1) Stymie-(v) – prevent or hinder the progress of.

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Similar: impede, hamper, obstruct, inhibit

Opposite: assist, aid, help

Example- The changes must not be allowed to Stymie new medical treatments.



2) Commiseration: noun

sympathy and sorrow for the misfortunes of

others;

Similar- compassion, sympathy, pity

Opposite- disdain, indifference

Example- the other actors offered him clumsy

commiseration"

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Mahendra's
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- 3) Gaiety-'(geɪəti) noun
- the state or quality of being light-hearted
- or cheerful.
- merriment, Glee, gladness Similar-
- Opposite- distress, affliction, misery
- **Example-** the sudden gaiety of children's
- laughter



4) Befall (/bɪˈfɔːl/) verb

(especially of something bad) happen to

(someone).

Similar: Happen, Occur, take place

Opposite: miss, pass, spare,

Example: a tragedy befell his daughter

5) Rancour / ranka/ noun

bitterness or resentfulness, especially

when long standing.

Similar: bitterness, spite, hatred, malice

Opposite: amicability, sociability

Example: he spoke without rancour"

6) Nettle (verb) irritate or annoy someone

Similar: vex, exasperate, infuriate, bother

Opposite: placate, mollify, appease

Example: She looked up at me sharply, clearly

nettled by the interruption.

7) Allay /əˈleɪ/ (verb)

diminish or put at rest (fear, suspicion, or worry).

Synonym: assuage, alleviate, relieve

Antonym: increase, intensify

Example: the report attempted to educate the

public and allay fears"



8) Gainsay /geɪnˈseɪ/ (verb)

deny or contradict (a fact or statement).

Similar: deny, dispute, repudiate

Opposite: affirm, assert

Example: "the impact of the railways cannot

be gainsaid"

9) Incarcerate (verb) imprison or confine.

Similar: detain, immure

Opposite: free, release

Example: many are incarcerated for property

offences"



10) Toplofty (adj) haughty and arrogant.

Similar: supercilious, pompous, pretentious

Opposite: humble, meek, shy

Example: Her grandmother, who was a Toplofty, made all her grandchildren walk daily across a polished floor with sand-bags on their heads.



11) Insouciant (adj) showing a casual lack of concern.



Similar: nonchalant, untroubled, unworried, unconcerned

Opposite: worried, concerned, apprehensive

Example: Her poems are marked by an *insouciant* sense of

hope, something she sees as a necessity in these times.



12) Nimiety (nɪˈmʌɪəti) (noun) the state of being more than is

necessary or desirable; excess.

Similar: surfeit, surplus, overabundance, inordinateness

Opposite: dearth, paucity, scarcity

Example: A nimiety of food was spread over the tables and was way more than any one group of people could

eat.



13) Deleterious (adj) causing harm or damage.

Similar: detrimental, injurious, noxious, pernicious

Opposite: beneficial, advantageous

Example: divorce is assumed to have deleterious

effects on children"



14) Assiduous (əˈsɪdjʊəs)- showing great care and

perseverance.

Similar: diligent, careful, meticulous, thorough

Opposite: idle. careless. inactive. lazy.

Example: The Government has been assiduous

in the fight against inflation.



15) Grovel (grpv(ə)l)- act in an obsequious way in order

to obtain someone's forgiveness or favour.

Similar: flatter, woo

Opposite: boast, ignore

Example: they criticized leaders who grovelled to foreign

patrons"





