

**#259 water (noun)**

*The water is calm.*

**(verb)** *Please water the flowers.*

**#260 perfect (adjective) /perfikt/**

*Today is a perfect (no mistakes) day to...*

**(verb)** *I practice everyday to perfect (as good as possible) my throwing technique. /perfekt/*

**#261 abdomen (noun)**

*The doctor pressed on my abdomen*

**(stomach, intestines, etc).**

**absence**

**absorb**

**accept**

#262 absence (noun)

*She had an excused absence (not present)  
from school.*

#263 absorb (verb)

*A sponge can absorb (soak up) liquids.*

#264 accept (verb)

*Did you accept  
(take something offered) the job?*

**access**

**accident**

**accompany**

**#265 access (noun)**

*I lost my keys; the only access (to enter)  
was through a window.*

**#266 accident (noun)**

*Be careful, I don't want an accident  
(unexpected injury or meeting someone by chance).*

**#267 accompany (verb)**

*My friend will accompany  
(go along with) **us**.*

**accurate**

**adequate**

**address**

**#268 accurate (adjective)**

***Take your time and be accurate***

**(exact, correct).**

**#269 adequate (adjective)**

***I did an adequate (acceptable)***

***job on the test.***

**#270 address (noun) /AH-dres/**

***Write your name and address (location)***

***on the top left corner.***

**(verb) *The president will address (speak) the crowd. /uh-DRES/***

**aerobics**

**against**

**aggressive**



#271 aerobics (noun)

Aerobics (physical exercise) *is healthy  
for your heart.*

Aerobics without an "s" is an adjective.  
*What aerobic exercise is your favorite?*

#272 against (preposition)

*My back is against (touching or opposed)  
the wall.*

#273 aggressive (adjective)

*Be careful, it is an aggressive  
(attack or determined to succeed) **dog.***

**aisle**

**alien**

**all right**

**#274 aisle (noun)**

*An aisle <sup>(walkway)</sup> can be found inside groceries stores, classrooms and airplanes.*

**#275 alien (adjective)**

*An alien plant, wheat, was brought to America in the late 15th century.*

In the above and below example, alien means foreign.

**(noun)** *He is an illegal alien <sup>(person)</sup>.*

Alien can also mean unfamiliar.

**#276 all right (adjective)**

*The movie was all right <sup>(adequate)</sup>.*

**(adverb)** *Can you breathe all right?*

**(interjection)** *All right! I will wash my socks.*

**ancient**

**anonymous**

**anxiety**

**#277 ancient (adjective)**

*Let's learn about ancient<sub>(old)</sub> civilizations.*

**#278 anonymous (adjective)**

*An individual with an unknown name or not identified is an anonymous person.*

**#279 anxiety (noun)**

*Some sports fans have anxiety*

*(anxiety, more long term, is to worry about the future; fear is usually a response to a current event).*

**anxious**

**appetizer**

**appreciate**

#280 anxious (adjective)

*He was anxious (short term nervousness)  
about the game.*

#281 appetizer (noun)

*A small amount of food before the  
main meal is an appetizer.*

#282 appreciate (verb)

*Do you appreciate (value)  
my new suit?*

**assist**

**associate**

**attempt**



#283 assist (verb)

*Will you assist <sup>(help)</sup> me with my homework?*

#284 associate (verb) /ə'sōSHē,āt/

*Some people falsely associate <sup>(connect)</sup> gaining weight with watching TV.*

*Nouns and adjectives are pronounced /ə'sōSHēət/*

*(noun) I must ask my associate (friend or co-worker) for advice.*

*(adjective) My sister is an associate (partial rights) member.*

#285 attempt (verb)

*Did Bob only attempt <sup>(try)</sup> seven throws entire game?*

*(noun) It was a weak attempt at a joke.*

**attitude**

**awesome**

**banana**

#286 attitude (noun)

*A good attitude (how a person behaves)  
is a choice.*

#287 awesome (adjective)

*That is an awesome (great) song.*

#288 banana (noun)

*A banana is actually a berry.*

**barrel**

**battery**

**behavior**

**#289 barrel (noun)**

*Would you go down Niagara Falls  
in a barrel (a large, cylinder shaped container)?*

**#290 battery (noun)**

*The battery (supplies electricity to watches, clocks, cars, etc.)  
needs to be changed.*

**#291 behavior (noun)**

*My entire class has good behavior*

(how a person acts).

**biscuit**

**bizarre**

**bookkeeper**

#292 biscuit (noun)

*A biscuit is a type of bread.*

#293 bizarre (adjective)

*He has shown bizarre (strange) behavior.*

#294 bookkeeper (noun)

*A bookkeeper's job is to record financial transactions (money spent and received).*

**broccoli**

**bureau**

**business**



**#295 broccoli (noun)**

**Broccoli (a vegetable) is a good source for  
vitamins A, C and K.**

**#296 bureau (noun)**

***Another name for a desk with drawers is a bureau.***  
**(noun) *An organization with a specific job can be a bureau.***  
**(noun) *The F.B.I. (Federal Bureau of Investigation)  
keeps the United States safe.***

**#297 business (noun)**

***His business (how a person makes a living) of selling  
broccoli door to door is doing  
quite well.***

**calendar**

**caffeine**

**campaign**

## #298 calendar (noun)

*My brother stole a calendar (shows months, weeks and days); the judge gave him 12 months in jail.*

## #299 caffeine (noun)

*Caffeine (makes a person more active) is a natural chemical found in coffee or tea.*

## #300 campaign (noun)

*The advertising campaign (to get a desired result, politics or military) made everyone aware of the new biscuits.*  
*(verb) If you campaign for presidency, expect to spend millions.*

**candidate**

**cauliflower**

**cello**

**#301 candidate (noun)**

***The best candidate (a person who applied for a job)  
for the job is...***

**#302 cauliflower (noun)**

***China grows more cauliflower (a vegetable)  
than any other country.***

**#303 cello (noun)**

***A cello is part of the violin family.***

**cemetery**

**charisma**

**choir**

**#304 cemetery (noun)**

*A graveyard is next to a church,  
not a cemetery (a burial ground).*

**#305 charisma (noun)**

*A leader usually has charisma*

*(a quality that attracts and inspires people).*

**#306 choir (noun)**

*An organized group of singers is  
a choir.*

**chrome**

**cinnamon**

**circuit**



**#307 chrome (noun)**

***The chrome (a decorative or protective finish on motor-vehicle) bumper is shiny.***

(noun) If you don't believe me, check Google Chrome (web browser).

**#308 cinnamon (noun)**

***Cinnamon (a spice) comes from the bark of an Asian tree.***

**#309 circuit (noun)**

***A circuit breaker protects devices attached to a circuit (electronics).***

(noun) The comedian is going on the comedy circuit (journey).

**collage**

**colossal**

**command**

**#310 collage (noun)**

*He learned how to make a collage  
(various materials attached to a surface) **in college.***

**#311 colossal (adjective)**

*A colossal <sup>(huge)</sup> statue can be found  
**in Egypt.***

**#312 command (verb)**

*The military general will command  
(give orders) **his troops.***

**(noun)** *A soldier must obey a command.*

**committee**

**complain**

**connoisseur**

**#313 committee (noun)**

*The Olympic Committee* (a group of people that make decisions) *will make the final decision.*

**#314 complain (verb)**

*If you complain* (a whiny sound that weak people make),  
*please sing it.*

**#315 connoisseur (noun)**

*A connoisseur is an expert in a field  
(food, arts, etc).*

**conscious**

**counterfeit**

**debt**

**#316 conscious (adjective)**

*If a person is conscious, they are aware of their surroundings.*

**#317 counterfeit (adjective)**

*Making counterfeit (fake) money is illegal.*

*(noun) Counterfeits of great paintings are sold for large amounts of money.*

*(verb) His signature is difficult to counterfeit.*

**#318 debt (noun)**

*He will pay his college debt (money that is owed) in 50 years.*

**decision**

**definite**

**delicious**



#319 decision (noun)

*Listen to advice, then make your own decision (choice or final judgment).*

#320 definite (adjective)

*There is definite (positive) proof he ate the chocolate.*

#321 delicious (adjective)

*She made a delicious (excellent) pizza.*

**discipline**

**doubt**

**dungeon**

## #322 discipline (verb)

*Parents must discipline (follow rules or be punished) their children.*

(noun) *To maintain discipline is difficult for some.*

Discipline, like many words on this list, has multiple definitions.

A military discipline (exercise) or a branch of knowledge (psychology is a discipline) are a couple examples.

## #323 doubt (noun)

*I have some doubt (to be uncertain) about his story.*

(verb) *Don't doubt (question) your ability.*

## #324 dungeon (noun)

*Underneath the castle is a dungeon (a prison cell).*

**echo**

**effort**

**embarrass**

**#325 echo (noun)**

*An echo is a reflection of sound waves.*

*(verb) His voice echoed in the caves.*

**#326 effort (noun)**

*To do a good job requires effort*

*(using physical and/or mental power).*

**#327 embarrass (verb)**

*Do not embarrass (make uncomfortable) **your**  
teacher by making noise in the  
hallway.*

**environment**

**exaggerate**

**exercise**

#328 environment (noun)

*A fun teacher creates a good  
learning environment*

(everything around us, can be work or all life on earth).

#329 exaggerate (verb)

*I might exaggerate (to make something seem greater  
than it really is, beyond the truth) **when I tell a story.***

#330 exercise (noun)

*Exercise (physical effort) **will make a person  
feel good.***

(verb) *Does he still exercise everyday?*

**expel**

**familiar**

**fillet**



#331 expel (verb)

*The principal didn't expel (forced to leave a place) **anyone from the school.***

Past tense is *expelled*.

#332 familiar (adjective)

*Her face is familiar (easy to recognize),  
but I can't remember her name.*

#333 fillet (noun) or filet

*A fillet is a boneless piece of meat  
or fish.*

**fluorescent**

**forfeit**

**fulfill**

#334 fluorescent (adjective)

*A fluorescent (bright, visible light) color will get your attention.*

*(noun) Fluorescence (tube or lamp) use less energy; therefore, a person can save money.*

#335 forfeit (verb)

*Anyone committing a crime will forfeit (give up as a penalty) their freedom.*

*(noun) The forfeit for each player was \$5,000.*

#336 fulfill (verb)

*You must fulfill (meet the requirements, satisfy) the reasons why you are here on Earth.*

**garage**

**gauge**

**glamour**

#337 garage (noun)

*He parked his car in the garage*

(a place for vehicles).

#338 gauge (noun) /gāj/

*The fuel gauge (a tool that measures and displays the amount of something) **was close to empty.***

#339 glamour (noun)

*The glamour (attractive or exciting quality) of Paris, a city in France, brings millions of visitors each year.*

(adjective) *She is a glamorous lady.*

**gorgeous**

**government**

**graffiti**

**#340 gorgeous (adjective)**  
***She is a gorgeous (beautiful) lady!***

**#341 government (noun)**  
***I do not trust the U.S. government***  
**(people who make decisions for a country).**

**#342 graffiti (noun)**  
***I used to be a graffiti (writing on a public wall)***  
***artist, but there is no future in it.***  
***I saw the handwriting on the wall.***

**guarantee**

**hygiene**

**hyperbole**



#343 **guarantee (noun)**

*They offered me a money back*

*guarantee* (to assure a product will work).

(verb) *Did Joe guarantee (promise) a victory?*

#344 **hygiene (noun)**

*Showering is part of good hygiene*

(keeping clean).

#345 **hyperbole (noun)** /hi per bu lē/

*A hyperbole is an exaggerated statement used to emphasize a point. (My backpack weighs 1,000 pounds.)*

**hypochondriac**

**intimate**

**intricate**

#346 hypochondriac (noun)

*A hypochondriac is a person that worries about their health.*

*(He or she exaggerates their illness or are not really sick.)*

#347 intimate (adjective)

*She wrote me an intimate (close, personal) letter.*

#348 intricate (adjective)

*Can you draw an intricate (detail) maze?*

**island**

**knowledge**

**laboratory**

**#349 island (noun)**

***An island (smaller than a continent) is land surrounded by water.***

**#350 knowledge (noun)**

***Knowledge is acquired information.***

**#351 laboratory (noun)**

***A laboratory is a building or a room used for scientific research.***

**lavatory**

**lecturer**

**leisure**

#352 lavatory (noun)

*Lavatory is another name  
for bathroom.*

#353 lecturer (noun)

*A person who gives a lecture*

(a spoken presentation about a subject) *is a lecturer*

(an expert who gives lectures and may teach at a university).

#354 leisure (noun)

*Leisure (free time, relax) is important  
to everyone.*

(adjective) *He is wearing a leisure jacket.*

**license**

**library**

**machine**



#355 license (noun)

*Is your weight listed on your driver's license (permission to use something)?*

#356 library (noun)

*Is the library (a building or room for books) open on Monday?*

#357 machine (noun)

**The oldest machine (fixed moving part(s) that changes mechanical energy into a more useless form) is the wheel.**

**maneuver**

**marshmallow**

**mirror**

**#358 maneuver (verb)**

***Watch the car maneuver (skillfully move)  
through the street.***

**(noun) *It was a clever maneuver (idea) to win the game.***

**#359 marshmallow (noun)**

***Let's put marshmallows (a spongy, sweet treat)  
over a campfire.***

**#360 mirror (noun)**

***I combed my hair in front of a mirror  
(a reflecting surface).***

**missile**

**misspell**

**mustache**

#361 missile (noun)

*A weapon that flies towards a target  
is a missile.*

#362 misspell (verb)

*Study for the test so you don't misspell  
(spell incorrectly) *any words*.*

#363 mustache (noun)

*How would your teacher look with a  
mustache (hair above a top lip)?*

**nausea**

**necessary**

**neighbor**

**#364 nausea (noun)**

*I experienced nausea (sickness of the stomach)  
on a ship.*

Nauseous is an adjective. *Modern music makes  
me nauseous (disgusted over something).*

**#365 necessary (adjective)**

*Protein is a necessary (important) part of  
our diet.*

**#366 neighbor (noun)**

*A person living next door is a  
neighbor.*

**neither**

**niece**

**nostalgia**



#367 neither (adverb)

*You should not do it, neither (not either of two things) would they.*

(conjunction) Neither Mrs. Snakehead nor Mr. Orangehead are here.

(adjective) Neither sock smells any good.

(pronoun) Neither of the girls are going.

#368 niece (noun)

*A daughter of a person's brother or sister is called a niece.*

#369 nostalgia (noun)

*A pleasant memory of the past is called nostalgia.*

**occasion**

**obstacle**

**o'clock**

#370 occasion (noun)

*Her birthday is always an important*

*occasion* (a special event).

(verb) *It happened to me on more than one*

*occasion* (a specific event).

#371 obstacle (noun)

*Life will always have an obstacle*

(blocks one's way).

#372 o'clock (adverb)

*I woke up at 6 o'clock* (a specific hour).

**occur**

**onion**

**opinion**

#373 occur (verb)

*Did it ever occur (thought, happen) to you  
not to stand in the doorway?*

#374 onion (noun)

*I cry every time I chop an onion (vegetable).*

#375 opinion (noun)

*I don't care about opinions (what one believes),  
only facts.*

**opportunity**

**pageant**

**particle**

#376 opportunity (noun)

*Winners make opportunities*

(a chance to do something), *losers make excuses.*

#377 pageant (noun)

*She won first place in the beauty*

*pageant (a show/competition with fancy outfits).*

#378 particle (noun)

*Look closely, do you see a particle*

*(a very tiny amount) of dust in the air?*

**perennial**

**petite**

**pharmacy**



**#379 perennial (adjective)**

***A perennial (long lasting, two or more years for plants)***

***plant will grow back next year.***

**(noun) *A perennial is different than an annual***

***(a plant completes its cycle in a year).***

**#380 petite (adjective)**

***She is a petite (attractively small) lady.***

**#381 pharmacy (noun)**

***A pharmacy (store) sells medical drugs.***

**plaid**

**portrait**

**possess**

#382 plaid (adjective)

*A man from Scotland is wearing a plaid (a checkered, wool cloth) scarf.*

#383 portrait (noun)

*Frida Kahlo (1907-1954) painted a self-portrait*

(paintings, drawings, photographs, etc. usually from the shoulders up).  
Remember, when you film a video on your phone, only upload it to  
YouTube if it were recorded on landscape, not *portrait*!

#384 possess (noun)

*I possess (belonging to) the power to tell  
silly jokes.*

**premise**

**promise**

**proceed**

### #385 premise (noun)

*An idea thought to be true and used as a basis of an argument is a premise.*

*A premise (what your story is about) will help guide the writer.*

**Premises** (noun) *A land with a building on it, "Leave the premises at once."*

### #386 promise (noun)

*It is important to keep a promise*

*(verbal or in writing about something that will be done).*

*(verb) He promised to give me chocolates.*

### #387 proceed (verb)

*We will proceed (continue after a pause, move forward) with the math lesson after a break.*

*(noun) The proceeds (money) from the fundraiser will help many children.*

**protein**

**punctual**

**quartz**

**#388 protein (noun)**

***Beans, eggs, fish, milk and broccoli are a few sources of protein***

**(a food or a liquid that helps maintain good health).**

**#389 punctual (adjective)**

***Being punctual (on time) doesn't take talent.***

**#390 quartz (noun)**

***Quartz is a hard mineral and usually transparent that can be used to make watches.***

**raspberry**

**recipe**

**recommend**



**#391 raspberry (noun)**

*A raspberry is a small, reddish fruit.*

**#392 recipe (noun)**

*She gave me a recipe (instructions to prepare food).*

**#393 recommend (verb)**

*I recommend (suggest) the steak.*

**refrigerator**

**regime**

**rendezvous**

#394 refrigerator (noun)

*A refrigerator is an appliance that keeps food cold* (used in homes since 1913).

#395 regime (noun)

*The new regime*

(a government, usually oppressive or a way of doing something)

*is the same as the old one.*

#396 rendezvous (noun)

*They planned a rendezvous*

(meeting at an agreed place and time)

*for their ten-year anniversary.*

**restaurant**

**resume**

**rhythm**

**#397 restaurant (noun)**

***What is your favorite restaurant***

**(a place to eat food)?**

**#398 resume (noun) /rez uh may/**

***To apply for a job, you must update your resume***

**(written information about your education and work experience).**

**(verb) *We will resume (start again)***

***after a five minute break. /re zōom/***

**#399 rhythm (noun)**

***Feel the rhythm (repeated pattern of a sound or movement)***

***of my heartbeat.***

**Rhythm has other definitions in art and architecture.**

**sabotage**

**sandwich**

**schedule**

## #400 sabotage (verb)

*It was a Black Sunday in 1975 when he made an attempt to sabotage (destroy or prevent a plan from succeeding) rock and roll music.*

*(noun) The sabotage of every shoe factory meant everyone could wear only one shoe.*

## #401 sandwich (noun)

*A wish sandwich is two pieces of bread and wishing there were something between the bread.*

## #402 schedule (noun)

*Look at the train schedule*

*(a timetable, list of events).*

**science**

**scissors**

**seize**



#403 science (noun)

*Science is to pursue and apply knowledge from the natural world.*

#404 scissors (noun)

*The oldest known scissors date back to 1500 BC (Egypt).*

#405 seize (verb)

*Will they seize (take by force) control?*

**separate**

**sergeant**

**shenanigans**

**#406 separate (adjective) /se per it/**

*I have two separate (unconnected) questions.*

*(adverb) The shirt is sold separately.*

*(verb) The teacher had to separate (divide) his students. /se per āt/*

**#407 sergeant (noun)**

*A sergeant (a uniformed person that serves in the military or police force) ranks higher than a corporal.*

**#408 shenanigans (noun, informal)**

*Do not tolerate any shenanigans (dishonest).*

*(noun) During recess, my students are always doing shenanigans (funny, humorous).*

**similar**

**social**

**smooth**

**#409 similar (adjective)**

***My brother and I are similar***

(resembling without being identical).

**#410 social (adjective)**

***He has an active social***

(interaction with others) ***life.***

(noun) ***The school social (a gathering, party) was canceled; it was posted on social media (noun, electronic communication).***

**#411 smooth (adjective)**

***The top of your desk is smooth***

(even, without bumps or no problems, "Everything was smooth.").

**soothe**

**sphere**

**squirrel**

#412 soothe (verb)

*The cough drop helped soothe*

(reduce discomfort or calm a person) *my sore throat.*

#413 sphere (noun)

*A globe is a sphere* (round object).

#414 squirrel (noun)

*A squirrel (rodent) is an animal  
with a fluffy tail.*

**succeed**

**surprise**

**suspicion**



**#415 succeed (verb)**

***You will succeed (achieve a desired result)  
if you work hard and smart.***

**#416 surprise (noun)**

***For his birthday, we will surprise***

***(an unexpected event) him with a party.***

***(verb) I was surprised when I saw a dog eating  
my homework.***

**#417 suspicion (noun)**

***I always had a suspicion***

***(doubt. mistrust, feeling something bad is true or may happen)***

***he was a secret agent.***

**syllable**

**syrup**

**terrible**

#418 syllable (noun)

*A syllable is part of a word with one vowel sound.*

#419 syrup (noun)

*Syrup is a thick sugary liquid that goes well with pancakes.*

#420 terrible (adjective)

*My teacher tells terrible <sub>(bad)</sub> jokes.*

**terrific**

**tomorrow**

**unanimous**

#421 terrific (adjective)

*The Hindenburg* <sup>(airship)</sup> *suffered a*  
*terrific* <sup>(great size or speed)</sup> *crash in 1937.*

Can also mean pleased with someone or something , happy, "I feel terrific!"

#422 tomorrow (noun)

*Tomorrow will be another great day!*  
(adverb) *The game will be played tomorrow.*

#423 unanimous (adjective)

*The jury came to a unanimous*  
*(everyone agrees) decision.*

**unsuccessful**

**vaccine**

**vacuum**

#424 unsuccessful (adjective)

*Unsuccessful (failing) people are the ones who stop trying, or their ambition is greater than their talent.*

#425 vaccine (noun)

*Jonas Salk developed a vaccine (a substance that makes a body stronger against an infection) for polio (a disease).*

#426 vacuum (noun)

*Please plug in the vacuum cleaner (cleans a carpet).*

**vengeance**

**vinegar**

**vintage**



#427 vengeance (noun)

*If a person hurts you, then you injure them in return, that is vengeance.*

#428 vinegar (noun)

*He put vinegar (a sour liquid) on a salad.*

#429 vintage (noun)

*Look at this picture of a vintage*

*(old, yet high quality) car.*

**Supercalifragilisticexpialidocious**

**#430 supercalifragilisticexpialidocious**  
**(adjective)** (informal, nonsense word)

*He did a*  
*supercalifragilisticexpialidocious*  
(excellent) **job.**