It was impossible to live a month at Cranford and not know the daily habits of each resident; and long before my visit was ended, I knew much concerning the whole Brown trio. There was nothing new to be discovered respecting their poverty; for they had spoken simply and openly about that from the very first. They made no mystery of the necessity for their being economical. All that remained to be discovered was the Captain’s infinite kindness of heart, and the various modes in which, unconsciously to himself, he manifested it. Some little anecdotes were talked about for some time after they occurred. As we did not read much, and as all the ladies were pretty well suited with servants, there was a dearth of subjects for conversation. We therefore discussed the circumstance of the Captain taking a poor old woman’s dinner out of her hands, one very slippery Sunday. He had met her returning from the bakehouse as he came from church and noticed her precarious footing; and, with the grave dignity with which he did everything, he relieved her of her burden, and steered along the street by her side, carrying her baked mutton and potatoes safely home. This was thought very eccentric; and it was rather expected that he would pay a round of calls, on the Monday morning, to explain and apologize to the Cranford sense of propriety: but he did no such thing: and then it was decided that he was ashamed, and was keeping out of sight. In a kindly pity for him, we began to say, “After all, the Sunday morning’s occurrence showed great goodness of heart,” and it was resolved that he should be comforted on his next appearance amongst us; but, lol he came down upon us, untouched by any sense of shame, speaking loud and bass as ever; his head thrown back, his wig as jaunty and well-curled as usual, and we were obliged to conclude he had forgotten all about Sunday.

**Exercise I: Context Clues**

Read the passage above, paying special attention to the words in dark type. These are the Master Words you will study in this lesson. As you read, look for context clues in the sentences and paragraphs around each Master Word. Circle any words and phrases that give clues to the meaning of the Master Words.

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<th>Master Words</th>
<th>Place a check by words you feel you know; underline words you don’t know.</th>
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Exercise 2: Using Context Clues

Fill in the form for each of the Master Words listed below with context clues (if any), your definition, and the dictionary definition. If you have difficulty writing a definition, try using the word in a sentence instead.

1. anecdote  Part of Speech: n.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

2. dearth  Part of Speech: n.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

3. eccentric  Part of Speech: adj.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

4. economical  Part of Speech: adj.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

5. grave  Part of Speech: adj.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

6. jaunty  Part of Speech: adj.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

7. mode  Part of Speech: n.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

8. precarious  Part of Speech: adj.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

9. propriety  Part of Speech: n.  Context Clues:
   
   Your Definition:_________________________________________________________
   
   Dictionary Definition:____________________________________________________

10. relieve  Part of Speech: v.  Context Clues:
    
    Your Definition:________________________________________________________
    
    Dictionary Definition:__________________________________________________
Exercise 3: Synonyms and Antonyms

Use the synonyms and antonyms in the word list to fill in the blanks after each Master Word.

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Word List

abundance, lively
| correctness, misconduct |
custom, ordinary
eease, overload
epic, scarcity
exception, secure
extravagant, solemn
frugal, story
lethargic, strange
lighthearted, unstable

Exercise 4: Sentence Completion

From the Master Words, choose the appropriate word for the blank in each of the following sentences. Write the word in the space provided at the right.

1. The ...?... of dress changes so quickly one is discouraged from spending large sums on clothing.

2. Miss Havisham is the ...?... character in a Dickens novel who keeps her dining room table set for a wedding feast that never took place.

3. Coaches complain that there is (a, an) ...?... of large, agile linemen.

4. As a minister's daughter, Erin felt she had to observe ...?... at all times.

5. A small ...?... well told, can serve to instruct as well as to entertain.

6. Consumers find it more ...?... to purchase products in larger packages.

7. Jayden walked with a ...?... step after he got into the college of his choice.

8. The Prime Minister was ...?... as he announced the death of the Grand Duke.

9. Modern medicine offers many ways to ...?... pain.

10. The pioneers lived (a, an) ...?... existence, subject to the whims of nature.
Exercise 5: Shades of Meaning

The bold words in the chart below are Master Words. Beneath each is a synonym. Although their denotations (dictionary definitions) are nearly the same, the Master Word and its synonym have different shades of meaning, or nuances. Based on the context, decide whether a Master Word or its synonym would better complete each sentence. Use a dictionary if necessary.

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<th>economical</th>
<th>grave</th>
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<td>thrifty</td>
<td>solemn</td>
<td>uncertain</td>
<td>etiquette</td>
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1. The Memorial Day ceremonies are suitable for such (a, an) ...?... occasion.

2. My mother was always ...?... when planning meals so as not to waste food.

3. In a down economy, many families fall into (a, an) ...?... financial situation.

4. Sarah is (a, an) ...?... shopper who scours the ads to find the best bargains.

5. Eric's father told him that skipping school was (a, an) ...?... matter.

6. Electronic methods of communication have created new rules of ...?...

7. At halftime of a tie game, the outcome is quite ...?...

8. William is a model of ...?... and always behaves in an appropriate manner.

Exercise 6: Analogies

Determine the relationship between the first pair of words in each item below. Then write the Master Word on the blank that would create a similar relationship with the second pair of words. The analogy types used in this activity are synonyms, antonyms, and adjective/related noun. (See page 158 for a guide to analogy types.)

1. stunning : achievement :: amusing : __________
2. behold : view :: manner : __________
3. weary : refreshed :: strain : __________
4. frown : smile :: lifeless : __________
5. gentle : touch :: millionnaire : __________
6. exception : norm :: cheerful : __________
7. usual : suspects :: position : __________
8. elongate : stretch :: lack : __________

Write About It: Interpret Events

In this selection from Cranford, the narrator suggests different interpretations of an event. Write a brief narrative scene to explore an aspect of this event. You might write a scene in which the narrator and the other ladies discuss how and why they think Captain Brown's action on Sunday was eccentric. Or you might write a scene that portrays the encounter between Captain Brown and the woman from his point of view. Use at least five Master Words or words related to the Master Words in your scene.
## Guide to Types of Analogies in Vocabu-Lit

The chart below contains descriptions and examples of all the types of analogies used in this level of Vocabu-Lit. The statement in italics is a template of a sentence you can use with each type of analogy.

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<td>action/actor or actor/action</td>
<td>The first word is an action; the second word is the person or thing that does the action. [First word] is what a [second word] does. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is someone or something who [second word].</td>
<td>teach : teacher :: sew : needle teacher : teach :: needle : sew</td>
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<td>action/receiver of action or receiver of action/action</td>
<td>The first word is an action; the second word is a person or thing the action is done to, for, or with. [First word] is what gets done to/for/with a [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] does for/to/with [second word].</td>
<td>teach : student :: sew : dress student : teach :: dress : sew</td>
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<td>adjective/related noun or noun/related adjective</td>
<td>The first word is a quality; the second word is a person or thing known for that quality. [First word] is what a [second word] is. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is known to be [second word].</td>
<td>artistic : painter :: cunning : fox painter : artistic :: fox : cunning</td>
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<tr>
<td>antonyms</td>
<td>The first word is the opposite of the second word. [First word] is the opposite of [second word].</td>
<td>hot : cold :: sunny : cloudy</td>
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<tr>
<td>category/item or item/category</td>
<td>The first word is a category or group of things or people; the second word is an item or example from that group. One example of [first word] is [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is one example of [second word].</td>
<td>sports : baseball :: music : jazz baseball : sports :: jazz : music</td>
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<td>cause/effect or effect/cause</td>
<td>The first word is a cause; the second word is an effect of that cause. [First word] causes [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is the result of [second word].</td>
<td>sadness : tears :: exertion : fatigue tears : sadness :: fatigue : exertion</td>
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<td>degree</td>
<td>The first word is an especially strong thing or quality; the second word is a less strong version of the same thing or quality. [First word] is more intense than [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is a less intense version of [second word].</td>
<td>downpour : shower :: feast : meal shower : downpour :: meal : feast</td>
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<tr>
<td>part/whole or whole/part</td>
<td>The first word is an individual thing or quality; the second word is the whole that the first thing is part of. [First word] is one part of [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is the whole of which [second word] is one part.</td>
<td>finger : hand :: slide : playground hand : finger :: playground : slide</td>
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<td>product/producer or producer/product</td>
<td>The first word is a thing; the second word is the person or thing who made the first thing. [First word] is made by [second word]. This could also be constructed in reverse: [First word] is made by [second word].</td>
<td>milk : cow :: vase : potter cow : milk :: potter : vase</td>
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<tr>
<td>synonyms</td>
<td>The first word means about the same thing as the second word. [First word] means about the same thing as [second word].</td>
<td>tired : fatigued :: nervous : anxious</td>
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Glossary

Definitions and parts of speech of these Master Words are based on the usage in the selection in which it appears.

abstract adj. taking place in the realm of thought; conceptual [28]
abyss n. a deep chasm; a bottomless pit [30]
acclaim v. to praise; to honor [3]
accusation n. a charge of wrongdoing; an indictment [15]
acquiescence n. reluctant acceptance without complaint [27]
adornment n. beautification; decoration [20]
aesthetic adj. related to the study of the arts and of beauty; artistic [25]
affectionate adj. showing fondness; courted [8]
afronted adj. insulted; offended [5]
aff n. near the stern or tail, usually of a boat [8]
agitator n. a person who spurs others to rebellion or protest; troublemaker [16]
allusion n. an indirect reference; a hint; an implied reference to something familiar [5]
altitude n. a measure of the height or elevation above sea level [7]
analogous adj. comparable; similar [28]
analytic adj. logical; systematic [17]
ancestral adj. related to those from whom one is descended; traditional [6]
anchor v. to fasten something to keep it from moving; to secure [21]
androgyne adj. of indeterminate sex; partly male and partly female [13]
anechoic adj. a small story, usually entertaining and frequently amusing; a short account [14]
anguished adj. distressed; heartbroken [2]
anthropologist n. a scientist or person who studies cultures and societies [17]
apartheid n. a system of racial segregation in South Africa; literally "separateness" [9]
appraisal n. an assessment of value; valuation [15]
artful adj. crafty; cunning [27]
aspect adj. related to a life of extreme self-denial; Spartan; austere [8]
asurance n. confidence; calmness [7]
attune v. to harmonize; to adjust [22]
audacious adj. daring; adventurous [2]
avarice adj. misery desire for wealth; greed [22]
baleful adj. harmful; noxious [16]
bard n. poet [24]
base adj. low; ignoble; sinful [11]
bier n. a platform on which a corpse or coffin is placed before burial [23]
blight n. a decline; a withering [22]
capricious adj. given to sudden changes in mood; fickle [6]
casual adj. informal; nonchalant [3]
cavalier adj. showing a lack of concern for rules or proper behavior; casual [10]
ceremonious adj. formal; belittling [23]
chafe v. to rub, to irritate by rubbing; to heat by friction [4]
chalice n. a cup [12]
chaotic adj. in a confused state; disordered [30]
cherub n. plural form of cherub; angel; celestial being [12]
clarify v. to explain; to make clear [17]
clayed adj. having too much of a good thing; weary; satiated [11]
cocoon n. a cocoon [11]
coercion n. force; threats [1]
commend v. to deliver; to entrust [12]
commerce n. the buying and selling of goods; business [23]
commodity n. a product that can be bought and sold [9]
compensating adj. balancing; redeeming [29]
compliance n. obedience to; acceptance [27]
compose v. to make up (a whole); to constitute [21]
concise adj. to agree; to coincide; to act together [5]
confluence n. junction, especially of two rivers; meeting [4]
consoling adj. comforting; encouraging [22]
contemplation n. meditation; thought [50]
contrive v. to plan; to come up with [29]
conversely adv. in turn; on the other hand [25]
convincing adj. believable [19]
correspond v. to match or agree; to be equivalent; to be comparable [4]
courier n. a messenger [12]
course n. a movement along a path; a progression of steps [3]
crest v. to reach the highest level; to peak [18]
cumbrous adj. difficult to manage; clumsy [28]
death n. lack; scarcity; a shortage [14]
debeard v. reduced in value; debased [15]
deceive n. deception; trickery [1]
deflect v. to turn aside or bounce off course; to divert [18]
derogated adj. reduced in quality; humiliated [24]
deliberative adj. having the function of considering, judging, or carefully deciding; carefully thinking out [15]
delusive adj. giving a false impression; deceptive [26]
demise n. death; end [13]
derive v. to stem from; to originate [9]
desolate adj. desolate; lonely [11]
dihedral adj. evil; devilish [18]
diaspora n. see-through; fine [8]
dilationation n. condition of rot or disrepair [22]
diminutive adj. small; tiny [7]
discount v. to regard something as false or not worthy of examination; to dismiss [19]
dispel v. to do away with; to remove; to get rid of [5]
distilled adj. purified; refined [7]
dirty n. a simple song [11]
domination n. power; supremacy [2]
dominate v. to influence; to control [6]
dormant adj. inactive; inert; sleeping [18]
draw n. attraction [23]
dreadful adj. awful; fearful [3]
dynamic adj. in motion; changing [28]
dysfunctional adj. out of the ordinary; strange [14]
economical adj. frugal; thrifty; not wasteful [14]
efficacy n. ability to work or perform; potency [2]
eight n. people of higher classes; aristocracy [25]
elusive adj. hard to find; intangible [24]
emerge v. to come out; to unfold [30]
empyrean adj. heavenly; celestial [24]
enamored adj. in love with; captivated by [26]
unfold v. to envelop; to surround [30]
enigma n. a mysterious situation; a riddle; a puzzle [17]
ennobling adj. elevating to a higher degree; dignifying; enlightening [25]
enure v. to result from; to follow after [16]
establishment n. the ruling class of a society; the authorities in power [9]
evenhanded adj. impartial; balanced and fair [12]
exclusive adj. having sole rights; belonging to no one else; also, high-class; upscale; select [20]
express v. to represent in words; to convey [21]
extend v. to downplay; to excuse [26]
exultation n. happiness; gladness [4]
ferment n. turmoil; unrest [9]
firsthand adj. direct from experience or the original source; eyewitness [19]
flawless adj. free of blemishes; perfect [3]
foliage n. the leaves of plants [7]
foreshadow v. to suggest a future event; to anticipate [13]
formative adj. pertaining to development; capable of being shaped [29]
formidable adj. difficult; challenging [2]
forseen adj. abandoned; solitary [3]
fragile adj. shaky; unreliable [21]
franchise n. a license given to an individual or group to conduct a specific business [20]
frantic adj. nervous; anxious [21]
furrow n. a row made by a plow for planting seeds; a trench [1]
garland n. a wreath of leaves or flowers worn as an honor [11]
grave adj. somber; dignified [14]
grotesque adj. outrageous; shocking [9]
guardedness n. caution [19]
heifer n. a young cow [11]
helm n. literal meaning: tiller that guides a ship; a position of leadership [16]
idleness n. the state of not working; laziness [6]
idyllic adj. related to an ideal time or place; idealized; sentimental [26]
imolate v. to sacrifice [22]
immunity n. free of legal liability; protection from harm [15]
impel v. to drive to do something; to move [30]
ingenuous adj. having sudden energy; sometimes without thought; rushing with force [4]
inginge v. to enroach or invade; to collide; to infringe upon [4]
impugn v. to ascribe or attribute; to charge someone with an action, especially a negative act [5]
incipient adj. in an initial stage; developing [6]
incogent adj. inappropriate; unsuitable [27]
incorruptible adj. pure; incapable of being corrupted or made sinful [29]
indispensable adj. necessary; crucial [23]
indulge v. to give in to an action or feeling; to give free reign to [1]
inexorable adj. unrelenting; destined; inescapable [18]
infernial adj. hellish [19]
infract n. a violation of a law or rule; a transgression [27]
ingot n. a block of metal such as gold or silver [21]
ingling n. a vague idea; a hint [19]
inovator n. one who creates new things; pioneer; a groundbreaker [2]
insinuate v. to hint indirectly; to imply [5]
ingiration n. a spur to action; encouragement [9]
interminable adj. unending; infinite [8]
terposition n. mediation; intervention [26]
teminate adj. close; personal [6]
intricable adj. difficult; troublesome [10]
ituitive adj. capable of gaining knowledge without the use of reason; sensitive [17]
invertebrate adj. inorganic; deep-rooted; incurable [16]
invulnerable adj. safe from harm; undamaged [26]
ironical adj. having the quality of being inconsistent or contradictory; incongruous [15]
irresolution n. uncertainty; hesitancy [26]
irreducible adj. hopeless; beyond recall [25]
jaunty adj. expressing a lively or playful manner; happy-go-lucky [14]
jointly adv. together [10]
labor-intensive adj. needing a large workforce in relation to output [23]
labyrinth n. a maze [3]
languish v. to waste away; to weaken [16]
layer v. to place one thing over another; to make an arrangement in layers [9]
liberate v. to set free; to release [25]
limpid adj. free of anything that might cloud or obscure; clear [7]
low-end adj. of poor quality; cheap [23]
luminous adj. bright; glowing [8]
luxuriance n. excess; abundance [7]
lyre n. a stringed instrument; harp [24]
lyric adj. poetic [9]
magnanimous adj. generous; unselfish [10]
malefactor n. criminal; lawbreaker [16]
malevolent adj. evil-minded; vicious [6]
manpower adj. referring to labor [23]
martyrdom n. the death of a person who is killed for his or her religious or other beliefs [3]
missionary adj. of or related to humanitarian or teaching work for a religion [21]
mode n. manner; method; custom; form [14]
monopoly n. the exclusive control of the sale of a product or service [20]
natal adj. of or related to a person's birth [29]
nautical adj. related to ships and the sea; naval [8]
numbness n. a lack of emotion or expression [21]

obligatory adj. mandatory; required by law [27]
observed adj. hidden; covered up [15]
odds n. probability; chances [18]
offing n. the part of the sea visible in the distance [8]
opportunism n. taking an opportunity without regard for principles or value; exploitation [15]
opportunity n. the best [17]
outset n. beginning; start [18]
paeon n. a song of triumph or thanksgiving in honor of a Greek god [24]
palatial adj. resembling a palace; grand; opulent [20]
parching adj. thirsting [11]
parsonage adj. miscreant; penny-pinching [22]
party n. a political group; a camp [10]
pastoral n. a work of art that deals with the simple rural life of shepherds [11]
patriarchical adj. related to a society ruled by men [13]
pernicious adj. evil; damaging; dangerous [1]
perpetual adj. never-ending; permanent [6]
personified adj. manifested in the form of a person; embodied [6]
phenomena n. plural of phenomenon: an observable event or object; an occurrence [17]
picturesque adj. charming; strikingly unusual; suitable for a picture [22]
piety n. religious devotion; faith [1]
plausible adj. having a reasonable or probable appearance; believable [27]
plead v. to argue on behalf of someone; to support; to persuade [12]
plunder n. stolen goods; loot [1]
polymath n. a person with wide knowledge in many subject areas; an academic [19]
ponderous adj. heavy [30]
precarious adj. not certain; delicately in balance; suggesting danger [14]
presuppose v. to assume beforehand; to require in advance [27]
prevailing adj. current, existing [16]
profusion n. abundance; a great amount [7]
progenitor n. parent; originator [18]
progeny n. offspring; children [13]
prohibitive adj. excessive; restrictive [28]
propriety n. the state of conforming to expected behavior; correctness [14]
prostrate v. to throw oneself down in submission or humility [26]
pulverize v. to reduce to fine powder; to disintegrate; to smash [4]
qualitative adj. related to the traits, rather than amount, of something [28]
quantitative adj. related to the amount, rather than traits, of something [28]
recollect v. to remember; to give consideration [5]
reconniter v. to make observations for military purposes [19]
redress n. compensation or payment for a wrong done; remedy [15]
refuge n. one who flees a country to avoid persecution or warfare [21]
regime n. government [9]
reject v. something of low value; something discarded [23]
relieve v. to free from burden; to remove a pressure [14]
remonstrate v. to complain; to object [26]
remorseless adj. cruel; heartless; inhuman [13]
renown n. the condition of being famous; fame [20]
resent v. to object to something in a strong way; to feel bitter about; to begrudge [6]
restraint n. the act of controlling one’s thoughts or actions; caution; inhibition [5]
restrictive adj. imposing limits; hindering [10]
retort n. a quick reply, as to an accusation; a comeback [5]
reverent adj. respectful; devout; dutiful [3]
rhetorical adj. argumentative; overblown [25]
saunter v. to walk idly with no special concern; to amble [4]
scintillate v. to twinkle; to shine [7]
scold n. a shrew; a mean lady [22]
scourge n. the cause of suffering or a calamity; plague [16]
scrupulous adj. extremely careful; mindful [5]
sector n. a part created by division of something; a faction [10]
secural adj. alluring; tempting [50]
seer n. a person with profound insight; an oracle [24]
sensible adj. responsible; down-to-earth; practical [3]
sensual adj. having to do with the senses; tangible [11]
servile adj. subjected to slavery; oppressed [24]
simultaneous adj. happening at the same time; concurrent [20]
skepticism n. a questioning attitude; doubt [19]
smite v. to hit; to attack [2]
sneer v. to jeer or scoff; sometimes with laughter or facial expressions of contempt [29]
sojourn n. a visit; the act of living in a place for a while [7]
solidify v. to become solid or compact; to reinforce; to strengthen [29]
soliloquy n. a speech delivered while alone; monologue [20]
sonambulist n. a sleepwalker [13]
spurned v. rejected; cast aside [26]
staid adj. serious; sober [4]
standing adj. permanent; fixed [10]
staple n. a principal commodity; that which is most important and necessary [29]
static adj. stationary; at rest [28]
Stygian adj. related to the river Styx and to hell; dark; somber [1]
subcontinent n. a large recognizable part of a continent [19]
subjugate v. to conquer; to bring under one’s control [2]
subvert v. disrupted; overturned [13]
supine adj. flat on one’s back [26]
suppliant n. one who asks for something; a beggar; a petitioner [1]
supremacy n. a position of power or superiority [29]
surcease n. an end; death [12]
surmise v. to guess; to infer [16]
sylvan adj. having to do with the forest; rural; pastoral [11]
symbolic adj. involving numbers, letters, etc., that stand for something else [28]
telling adj. revealing; striking [13]
tentative adj. not final; provisional; trial [17]
thetical adj. academic; abstract; hypothetical [10]
title n. an office; a rank or position in an organization or society [6]
tolerate v. to put up with; to accept [20]
trammel v. to hamper; to bind; to confine [12]
tranquill adj. peaceful; serene; quiet; undisturbed [4]
tremulous adj. shaking; quivering; shivering [17]
triangulated adj. forming a triangle [23]
trivial adj. of no importance; superficial; silly [17]
tumult n. confusion; disorder [30]
unbecoming adj. unworthy; unsuitable [15]
undertone n. a muted tone hard to hear; an undertone [24]
unmindful adj. forgetful [10]
unprincipled adj. without any rules of conduct; immoral [27]
unsavory adj. unpleasant; revolting [13]
unspeakable adj. too awful to put into words; horrible [21]
unutterable adj. too horrible to describe; unspeakable [2]
usurp v. to take through force or illegal means; to seize [27]
utilitarian adj. functional; practical [28]
upranean n. a person hoping to achieve an ideal world; a dreamer; an enthusiast [25]
valorous adj. courageous [24]
vanity n. conceit; excess of pride; self-love [29]
vaulting adj. overreaching; ambitious [12]
venerable adj. worthy of reverence and respect [22]
vigilant adj. alert to danger; watchful [26]
vouchsafe v. to give; to grant [50]
wheel v. to fly in a circle [2]
zombified adj. deprived of vitality; robbed of human qualities [25]