

Examrace

Pair of Words: Meaning and Sentence from All, Awl to Allusion, Assay

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List of Pair of Words: A

All

Meaning: everyone (of), or the complete amount or number (of), or the whole (of)

Sentence: All animals have to eat in order to live.

Awl

Meaning: a small, pointed tool for making holes in wood, leather, etc.

Sentence: That awl causes loud noise.

Allusive

Meaning: containing a lot of allusions

Sentence: Her music is allusive.

Alleviate

Meaning: to make something bad such as pain or problems less severe

Sentence: The drugs did nothing to alleviate her pain/suffering.

Atheist

Meaning: someone who believes that God or gods do not exist

Sentence: I know an atheist who says ' Oh god!

Agnostic

Meaning: someone who does not know, or believes that it is impossible to know, whether a god exists

Sentence: Although he was raised a Catholic, he was an agnostic for most of his adult life.

Altogether

Meaning: completely or in total

Sentence: The government ought to abolish the tax altogether.

All Together

Meaning: all at the same time

Sentence: The last time we were all together was in 1999.

Ambiguous

Meaning: having or expressing more than one possible meaning, sometimes intentionally

Sentence: His reply to my question was somewhat ambiguous.

Ambivalent

Meaning: having two opposing feelings at the same time, or being uncertain about how you feel

Sentence: I felt very ambivalent about leaving home.

Appraise

Meaning: to examine someone or something in order to judge their qualities, success or needs

Sentence: At the end of each teaching practice, trainee teachers are asked to appraise their own performance.

Apprise

Meaning: to tell someone about something

Sentence: The President has been apprised of the situation.

Avenge

Meaning: to do harm to or punish the person responsible for something bad done to you

Sentence: He swore he would avenge his brother's death.

Aviary

Meaning: a large cage or closed space in which birds are kept as pets

Sentence: I have an aviary with 17 birds.

Apiary

Meaning: a place where people keep bees, especially a collection of hives kept providing honey

Sentence: I once visited an apiary where there were numerous cardboard boxes scattered around.

Auger

Meaning: a tool consisting of a twisted rod of metal fixed to a handle, used for making large holes in wood or in the ground

Sentence: In order to measure the pH directly; the kit includes a plastic auger to perforate the ground.

Augur

Meaning: to be a sign of especially good or bad things in the future

Sentence: Do you think that this recent ministerial announcement augurs a shift in government policy?

Attack

Meaning: to try to hurt or defeat using violence

Sentence: He was attacked and seriously injured by a gang of youths.

Apposite

Meaning: suitable and right for the occasion

Sentence: It is, however, apposite to note that this process will continue in the year ahead.

Affluence

Meaning: having a lot of money or owning a lot of things

Sentence: What we are seeing increasingly is a society of private affluence and public squalor.

Amoral

Meaning: without moral principles Sentence: The spies are younger, less jaded but equally cynical and still operating in a wholly amoral world.

Adverse

Meaning: having a negative or harmful effect on something

Sentence: The match has been canceled due to adverse weather conditions.

Averse

Meaning: strongly disliking or opposed to

Sentence: Few MPs are averse to the attention of the media.

Allusion

Meaning: something that is said or written that is intended to make you think of a particular thing or person

Sentence: Her novels are packed with literary allusions.

Assay

Meaning: an examination or testing

Sentence: A positive result has been obtained in a mouse lymphoma assay.