

# Advanced Words Pdf

Here are some advanced English words arranged alphabetically with brief meanings:

**Abstruse** - difficult to understand

**Acquiesce** - to accept something reluctantly but without protest

**Acrimonious** - bitter and angry

**Admonish** - to warn or reprimand someone firmly

**Alacrity** - eagerness or willingness to do something

**Bellicose** - inclined to start arguments or wars

**Bucolic** - relating to the pleasant aspects of the countryside and rural life

**Bombastic** - high-sounding but with little meaning; inflated

**Benevolent** - well-meaning and kindly

**Byzantine** - excessively complicated or intricate

**Cogent** - clear, logical, and convincing

**Concomitant** - naturally accompanying or associated

**Cryptic** - having a meaning that is mysterious or obscure

**Cursory** - hasty and not thorough

**Capricious** - impulsive and unpredictable

**Diaphanous** - light, delicate, and translucent

**Diffident** - modest or shy because of a lack of self-confidence

**Dubious** - hesitating or doubting

**Disparage** - to belittle or criticize

**Desultory** - lacking a plan, purpose, or enthusiasm

**Ebullient** - cheerful and full of energy

**Ephemeral** - lasting for a very short time

**Esoteric** - intended for or likely to be understood by only a small number of people with specialized knowledge or interest

**Euphemism** - a mild or indirect word or expression used in place of one considered to be too harsh or blunt

**Extrapolate** - to extend or project facts or data into an area not known or experienced in order to make assumptions or predictions.

**Fastidious** - very attentive to detail and accuracy

**Flummox** - to confuse or perplex

**Facetious** - treating serious issues with inappropriate humor

**Fortuitous** - happening by chance or luck

**Fatuous** - silly and pointless

**Garrulous** - excessively talkative, especially on trivial matters

**Grandiloquent** - pompous or extravagant in language, style, or manner

**Gregarious** - fond of company; sociable

**Glib** - fluent and voluble but insincere and shallow

**Gossamer** - light, thin, and insubstantial

**Histrionic** - overly theatrical or melodramatic in character or style

**Hyperbole** - exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken literally

**Harangue** - a lengthy and aggressive speech

**Hapless** - unfortunate or unlucky

**Hegemony** - leadership or dominance, especially by one country or social group over others

**Inscrutable** - impossible to understand or interpret

**Intransigent** - unwilling to change one's views or to agree about something

**Iconoclast** - a person who attacks cherished beliefs or institutions

**Ineffable** - too great or extreme to be expressed or described in words

**Intrepid** - fearless and adventurous

**Juxtapose** - to place side by side for comparison or contrast

**Jocular** - characterized by joking and good humor

**Judicious** - having, showing, or done with good judgment or sense

**Juncture** - a particular point in events or time

**Jettison** - to discard something as unwanted or unnecessary

**Knotty** - complicated, difficult, or intricate

**Kudos** - praise and honor for an achievement or accomplishment

**Kinetic** - relating to or resulting from motion

**Knavery** - unprincipled or dishonest behavior

**Laconic** - using very few words; terse

**Loquacious** - tending to talk a great deal; talkative

**Languid** - slow and relaxed; lacking vigor or energy

**Lucid** - expressed clearly and easy to understand

**Lithe** - thin, supple, and graceful

**Magnanimous** - generous or forgiving, especially toward a rival or less powerful person

**Mellifluous** - sweet-sounding; pleasant to the ear

**Morose** - sullen and ill-tempered

**Meticulous** - showing great attention to detail; very careful and precise

**Munificent** - extremely generous; lavish

**Nefarious** - wicked or criminal

**Nihilistic** - rejecting all religious and moral principles; believing life is meaningless

**Nonplussed** - surprised and unsure how to react

**Nostalgia** - a sentimental longing or wistful affection for a period or place in the past

**Nuance** - a subtle difference in meaning or expression

**Obfuscate** - to make unclear or difficult to understand

**Odious** - extremely unpleasant; repulsive

**Onerous** - involving a great deal of effort or difficulty; burdensome

**Ostentatious** - characterized by vulgar or pretentious display; showy

**Opaque** - not able to be seen through; not transparent

**Panacea** - a solution or remedy for all problems or diseases

**Proclivity** - a tendency to choose or do something regularly; an inclination or predisposition

**Pristine** - in its original condition; unspoiled

**Pugnacious** - eager or quick to argue, quarrel, or fight

**Perspicacious** - having a ready insight into and understanding of things

**Querulous** - complaining in a petulant or whining manner

**Quixotic** - exceedingly idealistic; unrealistic and impractical

**Quagmire** - an awkward, complex, or hazardous situation

**Quotidian** - occurring every day; commonplace

**Quintessential** - representing the most perfect or typical example of a quality or class

**Rancorous** - characterized by bitterness or resentment

**Rapacious** - aggressively greedy or grasping

**Recalcitrant** - stubbornly refusing to obey rules or authority

**Redolent** - strongly reminiscent or suggestive of something

**Reprobate** - unprincipled or depraved; a person who behaves in an unprincipled or unrepentant way

**Sanguine** - optimistic or positive, especially in an apparently bad or difficult situation

**Scintillating** - sparkling or shining brightly; brilliantly and excitingly clever or skillful

**Serendipity** - the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way

**Sophisticated** - complex or intricate; knowledgeable and worldly-wise

**Sycophant** - a person who acts obsequiously toward someone important in order to gain advantage

**Taciturn** - reserved or uncommunicative in speech; saying little

**Tenacity** - the quality or fact of being able to grip something firmly; persistence

**Trepidation** - a feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen

**Ubiquitous** - present or found everywhere

**Utopia** - an imagined place or state of things in which everything is perfect

**Unctuous** - excessively flattering or ingratiating

**Unbridled** - uncontrolled; unconstrained

**Unfettered** - free from restraint; unrestrained

**Vehement** - showing strong feeling; forceful, passionate, or intense

**Verbose** - using or expressed in more words than are needed

**Vex** - make (someone) feel annoyed, frustrated, or worried, especially with trivial matters

**Vicissitude** - a change of circumstances or fortune, typically one that is unwelcome or unpleasant

**Visceral** - relating to deep inward feelings rather than to the intellect

**Whimsical** - playfully quaint or fanciful, especially in an appealing and amusing way

**Winsome** - attractive or appealing in appearance or character

**Wistful** - having or showing a feeling of vague or regretful longing

**Wry** - using or expressing dry, especially mocking, humor

**Wunderkind** - a person who achieves great success or acclaim at a young age

**Xenophobia** - intense or irrational dislike or fear of people from other countries

**Xenial** - relating to hospitality or relations between host and guest

**Xeric** - relating to or adapted to a dry environment

**Xylography** - the art of engraving on wood, or of printing from such engravings

**Xylophone** - a musical instrument consisting of a set of graduated wooden bars that are struck by hammers to produce musical tones

**Yearning** - a feeling of intense longing for something

**Yielding** - giving way to pressure or influence; compliant

**Yonder** - at some distance in the direction indicated; over there

**Yowl** - a loud wailing cry, especially one of pain or distress

**Yare** - (of a ship) quick and agile

**Zealous** - having or showing great energy or enthusiasm in pursuit of a cause or objective

**Zenith** - the highest point reached by a celestial or other object

**Zephyr** - a gentle breeze

**Zest** - great enthusiasm and energy

**Zany** - amusingly unconventional and idiosyncratic

