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| abbreviate      | alkaline       | Artic         | blemish        | chronological   | condense         |
| aborigine       | allegiance     | articulation  | boisterous     | chrysanthemum   | condescend       |
| absolution      | allergenic     | artificial    | bombastic      | cinematographer | condescension    |
| absorption      | alleviate      | ascension     | botanist       | circuit         | condolence       |
| acceptable      | alternate      | assailant     | boulevard      | circulatory     | confection       |
| accessible      | altitude       | association   | bountiful      | circumference   | confession       |
| accessible      | altogether     | astrologer    | bouquet        | civilization    | confidential     |
| accolade        | amateur        | astronomy     | boycott        | civilize        | confiscate       |
| accommodation   | ambiguous      | atmosphere    | bungalow       | classification  | congratulations  |
| accommodations  | ambulance      | atmosphere    | bureaucracy    | classified      | conjunction      |
| accompaniment   | amiable        | Australia     | bureaucratic   | claustrophobic  | conjure          |
| accomplice      | ancestor       | authentic     | calamity       | clench          | connoisseur      |
| accordion       | anesthetic     | authority     | calibration    | clenched        | conquest         |
| accreditation   | animation      | autobiography | calligraphy    | clockwise       | conscientious    |
| accumulation    | announcement   | auxiliary     | camouflage     | cloister        | consequence      |
| accustomed      | annual         | awkward       | canine         | cogitation      | consequently     |
| acknowledgement | annulment      | awkwardness   | capitalization | cognition       | conservative     |
| acoustics       | Antarctic      | ballerina     | carbohydrates  | coincidence     | consideration    |
| acquaintance    | Antarctica     | bankrupt      | caricature     | coincidence     | consolidate      |
| acquire         | antelope       | barnacled     | carousel       | collateral      | conspicuous      |
| acquittal       | anthropologist | barometer     | cartilage      | colleagues      | conspiracy       |
| acreage         | anthropology   | barricade     | cascade        | collegiate      | conspire         |
| actuate         | anticipation   | begrudge      | catacombs      | combative       | constituency     |
| adapt           | antiseptic     | beguile       | catastrophe    | commandment     | constitution     |
| adjective       | antonym        | behoove       | cathedral      | commemoration   | constitutional   |
| adjoining       | apartheid      | belligerent   | cauliflower    | commissioner    | construction     |
| administration  | apologetic     | belligerently | cemetery       | commit          | consummate       |
| admonish        | apology        | bellow        | centimeters    | committal       | contaminated     |
| adolescence     | apostrophe     | beneficial    | cessation      | committee       | contempt         |
| advantage       | appalling      | benevolence   | challenging    | communion       | contemptuous     |
| advantageous    | appellate      | benevolent    | chameleon      | compassionate   | continent        |
| adverb          | appliance      | benumbed      | championship   | compensation    | contractor       |
| adversary       | appraisal      | bequest       | chandelier     | competently     | convene          |
| advertise       | appreciation   | bereaved      | change         | complain        | conversely       |
| advertisement   | apprehensive   | bereavement   | changeable     | complaining     | convertible      |
| aeronautic      | apprehensive   | berserk       | chaperone      | completely      | cooperation      |
| affect          | apprentice     | besieged      | character      | complimentary   | coppersmith      |
| affectation     | approximate    | betrayed      | characteristic | composite       | correspondent    |
| affectation     | approximately  | bewilder      | chauffeur      | compromise      | corrugated       |
| affiliate       | archaeology    | bewildered    | chemical       | compulsion      | counterclockwise |
| affiliation     | archaeology    | biannual      | chisel         | conceit         | counterfeit      |
| affirmative     | architect      | bilingual     | chiseled       | conceivable     | counterfeiting   |
| affliction      | architecture   | binoculars    | chivalry       | concentrate     | courage          |
| Africa          | argument       | biology       | chlorophyll    | concerned       | courageous       |
| aggravate       | armistice      | bivouac       | cholesterol    | concierge       | courtesy         |
| agricultural    | aromatic       | blasphemy     | chronic        | conclusion      | creased          |
| ailment         | arraignment    | blatant       | chronicles     | condensation    | credentials      |
| crescent        | diameter       | endangered    | fancying       | gratis          | immense          |

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| criminology   | dictatorship     | engineer      | fantasia       | gravely      | impeccable     |
| critical      | dictionary       | enterprise    | fantasy        | gregarious   | imperiously    |
| critique      | dimensions       | entrepreneur  | fascinating    | grievance    | implement      |
| croissant     | disagreement     | environment   | favorable      | gruesome     | impoverished   |
| croquette     | disappoint       | enzyme        | feign          | grumbling    | imprisonment   |
| crucible      | disarray         | epilepsy      | fermented      | guardian     | impromptu      |
| culpable      | disastrous       | epitome       | ferocious      | guttural     | impropriety    |
| cultivation   | disciplinary     | equality      | fertilize      | habitual     | improvise      |
| cumulus       | discretionary    | equator       | feverishly     | handicraft   | impulse        |
| cunning       | discrimination   | equatorial    | fictitious     | haphazard    | incapable      |
| curtail       | disease          | equipment     | fierce         | hawthorn     | incarceration  |
| customary     | disguised        | equivalent    | finalize       | headache     | incoherently   |
| customize     | disobedient      | erroneous     | fixation       | headquarters | incompetent    |
| cyclone       | disparaging      | escapade      | flamboyant     | hemisphere   | inconclusive   |
| cylinder      | disposition      | especially    | flourish       | hereditary   | inconvenience  |
| cylindrical   | disproportionate | establishment | fluorescent    | heredity     | inconvenient   |
| damageable    | diversity        | estimate      | foliage        | herringbone  | incorrigible   |
| dancing       | dividend         | etiquette     | foreshadow     | hexagonal    | incredible     |
| deactivate    | documentary      | euphonious    | formation      | hibernate    | incumbent      |
| deadened      | drenched         | euphoric      | fortress       | hibernation  | indelible      |
| debilitated   | dripped          | Europe        | franchise      | hierarchy    | independent    |
| debris        | driving          | evaporation   | fraudulent     | hippopotamus | indestructible |
| decaffeinate  | dubious          | exacerbate    | frequently     | hoisted      | indictment     |
| deceive       | duplicate        | exaggerate    | frolicsome     | honorable    | indignation    |
| decentralize  | eagle            | exceptional   | furious        | horizontal   | indispensable  |
| decompose     | eaglet           | excruciating  | furlough       | horrified    | inference      |
| dehydrated    | ecology          | excursion     | galvanize      | humorous     | ingenious      |
| deliberate    | ecstasy          | executor      | gemology       | hurriedly    | ingredient     |
| delicacy      | eczema           | exercise      | generalization | hydrangea    | inherent       |
| delicatessen  | edible           | exhaust       | genocide       | hydrogen     | inoculate      |
| delightful    | editorial        | exoskeleton   | genre          | hypnotize    | inspection     |
| delinquent    | effervescent     | expenditure   | gentility      | hypothesis   | inspiration    |
| demeanor      | electrical       | experiment    | geology        | hysterical   | instinct       |
| demonstration | electrolysis     | exploration   | geranium       | idolatrous   | instrument     |
| denominator   | electuary        | expression    | gigabyte       | idolatry     | integration    |
| deportation   | elementary       | extinct       | gigantic       | ignorance    | intellectual   |
| derogatory    | eligible         | extraneous    | gimmick        | illiterate   | intelligence   |
| descending    | embalmmment      | extraordinary | gingham        | illusion     | intelligible   |
| descriptive   | embarrassed      | façade        | glistened      | illustration | interference   |
| deserve       | embryo           | facilitate    | gnarled        | illustrious  | interfering    |
| desolate      | emergency        | facsimile     | gorilla        | imagination  | intergration   |
| desperately   | emissions        | Fahrenheit    | gouged         | imbalance    | interjection   |
| despicable    | empathize        | famine        | government     | imbecile     | intermission   |
| deterioration | emphasize        | fancied       | gradient       | immature     | intersection   |
| determination | encounter        | fancies       | graduation     | immediate    | intoxicating   |
| diagnosis     | encourage        | fancy         | grammarian     | immediately  | introspective  |
| investigation | masterpiece      | municipality  | parachute      | masterpiece  | municipality   |
| invitation    | mathematics      | murmur        | parachuting    | mathematics  | murmur         |

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| invitational  | matrimony     | muse          | paradigm        | matrimony     | muse          |
| iridescent    | mayonnaise    | museum        | paragraph       | mayonnaise    | museum        |
| irony         | meager        | music         | parallelogram   | meager        | music         |
| irregular     | medallion     | musician      | parentheses     | medallion     | musician      |
| irrigation    | media         | musician      | parliamentary   | media         | musician      |
| irritable     | mediocre      | mysterious    | patience        | mediocre      | mysterious    |
| itemize       | medium        | mythological  | patriarchy      | medium        | mythological  |
| jalapeno      | melancholy    | mythology     | pedicure        | melancholy    | mythology     |
| jeopardize    | melodies      | narcissus     | percentage      | melodies      | narcissus     |
| jubilant      | melodramatic  | narcoleptic   | perched         | melodramatic  | narcoleptic   |
| judicious     | memorize      | negotiator    | performance     | memorize      | negotiator    |
| jurisdiction  | merchandise   | newfangled    | peripheral      | merchandise   | newfangled    |
| kaleidoscope  | mercifully    | nocturnal     | permission      | mercifully    | nocturnal     |
| kilometers    | mercy         | normality     | perpendicular   | mercy         | normality     |
| kinetic       | Messiah       | North America | perseverance    | Messiah       | North America |
| lackadaisical | meteorologist | notoriety     | personification | meteorologist | notoriety     |
| lament        | microchip     | nourishment   | perspire        | microchip     | nourishment   |
| language      | microscope    | numerical     | perspiring      | microscope    | numerical     |
| lapse         | mileage       | nursery       | pessimism       | mileage       | nursery       |
| legendary     | militia       | nurture       | petrified       | militia       | nurture       |
| leisure       | millennium    | oblige        | pharmacy        | millennium    | oblige        |
| lightning     | milligram     | obnoxious     | phenomenon      | milligram     | obnoxious     |
| liquefy       | millionaire   | obscure       | philanthropist  | millionaire   | obscure       |
| literacy      | mimic         | obstetrician  | photography     | mimic         | obstetrician  |
| litigate      | mimicking     | obviously     | photosynthesis  | mimicking     | obviously     |
| livelihood    | miniature     | occupancy     | physician       | miniature     | occupancy     |
| localize      | miraculous    | occupation    | physique        | miraculous    | occupation    |
| loquacious    | miscellaneous | octagon       | pigeon          | miscellaneous | octagon       |
| lozenge       | mischievous   | officious     | plaintiff       | mischievous   | officious     |
| machinery     | misfortune    | officious     | plaque          | misfortune    | officious     |
| magistrate    | misinterpret  | Olympiad      | plateau         | misinterpret  | Olympiad      |
| magnanimity   | mistletoe     | Olympiad      | platinum        | mistletoe     | Olympiad      |
| magnificent   | moisture      | operational   | poignant        | moisture      | operational   |
| magnificently | molecule      | orchestra     | poinsettia      | molecule      | orchestra     |
| magnifying    | momentous     | ordinary      | politician      | momentous     | ordinary      |
| magnitude     | monarch       | organize      | pollution       | monarch       | organize      |
| mahogany      | monarchy      | original      | popularity      | monarchy      | original      |
| malicious     | monopolize    | orphanage     | population      | monopolize    | orphanage     |
| mammoth       | monsoon       | orthography   | porcelain       | monsoon       | orthography   |
| maneuver      | monstrosity   | oscillation   | porcupine       | monstrosity   | oscillation   |
| manifesto     | motivation    | otherwise     | possession      | motivation    | otherwise     |
| manner        | mountainous   | outstanding   | postage         | mountainous   | outstanding   |
| mannerisms    | multiplied    | overture      | posthumous      | multiplied    | overture      |
| marathon      | mundane       | pandemonium   | postponed       | mundane       | pandemonium   |
| masquerade    | municipal     | papyrus       | potassium       | municipal     | papyrus       |
| reciprocate   | scheme        | straighten    | tongue          | virtuoso      |               |
| reconcile     | schism        | stupendous    | tonsils         | virtuous      |               |
| reconciling   | scholar       | subdued       | tourism         | visually      |               |

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| recyclable     | scholarship   | subpoena       | tragedy         | vitreous    |
| rejoice        | scissors      | subsequently   | transmitted     | vivacious   |
| rejoicing      | scorching     | subservience   | transportation  | voracious   |
| reliable       | scrimmage     | subsistence    | treacherous     | waiver      |
| relinquish     | scrimmage     | substantiate   | tremendous      | whisper     |
| remarkable     | scrupulous    | subterranean   | triennial       | wizardry    |
| reminiscences  | secede        | suffrage       | trundle         | worshiped   |
| remorseful     | secluded      | superintendent | tsunami         | xylophone   |
| renown         | seersucker    | supersede      | typhoon         | yacht       |
| repeated       | semblance     | superstitious  | tyranny         | yearling    |
| repetition     | semester      | supplicate     | ulterior        | zestfulness |
| replete        | sentinel      | supportive     | ultimatum       | zoology     |
| reprehensible  | sheathes      | supremacy      | unanimous       | zoomania    |
| representative | siege         | surmountable   | unbalanced      | zootomy     |
| reprimand      | skeptical     | surplus        | unchangeable    |             |
| requirement    | smiling       | surveillance   | uncomplainingly |             |
| rescind        | snobbish      | survival       | unconvinced     |             |
| rescindable    | socialism     | susceptible    | uncouth         |             |
| reservation    | socialize     | syllable       | uneducated      |             |
| reservoir      | sociology     | symbolize      | unmercifully    |             |
| residue        | solemn        | symmetry       | unobtrusive     |             |
| respectful     | solitary      | sympathize     | unprincipled    |             |
| respiratory    | solution      | symphony       | unreadable      |             |
| responsible    | solvency      | synchronize    | unscathed       |             |
| veille         | somersault    | synonym        | unwittingly     |             |
| revelation     | sooth         | synthetic      | upholster       |             |
| reveling       | sophomore     | tabloid        | usurped         |             |
| revolution     | South America | tangential     | uttered         |             |
| rhythmic       | souvenir      | technique      | vaccinate       |             |
| rhytum         | spaghetti     | technology     | vague           |             |
| ricochet       | special       | tedious        | valedictorian   |             |
| ridiculously   | species       | temporary      | vantage         |             |
| righteous      | spectacle     | tenacious      | vegetable       |             |
| rogue          | spectacular   | tendency       | vegetarian      |             |
| rummage        | spectator     | teriyaki       | versatile       |             |
| sacrificial    | speculate     | terrible       | vertebrate      |             |
| salvation      | spirituality  | testimony      | veterinarian    |             |
| sanitarium     | spiritually   | theology       | vexation        |             |
| sanitary       | squander      | thermometer    | vibrant         |             |
| sashay         | squandering   | thesis         | vibration       |             |
| saturated      | squandering   | thespian       | vigilant        |             |
| savage         | stethoscope   | threshold      | vigorous        |             |
| scavengers     | stomach       | throughout     | vintage         |             |
| scenery        | storage       | toilsome       | virtue          |             |