

Word	Meaning(s), Synonyms, Related Words, Analogy	Antonym(s)
post-mortem	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> n. [an examination of a dead body to ascertain the cause of death] autopsy n. [any examination or discussion of an event after it has occurred] 	
postulate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> v. [to assume without proof to be true, especially as a basis for argument] posit; presume; hypothesize; predicate n. [an assumption] assumption; premise; axiom <p>Analogy: <i>postulate : presumptive :: platitude : banal</i></p>	1. verify; prove
potentate	<p>n. [a person having great power] monarch; ruler; sovereign; dictator</p> <p>Analogy: <i>potentate : power :: virtuoso : skill</i></p>	subject
pragmatic ®	adj. [guided by practical experience and observation rather than theory] realistic; practical ; hard-headed	
preamble ®	<p>n. [an introduction, esp. to a statute or constitution usually explaining its purpose] preface; prelude</p> <p>Related Words: prologue: n. an introduction to a play, poem, etc. prefatory: adj. serving as a preface; introductory</p>	
precarious ®	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> adj. [filled with danger] perilous; parlous; shaky; unsteady; hazardous adj. [uncertain; dependent on circumstances] insecure; dubious; ambiguous; equivocal <p>Analogy: <i>precarious : stable :: immutable : vary</i></p>	1. secure; stable; safe
precipitate ®	adj. [done very hastily or rashly] abrupt; headlong; impetuous . Also v.	retard; dilatory
precipitous	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> adj. [having very steep precipices or cliffs] abrupt; steep adj. [done with great haste, without due thought] precipitate; precipitant; hasty; headlong; impetuous 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> gently sloping well-planned
precocious	adj. [developed to a point beyond that which is normal for the age] gifted; advanced; mature	retarded
precursor ®	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> n. [one that precedes and indicates the approach of something or someone] forerunner; harbinger; herald; vanguard n. [a former occupant, in a job or position] predecessor; antecedent; forebear; ancestor 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> derivative successor
preen	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> v. [to dress or groom oneself with elaborate care] primp; plume; spruce; trim v. [to congratulate oneself for an achievement] pride v. [to clean one's feathers, of birds] plume <p>Analogy: <i>dandy : preen :: miser : hoard</i> <i>raffish : preen :: ingenuous : dissemble</i></p>	1. ruffle
premonitory	adj. [serving as a warning for future misfortune] threatening; portentous; precursory; prophetic; ominous; apocalyptic	
presumptuous ®	adj. [too bold and taking too many liberties] arrogant; insolent ; brash; overconfident; overweening; audacious ; uppish	
preternatural	adj. [beyond what is normal or expected from nature] supernatural; abnormal; transcendental	