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confound
(verb)

To **confound**
means to confuse or
mix someone up.



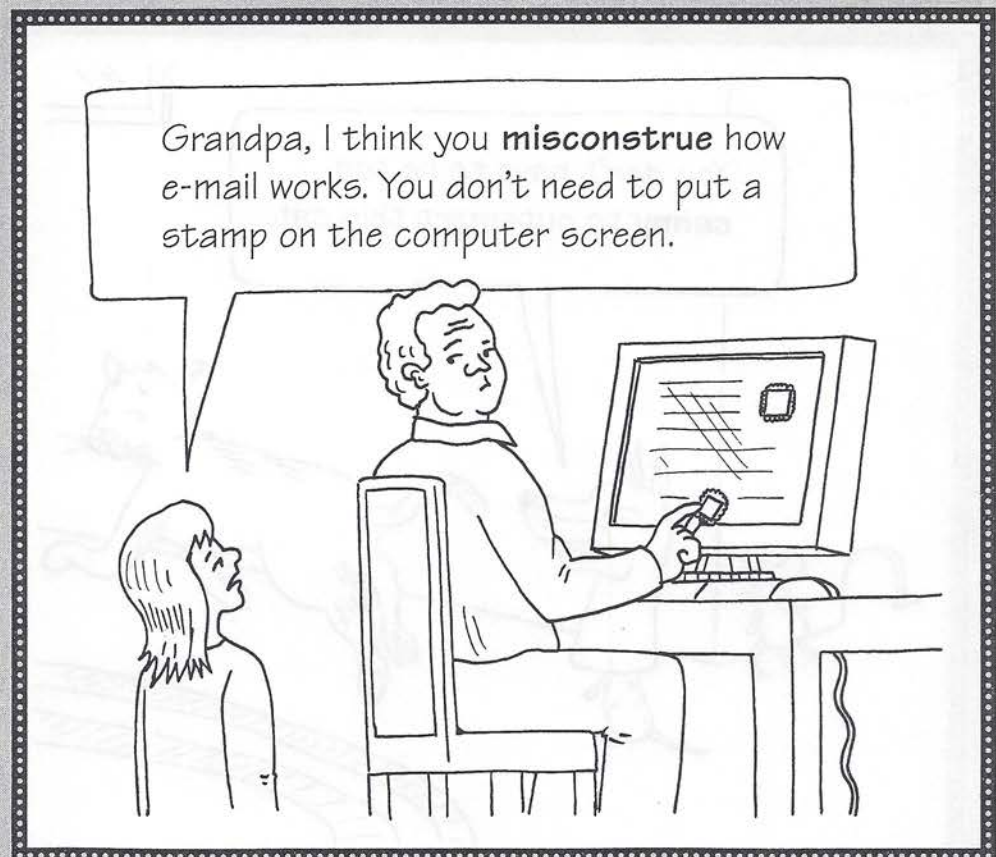
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misconstrue
(verb)

To **misconstrue**
means to get the
wrong idea about
something.



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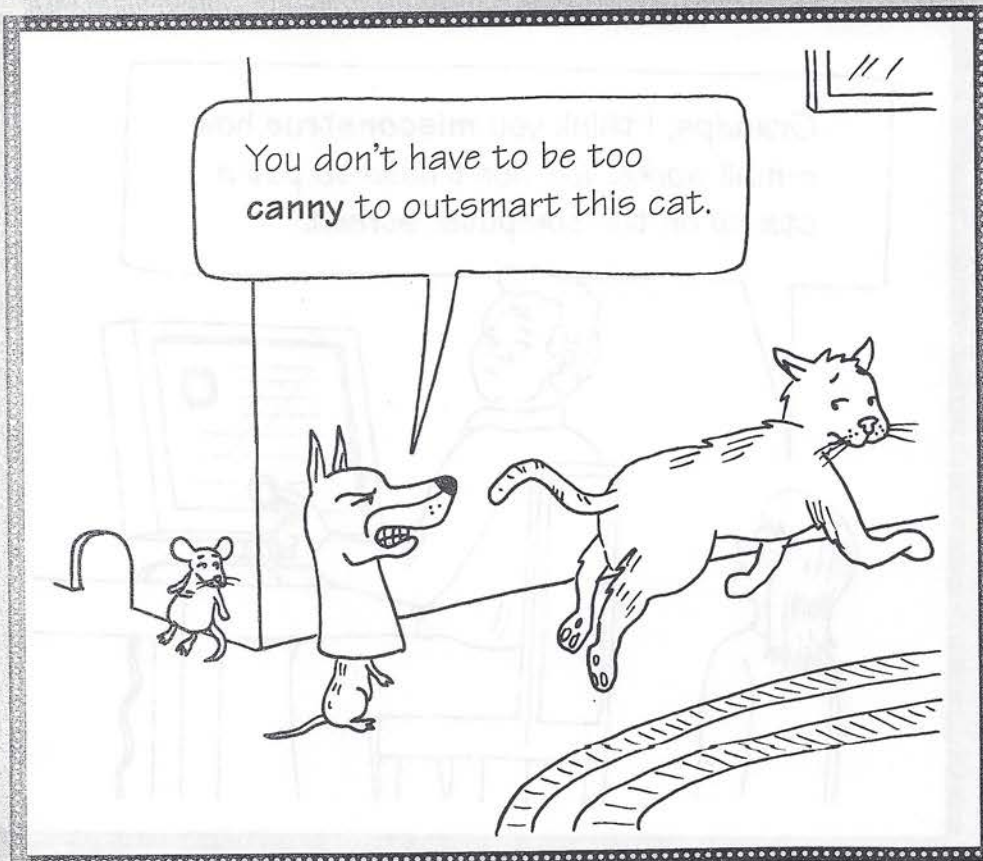
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oblivious
(adjective)

A person who is **oblivious** does not know or is not aware of what's happening.

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canny
(adjective)

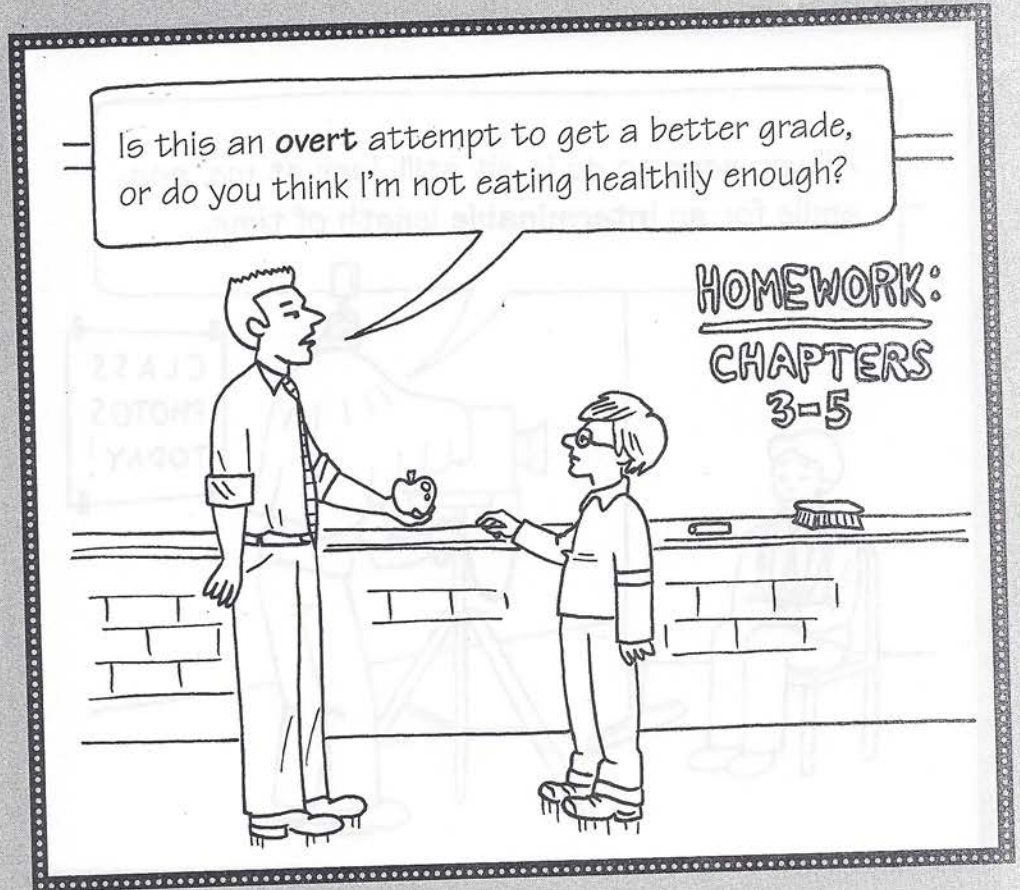
Someone who is **canny** is clever or smart.

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overt
(adjective)

Overt means something that is open to view; not secret.



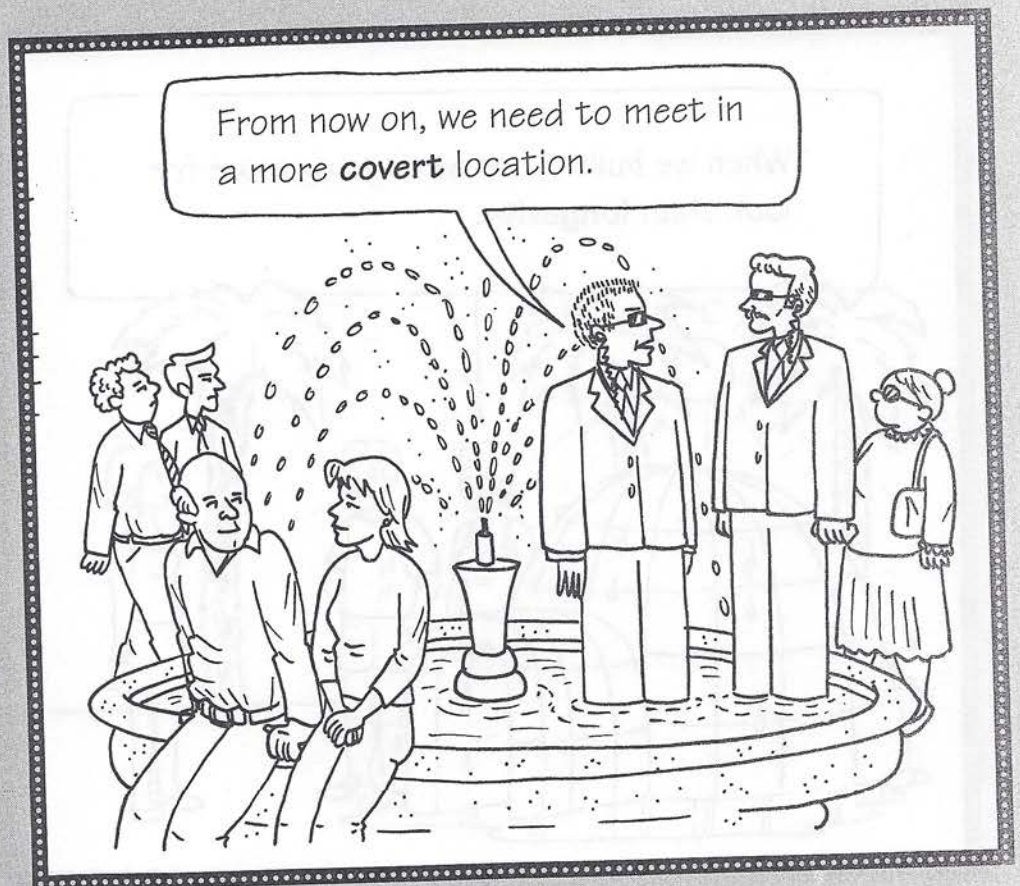
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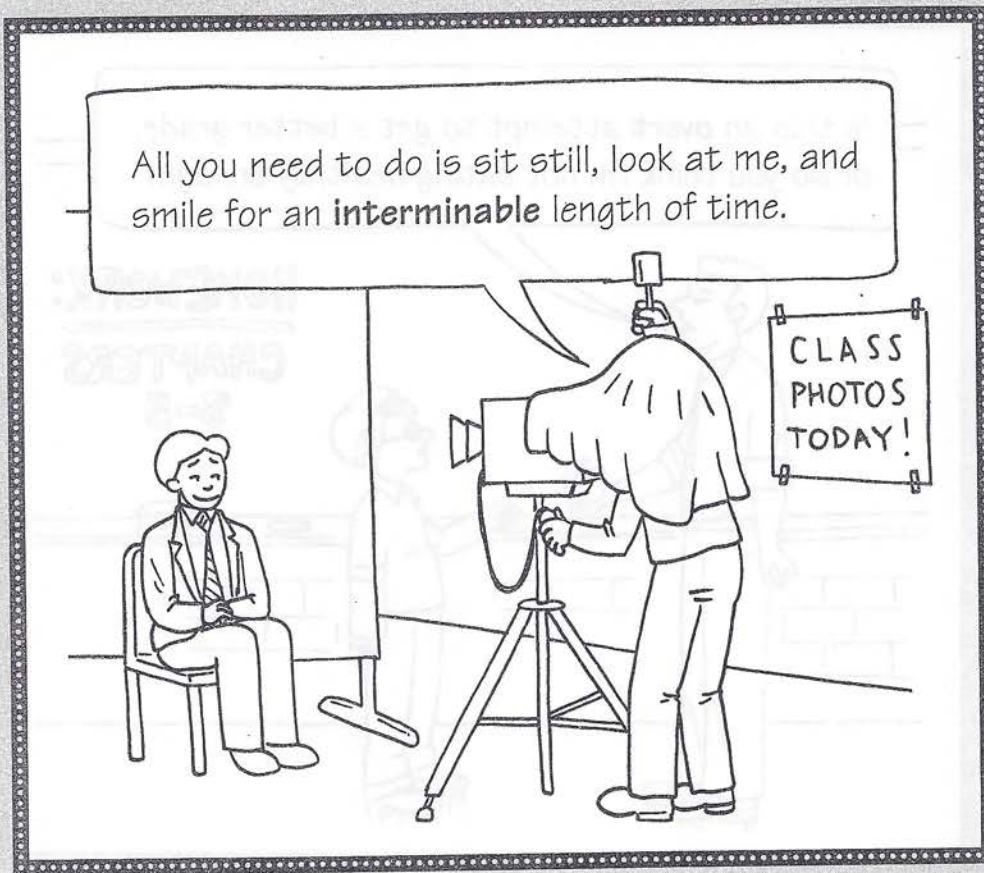
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covert
(adjective)

Something **covert** is not shown openly; secret.



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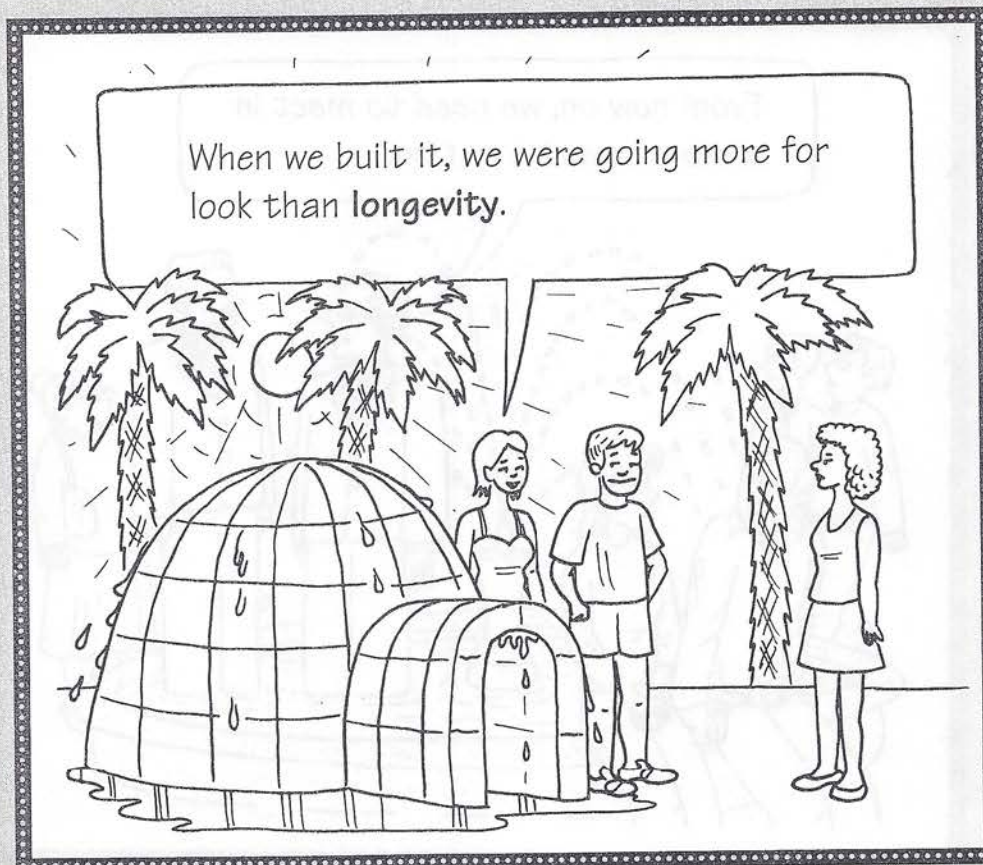


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interminable
(adjective)

Interminable means something that seems forever, as if there's no end in sight.



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longevity
(noun)

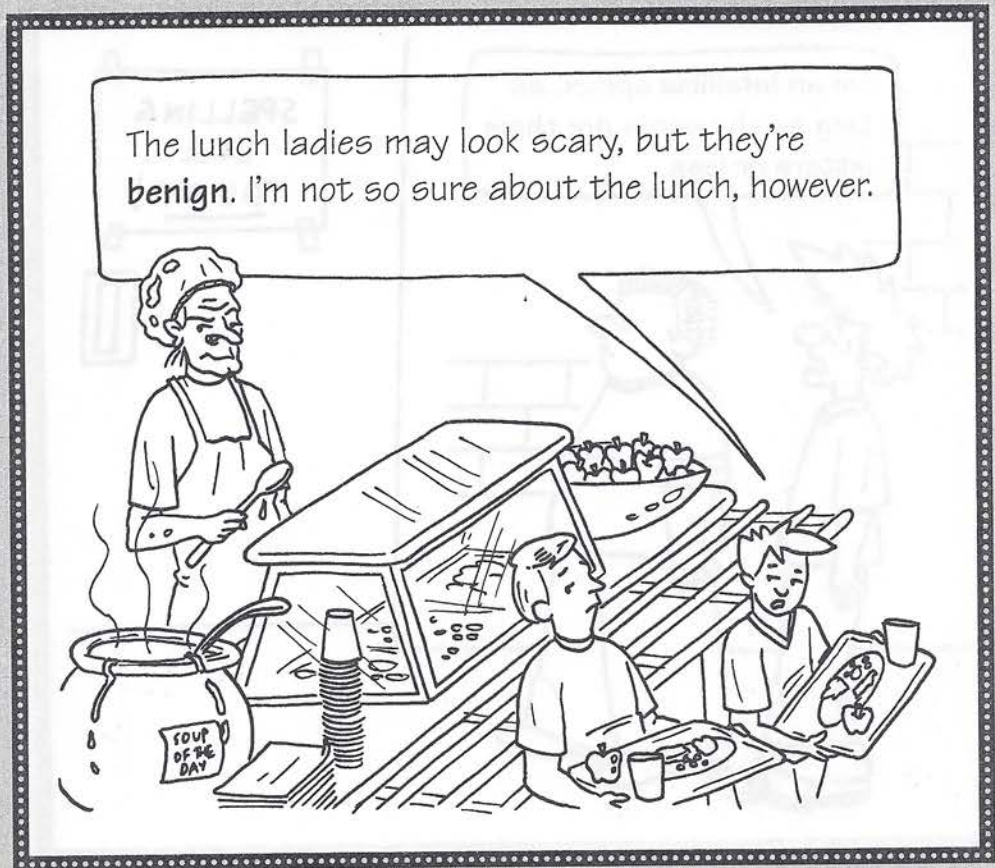
Longevity means a long life.

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benign
(adjective)

Something that
is **benign**
is harmless.



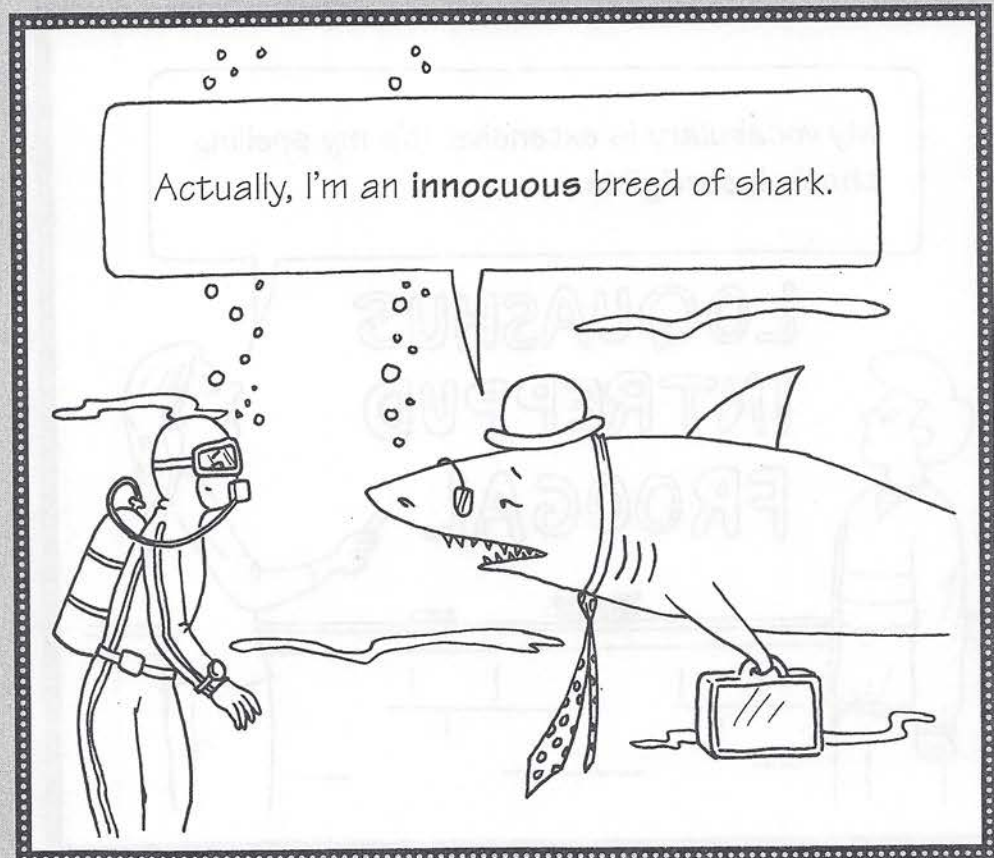
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innocuous
(adjective)

Something that is
innocuous is safe
and harmless.



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I'm an **infallible** speller, as long as the words are three letters or less.

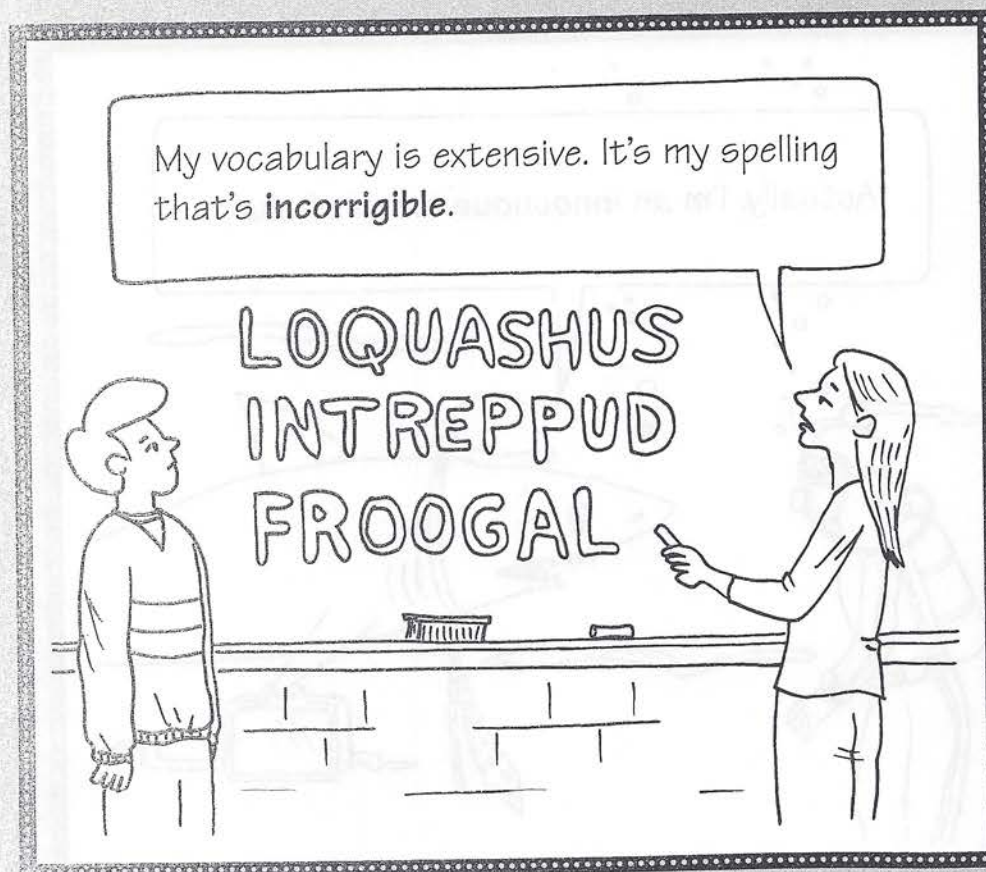
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infallible
(adjective)

A person who is **infallible** never makes a mistake.



My vocabulary is extensive. It's my spelling that's **incorrigible**.

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incorrigible
(adjective)

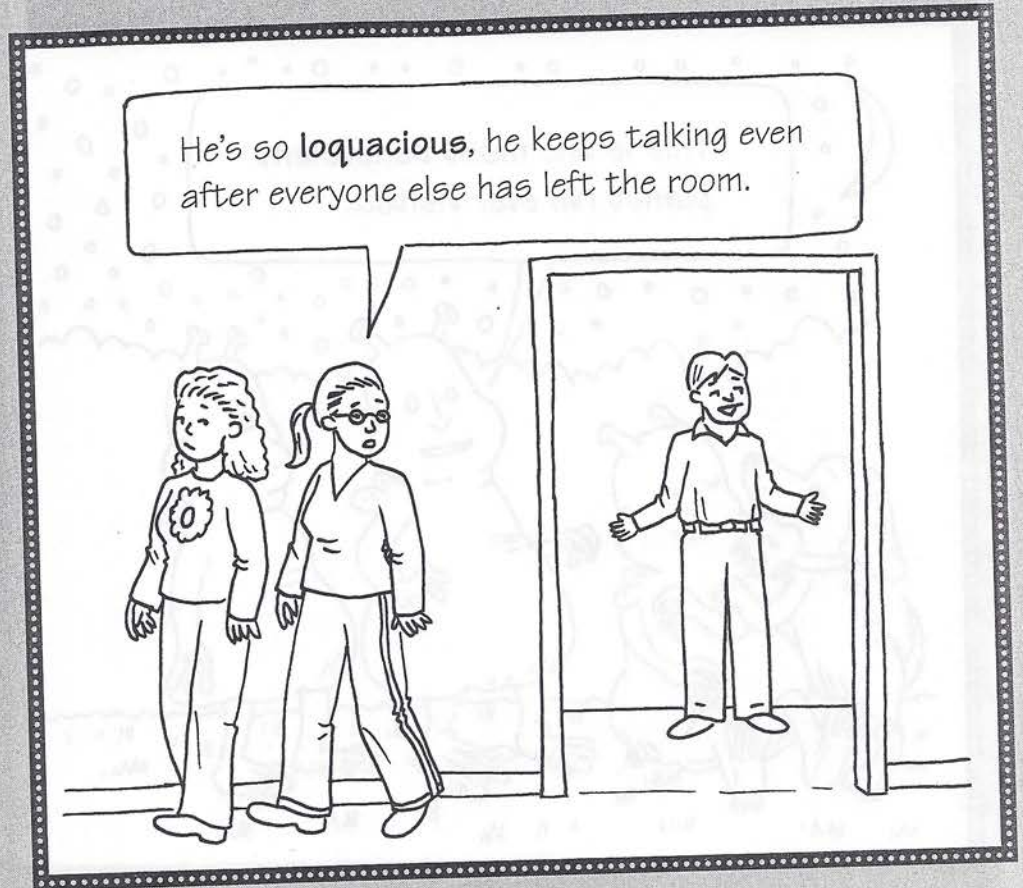
If something is **incorrigible**, it is unable to be corrected.

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loquacious
(adjective)

Someone who
is **loquacious**
talks too much.



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verbose
(adjective)

Someone who
is **verbose** uses
more words than
is necessary.



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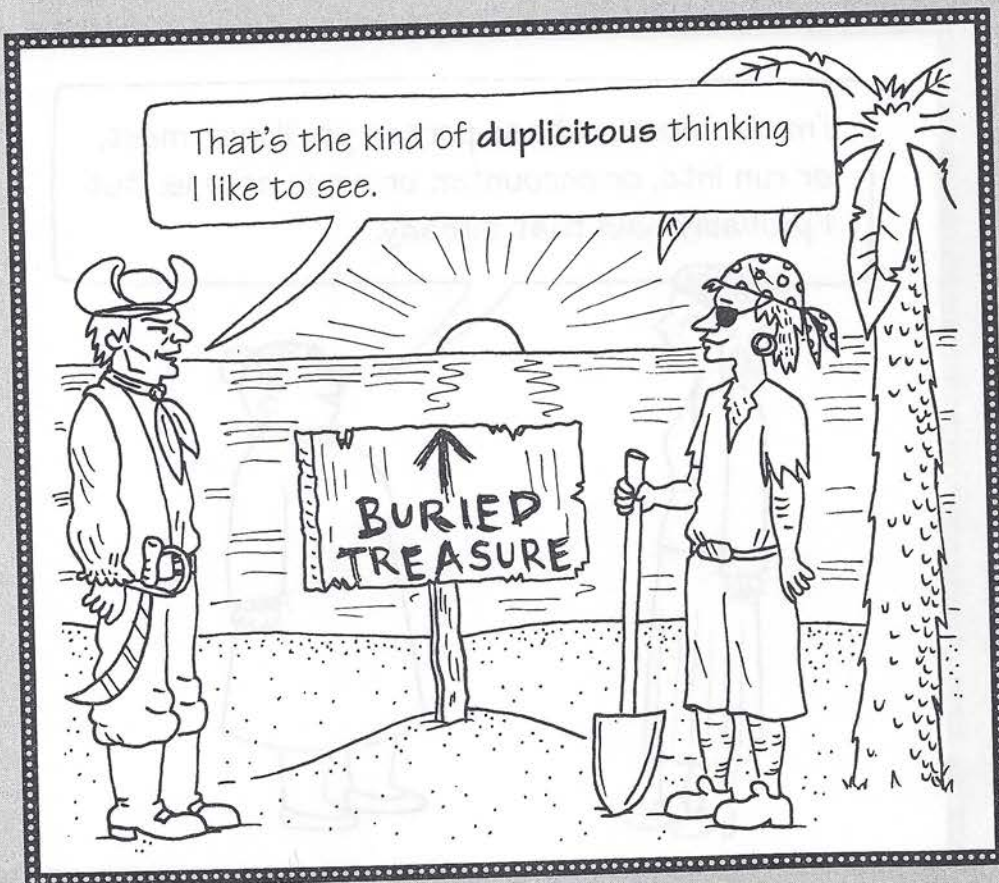
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benevolent
(adjective)

Benevolent means kind and caring.



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duplicitous
(adjective)

Duplicitous means tricky and dishonest.

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excessive
(adjective)

Something
that's **excessive**
goes beyond
the usual limit.



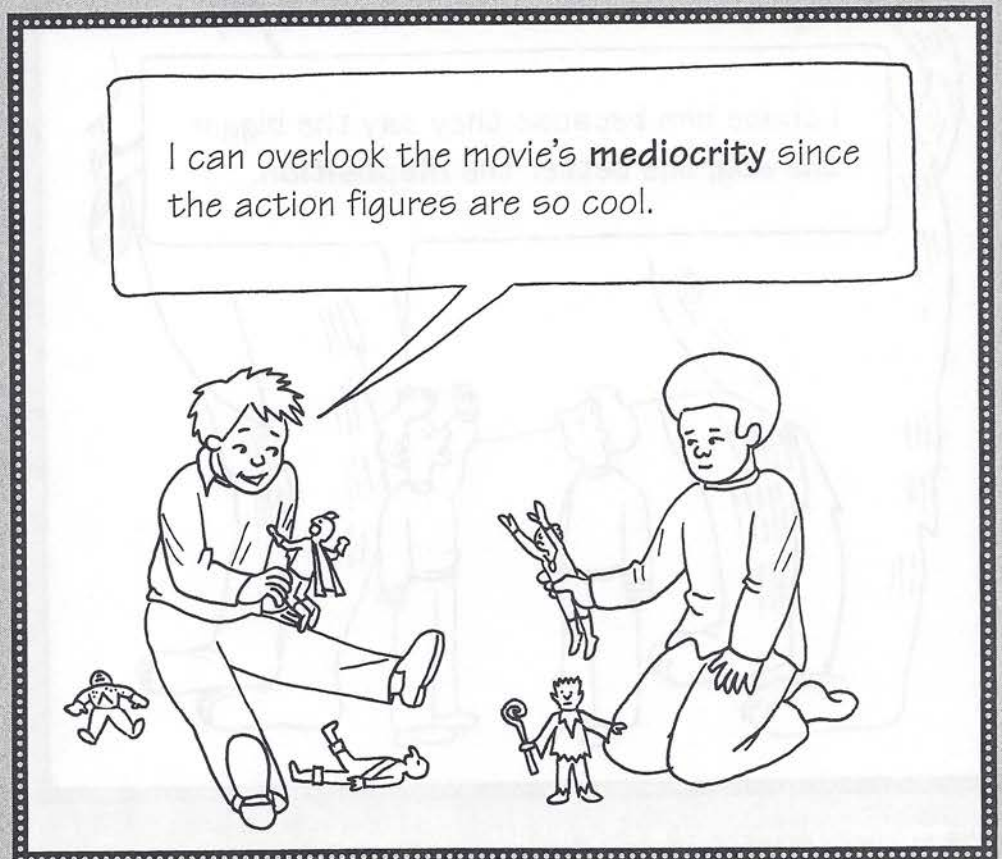
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mediocrity
(noun)

Mediocrity is the
state of being
ordinary or average.



No wonder she's **sullen**—her brother used her coin collection to buy more stamps for his stamp collection.



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sullen
(adjective)

A person who is **sullen** is sulky or quietly in a bad mood.

I chose him because they say the bigger the dog, the better the **disposition**.



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disposition
(noun)

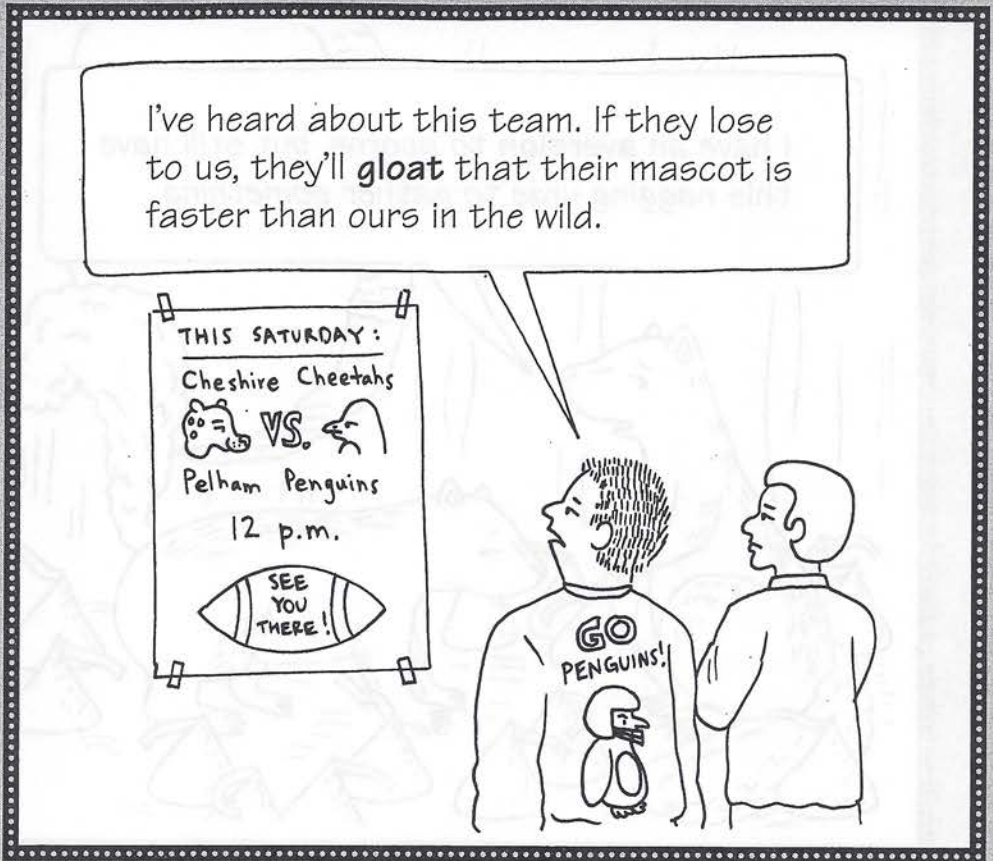
Disposition means personality or character.

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gloat
(verb)

People who **gloat** are happy about other people's failure.



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dispel
(verb)

To **dispel** means to get rid of something by driving it away.



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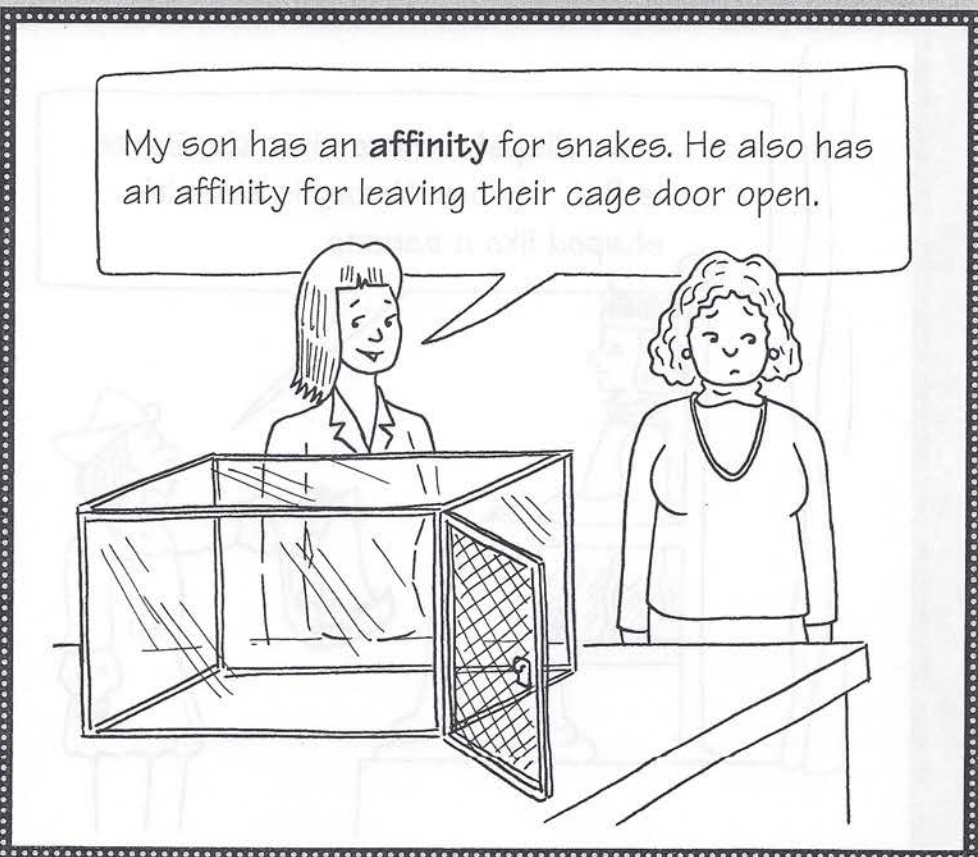
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aversion
(noun)

Aversion means a strong dislike toward something.



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affinity
(noun)

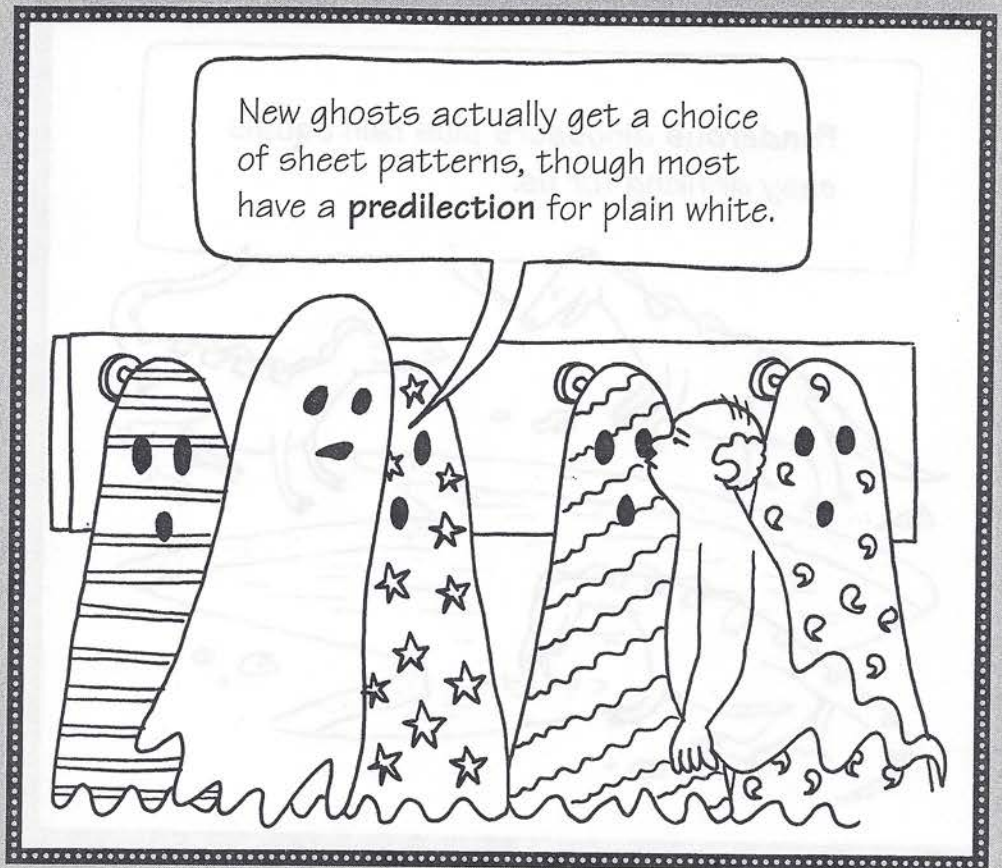
Affinity means a fondness for or attraction toward something.

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predilection
(noun)

Predilection means a preference for something.



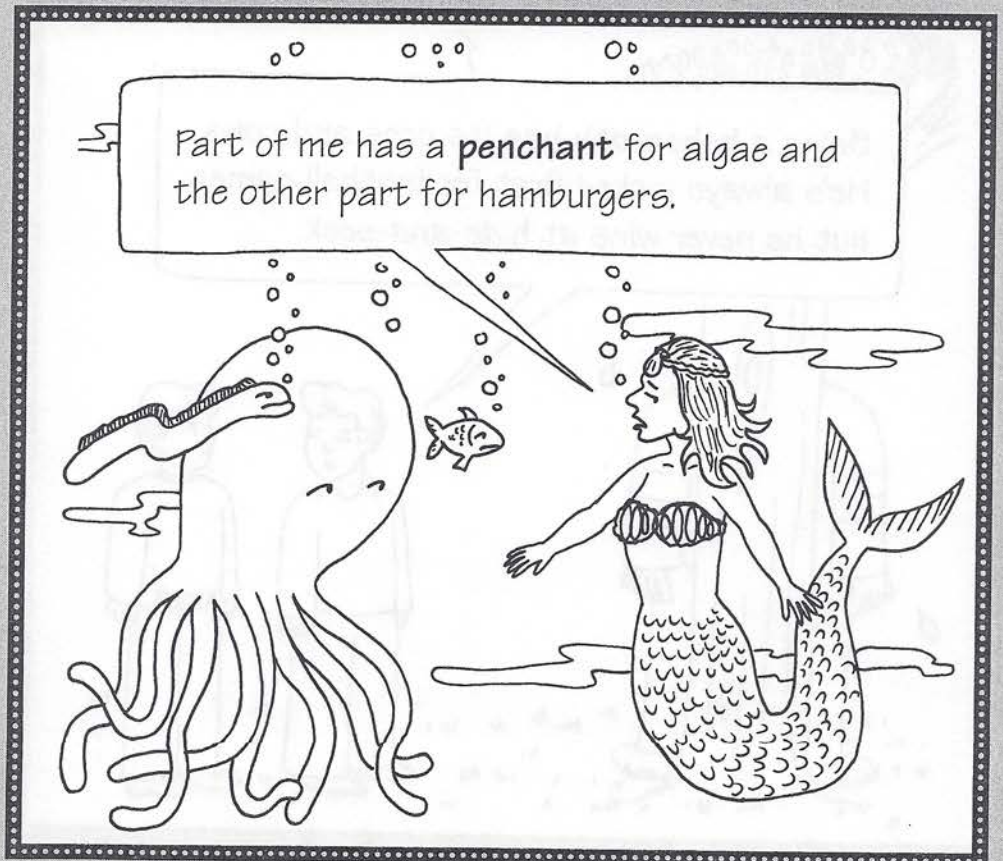
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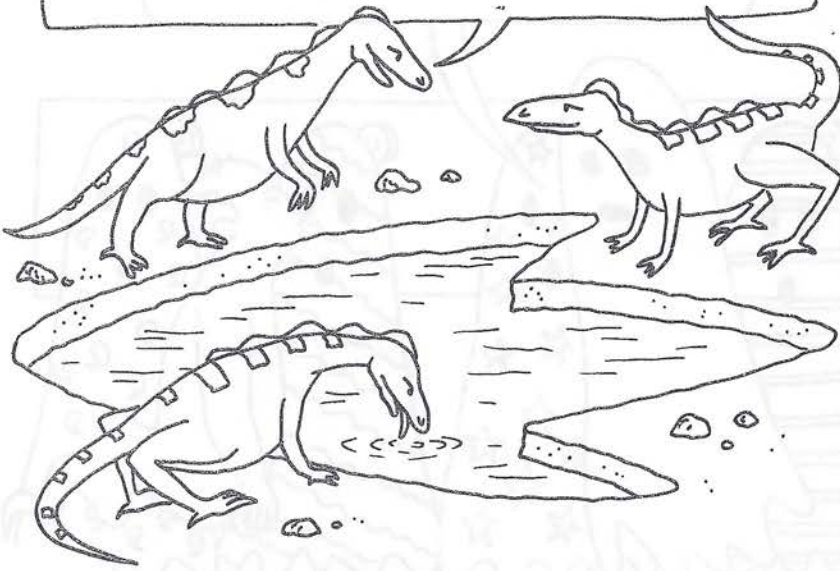
penchant
(noun)

Penchant means a strong liking for something.



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Ponderous dinosaurs plus rain equals easy drinking for us.



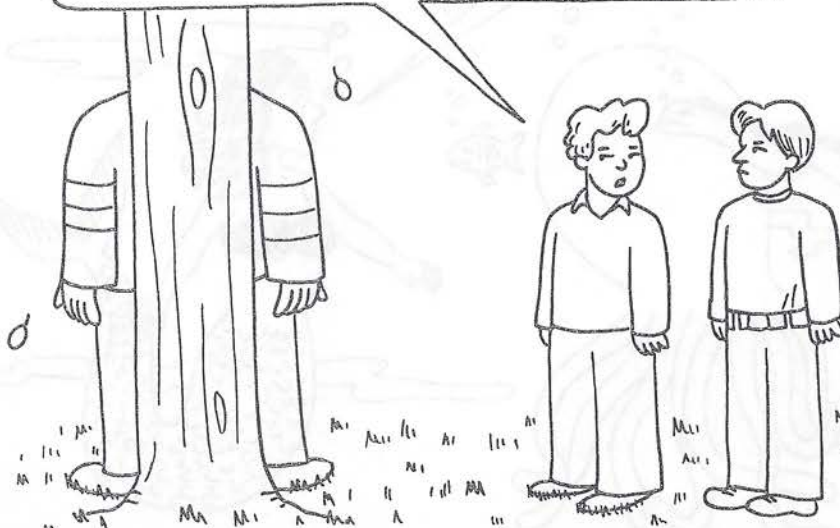
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ponderous
(adjective)

Something that is **ponderous** is heavy and massive.

Being a **behemoth** has its pros and cons. He's always picked first for football games but he never wins at hide-and-seek.



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behemoth
(noun)

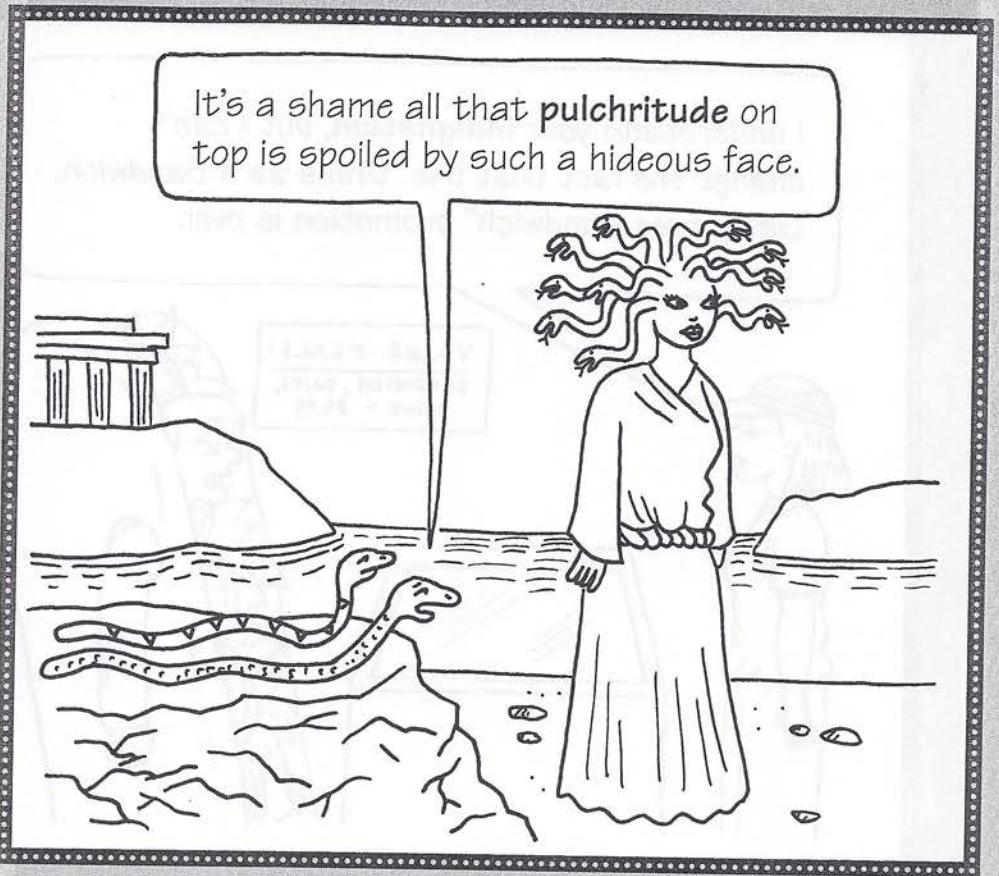
A **behemoth** is something extremely large and powerful.

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pulchritude
(noun)

Pulchritude
means beauty.



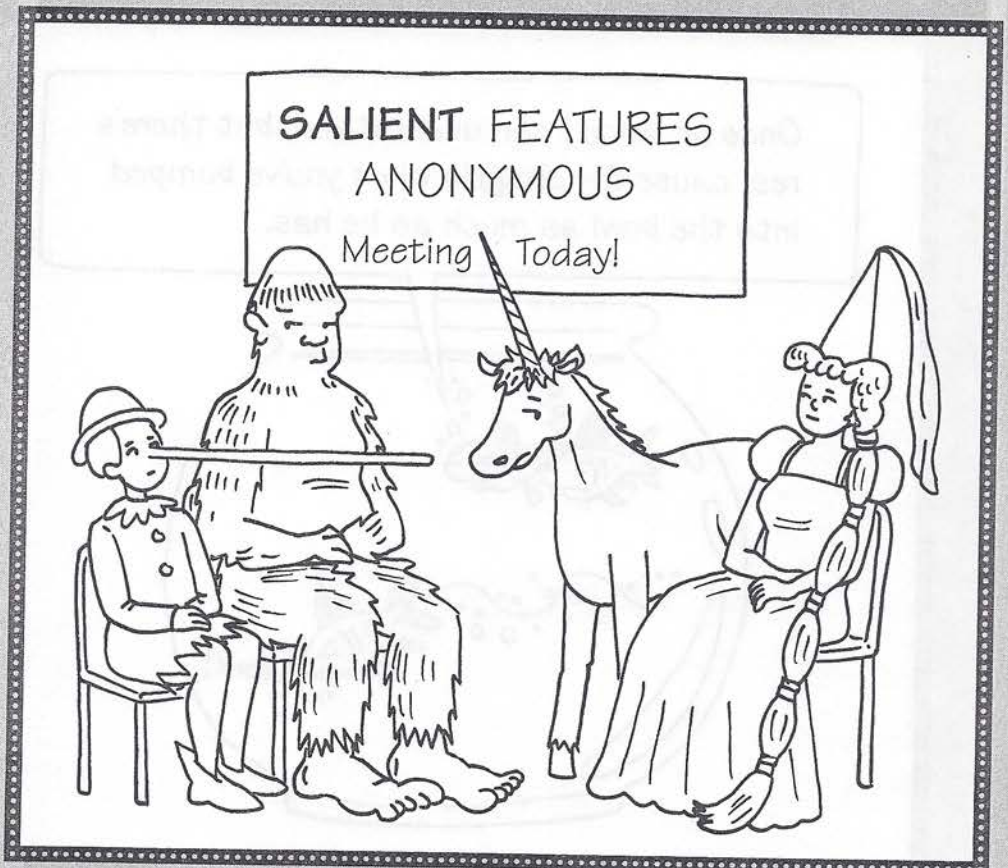
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salient
(adjective)

If something is
salient, it stands out
or is noticeable.



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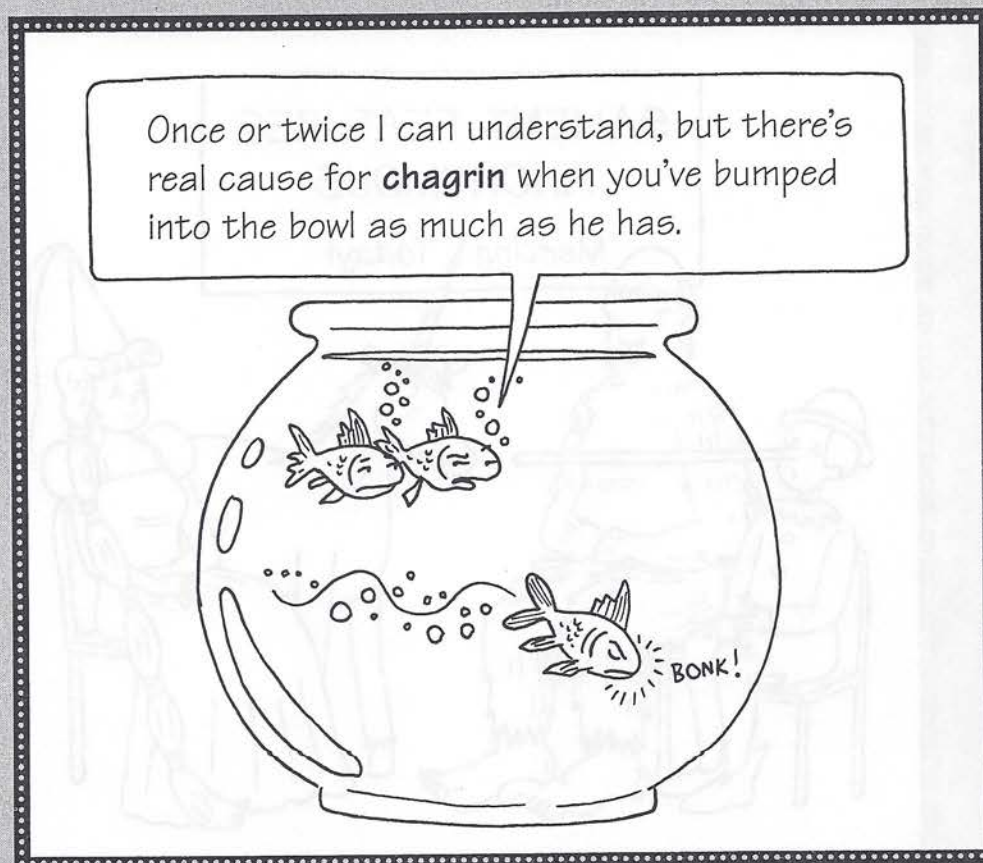
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indignation
(noun)

Indignation means anger, especially over something that's unfair.



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chagrin
(noun)

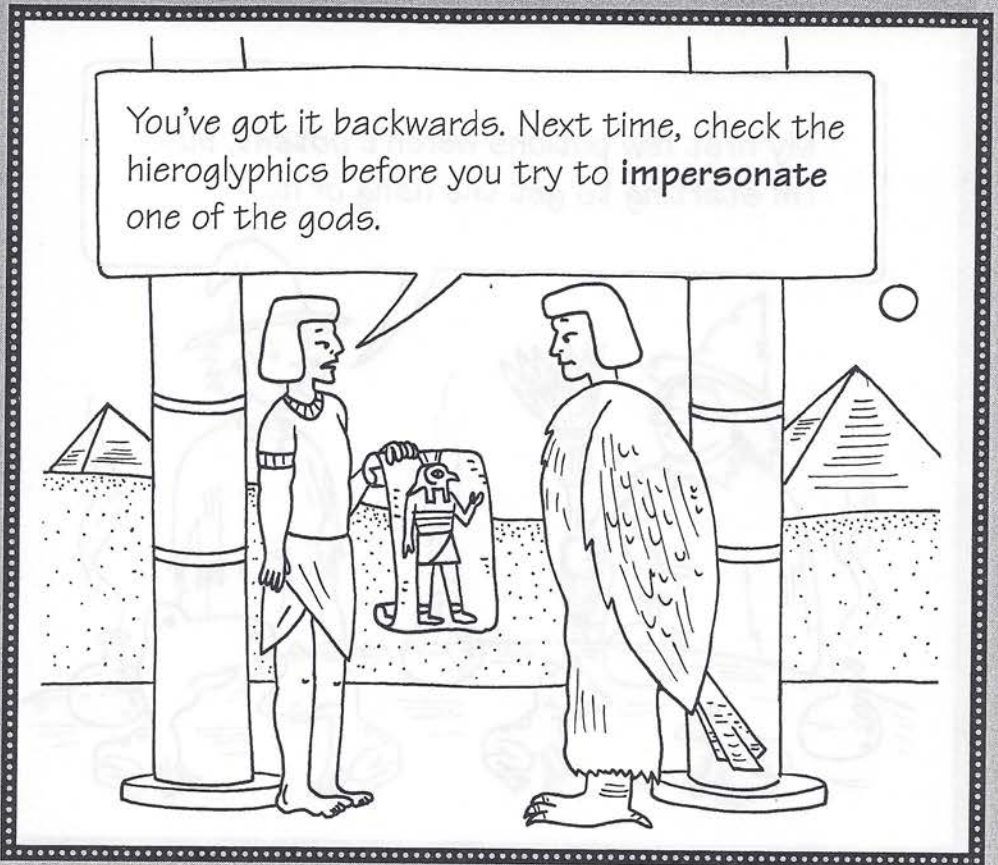
Chagrin is an uneasy feeling of disappointment or humiliation.

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impersonate
(verb)

To **impersonate** means to mimic or pretend to be someone else.



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prodigious
(adjective)

Something that is **prodigious** is enormous or extraordinarily great in size or quantity.



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My first few potions weren't **potent**, but I'm starting to get the hang of it.



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potent
(adjective)

Something that is **potent** is powerful and effective.

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This **repository** is only for my eyes of newt! Who put their wings of bat in here, too?



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repository
(noun)

A **repository** is a place or container for storing things.

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unflappable
(adjective)

Someone who is **unflappable** has a lot of self-control and is not easily upset or frightened.



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stoic
(adjective)

Someone who is **stoic** does not show any feeling, whether it's pleasure or pain.



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My diorama may appear to be nothing more than an *idyllic* scene. But those chipmunks are actually plotting to take over the world.



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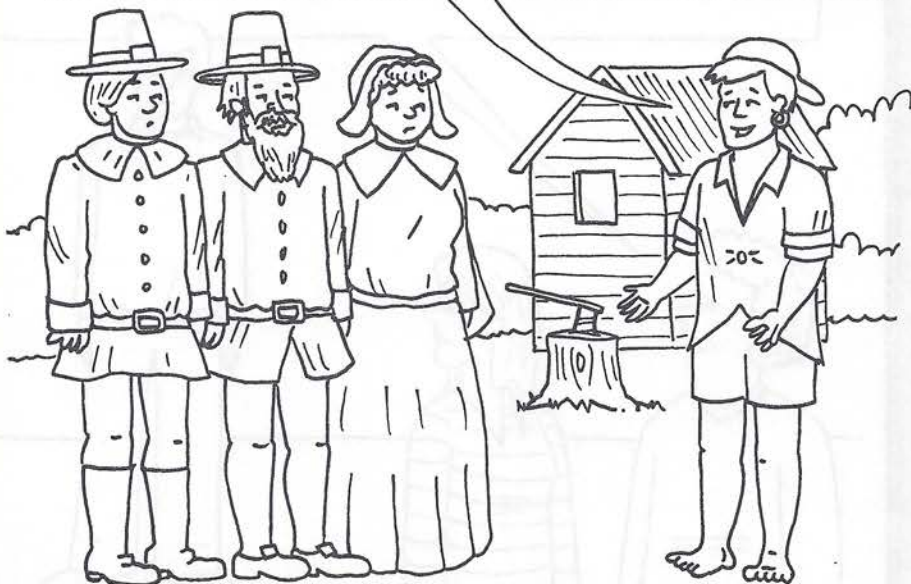
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idyllic
(adjective)

Idyllic describes something that's pleasant and peaceful.

I don't want future generations to think we were all *austere*.



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austere
(adjective)

Something that's **austere** looks harsh or severe.

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mendacious
(adjective)

Someone who is **mendacious** is given to lying or falsehood.



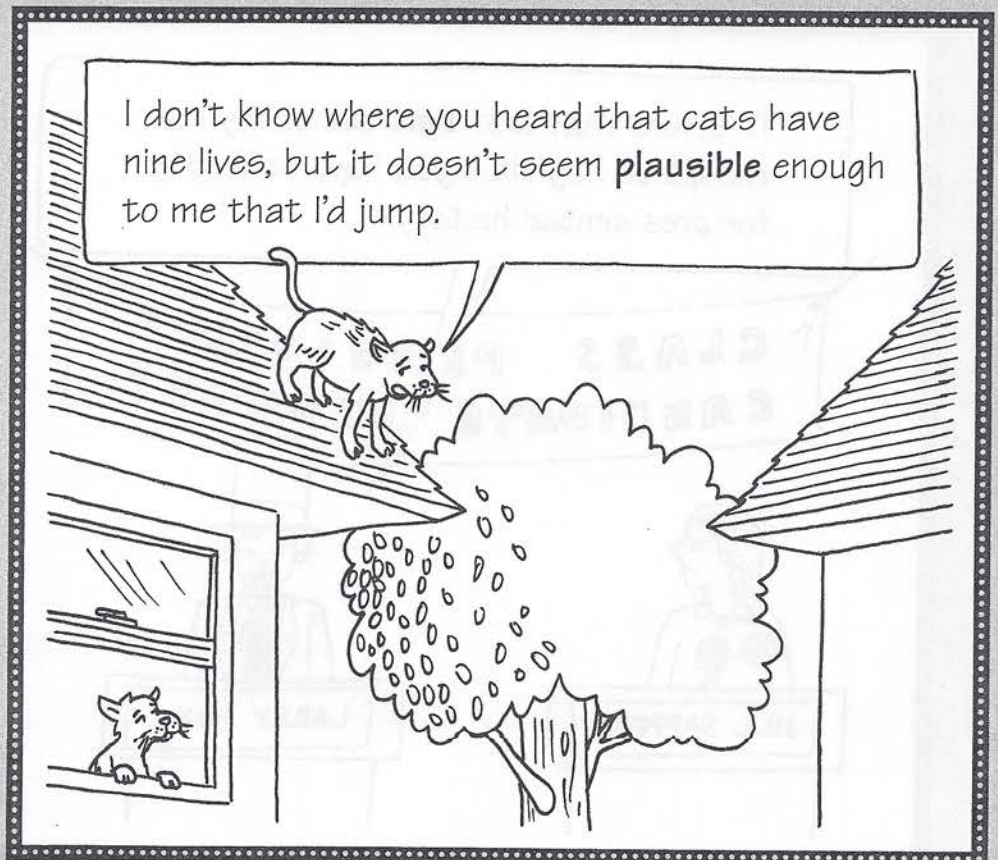
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plausible
(adjective)

Something that is **plausible** seems reasonably true but may not be.



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candid
(adjective)

Someone who is **candid** is honest and sincere.

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barb
(noun)

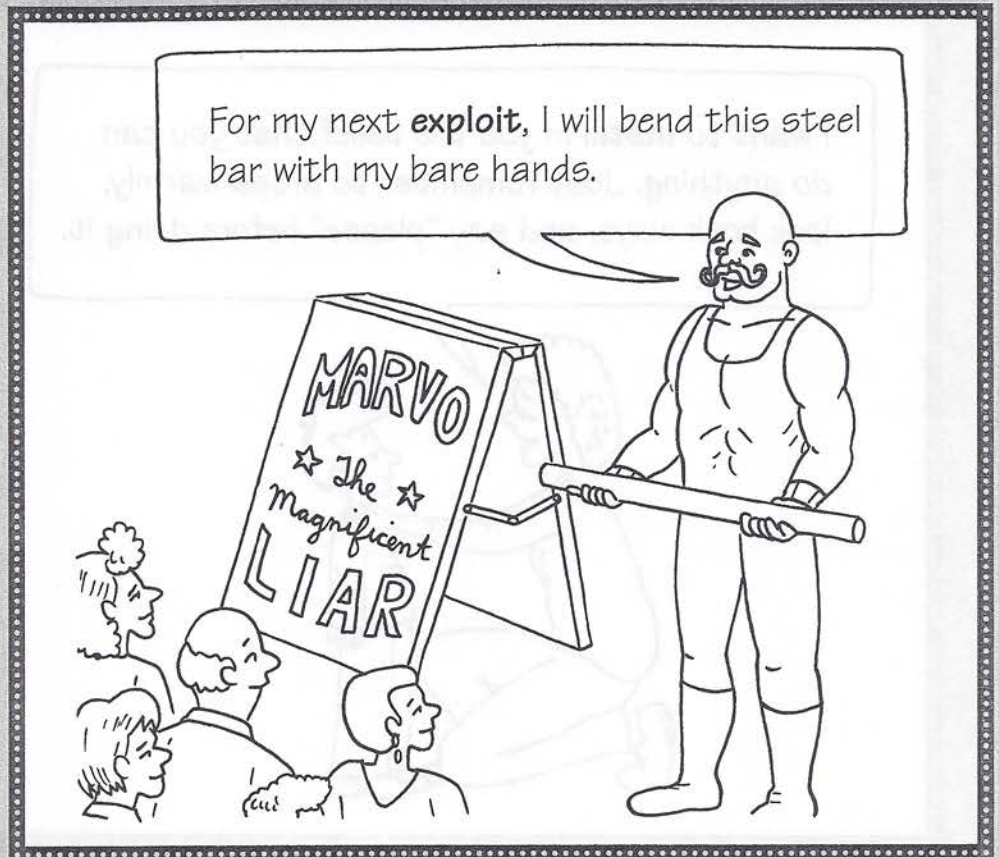
A **barb** is a negative or insulting comment.

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exploit
(noun)

An **exploit**
is a daring or
heroic act.



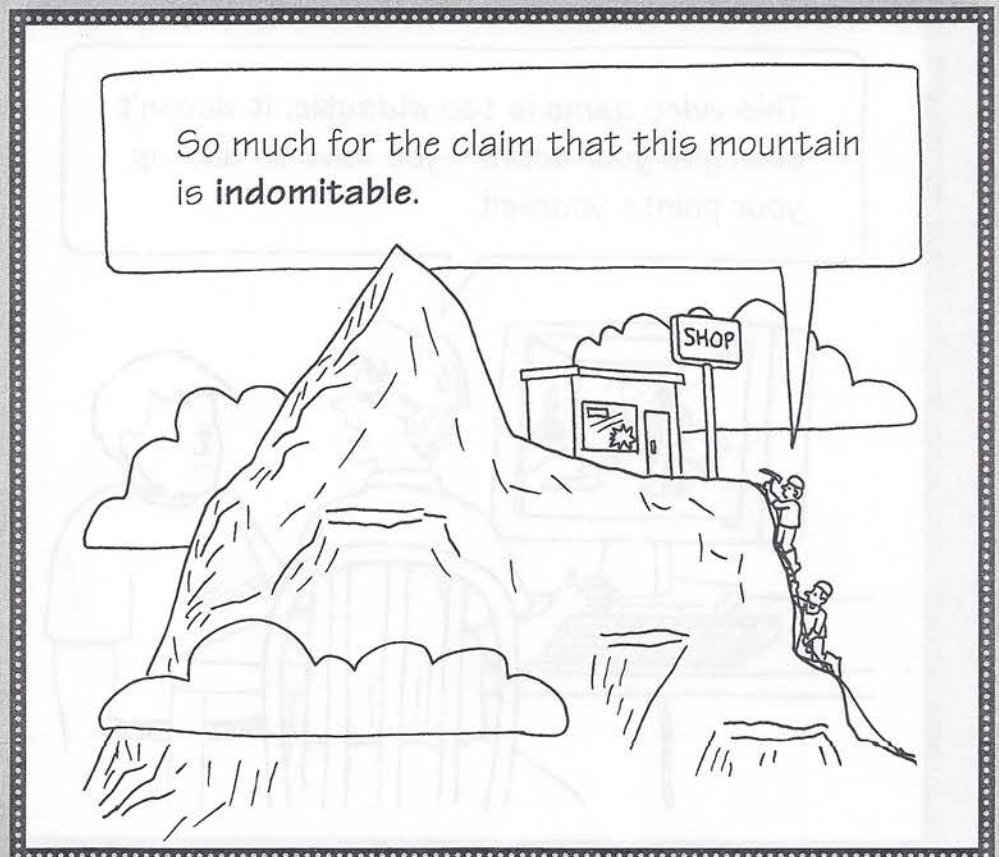
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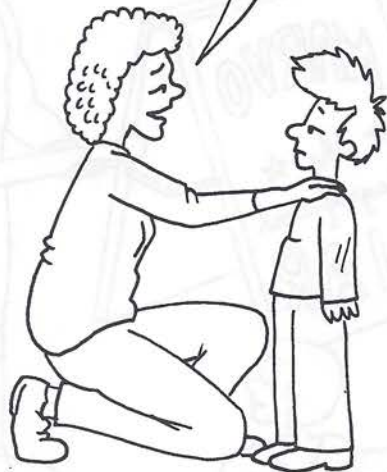
indomitable
(adjective)

Something that is
indomitable cannot
be conquered.



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I want to **instill** in you the belief that you can do anything. Just remember to dress warmly, look both ways, and say "please" before doing it.



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instill
(verb)

To **instill** means to put a feeling or idea into someone's mind slowly.

This video game is too **didactic**. It doesn't even give your score—you have to add up your points yourself.



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didactic
(adjective)

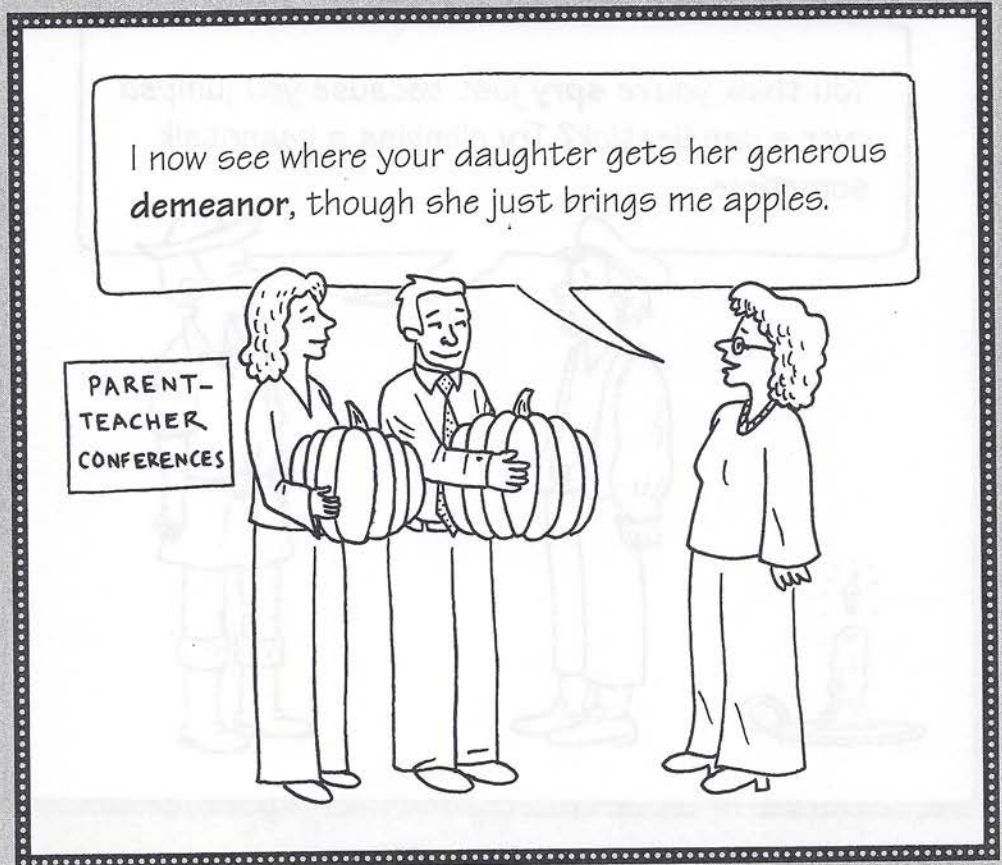
Something that is **didactic** is designed to teach.

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demeanor
(noun)

Demeanor is someone's behavior toward others.



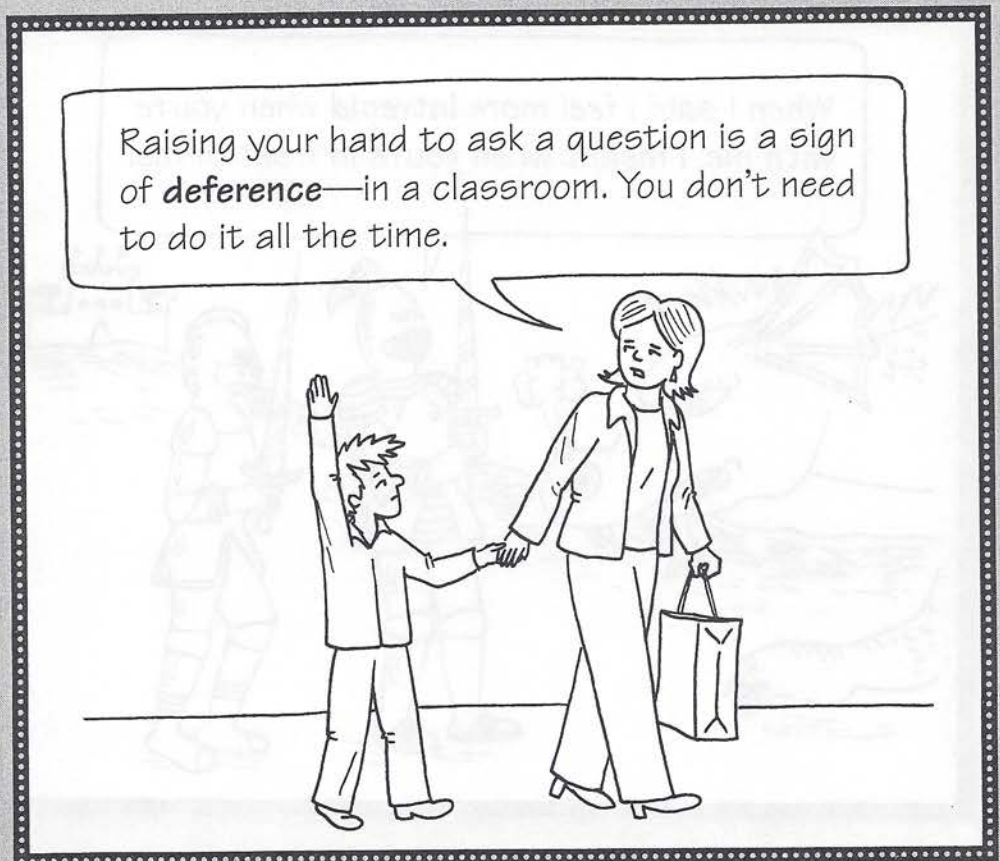
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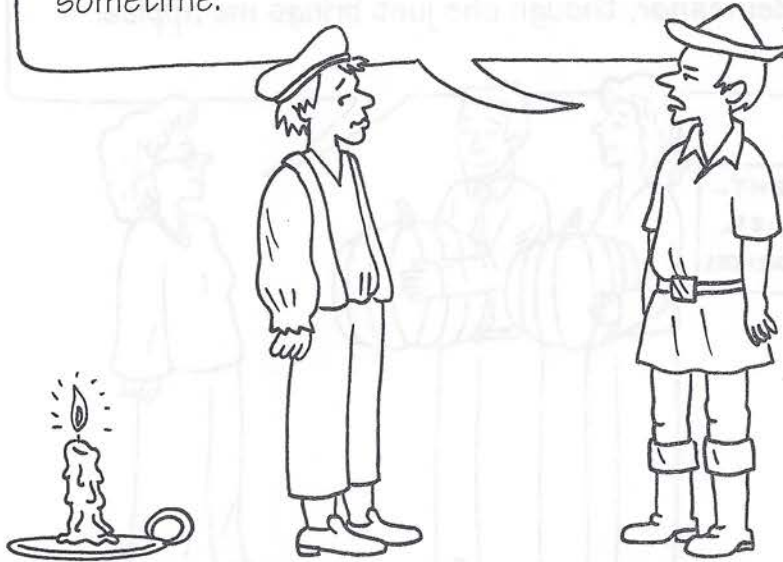
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deference
(noun)

Deference means respect for an older or more superior person.



You think you're **spry** just because you jumped over a candlestick? Try climbing a beanstalk sometime.



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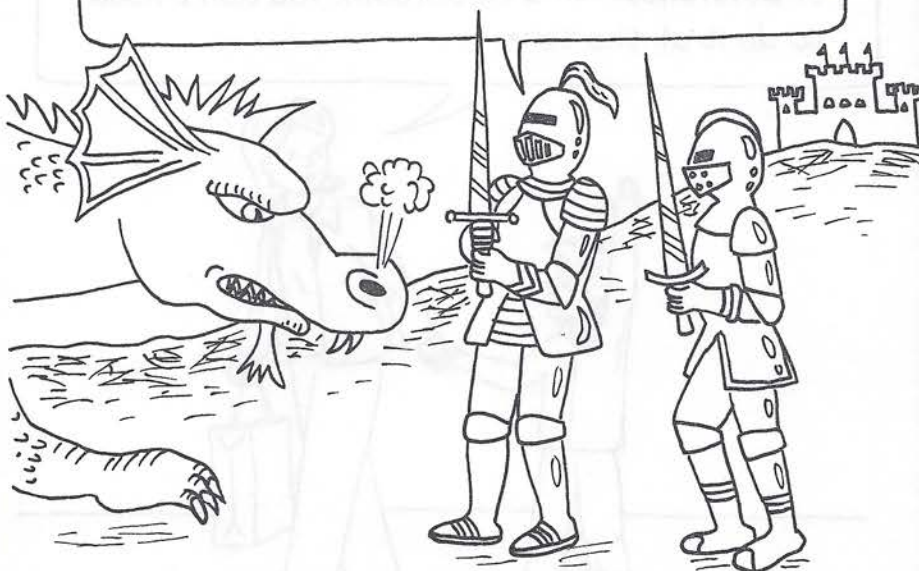
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spry
(adjective)

Someone who
is **spry** is
nimble or lively.

When I said I feel more **intrepid** when you're with me, I meant when you're in front of me.



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intrepid
(adjective)

A person who is
intrepid is fearless
and brave.

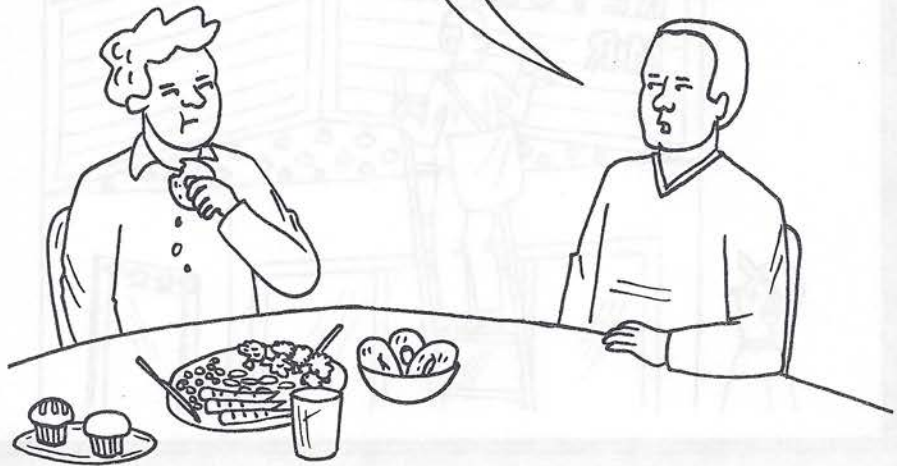
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robust
(adjective)

A person who
is **robust** feels
healthy and strong.

Eating more vegetables is a great start. But to feel truly **robust**, you might want to cut back on cupcakes and donuts for side dishes.



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buoyant
(adjective)

A person who feels
buoyant is happy
and cheerful.

Why doesn't cooking put you in the same **buoyant** mood it puts me in?



My job requires **precision**—one wrong move and I'm advertising the new movie starring Tom Hanky instead of Tom Hanks.



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precision
(noun)

Precision means exactness or accuracy.

Our policy explaining the types of items that are appropriate for Show and Tell is apparently too **nebulous**.



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nebulous
(adjective)

If something is **nebulous**, it is not clear or specific.

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segue
(noun)

A **segue** is a smooth transition from one thing to another.



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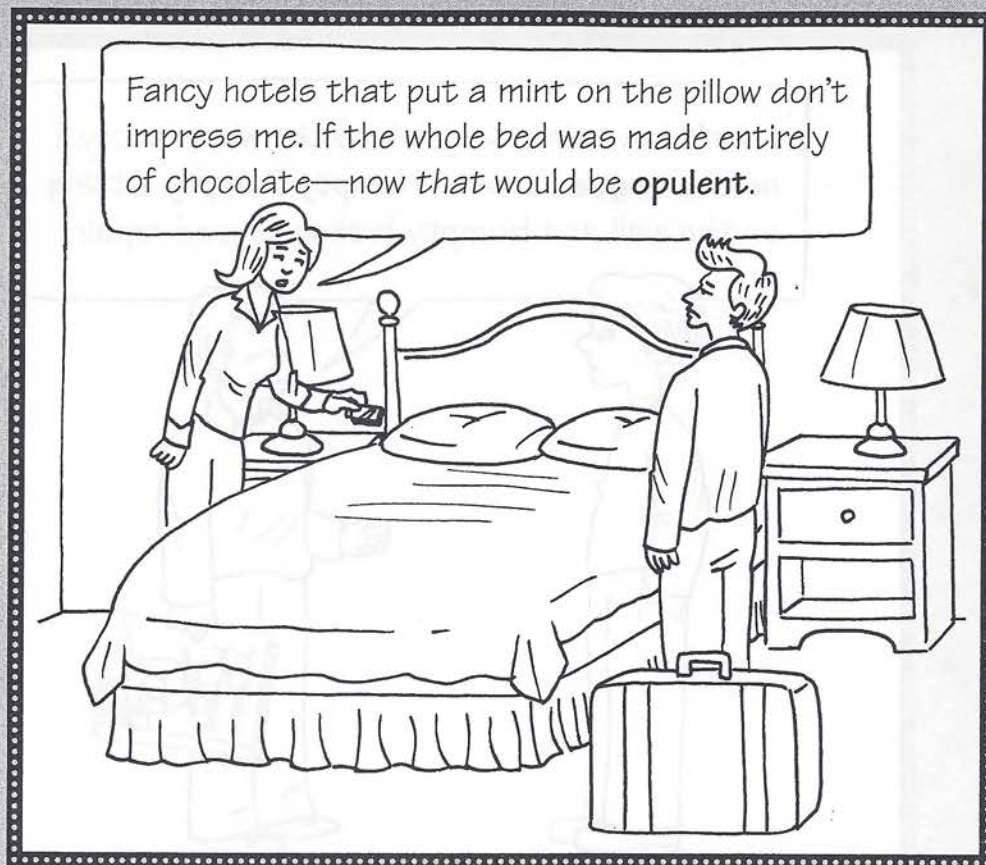
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lapse
(noun)

A **lapse** is a temporary pause or interruption.



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opulent
(adjective)

Something that is **opulent** shows wealth or luxury.



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sublime
(adjective)

Something that is **sublime** is impressive and puts one in awe.

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mantra
(noun)

A **mantra** is a phrase that sometimes expresses a major belief and is often repeated.



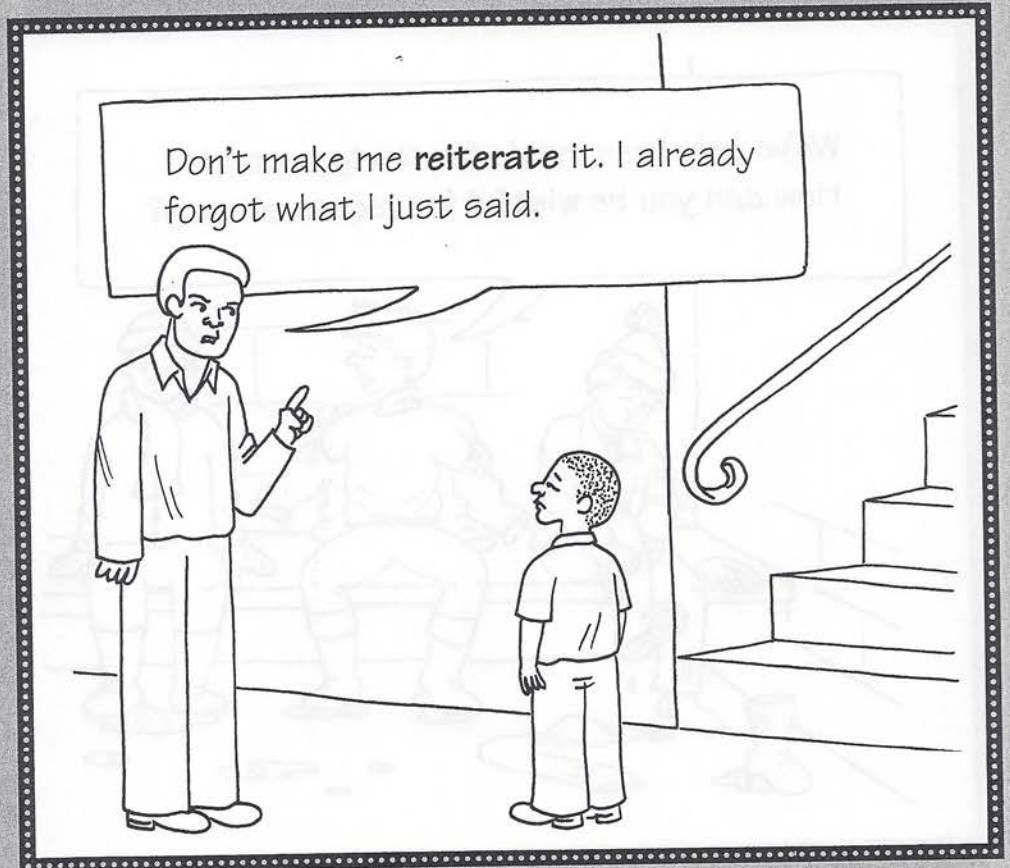
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reiterate
(verb)

To **reiterate** means to repeat or say something again.



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I can **abide** with the bread touching the vegetables and the vegetables touching the meat, but I freak out when the meat touches the bread.



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abide
(verb)

To **abide** means
to tolerate or put up
with something.

We've only been inside for thirty seconds.
How can you be **wistful** for recess already?



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wistful
(adjective)

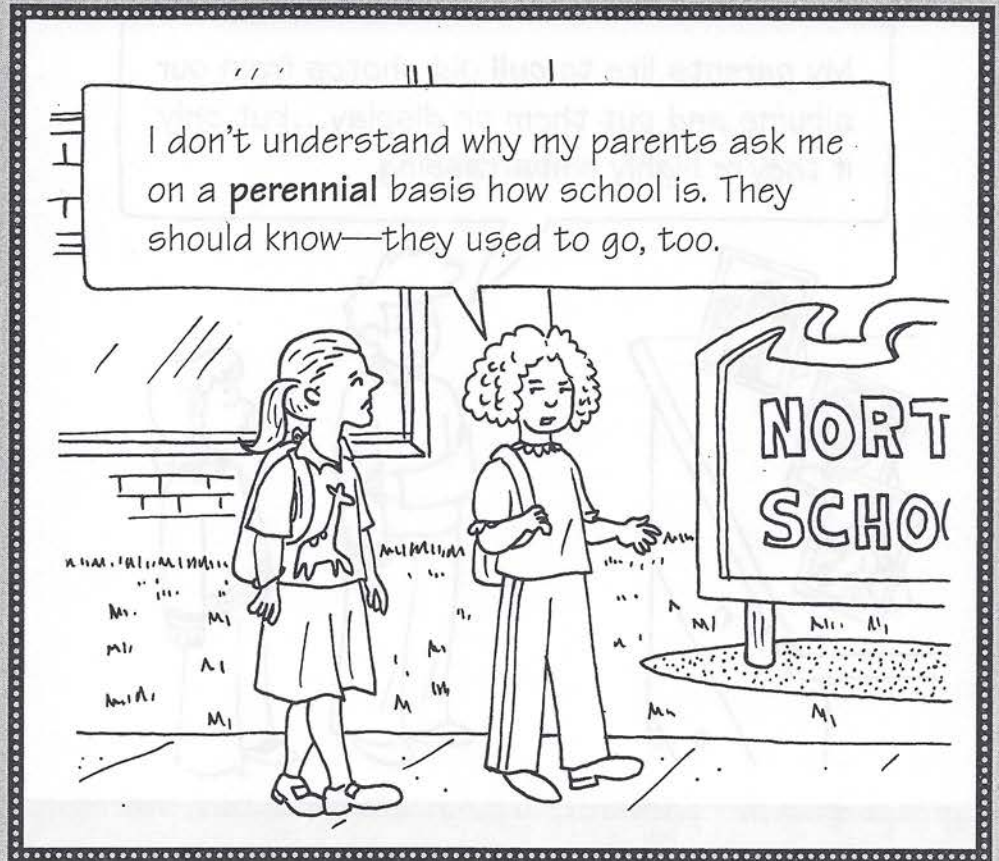
A person who is
wistful is longing
for something.

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perennial
(adjective)

If something is **perennial**, it is ongoing or constantly repeated.



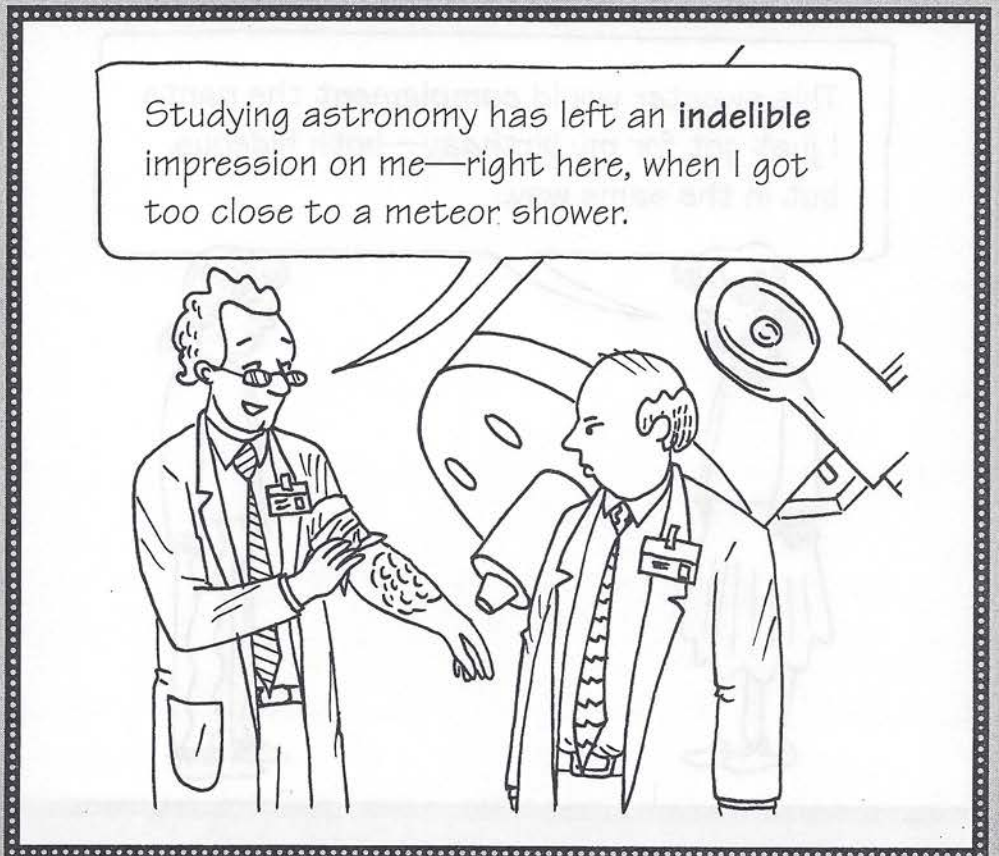
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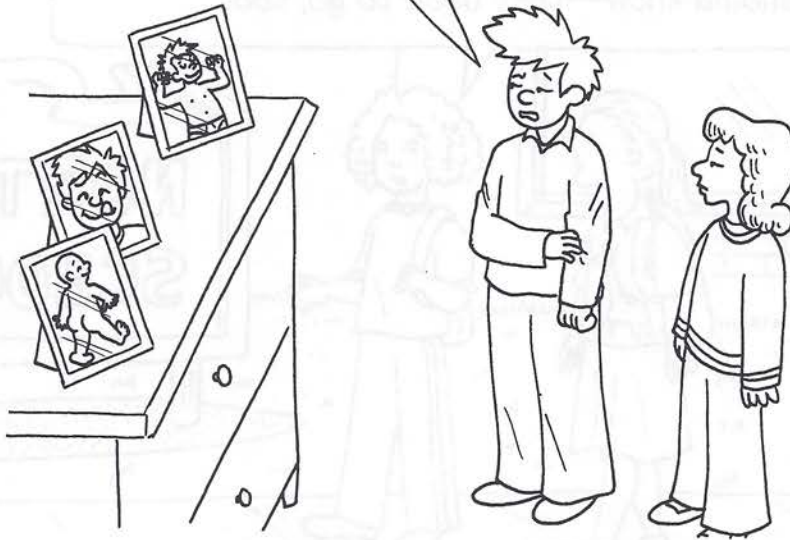
indelible
(adjective)

Something that is **indelible** cannot be removed or erased.



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My parents like to **cull** old photos from our albums and put them on display...but only if they're highly embarrassing.



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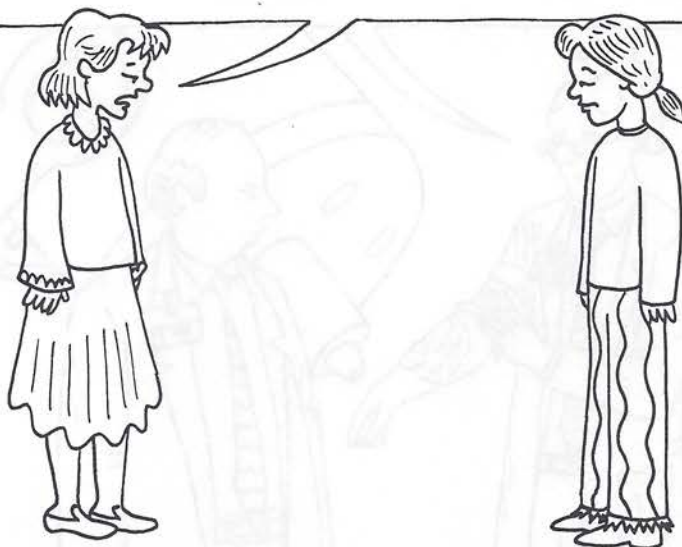
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cull
(verb)

To **cull** means to pick out from a group.

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This sweater would **complement** the pants I just got for my birthday—both hideous, but in the same way.



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complement
(verb)

To **complement** means to match things that go together.

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coherent
(adjective)

Someone who is **coherent** is clear and easy to understand.



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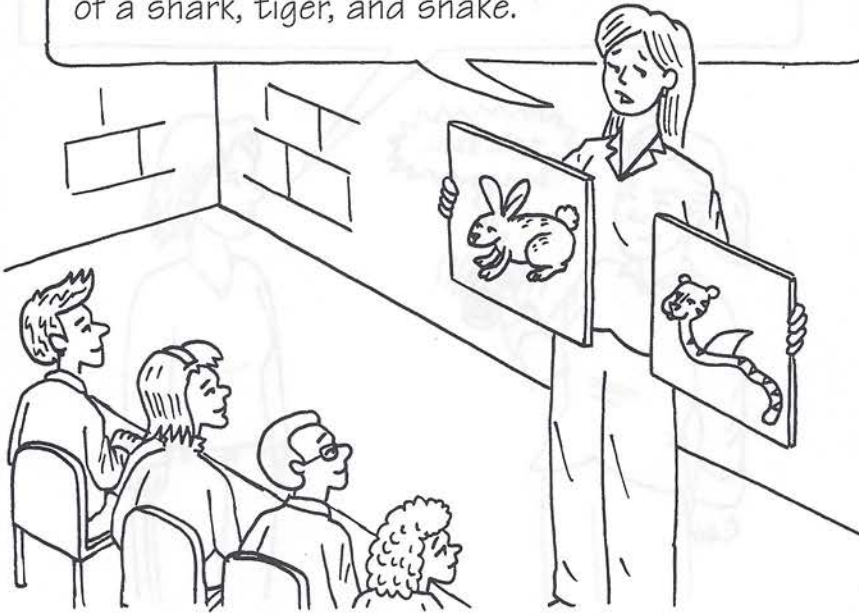
gallant
(adjective)

A **gallant** person is courteous and noble.



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The female students voted for a rabbit as class mascot, while the boys wanted a mutant **hybrid** of a shark, tiger, and snake.



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hybrid
(noun)

A **hybrid** is a mix of different breeds or varieties.

I'm just trying to brighten up the **terrain**.



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terrain
(noun)

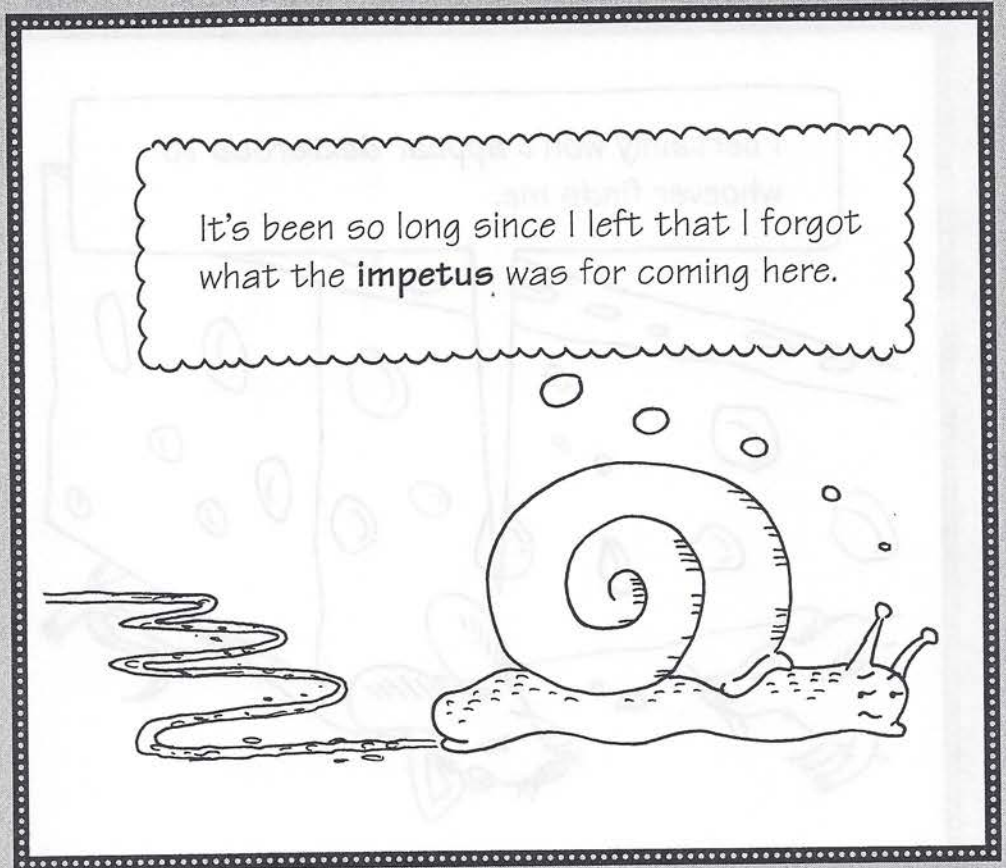
Terrain is a piece of land.

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impetus
(noun)

An **impetus** is something that spurs one to move, change, or speed up.



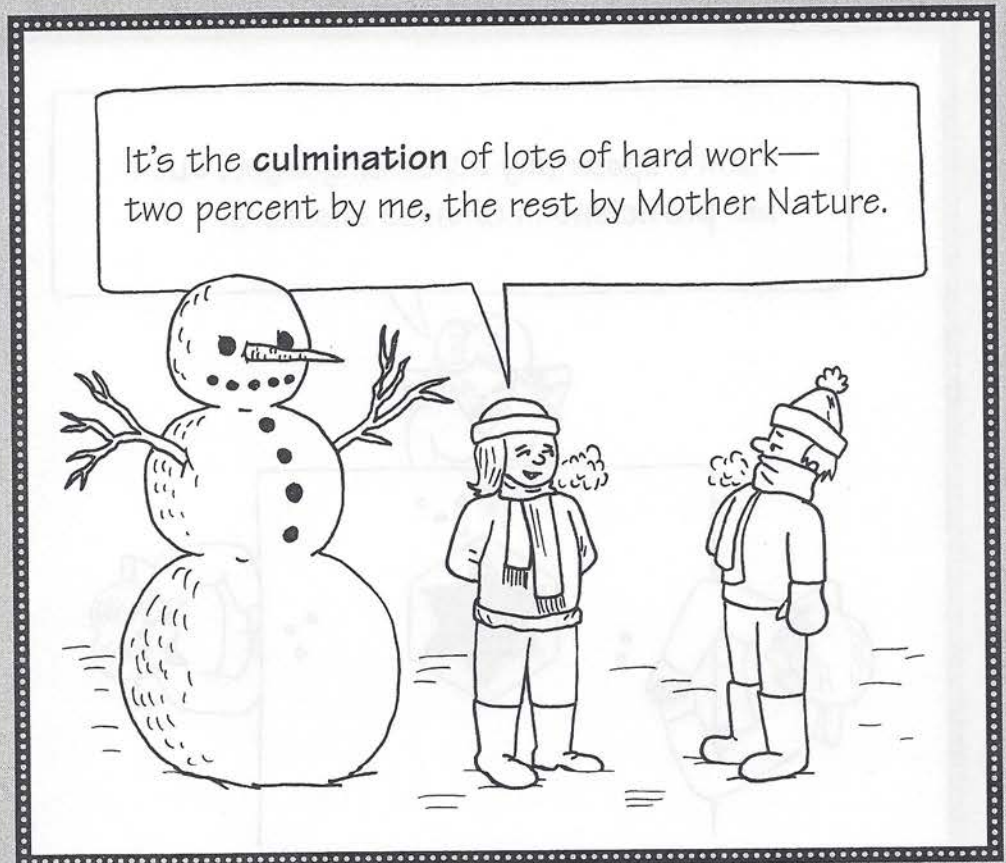
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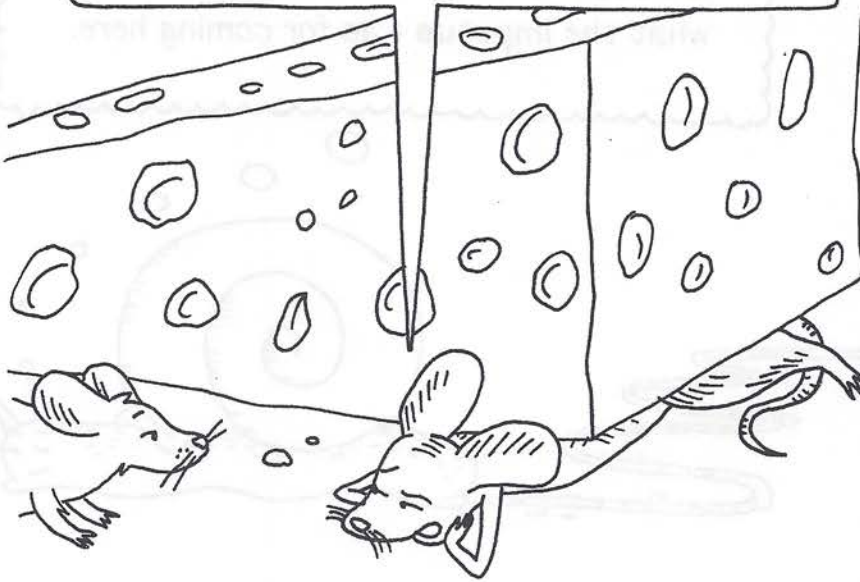
culmination
(noun)

Culmination means the end result or climax.



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I certainly won't appear **dexterous** to whoever finds me.



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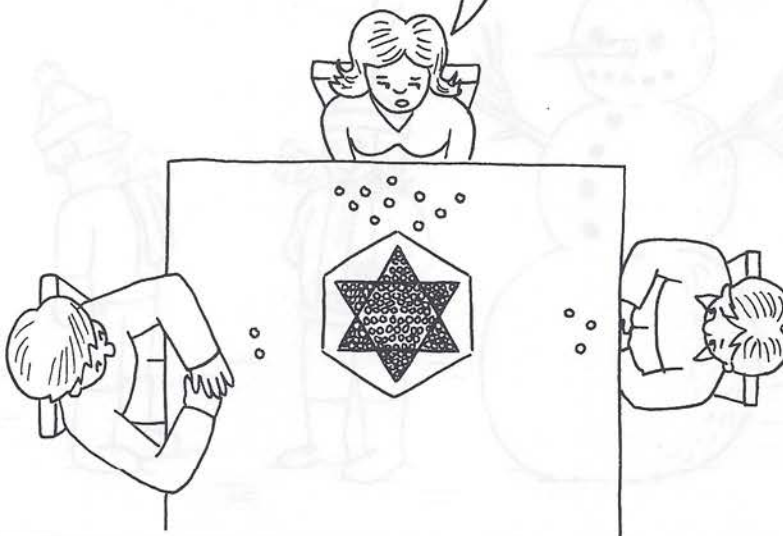
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dexterous
(adjective)

Dexterous describes someone who is nimble, skillful, and clever.

I don't speak any other languages, but I am **proficient** in Chinese checkers.



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proficient
(adjective)

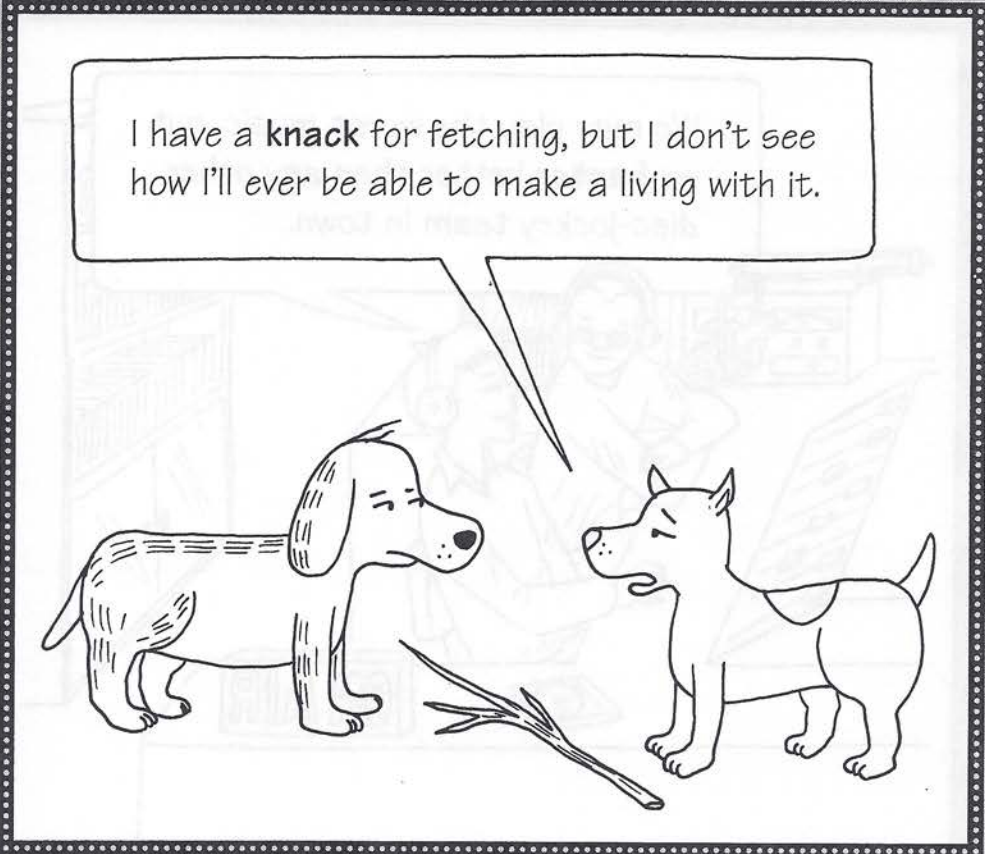
Someone who is **proficient** has mastered a particular skill.

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knack
(noun)

A **knack** is a clever way of doing something; a special talent.



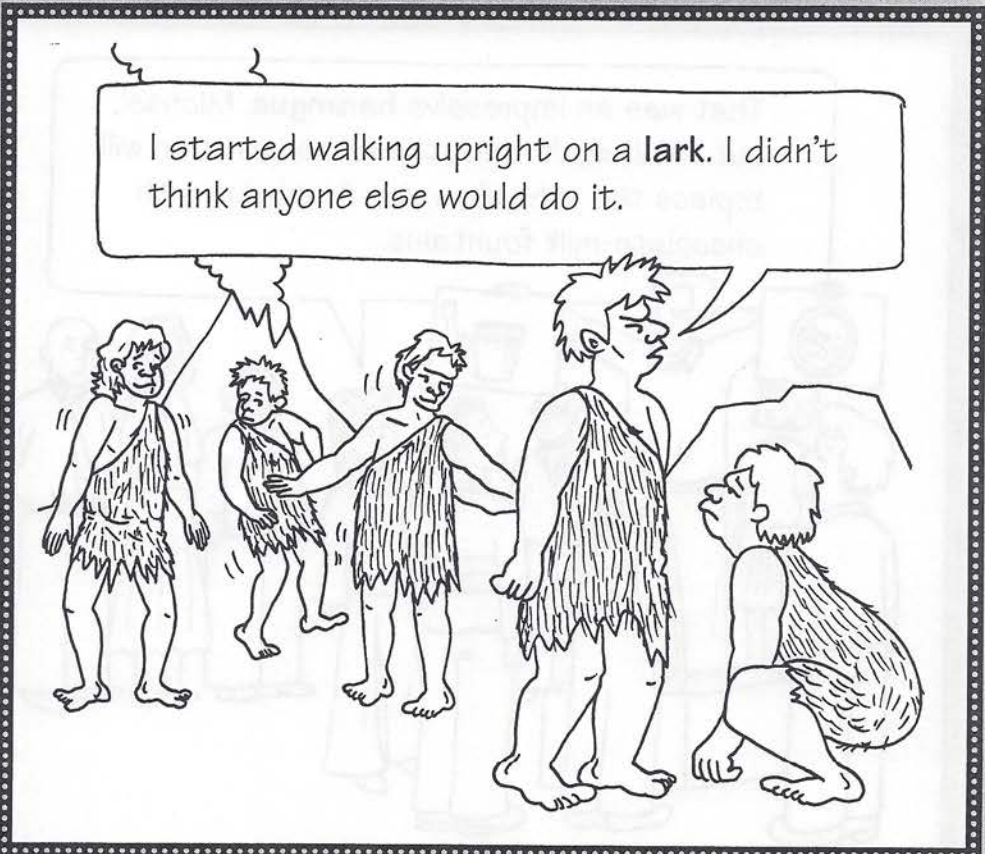
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lark
(noun)

A **lark** is something done just for fun.



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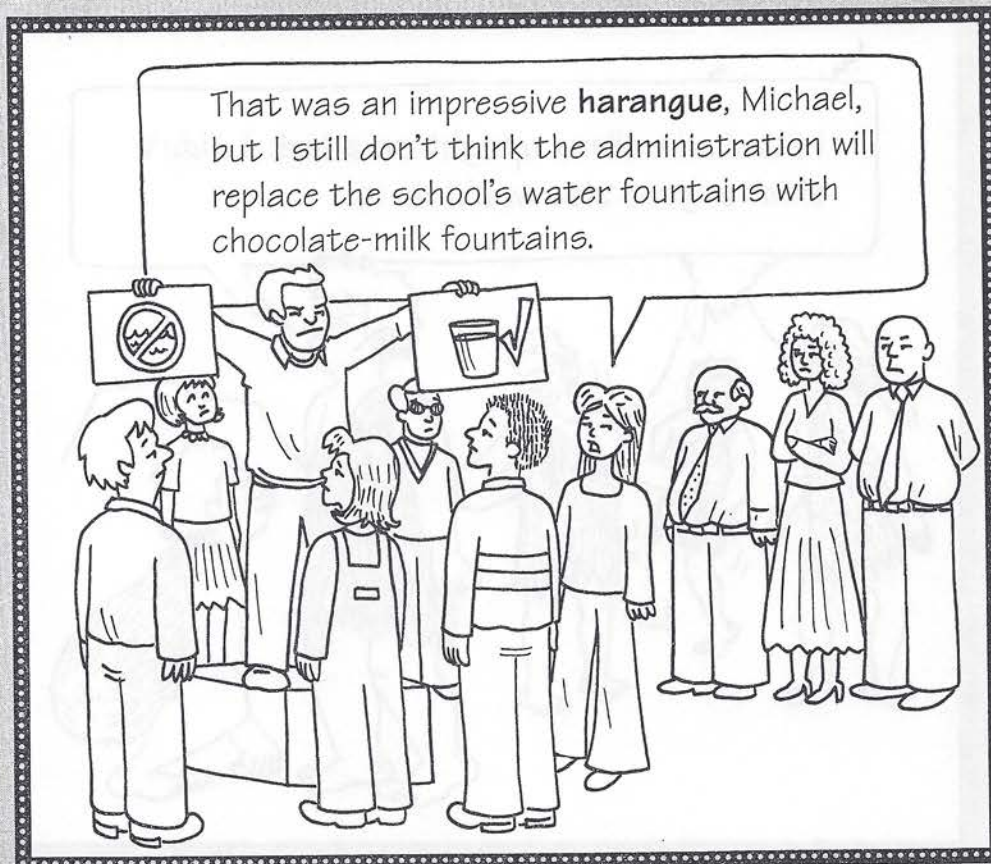


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banter
(verb)

To **banter** means to speak playfully or teasingly.



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harangue
(noun)

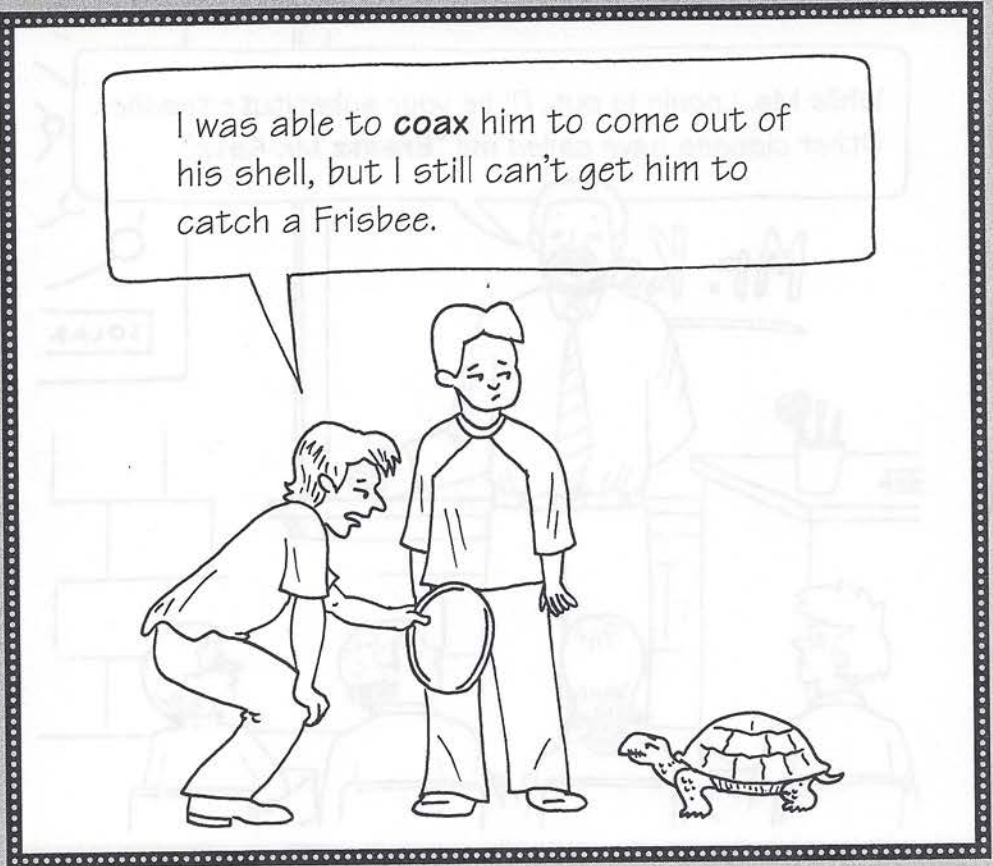
A **harangue** is a speech delivered with strong feelings.

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coax
(verb)

To **coax** means to persuade gently.



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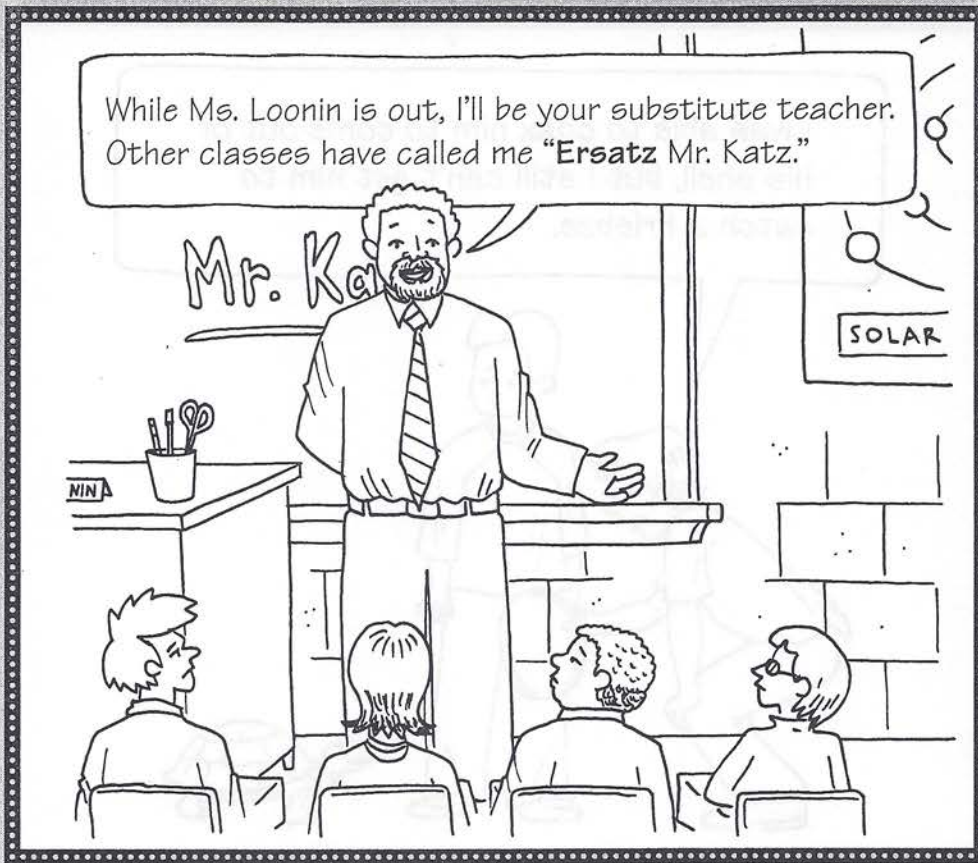
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coerce
(verb)

To **coerce** means to force.



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ersatz
(adjective)

Ersatz is a substitute or an imitation of something else.



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remnant
(noun)

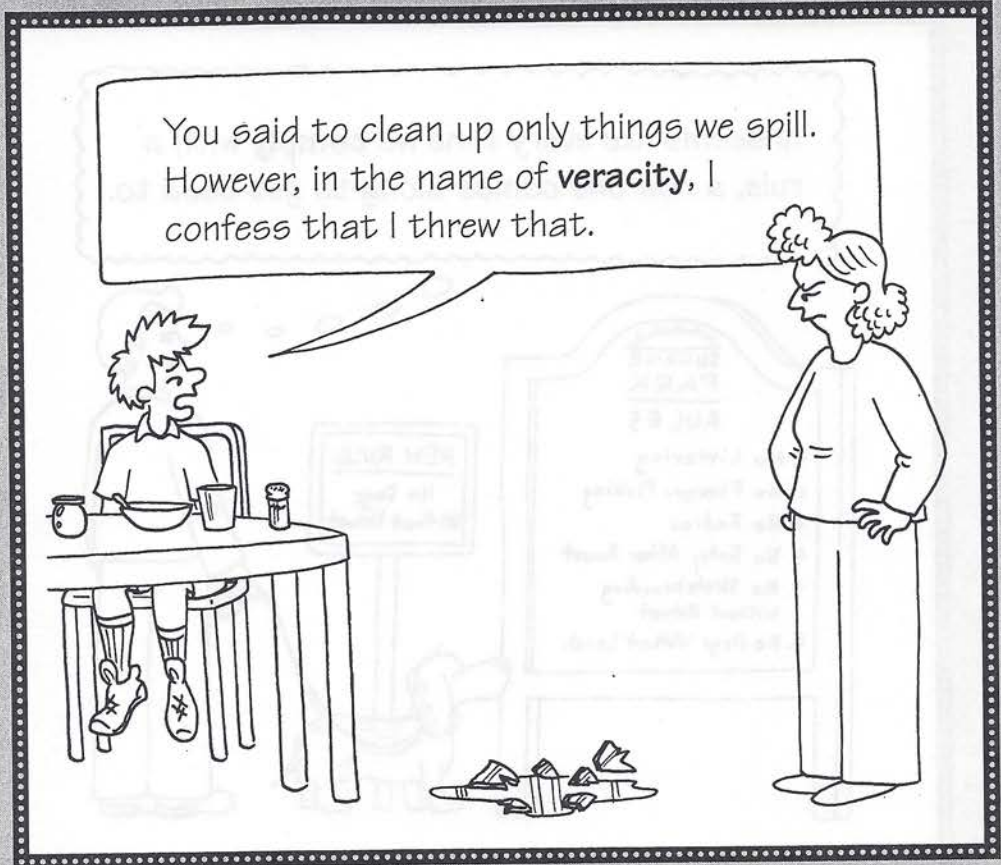
A remnant is a remainder or a surviving piece of something.

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veracity
(noun)

Veracity means
truthfulness.



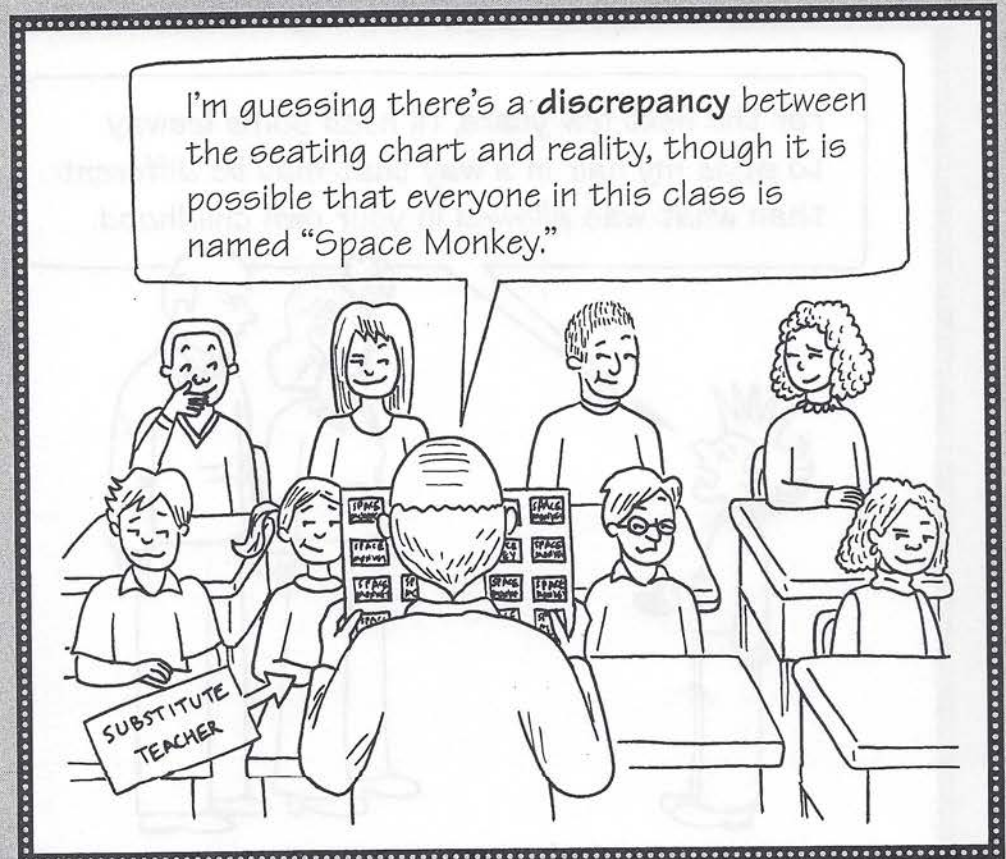
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discrepancy
(noun)

Discrepancy
means a difference
or inconsistency.



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It seems like every time we **comply** with a rule, a new one comes along to get used to.



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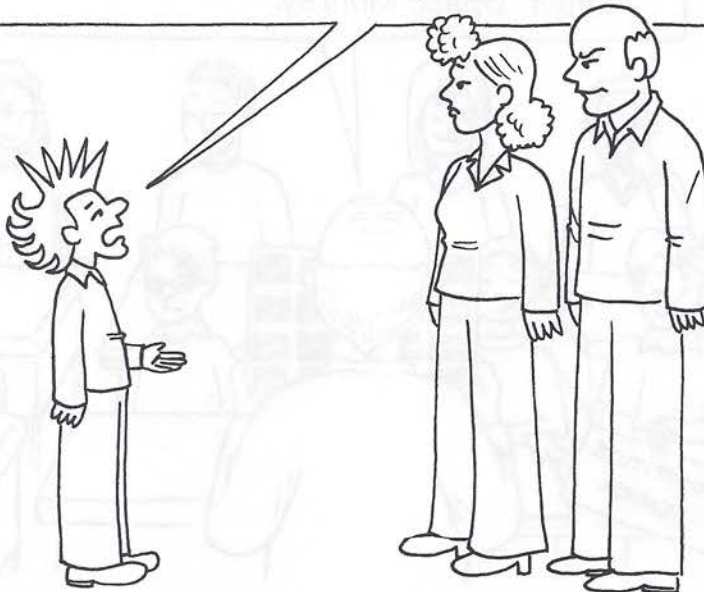
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comply
(verb)

To **comply** means to follow a rule or obey a request.

For the next few years, I'll need some **leeway** to style my hair in a way that may be different than what was allowed in your own childhood.



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leeway
(noun)

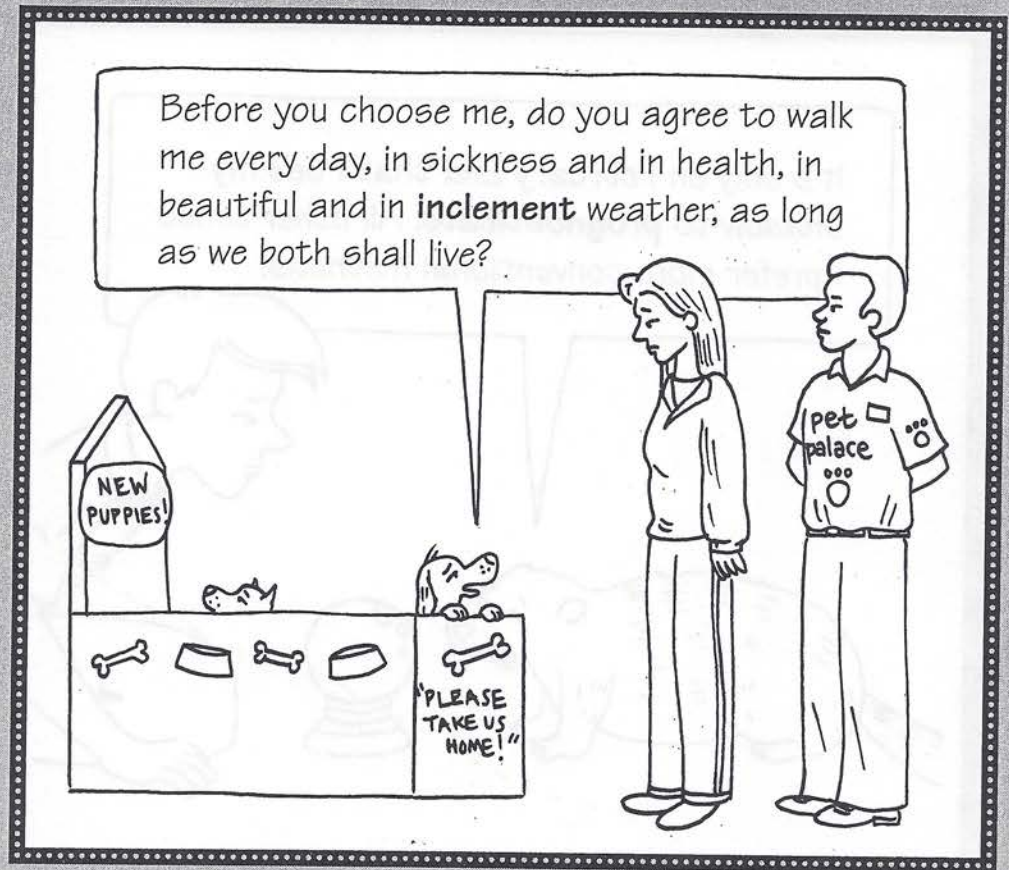
Leeway is the flexibility or freedom to do things.

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inclement
(adjective)

Something that is **inclement** is severe or rough. In describing weather, it means stormy.



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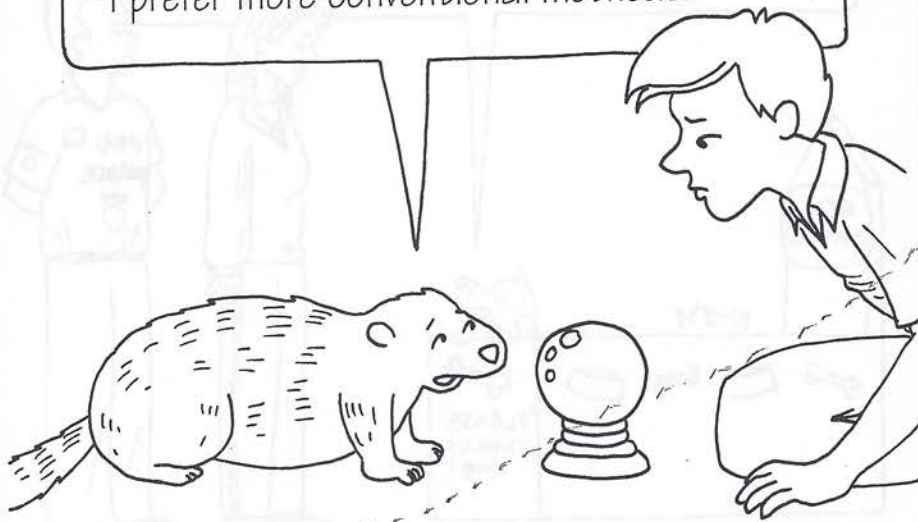
bamboozle
(verb)

To **bamboozle** means to trick or deceive.



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It's only on February 2nd that I use my shadow to **prognosticate**. All other times I prefer more conventional methods.



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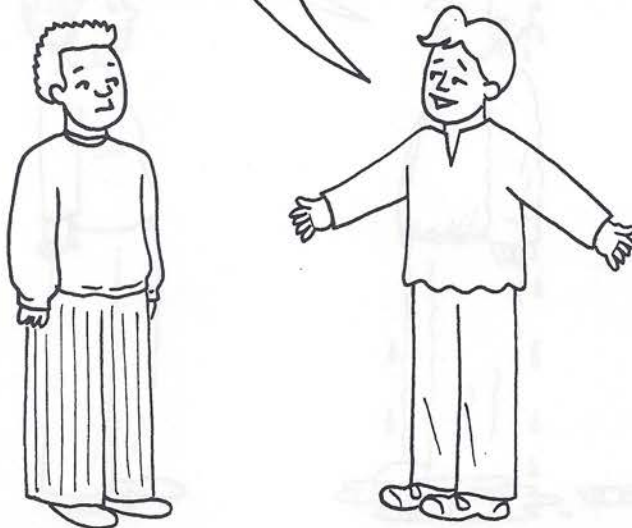
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prognosticate
(verb)

To **prognosticate** means to predict the future.

I **envision** a day when the world will finally be at peace. We might even get out of school early.



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envision
(verb)

To **envision** means to imagine or picture something in one's head.

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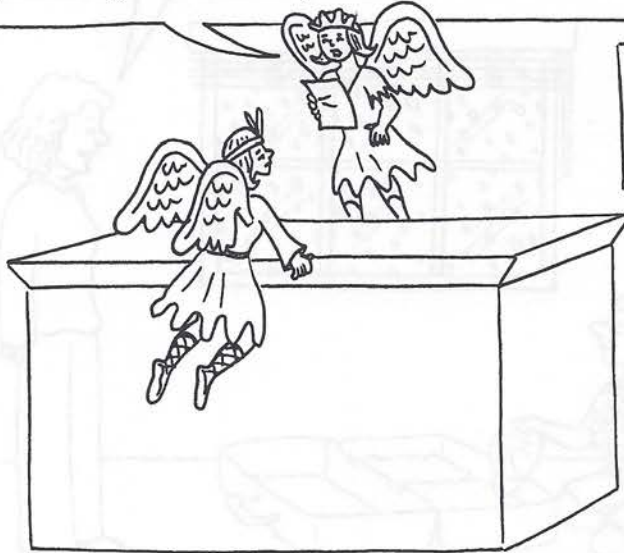
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finesse
(noun)

Finesse is the ability to handle a delicate situation.

Not every fairy has the **finesse** to fly, get the tooth from under the pillow, and leave a quarter without waking the child. What makes you think you're right for this job?

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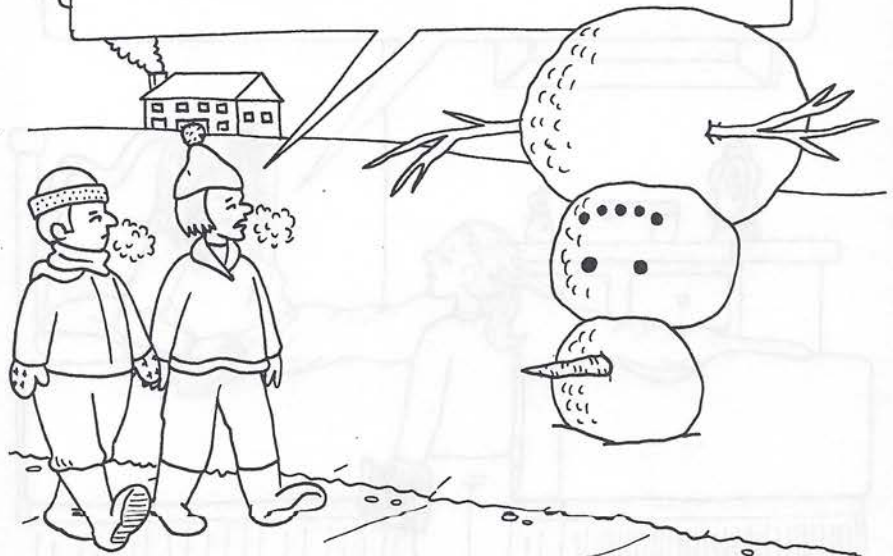
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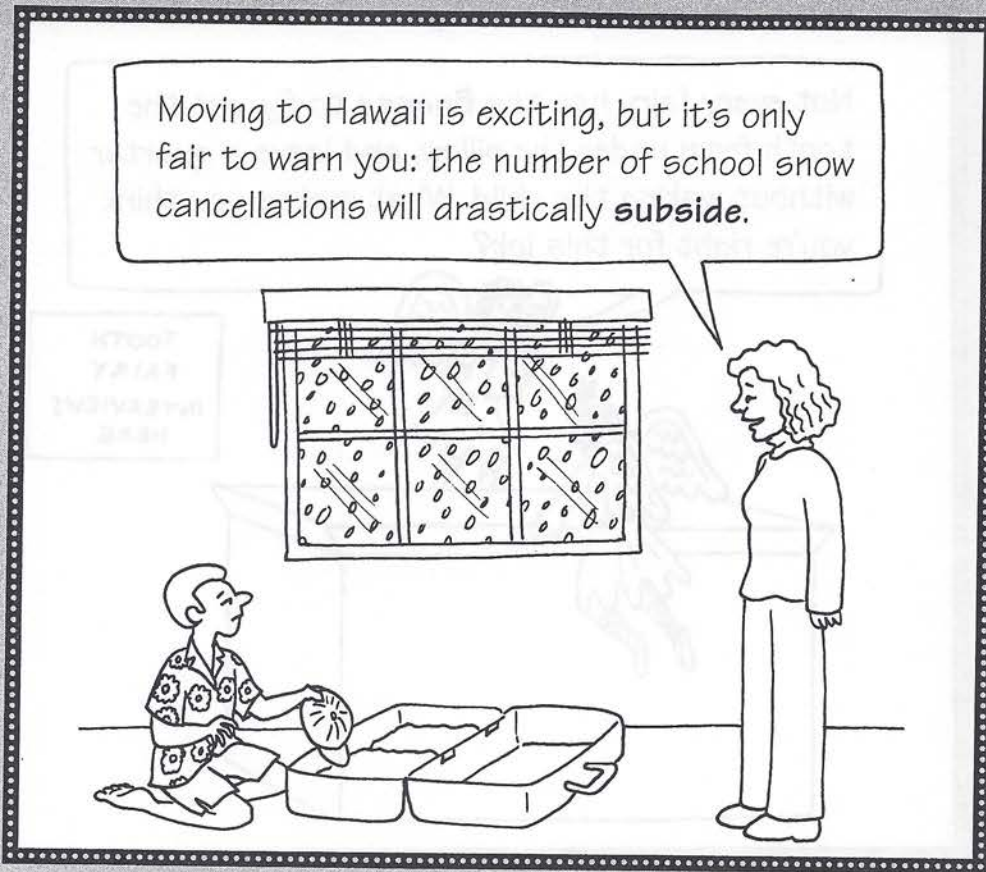
botch
(verb)

To **botch** something means to do something badly or mess it up.

Now we know that it is possible to **botch** a snowman.



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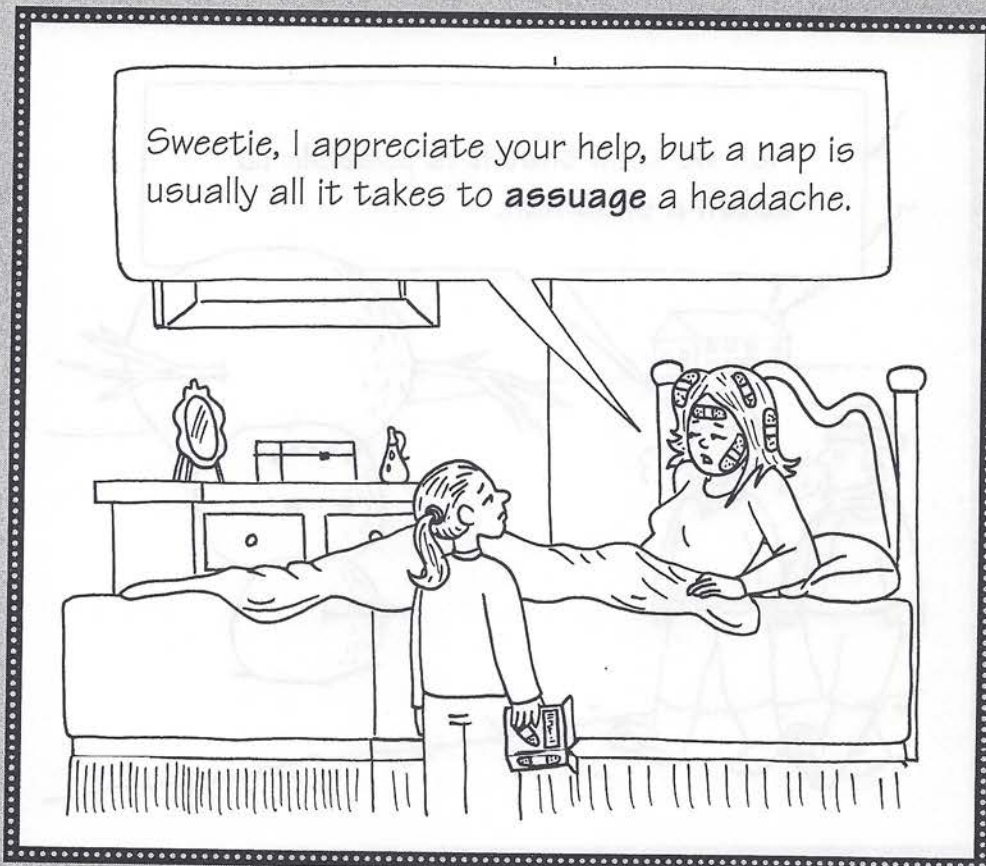


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subside
(verb)

To **subside** means to decrease or become less.



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assuage
(verb)

To **assuage** means to reduce, lessen, or relieve something that pains.

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deter
(verb)

To **deter** means
to discourage
or prevent.



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eschew
(verb)

To **eschew** means
to avoid something.



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mnemonic
(noun)

A **mnemonic** is a formula or rhyme used to help remember something.



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moniker
(noun)

A **moniker** is a name or nickname.

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discern
(verb)

To **discern**
means to detect
or recognize.



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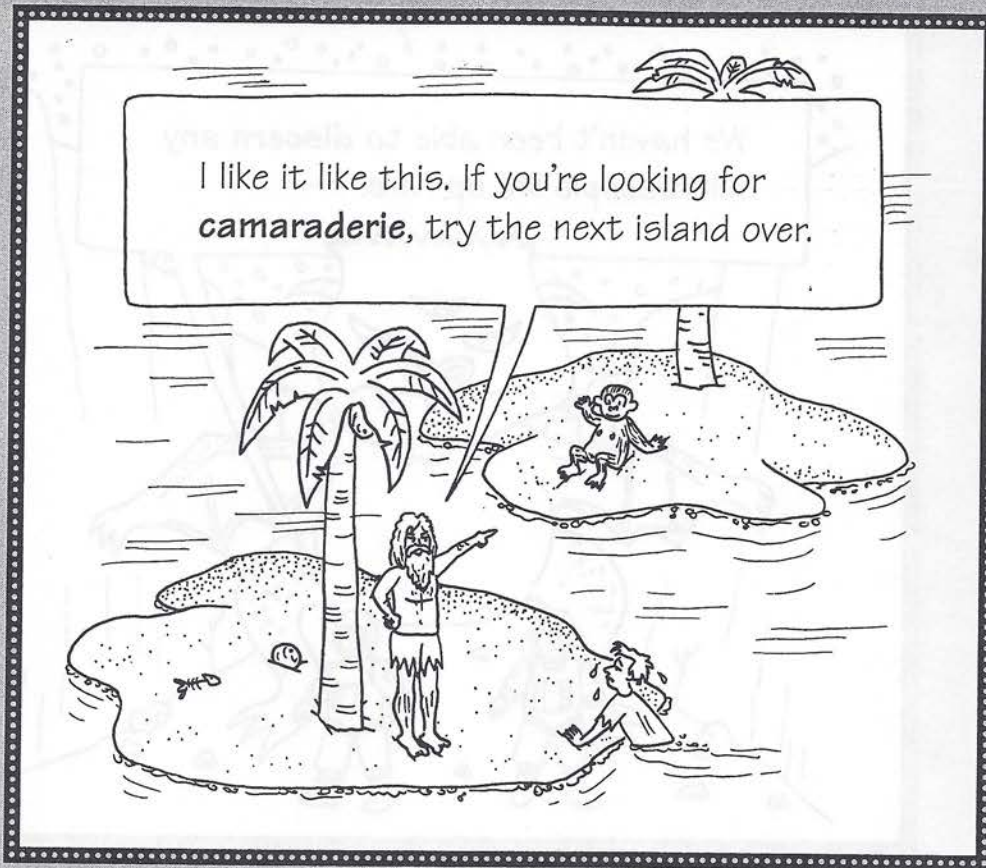
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inkling
(noun)

An **inkling** is a
slight clue or hint.



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camaraderie
(noun)

Camaraderie means a spirit of friendship, especially in a group.



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comprise
(verb)

To **comprise** means to consist of or to include.

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console
(verb)

To **console** means to comfort or help someone feel less upset.



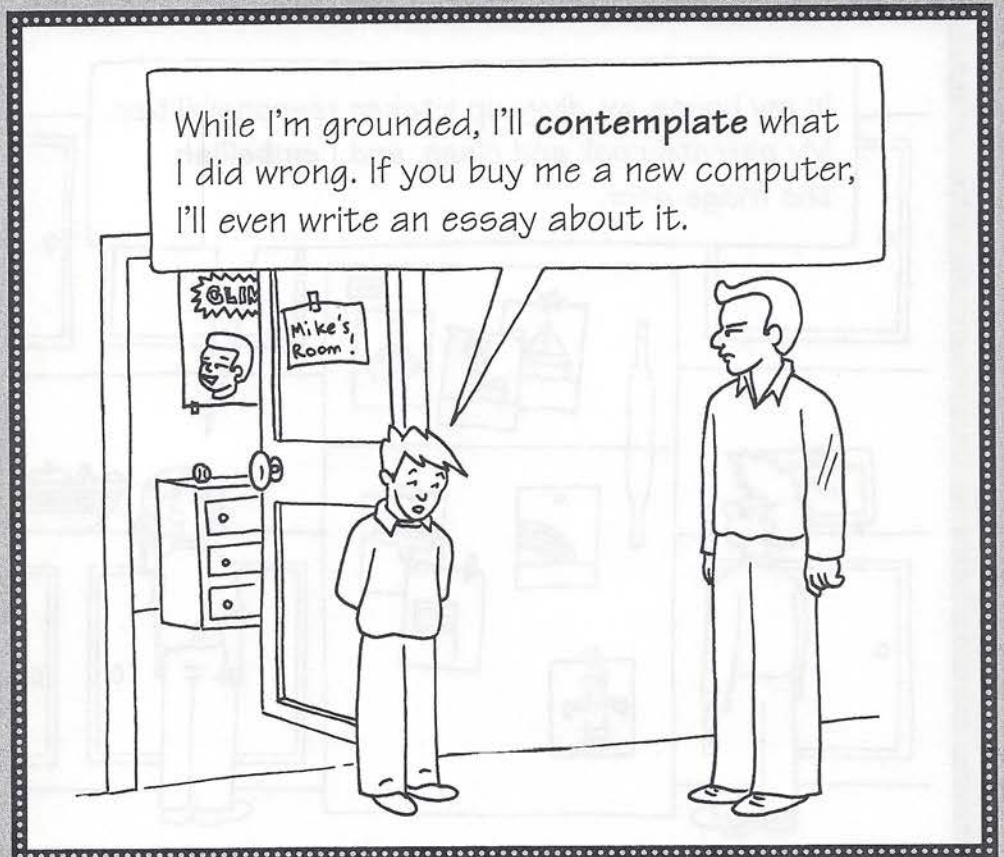
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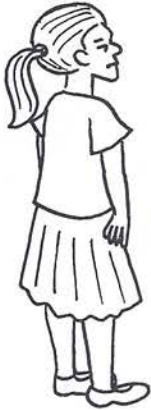
contemplate
(verb)

To **contemplate** means to consider or think about something for a while.



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This book is so **prosaic** that I'd rather read the owner's manual for a vacuum cleaner.



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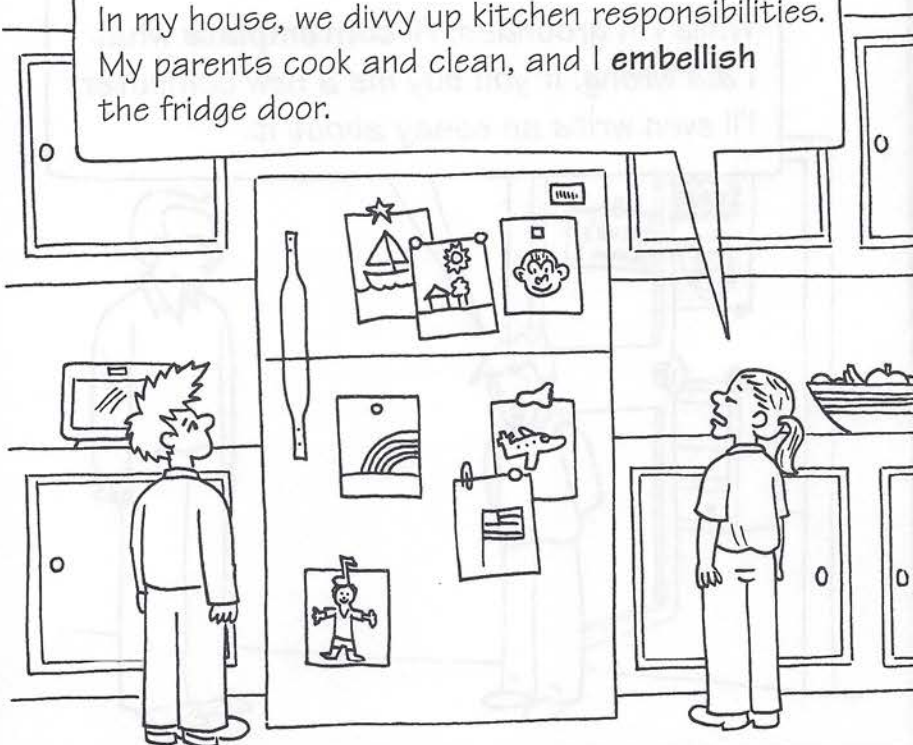
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prosaic
(adjective)

Something that is **prosaic** is dull and unimaginative.

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In my house, we divvy up kitchen responsibilities. My parents cook and clean, and I **embellish** the fridge door.



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embellish
(verb)

To **embellish** means to make something more beautiful by decorating it.

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flourish
(verb)

To **flourish** means to thrive or grow successfully.



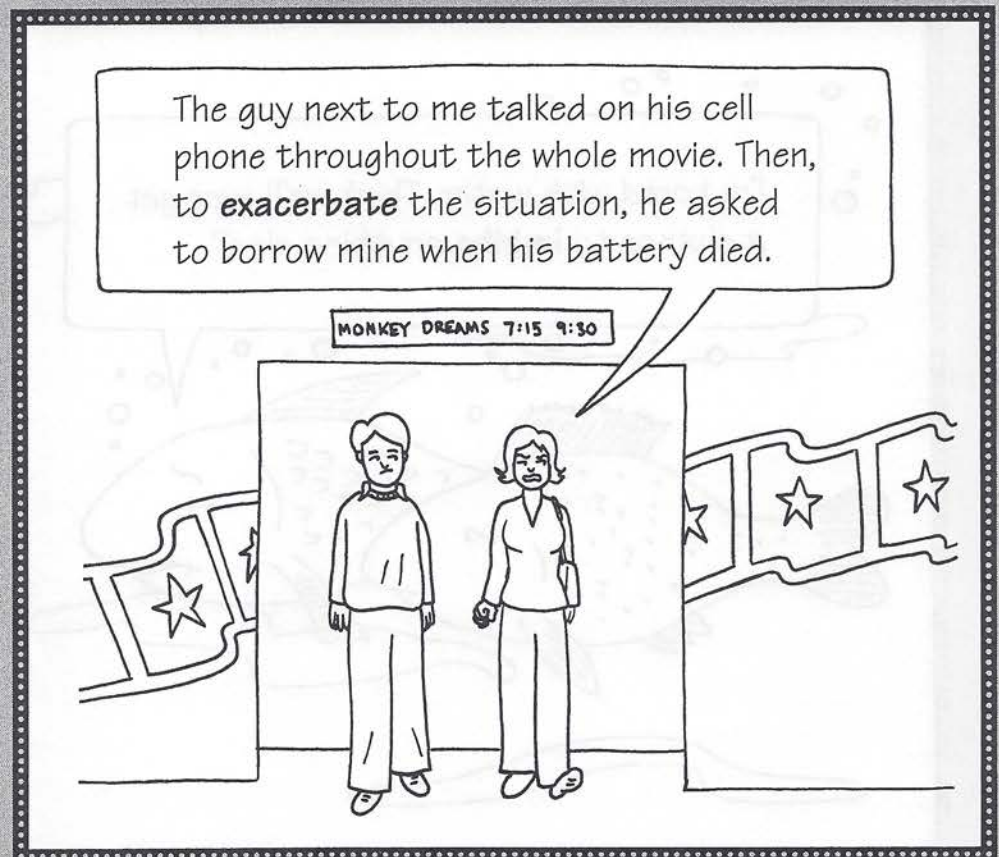
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exacerbate
(verb)

To **exacerbate** means to make things worse.



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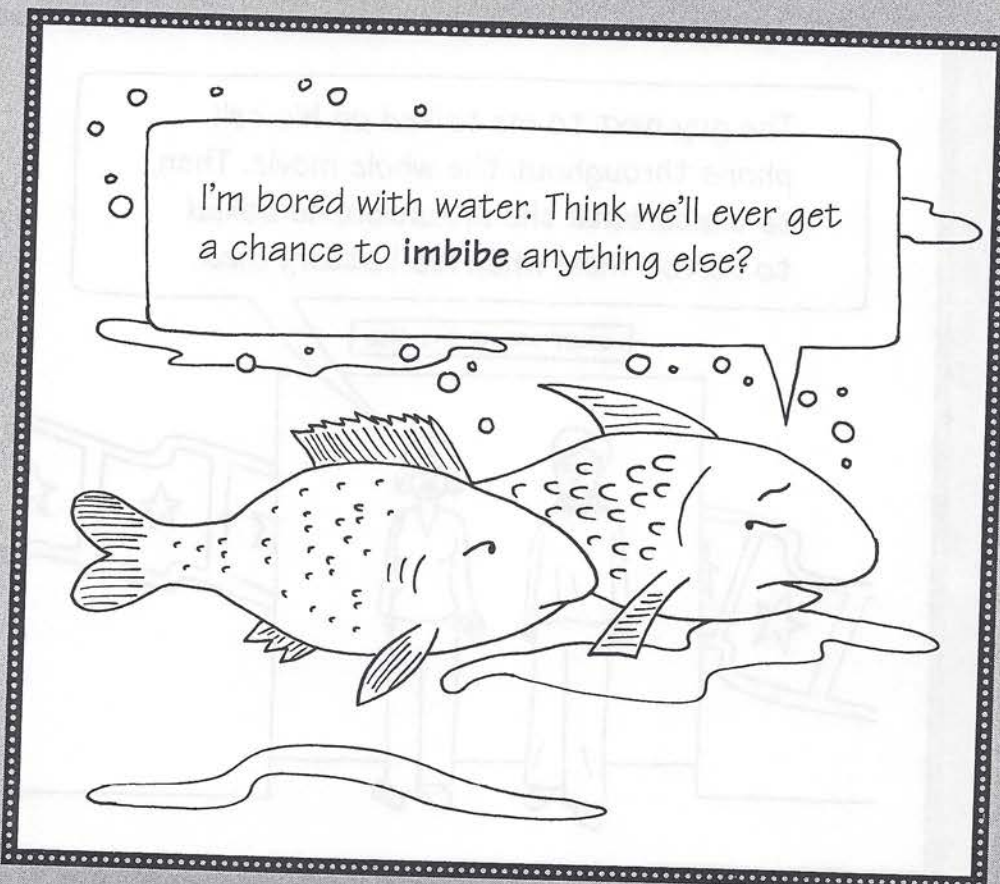
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immerse
(verb)

To **immerse** means to plunge into something (often water) and be covered completely.



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imbibe
(verb)

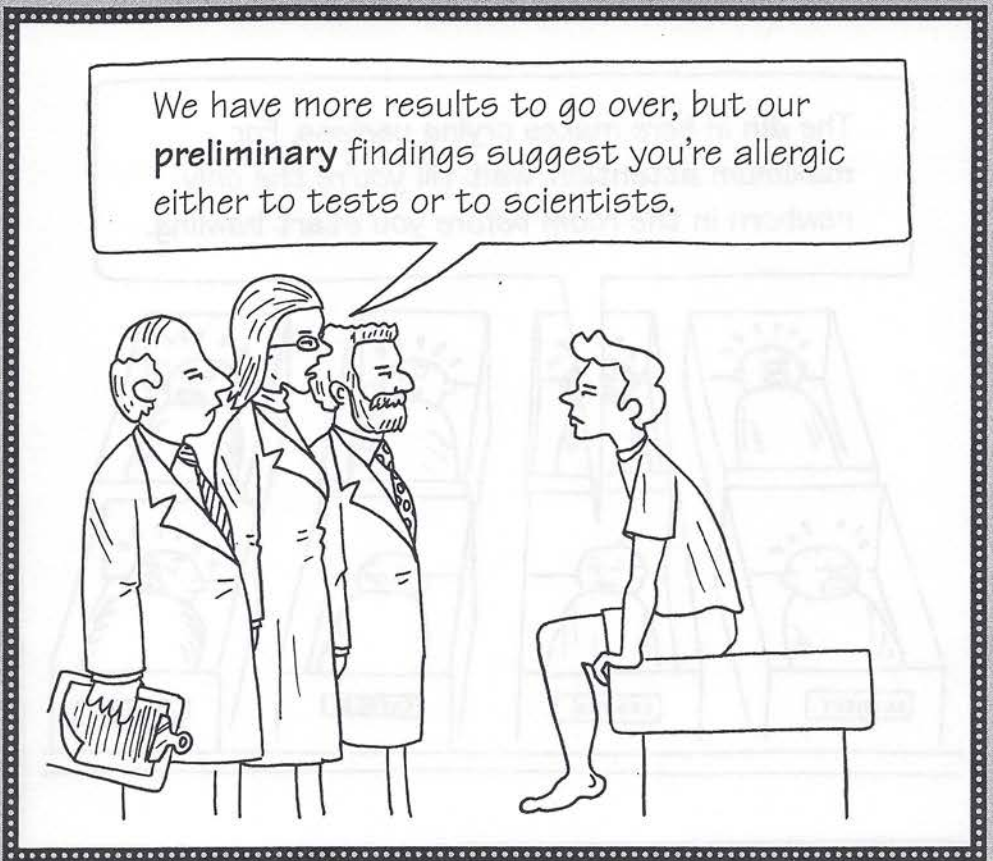
To **imbibe** means to drink.

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preliminary
(adjective)

Something that is **preliminary** is introductory or opening for something else.



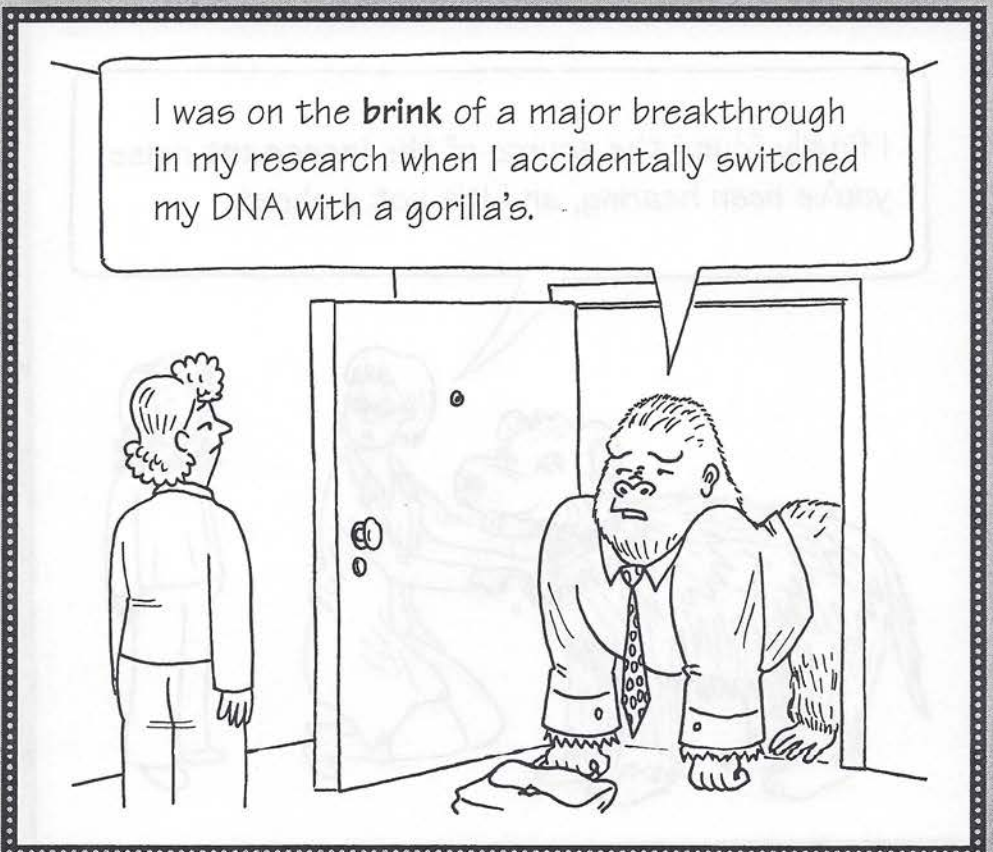
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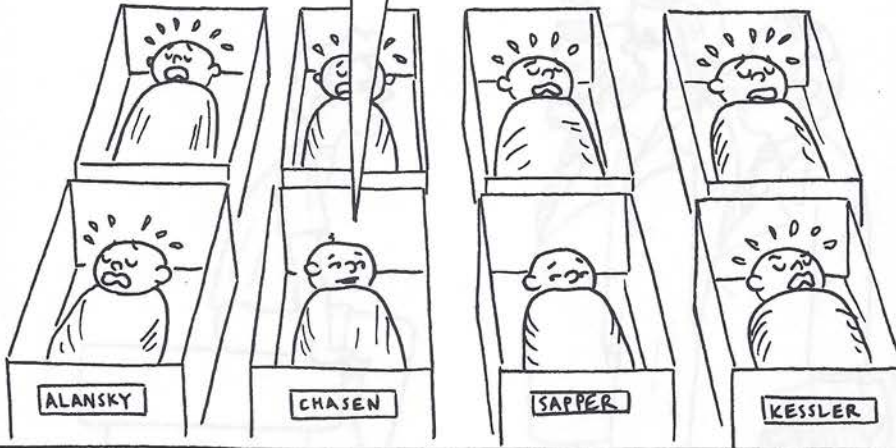
brink
(noun)

Brink means edge or verge.



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The **din** in here makes crying useless. For maximum attention, wait till you're the only newborn in the room before you start bawling.



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din
(noun)

Din means a loud, continuous noise.

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I finally found the source of the **incessant** noise you've been hearing, and it's not a ghost.



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incessant
(adjective)

Something that is **incessant** is continuous without interruption.

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curb
(verb)

To **curb** means
to control
or restrain.



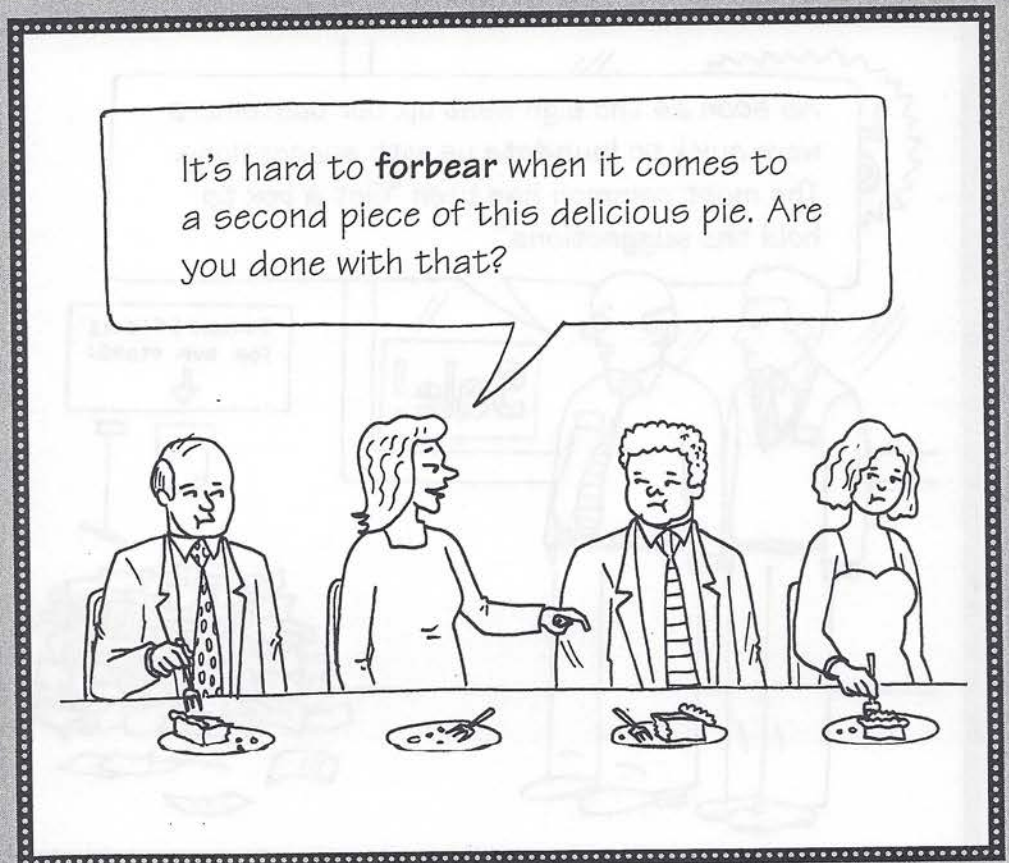
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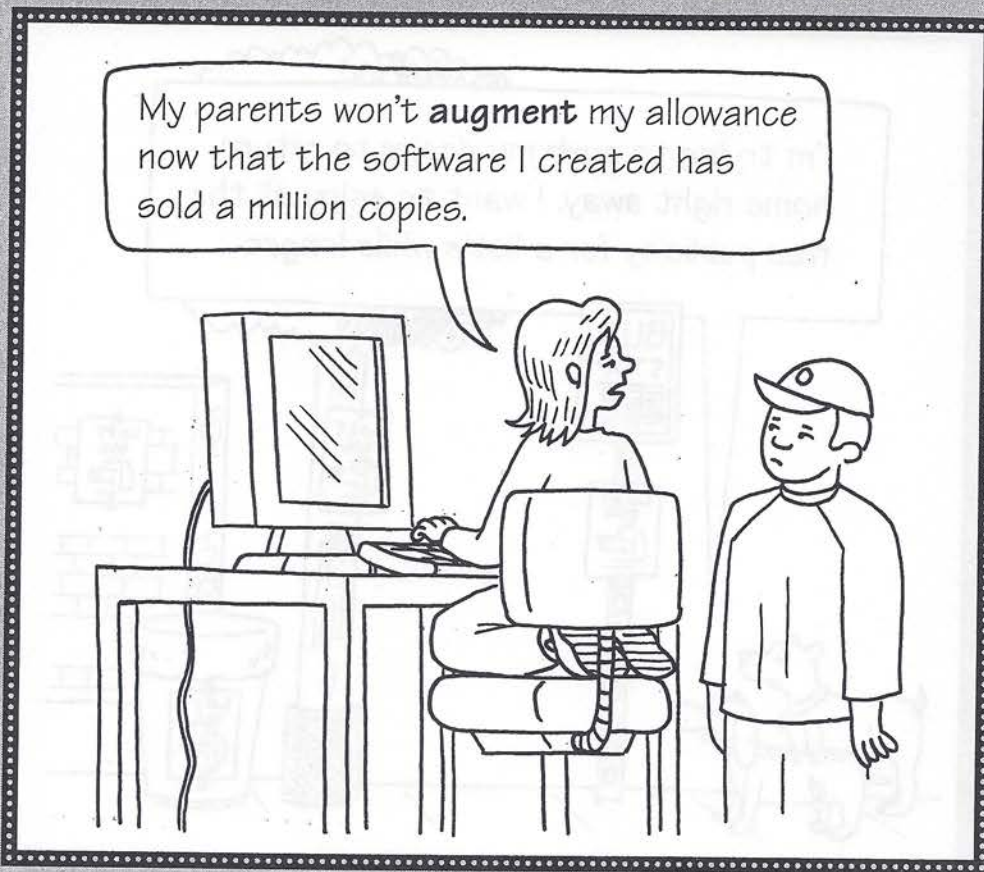
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forbear
(verb)

To **forbear** means
to hold back or go
without something.



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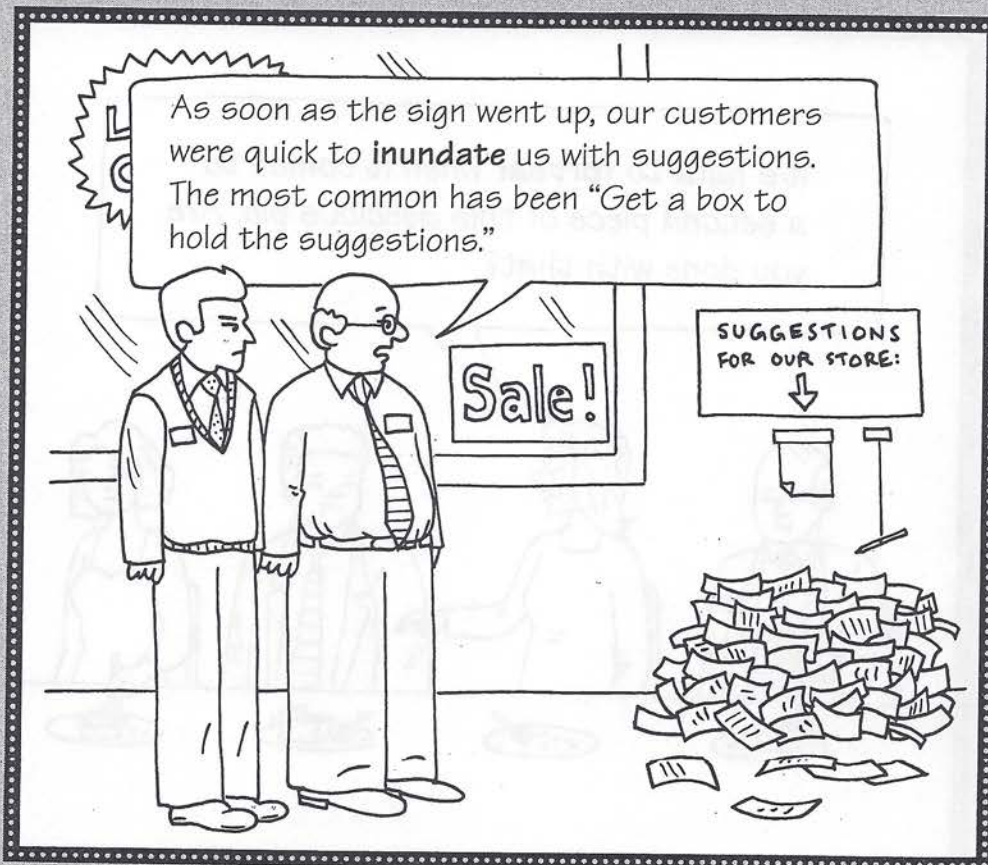


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augment
(verb)

To **augment**
means to add on to
or increase.



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inundate
(verb)

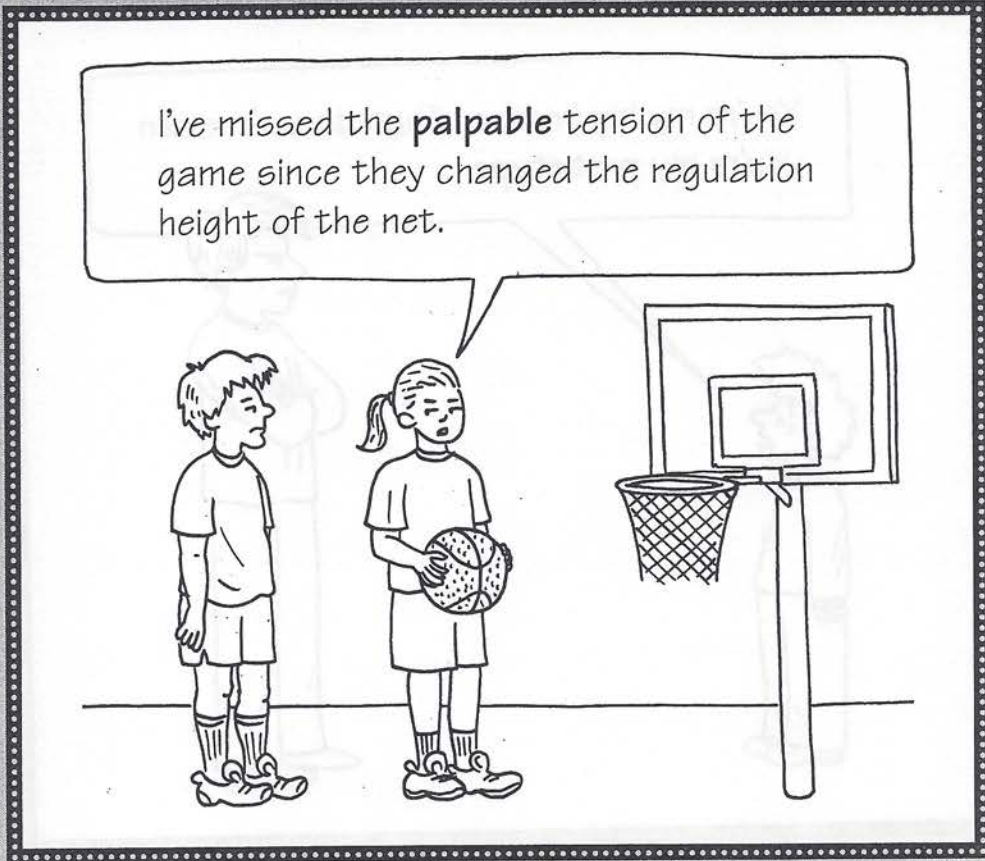
To **inundate**
means to overwhelm
or to flood.

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palpable
(adjective)

Something that is **palpable** can easily be felt.



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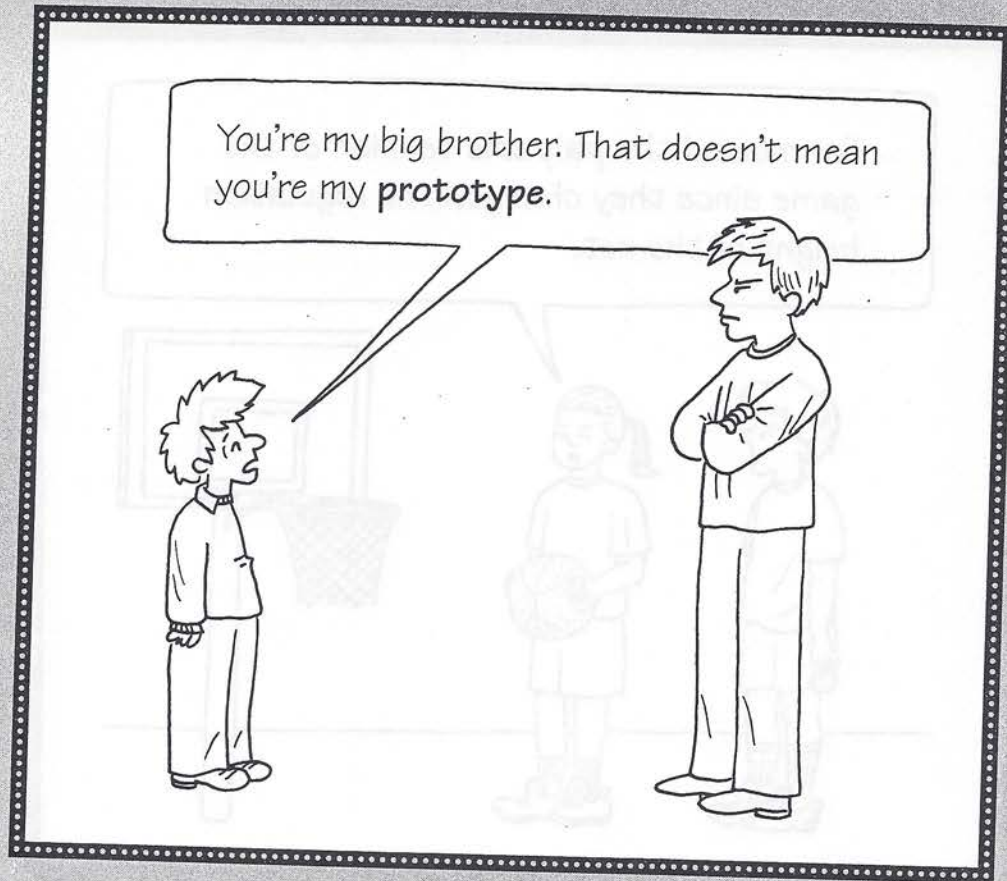
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arcane
(adjective)

Something that is **arcane** is hidden or mysterious.



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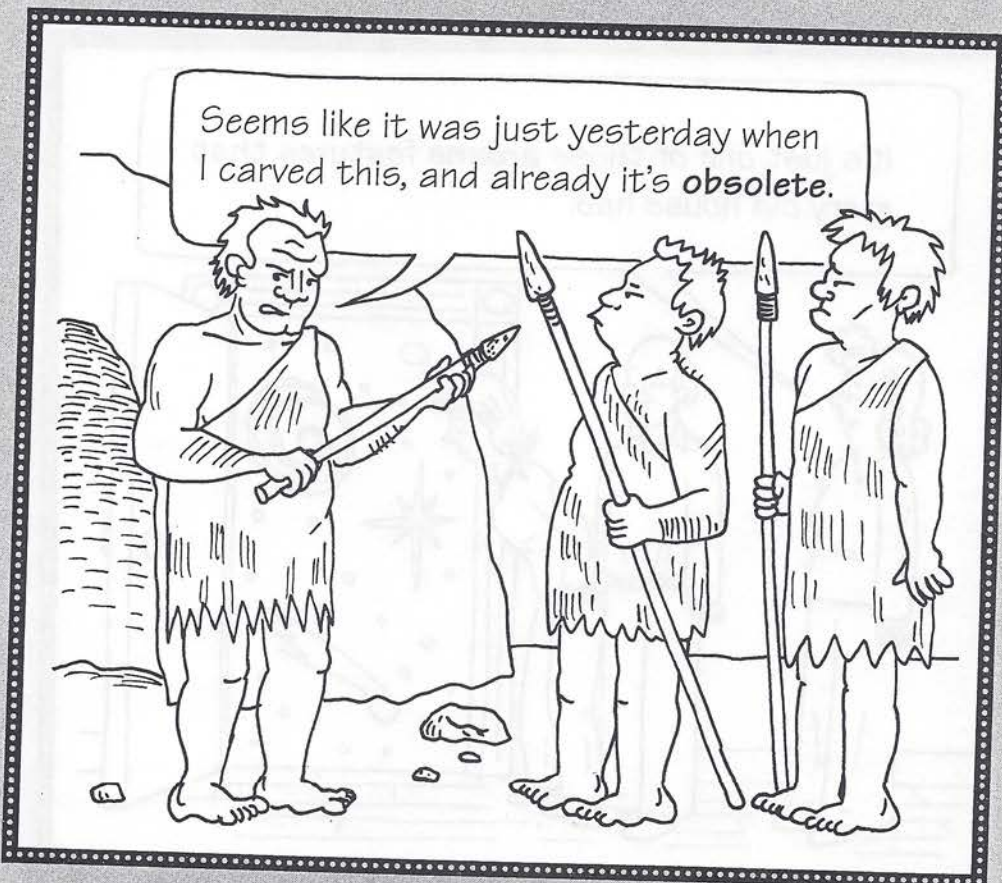
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prototype
(noun)

A **prototype** is an original or early version of something on which later versions are based.



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obsolete
(adjective)

Something that is **obsolete** is old-fashioned and no longer useful.

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bristle
(verb)

To **bristle** means
to react by
showing anger.



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irk
(verb)

To **irk** means
to annoy.



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When it comes to asking questions, she's **indefatigable**. But when it comes to answering them, she's quickly exhausted.



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indefatigable
(adjective)

Someone who is **indefatigable** is not capable of being tired out.

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I've never seen such **tenacity** when it comes to keeping the environment clean.



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tenacity
(noun)

Tenacity is the determination to keep doing what one believes in.

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brevity
(noun)

Brevity is
the shortness
of something.



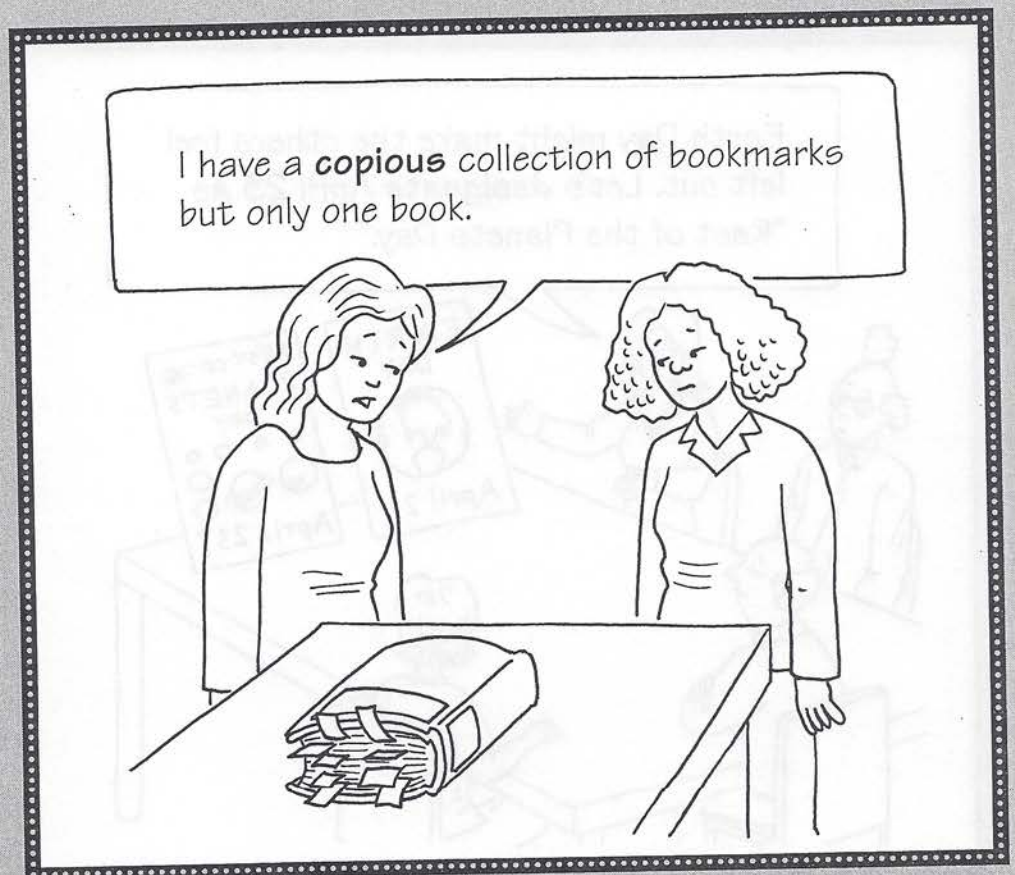
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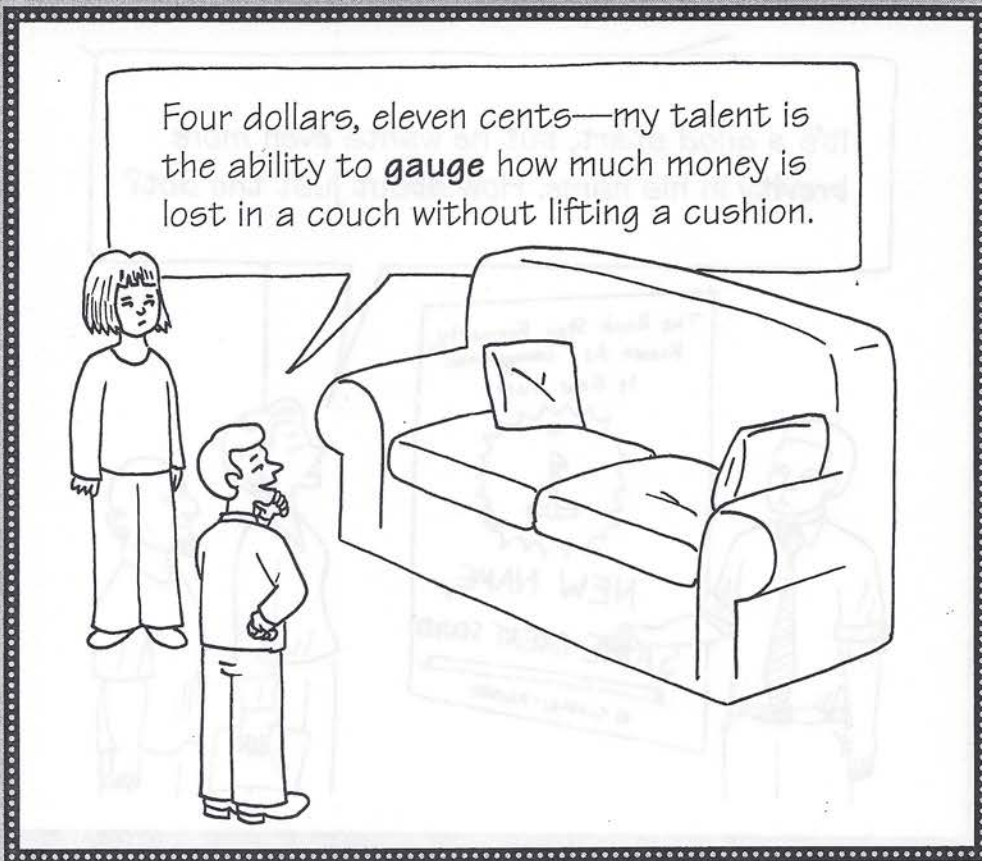
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copious
(adjective)

Copious means
plentiful or containing
a large amount.



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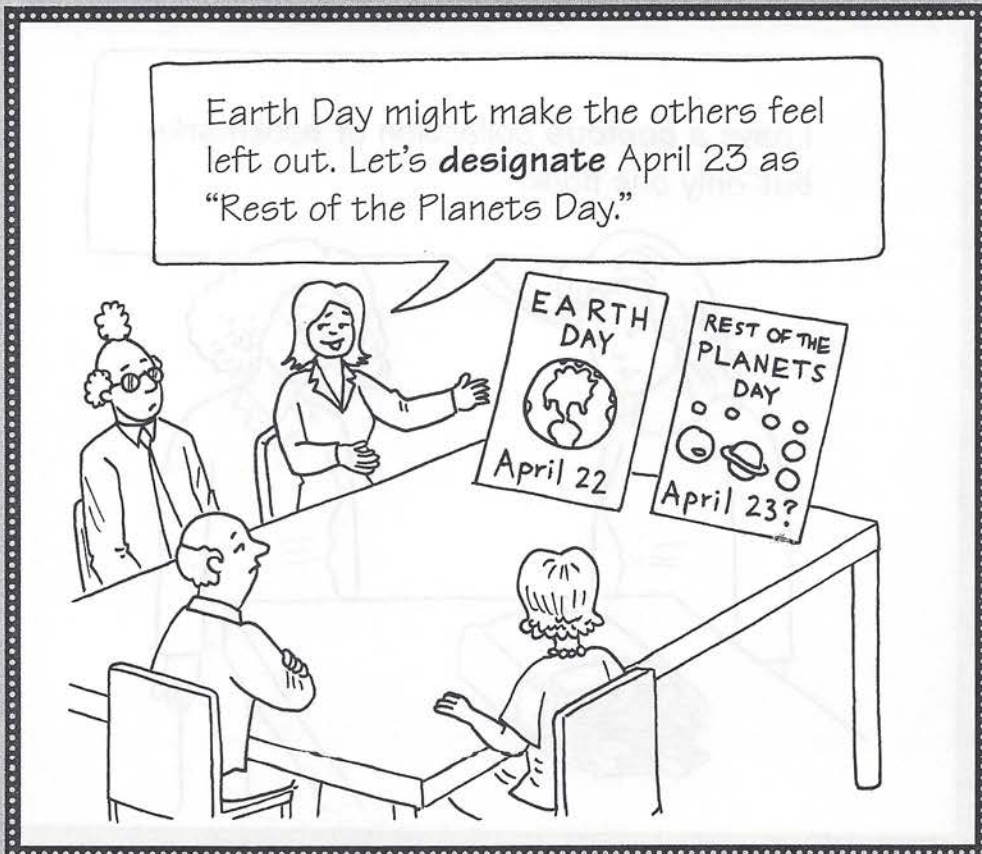
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gauge
(verb)

To **gauge** means to guess or estimate the contents or capacity of something.



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designate
(verb)

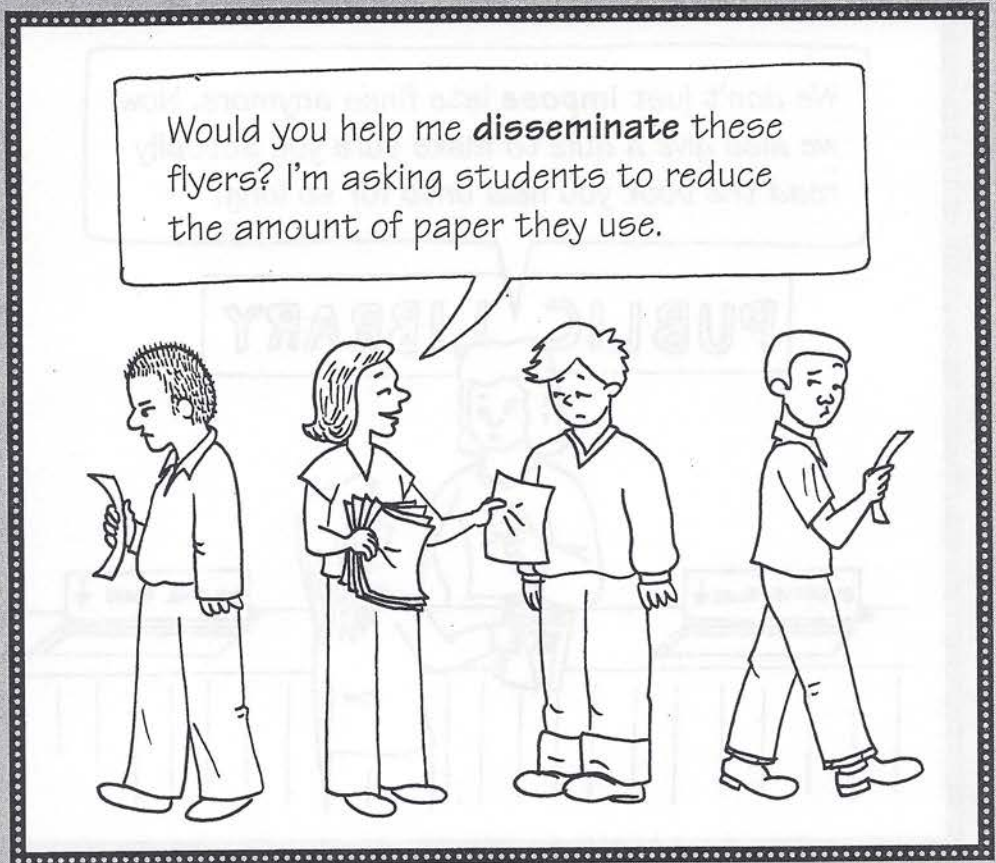
To **designate** means to choose something for a specific purpose.

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disseminate
(verb)

When you **disseminate** something, you distribute or spread it around.



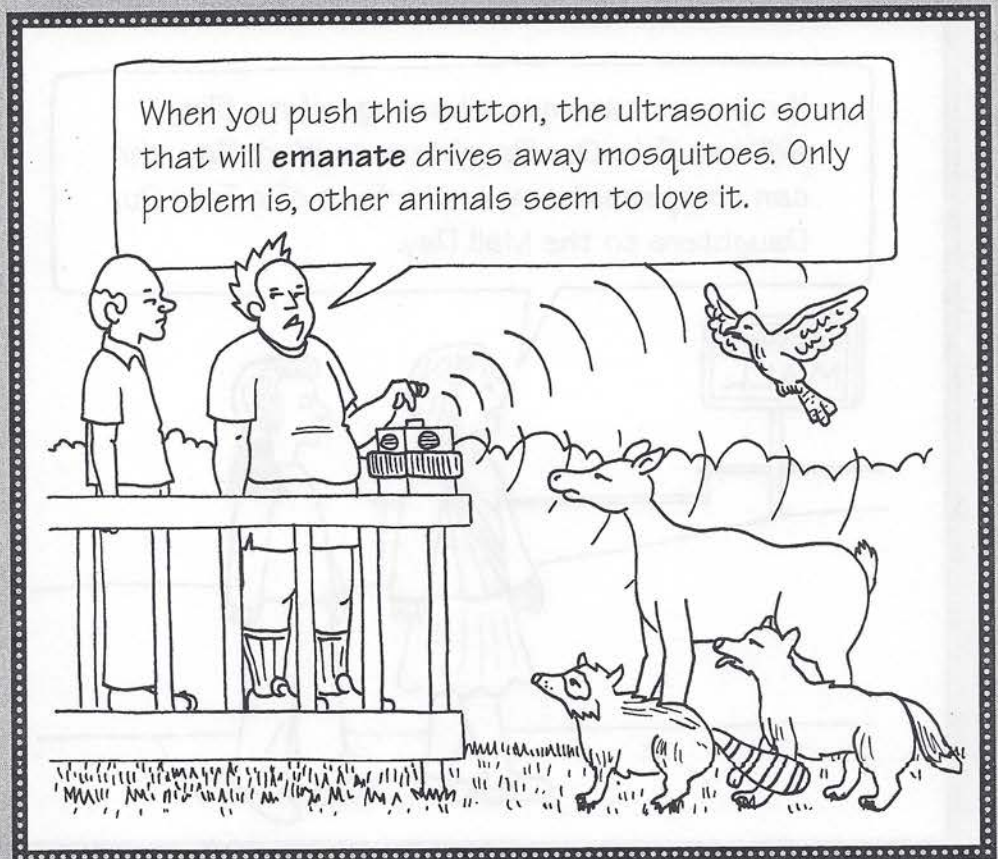
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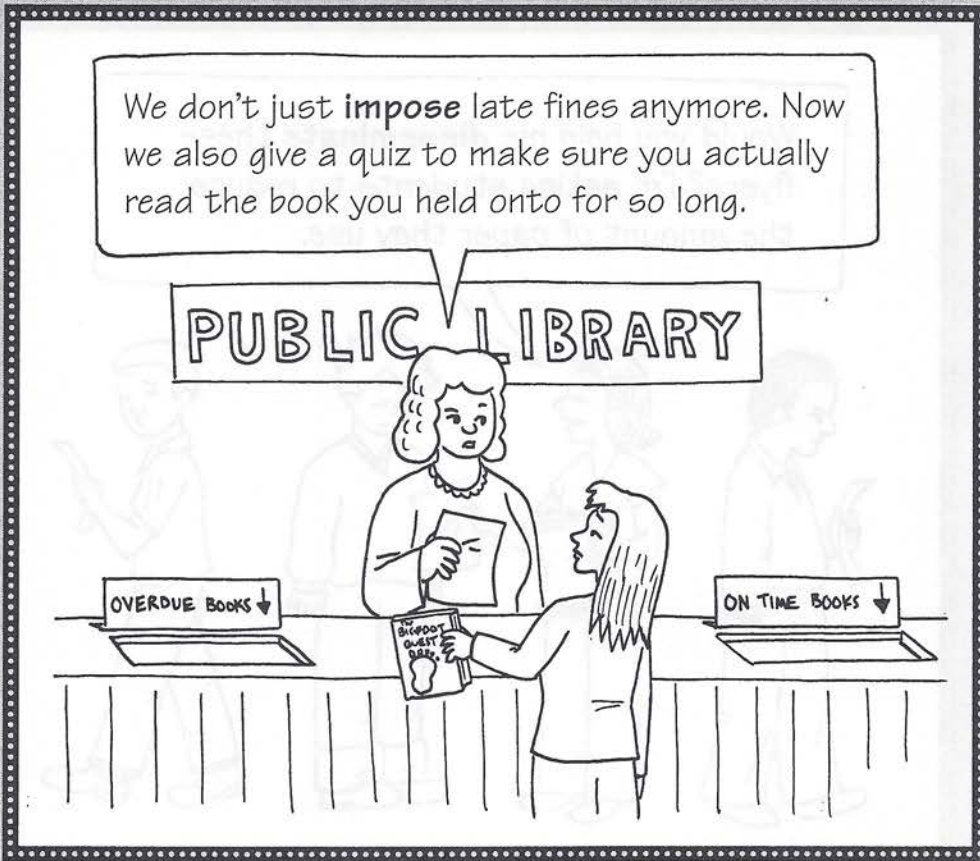
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emanate
(verb)

To **emanate** means to flow out of something.



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impose
(verb)

To **impose** means to establish or bring about something by force.



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compensate
(verb)

To **compensate** means to make up for something with another thing that's equivalent.

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bullish
(adjective)

Someone who is feeling **bullish** is confident and optimistic.



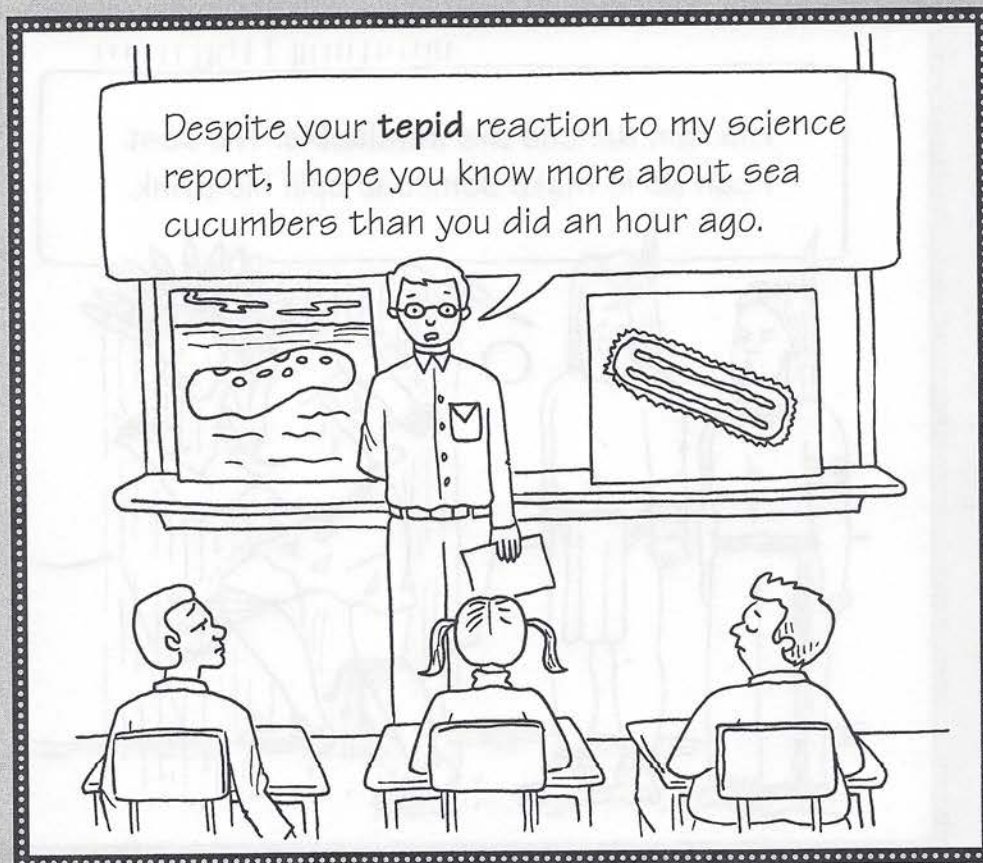
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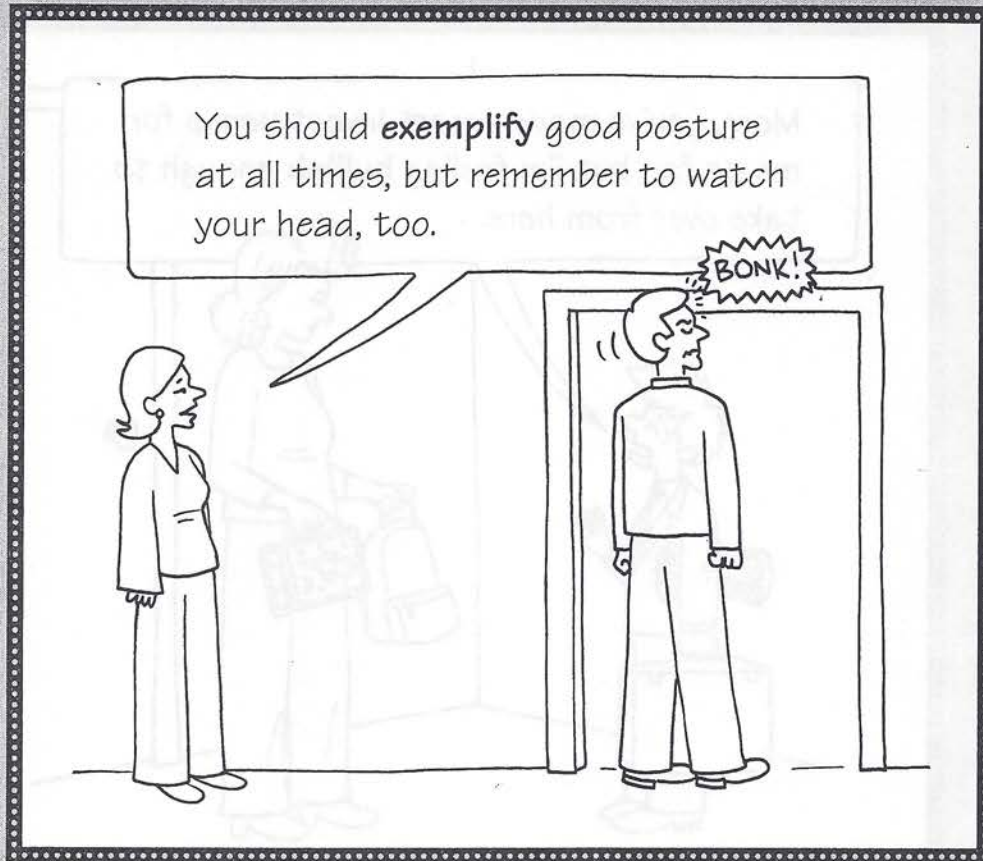
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tepid
(adjective)

Tepid means lukewarm; unenthusiastic or lacking passion.



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exemplify
(verb)

To **exemplify** means to show or demonstrate by example.



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inimitable
(adjective)

Something that is **inimitable** cannot be imitated or matched.

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peruse
(verb)

To **peruse** means
to read carefully.



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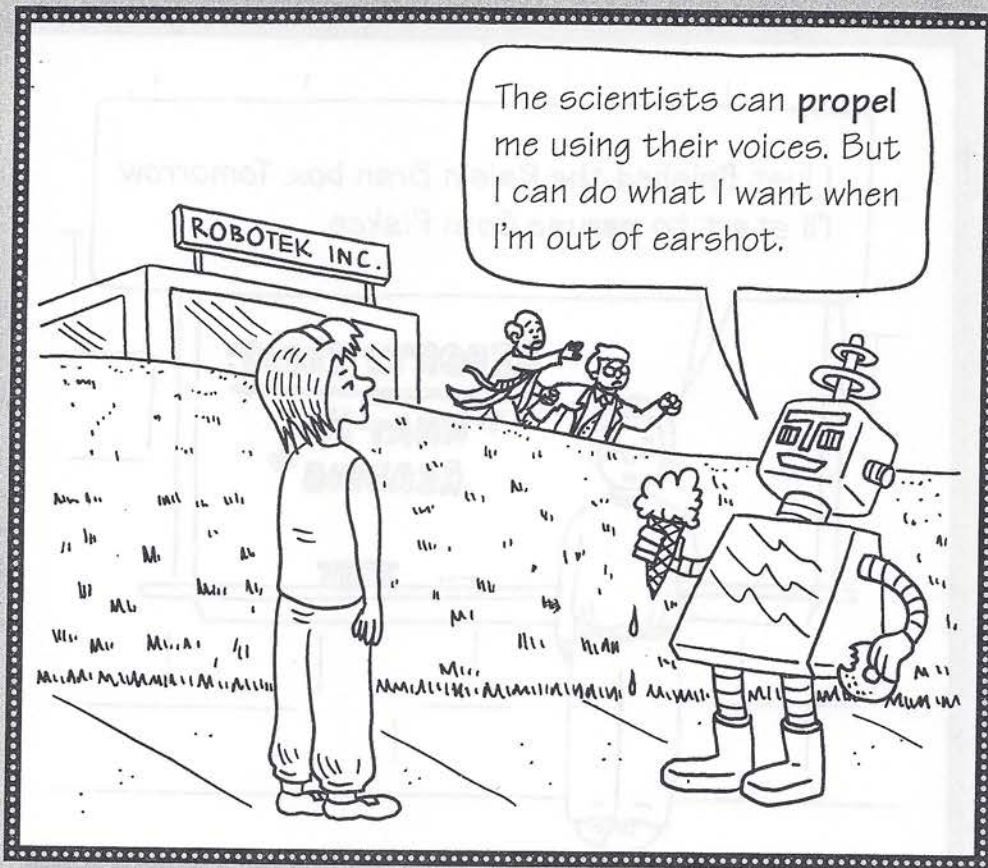
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digress
(verb)

To **digress** means
to stray or get off
the subject one
was talking or
writing about.



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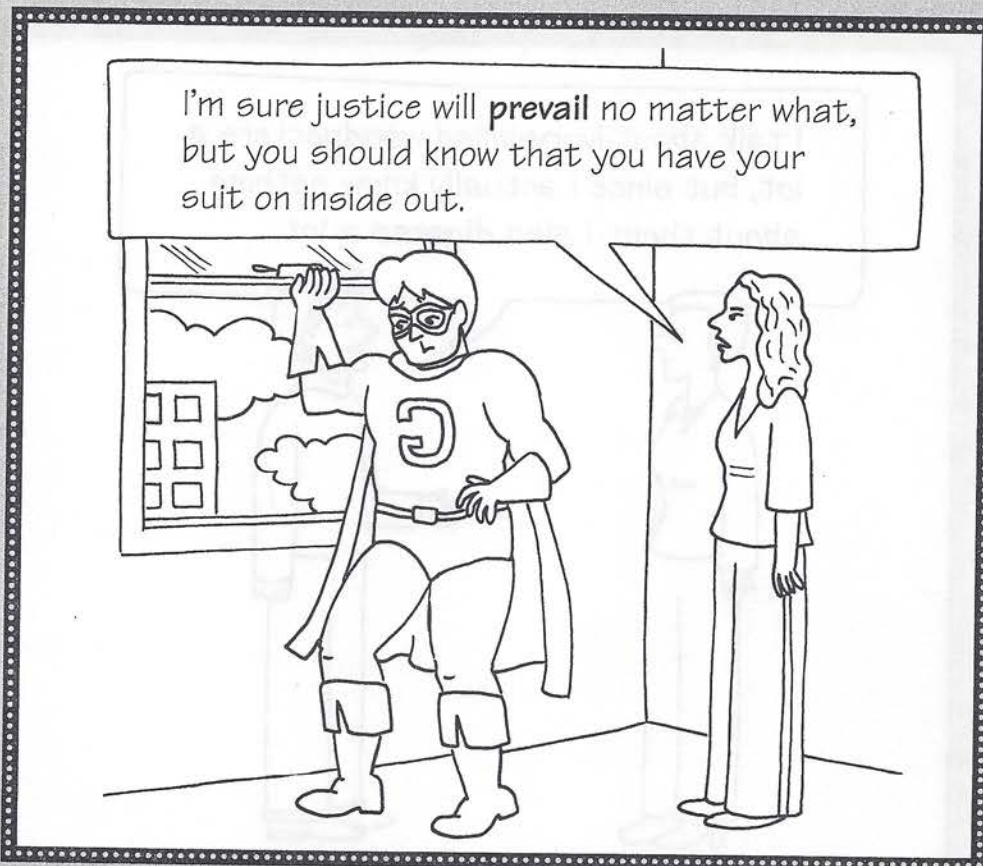
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propel
(verb)

To **propel** means to move something forward or ahead.

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prevail
(verb)

To **prevail** means to succeed or triumph.

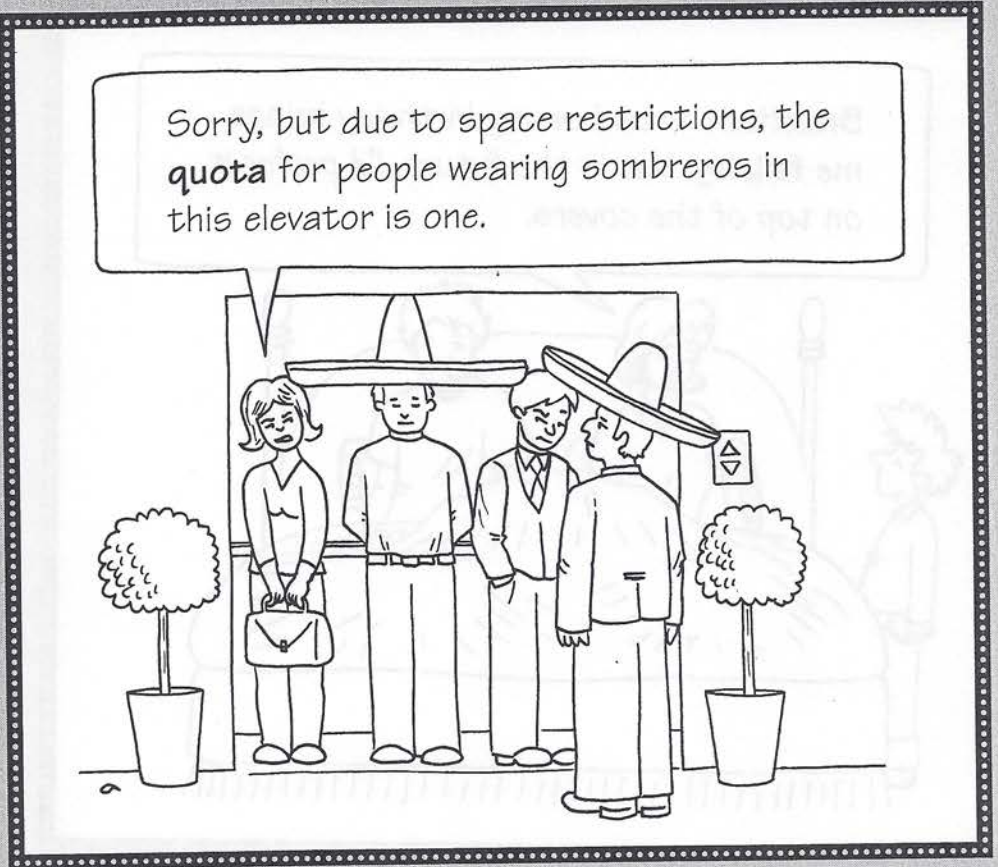
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quota
(noun)

A **quota** is the amount or proportion allowed for certain things, such as a place.



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droves
(noun)

The word **droves** refers to a large group, like a crowd.



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Breakfast in bed on my birthday brings me **felicity**, but in the future, I'd prefer it on top of the covers.



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felicity
(noun)

Felicity is another word for happiness.

Why didn't you tell us you had a **qualm** about heights before we started on this plan?



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qualm
(noun)

A **qualm** is a feeling of uneasiness, like being uncomfortable about something.

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loathe
(verb)

To **loathe** means
to dislike strongly
or despise.



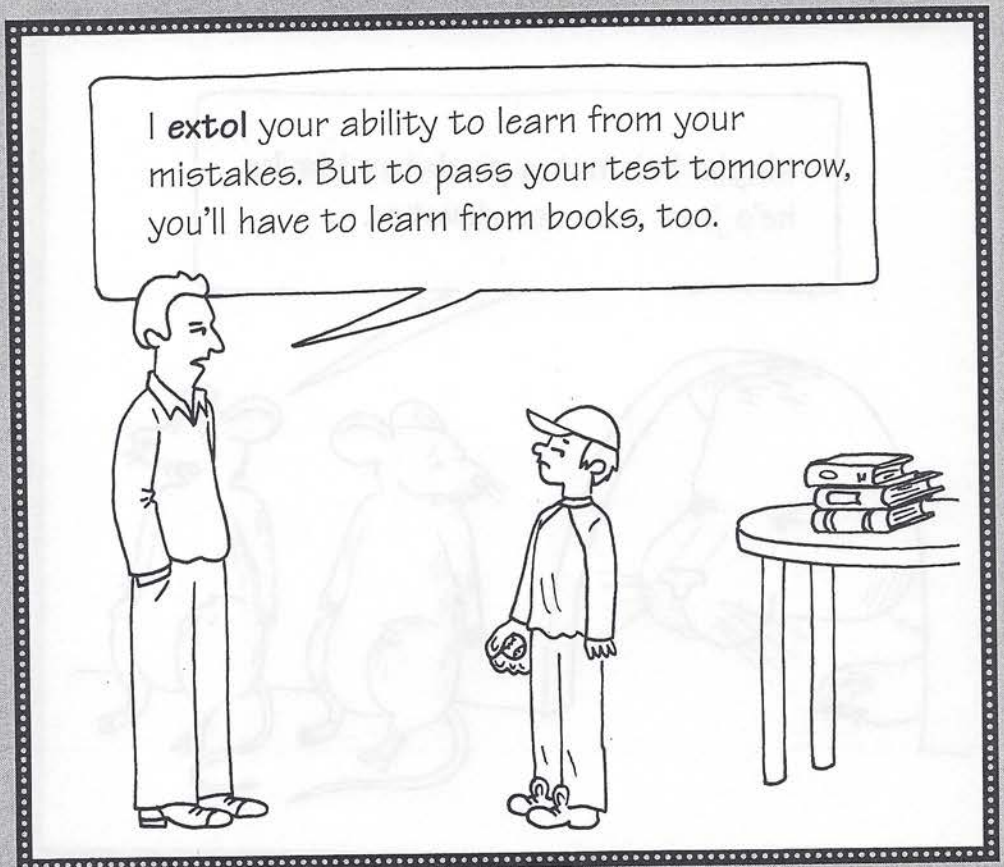
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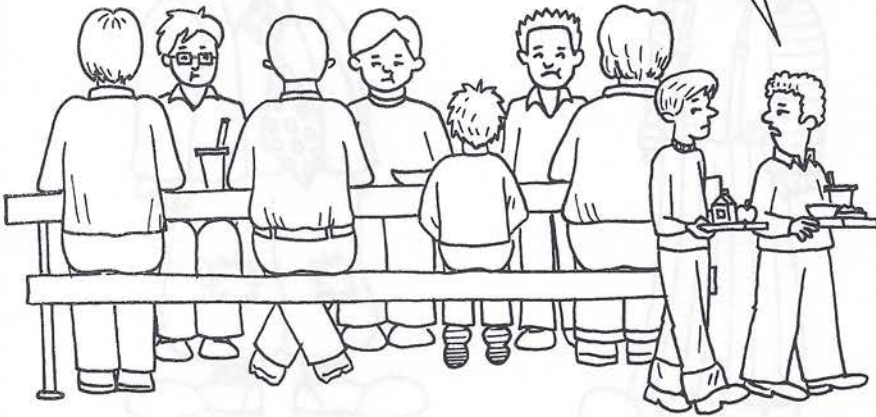
extol
(verb)

To **extol** means
to praise highly.



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Jim's only in third grade but he's got enough **clout** with the fifth graders to sit at their lunch table.



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clout
(noun)

Clout means
influence or power.

Maybe he's not a predator. Maybe he's just a mouse **devotee**.



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devotee
(noun)

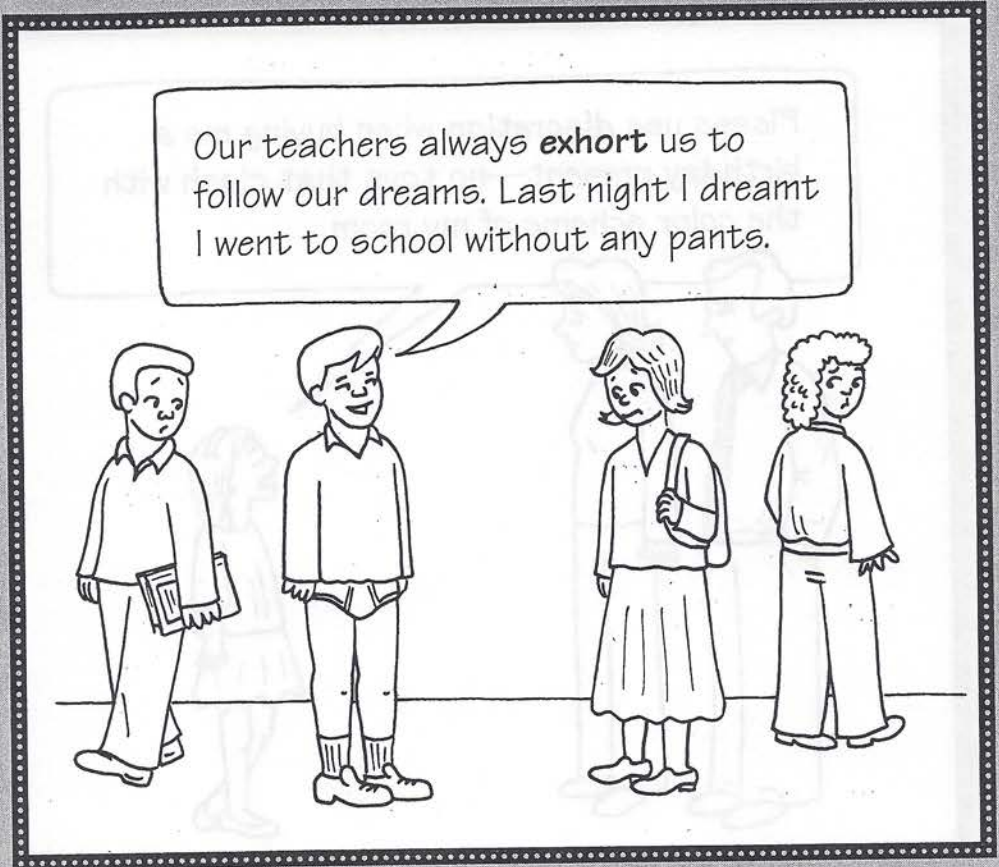
A **devotee** is
someone who
is a loyal fan
or follower.

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exhort
(verb)

To **exhort** means to encourage or advise.



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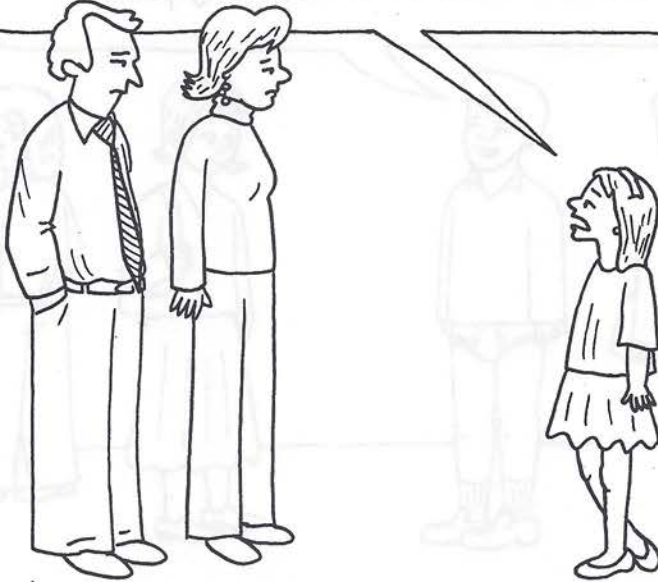
elude
(verb)

To **elude** means to avoid or escape from something.



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Please use **discretion** when buying me a birthday present—no toys that clash with the color scheme of my room.



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discretion
(noun)

Discretion means
good judgment.

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Your **apprehension** is for the wrong reason.



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apprehension
(noun)

Apprehension means
worry or anxiety.

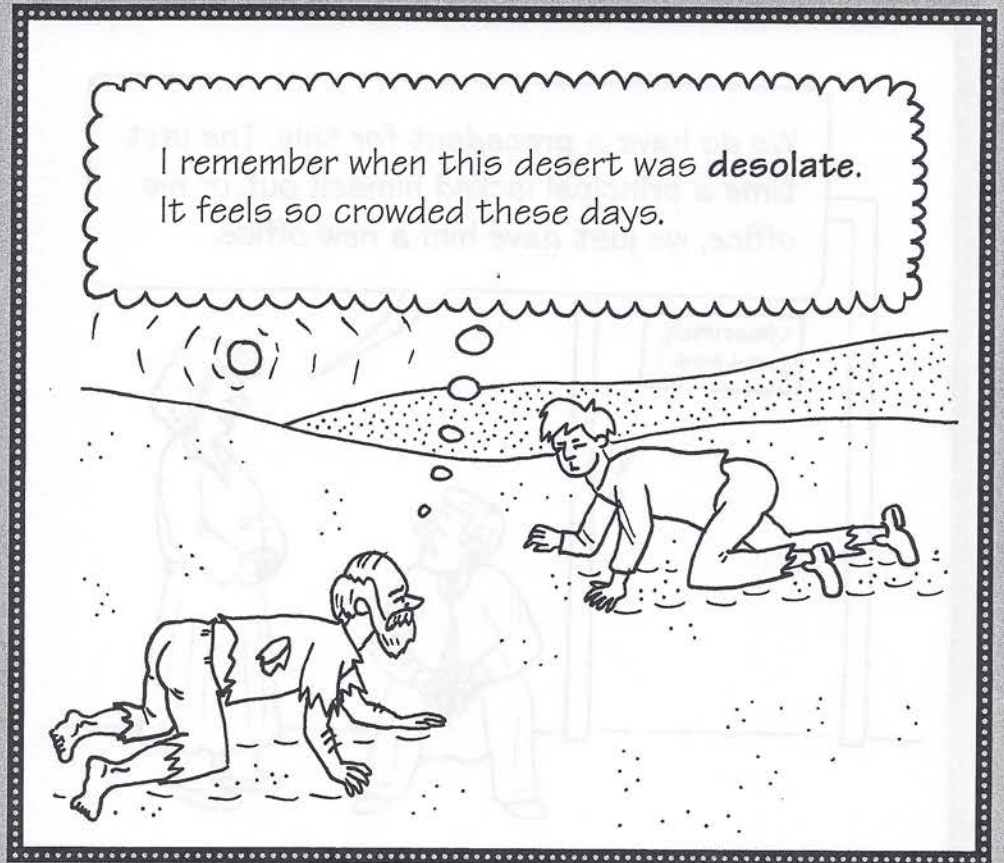
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desolate
(adjective)

Something that
is **desolate** is
empty or lifeless.



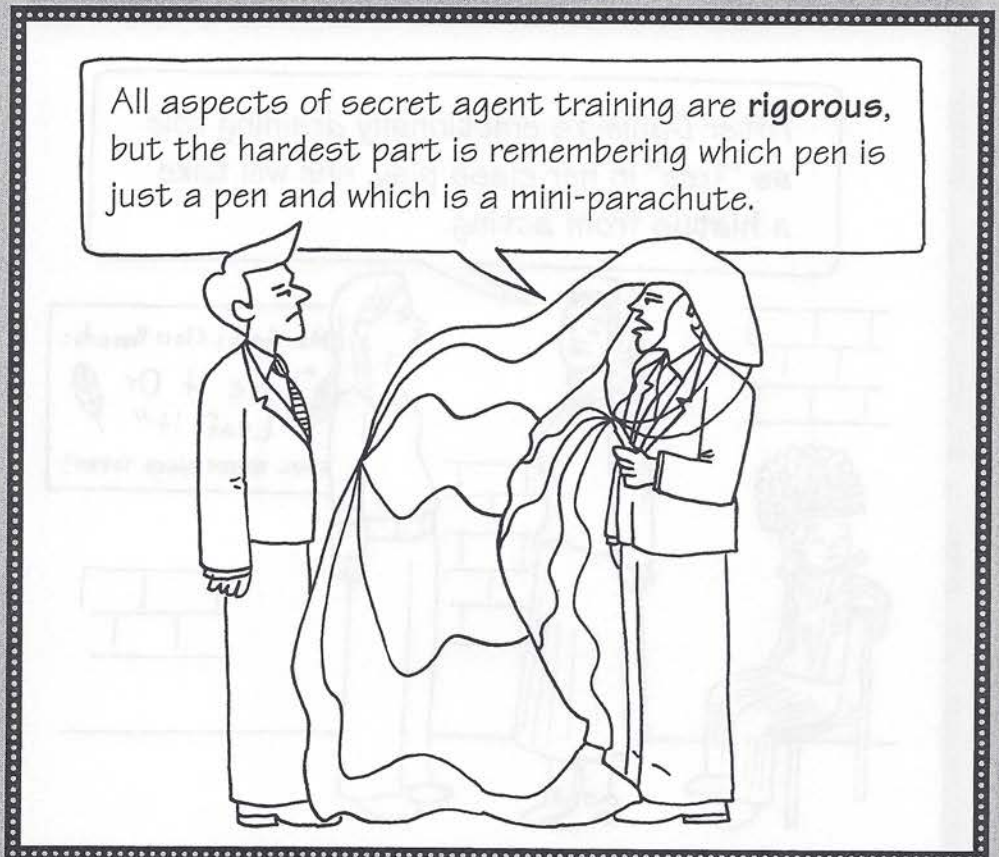
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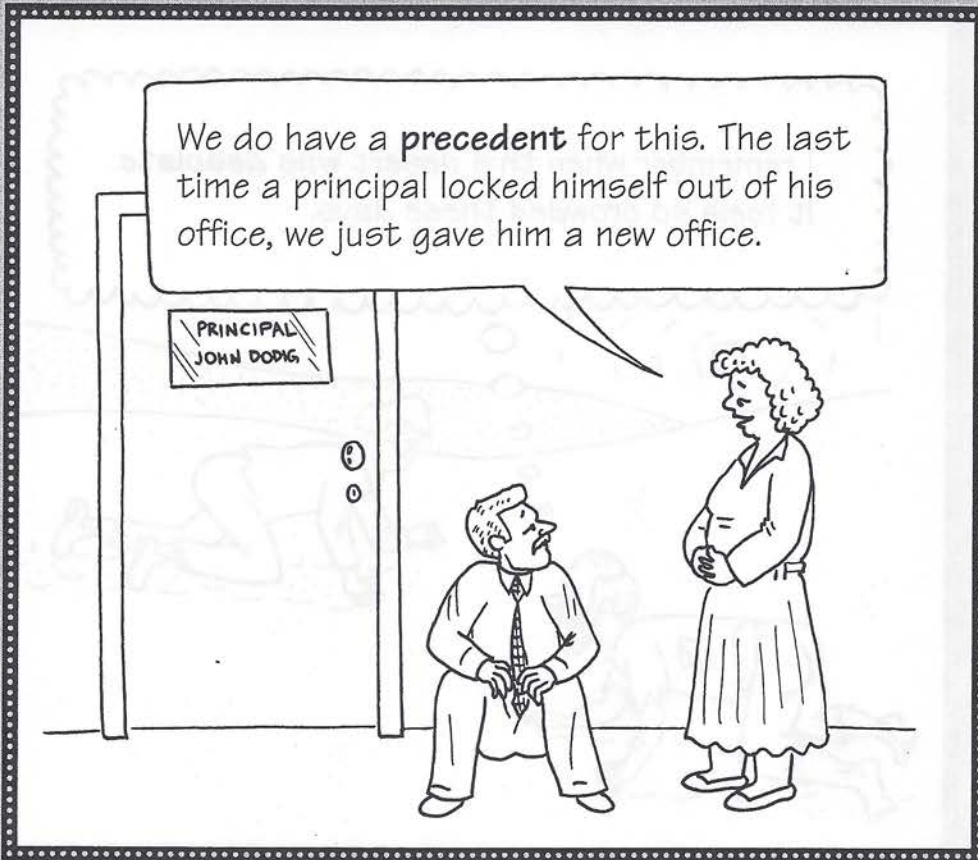
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rigorous
(adjective)

Something that is
rigorous is harsh
and very difficult.



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precedent
(noun)

A **precedent** is something that has already happened that may be used as an example in dealing with a similar event.



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hiatus
(noun)

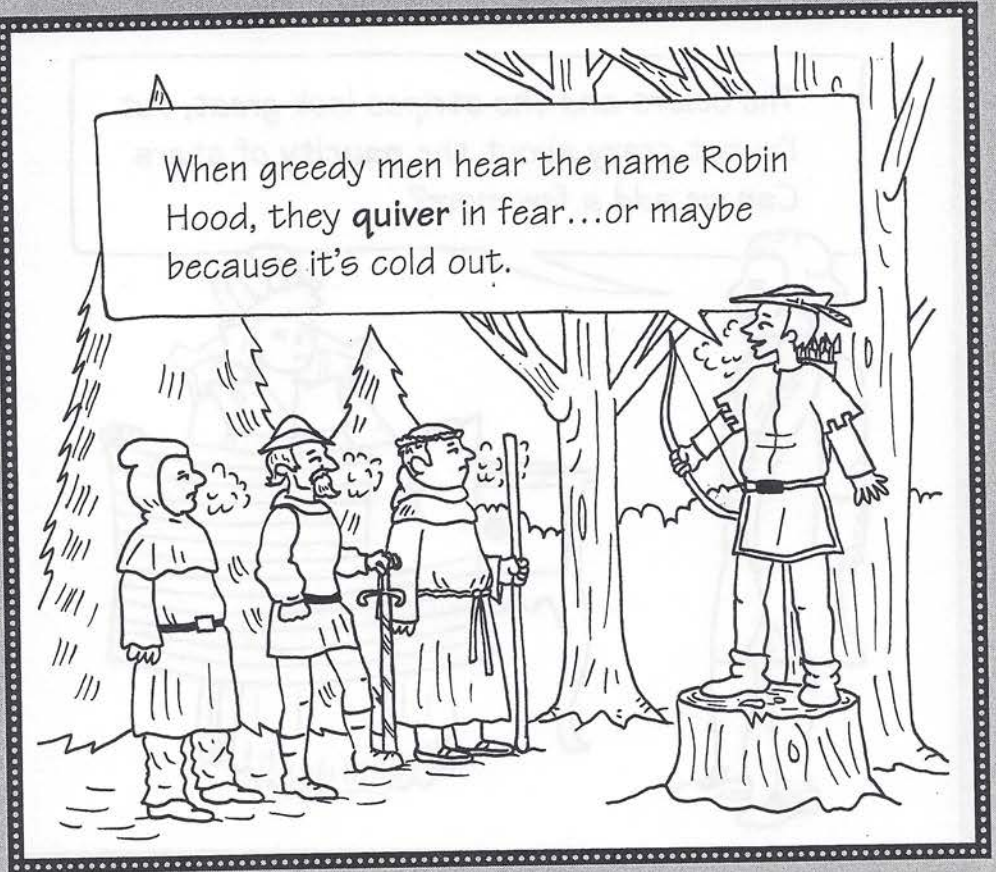
A **hiatus** is a rest or a break.

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quiver
(verb)

To **quiver** means
to shake or tremble.



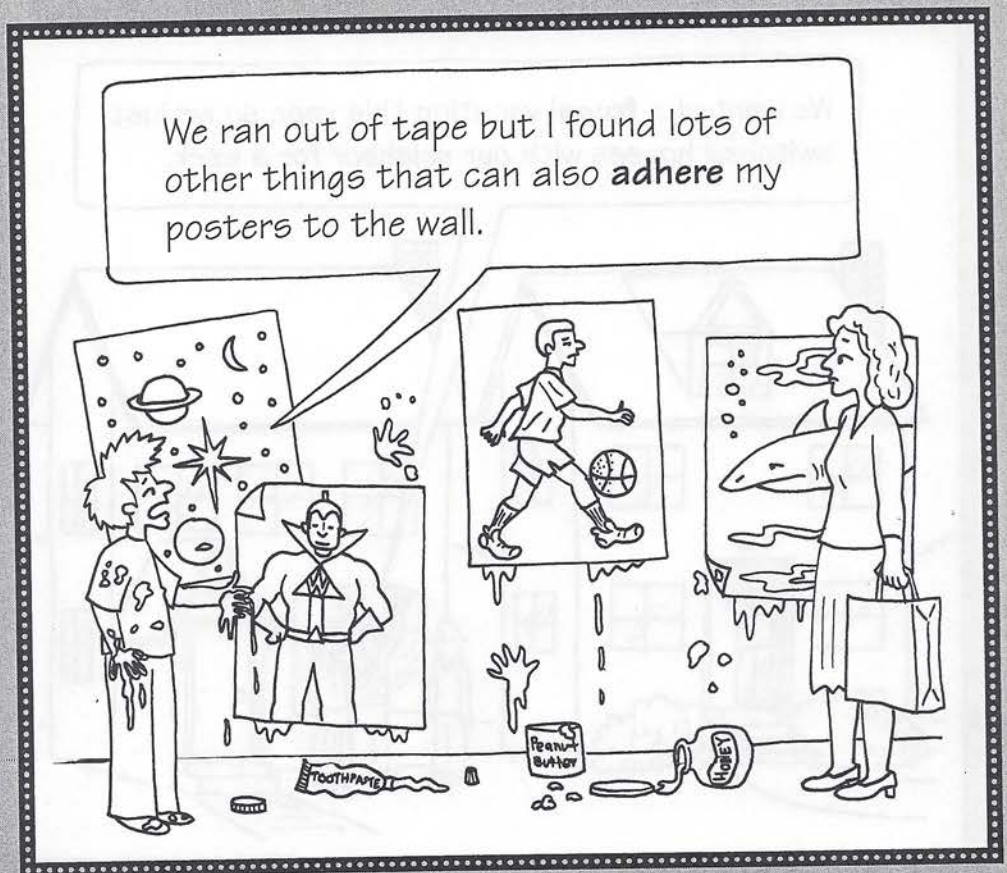
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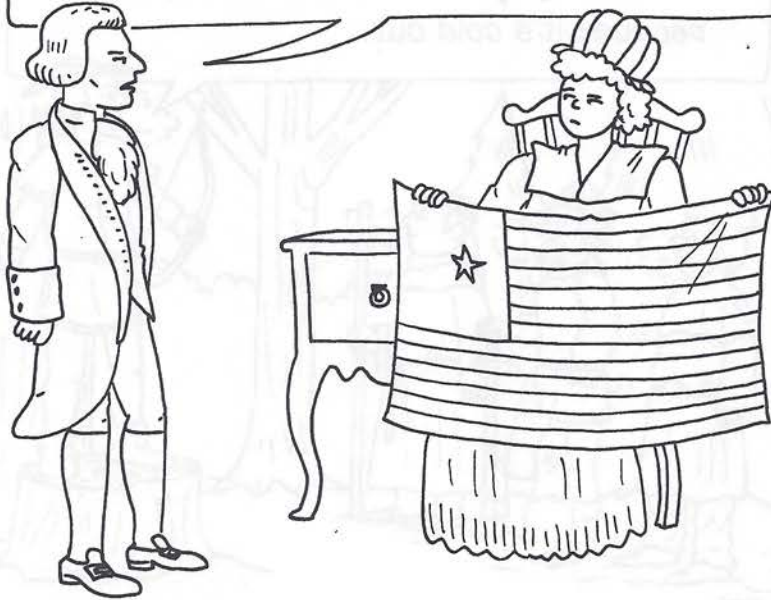
adhere
(verb)

To **adhere**
means to stick fast,
as if by glue.



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The colors and the stripes look great, but I'm not crazy about the **paucity** of stars. Can we add a few more?



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paucity
(noun)

Paucity means the smallness of number.

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We wanted a **frugal** vacation this year, so we just switched houses with our neighbor for a week.



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frugal
(adjective)

Frugal means thrifty or inexpensive.

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boon
(noun)

A **boon** is
a benefit or
advantage.



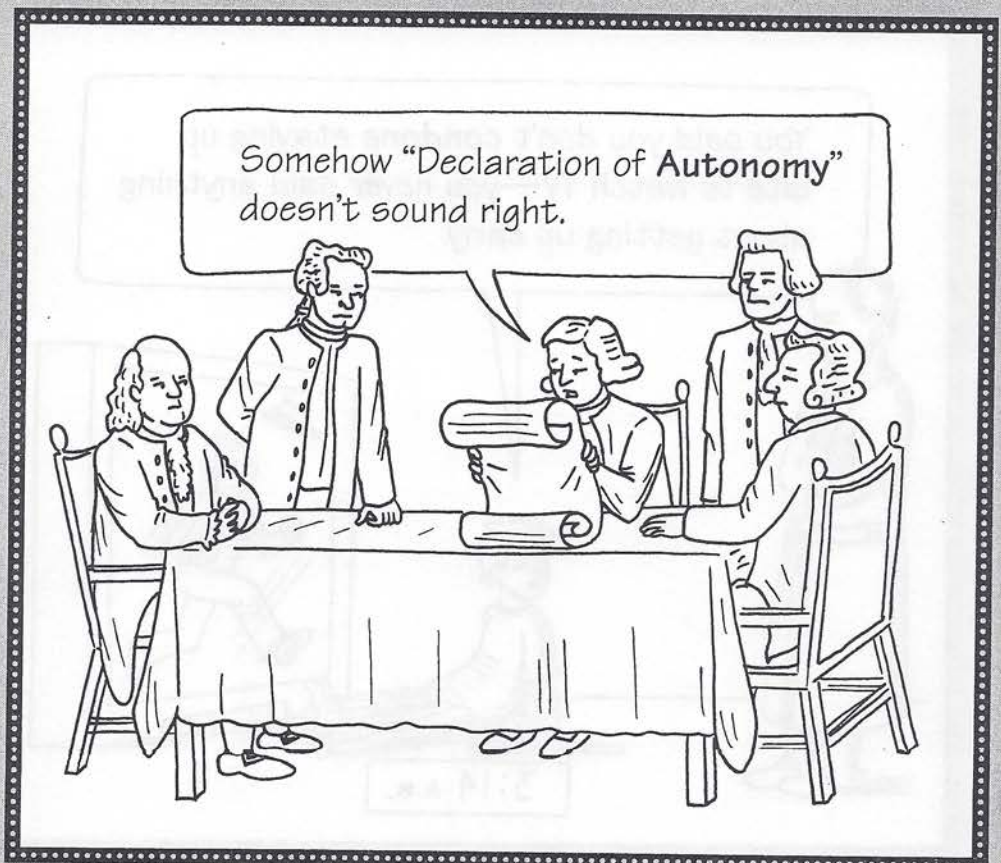
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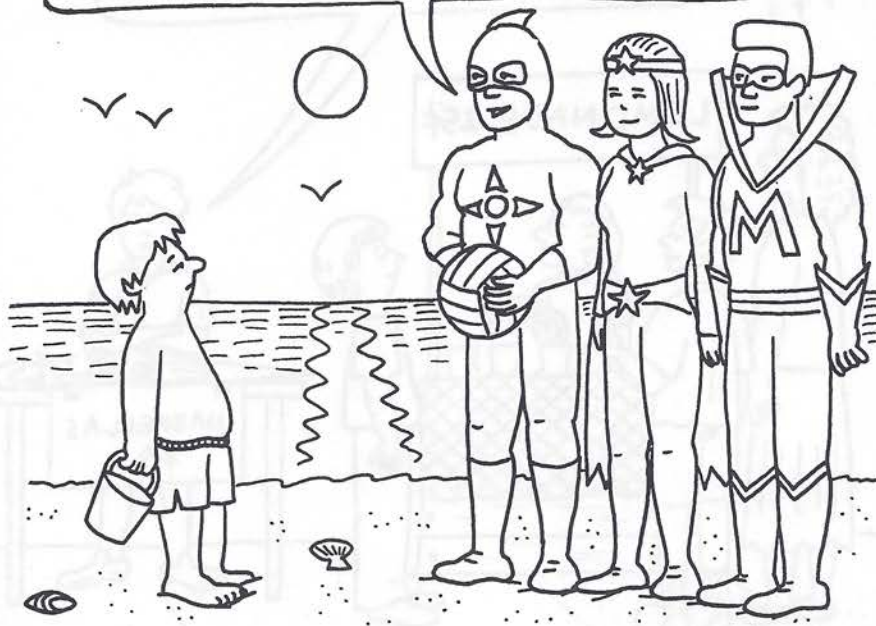
autonomy
(noun)

Autonomy means
self-government
or independence.



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We **convene** for international disasters, alien invasions, and occasionally, a game of beach volleyball.



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convene
(verb)

To **convene** means
to come together.

You said you don't **condone** staying up late to watch TV—you never said anything about getting up early.



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condone
(verb)

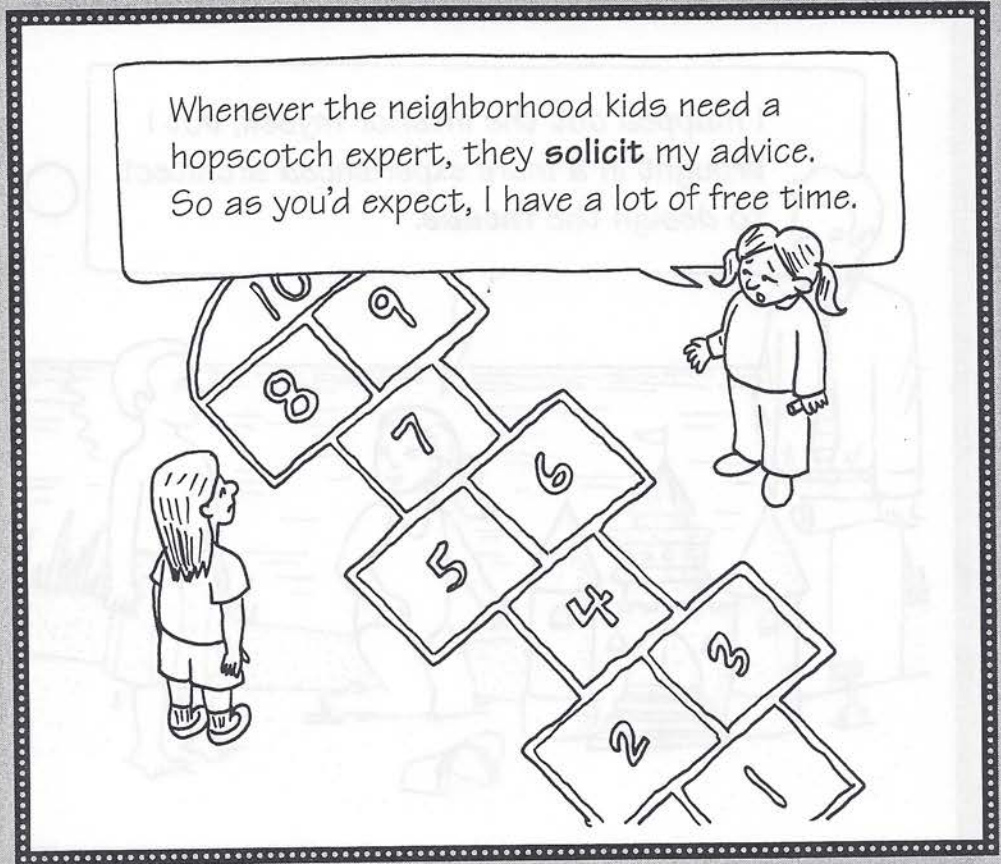
To **condone**
means to overlook
or excuse behavior
that may be wrong.

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solicit
(verb)

To **solicit** means
to call upon or
seek by request.



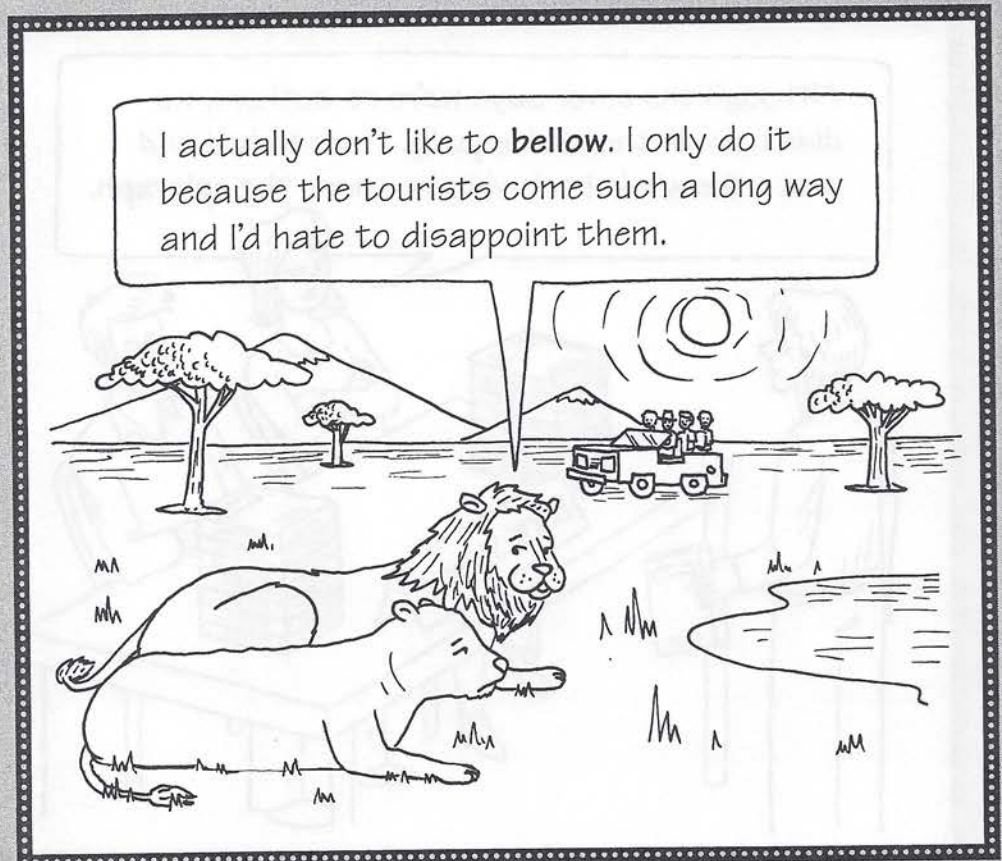
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bellow
(verb)

To **bellow** means
to roar or shout
in a deep voice.



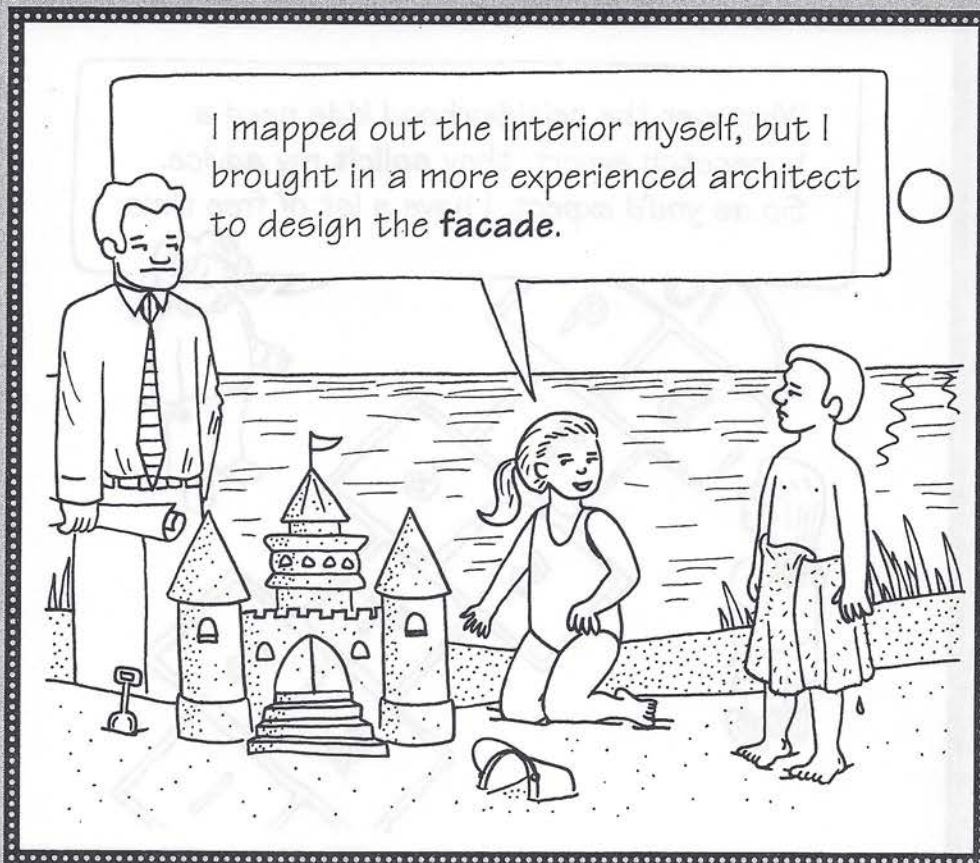
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facade
(noun)

A **facade** is the front of a building.



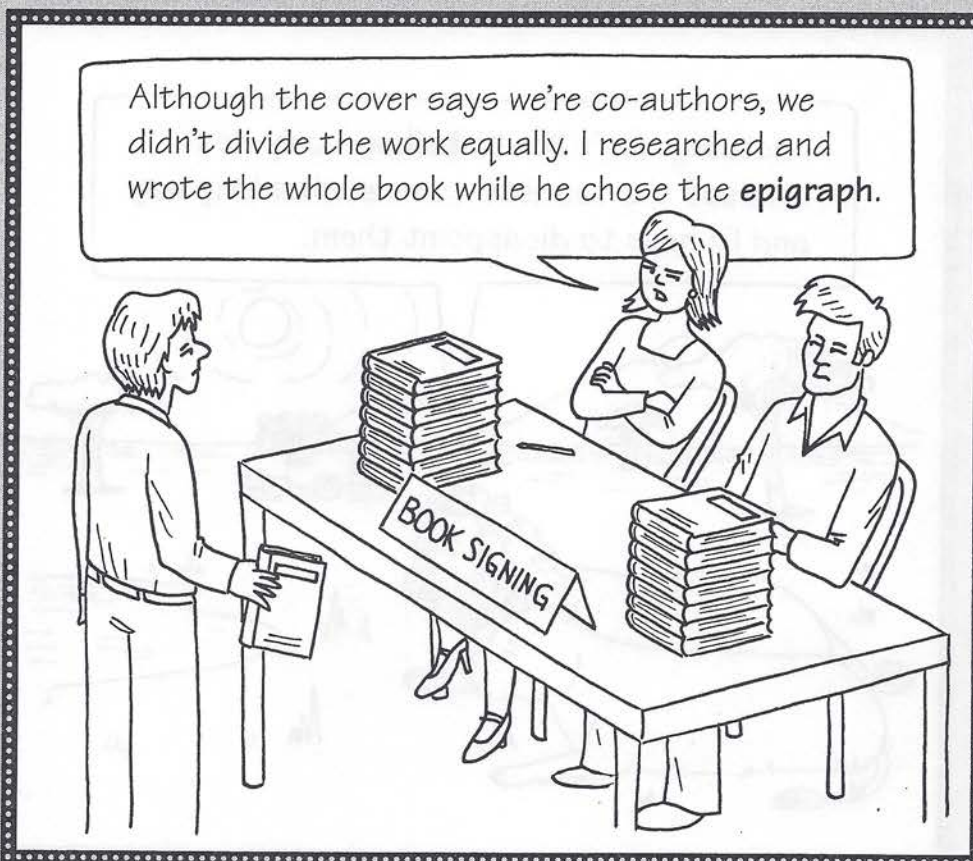
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epigraph
(noun)

An **epigraph** is a quotation at the beginning of a book that suggests its theme.



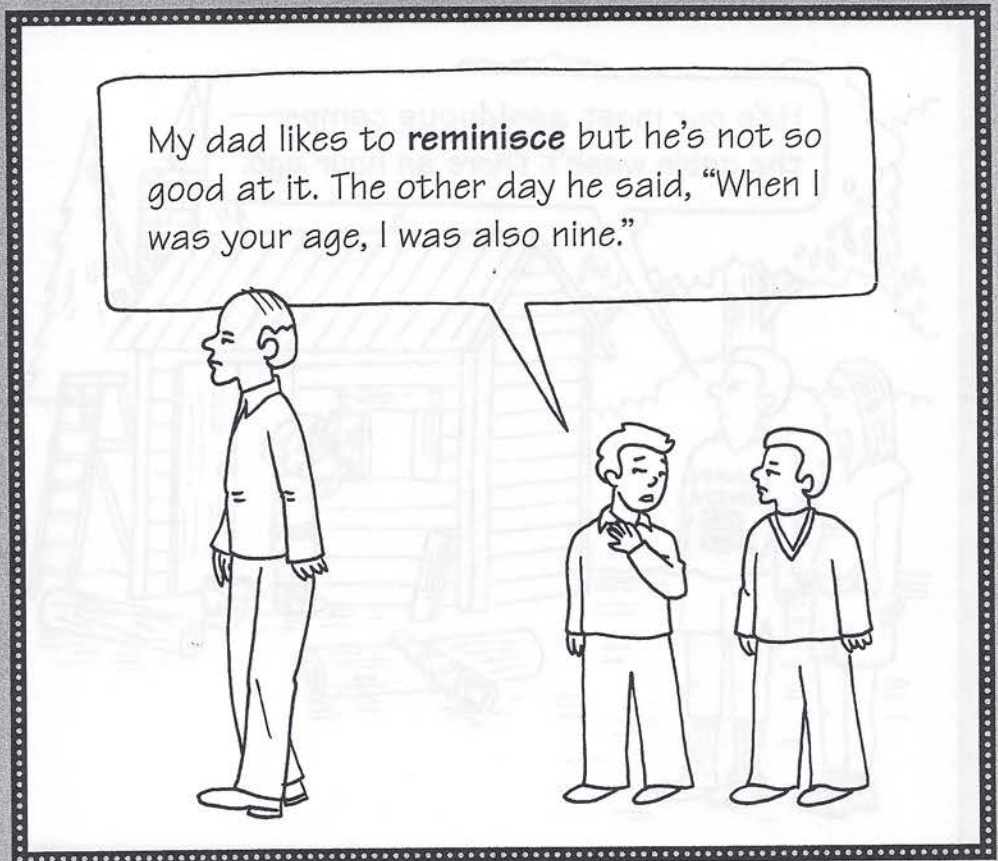
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reminisce
(verb)

To **reminisce**
means to fondly
remember something
in the past.



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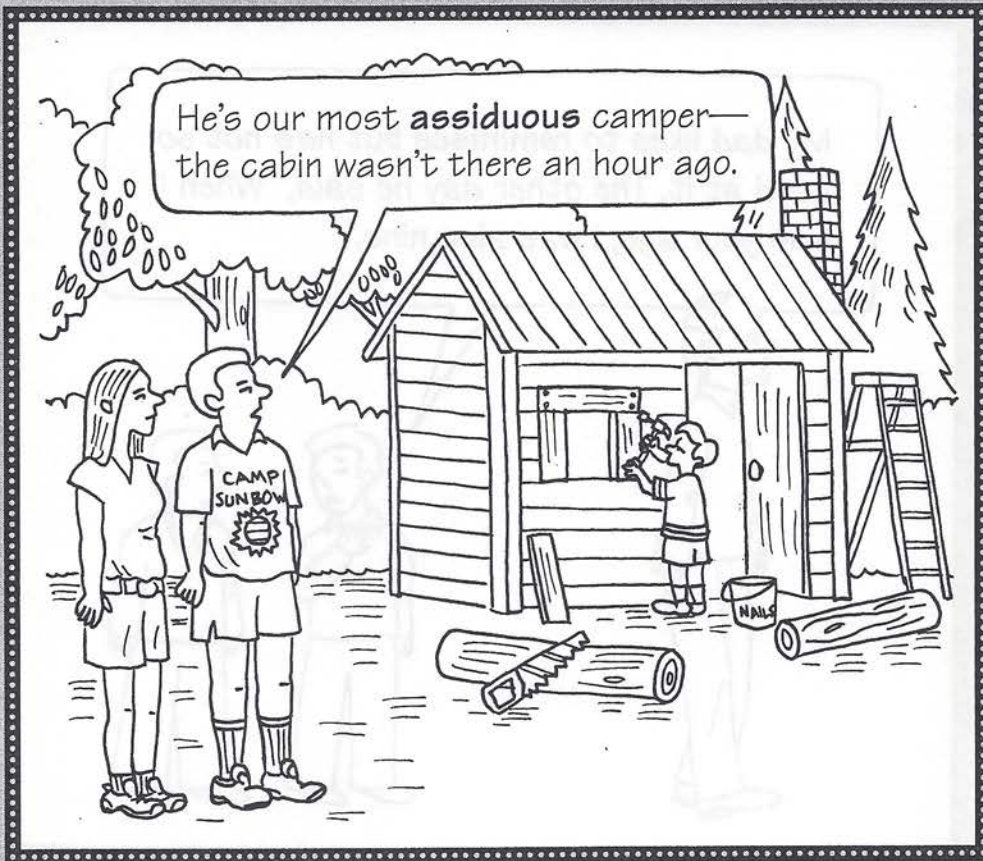
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divulge
(verb)

To **divulge**
means to reveal
or make public.



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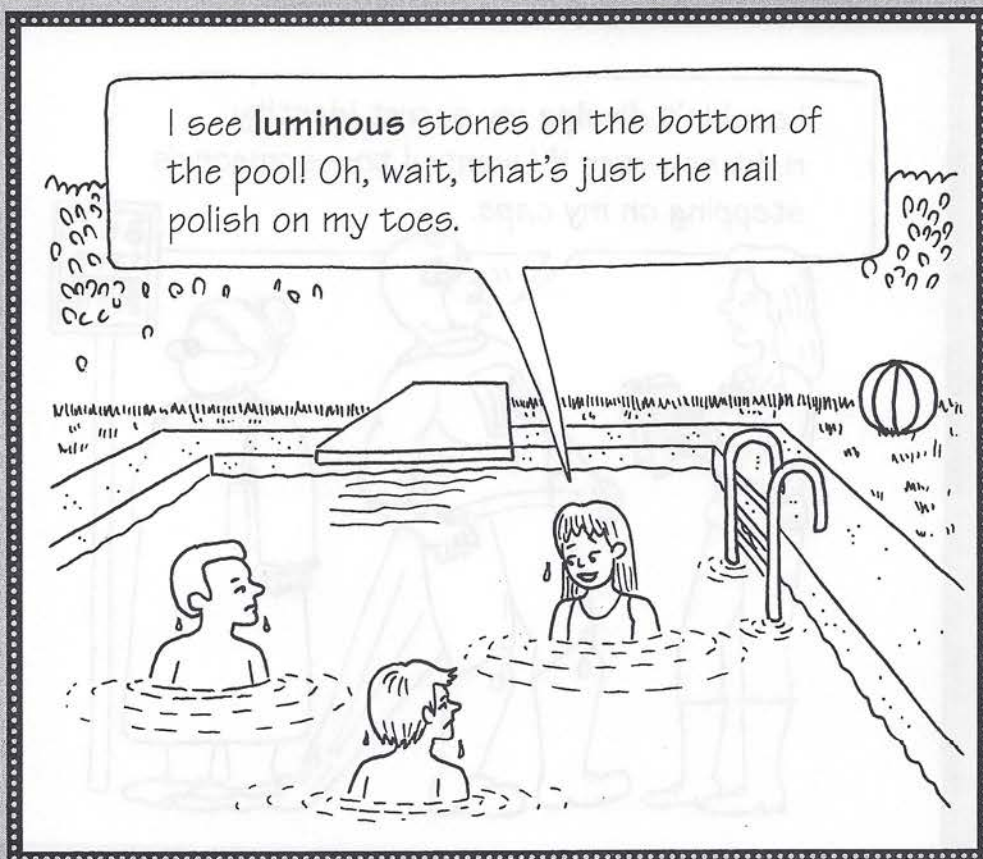
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assiduous
(adjective)

A person who is **assiduous** is very hardworking and attentive to details.



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luminous
(adjective)

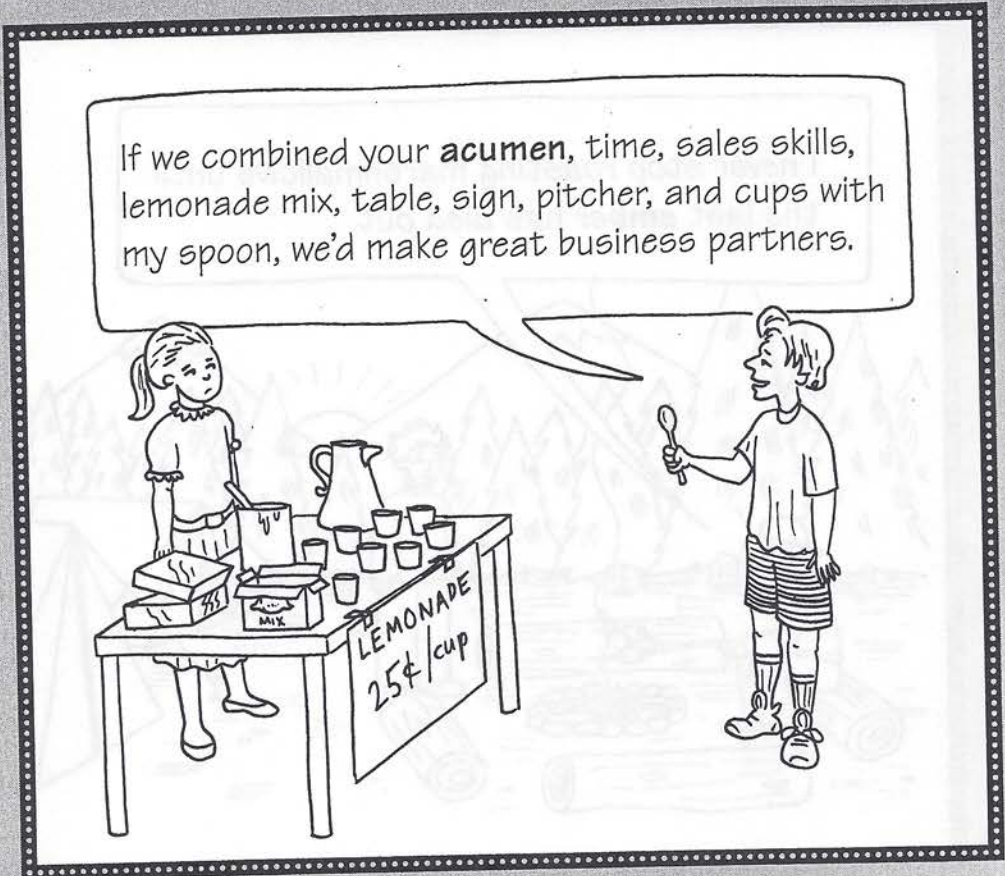
Something that is **luminous** is shiny and bright.

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acumen
(noun)

Acumen is another word for expertise or intelligence.



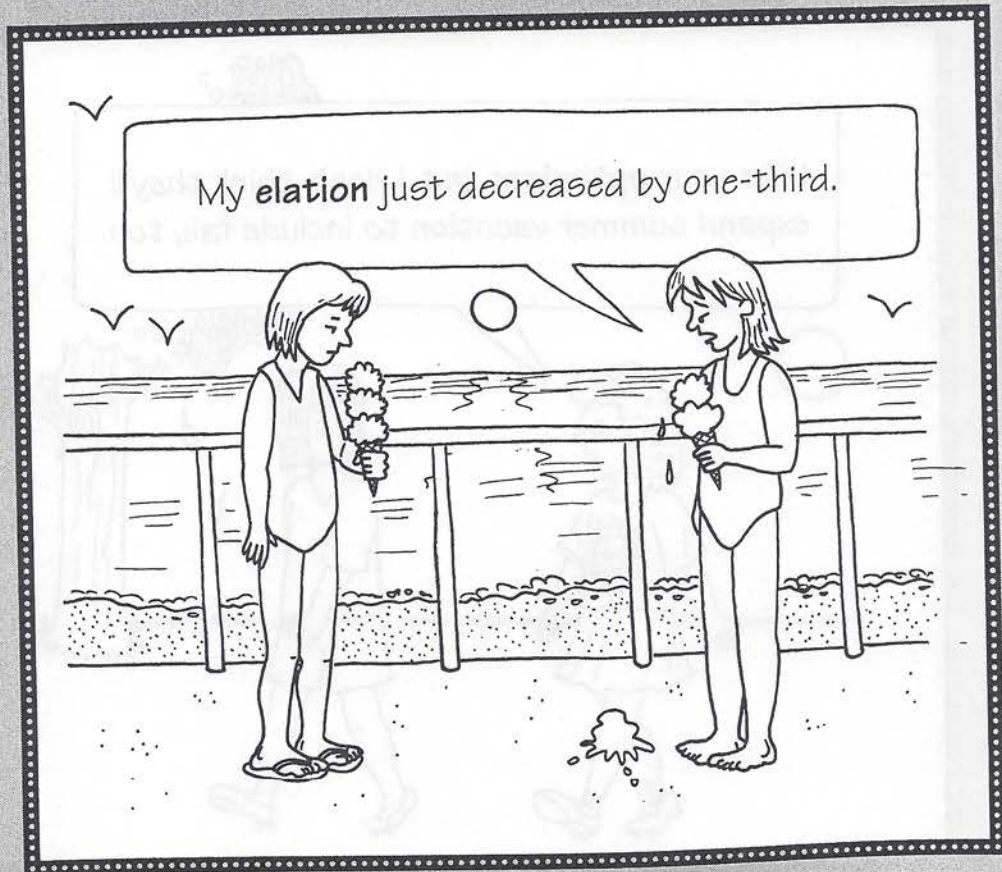
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elation
(noun)

Elation is the state of being happy or filled with joy.



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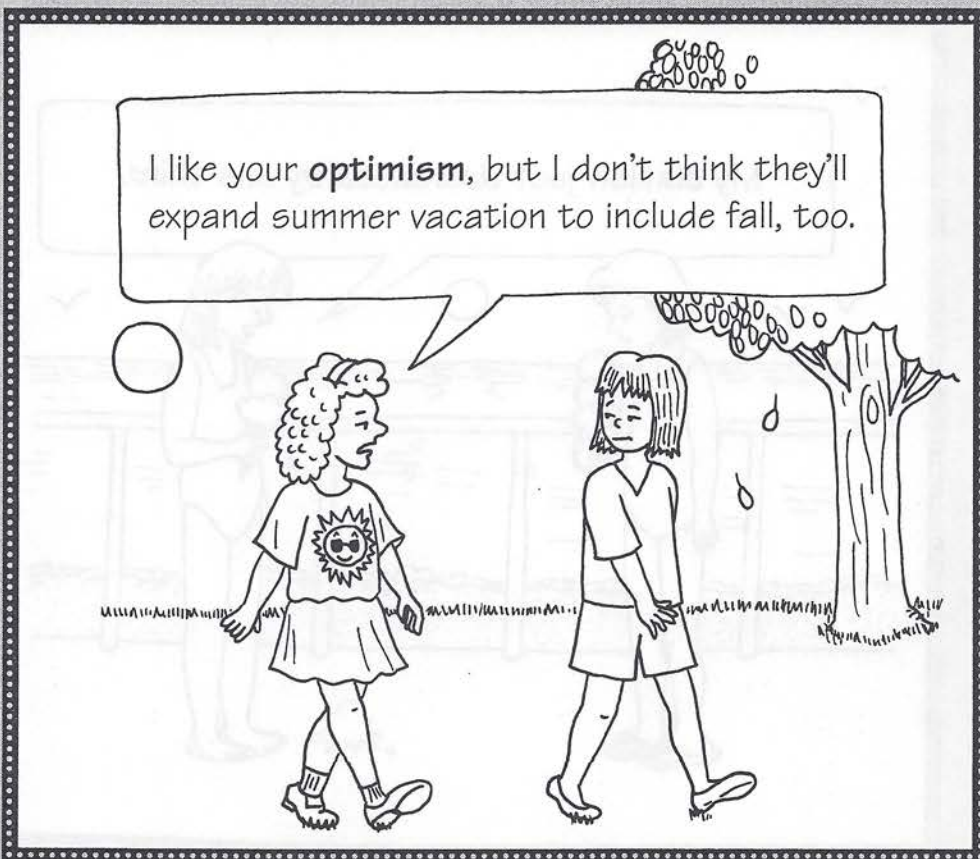
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ember
(noun)

An **ember** is a small, glowing piece of coal or wood.



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optimism
(noun)

Optimism is the belief in good things happening; positive thinking.