- 1. Audience a number of people listening to a lecture
- 2. Altruist one, who considers the happiness and well-being of others first
- 3. Atheist a person who does not believe in God
- 4. Anthropologist one, who studies the evolution of mankind
- 5. Autocracy government by one person
- 6. Autobiography the life history of a person written by himself
- 7. Amputate to cut off a part of a person's body which is infected
- 8. Arsenal a place for ammunition and weapons
- 9. Archives a place where government or public records are kept
- 10. Amateur a man who does a thing for pleasure and not as a profession
- 11. Aristocracy government by the nobles
- 12. Aquatic animals/plants ere which live in water
- 13. Amphibian animals which live both on land and sea
- 14. Ambidexter one, who can use either hand with ease
- 15. Alimony allowance paid to wife on legal separation
- 16. Anthology a collection of poems
- 17. Abdication voluntary giving up of throne in favour of someone
- 18. Arbitrator a person, appointed by two parties to solve a dispute
- 19. Astronomer a person, who studies stars, planets and other heavenly bodies
- 20. Astrologer a person who studies the influence of heavenly bodies on human beings
- 21. Anthology a collection of poems
- 22. Axiom a statement which is accepted as true without proof
- 23. Agenda a list of headings of the business to be transacted at a meeting
- 24. Anarchist one, who is out to destroy all governance, law and order
- 25. Almanac an annual calender with positions of stars
- 26. Bigamy the practice of having two wives or husbands at a time
- 27. Bibliophile a lover and collector of books
- 28. Bouquet a collection of flowers
- 29. Bureaucracy government by the officials
- 30. Belligerent a person, nation that is involved in war
- 31. Biennial an event which happens once in two years
- 32. Blasphemy the act of speaking disrespectfully about sacred things
- 33. Creche a nursery where children are cared for while their parents are at work
- 34. Cosmopolitan a person who regards whole world as his country
- 35. Chauffeur one, who is employed to drive a motor car
- 36. Curator a person incharge of a museum
- 37. Carnivorous one, who lives on flesh
- 38. Cannibal one, who feeds on human flesh

- 39. Contemporaries belonging to or living at the same time
- 40. Cloak room a place for luggage at railway station
- 41. Cynosure centre of attraction
- 42. Connoisseur a critical judge of any art and craft
- 43. Crusade a religious war
- 44. Choreographer one, who teaches dancing
- 45. Cacographist a person, who is bad in spellings
- 46. Calligraphist a person, who writes beautiful handwriting
- 47. Cynic one, who sneers at the aims and beliefs of his fellow men
- 48. Convalescent one, who is recovering health
- 49. Cavalry soldiers, who fight on horse back
- 50. Cardiologist a person, who is specialist in heart diseases
- 51. Cartographer one, who draws maps
- 52. Dormitory the sleeping rooms with several beds especially in a college or institution
- 53. **Drawn** a game that results neither in victory nor in defeat
- 54. Elegy a poem of lamentation

55. **Epitaph** – words which are inscribed on the grave or the tomb in the memory of the buried

- 56. Ephemeral lasting one day
- 57. Effeminate a person who is womanish
- 58. Emigrant a person who leaves his own country and goes to live in another
- 59. Edible fit to be eaten
- 60. Egotism practice of talking too much about oneself
- 61. Encyclopaedia a book that contains information on various subjects
- 62. Epicure one, who is devoted to the pleasure of eating and drinking
- 63. Florist one, who deals-in flowers
- 64. Fastidious one, who is very -selective in one's taste
- 65. **Fanatic or Bigot** one, who is filled with excessive and mistaken enthusiasm in religious matters
- 66. Fatal causing death
- 67. Fatalist one, who believes in fate
- 68. Facsimile an exact copy of handwriting, printing etc
- 69. Fauna the animals of a certain region
- 70. Flora the plants of a particular region
- 71. Fratricide murder of brother
- 72. Fugitive one, who runs away from justice or the law
- 73. Fragile easily broken
- 74. Feminist one, who works for the welfare of the women
- 75. Granary a place for grains

- 76. Genocide murder of race
- 77. Gregarious animals which live in flocks
- 78. **Hangar** a place for housing aeroplanes
- 79. Hive a place for bees
- 80. Horticulture the art of cultivating and managing gardens
- 81. Homicide murder of man
- 82. Hearse a vehicle which is used to carry a dead body
- 83. Hedonist one, who believes that pleasure is the chief good (sensual)
- 84. Horizon a line at which the earth and the sky seem to meet
- 85. Honorary holding office without any remuneration
- 86. Heretic one, who acts against religion
- 87. Herbivorous one, who lives on herbs
- 88. Insolvent/Bankrupt a person who is unable to pay his debts
- 89. Inaudible a sound that cannot be heard
- 90. Inaccessible that cannot be easily approached
- 91. Incorrigible incapable of being corrected
- 92. Irreparable incapable of being repaired
- 93. Illegible incapable of being read
- 94. Inevitable incapable of being avoided
- 95. Impracticable incapable of being practised
- 96. Immigrant a person who comes to one country from another in order to settle there
- 97. Invincible one, too strong to be overcome
- 98. Indelible that cannot be erased
- 99. Incognito travelling under another name than one's own
- 100. Indefatigable one, who does not tire easily
- 101. Infallible one, who is free from all mistakes and failures
- 102. Invigilator one, who supervises in the examination hall
- 103. Itinerant one, who journeys from place to place
- 104. Infirmary a home or room used for ill or injured people
- 105. Infanticide murder of an infant
- 106. Infantry soldiers, who fight on foot
- 107. Inflammable liable to catch fire easily
- 108. Interregnum a period of interval between two reigns or governments
- 109. Kennel a place for dogs
- 110. Lunatic asylum a home for lunatics
- 111. Lexicographer one, who compiles a dictionary
- 112. Loquacious one, who talks continuously
- 113. Linguist one, who is skilled in foreign languages
- 114. Lapidist one, who cuts precious stones

- 115. **Misanthrope** a hater of mankind
- 116. **Misogamist** one, who hates marriage
- 117. Mortuary a place, where dead bodies are kept for post mortem
- 118. Mercenery working only for the sake of money
- 119. Matricide murder of mother
- 120. Martyr one, who dies for a noble cause
- 121. Maiden speech the first speech delivered by a person
- 122. Mint a place where coins are made
- 123. Misogynist a hater of womankind
- 124. Morgue a place, where dead bodies are kept for identification
- 125. Mammals animals which give milk
- 126. Monogamy the practice of marrying one at a time
- 127. Missionary a person, who is sent to propagate religion
- 128. Numismatics the study of coins
- 129. Namesake a person having same name as another
- 130. Nostalgia a strong desire to return home, home sickness
- 131. Novice or Tyro one, new to anything, inexperienced
- 132. Narcotic a medicine for producing sleep
- 133. Optimist a person who looks at the brighter side of things
- 134. **Orphan** one, who has lost parents
- 135. Omnipresent one, who is present everywhere
- 136. Omnipotent one, who is all powerful
- 137. Omniscient one, who knows everything
- 138. **Opaque** that which cannot be seen through
- 139. Obituary an account in the newspaper of the funeral of the one deceased
- 140. Orphanage a home for orphans
- 141. Obstetrician one, who is skilled in midwifery
- 142. Ostler one, who looks after horses at an inn
- 143. Omnivorous one, who eats everything
- 144. Pessimist a person who looks at the darker side of things
- 145. Potable fit to drink
- 146. Post mortem an examination of dead body
- 147. Philanthropist a lover of mankind
- 148. Patricide murder of father
- 149. Philatelist one, who collects stamps
- 150. Plagiarism literary theft or passing off an author's original work as one's own
- 151. Polygamy the practice of marrying more than one wife at a time
- 152. Polyandry the practice of marrying more than one husband at a time
- 153. Philogynist a lover of womankind

- 154. **Plebiscite** (a decision made by) votes of all qualified citizens
- 155. **Philanderer** one, who amuses himself by love making
- 156. Philistine one who does not care for art and literature
- 157. Plutocracy government by the rich
- 158. Pseudonym an imaginary name assumed by an author for disguise

159. **Posthumous** – a child born after the death of his father or the book published after the death of the writer

- 160. Panacea a remedy for all diseases
- 161. Paediatrician a person, who is specialist in child diseases
- 162. Platitude ordinary remarks often repeated
- 163. Pedant one, who makes a vain display of his knowledge
- 164. **Polyglot** one, who speaks many languages
- 165. Paleography the study of ancient writing
- 166. **Posse** a number of policemen called to quell a riot
- 167. Parole pledge given by a prisoner for temporary release, not to escape
- 168. Pedestrian one, who goes on foot
- 169. Portable that can be carried easily
- 170. Quarantine an act of separation from other persons to avoid infection
- 171. Rhetoric the art of elegant speech or writing
- 172. Regicide murder of King or Queen
- 173. Sacrilege violating or profaning religious things/places
- 174. Sculptor one, who cuts in stones
- 175. Suicide murder of oneself
- 176. **Stable** a place for horses
- 177. Somnambulist a person, who walks in sleep
- 178. Somniloquist a person, who talks in sleep
- 179. Souvenir a thing kept as a reminder of a person, place or event
- 180. Swan song the last work (literary) of a writer
- 181. Sot, Toper one, who is a habitual drunkard
- 182. Sinecure a job with high salary but little responsibility

183. **Stoic** – a person, who is indifferent to pleasure and pain and has control over his passions

- 184. Sanatorium a place for the sick to recover health
- 185. Sororicide murder of sister
- 186. Triennial an event which happens once in three years
- 187. Truant a person/student who absents himself from class or duty without permission
- 188. Teetotaller one, who does not take any intoxicating drink
- 189. Transparent that which can be seen through
- 190. Theocracy government by religious principles

- 191. Uxorious one extremely fond of one's wife
- 192. Utopia an imaginary perfect social and political system
- 193. Uxoricide murder of wife
- 194. Verbatim repetition of speech or writing word for word
- 195. Volunteer one, who offers one's services
- 196. Virgin a woman who has no sexual experience
- 197. Versatile interested in and clever at many different things
- 198. Veteran one, who has a long experience of any occupation
- 199. Venial a fault that may be forgiven
- 200. Wardrobe a place for clothes