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## Definitions

| apparel | (n.) clothing, that which serves as dress or decoration; (v.) to put clothes on, dress up |
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| besiege | (v.) to attack by surrounding with military forces; to cause worry or trouble |
| compress | (v.) to press together; to reduce in size or volume; (n.) a folded cloth or pad applied to an injury |
| denounce | (v.) to condemn openly; to accuse formally |
| dispatch | ( $v$. ) to send off or out for a purpose; to kill; ( $n$. ) an official message; promptness, speed; the act of killing |
| douse | (v.) to plunge into a liquid, drench; to put out quickly, extinguish |
| expressly | (adv.) plainly, in so many words; for a particular purpose |
| famished | (adj., part.) suffering severely from hunger or from a lack of something |
| forsake | (v.) to give up, renounce; to leave, abandon |
| gainful | (adj.) profitable; bringing in money or some special advantage |
| immense | (adj.) very large or great; beyond ordinary means of measurement |
| inept | (adj.) totally without skill or appropriateness |
| ingenious | (adj.) showing remarkable originality, inventiveness, or resourcefulness; clever |
| instantaneous | (adj.) done in an instant; immediate |
| irk | (v.) to annoy, trouble, make weary |
| libel | (n.) a written statement that unfairly or falsely harms the reputation of the person about whom it is made; (v.) to write or publish such a statement |


| misgiving | $(n$.$) a feeling of fear, doubt, or uncertainty$ |
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| oaf | $(n$.$) a stupid person; a big, clumsy, slow individual$ |
| recede | $($ v. ) to go or move backward; to become more distant |
| repast | (n.) a meal, food |

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