Communication Words

Intelligent	smart; knowledgeable	Jason is the most intelligent student in class and always seems to know the right answer.	Regular Communication Words
Intelligentsia	highly educated people in a society	French intelligentsia were heavily involved in helping educate the poorer class in the Paris.	Regular Communication Words
Intelligible	capable of being comprehended	Because the intoxicated man slurred his words, his speech was far from intelligible.	Regular Communication Words
Intemperate	having problems with exercising control	John has intemperate mood swings he cannot seem to control.	Regular Communication Words
Intend	to have a plan in your mind to carry out	I do not intend to spend a lot of time discussing the details of the project with you because it is a waste of my time.	Regular Communication Words
Intended	meant; aimed	Will intended to take his family to the beach this weekend, but ended up having to work on his day off.	Regular Communication Words
Intense	very strong or extreme	Intense concentration was required to build the house of cards.	Regular Communication Words
Intensely	very strongly, in an extreme way	Staring intensely at the mirror, the woman couldn't figure out how she'd managed to put on so much weight.	Regular Communication Words
Intensify	to make something more intense	Turning the thermometer up will cause the heat in the room to intensify, providing warmth during the winter months.	Regular Communication Words
Intensity	at a stronger level than normal	The stranger stared at her with an intensity that made her uncomfortable and she had to look away.	Regular Communication Words
Intent	the purpose or reason for doing something	When you walked in the store was it your intent to harm the salesclerk?	Regular Communication Words

Intention	a course of action that a person intends to follow	Alex said that his intention is to marry Rachel.	Regular Communication Words
Intentional	on purpose,planned and deliberate	Karen is intentional with her eating selections and always plans her meals ahead so she won't make a bad choice.	Regular Communication Words
Intently	attentively	If I want to understand the entire concept, I must focus intently on my professor's lecture.	Regular Communication Words
Inter alia	a phrase meaning among other things	The teacher wore many hats including counselor and nurse, inter alia.	Regular Communication Words
Inter	to put a deceased person to rest	We decided to inter my son's dead bird near the apple tree.	Regular Communication Words
Inter	to place a dead body or object into a grave or tomb	The crypt keepers will inter the body into the tomb when the clock strikes twelve.	Regular Communication Words
Interact	act in such a way as to have an effect on another; act reciprocally	She struggled to get her introverted child to interact with other kids, but he preferred solitude and books.	Regular Communication Words
Interaction	shared or collaborative communication	After years of humans' interactions with the environment by polluting its rivers, the Earth became damaged and irreparable.	Regular Communication Words
Interactive	acting with each other	During our kindergarten visit, the 8th graders became very interactive with the young children after getting to know them.	Regular Communication Words
Intercede	to try to help settle an argument or disagreement between two or more people or groups	Even though a mother-in-law may have good intentions, I do not believe she should ever intercede in an argument between a husband and a wife.	Regular Communication Words

Intercept	to stop, deflect or divert something in progress or motion	I leaped into the air, attempting to intercept the football before it landed in Bernie's hands.	Regular Communication Words
Interchange	when two or more people trade information with each other	The interchange of research and statistics between scientists working on similar studies can lead to new discoveries.	Regular Communication Words
Interchangeable	able to be substituted	Because the British pound is worth more than the US dollar, the two currencies are not interchangeable.	Regular Communication Words
Intercity	traveling or existing between cities	Intercity trains take the passengers from D.C. to other local cities.	Regular Communication Words
Intercom	a system which allows a person speaking into a microphone to be heard on a speaker by people in a different room or area	Babbling through the intercom, the baby let the parents know that they would have a long night ahead of them.	Regular Communication Words
Interconnect	for more than one person or thing to connect with each other	Many of the walking trails at the park interconnect and link at some point or another.	Regular Communication Words
Interconnection	a mutual connection between two or more people or things	A strong interconnection between the twins made it seem like they could read each other's minds.	Regular Communication Words
Interdependence	a relationship in which individuals or groups are dependent upon each other	In biology, we learn about types of interdependence in which two organisms feed off each other.	Regular Communication Words
Interdict	to ban or prohibit in a firm manner	The government's new plan to interdict illegal drug sales will cost the country billions of dollars.	Regular Communication Words
Interdiction	an official order stopping a person or group from doing a specific task	For safety reasons, the city issued an interdiction which prohibits minors from being outside after 10 pm.	Regular Communication Words
Interdigitate	for two things to become interlocked	As the boat sank, the couple chose to digitate their hands, and their fingers remained interlocked as they sank into the water.	Regular Communication Words

Interest	attention that is given to or received from someone or something	The upcoming Royal wedding between Prince Harry and Meghan Markle will be of significant interest to the entire world.	Regular Communication Words
Interfere	to take part in the affairs of others	My neighbor's rowdy parties interfere with my nightly slumbers.	Regular Communication Words
Interference	a disruption between two or more things that most likely causes the action to stop	I didn't know if Ms. Smith would believe my excuse, but I really couldn't access the internet since there was an interference with the connection.	Regular Communication Words
Interim	meantime; short-term	While my car is in the shop, I think I'll borrow Dad's Corvette for getting around during the interim.	Regular Communication Words
Interior	having to do with the inner part of something	A fire in the interior of a car spreads quickly to the trunk.	Regular Communication Words
Interject	to cut in on another person's statement by making a remark	Every now and then the dog would bark to interject himself into my phone conversation.	Regular Communication Words
Interlock	to link or connect two or more things together	Because they were designed to interlock, the puzzle pieces snap together perfectly.	Regular Communication Words
Interlocutor	an individual who is engaged in a dialogue with another person	After Lynn listened to her friends' conversation for a while, she became an interlocutor and expressed her opinion.	Regular Communication Words
Interloper	someone who intrudes on the privacy or property of another without permission	Since she has never been able to let her son go, my mother-in-law is an interloper in my marriage.	Regular Communication Words
Interlude	a short period of time that comes in the middle of an event or situation	We exited the theater during the short interlude to purchase something to eat.	Regular Communication Words

Intermediary	a person or thing that facilitates	The intermediary is responsible for delivering the goods to the client and paying the seller.	Regular Communication Words
Intermediate	being between two extremes, or in the middle of a range	Due to my advanced knowledge of the subject matter, I was permitted to skip the beginners course and start at the intermediate level.	Regular Communication Words
Interment	putting a dead body to rest; the act of burying someone	The soldier who deserted his comrades in battle was not given interment in a military cemetery.	Regular Communication Words
Interminable	seemingly without end; endless	Being in the backseat of the car with her grandparents was an interminable experience for the teenage girl.	Regular Communication Words
Intermission	a scheduled break of about 10 to 15 minutes in the middle of a play, movie or concert	The woman quickly consumed the candy and drink during the play's intermission because she could not take it back in the theater.	Regular Communication Words
Intermittent	displaying in a random pattern; not consistent	When the cops arrived, the loud intermittent noise had stopped.	Regular Communication Words
Intermittently	not consistent; starting and stopping at random times	Unfortunately, my neighbor's car alarm went on and off intermittently throughout the night.	Regular Communication Words
Intern	a person that works somewhere not for pay but to gain training or experience	The intern started her training in the mailroom and also learned about processing payments during her time at the company.	Regular Communication Words
Internal conflict	a struggle within the mind that results from having two opposing desires	Haley decided to quit her job and start her own business despite her internal conflict with the decision.	Regular Communication Words
Internal	the interior or inside of something	Since the emergency room physician suspected internal bleeding, the patient's chest was opened up to see if the injury was bad.	Regular Communication Words

Internalize	to make the ideas, standards, attitudes, values and opinions of others influence how you think and feel	Sarah would internalize every harsh word said to her which resulted in her lashing out at people.	Regular Communication Words
International	of or having to do with more than one nation	The international chess competition was especially difficult because professional players from all over the world were in participation.	Regular Communication Words
Internecine	causing destruction to both sides in the battle	When the internecine war was over, both nations were left in ruins.	Regular Communication Words
Interpersonal	communication and relationships between individuals	Successful politicians have great interpersonal skills that enable them to relate to and communicate with people from all backgrounds.	Regular Communication Words
Interpolate	to change something by adding material to it	Since the author would often interpolate the stories of others by adding his own text, the critics did not view him as a real writer.	Regular Communication Words
Interpose	to involve oneself or to insert	It can be dangerous to interpose yourself between a cat fight.	Regular Communication Words
Interpret	to clarify something so it can be understood	The police officer could not interpret the deaf woman's gestures.	Regular Communication Words
Interpretation	a person's view of something	My interpretation of the portrait is much different than the artist's vision.	Regular Communication Words
Interpreter	someone who translates from one language into another	As I visited rural China, my interpreter explained in English what the local farmer was saying in Mandarin Chinese about his crops.	Regular Communication Words
Interrelate	to relate or connect with one another	At first, the two crimes didn't seem to interrelate, but no police think they have a common killer.	Regular Communication Words

Interrelation	the way in which each of two or more things is related to the other	There is no interrelation between the two men, but they look as if they could be brothers.	Regular Communication Words
Interrelationship	a close connection between two or more people or things	A key concern of a number of recent U.S. studies has been the interrelationship between relations of politics, power, and racism.	Regular Communication Words
Interrogate	to question someone in a commanding manner	If Jill brings a boy home, she knows her father is going to interrogate him by asking hundreds of questions.	Regular Communication Words
Interrogative	to be written in the form of a question	Teenagers frequently despise when their parents confront them with interrogative statements and demanding answers.	Regular Communication Words
Interrupt	stop the continuous progress of an activity or process	Kayla's brother always seemed to interrupt her in the middle of the movie.	Regular Communication Words
Intersection	a place where two or more paths meet, typically in reference to roads	Because two different roads meet at this intersection, they form a cross that provides four different directions for a driver to travel.	Regular Communication Words
Intersperse	to spread things out at intervals	The parents have decided to intersperse their son's trust fund payments so that he will get money every 30 days.	Regular Communication Words
Interstate	an American term related to events or roads that occur between states	I-75 is a highway that runs through several states.	Regular Communication Words
Interstellar	between or among the stars	Interstellar is a film about mankind's search for a new home among the stars.	Regular Communication Words
Interstice	a small interfering gap	Light peered through the interstice of the deck where the two boards did not completely meet together.	Regular Communication Words

Interstitial	situated in interstices (small spaces)	The patient was diagnosed with interstitial lung disease that stemmed from bacteria moving into small spaces in her lung cavity.	Regular Communication Words
Intertwined	twisted together or closely connected	Our lives became increasingly intertwined as we drew closer to each other.	Regular Communication Words
Interval	the period of time that exists between happenings	The interval between my wife's contractions has decreased to twenty minutes.	Regular Communication Words
Intervene	to interfere in an incident for a specific purpose	The teacher was injured when she tried to intervene in the fight between the two male students.	Regular Communication Words
Intervention	the process of becoming purposefully entangled in another's affairs	Our nation's intervention in another country's war could pull us into the crisis.	Regular Communication Words
Intimacy	feeling of closeness and openness towards someone else	Instead of controlling my children, I tried to create an intimacy with them.	Regular Communication Words
Intimate	not public; private	Because I am a private person, I do not like to share intimate details about my home life.	Regular Communication Words
Intimation	a sign or suggestion that something is likely to happen	Because they destroyed so many lives, the recent bombings are a brutal intimation of immortality.	Regular Communication Words
Intimidate	to make afraid	The mob tries to intimidate shop owners into paying protection fees.	Regular Communication Words
Intimidated	to become timid or fearful of	Jack was intimidated by the gangster, which is why he agreed to give him all of his money.	Regular Communication Words
Intimidation	the act of making something feel threatened or afraid	Intimidation and scare tactics were used to stop the players from kneeling during the anthem.	Regular Communication Words

Intolerable	not able to be tolerated	If I have to spend another second talking to that intolerable woman, I'm going to scream!	Regular Communication Words
Intolerant	unable or indisposed to tolerate, endure or bear	Matt is an intolerant person who hates listening to other people talk when their opinions are contrary to his own.	Regular Communication Words
Intonation	the rise and fall in the pitch of a voice	The rising intonation in the teenager's voice at the end of each sentence makes it seem as if she is asking a question.	Regular Communication Words
Intoned	to speak with little voice inflection	The boy intoned while he read the story with boring monotone speech.	Regular Communication Words
Intoxicated	drunk	Finishing off her last glass of wine, the intoxicated artist struggled to hold her paintbrush steady.	Regular Communication Words
Intracellular	taking place inside of a cell	Intracellular toxins affect the organelles and other substances inside of a cell.	Regular Communication Words
Intractable	not easily managed or controlled	Bringing up the sunken cruise ship is going to be an intractable task.	Regular Communication Words
Intramural	taking place within an organization or group	The intramural teams at our school only participate in games against each other.	Regular Communication Words
Intransigent	uncompromising	Even though the divorce proceedings should be over, they are still dragging on because of the intransigent parties involved.	Regular Communication Words
Intrastate	an American term that describes something happening within a state or one area	The intrastate highway will not take you over state lines.	Regular Communication Words
Intravenous	by way of a vein	Intravenous drug users often bruise their veins.	Regular Communication Words

Intrepid	very brave	To be an astronaut, you must be an intrepid person who craves adventure and is not afraid of heights.	Regular Communication Words
Intricacy	the condition of being complex or extremely detailed	The autistic boy found it easy to grasp the intricacy of the thousand-piece puzzle.	Regular Communication Words
Intricate	highly involved or complex	It took me months to put the intricate puzzle together.	Regular Communication Words
Intrigue	a complex scheme devised to gain something in a sneaky way	The intrigue surrounding the latest political scandal has created some interesting tabloid articles.	Regular Communication Words
Intriguing	of interest; triggering a wish to know more	The movie looks intriguing so I'm definitely going to see it.	Regular Communication Words
Intrinsic	internally true and genuine, often referring to the worth of people and objects for their value	A man with a generous heart can see the intrinsic value in something which looks worthless to others.	Regular Communication Words
Introduce	to bring a measure, product, or process into use for the first time	In an effort to modernize delivery, companies like Amazon have begun to introduce drones as a means of getting orders to doorsteps.	Regular Communication Words
Introduction	a situation in which someone or something is brought in or used for the first time	The introduction of the teen's new boyfriend to her parents didn't go very well.	Regular Communication Words
Introspection	the process of examining one's own thoughts and feelings	During a fierce battle, there is no time for a soldier to engage in introspection.	Regular Communication Words
Introspective	tending to examine your own feelings, thoughts, or ideas	If you are too introspective, you may talk yourself out of doing something wonderful.	Regular Communication Words
Introvert	one who concentrates on his own life and shows little interest in socializing	Because I am an introvert, I rarely go to parties.	Regular Communication Words

Intrude	to come or enter without invitation, permission, or welcome; to trespass	Gaby opened my door saying that she did not mean to intrude, but that someone was waiting to speak to me for over an hour.	Regular Communication Words
Intruder	someone in a place or situation who is not wanted	Bonnie told me she feels like an intruder when at a family cookout at her in-laws house due to a personality clash.	Regular Communication Words
Intrusion	an instance when a person goes into a place where they were not invited or wanted	Apologizing for her intrusion, the main slowly backed out of the couple's bedroom.	Regular Communication Words
Intuition	an ability to immediately understand something without reasoning or proof	They say that when you feel something is wrong you should trust your intuition.	Regular Communication Words
Intuitive	being able to sense or understand things with little or no information	The intuitive police officer could tell the woman was trying to hide something from him.	Regular Communication Words
Inundate	overwhelm with things or people	My boss is the type of person who likes to inundate others with projects.	Regular Communication Words
Inure	to become immune to unpleasant events or situations	Raising three dramatic daughters will inure you to temper tantrums.	Regular Communication Words
Inured	able to withstand hardship; to become accustomed to something unpleasant by prolonged exposure	Ever since Melissa lost her mother when she was a child, she has been inured to hardship.	Regular Communication Words
Invade	to attack or enter by force	Police forces were cautioned to not use deadly force when they prepared to invade the home.	Regular Communication Words
Invalid	not binding or acceptable	The police officer gave me a ticket for driving with an invalid license.	Regular Communication Words
Invalidate	to make something useless or to repeal it	If your tickets are stolen, the distributor can invalidate them so they can't be used.	Regular Communication Words

Invaluable	crucial; particularly useful	Without Amy's invaluable help, we would not have met the project deadline.	Regular Communication Words
Invariable	never changing, always the same	The human condition is invariable, and no matter how much we progress humanity will always wage war and spread distrust among each other.	Regular Communication Words
Invariably	always	Max was a little too handy with the snooze button on his alarm clock, so he was invariably late for work every day.	Regular Communication Words
Invasion	a occasion when a someone (usually a military) uses force to take over an area	In an attempt to stop an invasion, the villagers built a tall fort to protect against the enemy's force.	Regular Communication Words
Invective	abusive language used to criticize	The newspaper's invective of the novel really made the author angry.	Regular Communication Words
Inveigh	to criticize someone or something very strongly	Because one politician chose to inveigh on the subject of immigration for an hour, the debate went on all afternoon.	Regular Communication Words
Inveigle	to persuade someone to do something by means of deception or flattery	Speechless I stood by as June was able to inveigle her way into the private club by flirting with the security guard.	Regular Communication Words
Invention	something that has been invented	Jane appreciates the invention of the air conditioner on hot summer days.	Regular Communication Words
Inventive	having the ability to create something	The inventive father would always force his children to try out the toys he spent hours building.	Regular Communication Words
Inventory	a complete list of goods or merchandise that is in a store or warehouse	An inventory list was released that outlined each of the cars available for sale on the lot.	Regular Communication Words

Inverse	contrasting in influence or direction	When you read a palindrome in reverse, there is no inverse interpretation so the word will read the same.	Regular Communication Words
Inversion	a situation in which something is changed so that it is the opposite of what it used to be	Lower becoming cooler than upper air is called a temperature inversion.	Regular Communication Words
Invert	to flip-flop direction in status, stance or associations	The recipe called for the cook to bake the pineapple upside down cake in a pan and then to invert the cake face down onto a platter.	Regular Communication Words
Invertebrate	animal without backbone	The science teacher wanted us to study the snail, an invertebrate animal.	Regular Communication Words
Investigate	to examine, look into, or scrutinize in order to discover something hidden or secret	In order to find the murderer, the detective would have to investigate the dark building for evidence.	Regular Communication Words
Investment	the use of money, time, or effort to make a profit or result	The decline of sales made Jack feel nervous about his hefty investment in the store.	Regular Communication Words
Inveterate	have a particular interest or habit that is unlikely to change	Because Janet was an inveterate traveler, it seemed as though she lived at the airport.	Regular Communication Words
Invidious	unpleasant and likely to cause bad feelings in other people	The dictator's invidious acts caused the people to rise up against him.	Regular Communication Words
Invigilate	to watch people taking a test to ensure that they do not cheat	In an effort to cut down on cheating, a proctor was hired to invigilate the test takers closely.	Regular Communication Words
Invigorate	energize or give life	Hopefully the energy drink will invigorate me so I can work all night on my paper.	Regular Communication Words
Invigorating	giving strength, energy, or good health	Some people say the warm springs are invigorating because of their healing powers.	Regular Communication Words

Invincible	not possible to be defeated or harmed	The teenager jumped off the building because he thought he was invincible and unable to get hurt.	Regular Communication Words
Inviolable	never to be broken, infringed, ignored or dishonored	Her parents made it clear that the rules of curfew were inviolable.	Regular Communication Words
Inviolate	something to be respected and free or safe from harm	Secured in a glass display case, the painting was kept inviolate.	Regular Communication Words
Invisible	not visible to the eye	Bree thought the scar from her surgery would be an ugly, red mark, but it was invisible.	Regular Communication Words
Invocation	a method of asking for assistance from a higher power	During the invocation, the church leader asked for love, happiness, and good fortune for the newborn baby.	Regular Communication Words
Invoice	an itemized statement of items or work done with their charges for these; bill	Parents appreciated not having monthly tuition payments altered, and the invoice provided clear documentation of the expenses incurred throughout the year.	Regular Communication Words
Invoke	to request aid, usually from a deity	During the baptism, the priest will invoke a lifetime of blessings for the infant.	Regular Communication Words
Involuntary	done without thought or without planning	My involuntary response was to jump back from the snake.	Regular Communication Words
Involved	included; a part of something	Emily is involved in many school activities, including band and track.	Regular Communication Words
Invulnerable	not capable of being damaged or injured	The police officer knew he could die any day because he was not invulnerable.	Regular Communication Words
Inward	felt in your own mind but not revealed to other people	After narrowly missing a dog crossing the street, Beth breathed an inward sigh of relief.	Regular Communication Words

Inward	toward the inside	The pastry chef rolled the two corners of the dough inward so that they could meet in the middle.	Regular Communication Words
Ion	a cluster of atoms or a single atom carrying an electrical charge	Since the atom has acquired an electric charge, it is now referred to as an ion.	Regular Communication Words
Iota	a tiny amount	If there is even one iota of doubt, the jury should not find the defendant guilty.	Regular Communication Words
Ipso facto	a statement meaning “by that very fact or act” or “it must be true because of”	There are many more men in Alaska than there are women, ipso facto marriage comes easier for a lady.	Regular Communication Words
Irascible	easily made angry	It does not take much to aggravate my irascible neighbor who is annoyed by any little noise.	Regular Communication Words
Irate	tremendously angry	Jim was irate when he found his wife in bed with another woman.	Regular Communication Words
Ire	hostility triggered by a grievance or insult	My ire stems from the salesperson ignoring me while she talked on the telephone.	Regular Communication Words
Iridescent	exhibiting a wide range of brilliant colors like a rainbow	The singer’s iridescent necklace glowed brightly under the spotlight.	Regular Communication Words
Irk	annoy; irritate	Harry likes to irk us with his irrelevant questions.	Regular Communication Words
Irked	annoyed; irritated	The woman’s loud chewing irked the customers sitting nearby.	Regular Communication Words
Irksome	irritatingly bothersome	Hank’s fellow employees try to avoid him because of his irksome behavior.	Regular Communication Words

Iron Curtain	an unstoppable blockade	As the government agency tried to penetrate the iron curtain of the foreign country, it refused to give the agency access to their information.	Regular Communication Words
Ironclad	coated or wrapped in iron usually for protection	During the American Civil War, two ironclad ships fought each other without causing much damage due to the strong metal shield of the ships' outer material.	Regular Communication Words
Ironically	referring to something being unexpected or ironic	Ironically my boyfriend and I married at an early age despite our parents' attempts to separate us.	Regular Communication Words
Irony	a form of humor in which you use words to express the opposite of what the words really mean	Because I could not detect any irony in Jason's tone, I knew he was serious.	Regular Communication Words
Irrational	devoid of reason	Because my son has started to exhibit irrational behaviors, I am taking him to see a therapist.	Regular Communication Words
Irreconcilable	incapable of being brought into harmony or adjustment.	Feeling that their issues were irreconcilable, the couple decided to file for divorce.	Regular Communication Words
Irreducible	not able to be reduced or lessened	While the third-grader was working on her math test, she realized that the fraction on her test was irreducible because it was already in its lowest possible terms.	Regular Communication Words
Irrefragable	not able to be disputed or contested	During the trial, the bank teller's irrefragable evidence couldn't be contested by any other witnesses.	Regular Communication Words
Irrefragable	not able to be disputed or disproved	My college professor requires us to question all scientific evidence, even that which is considered fact or irrefragable.	Regular Communication Words
Irrefutable	that which cannot be proven false	The police arrested their suspect only after obtaining irrefutable proof he was the robber.	Regular Communication Words

Irregardless	no matter what the circumstance or situation	Though the sneaky boy constantly found himself trouble, his mother loved him irregardless.	Regular Communication Words
Irregular	unusual or odd	We could not plan our day due to the irregular weather.	Regular Communication Words
Irrelevant	not pertaining to or insignificant	Why does Cathy spend so much time telling me irrelevant facts that have nothing to do with me?	Regular Communication Words
Irremediable	unable to be remedied, cured, corrected or repaired	Bursting into tears, the young mother was appalled when she heard her baby had an irremediable disease which would cause severe pain for the rest of her life.	Regular Communication Words
Irreparable	not capable of being fixed	Since the damage to my car is irreparable, I need to buy a new vehicle.	Regular Communication Words
Irrepressible	not controllable	Jason could not control his irrepressible temper.	Regular Communication Words
Irreproachable	without fault	The police captain is expected to have irreproachable behavior.	Regular Communication Words
Irresistible	too attractive and tempting to be resisted	The smell of the irresistible cake seemed to call my name as it escaped out of the oven.	Regular Communication Words
Irresolute	not certain about something	As the troubled young girl faced her school principal, she was irresolute and did not know what to expect as a consequence for her behavior.	Regular Communication Words
Irrespective	without regard for conditions, circumstances, or consequences; regardless of	Our accountant explained that we would receive the tax credit irrespective of our income level.	Regular Communication Words

Irresponsible	describes someone that does not show a sense of responsibility or obligation	My irresponsible cousin has a ton of homework to do, but he has decided to sleep in late and play games instead of doing it.	Regular Communication Words
Irretrievable	unable to recover or reverse back to what it was	During a fight harsh words are irretrievable since they may be kept in the person's mind forever.	Regular Communication Words
Irreverent	displaying little respect to a person, thing, or idea	When the knight did not bow before his queen, he acted in an irreverent manner.	Regular Communication Words
Irreversible	not able to be altered or undone; unchangeable	Some acts are irreversible like having a child because you can't return the baby.	Regular Communication Words
Irrevocable	not able to be changed, reversed, or recovered; final	Even though you are unhappy with your inheritance, the will is irrevocable and cannot be changed.	Regular Communication Words
Irrigate	to provide water	Before you bandage the wound, irrigate it to flush out foreign substances.	Regular Communication Words
Irrigation	a process of providing water by artificial means	With our new irrigation system, we will be able to make plants thrive even in dry terrains.	Regular Communication Words
Irritable	getting annoyed or angry	Mel is an irritable person, always getting on peoples nerves.	Regular Communication Words
Irritate	to cause or induce displeasure or inflammation on any portion of body	Becky was pleased to find a body wash that contains aloe which didn't irritate her skin.	Regular Communication Words
Irritation	feeling bother or annoyed by something that is time consuming or particularly frustrating	Julia's irritation with her best friend only grew because she kept making the same mistakes and completely ignoring Julia's advice.	Regular Communication Words
Irrupt	to enter or burst in suddenly	Several non-native species were able to irrupt into the area and cause destruction after their sudden arrival.	Regular Communication Words

Isle	island	The deserted isle was in the middle of the Atlantic Ocean.	Regular Communication Words
Isolation	the condition of being located away from others	The worst prisoners are placed in isolation so they cannot hurt other inmates.	Regular Communication Words
Isolationism	a rule of seclusion followed by a group or nation that chooses not to interact with other sects or countries	Because of the rules of isolationism members of the sect were only allowed to interact with people of their community.	Regular Communication Words
Isotonic	having equal tension	The beverage is isotonic, with equal concentrations of sugar and salt.	Regular Communication Words
Isotope	any of an element's forms that differ because of the atom's neutron count	Just like an isotope, you are unlike your sibling because of the differences in your chemical makeups.	Regular Communication Words
Issue	to deliver or give out	No one was at the office to issue my driver's license, so I will have to wait until tomorrow to pick it up.	Regular Communication Words
Isthmus	a narrow strip of land, bordered on both sides by water, and connecting two larger landmasses	They had to travel over the isthmus to the other end of the island.	Regular Communication Words
Itemize	to break something down into the individual parts that comprise it	An itemized bill is one that breaks down the listed cost into each part that makes up the bill, so you know what parts of it are the most expensive.	Regular Communication Words
Iterate	said or done again and again; repeated	I will iterate our policy over and over to be perfectly clear.	Regular Communication Words
Iterate	to verbalize or say	I had to iterate my answer for the mathematical problem a second time because my partner did not hear me the first time.	Regular Communication Words

Iteration	the process of repeating a statement or sequence of some sort	The only difference in the latest iteration of the videogame is the change of setting.	Regular Communication Words
Itinerant	moving around from location to location	The documentary follows the life of an itinerant homeless man who never sleeps in a location more than once.	Regular Communication Words
Itinerary	a detailed schedule usually for a trip	With his itinerary in hand, the tourist began his first day in Ireland by walking to each place on his list so he could see every attraction.	Regular Communication Words
Its	related to something that was mentioned previously	After three days, the sick dog was allowed to leave its crate.	Regular Communication Words
Jabber	to talk rapidly, indistinctly, or unintelligibly; to utter gibberish or nonsense	I get nervous when my sister begins to jabber about all the nonsense that happens in her world.	Regular Communication Words
Jackanapes	a conceited, sarcastic, and/or brutish individual	Narcissus was such a conceited jackanapes that when he glimpsed himself in a mirror, he fell in love.	Regular Communication Words
Jaded	depleted of excitement and enthusiasm, usually after having had too much of something	After being on an airplane for nearly twenty-four hours, Henry is a bit jaded and never wants to travel again.	Regular Communication Words
Jagged	sharp; pointed	Jagged splinters sticking out of the wood stuck inside the barefoot boy's foot when he stepped on top of the board.	Regular Communication Words
Jape	a silly plan done on a person; practical joke	My little sister Jessica thought it was funny to put a frog in my rain boot for a jape.	Regular Communication Words
Jape	a practical joke or trick that you play on someone	Hank's mother didn't find his April's fool's jape funny and punished him for the prank.	Regular Communication Words
Jargon	communication that a person cannot comprehend	If you include legal jargon in the article, only law students and lawyers will be able to understand your position.	Regular Communication Words

Jarring	to be altered or changed usually in an irritating or unbearable way	When the teenager's jarring music was blasting in the car next to me, I became aware that I would enjoy the silence once he was gone.	Regular Communication Words
Jaundiced	tending to dislike, criticize, or resent something	Because she always received terrible customer service, my grandmother was jaundiced against the company.	Regular Communication Words
Jaunt	a short journey or excursion for pleasure or refreshment	The short jaunt that Janice took around the mountainside resulted in a lengthy search when she failed to return.	Regular Communication Words
Jauntily	in an energetic way	After receiving a promotion at work, Jill walked home jauntily.	Regular Communication Words
Jaunty	expressing cheer and self-assurance	Craig's bright and jaunty tie put a smile on everyone's face.	Regular Communication Words
Jawbone	the skull area below the mouth	During the fight, the young man broke his jawbone after the other man hit him on the lower side of his face.	Regular Communication Words
Jealous	feeling resentment against someone because of that person's rivalry, success, or advantages	Feeling jealous of her older sister's small frame, the overweight teen refused to go prom dress shopping unless she could go alone.	Regular Communication Words
Jeer	ridicule, taunt, scoff at	When the basketball bounced off the rim for the second time, Nolan knew that the crowd would probably jeer at him.	Regular Communication Words
Jejune	unsophisticated	The billionaire couple refused to eat the jejune dish of chicken wings and tater tots.	Regular Communication Words
Jeopardize	to put at risk	Do not jeopardize your good grade by failing to turn in your assignment.	Regular Communication Words

Jeopardy	at risk of loss or harm	If you do not take your medicine, you will put your health in jeopardy.	Regular Communication Words
Jeremiad	a long, sad list of complaints, sometimes produced as a literary work	The elegantly written book was actually a jeremiad that laid out the author's complaints against the current government.	Regular Communication Words
Jest	words that are spoken as humor	When confronted by the teacher, the student said his words were in jest and not meant to be taken seriously.	Regular Communication Words
Jettison	to eliminate something	In order to conserve fuel, the pilot was forced to jettison some of his passengers' suitcases.	Regular Communication Words
Jibe	to agree; harmonize	The findings of the court did not jibe with the testimony of the witness, angering the judge.	Regular Communication Words
Jingoism	extreme patriotism for one's country that often shows itself through aggression towards other nations	The man's jingoism led him to attempt to destroy a federal building as a show of loyalty for his own nation.	Regular Communication Words
Jinx	a person or thing supposed to bring bad luck	I lied on my resume and fear this big mistake could jinx my chances of snaring a great job.	Regular Communication Words
Jittery	shaky and nervous	The nervous puppy is always jittery when we go to see the vet.	Regular Communication Words
Jive	to deceive; to be deceptive	Beth yelled at her husband, "I know you went to see your mistress last night so don't try to jive me!"	Regular Communication Words
Jive	slang talk that is meaningless and dishonest	The conman tried to use his jive talk to trick people into giving him money.	Regular Communication Words
Jockey	one who rides racehorses competitively	Jockeys must be brave to ride horses at high speeds in such tight quarters.	Regular Communication Words

Jocose	playful; humorous	Robert is well known for his jocose disposition, always makes everyone around him laugh.	Regular Communication Words
Jocular	characterized by joking; humorous or playful	The jocular man is known for his funny punchlines.	Regular Communication Words
Jocund	in high spirits; cheery	Because Patrick was feeling quite jocund after drinking a few beers, he could not stop smiling.	Regular Communication Words
Joie de Vivre	ecstatic enjoyment of life	Everyone should practice Joie de Vivre, enjoying life to the absolute fullest regardless of what bad things may happen along the way.	Regular Communication Words
Joint	shared or made by two or more entities	This is a joint project that my partner and I must work on to complete on time for chemistry class.	Regular Communication Words
Joist	a wooden or metal beam that serves as a support for the ceiling or floor	Chipotle has an industrial décor that enables guests to see the long metal joist that runs across the ceiling and supports the roof.	Regular Communication Words
Jolt	to push or shake abruptly and roughly	We hope that the new stores opening in the downtown will help jolt the economy back to life.	Regular Communication Words
Jostle	to compete or struggle for something	As soon as the coach makes the announcement, the football players will start to jostle for the position of team captain.	Regular Communication Words
Journey	usually a long difficult period pertaining to personal change and growth	Robin has hurt so many people on her long journey through addiction, she's now focused on helping others.	Regular Communication Words
Jovial	warm and friendly	Stories describe Santa Claus as a jovial man who gives toys to children.	Regular Communication Words

Jowls	the lower cheek attached to the jawbones or mandibles	The strong-faced man had the same jowls as his grandfather and embraced his jawline as a coveted family trait.	Regular Communication Words
Joyful	feeling happy and cheerful	Making a joyful noise, the choir smiled as they sang their cheerful hymn.	Regular Communication Words
Joyous	full of joy; happy	A joyous celebration such as this requires cake, music, and elaborate decorations!	Regular Communication Words
Jubilant	filled with joy	I am jubilant to learn that my sister is finally having a baby.	Regular Communication Words
Judicial review	a high courts review of a ruling by a lower court or actions of the legislative branch	During the judicial review, the judge considered all of the evidence that had been presented to the lower court judge.	Regular Communication Words
Judicious	showing intelligence and good judgment	Because of the doctor's experience, he was a judicious fellow who was well-respected by his colleagues.	Regular Communication Words
Juggernaut	a large item that is seen as unstoppable and can destroy anything in its way	With the reveal of its best-selling innovation, the software company has become a juggernaut in the tech industry.	Regular Communication Words
Jumble	a typically messy pile of things	Most teenage boys leave their things in a messy jumble, making their rooms look more like disaster areas than places of clean habitation.	Regular Communication Words
Jump	to react suddenly often unexpected and quickly	The loud boom heard was caused by an earthquake that made everyone jump out of their seats.	Regular Communication Words
Jumpstart	to start something quickly by providing it with extra help	To jumpstart his understanding of the math concepts, Felipe hired an algebra guru to tutor him before his classes start.	Regular Communication Words

Jumpy	behaving in an anxious or nervous way	Because he is afraid of the police, the jittery driver appeared jumpy when he was pulled over by the officer.	Regular Communication Words
Junction	a location where roads or lines intersect or meet	The city's main interstates meet at the area known as Spaghetti Junction.	Regular Communication Words
Juncture	an important point in a process or activity	At this juncture, we are unable to continue with the project because of a lack of funding.	Regular Communication Words
Junta	an armed group that comes into power by using force	Armed with the newest weapons, the junta faced little to no resistance as it drove out the government.	Regular Communication Words
Jurassic	a geologic period that occurred over 150 million years ago and is marked by the presence of dinosaurs and the first appearance of birds	During the Jurassic period, humans didn't exist, and dinosaurs ruled the earth.	Regular Communication Words
Jurisdiction	the valid power to make official decisions and rulings	The probate court has jurisdiction over the validity of wills.	Regular Communication Words
Jurisprudence	the part of philosophy that focuses on the origins of the law and the decisions made by the judicial systems	Even in high school, Evan read a great deal on jurisprudence because he knew he wanted to become a lawyer.	Regular Communication Words
Jurist	an individual with a deep awareness of the law	Since I know my uncle has been a judge for fifteen years, I highly respect him as a jurist.	Regular Communication Words
Justice	the outcome of using regulations to impartially judge and penalize a person or group accused of a criminal act	Some people believe justice is blind to wealthy individuals because most of them don't receive harsh consequences.	Regular Communication Words
Justifiable	well founded; rightful	Even though a punch in the nose may not seem to be justifiable to many people, sometimes it just has to be done to get the point across to a bully.	Regular Communication Words

Justification	an explanation of how something is reasonable or correct	Phillip was fired when he was unable to offer justification for his repeated tardiness to work.	Regular Communication Words
Justify	to offer a reasonable explanation for a certain behavior or action	Ted tried to justify his wife's death with a claim of self-defense.	Regular Communication Words
Jut	to stick out from something in a noticeable way	The edge of the cliff seemed to jut out over the ocean and disappear into a blanket of clouds.	Regular Communication Words
Juvenile	in a manner that is childish and unpleasant or referring to a young person	Cliff may be mayor now, but as a teenager, he was a juvenile delinquent who once spray-painted the police station.	Regular Communication Words
Juxtaposition	the fact of two things being seen or placed closed together with contrasting effect	The reality clearly shows a cultural juxtaposition between rich people and poor people.	Regular Communication Words
Kaleidoscope	changing colors, shapes, and/or patterns in a general vicinity	Clouds are a kaleidoscope of shapes, sizes, patterns, and colors.	Regular Communication Words
Kaput	completely done; not functioning or dead	Because my car is kaput and not working, I need to buy a new vehicle.	Regular Communication Words
Karma	an energy or force that causes one's fate to be determined by one's deeds	John's bad luck proves karma is paying him back for his misdeeds.	Regular Communication Words
Keel	overturn; capsize	Feeling like it might keel at any minute, the kayaker tried to steady himself with his oar.	Regular Communication Words
Keen	strong or highly developed	His keen sense of observation allowed him to notice that his keys were not where he had left them.	Regular Communication Words
Keening	wailing or crying with grief	The keening mother could not believe that her child was gone, even though the officers that had found his body told her so through her tears.	Regular Communication Words

Keenly	deeply or intensely	Out of fear my daughter wasn't telling the truth, I stared keenly at her.	Regular Communication Words
Keeness	the quality of being eager or excitedly enthusiastic	Milo's keeness for learning showed in his excellent work.	Regular Communication Words
Keepsake	an object retained in memory of something or someone	After the brave soldier lost his life in combat, the Army gave the mother his dog tags as a keepsake.	Regular Communication Words
Keepsake	a small item or souvenir that is kept as a reminder of a person or event	Wanda bought a small trinket from the gift shop as a memento of her trip to Paris.	Regular Communication Words
Kempt	neat and tidy	Although the older child always looked kempt, the toddler always arrived to daycare with disheveled clothing and uncombed hair.	Regular Communication Words
Ken	awareness or understanding	After further reading the novel, the ken of the antagonist's motive to harm the protagonist became clear.	Regular Communication Words
Keratin	a strong natural protein that is the base of hair, nails, hoofs, and horns	Although other proteins are found in skin cells, keratin makes up a large percentage of these tissues.	Regular Communication Words
Kerfuffle	an uproar or fuss	When rival soccer fans got in a kerfuffle in the pub, the police were called.	Regular Communication Words
Kernel	a small seed or grain	A popcorn kernel that never burst got stuck at my tooth while eating my snack at the movies.	Regular Communication Words
Kerosene	oil that is used a fuel	Running out of kerosene, the traveler's lamp began to flicker and eventually went dim.	Regular Communication Words
Khaki	a light brown or green cloth made usually of cotton or wool that is traditionally used for making uniforms	The man's brown khaki suit stood out amongst the traditional black tuxedos in the room.	Regular Communication Words

Kibbutz	an Israeli farm communal settlement that allows anyone to come and stay as long as they work	A social movement of the early 1900s, many Israelis chose to live and work together on a communal farm called a kibbutz.	Regular Communication Words
Kibitz	to sit in on a conversation or event and offer unsolicited advice	Watching the men play roulette, a passerby began to kibitz and tell the gamblers where to place their bets.	Regular Communication Words
Kibitzer	an onlooker who offers unwanted advice or commentary	The kibitzer stood at the edge of the chess table irritating the players with his unwanted tips.	Regular Communication Words
Kibosh	to examine, finish or halt something	After realizing that the newly hired butler had a background in stealing, the rich homeowner put the kibosh on his employment immediately.	Regular Communication Words
Kick off	to start something	We will kick off our weekend with a Fourth of July BBQ.	Regular Communication Words
Kidney	one of a pair of organs located in the right and left side of the abdomen that filter waste from the body	Diabetes related kidney disease required the patient to undergo dialysis to help clear waste from his body.	Regular Communication Words
Killjoy	a person who spoils the fun or pleasure of others	Our next door neighbor is a killjoy who calls the police anytime we have a party at our house.	Regular Communication Words
Kilometer	a unit of metric measurement used to measure length or distance	The farm home measures exactly a kilometer from its closest neighbor.	Regular Communication Words
Kilter	not working well, out of order	An unexpected surge of both the flu and strep throat threw the unprepared clinic out of kilter.	Regular Communication Words
Kin	people related by blood or marriage	Her kin was coming to stay for the annual family Christmas event.	Regular Communication Words
Kind	caring; nice	A kind volunteer showed compassion by giving out blankets to flood victims at the local shelter.	Regular Communication Words

Kindhearted	having a kind and caring nature	The sweet and kindhearted child loved to share her toys with other kids.	Regular Communication Words
Kindle	to motivate or inspire	The mother hoped the prison inmate's speech would kindle her son to change his rebellious ways.	Regular Communication Words
Kindliness	kindness; compassion	The sweet woman's kindliness was well known in her small community.	Regular Communication Words
Kindling	tinder	Kindling was gathered to start a fire close to the campsite.	Regular Communication Words
Kindly	friendly or amiable	The kindly old lady gave the trick or treaters way more candy than any of the other people that lived on this block.	Regular Communication Words
Kindness	the attribute of friendliness, generosity, charity, or other features that are considered kind	We prefer to treat people with kindness most of the time, but if someone is cruel to us we find it easy to be cruel in kind.	Regular Communication Words
Kindred	related in thought or genetically	My best friend is my kindred spirit who usually identifies with all the crazy things I say.	Regular Communication Words
Kinesthetic	describes learning that occurs through body movement or position	Kinesthetic learners need lots of hands on opportunities to accurately grasp subject matter.	Regular Communication Words
Kinetic	associated with motion	Kinetic learners are students who learn better when they are allowed to be active.	Regular Communication Words
King	the ruler of an empire or kingdom	As king of the monarchy, the ruler was in a powerful position and made decisions for thousands of people.	Regular Communication Words
Kingdom	an empire or monarchy ruled by royalty	One medieval kingdom was situated in the middle of the forest and was ruled by a reclusive king.	Regular Communication Words

Kismet	inescapable fate	As a romantic, I believe kismet will lead me to my one true love.	Regular Communication Words
Kith	friends and acquaintances	The man was such a scrooge, he even loathed his own kith and kin!	Regular Communication Words
Kitsch	tacky or of poor quality	Kitsch lava lamps seem cheesy today but are still somewhat popular.	Regular Communication Words
Kleptocracy	a government with corrupt leaders that uses their power to exploit their own people and resources for greater personal wealth	In this kleptocracy, our leaders have been placing extortionate taxes on us in order to gain greater wealth for themselves.	Regular Communication Words
Kleptomaniac	one who steals compulsively	The kleptomaniac struggled to stop stealing.	Regular Communication Words
Knack	a natural ability	Cooking from scratch with no recipe was a knack for Rosie and her mother.	Regular Communication Words
Knapsack	a bag strapped on the back that is used for carrying supplies or personal belongings	The hunter always kept a knapsack with fresh water and a compass in case he was to get lost.	Regular Communication Words
Knave	a dishonest individual	The knave volunteered to clean the church so he could have access to the petty cash box.	Regular Communication Words
Knavish	crafty; cunning	The knavish wolf was able to convince the pig to let him into his home.	Regular Communication Words
Knead	to work and press into a mass, usually with the hands	I watched Frank knead dough as he pushed down and out, stretching the dough flatter and flatter.	Regular Communication Words
Knee-jerk	an automatic or impulsive reaction	The guilty child's knee-jerk reaction to being accused of stealing the money was to blame it on someone else.	Regular Communication Words

Kneel	to bend down on ones knees	The knight continued to kneel as the queen presented him with an award.	Regular Communication Words
Knell	an indication that something has come to a conclusion or an end	Everyone took the company president's resignation as the company's knell of bankruptcy.	Regular Communication Words
Knew	understood; was aware of	I knew that I needed to go to sleep, but decided to stay up just a little longer.	Regular Communication Words
Knickerbocker	a descendant of the Dutch settlers of New York	The knickerbocker was a settler that arrived in New York long before the United States was independent.	Regular Communication Words
Knight	a man who fought in battles on a horse during the Middle Ages	The knight galloped to the castle and broke in to save the princess.	Regular Communication Words
Knighthood	having the title of a person who served a lord in armored battle	Knighthood was granted to those who agreed to serve the manor's lord.	Regular Communication Words
Knit	to closely join or combine things/people together	The bride and groom hope that their marriage would knit their families together and end the feud once and for all.	Regular Communication Words
Knock-off	a copy of a product that sells for less than the original version	The knock-off purses were designed to look just like the originals but are sold for a lot less.	Regular Communication Words
Knock-on	one action or event that causes several other things to happen	Businesses shutting down had a knock-on effect on the economy that led to several negative effects.	Regular Communication Words
Knock	to hit a surface in a noisy way	You must knock loudly on the door when you go to grandmother's house since she is hard of hearing.	Regular Communication Words
Knoll	a small hill	The charming inn was set on a knoll in the country.	Regular Communication Words

Knot	a tangled mass or lump	After being tossed around in Diane's purse, the silver chain had worked itself into a tangled knot.	Regular Communication Words
Knotty	full of knots, tangles, or lumps	The girl's hair was always knotty and hard to comb out after she went swimming.	Regular Communication Words
Know-how	the knowledge and skill to be able to do something correctly	I don't have the required know-how to build a website, but I am willing to learn.	Regular Communication Words
Know	to understand or be aware of	The only thing I know about the area is that there is a park close to the river.	Regular Communication Words
Knowingly	done deliberately; with full knowledge	Knowingly omitting the truth is considered the same as lying.	Regular Communication Words
Knowledge	the understanding of a subject	I have a great deal of knowledge in math, being able to carry out complicated mathematical processes that required years of studying.	Regular Communication Words
Knowledgeable	educated and well-informed	The professor was knowledgeable about history but knew very little about science.	Regular Communication Words
Knucklehead	a person who is stupid and hard-headed	The knucklehead constantly makes stupid decisions, like stealing cars and robbing banks.	Regular Communication Words
Kosher	acceptable; appropriate	Although she liked him, the girl was not convinced it was kosher to date her sister's ex beau.	Regular Communication Words
Kowtow	to submit to another person without any struggle	The dictator beheaded the man who refused to kowtow to him by kissing his feet.	Regular Communication Words
Kremlin	a citadel within a Russian city, or specifically the seat of Russian government	The Kremlin is the seat of Russian political power, where the President of the Russian Federation stays.	Regular Communication Words

Kudos	praise for one's accomplishments	Although the movie director received kudos from the critics, the public hated the film.	Regular Communication Words
Kumbaya	a word stemming from a 1930s folk song of the same name that represents peace and tranquility	The campers set in kumbaya circles and hold hands as they sang peaceful songs around the blazing campfire.	Regular Communication Words
Kvetch	a strong complainer or whiner	As the kvetch entered the department store, the clerk recognized and winced at the thought that she would have to hear all the excuses and objections to her returned purchases.	Regular Communication Words
Label	to put a small tag or ticket on something as a way to identify something about it	Before we sell these items at the garage sale, we will need to label each one with a price tag.	Regular Communication Words
Labile	easily or frequently changed	My body's response to dairy products is labile and usually hurts worse when I exercise after consumption.	Regular Communication Words
Labor union	a group of workers that have organized to protect themselves and their interests	The teacher labor union organized a strike to protest low pay all across the state.	Regular Communication Words
Labor	to work diligently	The dwarves would labor in the mines all day and only return to their cottage at night when work was finished.	Regular Communication Words
Laboratory	a room or building equipped with the necessary tools for science research or experiments to take place	Because our laboratory does not have the necessary equipment for the study, a workshop down the street must be used.	Regular Communication Words
Labored	worked	Hercules labored to complete the twelve parts of his difficult quest.	Regular Communication Words
Laborious	something requiring much physical or mental effort	When you just start exercising it may seem laborious, but over time it gets easier.	Regular Communication Words

Labyrinth	a complicated irregular network of passages or paths in which it is difficult to find one's way; a maze.	At the farm, I found it very easy to get lost in the labyrinth of corn stalks.	Regular Communication Words
Laceration	an irregular open wound caused by a blunt impact to soft tissue	Because the laceration was so deep and ugly, Dick was rushed to the emergency room by an ambulance.	Regular Communication Words
Lachrymose	easily brought to tears	After her husband died, my aunt became a lachrymose woman who couldn't stop crying.	Regular Communication Words
Lackadaisical	feeling or showing a lack of interest or enthusiasm	After the surgery, I was lackadaisical for several days.	Regular Communication Words
Lackey	a servant that does menial tasks	The wealthy gent's lackey toted his luggage all over the resort.	Regular Communication Words
Lackluster	lacking brilliance and shine; dull; not exceptional; not worthy of special merit, attention, or interest	Since she noticed that the response she was getting on the dating website was rather lackluster, Beth decided to spice up her profile and post a better photo.	Regular Communication Words
Laconic	brief and concise, using few words	During the laconic phone call, the divorcing spouses only said what was absolutely necessary.	Regular Communication Words
Lacquer	a clear or colored coating that is painted on wood or metal	Lacquer was added to the dresser's surface to give it extra shine.	Regular Communication Words
Lacuna	a gap or missing part	The story's plot was missing, creating a lacuna in the middle of the text.	Regular Communication Words
Lad	a young boy	Police questioned the lad for an hour, but were not able to pinpoint him as a suspect.	Regular Communication Words
Laden	weighed down by a large amount	The party table is laden with assorted snacks and beverages.	Regular Communication Words

Laggard	an individual or group that falls behind others	In the race, James was the laggard who finished in last place.	Regular Communication Words
Lagniappe	a small gift given to a customer when purchasing something	As a lagniappe, the department store offered free popcorn and drinks to all its customers.	Regular Communication Words
Laid-back	relaxed and easy-going	Angie wished to give up her busy, New York City lifestyle for laid-back beach life.	Regular Communication Words
Lair	a place inhabited by a wild animal, often a cave or a hole in the ground	After stalking a sheep and ripping it to pieces, the tiger dragged its fresh kill to its lair.	Regular Communication Words
Laissez-faire	The policy of not interfering in the affairs of others	Since the dictator is killing Christians in his country, there is no way Christian nations can simply do nothing while observing a laissez-faire policy.	Regular Communication Words
Laity	members of the church but who are not ordained ministers or priests	Holding confession, the priest had the laity line up one by one to confess their sins.	Regular Communication Words
Lambaste	to criticize someone harshly	Even with its success, harsh party leaders continued to lambaste the plan for healthcare reform.	Regular Communication Words
Lambent	refers to the glowing and flickering of a fire	A lambent glow flickered from the low burning campfire.	Regular Communication Words
Lame	having disabled legs or feet	Lame in his feet, the once energetic man was no longer able to move around.	Regular Communication Words
Lament	to express sorrow or regret; to mourn aloud	I lament by crying my eyes out.	Regular Communication Words
Lamentable	worthy of criticism or regret	Few events are as lamentable as an attack on innocent people by terrorists.	Regular Communication Words

Lampoon	When you make fun of something by imitating it in a humorous way, you're lampooning it. The writers at The Onion, Saturday Night Live and FunnyOrDie.com are all experts in the art of the lampoon.	Because Freddy posted an uncomplimentary lampoon of his boss on his Facebook page, he soon found himself looking for new employment.	Regular Communication Words
Lance	a long, thin pole with a sharp point carried by horsemen	Every tribesman carries around a lance whose tip is so sharp that it pierces the flesh at the slightest touch.	Regular Communication Words
Landfill	a place where waste is buried underground	All trash placed in the city's dumpster was buried deep in the landfill.	Regular Communication Words
Landform	a mass made up of materials typically considered land, such as dirt, stone, sand, etc	Sailors that are out at sea often look for some sort of landform to signal the end of their journey, though they may pass some islands that aren't their final destination.	Regular Communication Words
Landlocked	completely surrounded by land	Many landlocked countries in Africa lack the natural resources needed to sustain a stable economy.	Regular Communication Words
Landlord	a person who leases their property to another person or company	Beating on her delinquent tenant's door, the landlord threatened to file a lawsuit if rent wasn't paid.	Regular Communication Words
Landmark	a well-known object in a particular place that helps a person know where they are	It wasn't an X, but the small stone that served as a landmark for the location of the buried treasure.	Regular Communication Words
Landscape	to decorate with plants	To add extra character, the painter always makes sure to landscape his scenes with at least some greenery.	Regular Communication Words
Landslide	a win that was gained by a large margin	After losing the election in a landslide victory, the candidate called his opponent to concede defeat.	Regular Communication Words
Languid	very slow and relaxed	I always get my rest when I take a languid cruise vacation.	Regular Communication Words

Languish	to be or become weak or dull; lose strength or vigor; fail to make progress or be successful	If Congress allows the budget bill to languish on the shelf, then the country will find itself in a financial crisis.	Regular Communication Words
Languishing	losing strength; becoming feeble and weak	After many weeks lost at sea, the languishing men were quickly losing all strength.	Regular Communication Words
Languor	weariness or exhaustion	If you do not drink enough water, you will become dehydrated and fall into a state of languor.	Regular Communication Words
Languorous	lazy and lethargic	The languorous teenager would rather lay in bed playing video games than actually do something constructive.	Regular Communication Words
Languorous	lacking in energy and enthusiasm	After working all week, the exhausted woman wanted to enjoy a languorous day in bed.	Regular Communication Words
Lanky	awkwardly tall and skinny	Long-limbed and lanky, it was hard for the man to fit inside the compact car.	Regular Communication Words
Lantern	a lamp with a protective case around the flame	A brown rustic lantern hung from the porch and lit the way for weary travelers.	Regular Communication Words
Lapse	A temporary failure; a slip	His lapse in judgement led him to fall behind in his studies.	Regular Communication Words
Larceny	unlawful taking of personal property	After finding his computer was not where he left it, he accused his sister of larceny.	Regular Communication Words
Large	of greater size than normal	Large birds with great wings flew high over the river valley.	Regular Communication Words
Largesse	generous acts of giving gifts or money to a large number of people	Because of the millionaire's largesse, twenty underprivileged graduates now have college scholarships.	Regular Communication Words

Laryngoscope	a medical instrument specifically used to examine the human larynx	Because my voice was hoarse, the doctor had to use a laryngoscope to see if there was anything wrong with my larynx.	Regular Communication Words
Larynx	an organ in the neck of humans and animals that contains your vocal cords; voice box	Strain on her larynx caused the singer's voice to crack.	Regular Communication Words
Lascivious	having or showing strong sexual desire	After running naked through the field, he was arrested for lewd and lascivious behavior.	Regular Communication Words
Lassitude	tiredness and a lack of energy	After the long race, Jack experienced a feeling of lassitude.	Regular Communication Words
Latch	to fasten a door or gate with a latch or a lock	We had to latch the door closed with a lock so it would not fly open when it got windy, since the last storm made a mess.	Regular Communication Words
Latency	the period of time that one component in a system is waiting for another component	A system update allowed the system to run faster and reduced any latency or wait time.	Regular Communication Words
Latent	existing or present but concealed or inactive	The detective asked the lab technician to search the room for latent fingerprints.	Regular Communication Words
Lateral	of or pertaining to the side	A beam runs along the top of the bridge, offering lateral support to the structure.	Regular Communication Words
Latitude	having the choice to do something	My father gave me the latitude to choose my own curfew on prom night.	Regular Communication Words
Latter	used to signify the second part of something	My favorite fruits are apples and watermelon, especially the latter on a hot summer day.	Regular Communication Words
Lattice	crisscross or diamond pattern with spaces in-between	I pierced through the wooden lattice, splitting the diamond pattern in two.	Regular Communication Words

Laud	to praise or glorify	The company decided to laud Jack's outstanding contributions to the firm.	Regular Communication Words
Laudable	deserving to be praised or admired	While Jason did not win the contest, his efforts were laudable enough to be mentioned by the judges.	Regular Communication Words
Laudatory	giving praise	The laudatory announcement praised the team's efforts during the championship game.	Regular Communication Words
Laugh	to make the sounds and movements of the face and body that express happiness	The children began to laugh and giggle as the clown performed goofy tricks for them.	Regular Communication Words
Laughing Stock	someone who is on the receiving end of embarrassment and degradation	Paul's lack of common sense caused him to become the laughing stock where he endured many teasing and taunting from his classmates.	Regular Communication Words
Launch	to start or set something into motion	The space center prepared to launch the rocket far into outer space.	Regular Communication Words
Lavation	a washing or cleansing	She said she expected a thorough kitchen lavation when all she needed to say was that she expected a thorough kitchen cleaning.	Regular Communication Words
Lavish	luxurious or elegant	Every room in the five-star hotel was filled with lavish furnishings.	Regular Communication Words
Law of conservation of mass	scientific principle that holds that the mass of an object never changes, no matter how the basic parts rearrange themselves	The law of conservation of mass states that matter cannot be created or destroyed in a closed system.	Regular Communication Words
Lawless	without law and order	The lawless Wild West was full of bandits and outlaws that didn't fear the law because there weren't many people to enforce them.	Regular Communication Words
Lax	relaxed and not strict	The lax entry requirements let just about anyone in.	Regular Communication Words

Laxity	the state of being relaxed, easy-going, or not very strict	The prevalent laxity toward marriage causes the divorce rate to rise.	Regular Communication Words
Liaise	to work together to create a desired outcome	To quickly settle the terms of the divorce, the husband and wife must liaise in an amiable manner.	Regular Communication Words
Liaison	a person who helps organizations or groups to work together and provide information to each other	As the liaison between the police department and the public schools in our city, my aunt coordinates officer visits to each of the schools.	Regular Communication Words
Libation	a beverage that contains some form of alcohol	After a rough day at work, I usually stop by a bar for a relaxing libation.	Regular Communication Words
Libel	Libel is the act of publishing a statement about someone that is not true and that gives a bad impression about the person.	I told Troy that I would sue him for libel if he posted that embarrassing picture of us on his Facebook page.	Regular Communication Words
Liberal	1) willing to consider new things and ideas 2) quite generous	The political candidate's liberal plans have enraged his conservative foes.	Regular Communication Words
Liberality	possessing the characteristics of someone who is generous and gives freely	J.K. Rowling shows great liberality to the poor and often donates several thousands of dollars to the charities each year.	Regular Communication Words
Liberate	to free	Because the dogs were experiencing maltreatment, the compassionate man decided to liberate his neighbor's animals.	Regular Communication Words
Liberation	the act of setting someone or something free	Liberation of the country only came after the people were brave enough to fight for freedom.	Regular Communication Words
Libertine	someone who ignores moral values	My Uncle Charles is a libertine who lives with his four girlfriends.	Regular Communication Words
Liberty	the freedom to do and act as one pleases	Fighting for their liberty, the men could not wait to be free from the King of England.	Regular Communication Words

Libidinous	reflecting desires of a lustful nature	The libidinous man was constantly thinking of sex.	Regular Communication Words
Libretto	the words or lyrics of an opera or musical play	After many months of work, the libretto was finally completed and would be performed soon.	Regular Communication Words
License	a permit that allows for someone to do something such as run a business or drive	The boy has to take a written and practical test to earn his driver's license.	Regular Communication Words
Licentious	lacking moral discipline or ignoring legal restraint, especially in sexual conduct	It is assumed that pagan festivals once involved many licentious activities, including a number of sexual games.	Regular Communication Words
Lichen	leafy or mossy like fungi that grows on rocks, trees, and other natural elements and retains water	Slimy green lichen grew on the rocks next to the creek.	Regular Communication Words
Licit	lawful; not forbidden	Although he did not agree with her choices, she was over 21 and he could not stop her licit drinking.	Regular Communication Words
Lie	to recline or stretch out	Every time I lie out on my beach towel for a long time, I end up with a sunburn.	Regular Communication Words
Liege	an individual who is loyal to a person of rank, usually related to the Medieval time period	The liege was willing to give his life for his king.	Regular Communication Words
Lien	a claim to the possession of another until a debt is settled	The bank has a lien on the truck until the buyer fulfills his financial obligations.	Regular Communication Words
Lieu	instead of something	The company issues additional shares to shareholders in lieu of a cash dividend.	Regular Communication Words
Lieutenant	an officer or deputy that acts as a substitute for a supervisor	The police lieutenant was responsible for running the entire jail in his boss's absence.	Regular Communication Words

Life	the state between birth and death in which one is functioning	The police tried to convince the man on the ledge that his life was worth living.	Regular Communication Words
Lifeless	dead or appearing to be dead because of lack of motion	Paramedics got to the child's lifeless body just in time to restart his breathing.	Regular Communication Words
Lifetime	the duration of the life of someone or something	While reading my cousin's obituary it mentioned she gave a lifetime of service to the nursing profession and her community.	Regular Communication Words
Ligature	something used to tie or stitch something tightly	Serving as a ligature, the nurse wound the cloth around the man's wound.	Regular Communication Words
Light-colored	light in shade or color	Wear a white or light-colored t-shirt to the beach so that you don't get hot.	Regular Communication Words
Light-hearted	cheerful; happy-go-lucky	Laura went to go see a light-hearted film to put her in a better mood.	Regular Communication Words
Light	brightness from a natural means, the sun or a lamp that allows you to see something	In case I arrive home after dark, I have my front room light set with a timer to turn on in the early evening so my dogs can see where they're going.	Regular Communication Words
Ligneous	woody; looking like wood.	The ligneous chest of drawers looked like it was made of solid wood but was really particle board.	Regular Communication Words
Like clockwork	an idiom used to describe something that happens very regularly and without problems	Like clockwork, he cranks out a new book every year.	Regular Communication Words
Like	similar to something else	My new dog looks so much like my last puppy that it seems they could be friends.	Regular Communication Words

Likelihood	possibility or good chance of something happening or being	When the wind began to blow harder and the sky darkened, the likelihood of a storm approaching was relatively great.	Regular Communication Words
Liken	to point out similarities or a resemblance to something else	The disappointed travelers liken the horrible trip to going to a beach with no water.	Regular Communication Words
Likewise	in a related way	In time, the nightmares will go away, and likewise, I will no longer remember the accident.	Regular Communication Words
Lilliputian	a very small person or thing	Barely four and a half feet tall, the Lilliputian woman was the smallest one in her family.	Regular Communication Words
Lilt	a spirited song or tune	The small songstress sang an Irish lilt that raised the spirits of all the patrons in the bar.	Regular Communication Words
Limb	an arm or leg of a person or animal	The boy jumped off of the playground swing and broke his limb when he fell on his elbow.	Regular Communication Words
Limb	a large branch on a tree	A limb from a diseased oak tree fell on my car overnight.	Regular Communication Words
Limber	flexible; agile	The limber gymnast was able to do the backflip with ease.	Regular Communication Words
Limbo	being in a lost or unknown position	That has created a limbo in terms of how the military deals with gender-specific policies.	Regular Communication Words
Limerence	the overwhelming need to be with or receive similar feelings from another person that manifests in physical trembling and pain when the other person is not around. Beyond simple infatuation or lust	When Romeo first laid eyes on Juliet, he was struck with such limerence that his need for her became like a drug that could only be satisfied by returned feelings.	Regular Communication Words
Limitation	a restriction or restraint that is used to control	A limitation was placed on copies and now the workers can only copy a few papers a week.	Regular Communication Words

Limn	to represent in painting or words	The painter is known to limn pictures of his lovers on oil canvases.	Regular Communication Words
Limp	lacking stiffness or firmness, as of substance, fiber, structure, or bodily frame	Having forgotten to water it in weeks, the stalk of the plant was not limp and brittle.	Regular Communication Words
Limpid	see-through; clear	Because the sky was not limpid, we could not see the stars.	Regular Communication Words
Line	a row of persons or things	The teachers will often have to settle the children down while they're waiting in the lunch line.	Regular Communication Words
Lineage	direct descent from a particular ancestor	Our family was ecstatic to learn about our royal lineage and how we descend from kings and queens of antiquity.	Regular Communication Words
Lineal	being in direct line of an ancestor	Mary learned that her lineal family tree leads directly back to English royalty.	Regular Communication Words
Lineament	an outline, or feature, or contour of a body or figure, especially the parts of the face	The young child traced the lineament of the statue.	Regular Communication Words
Linear	arranged or along a straight line	A linear path was created straight from the field's first base to the second one.	Regular Communication Words
Linger	to stay in a situation or place	After school some students always linger around the building to talk to their friends.	Regular Communication Words
Lingo	language peculiar to a particular group or region	The rookie nurse was unsure how to respond to the doctor since she was unfamiliar with the medical lingo he was using in his question.	Regular Communication Words
Lingua Franca	a language that is adopted as a common language between speakers that have different native languages	The Lingua Franca of the country with two factions of speakers is an accepted mix of Spanish and Italian.	Regular Communication Words

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