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Accentuate

v. to highlight; to give more importance to

adj. accentuated

syn. emphasize

n. accentuation

The colourful dress **accentuated** the joy of the occasion.

The supervisor **accentuated** her preference for hard-working employees during the performance appraisal.

v. to brainstorm; to come up with an idea **Devise**

syn. formulate adj. devisable

The firefighters **devised** a plan to safely bring the cat down from the tree.

The scientists had to **devise** an entirely new experiment after the first one failed.

Disguise

v. to hide the usual appearance of something

adj. disguised

syn. conceal

n. disguise

It is hard to **disguise** the fact that business is slow.

Everyone saw through his disguise.

Ignite

v. to set on fire; to give energy or life to something

adj. ignitable

syn. kindle

n. ignition

The jury's decision **ignited** a fierce debate in the legal community.

Wood is difficult to **ignite** if it is damp.

Indifferent

adj. being uninterested or not caring about something

n. indifference

syn. apathetic

The teacher was **indifferent** to student requests to extend the project's deadline.

The player's **indifference** about his error on the field upset the coach.

Initiate

v. to begin; to establish; to take decisive action without help

adj. initiated

syn. launch

n. initiation

n. initiative

The newcomers **initiated** the long citizenship process.

Their work shows a lot of **initiative**.

adj. something newly introduced; creative

Innovative

syn. creative

n. innovator

n. innovation

This **innovative** project is worthy of support.

There have been many **innovations** in the field of genetic engineering.

Narrate

v. to tell a story; relate

adj. narrative

syn. relate

n. narrative

n. narration

n. narrator

Walter Cronkite **narrated** the documentary film.

Her fabricated **narrative** generated a lot of excitement.

Nevertheless

conj. in spite of that

syn. nonetheless

She was quite sick; **nevertheless**, she attended all of her classes.

His project was flawed; **nevertheless**, it won second prize.

Obsolete

adv. being old fashioned; no longer in general use

n. obsolescence

syn. outdated

Some people believe that writing instruments, such as pencils and pens will soon be **obsolete.**

Some products are manufactured with planned obsolescence.

Omit

v. to leave out; not include

adj. omitted

syn. neglect

n. omission

She inadvertently **omitted** some important data from the report.

His paper had several notable omissions.

Outlandish adj. strange and unpleasant; beyond accepted norms

adv. outlandishly syn. bizarre

His **outlandish** ideas demonstrated his creativity.

Rebellious youth in many countries dress outlandishly.

v. to defeat; fight with success; to take control of an

Overcome individual

syn. conquer

The young woman was **overcome** with emotion when she learned she had won a scholarship.

The family **overcame** many obstacles to purchase the house.

Partially adv. a part of the whole; incomplete

adv. partly syn. somewhat

adj. partial n. part

The clerk was only **partially** responsible for the error.

The business venture was only a **partial** success.

Pass v. to accept formally by vote

adj. passable syn. approve

n. passage

The proposed amendment passed unanimously.

The **passage** of the resolution is in doubt.

Portray v. to represent; to act

n. portrayal syn. depict

The actress **portrayed** an orphan in the movie.

The book's **portrayal** is of Mozart as a calm, mature individual is inaccurate.

Streamline v. to update; to make more efficient or concise

adj. streamlined syn. simplify

The planning process must be **streamlined** in order for it to be more reliable. Internet stores have **streamlined** the process of finding, buying, and selling merchandise.