

Rescript	official announcement, decision made by the Pope on matters of morality	Sentient	having the power of preception by the senses, experiencing sensation
Resipiscence	recognition of error, return to good sense	Serried	pressed together, without gaps, compacted in rows arranged in order
Restitution	restoration, reparation	Sheep's eyes	bashful or amorous glances
Resurgent	rising or arising again	Shilly-shally	vacillation, indecision
Reticent	taciturn, reserved in speech, laconic	Sidereal	of the constellations a fixed star, astral
Retrench	cut down, reduce amount of expenses	Simper	to smile foolishly, smirk
Retrocede	to give back, return	Sinecure	an office that has emoluments, but no duties
Reville	execrate, rail, calumniate	Sinuous	curved, devious
Revocation	reversal, appeal	Skinflint	miser, niggard
Rhapsody	rapturous utterance	Slatternly	dirty, untidily dressed (woman)
Ribaldry	obscenity, vulgarity	Smithereens	confraternity or association
Rife	widespread, common	Somatic	corporeal, physical, of the body
Reparian	of or pertaining to the bank of a river	Sophistry	use of clever but misleading arguments
Rococo	highly ornamental, florid	Specious	beguiling, sophisticated, seemingly just
Roister	revel noisily, be uproarious	Spoilation	plunder, pillage
Rubicund	(of persons face or complexion) ruddy	Sporadic	infrequent, scattered, occurring here and there
Runagate	vagabond	Spruce	neat in dress and appearance, natty
Runt	dwarf, undersized animal or person (esp. pigs)	Staid	sedate, serious, sober
		Stentorian	speaking with a powerful voice, loud and strong (of voice)
		Stentorous	making a loud snoring sound
		Stochastic	governed by the laws of probability
		Stoical	person who has great self-control, one who bears pain without complaint
		Straitlaced	strict in manners, moral or opinions
		Stratocracy	military government
		Stringent	rigorous, strict
		Stupendous	amazing, prodigious
		Stygian	dark, gloomy
		Subliminal	below the threshold of consciousness or sensation, of which one is not consciously aware
		Subon	to incite an illegal act, induce or bribe a person to commit an unlawful act
		Subsume	include
		Subvention	subsidy, grant of money in aid
		Succinct	terse, concise, briefly expressed
		Sudoriferous	producing sweat
		Superannuate	declare too old for work, sent into retirement with pension
		Supernumerary	(person or thing) in excess of the normal number
		Suppliant	humble petitioner
		Surfeit	too much of anything, specially food and drink
		Surrealism	20 th century movement in art and literature that aims at expressing what

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Sable	black, dark brown fur of animals like marten
Sacerdotal	priestly
Sacrosanct	protected from all harm, because sacred or holy
Sagacity	perspicacity, wisdom, prudence
Saltus	sudden transition, breach of continuity
Sanatory	(adj) healing of or tending to physical or moral health, curative
Sanguinary	with much bloodshed, fond of cruel acts
Sapid	savoury, palatable
Sapient	aping wisdom of fancied sagacity
Sartorial	pertaining to a tailor, tailoring of clothes, concerned with the making of clothes
Savant	person of great learning, scholar
Schism	the division of an organisation (esp. a church) into two or more groups usually through difference of opinion
Scholiast	commentator, an annotator
Sciologist	pretender to knowledge
Scrimmage	tussle, skirmish, confused, struggle
Seamy	less presentable or less attractive aspect of life
Sedulous	preserving in effort, industrious, diligent