

Following his **gauche** behavior, Arthur was ordered to leave the room.

When all the excitement died down, we could see that it had been much **ado** over nothing.

I had a **pertinacious** fever that hung on for weeks despite all the medicines I had been given.

With the aid of a surgical **micrometer**, the doctor was able to undertake the difficult operation.

Sandra's **abstract** ideas confused her friends.

Raoul was a master of **badinage** but he could not be relied upon to serve in a position of leadership.

Judge Miller threatened to **incarcerate** anyone who disturbed his court.

Economic assistance, it was felt, would cause the **subversion** of the existing tribal order.

There was little anyone could say to the widow to **assuage** her grief.

Blanche decided to return to her husband despite his **roguish** past.

It is conceivable that small nations can follow the path of **imperialism** through unclear blackmail.

Macro's short **dalliance** with the cult ended when he realized the terrible havoc it had wrought among its followers.

The new discovery opens a wide area of investigation that must now be **traversed** by historians.

A shrewd **entrepreneur** made a fortune in sponsoring teenage beauty contests throughout the United States.

The board of directors had **plenary** control of the budget.

Some politicians who were supposed to be **paradigms** of honesty proved themselves unscrupulous and deceptive.

The rope bridge over the river was so **tenuous** that only one person at a time could use it.

One of the things that gets me off to a good start each morning is our elevator operator's **jocund** face.

Mr. Onassis, the Greek shipping **nabob**, owned dozens of private planes.

We expected sparkling **repartee** at our party, but it turned out to be a dull evening.