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anachronism	A thing belonging or appropriate to a period other than that in which it exists, especially a thing that is conspicuously old-fashioned. <i>The town is a throwback to medieval times an anachronism that has survived the passing years.</i>
backslide	Relapse into bad ways or error. <i>There are many things that can cause slimmers to backslide.</i>
backward	In a manner or order or direction the reverse of normal. <i>Backward square leg.</i>
backwards	Towards or into a worse state. <i>Count backwards from twenty to ten.</i>
behind	A kick that sends the ball over a behind line or a touch that sends it between the inner posts scoring one point. <i>Don t leave me behind.</i>
degeneracy	The state of being degenerate in mental or moral qualities. <i>A slide into moral degeneracy.</i>
degeneration	Deterioration and loss of function in the cells of a tissue or organ. <i>Degeneration of the muscle fibres.</i>
discontinuity	Lack of connection or continuity. <i>There is no significant discontinuity between modern and primitive societies.</i>
grab	Make a grasping or snatching motion with the hand. <i>She grabbed her keys and rushed out.</i>
inverse	Something that is the opposite or reverse of something else. <i>Inverse logarithms.</i>
obtain	Receive a specified treatment (abstract). <i>The price of silver fell to that obtaining elsewhere in the ancient world.</i>
posthumous	(of a child) born after the death of its father. <i>A posthumous collection of his articles.</i>

<u>regain</u>	Reach (a place, position, or thing) again; get back to. <i>They were unable to regain their boats.</i>
<u>regress</u>	Calculate the coefficient or coefficients of regression of a variable against or on another variable. <i>I regressed Sylvia to early childhood.</i>
<u>regression</u>	An abnormal state in which development has stopped prematurely. <i>There was 46.7 per cent complete regression in the placebo group.</i>
regressive	(of a tax) taking a proportionally greater amount from those on lower incomes. <i>Indirect taxes are as a group regressive.</i>
<u>relapse</u>	Deteriorate in health. <i>He relapsed.</i>
<u>restitution</u>	The restoration of something to its original state. <i>The coefficient of restitution.</i>
<u>retention</u>	The continued possession, use, or control of something. <i>The children's retention of facts.</i>
retreat	Make a retreat from an earlier commitment or activity. <i>It becomes so hot that the lizards retreat into the shade.</i>
<u>retroactive</u>	Affecting things past. <i>A big retroactive tax increase.</i>
retrograde	Show retrograde motion. <i>The glacier retrogrades.</i>
retrogression	The process of returning to an earlier state, typically a worse one. <i>A retrogression to 19th century attitudes.</i>
<u>retrospect</u>	Contemplation of things past. <i>In retrospect.</i>
retrospective	Concerned with or related to the past. <i>Retrospective self justification.</i>
return	The action of returning something. <i>It might be worth checking with the box office for returns.</i>
reversion	A property to which someone has the right of reversion. <i>The reversion of property.</i>
<u>revert</u>	Return to (a former or ancestral type). <i>He ignored her words by reverting to the former subject.</i>
<u>throwback</u>	Characteristic of an atavist. <i>The eyes could be an ancestral throwback.</i>