

# English IV Vocabulary List #56

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For each word below, I've supplied the most basic of definitions to guide you when words have multiple denotations. Part of your job is to augment each definition with more information, including examples and illustrations. Round out your understanding of each word by adding details to explain its meaning, connecting it to other words that use the same stems, and finding and creating sentences that use the word properly.

Definitions & Stems:	Expand upon the short def.; use 2-3 synonyms	Different words (3) that use the same stem/s (all)	Sentences (2): Make sure each sentence <i>clearly shows how to use the word</i> through its <i>context clues!</i>
1) <b>renascent</b> —adj. showing new life re=again   nasc=born			
2) <b>extemporize</b> —v. improvise ex=out   temp=time			
3) <b>deflect</b> —v. turn away, bend de=down   flect=bend			
4) <b>pugilist</b> —n. boxer, fighter pugn=fight   ist=one who			
5) <b>excrecence</b> —n. abnormal outgrowth ex=out   cresc=grow			
6) <b>casuistry</b> —n. specious* reasoning   casus=case * <i>specious</i> = superficially plausible, but actually wrong; misleading by appearance			
7) <b>infirmity</b> —n. feebleness in=in or not firm=strong			

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8) <b>recumbent</b> —adj. reclining re=again   cumb=lie down			
9) <b>admonitory</b> —adj. warning monit=warning			
10) <b>incorrigible</b> —adj. not correctable   in=in or not corrigere= to correct			
11) <b>metamorphosis</b> —n. change of shape   meta=change morph=shape   sis=condition			
12) <b>pathogen</b> —n. disease causer path=disease   gen=origin			
13) <b>sine qua non</b> —n. essential element sin(e) = without non = not			
14) <b>emollient</b> —n. softener moll=soft			
15) <b>melancholy</b> —n. dark sadness mela=black   chole=bile			