

5 Minutes Vocabulary

Day 14

PROCLIVITY

(noun) a tendency to choose or do something regularly

Syn: liking, inclination, tendency, leaning, disposition, propensity, bent,

Atn: disinclination, dislike, hate

Exp: Because of her **proclivity** to wear unusual clothes, Tara was often a target of bullies.



PETULANT

(adj) childishly sulky or bad-tempered

Syn: ill-tempered, impatient, irritable, moody, fractious, captious,

Atn: agreeable, patient, good-natured, cheerful

Exp: My eldest sister is a **petulant** woman who complains constantly.



TRAVAIL

(noun) an unpleasant experience involves a lot of hard work or effort

Syn: ordeal, trial, tribulation, trouble, hardship, effort, exertion

Atn: comfort, joy, peace, laziness



Exp: The prisoners are expected to travail

in the fields even in bad weather

SANGUINE

(adj)optimistic or positive, especially in difficult situation

Syn: optimistic, bullish, hopeful, buoyant, positive,

Atn: depressed, gloomy, pessimistic, unhappy

Exp: Although the economy is looking better, we should still not be too **sanguine** about the future



PREVARICATE

(verb) to avoid telling the truth

Syn: hedge, fence, vacillate, quibble, distort, mispresent

Atn: honest, face, tell truth

Exp: He loudly opposes torture while his Republican colleagues **prevaricate**.



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