

Anathema

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Noun

Meaning	Something or someone intensely disliked or loathed
Example	Dishonesty was anathema to him.
Sentence	Corruption is anathema to good governance.
Mnemonic	Anathema = A negative theme
Synonyms	Abomination, Curse
Antonyms	Blessing, Approval

Ancestral

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Adjective

Meaning Relating to ancestors or heritage

Example They live on their ancestral land.

Sentence She wore her ancestral jewelry at the wedding.

Mnemonic Ancestral = Ancestor-related

Synonyms Inherited, Traditional

Antonyms Modern, New

Ancestry

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Noun

Meaning	One's family or ethnic descent
Example	His ancestry can be traced back to medieval kings.
Sentence	DNA tests reveal a person's ancestry.
Mnemonic	Ancestry = Ancestor history
Synonyms	Lineage, Heritage
Antonyms	Offspring, Descendants

Anchor

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Noun/Verb

Meaning	A heavy object to keep something in place; to secure firmly
Example	The ship dropped anchor near the shore.
Sentence	Education served as an anchor in his life.
Mnemonic	Anchor = Fix firmly
Synonyms	Support, Secure
Antonyms	Release, Unfasten

Ancillary

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Adjective/Noun

Meaning	Providing support to the primary activities or operation
Example	The hospital has an ancillary lab service.
Sentence	Ancillary staff assist doctors in hospitals.
Mnemonic	Ancillary = Aid + Necessary
Synonyms	Supplementary, Supportive
Antonyms	Main, Principal