

Synonyms and Antonyms for Competitive Exams

S.No.	Words	Synonyms	Antonyms
1.	Acumen	Awareness, brilliance	Stupidity, Ignorance
2.	Adhere	Comply, observe	Condemn, disjoin
3.	Abolish	Abrogate, annual	Setup Establish
4.	Abash	Disconcert, rattle	Uphold, Discompose
5.	Abound	Flourish, proliferate	Deficient, Destitute
6.	Abate	Moderate, decrease	Aggravate
7.	Abject	Despicable, servile	Commendable, Praiseworthy
8.	Abjure	Forsake, renounce	Approve, Sanction
9.	Abortive	Vain, unproductive	Productive
10.	Absolve	Pardon, forgive	Compel, Accuse
11.	Accord	Agreement, harmony	Discord
12.	Acrimony	Harshness, bitterness	Courtesy, Benevolence
13.	Adamant	Stubborn, inflexible	Flexible, Soft
14.	Adherent	Follower, disciple	Rival, Adversary
15.	Adjunct	Joined, Added	Separated, Subtracted
16.	Admonish	Counsel, reprove	Approve, Applaud
17.	Adversity	Misfortune, calamity	Prosperity, Fortune
18.	Alien	Foreigner, outsider	Native, Resident
19.	Allay	Pacify, soothe	Aggravate, Excite
20.	Alleviate	Abate, relieve	Aggravate, Enhance
21.	Allure	Entice, fascinate	Repulse Repel
22.	Ascend	Climb Escalate	Descend, Decline
23.	Amplify	Augment, deepen	Lessen, Contract
24.	Arraign	Incriminate, indict	Exculpate, Pardon
25.	Audacity	Boldness, Courage	Mildness, Cowardice
26.	Authentic	Accurate, credible	Fictitious, unreal
27.	Awkward	Rude, blundering	Adroit, clever
28.	Axiom	Adage, truism	Absurdity, Blunder
29.	Baffle	Astound, Faze	Facilitate, Clarify
30.	Bewitching	Alluring, charming	Repulsive, Repugnant
31.	Bleak	Grim, Austere	Bright, Pleasant
32.	Brittle	Breakable, crisp	Tough, Enduring
33.	Bustle	Commotion, Tumult	Slowness, Quiet
34.	Barbarous	Frustrate, perplex	Civilized
35.	Baroque	Florid, gilt	Plain, unadorned
36.	Barren	Desolate, Sterile	Damp, Fertile
37.	Barrier	Barricade, Obstacle	Link, Assistance

38.	Base	Vulgar, Coarse	Summit, Noble
39.	Batty	Insane, silly	Sane
40.	Bawdy	Erotic, Coarse	Decent, Moral
41.	Befogged	Becloud, Dim	Clear headed, Uncloud
42.	Benevolent	Benign, Generous	Malevolent, Miserly
43.	Benign	Favorable, friendly	Malignant, Cruel
44.	Bind	Predicament	Release
45.	Bleak	Austere, Blank	Bright, Cheerful
46.	Blunt	Dull, Insensitive	Keen, Sharp
47.	Boisterous	Clamorous, rowdy	Placid, Calm
48.	Bold	Adventurous	Timid
49.	Busy	Active, Engaged	Idle, Lazy
50.	Calculating	Canny, Devious	Artless, honest
51.	Calamity	adversity, misfortune	Fortune
52.	Callous	obdurate, unfeeling	Compassionate, Tender
53.	Calumny	defamation, aspersion	Commendation, Praise
54.	Capable	competent, able	Incompetent, Inept
55.	Captivate	Charm, fascinate	Disillusion offend
56.	Captivity	imprisonment, confinement	Freedom, Liberty
57.	Cease	terminate, desist	Begin, Originate
58.	Chaste	virtuous, pure	Sullied, Lustful
59.	Chastise	punish, admonish	Cheer, encourage
60.	Compassion	kindness, sympathy	Cruelty, Barbarity
61.	Comprise	include, contain	Reject, lack
62.	Concede	yield, permit	Deny, reject
63.	Concur	approve, agree	Differ, disagree
64.	Consent	agree, permit	Object Disagree
65.	Consequence	effect, outcome	Origin, Start
66.	Consolidate	solidify, strengthen	Separate, Weaken
67.	Conspicuous	prominent, obvious	Concealed, hidden
68.	Contempt	scorn, disregard	Regard, Praise
69.	Contradict	deny, oppose	Approve, Confirm
70.	Contrary	dissimilar, conflicting	Similar, Alike
71.	Calm	Harmonious, unruffled	Stormy, turbulent
72.	Callous	Insensitive, indurated	Kind, merciful
73.	Camouflage	Cloak, disguise	Reveal
74.	Candid	Blunt, bluff	Evasive
75.	Captivate	Beguile, bewitch	Repel
76.	Carnal	Earthly, fleshly	Spiritual
77.	Catholic	Generic, liberal	Narrow- minded
78.	Celebrated	Acclaimed, lionized	Unknown, Inglorious

79.	Cement	Plaster, mortar	Disintegrate
80.	Censure	Rebuke, reprimand	Praise, Acceptance
81.	Cheap	Competitive, Inexpensive	Dear, unreasonable
82.	Clandestine	Covert, fruitive	Open, Legal
83.	Classic	Simple, Typical	Romantic, Unusual
84.	Coarse	Bawdy, Boorish	Fine, Chaste
85.	Comic	Clown, Jester	Tragic, tragedian
86.	Compact	Bunched, thick	Loose, Diffuse
87.	Compress	Abbreviate, Shrink	Amplify, Expand
88.	Conceit	Egotism, Immodesty	Modesty
89.	Concord	Agreement, accord	Discord
90.	Condemn	Castigate, Chide	Approve, Praise
91.	Confident	Bold, Undaunted	Diffident, cowardly
92.	Consolidate	Centralize, Fortify	Weaken
93.	Courtesy	Generosity, Reverence	Disdain, Rudeness
94.	Creation	Formation, foundation	Destruction
95.	Cunning	Acute, Smart	Nave, Coarse
96.	Decay	Collapse, decompose	Flourish, Progress
97.	Deceit	deception, artifice	Veracity, Sincerity
98.	Decipher	interpret, reveal	Misinterpret, distort
99.	Defile	contaminate, pollute	Purify, sanctity
100.	Defray	spend, pay	Disclaim, Repudiate
101.	Deliberate	cautious, intentional	Rash, Sudden
102.	Demolish	Ruin, devastate	Repair, construct
103.	Deprive	despoil, divest	Restore, Renew
104.	Deride	mock, taunt	Inspire, Encourage
105.	Disdain	detest, despise	Approve, praise
106.	Dissuade	Remonstrate, Counsel	Insite, Persuade
107.	Denounce	Blame, boycott	Defend
108.	Dense	Opaque, piled	Sparse, brainy
109.	Derogatory	Sarcastic, critical	Laudatory, appreciative
110.	Despair	Depression, misery	Contentment, Hope
111.	Destructive	Catastrophic, pernicious	Creative, Constructive
112.	Docile	Pliable, pliant	Headstrong, obstinate
113.	Dwarf	Diminutive, Petite	Huge, Giant
114.	Eager	Keen, acquisitive	Indifferent, apathetic
115.	Eclipse	Diminution, Dimming	Shine, eclipse
116.	Eccentric	strange, abnormal	Natural, Conventional
117.	Ecstasy	delight, exultation	Despair, Calamity
118.	Efface	destroy, obliterate	Retain, Maintain
119.	Eloquence	expression, fluency	Halting, Stammering

120.	Encumbrance	hindrance, obstacle	Incentive, stimulant
121.	Endeavour	undertake, aspire	Cease, quit
122.	Enormous	colossal, mammoth	Diminutive, negligible
123.	Epitome	precise, example	Increment, expansion
124.	Equivocal	uncertain, hazy	Obvious, lucid
125.	Eradicate	destroy, exterminate	Secure, plant
126.	Fabricate	construct, produce	Destroy, Dismantle
127.	Fallacy	delusion, mistake	Veracity, Truth
128.	Falter	stumble, demur	Persist, Endure
129.	Fanatical	narrow-minded, biased	Liberal, Tolerant
130.	Feeble	weak, frail	Strong, Robust
131.	Ferocious	cruel, fierce	Gentle, Sympathetic
132.	Feud	strife, quarrel	Harmony, fraternity
133.	Fluctuate	deflect, vacillate	Stabilize, resolve
134.	Forsake	desert, renounce	Hold, maintain
135.	Fragile	weak, infirm	Enduring, Tough
136.	Frantic	violent, agitated	Subdued, gentle
137.	Frivolous	petty, worthless	Solemn, significant
138.	Frugality	economy, providence	Lavishness, extravagance
139.	Gather	Converge, huddle	Disperse, Dissemble
140.	Gloom	obscurity, darkness	Delight, mirth
141.	Glut	stuff, satiate	Starve, abstain
142.	Gorgeous	magnificent, dazzling	Dull, unpretentious
143.	Gracious	courteous, beneficent	Rude, Unforgiving
144.	Grisly	disgusting, atrocious	Pleasing, attractive
145.	Grudge	hatred, aversion	Benevolence, Affection
146.	Guile	cunning, deceit	Honesty, frankness
147.	Generosity	Altruism, bounty	Stinginess, greed
148.	Genuine	Absolute, Factual	Spurious
149.	Gloomy	Bleak, cloudy	Gay, Bright
150.	Glory	Dignity, renown	Shame, Disgrace
151.	Hamper	retard, prevent	Promote, facilitate
152.	Hapless	unfortunate, ill-fated	Fortunate, Lucky
153.	Harass	irritate, molest	Assist, comfort
154.	Haughty	arrogant, pompous	Humble, Submissive
155.	Hazard	Peril, danger	Conviction, security
156.	Heretic	non-conformist, secularist	Conformable, religious
157.	Hideous	frightful, shocking	Attractive, alluring
158.	Hamstrung	Cripple Debilitate	Strengthen, Encourage
159.	Harmony	Conformity, Amicability	Discord, discord
160.	Hasty	Abrupt, Impetuous	Leisurely, Cautious

161.	Honor	Adoration, Reverence	Denunciation, Shame
162.	Humble	Meek, Timid	Proud, Assertive
163.	Humility	Resignation, Fawning	Boldness, Pride
164.	Hypocrisy	Deception, Pharisaim	Sincerity, frankness
165.	Impenitent	Uncontrite, Obdurate	Repentant
166.	Impulsive	Flaky, Impetuous	Cautious, Deliberate
167.	Indifferent	Equitable, Haughty	Partial, Biased
168.	Indigent	Destitute, Impoverished	Rich, Affluent
169.	Infernal	Damned, Accursed	Heavenly,
170.	Insidid	Tedious, Prosaic	Pleasing, appetizing
171.	Interesting	Enchanting, Riveting	Dull, Uninteresting
172.	Immaculate	unsullied, spotless	Defiled, Tarnished
173.	Immense	huge, enormous	Puny, Insignificant
174.	Immerse	submerge, involve	Emerge, uncover
175.	Imminent	impending, brewing	Distant, Receding
176.	Immunity	prerogative, privilege	Blame, Censure
177.	Impair	diminish, deteriorate	Restore, Revive
178.	Impartial	just, unbiased	Prejudiced, Biased
179.	Impediment	hurdle, obstruction	Assistant, Concurrence
180.	Impious	irreligious, unholy	Pious, Devout
181.	Impute	attribute, ascribe	Exculpate, support
182.	Inclination	disposition, affection	Indifference, Disinclination
183.	Incompetent	inefficient, unskilled	Dexterous, Skilled
184.	Incongruous	inappropriate, absurd	Compatible, harmonious
185.	Inevitable	unavoidable, ascertained	Unlikely, Doubtful
186.	Infringe	violate, encroach	Comply, Concur
187.	Ingenuous	undisguised, naive	Wily, Craftly
188.	Insinuate	allude, hint	Conceal, Camouflage
189.	Insidid	tasteless, vapid	Delicious, luscious
190.	Insolvent	indigent, destitute	Wealthy, solvent
191.	Instill	inculcate, inject	Eradicate, extract
192.	Intricate	tangled, complicated	Regulated, Orderly
193.	Intrigue	scheme, conspiracy	Candor, Sincerity
194.	Intrinsic	genuine, fundamental	Extraneous, incidental
195.	Invective	accusation, censure	Approval, acclamation
196.	Invincible	unconquerable, impregnable	Effeminate, languid
197.	Irrepressible	irresistible, unconfined	Composed, hesitant
198.	Immaculate	Exquisite, Impeccable	Defiled, Tarnished
199.	Jaded	tired, exhausted	Renewed, recreated
200.	Jejune	dull, boring	Interesting, exciting
201.	Jovial	frollicsome, cheerful	Solemn, morose

202.	Jubilant	rejoicing, triumphant	Melancholy, depressing
203.	Judicious	thoughtful, prudent	Irrational, foolish
204.	Just	honest, impartial	Unequal, unfair
205.	Justify	defend, exculpate	Impute, arraign
206.	Juvenile	young, tender	Dotage, antiquated
207.	Keen	sharp, poignant	Vapid, insipid
208.	Kindred	relation, species	Unrelated, dissimilar
209.	Knave	dishonest, scoundrel	Paragon, innocent
210.	Knell	death knell, last blow	Reconstruction, rediscovery
211.	Knotty	complicated difficult	Simple, manageable
212.	Lavish	abundant, excessive	Scarce, deficient
213.	Lax	slack, careless	Firm, reliable
214.	Lenient	compassionate, merciful	Cruel, severe
215.	Liable	accountable, bound	Unaccountable, apt to
216.	Liberal	magnanimous, generous	Stingy, malicious
217.	Linger	loiter, prolong	Hasten, quicken
218.	Lucid	sound, rational	Obscure, hidden
219.	Lunacy	delusion, insanity	Normalcy, sanity
220.	Lure	attract, entice	Repel, dissuade
221.	Luscious	palatable, delicious	Unsavory, tart
222.	Luxuriant	profuse, abundant	Scanty, meagre
223.	Languid	Sluggish, apathetic	Energetic, spirited
224.	Malice	Vengefulness, grudge	Goodwill, Kindness
225.	Mandatory	Imperative, requisite	Optional
226.	Masculine	Gallant, strapping	Feminine, meek
227.	Merit	Stature, Asset	Demerit, dishonor
228.	Miraculous	marvelous, extraordinary	Ordinary, trivial
229.	Mitigate	alleviate, relieve	Augment enhance
230.	Modest	humble, courteous	Arrogant, pompous
231.	Molest	harass, tease	Console, soothe
232.	Mollify	appease, assuage	Irritate, infuriate
233.	Momentous	notable, eventful	Trivial, insignificant
234.	Monotonous	irksome, tedious	Varied, pleasant
235.	Morbid	Nasty, Macabre	Healthy, Cheerful
236.	Munificent	liberal, hospitable	Frugal, penurious
237.	Murky	dusky, dreary	Bright, shining
238.	Mutinous	recalcitrant, insurgent	Submissive, faithful
239.	Mutual	joint, identical	Separate, distinct
240.	Niggardly	miser, covetous	Generous, profuse
241.	Nimble	prompt, brisk	Sluggish, languid
242.	Nonchalant	indifferent, negligent	Attentive, considerate

243.	Novice	tyro, beginner	Veteran, ingenious
244.	Noxious	baneful, injurious	Healing, profitable
245.	Nullify	cancel, annul	Confirm, Uphold
246.	Notion	Conceit, Apprehension	Reality, Concrete
247.	Numerous	profuse, various	Scarce, deficient
248.	Obstruct	impede, prevent	Hasten, encourage
249.	Obliging	Complaisant, Willing	Mulish, Obstinate
250.	Obscure	Arcane, Vague	Prominent
251.	Obstinate	Stubborn, Adamant	Pliable, flexible
252.	Obtain	Access, Inherit	Forfeit
253.	Obvious	Evident, apparent	Obscure, ambiguous
254.	Odious	Malevolent, obnoxious	Engaging, fascinating
255.	Offensive	Abhorrent, obnoxious	Engaging, fascinating
256.	Occult	latent, ambiguous	Intelligible, transparent
257.	Offspring	descendant, sibling	Ancestor, forefather
258.	Ominous	Menacing, Foreboding	Auspicious
259.	Opaque	obscure, shady	Transparent, bright
260.	Optimist	Idealist	Pessimist
261.	Oracular	cryptic, vague	Lucid, distinct
262.	Ordain	Order, impose	Revoke abolish
263.	Ornamental	decorative, adorned	Unseemly, plain
264.	Outbreak	eruption, insurrection	Compliance, subjection
265.	Outrage	offence, maltreatment	Praise, favour
266.	Pacify	Appease, Chasten	Irritate, worsen
267.	Persuade	Cajole, Impress	Dissuade, halt
268.	Perturbed	Flustered, anxious	Calm
269.	Propagate	Inseminate, fecundate	Suppress, deplete
270.	Progress	Pace, Betterment	Retrogress, worsening
271.	Prompt	Precise, Punctual	Slow, Negligent
272.	Prudence	Vigilance, Discretion	Indiscretion
273.	Pamper	Flatter, indulge	Deny, disparage
274.	Paramount	foremost, eminent	Trivial, inferior
275.	Peerless	matchless, unrivalled	Mediocre, commonplace
276.	Peevish	perverse, sullen	Suave, amiable
277.	Pertness	flippancy, impudence	Modesty, diffidence
278.	Perverse	petulant, obstinate	Complacent, docile
279.	Placid	tranquil, calm	Turbulent, hostile
280.	Pompous	haughty, arrogant	Unpretentious, humble
281.	Precarious	doubtful, insecure	Assured
282.	Predicament	plight, dilemma	Resolution, confidence
283.	Quack	Impostor, deceiver	Upright, unfeigned

284.	Quaint	Queer, strange	Familiar, usual
285.	Quarantine	seclude, screen	Befriend, socialize
286.	Quell	subdue, reduce	Exacerbate, agitate
288.	Quibble	equivocate, prevaricate	Unfeign, plain
289.	Raid	Incursion, Foray	Retreat, release
290.	Rapidity	Quickness, Velocity	Inertia, languidity
291.	Reason	Acumen, Bounds	Folly, Speculation
292.	Rebellious	Restless, attacking	Submissive, Compliant
293.	Rectify	Amend, Remedy	Falsify, Worsen
294.	Reluctant	Cautious, Averse	anxious, Eager
295.	Restrain	Detain, Confine	Incite
296.	Ratify	consent, approve	Deny, dissent
297.	Ravage	Destroy, ruin	Reconstruct, renovate
298.	Redeem	Recover, liberate	Conserve lose
299.	Remnant	Residue, piece	Entire, whole
300.	Remonstrate	Censure, protest	Agree, loud
301.	Remorse	Regret, penitence	Ruthlessness, obduracy
302.	Rescind	Annul, abrogate	Delegate, permit
303.	Resentment	Displeasure, wrath	Content, Cheer
304.	Retract	Recant, withdraw	Confirm, assert
305.	Reverence	Respect, esteem	Disrespect, affront
306.	Rout	Vanquish, overthrow	Succumb, withdraw
307.	Rustic	Rural, uncivilized	Cultured, Refined
308.	Ruthless	Remorseless, inhumane	Compassionate, lenient
309.	Sacred	Cherish, Divine	Ungodly, Profane
310.	Savage	Wild, untamed	Polished, Civilized
311.	Startled	Frightened, Shocked	Waveringly
312.	Steep	Course, lofty	Flat, gradual
313.	Stranger	Immigrant, guest	Acquaintance, national
314.	Sublime	Magnificent, eminent	Ridiculous
315.	Succinct	Concise, Terse	Lengthy, polite
316.	Sympathy	Tenderness, harmony	Antipathy, Discord
317.	System	Scheme, Entity	Chaos, Disorder
318.	Sarcastic	Ironical, derisive	Courteous, gracious
319.	Saucy	Impudent, insolent	Modest, humble
320.	Shrewd	Cunning, craftly	Simple, imbecile
321.	Scanty	scarce, insufficient	Lavish, multitude
322.	Servile	Slavish, Docile	Aggressive, Dominant
323.	Shabby	miserable, impoverished	Prosperous, thriving
324.	Slander	defame, malign	Applaud, approve
325.	Sneer	mock, scorn	Flatter, praise

326.	Solicit	entreat, implore	Protest oppose
327.	Subterfuge	Deceit, Stratagem	Frankness, Openness
328.	Stain	blemish, tarnish	Honor, purify
329.	Spurious	Fake, Counterfeit	Genuine, Authentic
330.	Sporadic	intermittent, scattered	Incessant, frequent
331.	Spry	Nimble, Brisk	Lethargic, Sluggish
332.	Squalid	dirty, filthy	Tidy, Attractive
333.	Successful	Propitious, Felicitous	Destitute, Untoward
334.	Sterile	Barren, Impotent	Profitable, Potent
335.	Stupor	lethargy, unconsciousness	Sensibility, Consciousness
336.	Subsequent	consequent, following	Preceding, previous
337.	Substantial	Considerable, solid	Tenuous, fragile
338.	Subvert	Demolish, sabotage	Generate, organize
339.	Superficial	Partial, shallow	Profound, discerning
340.	Sycophant	Parasite, flatterer	Devoted, loyal
341.	Taboo	Prohibit, ban	Permit, consent
342.	Taciturn	Reserved, silent	Talkative, extrovert
343.	Tedious	Wearisome, Irksome	Exhilarating, lively
344.	Temperate	Cool, moderate	Boisterous, violent
345.	Tenement	Apartment, Digs	Breakeven, dislodge
346.	Tenacious	Stubborn, Dodge	Docile, non- resinous
347.	Throng	Assembly, crowd	Dispersion, sparsity
348.	Timid	Diffident, coward	Bold, intrepid
349.	Tranquil	Peaceful, composed	Violent, furious
350.	Transient	Temporal, transitory	Lasting, enduring
351.	Trenchant	Assertive, forceful	Feeble, ambiguous
352.	Treacherous	Dishonest, duplicitous	Forthright, reliable
353.	Trivial	Trifling, insignificant	Significant, veteran
354.	Tumultuous	Violent, riotous	Peaceful, harmonious
355.	Tyro	Beginner, riotous	Proficient, veteran
356.	Tame	Compliant, Subdued	Wild, untamed
357.	Terse	Incisive, Compact	Diffuse, Gentle
358.	Thick	Chunky, massive	Thin, attenuated
359.	Thrifty	Frugal, prudent	Extravagant
360.	Tranquil	Amicable, Calm	Agitated, Fierce
361.	Transparent	Diaphanous	Opaque
362.	Tremble	Vibrate	Steady
363.	Uncouth	Awkward, ungraceful	Elegant, Compensate
364.	Utterly	Completely, entirely	Deficiently, incomplete
365.	Umbrage	Chagrin, offense	Sympathy, goodwill
366.	Uncouth	Boorish, Clownish	Elegant, Compensate

367.	Urchin	Foundling, Orphan	Creep, Knave
368.	Urge	Incite, Implore	Abhorrence, Abomination
369.	Vain	Arrogant, egoistic	Modest
370.	Vagrant	Wander, roaming	Steady, settled
371.	Valor	Bravery, prowess	Fear, cowardice
372.	Vanity	Conceit, pretension	Modesty, Humility
373.	Venerable	Esteemed, honored	Unworthy, immature
374.	Venom	Poison, malevolence	Antidote, Benevolent
375.	Veteran	Ingenious, experienced	Novice, tyro
376.	Vicious	Corrupt, obnoxious	Noble, Virtuous
377.	Vigilant	Cautious, alert	Careless, negligent
378.	Vivacious	Spirited, Energetic	Dispirited, Unattractive
379.	Vilify	Malign, Slur, Defame	Cherish, Commend
380.	Vouch	Confirm, consent	Repudiate, prohibit
381.	Virtue	Ethic, morality	Vice, dishonesty
382.	Vivid	Eloquent, lucid	Dull, Dim
383.	Waive	Relinquish, remove	Impose, Clamp
384.	Wan	Pale, faded	Bright, healthy
385.	Wane	Decline, Dwindle	Ameliorate, Rise
386.	Wary	cautious, circumspect	Heedless, negligent
387.	Wed	marry, combine	Divorce, Separate
388.	Wicked	vicious, immoral	Virtuous, Noble
389.	Wield	Exert, employ	Forgo, avoid
390.	Wile	Trickery, Artifice	Naivety, honor
391.	Winsome	Beautiful, Comely	Alluring, Rapturous
392.	Wilt	wither, perish	Revive, bloom
393.	Yell	shout, shriek	Whisper muted
394.	Yield	surrender abdicate	Resist, protest
395.	Yearn	languish, crave	Content, satisfy
396.	Yoke	connect, harness	Liberate, Release
397.	Zeal	eagerness, fervor	Apathy, lethargy
398.	Zenith	summit, apex	Nadir, base
399.	Zest	delight, enthusiasm	Disgust, passive
400.	Zig -zag	oblique, wayward	Straight, unbent