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abasement	affectionate	ashtray	bighorn
abbey	afield	assault	biology
abdicate	afraid	assent	blackbird
aborted	afternoon	associate	blackboard
abridge	agenda	assurance	blameful
abroad	agile	astute	blotch
absent	agriculture	autumn	blouse
absurdity	airfoil	backspace	blowtorch
abundant	alcove	bafflement	bludgeon
abut	allergy	ballad	bogus
abuzz	alley	bamboozle	bonbon
accent	alpine	barker	boohoo
acceptable	alto	barnyard	bookend
acclaim	amber	barren	boorish
accordance	ambulatory	basin	bossy
accounting	amendment	battery	boulder
accumulate	amiss	beaker	braided
achy	amity	beautify	brandied
acknowledge	angling	beauty	brashly
acorn	anguish	because	breadth
acrylic	anklet	beechnut	breakfast
adage	announcer	beginner	brevity
addle	antique	behead	brighten
adjacent	aphid	belabor	brittle
adjust	apparel	belittle	bronze
admiral	archery	bellhop	bruise
adulation	arena	beneath	buckboard
adulthood	arise	bicker	bungalow
advantage	artillery	bicolor	bunting

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burglar	chatterbox	consume	defroster
cabinet	cherub	consumer	degrade
cajole	chewy	controller	delicious
calcium	chiller	converge	delude
calfskin	choose	cornea	demise
caloric	churn	coupon	deprivation
campfire	cloakroom	cousin	desecrate
canal	clobber	covet	design
canoe	clogging	cowardly	desist
caption	clothespin	crabby	detrain
captivity	coach	crooked	devalue
captor	coarsely	dagger	device
carbon	cogwheel	davenport	devotee
carbonate	collarbone	dawdle	devotion
cardboard	colonel	daze	diagram
cardigan	colony	deactivate	didactic
careless	colored	deadhead	dilute
caress	column	dearth	dinette
carrot	commit	debate	discretion
cartwheel	complex	debrief	discuss
caucus	concealment	decade	disturbance
cautious	concert	decal	docket
cavern	condemn	deceased	doctrine
cellar	confetti	decency	documentary
ceramics	confine	decision	doff
certainty	connive	deckhand	dollhouse
chairman	consecutive	decline	dolphin
champion	constant	decorate	dome
chariot	constrict	deduction	donation

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donkey	evenhanded	finally	goalie
doodling	evergreen	flabby	godsend
doorjamb	evermore	formally	goldbrick
dopester	excel	fortify	goldsmith
drummer	exhaust	fossil	grimy
drunkard	expensive	foster	groggy
dyeing	expertness	fourfold	grouch
eagerness	extinct	fowl	groundless
earring	extraordinary	fraction	growl
easily	eyebrow	fracture	gruel
eastern	fable	frantic	grunt
edible	fabricate	freakish	halter
effect	factor	frequency	hamper
elementary	factual	frontal	handcuff
endear	failure	furlough	hangdog
enemy	falsity	galactic	hardware
engage	famine	gallop	harmonica
entertain	fanfare	gangly	harpoon
entitle	fashion	garageman	harrow
entomb	faultless	garment	havoc
envy	feature	gaslight	headset
epigram	ferment	gearing	heartburn
equality	fertile	getaway	heath
equalize	fetching	giantess	heavyweight
equation	feud	gland	heckle
erase	fewness	gloomy	heirloom
escape	fickle	glorify	hemline
essence	figment	glossy	heredity
eternity	filmy	goad	heroic

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hickory	infancy	jellyfish	leaky
highlight	infatuate	jewel	leapfrog
hiplength	inferior	jiffy	leather
historian	inflate	jigsaw	leaving
historic	ingrained	jobholder	leech
hobgoblin	inject	joggle	leftover
holeproof	injure	joining	legal
holiday	innkeeper	journal	legroom
hollow	inroad	journey	lethal
holster	insider	joyful	liable
homemade	insolvent	jugular	liar
homonym	instantly	juice	ligature
honcho	instruct	jumping	lingual
hooves	intellect	kettle	linkage
hymn	interested	kidskin	lioness
icequake	intolerant	kilometer	literate
identify	intricate	kiloton	litterbug
illusion	intruder	kingpin	loathing
immediate	invite	kipper	lousy
immortal	irate	knapsack	lumberjack
impassive	ironclad	knitted	luxury
inaccurate	ironworker	knock	mackerel
inactive	irregular	labels	magenta
inanimate	isolate	lacery	maidservant
inaudible	jackrabbit	lacework	mailable
incompetent	jagged	landscape	maimed
indent	jaguar	latch	majesty
indignant	jaunty	laughter	malady
inexcusable	jeerer	layback	malign

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malignant	narcotic	original	photograph
mamba	native	orphan	piano
manger	nebulous	otherwise	pier
manners	necklace	otter	pigskin
marble	nestle	outlet	piker
marine	nickname	ovation	pincushion
maroon	nightmare	owner	pinhead
mawkish	nobility	pacemaker	pinking
maximum	nomadic	padlock	pioneer
meatball	nonsense	palsy	platoon
meek	oasis	panda	ploy
meeting	oatmeal	panelist	plugboard
melody	obvious	papacy	plumber
memorial	occupation	parallelogram	plywood
menace	occurrence	parsley	pointless
merchant	oceanic	passably	policeman
mermaid	oddment	patent	pollute
merry	odorless	paycheck	ponderous
methodical	offbeat	pearly	poolroom
metropolis	ogle	peculiar	populate
microfilm	opal	peony	posture
millionaire	opening	peppery	precious
minstrel	opera	percentage	preprint
mixture	oration	perforate	prescription
molecule	orchard	period	pretender
monorail	ordered	perish	priest
motherly	ordinary	perplexing	priestly
mountain	organic	personable	princely
muscle	origin	phase	profuse

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propensity	reliable	scholarly	shampoo
propriety	remainder	scientific	shank
pudginess	remarkable	scoop	sharecropper
quake	reminder	scorched	shavetail
qualify	remove	score	sheepish
quarry	renewal	scornfully	sheriff
quarterdeck	rentable	scrapbook	shoplifter
questionable	rental	scrappy	shovellike
quicksilver	renumber	scratchy	shuddering
radiant	reportedly	scrawny	sightseer
radish	represent	screamer	situated
railbed	reprieve	screech	sketchy
rainspout	repulsion	scrubbing	skimpiness
raisin	retainer	scrumptious	skirmish
rampage	riverbank	scruple	skull
random	roadworthy	sculpture	slapstick
ransack	robbery	seedbed	soulful
ransom	robot	seedy	soundproof
ration	rookery	selector	spacious
ravage	rosette	semicircle	spaniel
readily	routinely	sensational	spareribs
realm	saga	senseless	splurge
receipt	salesclerk	sensitive	sprinkling
recruit	sampler	sensual	spur
redouble	sandlotter	sentimental	squeak
regard	sanity	sentinel	squeal
register	sardine	separate	stagecoach
regular	sausage	shackle	stagehand
relaxed	scandal	shameless	stalemate

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stampede	tenderfoot	turnbuckle	vibrant
startling	tenderize	turret	vibrate
steadfast	tendon	tweak	vinegar
stealthy	tennis	ultimo	virtuous
steeplechase	tenor	umpire	vitality
steward	tentative	unmasked	voicecast
stoneware	tenuous	unicorn	vowel
straddle	textile	unnerve	waistband
studious	thawless	unpaid	waiter
sublime	thigh	unravel	wake
subsidy	thirsty	unwritten	wallboard
succeed	thorny	usage	waspish
sugarloaf	timeliness	usher	watermark
suitable	tirade	vacationland	waxen
summary	tiresome	valley	weaking
surplus	toastmaster	vampire	wealth
surrender	tobacco	vandalize	weather
swallow	toilsome	vanishing	wedge
switch	tolerable	vault	weevil
tabletop	tonality	veer	whiplash
tacker	trapeze	vein	wholesale
talking	treaty	veined	widespread
tandem	trellis	velocity	windblown
tapeworm	trifling	venom	witchcraft
tardily	trinket	venture	wrangler
teeter	triumph	verbally	wreckage
teething	trumpet	vertical	wrestling
temperance	tuft	verve	zero
tendency	tumbleweed	viaduct	