

Word	Meaning(s), Synonyms, Related Words, Analogy	Antonym(s)
aesthetic ®	adj. [appreciative of art and beauty and showing good taste] artistic; pleasing <i>Analogy:</i> <i>aesthetics : beauty :: epistemology : knowledge</i> <i>aesthetic : art :: gourmet : food</i>	philistine
affable	adj. [pleasant and easy to approach] friendly; amiable ; cordial ; genial; sociable	testy; irascible
affront	n. [an open or intentional insult] indignity ; offense. Also v.	
aggrandize	1. v. [to praise highly] exalt ; acclaim ; applaud; glorify 2. v. [to make appear greater or larger by adding details] enlarge; augment ; embellish	
aggregate ®	1. n. [a group of distinct items taken together] agglomeration; conglomeration ; aggregation; combination; conjunction 2. v. [to gather into a mass or whole; to total] accumulate; gather; hoard 3. adj. [gathered into, or considered as, a whole] collective	1. isolated units 2. disperse; disintegrate
aghast	adj. [feeling great horror or shock] horrified; terrified; shocked; dismayed; appalled	
alacrity ®	n. [liveliness and eagerness] promptitude; promptness; dispatch ; expedition; alertness <i>Analogy:</i> <i>alacrity : apathetic :: temerity : timid</i> <i>alacrity : procrastinate :: husbandry : dissipate</i>	sluggishness; hesitance; reluctance; dilatoriness
alcove	n. [a small room that opens into a larger room] nook; niche; recess	
alimentary	adj. [providing nourishment] nourishing; nutritious; sustaining ; succulent	
allegiance	n. [loyalty or devotion, as to a cause, person, institution, etc.] loyalty; devotion; dedication; fealty; fidelity <i>Analogy:</i> <i>renegade : allegiance :: apostate : faith</i> <i>partisan : allegiance :: pundit : authoritativeness</i>	
allegory	n. [a story in which people, things, and occurrences have a hidden meaning, used to teach morals] fable; parable	
alleviate ®	v. [to make (pain) easier to bear; to reduce] relieve; assuage ; palliate ; mitigate ; lighten <i>Analogy:</i> <i>alleviate : strength :: dampen : ardor</i> <i>alleviate : intensity :: console : grief</i>	exacerbate; worsen; increase; intensify
alloy	1. n. [a mixture of two or more metals] amalgam; admixture 2. v. [to mix metals, esp. making a metal less pure by mixing with a less valuable metal] amalgamate ; combine; compound ; adulterate 3. v. [to reduce in value or quality by mixing with something inferior] debase ; devalue; adulterate	
allure	v. [to tempt with something desirable] entice ; lure; attract; bewitch; enchant; fascinate	
altercation	n. [a noisy quarrel; an angry argument] fracas ; quarrel; wrangle ; dispute	
amalgamate ®	1. v. [to join together into one; unite] intermix; commix; admix; mix; mingle 2. v. [to mix metals] alloy ; compound; adulterate	isolate; separate; disintegration