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## Charisma

adj. charismatic

n. a special quality that endears other people to the person who has this quality

syn. appeal

She has a **charisma** that no other candidate possesses.

John F. Kennedy was known for his **charismatic** personality.

## Clever

adv. cleverly

n. cleverness

adj. intelligent; resourceful

syn. astute

Everyone appreciated their **clever** idea.

His **cleverness** enabled him to rise quickly in the organization.

## Convince

adv. convincingly

adj. convincing

v. to make someone see things your way

syn. persuade

They could not **convince** the girls to go to the dance with them.

The video made a **convincing** argument for the recycling of paper and plastic materials.

## Endure

adj. endurable

adj. enduring

n. endurance

v. to last; suffer pain

syn. persevere

How he is able to **endure** living next to the airport is beyond my comprehension.

The **endurance** displayed by the athlete gave evidence of his rigorous training.

## Forfeit

n. forfeit

v. To give up; have something taken away, usually by rule or regulation

### syn. relinquish

Usually, you must **forfeit** your native country's citizenship to become a citizen of another country.

Toe **forfeit** occurred because not enough players showed up.

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### **Precarious**

adv. precariously

adj. not safe, firm, or steady

syn. hazardous

The diver put himself in a **precarious** situation among the sharks.

The toe cup was positioned **precariously** on the edge of the table.

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### **Severe**

adv. severely

n. severity

adj. extreme; harmful

syn. intense

The weather service issued a **severe** storm warning for most of Michigan.

The **severity** of his condition will not be known until the test results are studied.

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### **Sporadic**

adv. sporadically

adj. not consistent; irregular

syn. erratic

The radio communications were subject to **sporadic** sunspot interference.

Violent storms occur **sporadically** in the Southwest.

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### **Superior**

n. superiority

adj. excellent quality; above all the rest

syn. exceptional

This is a **superior** fossil of a trilobite.

Toe restaurant's **superiority** was established shortly after it opened.

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### **Truncate**

adj. truncated

to shorten; to end something suddenly

syn. cut

The television program was **truncated** because the soccer match went into extra time.

The publishers of the newspaper asked the writer to **truncate** her report.

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### **Wanton**

adv. wantonly

adj. done without thought or consideration; grossly negligent

syn. senseless

Her **wanton** disregard of the rules was unexplainable.

The jealous man was **wantonly** impolite to the winner.

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**Weak** adj. not strong; incapable  
v. weaken  
n. weakness  
**syn. ineffective**

The **weak** light was inadequate for reading.  
Most people have at least one area of **weakness**.

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**Widespread** adj. found everywhere  
**syn. extensive**

There is a **widespread** rumour that there will be no class next Thursday.  
The political influence of the developed countries of the world is **widespread**.

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**Wisdom** n. knowledge and understanding  
adv. wisely  
adj. wise  
**syn. insight**

It is often said that **wisdom** is the product of experience.  
It was a **wise** decision for you to buy a car.

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**Witticism** n. a joke; a funny story  
adv. wittily  
adj. witty  
n. wit  
n. wittiness  
**syn. humour**

His **witticisms** captivated the audience.  
Mark Twain was famous for his sharp **wit**.

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**Woo** v. to make efforts to attain or gain something  
**syn. attract**

The directors tried to **woo** the support of the union.  
The opponents of the proposed highway **wooed** nearby residents to defend their position.