

Aristotle and Dante

ARISTOTLE AND DANTE

Word	Student-friendly definition
eternal p 7	lasting or existing forever; without end or beginning.
optimist p 7	a person who tends to be hopeful and confident about the future or the success of something
suffocate(ing) p 8	die or cause to die from lack of air or inability to breathe.
sentimental p 10	of or prompted by feelings of tenderness, sadness, or nostalgia.
accessible p 12	(of a place) able to be reached or entered.
conscience p 14	an inner feeling or voice viewed as acting as a guide to the rightness or wrongness of one's behavior.
inherit(ed) p 15	receive (money, property, or a title) as an heir at the death of the previous holder.
sprout(ed) p 16	(of a plant) put forth shoots.
fragile p 19	(of an object) easily broken or damaged.
discipline(ed) p 19	train (someone) to obey rules or a code of behavior, using punishment to correct disobedience.
fierce p 19	having or displaying an intense or ferocious aggressiveness.
inadequate p 22	lacking the quality or quantity required; insufficient for a purpose.
fascinate(ed) p 22	strongly attracted and interested.
torment p 23	cause to experience severe mental or physical suffering.

ARISTOTLE AND DANTE

Word	Student-friendly definition
resignation p 28	an act of retiring or giving up a position
claustrophobic p 147	(of a person) having an extreme or irrational fear of confined places.
vicious 147	deliberately cruel or violent
envied p 148	desire to have a quality, possession, or other desirable attribute belonging to (someone else).
deliberate p 153	engage in long and careful consideration.
spontaneous p 153	performed or occurring as a result of a sudden inner impulse or inclination and without premeditation or external stimulus.
melancholy p 158	a feeling of pensive sadness, typically with no obvious cause.
constitute(ed) p 161	give legal or constitutional form to (an institution); establish by law.
inadequate p 167	lacking the quality or quantity required; insufficient for a purpose
optimism p 168	hopefulness and confidence about the future or the successful outcome of something.
belligerent p 182	hostile and aggressive
disingenuous p 184	not candid or sincere, typically by pretending that one knows less about something than one really does
insane p 185	in a state of mind which prevents normal perception, behavior, or social interaction; seriously mentally ill.
hydraulics p 193	the branch of science and technology concerned with the conveyance of liquids through pipes and channels, especially as a source of mechanical force or control.

ARISTOTLE AND DANTE

Word	Student-friendly definition
misanthrope p 196	a person who dislikes humankind and avoids human society.
pathetic p 228	arousing pity, especially through vulnerability or sadness.
demonstrative p 247	(of a person) tending to show feelings, especially of affection, openly.
inscrutable p 267	impossible to understand or interpret.
suspicious p 278	having or showing a cautious distrust of someone or something.
inconsolable p 283	(of a person or their grief) not able to be comforted or alleviated.
serene p 297	calm, peaceful, and untroubled; tranquil.
euphemism p 300	a mild or indirect word or expression substituted for one considered to be too harsh or blunt when referring to something unpleasant or embarrassing.
inexplicable p 324	unable to be explained or accounted for..
convoy p 346	a group of ships or vehicles traveling together, typically accompanied by armed troops, warships, or other vehicles for protection.