

# CAMBRIDGE SYNONYMS LIST FOR READING

## SYNONYMS/A

- annual = yearly = per year
- a rise = an increase = a growth.
- a decrease = a fall = a drop = a decline = a reduction
- already = not new
- a pair of = two
- allow = enable
- avoid = keep safe from
- all = every
- a great deal of = a lot of
- according to = depending on
- areas = parts
- affect = impact
- anticipate = foreshadow
- aid = help

- audience = viewer
- abnormal = unusual
- actor = performer

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- attack = assault
- appearance = physiognomy
- amusing = funny = humorous
- aspects of life = existence
- alone = solely
- anxiety = fear
- assist their learning = improve their learning efficiency
- a considerable amount = a great deal = a lot
- a strong connection = a very close relationship
- assistant = apprentice
- autumn (British English) = fall (American English)
- abandoned = derelict
- a prevailing wind = against the wind
- average = normal
- animals = livestock
- accidentally = only by chance
- agencies = jurisdictions
- a (wide) variety of = a range of

- accept = tolerate
- actively notice = pay attention to
- a sense of duty = moral obligation

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- ancient creatures = fossils
- a global team = an international working party
- at risk = vulnerable
- auditory problems = hearing loss
- achievement = success
- a psychological illness = a mental disorder
- affect = influence
- aggressive behavior = frustration and anger
- average-sized = medium-sized
- agree on = concur on
- alter = change
- a century = 100 years
- associated with = relationship
- achievement = attainment
- admit = acknowledge
- attempt = effort
- affect the environment = ruin the environment.
- a sharp decrease = a crash = a sudden serious fall in

the price or value of something

- allow = grant permission
- aggressive = assertive = pushy

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- aid = help = assist
- at the same time = at a time
- a few = a handful of
- achievable = realistic
- associated with = closely related to
- a similar way to = like
- ambitious = aspiring
- antagonize = provoke = embitter
- after = following = next
- afraid = frightened = scared
- always = forever
- apparent = obvious = evident
- accompanied by = together with
- ability = skill = aptitude
- accurate = correct = right
- awful = dreadful
- awkward = clumsy = uncoordinated
- approve = accept = ratify = endorse

•arrive = reach = come

•above = overhead

•allow = permit

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- achieve = accomplish = attain
- artificial = fake = synthetic = false
- amazing = fantastic = astonishing = extraordinary = incredible = fabulous = wonderful
- angry = mad = furious
- active = energetic = animated = lively
- adequate = sufficient = enough = ample
- ask = question = inquire
- adjourn = postpone = recess
- active = energetic
- answer = reply = respond
- ask = question = request = inquire = query = examine.
- adult = grown-up
- average = ordinary = fair
- attraction = spectacular
- advocate = support = recommend
- arrogant = haughty
- after = behind

•awful = dreadful = terrible = bad = unpleasant

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## SYNONYMS/B

- businesses = companies
- beneath = under
- brief = short = concise
- broad = wide = expansive
- beautiful = gorgeous = graceful = elegant = pretty = lovely = attractive
- begin = start = open = initiate = commence
- based on = modelled on
- brave = courageous = fearless
- by = via
- busy = occupied
- build = construct
- big = enormous = huge = gigantic = vast = large = great.
- bright = intelligent = knowing = quick-witted = smart = shining = shiny = brilliant
- buy = purchase
- best = finest
- blend = combine = mix

- be put together = be composed
- be allowed = be entitled
- beautiful (view) = breathtaking = wonderful = picturesque

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- beautiful (person) = attractive = gorgeous = good-looking.
- base = foundation
- brave = courageous
- be predicted to = be expected to
- be impossible = cannot
- building = construction
- before = prior
- because = since
- be given priority = preferential
- believe = trust = accept
- be successful = to prosper = be fortunate
- barren = unproductive = infertile
- below = under = lower
- beneficial = helpful = useful = advantageous
- become troublesome = interfere with
- before = prior to
- brain = mind

- be able = be capable = be qualified
- ban = prohibit = forbid
- before = prior = earlier
- beginning = start = initiate

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- be raised = be lifted
- become aware of = realize
- boundaries = frontiers
- body language = gestures
- beautiful = pretty = attractive = lovely
- bloom = flourish
- bones = remains
- beyond the point where land is visible = out of sight of land
- birds in temperate climates = temperate-zone birds
- build = construct

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## SYNONYMS/C

- located = situated
- consumption = use
- cut = reduce
- cities = urban
- crops = plants which are grown for food
- components = parts
- conscientious = careful
- common = generally
- create = form
- change the direction of = re-route
- cannot be replaced = no substitute for
- complexity = intricacy
- currently = in more recent decades
- categories = types
- create = build
- consistent with = fit
- charging = pricing



- commitment to = engagement
- colleague = peer
- charming = delightful = appealing = enchanting

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- chilly = cool
- conditions = factors
- copy = reproduction
- colours = hues
- certain = sure = definite
- capture = seize = arrest
- consulted = asked advice
- collect = accumulate
- contribute to = lead to
- care = concern = protection
- careful = cautious = watchful
- cold = freezing
- comprehend = understand
- confuse = misinterpret
- coincidental = fortuitous
- civil = municipal
- close = shut = fasten
- close = near

- conclude = draw a conclusion
- change = shift
- calm = quiet = tranquil

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- complete = finish
- complex = complicated
- cooperation = support and understanding
- construction = building
- city life = urban lifestyles
- complex = complicated = intricate
- competent = capable = qualified
- collect information = establish a databank
- catastrophic = devastating
- compress = condense = squeeze
- concrete = solid
- concur = agree
- conflict = oppose = differ
- consecutive = successive = continuous
- conservative = cautious = restrained
- conscientious = scrupulous = virtuous
- careless = reckless
- conflict = fight = battle = struggle

- cease = stop = discontinue
- courageous = brave
- carefully = meticulously

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- channel their feelings = emotional forces in harness
- cemetery = burial ground
- current teaching methods = modern teaching practices
- characteristics = traits
- citizens = residents
- cognitive = perceptual
- cut down on = reduce
- categories = types
- city = metropolitan
- conserving energy = sparing use of energy reserves
- comply with = obey
- cheerful = optimistic
- cheap = worthless
- courageous = brave = heroic
- cowardly = fearful
- contributed to = made a contribution to
- charging = pricing
- contaminate = pollute

- contented = satisfied = pleased
- comparatively = relatively
- come = approach = arrive = reach

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- cool = chilly = cold = frosty = frigid
- conform = comply
- conceal = hide
- cozy = comfortable
- congested = overcrowded = stuffed
- continue = persist = persevere
- clarify = explain = simplify
- connect = join = link = attach
- conscious = aware
- courteous = polite
- considerate = thoughtful
- constantly = always = continually
- convenient = handy
- conventional = customary = traditional
- correct = accurate = right
- cry = shout = yell = scream
- cut = chop = reduce
- crazy = insane = mad



- cruel = heartless
- careless = negligent
- chatting on the internet = chatting online

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- criminals = people who commit a crime

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## SYNONYMS/D

- distance = transportation
- disadvantage = drawback
- directly = straight
- decline = downfall
- dull = banal
- dominant = overbearing
- death rate = mortality rate
- domestic = home
- define = distinguish
- dense = tight
- direction = regulation
- difficult situations= challenging activities
- disobey = resist
- discovered = explored
- damage = harm = injure
- divided = split
- dissuade = deter

- disputes = disagreement
- difficulties = challenges
- depart = leave

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- disaster = accident
- do not have = lack
- domestic = connected with the home or family
- difficulty in recognizing = hidden or obscured
- drop = discard
- different = unrelated
- discoveries = breakthroughs
- distinctive = different
- dreadful = terrible = unpleasant
- dull = blunt
- depart = leave = exit
- deposit = place
- devised = formulated
- detecting = locating
- dumb = stupid
- documentation = written accounts
- domestic =in homes
- dark = black

•doubt = mistrust

•dawn = sunrise

•dense = thick = heavy = compressed

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- due primarily to = mainly because of
- depend (mainly) on = rely (heavily) on
- disclose = eliminate the secrecy
- declined by 50% = halved
- destroy = ruin
- dangerous = hazardous = risky = unsafe
- dark = shadowy = dim = dusky = black
- different = distinct = unlike
- documented evidence = data incidence = scale
- decreasing = decline
- doubt = distrust
- doubtful = vague
- decay = rot = spoil
- delicate = fragile
- disagree = differ = dispute
- dispute = debate = oppose
- demolish = destroy
- delightful = charming = lovely

•dissatisfied = unhappy

•discontinue = stop

•dull = boring = tiring = tiresome = uninteresting = tedious  
= monotonous

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- different = varied
- damage = hurt = impair = harm
- dangerous = unsafe = hazardous
- deduct = subtract
- defend = protect
- detest = dislike = hate
- divide = separate = split
- docile = tame = gentle
- difficult = hard = challenging
- diverse = different = distinct
- dirty = messy
- destroy = demolish
- dishonest = untrustworthy
- dull = uneducated
- destroy = ruin = demolish
- disagreement = contrast = incompatibility
- different functions = various features.

## SYNONYMS/E

- estimate = predict
- ecozones = areas where there is a natural community of plants and animals
- encourage = stimulate
- emotions = feelings
- experts = biologists
- enormous = immense
- eyesight = vision
- effect = impact
- economic significance = economic impact
- evidence = clue
- experiments = studies
- evidence = indication
- environmental = ecological
- extremely high = impressive
- each person = each individual
- external = outer

- extended = longer
- efficiently = in the quickest way
- extend = prolonging
- encourage = promote = support = urge

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- enemy = opponent = ally
- effective = works well
- effects = consequences
- entirely = wholly
- evident = apparent = obvious = clear
- expenditure on = spent on
- each year = annual
- established = founded = started or created an organization, a system, etc.
- express large numbers = deal with large numbers
- establish targets = setting goals
- enjoy = like
- enlarge = expand = magnify
- earnings = pay = remuneration
- enormous = vast = immense
- early part of the process = early phases of development
- expected = predicted
- expensive = pricey = costly = dear

- exaggerate their claims = overstate their arguments
- examine = analyse
- excited = turbulent
- early = soon = premature

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- easy = simple
- evil = bad = wrong = wicked
- excite = arouse = provoke = incite
- exterior = outside = outer
- effortless = easy
- energetic = lively
- end = stop = finish = terminate = conclude = close = halt = cessation
- explain = clarify = define = interpret = justify

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## SYNONYMS/F

- fertilisers = artificial chemicals added to the land to make crops grow bigger or more quickly
- fresh = new
- fear = be afraid
- false = incorrect
- fast = rapid = quick = swift
- food production = food chain = food supply
- feel = experience
- fix = mend = repair
- fluid = liquid
- fixed = determined
- failed to overcome = made it impossible
- farming = agriculture
- fertile = productive
- free = release
- first = beginning
- first stage = initial stage

- faults = flaws
- features = characteristics
- feelings = emotional responses

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- format = pattern
- former = previous = earlier
- fraction = part = portion = segment
- fat = chubby
- fatal = deadly = mortal
- feedback = comments
- frivolous = trivial = unimportant
- full = packed = stuffed
- forbid = prohibit = ban
- forgive = pardon = excuse
- focus on = emphasize
- finish = end
- feasible = possible = attainable = practical
- fabulous = marvelous = amazing
- ferocious = fierce = savage
- fertile = fruitful = productive
- famous = well-known = renowned = famed = eminent.
- fear = fright = dread = scare = panic.

- face = confront = meet
- fair = impartial
- fresh = unused = new

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- frigid = freezing = frosty
- furious = angry = enraged = infuriated
- future = tomorrow
- fixed = immobile
- failing = unsuccessful
- filled = occupied
- firm = steady
- false = fake = fraudulent = counterfeit

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## SYNONYMS/G

- goal = imperative
- grow = rise
- goals = the highest levels of expertise
- grades = results
- generous = giving = big-hearted
- genuine = real = authentic = sincere
- good = nice = fine = well-behaved
- great = outstanding = remarkable
- give their opinions = express their views
- good things = positive things
- give = donate = present = offer
- go around = orbit
- gain = acquire = obtain = receive
- gather = collect = accumulate = compile
- glad = happy = pleased = delighted
- glorious = splendid = magnificent = superb
- gentle = tender = mild

- gratitude = thankfulness = appreciation
- good luck = fortune
- go = move = travel

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•good = excellent = fine = wonderful = helpful.

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## SYNONYMS/H

- have a major impact on = transformed
- halt = call it quits
- happiness = joy
- happen = come about
- have not been diagnosed = undiagnosed
- hard work = effort
- how paper is recycled = the process of paper recycling
- humble = modest
- harsh = strict
- how to produce = the process of producing
- higher corresponds to threefold = three times as much/  
triple
- high noise level = loud noise
- help = have a positive effect on
- heat = temperature
- hide = conceal
- happy = content

- humiliate = embarrass
- handy = useful = convenient
- hard = firm = solid
- honest = truthful = sincere = frank

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- hospitable = welcoming = gracious
- hostile = aggressive
- huge = vast = immense = great
- hide = conceal
- high = tall
- harsh = rough
- happy = joyful = cheerful = glad = overjoyed = pleased = contented =satisfied = delighted

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- infectious diseases = diseases that can pass from one plant to another by the wind or by insects
- in the natural world = throughout nature
- ignore = resist
- intuitive thinking = intuition
- illnesses = ailments
- information = data
- instructed = told
- insufficient = sparse
- illogical = unreasonable

- immoral = unethical
- important = crucial
- incompetent = inept

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- intense = extreme
- improve = increase the efficiency of
- increase in population = population growth
- industrial revolution = industrialisation
- immediately = nearly instant
- information = data
- imitate (imitation) = mimic
- impaired = damaged
- innocent = guiltless
- insufficient = inadequate = deficient
- in accordance with = according to
- inaccurate = incorrect
- intelligent = smart = bright
- increasing = soaring
- interior access = inner staircases
- initiate = bring about
- interesting = provocative = engrossing
- identify the problem = understand the problem

- isolated = inaccessible
- internal = inner = inside
- in excess of = over

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- increase = expand = rise
- irrelevant = inappropriate = unrelated
- irritate = annoy
- introduction = invention
- identical = alike = duplicate
- inactive = lazy
- ignore = disregard
- important = vital = indispensable
- interesting = fascinating = engaging = attractive = intriguing = captivating = enchanting
- impossible = unachievable
- infants = very young children
- intriguing = fascinating
- in essence = essentially
- independent = self-reliant
- inappropriate = unsuitable
- increase = enlarge = amplify
- ingenious = clever = creative

- impetuous = impulsive = reckless
- important = significant = meaningful
- inappropriate = unsuitable = wrong

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- ignorant = unaware
- immaculate = spotless = pure
- imperfect = defective = faulty
- imperative = compulsory = mandatory
- involved with = associated with
- idle = inactive
- immature = childish = inexperienced
- impolite = rude
- indefinite = unclear
- insignificant = unimportant
- immune = resistant
- impartial = neutral = unbiased = fair
- idea = thought = concept
- incident = event
- incompatible characteristics = paradox

## SYNONYMS/K

- keep = save = protect =guard
- kind = considerate = tender = thoughtful
- kind = wonderful
- knowledgeable = smart

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## SYNONYMS/L

- launched = initiated
- lived apart = be separated at birth
- large = big = massive = huge
- last = final = end
- look like = resemble
- levels = storeys
- lethargic = tired
- lifted = raised
- leave out = omit
- life expectancy = lifetime
- lower secondary schools = middle-years education
- least = fewest = minimum = smallest
- lacking = insufficient
- long-term = sustainable
- liable to = can happen
- less time spent on exercises = shorten the practice
- learn = acquire

- long = lengthy
- lure = attract = seduce
- long-lost traits = ancestral features

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- left = soared out of
- limit = minimize
- limited = incomplete
- local people = communities
- large city = megalopolis
- long-term = lasting/extending over a long time
- little doubt = almost certainly
- luxurious = extravagant = elegant
- lack = deficit
- love = like = fancy = cherish = adore = treasure = appreciate
- levels of unemployment = unemployment rate

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## SYNONYMS/M

- motifs = patterns = images
- material = commodity
- magnify = expand = enlarge = exaggerate
- misfortune = hardship
- mathematical method = statistical concept
- moved = relocation
- most people = almost every individual
- manager = boss
- mass production = print out huge numbers
- mainly = most important
- mishandling = bungling
- make payment = pay for
- movement = transport
- mean = unkind = malicious = nasty
- mend = repair = fix
- motorised vehicles = buses and trucks
- more than = exceed

- make the noise stop = turn the noise off
- moulded = reshaped
- man-made = synthetic

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- mild = moderate
- moral = ethical = virtuous = righteous
- mature = adult
- most = maximum
- maximum = greatest
- minimum = least
- mobile = moveable
- monotonous = boring = tedious
- mysterious = secret
- manufactured = produced
- move onto = pass onto
- most of = nearly all of
- moves = gestures
- more = increased
- modified = qualified
- migrate back = return
- medical technique = treatment
- mean = cruel = inconsiderate

- movable = portable
- manufacture = produce

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## SYNONYMS/N

- need = require
- non-fossil-based fuels = renewable energy
- needed = required
- nature = essence
- not traditional = new
- natural forests = primary forests
- not limit = transcend
- neat = clean, tidy, well-organized.
- new = fresh = original = current
- noisy = rowdy
- noise = disturbance
- normal = ordinary = typical, usual
- negligent = careless = inattentive
- naughty = bad = disobedient
- neat = clean = orderly = tidy
- neglectful = careless
- no limit = never reach maximum



- not charged = not have to pay
- new = recent
- nervous energy = psychic tension

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- new technologies = modern technologies
- not natural = artificial
- not appreciated = undervalued
- now = current
- need = requirement

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## SYNONYMS/O

- observe = see
- omit = strip out = leave out
- ordinary = conventional
- over the counter = in the shops
- officials = authorities
- overcome = deal with
- open = begin
- occur frequently = are common
- only = solely
- overdirect = too much guidance
- overcome shyness = learn to be more outgoing
- one explanation = another possibility
- ordinary = commonplace
- old = antique
- obsolete = dated = antiquated
- optimistic = hopeful = confident
- odours = smell

- overcome = getting rid of
- occur more than once = repeated
- outgoing = assured

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- obey = comply
- old people = people who are retired
- offend = displease = disgust
- outstanding = extraordinary
- odd = weird = strange
- obey = comply

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## SYNONYMS/P

- plant = grow
- place = locate
- paintings = works
- precious metals = gold, silver
- premature = early
- pretty = lovely = beautiful = attractive
- pleasing = appealing
- perform = carry out
- pioneered = first suggested
- persuasive = powerful
- play it safe = avoid risk
- personality = character
- potential = possibilities
- promptly = immediately
- profit = gain = earnings = benefit
- prohibit = forbid = restrict
- policy initiative = strategy

- previous events = past experience
- plants = stations
- provide a view of = overlook

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- private transport = car
- principles = laws
- put together = assembled
- place = deposit
- prompt = punctual = timely
- prosperous = thriving = successful = flourishing
- prevent = prohibit = hinder
- permit = allow
- prior to = beforehand
- pictures = images
- problem = difficulty
- permit = allow
- promotion = advancement
- prominent = distinguished = eminent
- personal values = individual properties
- pessimistic view = seems to be getting worse
- prevail upon = have influence in = persuade
- principles = essential features



- publicity = press
- program cost = program fee
- physical changes = hormonal changes

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- processes = stages
- perfect = flawless
- precious = valuable
- plausible = believable = reasonable = logical
- polite = gracious = courteous
- place = area = plot = region = location = situation
- proportion = percentage = rate
- poverty rate = level of poverty = poverty level = the percentage of people who live in poverty
- production = manufacture = be produced = be made = be manufactured
- per person = per capita
- people who use cars = car users = car commuters = people who commute by car = people who travel by car
- people who cycle to work = cycling commuters
- public = individuals
- produce accurate work = make fewer errors
- problems = difficulties
- present beliefs = contemporary perceptions

- picked out = chose
- pesticides = potent chemicals
- pagoda = temple building
- prehistoric = ancient

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- patience = perseverance
- permanent = enduring = lasting
- prevent misunderstanding = resolve any confusion
- peace = harmony
- persuade = convince = influence
- peace = quiet
- preceding = previous

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## SYNONYMS/Q

- quickly = rapidly
- question = interrogate = inquire = ask
- quiet = silent = tranquil
- quick = speedy
- quit = cease = stop = withdraw

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## SYNONYMS/R

- rely on = be dependent on
- rules = laws
- restrict = curb
- really successful = achieve at a higher level
- rainfall = precipitation
- rotate = turn
- recording of events = documentation of history
- replication = reproducing
- regarded as =considered
- researchers with differing attitudes = sceptics and advocates
- remove = extract
- react = respond
- reason = caused
- remedy = repair
- rude = unfriendly
- replaced = upgrade

- rational thinking = judgment
- reversible = run backwards
- responsibility = moral obligation
- reticence = shyness

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- remains = fragments
- re-emerge = reappear
- respond = reply
- resemble = look like
- regular = continual
- referring to = talk about
- response = reply
- run their own business = open their own business/  
company
- regulations = standards
- relies on = draw on
- reliable = predictable
- relationships with other people = social experience
- reflection = movements in the mirror
- reveal = tell
- recognize = distinguish
- remember = recall
- retain = learn



- raise = lift
- recognize = certify = admit officially (usually in writing)
- restricted = limited
- recognise the difference = distinguish

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- rise = growing = increased
- release = punctured
- recommence = continue
- real = authentic
- reluctant = unwilling = hesitant
- remote = secluded = isolated = distant
- rarely = seldom
- reduce = shrink
- remarkable = outstanding
- rough = harsh
- release = discharge
- rude = discourteous
- rich = wealthy
- risky = hazardous
- reputable = honorable
- resist = oppose = withstand
- recreation = amusement = pleasure
- reduce = lessen = decrease = diminish

- reliable = trustworthy
- reveal = show = disclose
- ridiculous = nonsensical = foolish

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•remove = eliminate = get rid of

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## SYNONYMS/S

- shut out water = seal off from water
- sea = ocean
- support = back up
- satisfying = rewarding
- suffers = experiences
- supplementary = extra
- silence = absence of a sound
- shade = shelter from the heat
- steps = measures
- strengthen = deepen
- share = interchange
- socially disadvantaged = deprived
- self-reliance = independence
- support = backup
- significance = importance
- show statistically = provide precise, valid or reliable data
- seem to contradict = sound paradoxical

- significant = important
- several times = on more than one occasion
- signals = radio waves

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- site = station
- seeking = looking for
- searching for = looking for
- stop = quit = cease = terminate
- strenuous = vigorous = laborious
- suitable = appropriate
- small = minor
- stop = halt
- sea life = fish and other creatures
- saw the importance = understood the need
- success rate = hit-rate
- surprising = unexpectedly
- similar to = not unusual
- severe weather conditions = typhoons
- stop = constrain
- send = deliver
- stop = close down = put a halt to = bring a halt to
- separate from = independent of

- staff = employees
- sleep disorders = sleep disturbance
- shy = timid

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- separate = disconnect
- sparse = empty
- stable = steady = unchanging
- stimulate = motivate
- same = similar
- sharp = bright
- strict = severe
- strong = powerful = mighty
- stupid = dense = foolish
- smart = intelligent = clever
- sadness = depression
- scatter = disperse
- show = present = reveal = demonstrate = display = exhibit
- slow = gradual = leisurely
- selfish = stingy
- sad = unhappy
- subsequent = following = succeeding

- small = tiny
- sensible = rational
- separate = disconnect = detach
- small = little

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- swift = fast = speedy = hasty
- synthetic = man-made = artificial
- sloppy = disorderly
- sick = ill
- slim = slender = thin
- small = little
- sociable = friendly
- successful = thriving = prosperous = triumphant
- surplus = excess = additional = extra
- strange = odd = weird, outlandish, curious, unique, exclusive, irregular
- sales = turnover = how much money is made = income = revenue
- spending = expenditure
- sort = classify
- start a business = own a business/ company
- shopping on the internet = online shopping = buying/purchasing online
- sales of fast food = turnover from fast food

## SYNONYMS/T

- taken out = removed
- the folklore = the local belief
- the most important step = key step
- time limit = deadline
- trend of the period = fashion of the time
- tradesmen = merchants
- the rapid growth = the spectacular growth
- transport methods = transport modes
- technological developments = information technologies
- take gambles = take chances
- techniques = methods = practices
- transport mode = means of transport
- test = examination
- test = experiment
- to investigate = to analyse
- the most important = major
- to give up = to abandon

- 2 decades = 20 years
- the most vividly coloured red = the reddest
- took = carried

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- tools = facilities
- the question = the puzzle
- transmission = pass along communication channels
- transmitted = sent back
- transmit = sent out
- thin = skinny
- tragic = sorrowful
- take = receive
- terrible = awful = bad
- threat = endangered
- today = current
- today = now
- teaching activities = methods
- three different types= three separate ways
- to copy = to replicate = to reproduce
- the world economy = the global economy
- to be sure = to ensure
- to proceed = to continue

- total = whole = entire = complete
- tell = inform = notify
- take = pick = choose = select

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- the level of income = the rate of income = the income rate = the income level = the level of revenue = the revenue rate = the revenue level
- the elderly = elderly people = senior citizens
- the amount of time spent = the time spent
- the majority of people = most of the people = most people
- transport = deliver = carry
- to rise = to increase = to grow = to go up
- to decrease = to fall = to reduce = to go down = to drop = to decline

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## SYNONYMS/U

- uncover = reveal
- underestimate = overlook
- universal = just about everybody
- unjust = unfair
- unemployment = out of work
- unlike = a fundamental difference
- unpredictably = erratically
- understand = recognize
- upset = find painful, distressing
- unnecessary = superfluous = redundant
- unpleasant = offensive
- uncommon = unusual
- unknown = not renowned
- unwanted material = waste
- upgrade = improve
- unsuccessful = fruitless
- unfit = unsuited

- unexpectedly = without warning = unpredictable
- unusual = exceptional
- uncertain = unsure

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●unbiased = impartial = unprejudiced = fair

●unite = join

●unaware = unconscious

●unnecessary = optional

●unimportant = meaningless

●untruthful = insincere

●uninteresting = dull

●usual = ordinary

●unpleasant = unacceptable

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## SYNONYMS/V

- view = vision
- valuable = precious
- views = convictions
- views = attitudes
- vibrate = shake
- vacant = unoccupied = empty
- vague = unclear = indistinct = obscure
- vague = ambiguous

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## SYNONYMS/W

- world = international
- working together = coordination
- worldwide = international
- wider = greater
- water consumption = the amount of water consumed
- ways of learning = techniques for learning = approaches to learning
- waste = trash = rubbish
- well known = famous
- wholehearted = sincere
- wise = knowing = smart
- water is pumped = pumped with the water
- wild = stubborn
- weak = frail
- work = labor
- wasteful = extravagant
- wealth = prosperity = assets

- weary = tired = fatigued = lethargic
- wonderful = incredible = splendid = marvelous
- waste output = the amounts of waste
- work for an employer = work for other people

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- wrong = incorrect
- waste paper = paper that has been thrown away
- works of art = pieces

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