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|   | **calculated**   (kalkyuhlaytuhd)     To plan by careful thinking or mathematical calculation. |

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|   | **calumny**   (kaluhmnee) *noun*    false, harmful statements about someone |

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|   | **creed**   (kreed) *noun*    The body of teachings of a religious group that are generally accepted by that group. |

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|   | **exude**   (ihgzood) *verb*    to give off; ooze; radiate |

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|   | **faction**   (fakshuhn) *noun*    **1.**  a group of people siding together against a leader or government **2.**  separate subgroup within a political system **3.**  Part of a group united on a major issue. |

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|   | **falter**   (fawltur) *noun,verb*    to hesitate, stumble, lose courage; to spead hesitatingly |

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|   | **pallor**    *noun*    paleness, unnatural lack of color in the skin |

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|   | **persecute**   (pursuhkyoot) *verb*    To treat someone harshly or unfairly because of that person's beliefs or practices. |

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|   | **predilection**   (prEHduhlEHkshuhn) *noun*    a predisposition in favor of something |

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|   | **somber**   (sombur) *adjective*    dark gloomy melancholy |

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