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WORDS 1-11

Word	Definition
allay	(v.) to calm or pacify, set to rest; to lessen or relieve
bestial	(adj.) beastlike; beastly, brutal; subhuman in intelligence and sensibility
convivial	(adj.) festive, sociable, having fun together, genial
coterie	(n.) a circle of acquaintances; a close-knit, often exclusive, group of people with a common interest
counterpart	(n.) a person or thing closely resembling or corresponding to another; a complement
demur	(v.) to object or take exception to; (n.) an objection
effrontery	(n.) shameless boldness, impudence
embellish	(v.) to decorate, adorn, touch up; to improve by adding details
ephemeral	(adj.) lasting only a short time, short-lived
felicitous	(adj.) appropriate, apt, well chosen; happy
furtive	(adj.) done slyly or stealthily, sneaky, secret, shifty; stolen

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WORDS 12-22

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garish	(adj.) glaring, tastelessly showy or overdecorated in a vulgar or offensive way
illusory	(adj.) misleading, deceptive; lacking in or not based on reality
indigent	(adj.) needy, impoverished
inordinate	(adj.) far too great, exceeding reasonable limits, excessive
jettison	(v.) to cast overboard, get rid of as unnecessary or burdensome
misanthrope	(n.) a person who hates or despises people
pertinacious	(adj.) very persistent; holding firmly to a course of action or set of beliefs; hard to get rid of, refusing to be put off or denied
picayune	(adj.) of little value or importance, paltry, measly; concerned with trifling matters, small-minded
raiment	(n.) clothing, garments
wraith	(n) an apparition of a living person supposed to portend his or her death; a visible spirit.
threshold	(n) the sill of a doorway; the entrance to a house or building.