

Alibis – An excuse used in order to avert blame or punishment; being in a different place at the time of incidence (as for crime investigations)

Anorexic – Anorectic: lacking appetite

Concubine – A woman in a relationship with a married man, with a status below that of a wife; a mistress

Contorted – To twist in a violent manner

Disregarded – Paid no attention to; treated as something not worthy of notice

Dowry – The money, goods, or estate that a woman brings to her husband in marriage; A gift of money or property by a man to or for his bride

Fixtures – Something that is fixed or attached as a structural part or permanent appendage

Flimsy – Lacking in physical strength or substance

Harrowing – Extremely distressing, agonizing

Hauled – To exert traction on; to obtain or move as if by hauling

Hazy – Obscure or made cloudy as if by haze; uncertain, vague

Hesitate – To hold back in doubt or indecision

Indicate – Point out or point to; be a sign of (as with diseases)

Insolent – Insultingly contemptuous in speech or conduct

Integrate – To coordinate into a unified whole, unite; to merge with another

Irrevocable – Not possible to revoke

Lurched – Staggered; Rolled or pitched suddenly or erratically

Manipulate – To treat or operate with or as if with the hands or by mechanical means especially in a skilful manner

Miniature – A copy of something on a smaller scale

Ornate – Elaborately or excessively decorated

Plausible – Appearing worthy of belief

Regret – To miss very much; to be very sorry for

Remorse – Self-reproach, a distress caused by past mistakes

Rhetorical – Rhetoric: the art of speaking or writing effectively

Scurried – Moved quickly, as if in a hurry, or as if agitated or confused

Stern – Forbidding or gloomy in appearance

Taper – Narrowing toward one end, diminish gradually; gradual decrease

Tattered – Wearing ragged clothes

Upheaval – A radical change, extreme agitation or disorder; a sudden, violent disruption

Vulnerability – Capable of being physically or emotionally wounded