

# Abstruse

**/əb'struːs/**

Adjective

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**Meaning**

Difficult to understand; obscure

**Example**

The professor's lectures were abstruse to most students.

**Sentence**

Quantum physics can be abstruse to the average learner.

**Mnemonic**

"Abstract + Confuse" = Abstruse

**Synonyms**

Obscure, Complex

**Antonyms**

Clear, Simple

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# Absurd

/əb'sɜːd/

Adjective

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<b>Meaning</b>	Wildly unreasonable, illogical, or inappropriate
<b>Example</b>	The idea that the earth is flat is absurd.
<b>Sentence</b>	His excuse for being late was simply absurd.
<b>Mnemonic</b>	Sounds like “absurdity” — totally illogical
<b>Synonyms</b>	Ridiculous, Preposterous
<b>Antonyms</b>	Logical, Reasonable

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# Abundant

**/ə'bʌn.dənt/**

Adjective

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<b>Meaning</b>	Existing or available in large quantities
<b>Example</b>	The region is abundant in natural resources.
<b>Sentence</b>	She has an abundant supply of creativity.
<b>Mnemonic</b>	"A bun dance" — lots of buns dancing = abundance
<b>Synonyms</b>	Plentiful, Ample
<b>Antonyms</b>	Scarce, Limited

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# Abysmal

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Adjective

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**Meaning**           Extremely bad; appalling

**Example**           The team's performance was abysmal last season.

**Sentence**          His lack of knowledge was abysmal.

**Mnemonic**        Sounds like “abyss” – bottomless, terrible

**Synonyms**        Terrible, Dreadful

**Antonyms**        Excellent, Superb

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# Accede

**/ək'siːd/**

Verb

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<b>Meaning</b>	To agree to a request or demand; to assume a position of power
<b>Example</b>	The government acceded to the demands of the workers.
<b>Sentence</b>	She finally acceded to her father's wishes.
<b>Mnemonic</b>	"Accept and proceed" = Accede
<b>Synonyms</b>	Agree, Consent
<b>Antonyms</b>	Refuse, Dissent

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