

abase

v. cause to feel shame; chagrin; humble

Forms: abased; abased; abasing

babble

v. divulge confidential information or secrets; let the cat out of the bag

Forms: babbled; babbled; babbling

cacophony

n. loud confusing disagreeable sounds

Forms: cacophonies

dally

v. consider not very seriously; play

Forms: dallied; dallied; dallying

earthy

adj. sensible and practical

Forms: earthier; earthiest

fabricate

v. make up something artificial or untrue; cook up; make up; invent

Forms: fabricated; fabricated; fabricating

gadfly

n. any of various large flies that annoy livestock

Forms: gadflies

haggle

v. wrangle (over a price, terms of an agreement, etc.);

chaffer; huckster

Forms: haggled; haggled; haggling

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ideology

n. imaginary or visionary theorization

Forms: ideologies

jargon

n. specialized technical terminology characteristic of a particular subject

Forms: jargons

kindle

v. call forth (emotions, feelings, and responses); evoke;
raise; provoke

Forms: kindled; kindled; kindling

labyrinth

n. a complex system of interconnecting cavities

Forms: labyrinths

mace

n. spiked club used as a weapon

Forms: maces

natty

adj. marked by up-to-dateness in dress and manners;
jaunty; raffish; rakish; spiffy; snappy; spruce

Forms: nattier; nattiest

obeisance

n. the act of obeying

Forms: obeisances

pacify

v. fight violence and try to establish peace in (a location)

Forms: pacified; pacified; pacifying

quack

n. the harsh sound of a duck

Forms: quacks

rail

v. send by train; construct a fence

Forms: railed; railed; railing

saga

n. a narrative telling the adventures of a hero or a family

Forms: sagas

talisman

n. a trinket or piece of jewelry usually hung about the neck and thought to be a magical protection against evil or disease

Forms: talismans

uncanny

adj. surpassing the ordinary or normal

Forms: uncannier; uncanniest

vacillate

v. move or sway in a rising and falling or wavelike pattern; waver

Forms: vacillated; vacillated; vacillating

waffle

v. pause or hold back in uncertainty or unwillingness

Forms: waffled; waffled; waffling

yen

n. the basic unit of money in Japan

Forms: yen

zenith

n. the point above the observer that is directly opposite the nadir on the imaginary sphere against which celestial bodies appear to be projected

Forms: zeniths
