



Thesaurus

Problem Word:

Suggested Word:

abandon

give up
leave
quit

abbreviate

cut
shorten

abdomen

stomach

abduct

kidnap
seize

ability

skill

abolish

do away with
end
scrap

abrasion

scrape
scratch

accelerate

hurry
speed up

accessible

at hand
in easy reach

accommodate

house
put up

shelter

accompany

go with

accomplish

carry out
do

accordingly

for these reasons
so

accumulate

collect
pile up

accurate

correct

acknowledge

admit
agree
concede

acquire

buy
gain
get

acquit

release
clear
free

additional

added
extra
more

adequate number

enough

adhere

cling
stick

adjacent

beside
next to

touching

administer

control
direct
manage
take care of

adverse

harmful

advise

inform
say
tell
write

advocacy

speaking out for

advocate

call for
fight for
speak out for
stand up for
support

aerosol

spray

affirm

agree with

affluent

rich
well-to-do

aggravate

make worse

aggravate

annoy
make worse
provoke

aggregate

taken together

aggressive

pushy

alienate

put off
turn against

allegiance

loyalty

alleviate

ease
soften

alteration

change

alternate

take turns

alternative

choice
other

amalgamate

combine
join
unite

ambulate

walk

ambulatory

walk-in
walking

ameliorate

make better

ameliorate

amend

change

amicable

friendly
pleasant

amnesia

memory loss

anachronistic

old-fashioned
out-of-date

annually	each year yearly
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anonymous	nameless unknown
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antagonize	anger offend
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anticipate	expect
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apparent	clear plain
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appellant	Mr. ____ Ms ____
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appellant	name of person you
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applicant	name of person you
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apply	put on use
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appreciate	be grateful thank
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appropriate	take take over
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appropriate	fit proper right
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approximate	close (adj.)
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come near (verb)
near (verb)

approximately

about

aptitude

gift
knack
talent

arguably

maybe
perhaps

ascertain

find out

asphyxiate

suffocate
choke

assist

aid
help

attempt

try

attire

clothes
clothing
dress (verb)
wear (as in mens wear)

attire

clothes
clothing
dress (verb)
wear (as in men's wear)

authentic

genuine
real
true

authorize

allow
approve

give power

autonomous

free
independent
self-governing

avail

help

available

at hand
on hand
ready

bacteria

germs

bargain

deal

be present

be at
be there
come to

beneficial

good for
helpful
useful

beneficiary

person who gets the benefits

benefit

help

bereavement

death
loss

beverage

drink

biannual

every two years
twice a year

bilateral

two-sided

bona fide	in good faith real
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by means of	by using with
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by which time	by then
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capacity	ability size space
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cardiologist	heart doctor
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catastrophe	disaster
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cease	end stop
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censure	blame
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cerebral hemorrhage	stroke
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cessation	pausing stopping
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characteristic	feature mark trait
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circulation	blood flow
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circumstance	condition event fact
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client	name of person
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you

close proximity

near

coagulate

clot
clump
congeal
set

coerce

force
press

cognizant

aware

colic

stomach pain

collaborate

team up
work together

comatose

in a coma

commence

begin
start

communicable

catching
infectious

communicate

e-mail
inform
telephone
tell
write

comparable

like
similar

compensate

make up
pay

competent

able
trained

complete

end
fill out
finish

completion

end
finish

complimentary

free

comply

follow
give in
obey

component

part

comprise

be made up of
include

compulsion

urge

conceive

dream up
imagine
think up

concerning

about
for
on

conclude

end
finish

conclusive

final
last

concur

agree

conduct

carry on
do
run

congenital

born with
inborn

conscientious

careful
painstaking

consequently

as a result
so

considerable

many
much

consistent

the same

console

comfort

conspicuous

obvious
plain
showy

constitute

form
make up

construct

build
make

consult

ask
check with
talk over
talk to

consume

eat

use up

contact

call
talk to
write

contagious

spreading

contain

have

contaminate

dirty
poison
pollute
taint

contemplate

study
think

continue to

keep on
still

contraceptive

birth control

contribute

give
help
share

controversy

debate
issue

contusion

bruise

convenient

handy
useful

conversion

change

convulsion

seizure

spasm

co-operate

help
work together

coronary thrombosis

heart attack

correspond

agree with
match
write

corroborate

agree with
confirm

counterfeit

fake
false
phony

courteous

polite

criterion

model
rule
standard
test
yardstick

currently

now
right now

de facto

actual
real

deactivate

close
shut off

dearth

lack
shortage

deceased

dead

decompose

decay
rot

decontaminate

disinfect
purify
sterilize

decrease

cut back
drop
make less

decrease

fall

deduct

take away from
take off

deem

think

de-emphasize

play down

defective

broken
faulty

deficiency

lack

deficient

lacking
poor

deficit

shortage

defraud

cheat
swindle

dehydration

water loss

demonstrate

prove

show

deoxygenated

no oxygen

depart

check out
go
leave

deplete

empty
reduce
sap

depreciate

cheapen
lessen

designate

call
label
name

desire

want

destitute

bare
needy
poor

detect

find

determine

decide
find out
fix
settle
test

detrimental

harmful

develop

change
grow

deviate
move aside
stray
turn
vary

diagnose
find out

difficulties
problems
trouble

dilute
add liquid

dimension
size

diminish
become less
slow down

diminutive
small
tiny

disallow
reject
turn down

discard
throw away

disclose
show
uncover

discolouration
change in colour

disconnect
turn off
undo
unplug

discontinue
end
give up
stop

discuss talk about

disembark get off
land
leave

disguise hide

disintegrate break up
crumble
fall apart

dispatch issue
send

display bare
show

distinguish make out
set apart
tell apart

distribute hand out
spread

divulge give
reveal
tell

domicile home

don get into
put on

donate to give

donation gift
present

draconian

harsh

drowsy

sleepy

dubious

doubtful
unsure

duplicate

copy
repeat

dwelling

home

dyspepsia

indigestion

e.g.

for example

eccentric

odd
strange

economical

cheap
thrifty

economize

spend less

edifice

building

effect

make

elect

choose

electrolytes

blood salts

elevate

lift
raise
raise higher

eliminate

drop

get rid of
throw out

emaciated

bony
gaunt
thin
wasted

embolism

blood clot

eminent

famous
high
noted

emphasize

stress
underline

employ

apply
hire
use

encounter

come upon
meet

endeavor

try

endorse

support

enhance

add to
improve

ensue

develop
follow

ensure

make sure

enter

go in

enumerate

add up
cite
count

envisage

foresee
imagine
see

envision

foresee
imagine
see

equanimity

balance

equilibrium

balance

equivalent of

equal to

erroneous

false
wrong

escalate

step up

eschew

avoid

evident

obvious
plain

exacerbate

make worse

exacerbate

excessive

too much
undue

exhale

breathe out

exhibit

display

reveal
show

exonerate

acquit
clear
free

exorbitant

overpriced
too high

expectorate

cough
spit out

expedite

push
speed up

expenditure

cost
expense
spending

experience

feel
go through
have
live through
undergo

expertise

know-how
knowledge
skill

explicit

clear
exact
precise

extend

lengthen
offer
reach
stretch

extended	drawn out long
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extensive	broad large roomy wide
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exterminate	destroy wipe out
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extinguish	douse put out smother
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fabricate	build lie make trump up
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facilitate	ease help lighten make easy
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factor	cause reason
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failed to	did not
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fallacy	error fault pitfall
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feasible	workable can be done possible
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fetus	unborn baby
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finalize	complete end finish
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fluctuate	rise and fall swing waver
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fortunate	happy lucky
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forward	send
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fracture	break
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frequently	often
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function	act live
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fundamental	basic real
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furnish	give send
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furthermore	also
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generate	cause make produce
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glucose	sugar
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gradually	slowly
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gratuity

gift
tip

hallucinate

see things that are not there

hazardous

dangerous
risky
unsafe

hereinafter

after this
following

herewith is

here is

however

but

humidify

make moist

humorous

funny

hypertension

high blood pressure

hypotension

low blood pressure

i.e.

that is

identical

the same

ideology

beliefs
ideas

illuminate

light up
make bright
make clear

illustrate

draw

picture

illustration

picture

immediately

at once
now
right away

immense

huge
vast

immerse

completely cover

immovable

firm
fixed
set

impartial

fair
just
neutral

impeccable

flawless
perfect

impede

hamper
hinder
slow
stall

imperative

pressing
urgent
vital

imperceptible

hard to see
hidden
slight

impersonate

copy

mimic
pretend to be

impetus
push
spur
urge

implement
begin
carry out
do
set up
start

impolite
rude

impostor
cheat
fraud
pretender

impotent
helpless
powerless
weak

inaccuracy
error
mistake

inadvertently
without meaning to

inadvisable
risky
unwise

inasmuch as
since

inaugurate
begin
launch

incapacitate
damage
disable

lay up

incarcerate

imprison
jail

inception

beginning
start

incise

cut
slit

incision

cut

incite

goad
prod
rouse

inclement

harsh
nasty
stormy

incompetent

inept
unfit

incomprehensible

baffling
hard to understand

inconceivable

beyond belief
beyond imagining

incorrect

wrong, false

increase

gain
go up
grow
rise

independent

free

well-off

indicate

hint
imply
point out
show
suggest

indication

sign

indigenous

native

indignant

angry
upset

indispensable

essential
much-needed
vital

individual

man
person
woman

ineffectual

not effective
useless

inexpensive

cheap
low-priced
modest

infant

baby

inflexible

firm
rigid
stiff

inform

tell

inhale	breathe in
inherent	inborn inbred
inherit	be born with (a disease or condition)
inhibit	check curb hinder slow down
initial	first
initiate	begin create open start
injection	needle shot
injunction	ban order
innate	inborn natural
innovate	change
innovation	change
inquire	ask
insecure	unsafe unsure
institute	begin

set up
start

instrument

agent
means
tool

insufficient

not enough
short of

insurrection

mutiny
revolt
riot

intention

aim
goal
plan

interface

connect
discuss
talk
work together

intermission

break
pause

interrogate

pump
question
quiz

interrupt

break in
butt in
hinder
stop

intersection

corner
cross street

intimidate

bully
frighten

inundate

deluge
engulf
flood
overflow

irrefutable

cannot be disputed

irrelevant

beside the point, off-base
off-base

irresponsible

careless, harsh, reckless
harsh
reckless

irritable

grumpy

lacerate

cause pain
tear

laceration

cut
gash
tear

latitude

range
scope

laud

praise

legislation

law

lenient

gentle
mild
sparing

liberate
free
rescue

locality
area
place
site
spot

locate
find
pinpoint

location
place
site
spot

lubricate
grease
oil

magnitude
extent
size

maintain
keep
support
take care of

majority
bulk
mass
most

manifest
clear
plain

manufacture
build
make
produce

maximum
biggest
longest

	most
medication	drug remedy medicine pill
mediocre	ordinary run-of-the-mill
mentality	frame of mind mind outlook
methodology	method
milieu	culture scene setting
minimal	least small smallest token
minimize	lessen play down
miniscule	tiny
mitigate	ease soften
modification	change
modify	change
momentous	important

monitor	check watch
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motivate	cause drive
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motor vehicle	car truck van
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motor vehicle accident	crash
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narrate	recount tell
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nebulous	cloudy hazy vague
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necessitate	call for compel need
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negligent	careless
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negotiate	bargain talk business
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neo-natal	newborn
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neophyte	beginner
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neutralize	cancel offset
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nominal	small token
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notification

notice

notify

give notice
let someone know
tell
warn

numerate

count

numerous

many
most

nutrition

food

nutritious

wholesome
nourishing

objective

aim
end
goal
mission

obligation

debt
duty

obscure

hidden
rare

observation

remark

observe

comment
look
note
remark
say
see
watch

obsolescent

disappearing

obsolete

disused
out-of-date
worn-out

obstruct

block
hinder
prevent

obstruction

barrier
block
hurdle

obtain

come by
gain
get

obvious

clear
plain

occasion

event

occasion

cause (verb)
event (noun)
time (noun)

occasionally

sometimes

occupation

job
profession
trade

occur

happen
take place

occurrence

event

operate

run
work

opportunity

chance

optimal

best

option

choice
way

originate

create
invent
set in motion
start

overabundance

excess
glut
too much

palatable

pleasing, tasty

parameter

boundary
limit

paraphrase

restate
reword

parochial

narrow
small minded

participate

join in
share in
take part

pending

coming
in the air

	until
perceive	regard see view
perforation	hole
perform	carry out do
periphery	edge outskirts
permanent	lasting
permission	consent
permit	allow consent go ahead
perquisite	fringe benefit perk
persevere	endure hold on keep at persist stand
personnel	people staff
perspire	sweat
persuade	coax sway

talk into
win over

pertinent

apt
fit
right

philosophy

idea
system
view

physical examination

check-up

physician

doctor

pigmentation

colour

place

put

pollute

dirty
poison
taint

polyurethane

plastic

portion

part
piece
share

position

job

possess

have
own

postpone

delay
put off
shelve

practicable

workable

pragmatic

practical

preclude

avert
prevent
shut out

predicament

problem

prejudicial

harmful

preliminary

early

preparedness

readiness

prerogative

privilege
right

present

give
send

presently

in a moment
soon

prestigious

famous
honored
important

principal

chief (adj.)
first (adj.)
head (adj.)
main (adj.)

probability

chance
likelihood

procedure

course of action

how-to
method
steps
way

proceed

go
go forward

proficient

skilled

prohibit

ban
forbid
prevent

project

plan

proliferate

grow
spread

prophesize

foretell
predict

proponent

supporter

propose

offer
plan

prosthesis

and so on
arm

protocol

rules

provide

give
offer
send
supply

provided

as long as

if

proviso

condition

provoke

cause
make angry
stir up

prowess

skill
strength
talent

purchase

buy

qualified

suited

quandary

difficulty
problem

radiant

bright
glowing

rampant

raging
unchecked

ratify

accept
approve
sign

rationale

reason
thinking

reaction

response

receive

get

recipient

person who gets

reciprocate

give in kind
return
share

recognize

accept
know

reconnaissance

scouting
spying
survey

recover

get back
get better

recuperate

get better
get well
rally
recover

recur

come back

reduce

bring down
cut

redundant

extra
not needed

regarding

about
subject

regimen

diet
rule
system

register

sign up

regulate

control

restrict
watch over

regulation

bylaw
law
rule

rehabilitate

bring back
redeem
restore
straighten out

reimburse

pay back
refund

reinforce

brace
prop up
strengthen

reiterate

repeat
say again

relating to

about
on

remainder

others
rest

remark

say

renegade

criminal
crook
outlaw
rebel

replica

copy
model

representative

agent

reprimand

give a warning (noun)
scold (noun)
warning (noun)

repudiate

deny
disown
reject

request

ask for

require

ask for
call for
need

requirements

needs

rescind

cancel
set aside
take away
take back

resemblance

likeness

reside

be in
live

residence

apartment
home
house

respond

answer
reply

restrain

check
hold back
stop

retain

keep

retrieve

bring back
get back

reveal

show
uncover

review

check
go over

rupture

break
burst
snap

sanguine

hopeful

sanitary

clean
germ free
healthful

sanitize

clean
clean up
disinfect
make germ-free
wash

saturate

drench
fill
soak

scarlatina

scarlet fever

segment

part

segment

divide into parts
part

show the parts

select

choose
pick

sensation

feeling

several

many

severity

how bad

significant

big
grave
important
serious

similar

like

situate

house
place
put

situated

placed

socialize

bring up
make friends
meet
mingle

solicit

ask for

spacious

big
roomy

spasm

cramp

spontaneous

unplanned

state

say
tell

state of readiness

now ready

status

state

stigma

mark
shameful mark
stain
wound

stigmatize

mark as different or bad

stimulate

arouse
excite
stir up

stringent

strict
tight

submit

give in

submit

send

subordinate

assistant
helper
staff

subsequent

following
later
next

subsequently

after that
later

substantiate

back up
prove

	support
suffice	be enough
sufficient	ample enough plenty
suffocate	choke smother
summon	call for send for
superficial	flimsy shallow skin-deep slight
supersede	replace take the place of
supply	give send
sutures	stitches
symptom	sign
systematic	orderly regular
technicality	detail minor point
temperamental	high-strung moody

tenant	name of person you
terminal	fatal
terminate	end stop
termination	end
test	
test	
therapeutic	healing
therapy	treatment
therefore	so
time period	time
transform	alter change
transmit	send
transparent	see-through
transpire	happen take place
traumatic	shocking
tremor	shakiness
trigger	cause

turbulent

stormy
wild

ulterior

further
hidden

ultimate

final
last

uncommonly

rarely

underprivileged

hard-up
poor

unequivocal

clear
plain

unfavorable

bad
damaging
harmful

unmistakable

clear
easy to see
plain

unnecessary

needless
not needed

unpretentious

humble
modest

unveil

announce

urbane

polished
well-bred

urinate

pee

utilization	use
utilize	use
vacillate	be unsure falter hesitate
validate	make valid prove
validity	proof truth
varicella	chicken pox
vary	change
vehicle	bus car truck
velocity	speed
venue	place site
verbatim	exact word for word
verify	check find out if
viable	able to live practical usable workable

vicinity	area
visualize	picture
visualize	foresee imagine picture see
voluminous	bulky large
vomit	throw up
whereas	but
withhold	hold back refuse
withstand	bear cope endure resist
witness irrefutable	see

unnecessary

needless

not needed

unpretentious

humble
modest

unveil

announce

urbane

polished
well-bred

urinate

pee

utilization

use

utilize

use

whereas

but

withhold

hold back
refuse

withstand

bear
cope
endure
resist

witness irrefutable

see