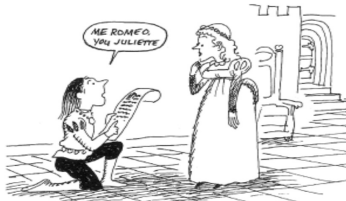


TERSE
(turs) *adj.*
brief and to the point; concise
Link: **VERSE**



"A TERSE Shakespearean VERSE."

- ❑ Rich could tell he had annoyed his teacher when she gave him a TERSE reply.
- ❑ Hemingway is best known for his TERSE style of writing.
- ❑ When Sally becomes annoyed and wants to make her point, she becomes very TERSE.

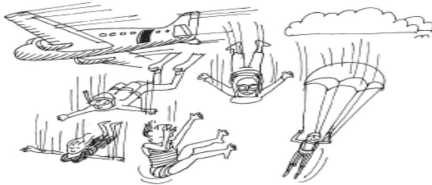
COERCE
(koh URS) *v.*
to force someone by threatening or physically overpowering him
Link: **HORSE**



"COERCING a HORSE."

- ❑ The burglar's confession was COERCED by the police.
- ❑ Elizabeth was COERCED by her sister to take another cookie from the jar.
- ❑ It was evident from the video tape that the hostage was COERCED to lie about the status of her condition.

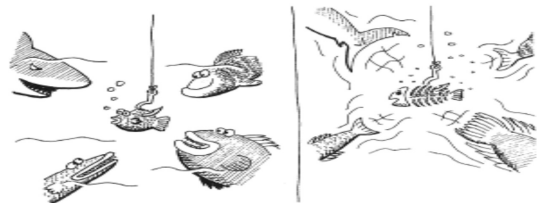
DIVERSE
(di VURS) *adj.*
different; varied
Link: **DIVERS**



"DIVERSE sky DIVERS."

- ❑ Humphrey had a DIVERSE collection of classic automobiles.
- ❑ The California Gold Rush attracted people of DIVERSE backgrounds: farmers, bankers and tradesmen made the journey to the gold fields.
- ❑ Randy had a DIVERSE education with degrees in medicine, law, and business.

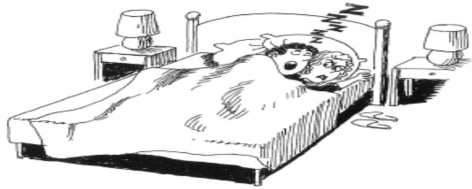
ABATE
(ah BAIT) *v.*
to reduce
Link: **BAIT**



"ABATED BAIT."

- ❑ Marta's defeat in the tennis tournament did not ABATE her zeal for the game.
- ❑ Tom went to a financial consultant to seek advice on ABATING his burdening debts.
- ❑ When the storm finally ABATED, we resumed our family picnic.

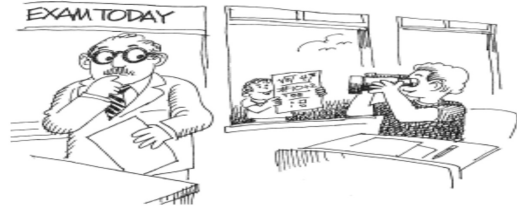
ABIDE
(ah BYDE) *v.*
to remain; continue; stay; endure
Link: **SIDE**



"Ron could not ABIDE by staying on his SIDE of the bed."

- ❑ The prisoner knew he had to ABIDE by the verdict of the jury.
- ❑ Josh's father always told him if he made a promise, he must ABIDE by it.
- ❑ Soldiers in battle need to have an ABIDING faith in their fellow soldiers.

GAMBIT
(GAM bit) *v.*
to take a risk for some advantage
Link: **GAMBLE**



"A GAMBIT not worth the GAMBLE."

- ❑ The general's GAMBIT paid off when his troops won the battle.
- ❑ The chess player's GAMBIT was unsuccessful when he was put in checkmate.
- ❑ The employee's daring GAMBIT won him a raise from his boss.

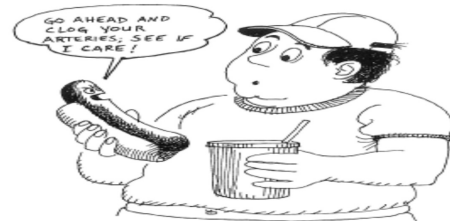
JAUNT
(jawnt) *n.*
a short pleasure trip
Link: **HAUNT**



"A JAUNT HAUNT."

- ❑ After not taking a family vacation for two years, a JAUNT to the beach was a pleasant respite.
- ❑ My parents are always taking JAUNTS in their new motor home.
- ❑ Mary and Bryan always enjoy their annual JAUNT to the mountains.

FRANK
(frangk) *adj.*
straightforward, open and sincere in expression
Link: **FRANKFURTER**



"A FRANK FRANKFURTER."

- ❑ Jim's FRANK remark about Marge's weight made her cry.
- ❑ The doctor was FRANK about Lisa's prognosis.
- ❑ The boss encouraged us to speak FRANKLY at the meeting.

LITHE
(lythe) *adj.*
bending easily and gracefully
Link: **LIZA**



"LIZA is the most **LITHE** gymnast on our team."

- ❑ The **LITHE** ballerina stretched her muscles before her performance.
- ❑ The gymnast was so **LITHESOME** that she dismounted without a sound.
- ❑ The dancer was as **LITHE** as a cat as he leapt across the stage.

AESTHETIC
(es THET ik) *adj.*
having to do with artistic beauty
Link: **ATHLETIC**



"An **AESTHETIC** ATHLETE."

- ❑ Japanese rock gardens demonstrate **AESTHETIC** values typical of a Far Eastern culture.
- ❑ The artist had an uncanny sense of **AESTHETICS**; he could make a drawing of a plate of food look like a Thanksgiving feast.
- ❑ Jeannie molded the ugly lump of clay into an **AESTHETICALLY** pleasing masterpiece.