

## VOCABULARY

### 1. Hone (verb)

**Meaning;** To make more acute, intense, or effective.



**Synonyms:** sharpen, edge

**Antonyms:** blunt, diminish

### 2. Hovel (noun)

**Meaning;** A poor cottage; a small, mean house; a hut.



**Synonyms:** hut, slum

**Antonyms:** fort, bungalow

### 3. Stark (adjective)

**Meaning;** Hard, firm; obdurate.



**Synonyms:** evident, absolute

**Antonyms:** indistinct, loose

### 4. Exorbitant (adjective)

**Meaning;** Exceeding proper limits; extravagant; excessive or unduly high.



**Synonyms:** outrageous, excessive

**Antonyms:** cheap, affordable

5. **Stodgy (adjective)**

**Meaning;** Dull, old-fashioned



**Synonyms:** monotonous, uninteresting

**Antonyms:** entertainment, interesting

6. **Deleterious (adjective)**

**Meaning;** Harmful often in a subtle or unexpected way.



**Synonyms:** bad, damaging

**Antonyms:** good, beneficial

7. **Vexatious (Adjective)**

**Meaning;** Causing vexation or annoyance; teasing; troublesome.



**Synonyms:** irksome, annoying

**Antonyms:** pleasing, aiding