Acute

/əˈkjuːt/

Adjective

Meaning Very severe, intense, or sharp; having a keen

insight

Example She felt an acute pain in her side.

Sentence His acute sense of hearing helped him

detect faint sounds.

Mnemonic Acute = A cute sharp angle — very pointed

Synonyms Sharp, Intense, Keen

Antonyms Dull, Mild

Adage

/'æd.idʒ/

Noun

Meaning A short, wise saying that expresses a general

truth

Example "A penny saved is a penny earned" is a

common adage.

Sentence The old adage still holds true in today's

world.

Mnemonic Ad + age = wisdom added with age

Synonyms Proverb, Saying, Maxim

Antonyms Novelty, Absurdity

Adamant

/'æd.ə.mənt/

Adjective

Meaning Refusing to change one's mind or position

Example She was adamant about not quitting her job.

Sentence Despite criticism, he remained adamant in

his beliefs.

Mnemonic Adam + ant — hard like a rock

Synonyms Unyielding, Stubborn

Antonyms Flexible, Yielding

Adapt

/əˈdæpt/

Verb

Meaning To adjust or modify to fit new conditions or

environments

Example Animals adapt to their surroundings over

time.

Sentence She had to adapt quickly to the new

software.

Mnemonic Think "add apt" skills — to change and fit

Synonyms Adjust, Modify

Antonyms Resist, Neglect

Addendum

/ə'den.dəm/

Noun

Meaning An additional item added at the end of a

document or book

Example The book includes an addendum with recent

updates.

Sentence An addendum was added to clarify the last

chapter.

Mnemonic Addendum = Add to the end

Synonyms Appendix, Supplement

Antonyms Omission, Subtraction