

Youngsters scoff when their elders **extol** the halcyon days of long ago.

The detective interrogated the adamant prisoner in such a **facile** way that he confessed after giving incontrovertible evidence.

I was flabbergasted when he took **umbrage** at my whimsical remarks.

We feel so sanctimonious when we **vilify** the character of a felon.

As a concomitant to his belligerent and vituperative antipathy toward his government, he became an expatriate, but he found it a **vapid** life.

As the scion of an affluent family, he was often in **proximity** to opulence.

The irrelevant evidence seemed to **vitiate** the prosecutor's case and precluded a conviction.

The new employee wanted to gain favor with his boss, and his obsequious desires led to the most **fatuous** behavior.

Her virtuosity was demonstrated by the works she performed from her **repertoire**.

He had always appeared virile, so that the **imperceptible** decline toward senility went unnoticed until he succumbed and began to use a cane.

The paroxysm of coughing served to **contort** her body until she could gain a respite.

The parsimonious octogenarian sought to **augment** his wealth by removing it from its cache and placing it in a bank.

After playing with his progeny in the enervating sun, he staggered back to his room where he was overcome with **lassitude**.

Kyra was so disgruntled about having to move the **unwieldy** piano, she procrastinated for days.

The judge ordered the censor to **elucidate** his reasons for removing passages from the book in such a capricious manner.

A somber examination of those indigent families, bereft of hope, sunken in apathy, should motivate us to be more **magnanimous** in our attempts to improve their lot.

The diplomat was astute enough to see through the **cant** of the Machiavellian ambassador.

Amidst the adulation of the throng, the film star, in all humility, credited her **mentor** as the one most responsible.

It is not long before a young star has a **clique** around him who sporadically get their names into the newspapers.