



# Definitions

You were introduced to the words below in the passage on pages 36–37. Study the pronunciation, spelling, part of speech, and definition of each word. Write the word in the blank space in the sentence that follows. Then read the synonyms and antonyms.

## Remember

A **noun** (*n.*) is a word that names a person, place, or thing.

A **verb** (*v.*) is a word or words that express action or a state of being.

An **adjective** (*adj.*) is a word that describes a noun or pronoun.

**1. aggressive**  
(ə gre' sɪv)

(adj.) quick to fight or quarrel, tending to violence; bold and forceful, determined

An \_\_\_\_\_ salesperson never gives up.

SYNONYMS: violent, warlike; pushy, vigorous  
ANTONYMS: peaceful, timid; shy, bashful, retiring



**2. associate**  
(v., ə sō' shē āt;  
n., adj., ə sō' shē ət)

(v.) to join or be together as partners, allies, or friends; to link in one's mind, connect

I will always \_\_\_\_\_ peaches with summer.

(n.) a partner, friend

The businessman introduced his \_\_\_\_\_.

(adj.) having less than full rank

She was hired as an \_\_\_\_\_ professor in the science department.

SYNONYMS: (v.) to unite, mingle, combine, mix, relate; (n.) a companion, teammate, coworker; (adj.) assistant  
ANTONYMS: (v.) to separate, distance, divorce; (n.) an enemy, foe, rival, stranger

**3. deceive**  
(di sēv')

(v.) to trick or lead a person into believing something that is not true

It is wrong to \_\_\_\_\_ the customer with false advertising.

SYNONYMS: to fool, swindle, mislead, double-cross, cheat

**4. emigrate**  
(e' mæ grāt)

(v.) to leave one's home country or area to live in another

Henri hopes to \_\_\_\_\_ from Haiti to the United States.

SYNONYMS: to relocate, resettle, move, migrate

**5. flexible**  
(flek' sə bəl)

(adj.) able to bend without breaking; able to change or to take in new ideas

I brought in a box of \_\_\_\_\_ straws.

SYNONYMS: bendable, limber, elastic, springy; adaptable, adjustable  
ANTONYMS: stiff, rigid, unbendable; inflexible

**6. glamour**  
(gla' mər)

(n.) mysterious charm, beauty, or attractiveness

*The movie captures the \_\_\_\_\_ of Paris.*

SYNONYMS: style, sparkle, magic, enchantment, romance, fascination

**7. hazy**  
(hā' zē)

(adj.) unclear, misty; not readily seen or understandable

*Another hot and \_\_\_\_\_ day is forecast.*

SYNONYMS: cloudy, smoggy, foggy, blurry, dim; vague  
ANTONYMS: bright, clear; precise

**8. linger**  
(lin' gər)

(v.) to stay longer than expected, be slow in leaving; to go slowly or take one's time

*We like to \_\_\_\_\_ over breakfast on Saturdays.*

SYNONYMS: to delay, stall, remain, stay, lag, persist; to dawdle  
ANTONYMS: to hurry, rush, charge, hasten

**9. luxurious**  
(ləg zhūr' ē əs)

(adj.) providing ease and comfort far beyond what is ordinary or necessary

*They took a \_\_\_\_\_ vacation.*

SYNONYMS: rich, elegant, pleasurable, lavish, extravagant, fancy  
ANTONYMS: poor, plain, simple, modest



**10. mishap**  
(mis' hap)

(n.) an unfortunate but minor accident

*The waiters chuckled over the \_\_\_\_\_.*

SYNONYMS: a misfortune, mistake, blunder, slipup

**11. overwhelm**  
(ō vər welm')

(v.) to overcome by superior force, crush; to affect so deeply as to make helpless

*Fresh troops threatened to \_\_\_\_\_ the weakened defenders.*

SYNONYMS: to overpower, destroy, crush; to stun, shock, stagger, astound

**12. span**  
(span)

(n.) the full reach or length, especially between two points in space or time

*The \_\_\_\_\_ of most insects' lives is very brief.*

(v.) to stretch or reach across

*A new bridge will be built to \_\_\_\_\_ the Golden Gate, which is the opening of San Francisco Bay.*

SYNONYMS: (n.) extent, distance, length, scope, period; (v.) to bridge, cross, last

