

**PTE Preparation Series**

# **Vocabulary Mastery**

**Essential Words for PTE Academic Success**



**Designed for PTE Students**

Comprehensive vocabulary practice with contextual  
examples and usage patterns



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## 1. Ubiquitous (adjective)

- Definition: Present, appearing, or found everywhere.
- Synonyms: omnipresent, pervasive, everywhere
- Antonyms: rare, scarce, limited
- Example: In the digital age, smartphones have become ubiquitous.

## 2. Unanimous (adjective)

- Definition: Fully in agreement by everyone involved.
- Synonyms: agreed, united, harmonious
- Antonyms: divided, disagreeing, opposed
- Example: The committee reached a unanimous decision to approve the new policy.

## 3. Undermine (verb)

- Definition: To weaken (someone or something) gradually or insidiously.
- Synonyms: sabotage, weaken, erode
- Antonyms: strengthen, support, reinforce
- Example: Constant criticism can undermine a student's confidence.

## 4. Unilateral (adjective)

- Definition: Performed or undertaken by only one party, group, or country without the agreement of another or others.
- Synonyms: one-sided, independent, autonomous
- Antonyms: multilateral, bilateral, shared
- Example: The government made a unilateral decision to withdraw from the treaty.

## 5. Unprecedented (adjective)

- Definition: Never done or known before; unparalleled.
- Synonyms: unparalleled, unmatched, novel
- Antonyms: common, ordinary, familiar
- Example: The recent global health crisis presented an unprecedented challenge.

## 6. Unravel (verb)

- Definition: To undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads; to investigate and solve or explain (something complicated or puzzling).
- Synonyms: untangle, solve, decipher
- Antonyms: entangle, complicate, confuse
- Example: Detectives worked hard to unravel the mystery surrounding the ancient artifact.

## 7. Unscrupulous (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair.
- Synonyms: unethical, immoral, dishonest



- **Antonyms:** ethical, moral, principled
- Example: An unscrupulous businessman might exploit workers for personal gain.

## 8. Uplift (verb)

- Definition: To raise to a higher spiritual or intellectual level; to make someone feel more hopeful, happy, or positive.
- **Synonyms:** encourage, inspire, elevate
- **Antonyms:** depress, discourage, demoralize
- Example: Her inspiring speech did much to uplift the spirits of the audience.

## 9. Urgent (adjective)

- Definition: Requiring immediate action or attention.
- **Synonyms:** pressing, critical, imperative
- **Antonyms:** unimportant, nonessential, trivial
- Example: The patient's condition was urgent, demanding immediate medical intervention.

## 10. Usurp (verb)

- Definition: To take (a position of power or importance) illegally or by force.
- **Synonyms:** seize, appropriate, take over
- **Antonyms:** relinquish, cede, surrender
- Example: The general attempted to usurp the throne during the king's illness.

## 11. Utility (noun)

- Definition: The state of being useful, profitable, or beneficial.
- **Synonyms:** usefulness, benefit, advantage
- **Antonyms:** uselessness, disadvantage, drawback
- Example: The utility of this new software lies in its ability to automate complex tasks.

## 12. Utmost (adjective)

- Definition: Of the greatest possible extent, amount, or degree.
- **Synonyms:** greatest, supreme, maximum
- **Antonyms:** least, minimal, lowest
- Example: Achieving this goal requires the utmost dedication and effort.

## 13. Undergo (verb)

- Definition: To experience or be subjected to (something, typically something unpleasant or arduous).
- **Synonyms:** experience, suffer, endure
- **Antonyms:** avoid, escape, shirk
- Example: The building will undergo major renovations next month.



## 14. Undeniable (adjective)

- Definition: Unable to be denied or disputed; unquestionably true.
- Synonyms: irrefutable, indisputable, certain
- Antonyms: questionable, doubtful, dubious
- Example: The evidence presented in court was undeniable.

## 15. Underlying (adjective)

- Definition: Present but not immediately obvious; fundamental.
- Synonyms: fundamental, basic, hidden
- Antonyms: superficial, apparent, obvious
- Example: The report revealed the underlying causes of the economic recession.

## 16. Undertake (verb)

- Definition: To take on (a task or responsibility); to commit oneself to and begin.
- Synonyms: commence, begin, launch
- Antonyms: abandon, forfeit, quit
- Example: The company decided to undertake a new research project.

## 17. Unearth (verb)

- Definition: To find (something hidden or lost) by digging; to discover (something previously unknown or secret).
- Synonyms: discover, excavate, reveal
- Antonyms: bury, conceal, hide
- Example: Archaeologists managed to unearth ancient artifacts at the site.

## 18. Unequivocal (adjective)

- Definition: Leaving no doubt; unambiguous.
- Synonyms: unambiguous, clear, explicit
- Antonyms: ambiguous, vague, uncertain
- Example: The CEO gave an unequivocal statement about the company's future direction.

## 19. Unfathomable (adjective)

- Definition: Incapable of being fully explored or understood.
- Synonyms: incomprehensible, mysterious, immeasurable
- Antonyms: comprehensible, measurable, explainable
- Example: The vastness of the universe is almost unfathomable.

## 20. Unflappable (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing calm in a crisis.
- Synonyms: composed, serene, imperturbable



- **Antonyms:** agitated, nervous, excitable
- Example: Despite the chaos, the pilot remained unflappable and landed the plane safely.

## 21. Unfurl (verb)

- Definition: To spread out or open something rolled or folded.
- Synonyms: unroll, open, spread
- **Antonyms:** furl, roll up, fold
- Example: The sailors unfurled the sails as the ship left the harbor.

## 22. Unilaterally (adverb)

- Definition: Without the agreement of other parties.
- Synonyms: independently, single-handedly, autonomously
- **Antonyms:** bilaterally, mutually, cooperatively
- Example: The government acted unilaterally to impose new sanctions.

## 23. Unintelligible (adjective)

- Definition: Impossible to understand.
- Synonyms: incomprehensible, garbled, indistinct
- **Antonyms:** intelligible, clear, understandable
- Example: His speech became unintelligible after he suffered the injury.

## 24. Unison (noun)

- Definition: Simultaneous performance of action or utterance of speech.
- Synonyms: harmony, accord, agreement
- **Antonyms:** discord, disagreement, dissonance
- Example: The choir sang in perfect unison, creating a beautiful harmony.

## 25. Unkempt (adjective)

- Definition: Having an untidy or dishevelled appearance.
- Synonyms: messy, dishevelled, untidy
- **Antonyms:** neat, tidy, groomed
- Example: His unkempt hair and wrinkled clothes suggested he had just woken up.

## 26. Unmitigated (adjective)

- Definition: Absolute; unqualified.
- Synonyms: absolute, total, unqualified
- **Antonyms:** partial, limited, tempered
- Example: The storm was an unmitigated disaster for the coastal town.

## 27. Unorthodox (adjective)



- Definition: Contrary to what is usual, traditional, or accepted.
- Synonyms: **unconventional, unusual, heretical**
- Antonyms: **conventional, traditional, orthodox**
- Example: Her unorthodox teaching methods were highly effective.

## 28. Unparalleled (adjective)

- Definition: Having no parallel or equal; exceptional.
- Synonyms: **unequaled, matchless, unrivaled**
- Antonyms: **common, ordinary, mediocre**
- Example: The artist's skill was unparalleled in his generation.

## 29. Unprepossessing (adjective)

- Definition: Not attractive or appealing to the eye.
- Synonyms: **unattractive, plain, homely**
- Antonyms: **attractive, charming, appealing**
- Example: Despite its unprepossessing exterior, the restaurant served delicious food.

## 30. Unraveling (noun)

- Definition: The process of disentangling or solving something complex.
- Synonyms: **resolution, disclosure, unwinding**
- Antonyms: **complication, entanglement, confusion**
- Example: The unraveling of the conspiracy took years of dedicated investigation.

## 31. Unremitting (adjective)

- Definition: Never relaxing or slackening; incessant.
- Synonyms: **constant, ceaseless, persistent**
- Antonyms: **intermittent, sporadic, occasional**
- Example: The team showed unremitting effort throughout the long season.

## 32. Unreserved (adjective)

- Definition: Without reservations or limitations; full and genuine.
- Synonyms: **complete, wholehearted, frank**
- Antonyms: **reserved, hesitant, partial**
- Example: She gave her unreserved support to the new proposal.

## 33. Unscathed (adjective)

- Definition: Without suffering any injury, damage, or harm.
- Synonyms: **unharmed, uninjured, intact**
- Antonyms: **harmed, injured, damaged**
- Example: Despite the severe accident, all passengers emerged unscathed.



### 34. Unseemly (adjective)

- Definition: Not proper or appropriate.
- Synonyms: improper, inappropriate, indecorous
- Antonyms: proper, appropriate, decorous
- Example: His unseemly behavior at the formal dinner party shocked everyone.

### 35. Unstinting (adjective)

- Definition: Given or giving without restraint; lavish.
- Synonyms: generous, lavish, liberal
- Antonyms: stingy, parsimonious, miserly
- Example: The charity received unstinting support from the community.

### 36. Untenable (adjective)

- Definition: Not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.
- Synonyms: indefensible, unsustainable, flawed
- Antonyms: tenable, defensible, sustainable
- Example: The argument that the Earth is flat is clearly untenable in modern science.

### 37. Untoward (adjective)

- Definition: Unexpected and inappropriate or inconvenient.
- Synonyms: unfavorable, adverse, unfortunate
- Antonyms: favorable, fortunate, propitious
- Example: There were no untoward incidents during the peaceful protest.

### 38. Unwieldy (adjective)

- Definition: Difficult to carry or manage because of its size, shape, or weight.
- Synonyms: cumbersome, bulky, awkward
- Antonyms: manageable, handy, compact
- Example: The large, unwieldy box was difficult to move through the narrow doorway.

### 39. Upbraid (verb)

- Definition: To find fault with (someone); scold.
- Synonyms: reprimand, reproach, chide
- Antonyms: praise, commend, applaud
- Example: The manager upbraided the employee for consistently being late.

### 40. Uproot (verb)

- Definition: To pull (a tree, plant, etc.) out of the ground; to move (someone) from their home or usual environment.
- Synonyms: extract, displace, relocate



- **Antonyms:** plant, establish, settle
- Example: The hurricane was strong enough to uproot several large trees.

#### 41. Upshot (noun)

- Definition: The final or eventual outcome or conclusion of a discussion, action, or series of events.
- Synonyms: outcome, result, consequence
- **Antonyms:** beginning, cause, origin
- Example: The upshot of the meeting was a new strategy for market expansion.

#### 42. Urban (adjective)

- Definition: Relating to a city or town.
- Synonyms: city, metropolitan, civic
- **Antonyms:** rural, countryside, agrarian
- Example: Many people are migrating from rural areas to urban centers for job opportunities.

#### 43. Usher (verb)

- Definition: To show or guide (someone) somewhere; to cause or mark the start of something new.
- Synonyms: guide, escort, herald
- **Antonyms:** follow, trail, conclude
- Example: The invention of the internet ushered in a new era of global communication.

#### 44. Usual (adjective)

- Definition: Habitually or commonly occurring or done; customary.
- Synonyms: normal, typical, regular
- **Antonyms:** unusual, uncommon, extraordinary
- Example: It was her usual routine to have coffee before starting work.

#### 45. Utilize (verb)

- Definition: To make practical and effective use of.
- Synonyms: use, employ, apply
- **Antonyms:** waste, discard, neglect
- Example: We must utilize all available resources to complete the project on time.

#### 46. Utopia (noun)

- Definition: An imagined place or state of things in which everything is perfect.
- Synonyms: paradise, ideal, heaven
- **Antonyms:** dystopia, hell, nightmare
- Example: Many dream of creating a utopia where everyone lives in peace and harmony.

#### 47. Utilitarian (adjective)





- Definition: Designed to be useful or practical rather than attractive.
- Synonyms: functional, practical, sensible
- Antonyms: ornamental, decorative, aesthetical
- Example: The minimalist furniture had a utilitarian design, prioritizing function over aesthetics.

#### 48. Underdog (noun)

- Definition: A competitor thought to have little chance of winning a fight or contest.
- Synonyms: outsider, long shot, victim
- Antonyms: favorite, frontrunner, champion
- Example: Despite being the underdog, the small team managed to win the championship.

#### 49. Unearthly (adjective)

- Definition: Unnatural or mysterious, especially in a disturbing way.
- Synonyms: supernatural, eerie, ghostly
- Antonyms: earthly, natural, mundane
- Example: An unearthly scream echoed from the abandoned house.

#### 50. Unfettered (adjective)

- Definition: Released from physical or literal restraints; unrestrained or unrestricted.
- Synonyms: unrestricted, unbridled, free
- Antonyms: fettered, restricted, constrained
- Example: Artists should have unfettered creative freedom to express themselves.

#### 51. Unfounded (adjective)

- Definition: Having no basis in fact.
- Synonyms: baseless, groundless, unsubstantiated
- Antonyms: founded, substantiated, proven
- Example: The rumors about the company's financial troubles proved to be unfounded.

#### 52. Unkempt (adjective)

- Definition: Having an untidy or dishevelled appearance.
- Synonyms: messy, disordered, sloppy
- Antonyms: neat, tidy, orderly
- Example: His unkempt beard made him look like a wild man.

#### 53. Unnerve (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) lose courage or confidence.
- Synonyms: frighten, disconcert, disturb
- Antonyms: calm, reassure, encourage
- Example: The sudden loud noise unnerved the young child.



## 54. Unruly (adjective)

- Definition: Difficult to control; disobedient.
- Synonyms: disobedient, disorderly, rebellious
- Antonyms: obedient, disciplined, docile
- Example: The teacher struggled to control the unruly class.

## 55. Unscathed (adjective)

- Definition: Without suffering any injury, damage, or harm.
- Synonyms: unharmed, uninjured, intact
- Antonyms: harmed, injured, damaged
- Example: Despite the severe accident, all passengers emerged unscathed.

## 56. Unsolicited (adjective)

- Definition: Not asked for; given or offered free.
- Synonyms: unrequested, unbidden, voluntary
- Antonyms: requested, solicited, demanded
- Example: I received unsolicited advice from a stranger on the street.

## 57. Unstinting (adjective)

- Definition: Given or giving without restraint; lavish.
- Synonyms: generous, liberal, abundant
- Antonyms: sparing, meager, stingy
- Example: The community offered unstinting support to the flood victims.

## 58. Unwarranted (adjective)

- Definition: Not justified or authorized.
- Synonyms: unjustified, baseless, improper
- Antonyms: justified, warranted, reasonable
- Example: His criticism of the project was completely unwarranted.

## 59. Upheaval (noun)

- Definition: A violent or sudden change or disruption to something.
- Synonyms: disruption, commotion, turmoil
- Antonyms: stability, calm, order
- Example: The industrial revolution caused a massive social upheaval.

## 60. Uproar (noun)

- Definition: A loud and passionate outcry or disturbance.
- Synonyms: commotion, agitation, turmoil
- Antonyms: calm, peace, silence



- Example: The new policy caused an uproar among the public.

## 61. Upstart (noun)

- Definition: A person who has suddenly risen to wealth or power, especially one who is regarded as arrogant or presumptuous.
- Synonyms: parvenu, arriviste, climber
- Antonyms: veteran, traditionalist, established
- Example: The established politicians viewed the young candidate as an upstart.

## 62. Urge (verb)

- Definition: To try to persuade (someone) earnestly to do something; to encourage strongly.
- Synonyms: encourage, press, exhort
- Antonyms: discourage, dissuade, hinder
- Example: I urged her to reconsider her decision.

## 63. Usual (adjective)

- Definition: Habitually or commonly occurring or done; customary.
- Synonyms: customary, normal, standard
- Antonyms: unusual, rare, abnormal
- Example: It was his usual practice to check emails first thing in the morning.

## 64. Utopia (noun)

- Definition: An imagined place or state of things in which everything is perfect.
- Synonyms: paradise, ideal world, heaven
- Antonyms: dystopia, hell, nightmare
- Example: Many idealists strive for a society that resembles a true utopia.

## 65. Undercurrent (noun)

- Definition: An underlying feeling or influence, especially one that is contrary to the prevailing atmosphere and not expressed openly.
- Synonyms: undertone, nuance, hint
- Antonyms: surface, openness, explicit
- Example: There was an undercurrent of tension in the meeting, despite the polite smiles.

## 66. Underdog (noun)

- Definition: A competitor thought to have little chance of winning a fight or contest.
- Synonyms: outsider, long shot, victim
- Antonyms: favorite, contender, frontrunner
- Example: The small startup was the underdog in the competitive tech market.

## 67. Undeniably (adverb)



- Definition: In a way that cannot be denied or disputed.
- Synonyms: **certainly, indisputably, unquestionably**
- Antonyms: **questionably, doubtfully, dubiously**
- Example: She is undeniably one of the most talented musicians of her generation.

## 68. Underpin (verb)

- Definition: To support (a building or structure) from below; to provide a basis of support for.
- Synonyms: **support, buttress, reinforce**
- Antonyms: **undermine, weaken, destabilize**
- Example: Strong ethical principles underpin the company's entire philosophy.

## 69. Undertaking (noun)

- Definition: A formal pledge or promise to do something; a task or enterprise, especially a large or difficult one.
- Synonyms: **venture, project, endeavor**
- Antonyms: **recreation, pastime, hobby**
- Example: Building the new bridge was a massive undertaking.

## 70. Undulating (adjective)

- Definition: Having a wavy or rippled form, outline, or surface.
- Synonyms: **wavy, billowing, rippling**
- Antonyms: **flat, smooth, level**
- Example: The car drove along the undulating hills of the countryside.

## 71. Unfazed (adjective)

- Definition: Not disconcerted or perturbed.
- Synonyms: **unperturbed, calm, unconcerned**
- Antonyms: **fazed, disturbed, bothered**
- Example: He remained unfazed by the sudden criticism.

## 72. Unflinching (adjective)

- Definition: Not showing fear or hesitation in the face of danger or difficulty.
- Synonyms: **resolute, steadfast, brave**
- Antonyms: **flinching, hesitant, fearful**
- Example: The journalist provided an unflinching account of the war.

## 73. Ungainly (adjective)

- Definition: Awkward; clumsy.
- Synonyms: **clumsy, awkward, gawky**
- Antonyms: **graceful, nimble, elegant**



- Example: The young giraffe was quite ungainly on its long legs.

## 74. Unilateralism (noun)

- Definition: The doctrine or policy of going it alone in foreign policy without the support of allies.
- Synonyms: independence, autonomy, isolationism
- Antonyms: multilateralism, cooperation, alliance
- Example: Critics argued that the country's move towards unilateralism could alienate its allies.

## 75. Unimpeachable (adjective)

- Definition: Not able to be doubted, questioned, or criticized; entirely trustworthy.
- Synonyms: irreproachable, blameless, faultless
- Antonyms: questionable, dubious, culpable
- Example: The witness provided unimpeachable testimony.

## 76. Unkempt (adjective)

- Definition: Having an untidy or dishevelled appearance.
- Synonyms: messy, disordered, sloppy
- Antonyms: neat, tidy, well-maintained
- Example: His unkempt garden was full of overgrown weeds.

## 77. Unleash (verb)

- Definition: To release from a leash or restraint; to release or give vent to (a strong, uncontrolled force).
- Synonyms: release, unfetter, trigger
- Antonyms: restrain, contain, hold back
- Example: The angry crowd unleashed their fury on the government building.

## 78. Unmistakable (adjective)

- Definition: Not able to be mistaken or misunderstood; clear and distinctive.
- Synonyms: obvious, distinct, evident
- Antonyms: mistakable, ambiguous, vague
- Example: The painting bore the artist's unmistakable style.

## 79. Unnerve (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) lose courage or confidence.
- Synonyms: disconcert, intimidate, frighten
- Antonyms: calm, reassure, encourage
- Example: The eerie silence began to unnerve the explorers.

## 80. Unprecedented (adjective)

- Definition: Never done or known before; unparalleled.



- Synonyms: novel, unusual, extraordinary
- Antonyms: common, ordinary, familiar
- Example: The level of public engagement was unprecedented for a local election.

### 81. Unqualified (adjective)

- Definition: Not officially recognized as being trained to do a particular job; absolute or complete.
- Synonyms: absolute, complete, unreserved
- Antonyms: qualified, limited, conditional
- Example: She offered her unqualified support for the new policy.

### 82. Unraveling (noun)

- Definition: The process of falling apart or failing.
- Synonyms: collapse, disintegration, breakdown
- Antonyms: consolidation, strengthening, formation
- Example: The unraveling of the peace talks led to renewed conflict.

### 83. Unrelenting (adjective)

- Definition: Not yielding in strength, severity, or intensity.
- Synonyms: merciless, persistent, unrelenting
- Antonyms: lenient, intermittent, yielding
- Example: The heatwave continued with unrelenting intensity for weeks.

### 84. Unruly (adjective)

- Definition: Difficult to control; disobedient.
- Synonyms: disobedient, rebellious, wayward
- Antonyms: obedient, disciplined, manageable
- Example: His unruly behavior earned him a suspension from school.

### 85. Unscrupulous (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair.
- Synonyms: unethical, immoral, dishonest
- Antonyms: ethical, principled, conscientious
- Example: The documentary exposed the unscrupulous practices of the corporation.

### 86. Unsettle (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) uneasy or anxious.
- Synonyms: disturb, disconcert, perturb
- Antonyms: calm, reassure, settle
- Example: The strange phone call unsettled her for the rest of the day.



### 87. Unsolicited (adjective)

- Definition: Not asked for; given or offered free.
- Synonyms: **unrequested, unbidden, voluntary**
- Antonyms: **requested, solicited, invited**
- Example: The company received a lot of unsolicited applications for the job.

### 88. Unsurpassed (adjective)

- Definition: Superior to all others.
- Synonyms: **unmatched, peerless, supreme**
- Antonyms: **inferior, subpar, average**
- Example: The quality of craftsmanship in this car is unsurpassed.

### 89. Unwavering (adjective)

- Definition: Steady or resolute; not wavering.
- Synonyms: **steadfast, resolute, firm**
- Antonyms: **wavering, hesitant, irresolute**
- Example: She showed unwavering commitment to her goals despite the obstacles.

### 90. Upbeat (adjective)

- Definition: Optimistic and cheerful.
- Synonyms: **optimistic, positive, cheerful**
- Antonyms: **downbeat, pessimistic, gloomy**
- Example: Despite the challenges, the team maintained an upbeat attitude.

### 91. Upliftment (noun)

- Definition: The process of improving someone's moral, social, or intellectual condition.
- Synonyms: **improvement, elevation, betterment**
- Antonyms: **degradation, decline, deterioration**
- Example: Education plays a crucial role in the upliftment of disadvantaged communities.

### 92. Upright (adjective)

- Definition: Strictly honorable or honest; in a vertical position.
- Synonyms: **honorable, ethical, vertical**
- Antonyms: **dishonest, corrupt, horizontal**
- Example: He was known as an upright and trustworthy member of the community.

### 93. Uproar (noun)

- Definition: A loud and passionate outcry or disturbance.
- Synonyms: **commotion, furore, agitation**
- Antonyms: **calm, peace, silence**



- Example: The controversial decision caused a huge uproar among the students.

## 94. Urbanization (noun)

- Definition: The process by which cities grow and societies become more urban.
- Synonyms: city growth, metropolitanization, townification
- Antonyms: ruralization, de-urbanization, depopulation
- Example: Rapid urbanization has led to increased pressure on city infrastructure.

## 95. Usher in (phrasal verb)

- Definition: To cause or mark the start of something new.
- Synonyms: herald, commence, introduce
- Antonyms: conclude, terminate, end
- Example: The invention of personal computers ushered in the digital age.

## 96. Utilitarianism (noun)

- Definition: The belief that the right action is the one that maximizes utility, usually defined as maximizing overall happiness or well-being.
- Synonyms: pragmatism, consequentialism, expediency
- Antonyms: deontology, egoism, altruism
- Example: The philosophy of utilitarianism often weighs the greatest good for the greatest number.

## 97. Uxorious (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing an excessive fondness for one's wife.
- Synonyms: doting, devoted, subservient
- Antonyms: neglectful, indifferent, apathetic
- Example: His uxorious nature was evident in how he constantly doted on his wife.

## 98. Undeniable (adjective)

- Definition: Impossible to deny; unquestionably true.
- Synonyms: irrefutable, indisputable, certain
- Antonyms: questionable, doubtful, dubious
- Example: The evidence of climate change is undeniable.

## 99. Understatement (noun)

- Definition: The presentation of something as being smaller, worse, or less important than it actually is.
- Synonyms: euphemism, litotes, downplaying
- Antonyms: overstatement, exaggeration, hyperbole
- Example: To say the problem was significant would be an understatement.

## 100. Underwrite (verb)

- Definition: To sign and accept liability under (an insurance policy); to support financially.





- Synonyms: sponsor, finance, guarantee
- Antonyms: reject, decline, withdraw
- Example: A group of investors agreed to underwrite the new venture.

### 101. Undignified (adjective)

- Definition: Appearing foolish or unseemly; lacking in dignity.
- Synonyms: shameful, humiliating, improper
- Antonyms: dignified, proper, honorable
- Example: His public outburst was rather undignified.

### 102. Uneasy (adjective)

- Definition: Causing or feeling anxiety or trouble.
- Synonyms: anxious, restless, apprehensive
- Antonyms: calm, relaxed, comfortable
- Example: There was an uneasy silence in the room after the announcement.

### 103. Unfazed (adjective)

- Definition: Not disconcerted or perturbed.
- Synonyms: unperturbed, calm, unconcerned
- Antonyms: fazed, disturbed, bothered
- Example: He remained unfazed by the sudden criticism.

### 104. Unflagging (adjective)

- Definition: Tireless; persistent.
- Synonyms: tireless, persistent, indefatigable
- Antonyms: languid, weary, exhausted
- Example: Her unflagging enthusiasm kept the team motivated.

### 105. Ungainly (adjective)

- Definition: Awkward; clumsy.
- Synonyms: clumsy, awkward, gawky
- Antonyms: graceful, nimble, elegant
- Example: The baby elephant was rather ungainly as it tried to stand.

### 106. Unilateralism (noun)

- Definition: The doctrine or policy of going it alone in foreign policy without the support of allies.
- Synonyms: independence, autonomy, isolationism
- Antonyms: multilateralism, cooperation, collaboration
- Example: Some politicians advocate for unilateralism, believing it protects national interests.



### 107. Unimpeachable (adjective)

- Definition: Not able to be doubted, questioned, or criticized; entirely trustworthy.
- Synonyms: **irreproachable, blameless, faultless**
- Antonyms: **questionable, dubious, culpable**
- Example: The lawyer's reputation was unimpeachable, built on years of integrity.

### 108. Unison (noun)

- Definition: Simultaneous performance of action or utterance of speech.
- Synonyms: **harmony, accord, agreement**
- Antonyms: **discord, disagreement, dissonance**
- Example: The students recited the pledge in unison.

### 109. Unkempt (adjective)

- Definition: Having an untidy or dishevelled appearance.
- Synonyms: **messy, disordered, untidy**
- Antonyms: **neat, tidy, well-groomed**
- Example: The abandoned house had an unkempt garden with overgrown bushes.

### 110. Unleash (verb)

- Definition: To release from a leash or restraint; to release or give vent to (a strong, uncontrolled force).
- Synonyms: **release, trigger, unfetter**
- Antonyms: **restrain, contain, suppress**
- Example: The new marketing campaign unleashed a wave of consumer interest.

### 111. Unmistakable (adjective)

- Definition: Not able to be mistaken or misunderstood; clear and distinctive.
- Synonyms: **obvious, evident, distinctive**
- Antonyms: **mistakable, ambiguous, vague**
- Example: His distinct laugh was unmistakable even from a distance.

### 112. Unnerve (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) lose courage or confidence.
- Synonyms: **disconcert, intimidate, frighten**
- Antonyms: **calm, reassure, embolden**
- Example: The eerie silence began to unnerve the explorers.

### 113. Unqualified (adjective)

- Definition: Not officially recognized as being trained to do a particular job; absolute or complete.
- Synonyms: **absolute, complete, unreserved**
- Antonyms: **qualified, limited, conditional**



- Example: She gave her unqualified approval to the project plan.

### 114. Unremitting (adjective)

- Definition: Never relaxing or slackening; incessant.
- Synonyms: constant, ceaseless, persistent
- Antonyms: intermittent, sporadic, occasional
- Example: The team showed unremitting dedication throughout the project.

### 115. Unruly (adjective)

- Definition: Difficult to control; disobedient.
- Synonyms: disobedient, rebellious, wayward
- Antonyms: obedient, disciplined, manageable
- Example: The teacher struggled to manage the unruly children during the field trip.

### 116. Unscrupulous (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair.
- Synonyms: unethical, immoral, dishonest
- Antonyms: ethical, principled, conscientious
- Example: He was an unscrupulous politician who would do anything to gain power.

### 117. Unsettle (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) uneasy or anxious.
- Synonyms: disturb, disconcert, perturb
- Antonyms: calm, reassure, pacify
- Example: The sudden changes in leadership unsettled the employees.

### 118. Unstinting (adjective)

- Definition: Given or giving without restraint; lavish.
- Synonyms: generous, lavish, liberal
- Antonyms: sparing, meager, stingy
- Example: The volunteers offered unstinting effort to help the victims.

### 119. Unsurpassed (adjective)

- Definition: Superior to all others.
- Synonyms: unmatched, peerless, supreme
- Antonyms: inferior, subpar, average
- Example: The restaurant's reputation for fine dining is unsurpassed.

### 120. Untold (adjective)

- Definition: Too great or extreme to be expressed or measured.



- Synonyms: immeasurable, countless, incalculable
- Antonyms: limited, finite, negligible
- Example: The war caused untold suffering to millions of people.

### 121. Unwavering (adjective)

- Definition: Steady or resolute; not wavering.
- Synonyms: steadfast, resolute, firm
- Antonyms: wavering, hesitant, irresolute
- Example: Her unwavering belief in justice motivated her activism.

### 122. Upbeat (adjective)

- Definition: Optimistic and cheerful.
- Synonyms: optimistic, positive, cheerful
- Antonyms: downbeat, pessimistic, gloomy
- Example: Despite the bad news, he remained surprisingly upbeat.

### 123. Uplift (noun)

- Definition: An act of making someone feel more hopeful, happy, or positive.
- Synonyms: boost, encouragement, inspiration
- Antonyms: demoralization, downturn, dejection
- Example: The inspiring performance provided a great uplift to the audience.

### 124. Upright (adverb)

- Definition: In or into a vertical position.
- Synonyms: vertically, erectly, perpendicularly
- Antonyms: horizontally, flat, prone
- Example: He adjusted the monitor so it stood upright on the desk.

### 125. Uprising (noun)

- Definition: An act of resistance or rebellion; a revolt.
- Synonyms: rebellion, revolt, insurrection
- Antonyms: submission, compliance, obedience
- Example: The local population staged an uprising against the oppressive regime.

### 126. Urbanize (verb)

- Definition: To make or become urban in character.
- Synonyms: develop, modernize, industrialize
- Antonyms: de-urbanize, ruralize, depopulate
- Example: Many rural areas are beginning to urbanize as people move closer to cities.



### 127. Usurpation (noun)

- Definition: The act of taking someone's power or property by force or illegally.
- Synonyms: seizure, annexation, takeover
- Antonyms: restoration, return, cession
- Example: The history books record several instances of usurpation of the throne.

### 128. Utterance (noun)

- Definition: A spoken word, statement, or vocal sound.
- Synonyms: remark, statement, pronouncement
- Antonyms: silence, muteness, quiet
- Example: Every utterance from the speaker was carefully chosen.

### 129. Unbridled (adjective)

- Definition: Uncontrolled; unconstrained.
- Synonyms: unrestrained, uncontrolled, rampant
- Antonyms: restrained, controlled, disciplined
- Example: The crowd showed unbridled enthusiasm for their team's victory.

### 130. Uncouth (adjective)

- Definition: Lacking good manners, refinement, or grace.
- Synonyms: boorish, crude, vulgar
- Antonyms: refined, polite, courteous
- Example: His uncouth behavior at the formal dinner party was unacceptable.

### 131. Undeterred (adjective)

- Definition: Continuing with something despite difficulties, opposition, or setbacks.
- Synonyms: resolute, persistent, unfazed
- Antonyms: deterred, discouraged, intimidated
- Example: Undeterred by the rain, the hikers continued their ascent.

### 132. Unfathomable (adjective)

- Definition: Incapable of being fully explored or understood.
- Synonyms: incomprehensible, mysterious, immeasurable
- Antonyms: comprehensible, measurable, explainable
- Example: The depths of the ocean remain largely unfathomable.

### 133. Unflappable (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing calm in a crisis.
- Synonyms: composed, serene, imperturbable
- Antonyms: agitated, nervous, excitable



- Example: The doctor remained unflappable even in emergency situations.

### 134. Unfurl (verb)

- Definition: To spread out or open (something rolled or folded).
- Synonyms: unroll, open, spread
- Antonyms: furl, roll up, fold
- Example: The protesters unfurled a large banner.

### 135. Ungrudging (adjective)

- Definition: Given or done willingly and generously.
- Synonyms: generous, willing, wholehearted
- Antonyms: grudging, reluctant, unwilling
- Example: He offered his ungrudging support to his colleagues.

### 136. Unilateral (adjective)

- Definition: Performed or undertaken by only one party, group, or country.
- Synonyms: one-sided, independent, autonomous
- Antonyms: multilateral, bilateral, shared
- Example: The government made a unilateral decision without consulting its allies.

### 137. Unkempt (adjective)

- Definition: Having an untidy or dishevelled appearance.
- Synonyms: messy, disordered, untidy
- Antonyms: neat, tidy, groomed
- Example: His unkempt appearance suggested a lack of personal care.

### 138. Unleavened (adjective)

- Definition: (Of bread or bread-like food) made without yeast or other leavening agent.
- Synonyms: flatbread, unrisen, dense
- Antonyms: leavened, risen, airy
- Example: Matzo is a type of unleavened bread traditionally eaten during Passover.

### 139. Unmitigated (adjective)

- Definition: Absolute; unqualified.
- Synonyms: absolute, total, unqualified
- Antonyms: partial, limited, tempered
- Example: The project was an unmitigated success from start to finish.

### 140. Unnerve (verb)

- Definition: To make (someone) lose courage or confidence.



- Synonyms: **disconcert, intimidate, frighten**
- Antonyms: **calm, reassure, embolden**
- Example: The dark, unfamiliar streets began to unnerve her.

### 141. Unprecedented (adjective)

- Definition: Never done or known before; unparalleled.
- Synonyms: **novel, unusual, extraordinary**
- Antonyms: **common, ordinary, familiar**
- Example: The rapid spread of information is an unprecedented phenomenon.

### 142. Unravel (verb)

- Definition: To undo twisted, knitted, or woven threads; to investigate and solve or explain (something complicated or puzzling).
- Synonyms: **untangle, solve, decipher**
- Antonyms: **entangle, complicate, confuse**
- Example: It took years to unravel the complex financial fraud.

### 143. Unremitting (adjective)

- Definition: Never relaxing or slackening; incessant.
- Synonyms: **constant, ceaseless, persistent**
- Antonyms: **intermittent, sporadic, occasional**
- Example: The task required unremitting focus and attention.

### 144. Unreserved (adjective)

- Definition: Without reservations or limitations; full and genuine.
- Synonyms: **complete, wholehearted, frank**
- Antonyms: **reserved, hesitant, partial**
- Example: She offered her unreserved apology for the mistake.

### 145. Unruly (adjective)

- Definition: Difficult to control; disobedient.
- Synonyms: **disobedient, rebellious, wayward**
- Antonyms: **obedient, disciplined, manageable**
- Example: The teacher struggled to control the unruly class.

### 146. Unscrupulous (adjective)

- Definition: Having or showing no moral principles; not honest or fair.
- Synonyms: **unethical, immoral, dishonest**
- Antonyms: **ethical, principled, conscientious**
- Example: The company's unscrupulous practices led to its downfall.



### 147. Unsettling (adjective)

- Definition: Causing a feeling of disturbance or uneasiness.
- Synonyms: disturbing, disquieting, unnerving
- Antonyms: calming, soothing, comforting
- Example: The film had an unsettling atmosphere throughout.

### 148. Unstinting (adjective)

- Definition: Given or giving without restraint; lavish.
- Synonyms: generous, lavish, liberal
- Antonyms: sparing, meager, stingy
- Example: The volunteers offered unstinting assistance to those affected by the disaster.

### 149. Untapped (adjective)

- Definition: Not yet used or exploited.
- Synonyms: unused, unexploited, unrealized
- Antonyms: utilized, exploited, used
- Example: The region has vast untapped natural resources.

### 150. Unwavering (adjective)

- Definition: Steady or resolute; not wavering.
- Synonyms: steadfast, resolute, firm
- Antonyms: wavering, hesitant, irresolute
- Example: His unwavering support was crucial during difficult times.

### 151. Upbraid (verb)

- Definition: To find fault with (someone); scold.
- Synonyms: reprimand, reproach, chide
- Antonyms: praise, commend, applaud
- Example: The teacher upbraided the student for cheating on the exam.

### 152. Uphold (verb)

- Definition: To maintain or affirm (a custom or practice); to support (a decision or verdict).
- Synonyms: maintain, support, defend
- Antonyms: overturn, challenge, violate
- Example: It is important to uphold democratic values.

### 153. Upright (adjective)

- Definition: Strictly honorable or honest.
- Synonyms: honorable, ethical, virtuous
- Antonyms: dishonest, corrupt, unprincipled





- Example: He led an upright life, always adhering to strong moral principles.

### 154. Uproar (noun)

- Definition: A loud and passionate outcry or disturbance.
- Synonyms: commotion, furore, agitation
- Antonyms: calm, peace, silence
- Example: The news of the scandal caused a public uproar.

### 155. Upstart (noun)

- Definition: A person who has suddenly risen to wealth or power, especially one who is regarded as arrogant or presumptuous.
- Synonyms: parvenu, arriviste, climber
- Antonyms: veteran, traditionalist, established
- Example: The established political party viewed the new candidate as an upstart.

### 156. Urgent (adjective)

- Definition: Requiring immediate action or attention.
- Synonyms: pressing, critical, imperative
- Antonyms: unimportant, nonessential, trivial
- Example: The patient's urgent need for surgery was clear.

### 157. Usurp (verb)

- Definition: To take (a position of power or importance) illegally or by force.
- Synonyms: seize, appropriate, take over
- Antonyms: relinquish, cede, surrender
- Example: He attempted to usurp the legitimate heir to the throne.

### 158. Utility (noun)

- Definition: The state of being useful, profitable, or beneficial.
- Synonyms: usefulness, benefit, advantage
- Antonyms: uselessness, disadvantage, drawback
- Example: The new feature adds significant utility to the software.

### 159. Utmost (adjective)

- Definition: Of the greatest possible extent, amount, or degree.
- Synonyms: greatest, supreme, maximum
- Antonyms: least, minimal, lowest
- Example: The security of the data is of the utmost importance.