

Lesson Eight

1. **divulge** (dī vŭlj') *verb* to tell, to reveal (as a secret)
Divulging the contents of the top-secret document caused the reporter's arrest.
syn: uncover, unveil, disclose *ant:* cloak, veil, conceal

2. **docile** (dŏs' əl) *adj.* easy to teach or manage
The dog, usually *docile*, went mad and attacked its owner.
syn: submissive, compliant *ant:* unmanageable, headstrong, willful

3. **dogmatic** (dôg măt' ĭk) *adj.* stating an opinion in an authoritative or arrogant manner
Because of the professor's *dogmatic* approach, the students were afraid to ask questions.
syn: arrogant, dictatorial *ant:* humble, servile

4. **dole** (dŏl) *verb* to distribute; to give out sparingly
At the crowded Red Cross shelter, food was *doled* out carefully to the sickly children.
syn: apportion, measure

5. **dolorous** (dŏ' lər əs) *adj.* mournful, sad
The song was so *dolorous* it was difficult not to cry.
syn: sorrowful, painful *ant:* happy, joyful

6. **dour** (daŭr) *adj.* gloomy, sullen
The librarian's *dour* expression made the new students feel as if they had done something wrong.
syn: stern, severe, forbidding *ant:* pleasant, happy

7. **droll** (drŏl) *adj.* amusing in an odd way
He had a *droll* manner of telling stories that kept everyone entertained.
syn: funny, wry *ant:* dull, flat, boring

8. **duplicity** (dŏŏ plĭs' ĭ tē) *noun* intentional deceit in speech or conduct
He could forgive her for wanting to date other people, but he could not condone her *duplicit-*
ity in saying he was her only boyfriend.
syn: hypocrisy, deception *ant:* straightforwardness, honesty

9. **effigy** (ěf' ĭ jē) *noun* an image of a person or thing; usually a crude image of a hated person
They burned in *effigy* their hated dictator.
syn: image, representation, figure

10. **emaciated** (ĭ mǎ' shē ātd) *adj.* extremely thin, wasted away
The *emaciated* form of the starved prisoner was buried in the camp cemetery.
syn: shriveled, withered *ant:* plump, fattened