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|  | Synonyms | Antonyms | Sentence |
| euphemism | Polite Term, Indirect Term, alternative, understatement  Example: “passed away” instead of died. | Direct statement, “keeping it real,” rude or insensitive comment | The foreign students in the class were confused by the teacher's use of euphemism. |
| hypocritical | two-faced, insincere, faithless | honest, truthful, genuine, sincere | We're probably all a little **hypocritical** at times - and we're all sinners, so I hear. |
| Deliberate (verb, not adjective) | Argue, debate, consider | Make impulsive decisions, react without thinking, make a whimsical choice | The jury deliberated about the case for two hours before announcing the culprit guilty. |
| ominous | Menacing, Dark, threatening, potentially dangerous | Promising, Auspicious | The weather remained **ominous** with dark clouds rolling in, pushed by an ever-increasing wind that churned the sky in threatening waves. |
| potent | Powerful,  Mighty, strong | Ineffective,  Insignificant, weak | The chemo drugs are so potent, they often make patients ill before they make them feel better. |
| pragmatic | Logical and realistic, sensible, practical | Excited and unrealistic | I was pragmatic about the birthday party, only inviting a few friends so it wouldn’t get wild. Listening to both sides of the story is a pragmatic approach to resolving conflict. |
| Ignominy | Embarrassment, shame, humiliation | Honor, respect, pride | Our team has to face the ignominy of a long losing streak. He showed ignominy when the teacher saw inappropriate images on his phone. |
| transient | Transitory, temporary | Permanent, forever, everlasting | There are many transient people on the streets of NYC. |
| aloof | Haughty  unsympathetic | Compassionate  friendly | I simply wish to refuse allegiance to the State, to withdraw and stand **aloof** from it effectually |
| cajole | Persuade, seduce, coax | Discourage, force, dissuade | Are you trying to cajole me into cooking your supper? I hate it when he cajoles me to go out with his friends. |
| livid | Furious, angry | Cheerful happy | He was livid at being left out of the game. |
| traverse | Go over, go across | Stay, back off | North of this lake traverse, 20m to reach the hunting grounds. |
| precarious | Uncertain, insecure, unsafe | Safe, protected, guarded | She made a precarious living by writing. Running around with a knife is precarious. |
| sagacious | wise, clever, intelligent, knowledgeable | Foolish, stupid, unwise | The priest was a sagacious old man. |
| trepidation | Fear, dread, fright | Calm, security, composure | The girl had trepidation about the bear that was outside her tent. |
| opaque | Nontransparent, cloudy, blurry, unclear, dirty | Clear, bright, transparent | I added tint to my windows so they would be opaque |
| opulent | Rich, fancy | Plain, poor | The family was very opulent so they could afford a new car. |
| ambiguous | Vague, confusing, | Clear, explicable | Because his driving directions are ambiguous, I use my reliable map. The girl was unsure how to respond to the ambiguous question on her blind date. |
| impartial | Unbiased, neutral | Biased, partisan | The referee was very impartial when deciding who recovered the fumble after the play. |
| loquacious | Communicative, chatty | Taciturn, reticent, quiet, introverted | My sister is very loquacious in the morning as if she drank 3 cups of coffee! |
| fickle | Changeable, variable | Constant, steady, loyal | According to the movers, the fickle woman had them arranging one piece of furniture for several hours. His girlfriend was fickle, always changing her mind. |
| discern | Detect, recognize, perceive | Disregard, overlook, confuse, doubt | As an adult, you should be able to discern right from wrong. The little girl discerned which dog at the shelter belonged to her. |