

## H.S. LEXICON CHALLENGE WORDS

Abase	altercation	blanch
Abate	ameliorate	blasphemy
Abject	anarchy	bleak
abstruse	anathema	bogus
Abrogate	Accost	bonafide
acclamation	Affront	bondage
acquisitive	Arrant	boorish
acuity	Atrophy	brawny
aesthetic	Avid	breach
affectation	Adamant	brevity
allege	annex	brigand
allay	annihilate	buoyant
allege	annotation	bedlam
ambient	anomalous	beneficent
amenity	antediluvian	berate
anima	apex	bizarre
adversity	aplomb	blatant
aperture	apportion	blazon
arrogate	appreciable	bombastic
articulate	approbation	bovine
askance	arbitrary	broach
asperity	archetype	brouhaha
asseverate	arduous	brusque
attenuate	ascribe	bulwark
abominate	aspersion	buttress
abridge	aspire	cabal
abscond	assimilate	cacophonous
absolve	assuage	calumniate
abstemious	astute	canard
accentuate	assurance	captious
access	asylum	carping
accomplice	auspicious	cavil
accrue	austere	cavort
acculturation	autocratic	celerity
acrimonious	autonomy	chary
actuate	auxiliary	chicanery
addendum	avarice	cognizant
adept	aver	coherent
adherent	avert	collusion
adieu	axiomatic	complaisant
adjourn	badinage	complicity
admonish	bastion	concatenation
adulation	beatific	conciliate
advent	behemoth	concomitant
adventitious	blandishment	concord
affable	brackish	congeal
aggrandize	bucolic	conjecture
alien	burnish	consign

consummate  
contrite  
convivial  
coterie  
countermand  
counterpart  
coup  
covenant  
credence  
cynosure  
candid  
catalyst  
cherubic  
chide  
circumspect  
cleave  
cilique  
combatant  
comely  
consternation  
contiguous  
contingent  
contraband  
contrive  
corpulent  
corroborate  
covert  
crass  
credulous  
criterion  
culpable  
cupidity  
curtail  
decimate  
decorous  
decry  
defunct  
deign  
delectable  
delineate  
demur  
depraved  
deprecate  
derelict  
derogatory  
desiccated  
desuetude  
devious  
diatribe  
dilettante

disarray  
discomfit  
dissemble  
dissidence  
distraught  
daunt  
deadlock  
debacle  
debris  
defray  
demure  
depreciation  
despicable  
deteriorate  
devitalize  
diffuse  
dilate  
dilemma  
diligent  
diminutive  
disentangle  
dissent  
dissolute  
divulge  
doleful  
dormant  
dross  
drudgery  
dubious  
dwindle  
debase  
debonair  
decadence  
deference  
definitive  
deleterious  
demagogue  
demeanor  
denizen  
deplete  
desecrate  
desist  
dilatory  
disabuse  
disavow  
disconcert  
disconsolate  
discursive  
dispassionate  
disseminate

dissension  
dissipate  
dowdy  
drivel  
dun  
ebullient  
echelon  
eclectic  
efficacy  
effigy  
effrontery  
emanate  
embellish  
emend  
emulate  
encomium  
engender  
enervate  
ephemeral  
epicurean  
equity  
eschew  
esoteric  
espouse  
ethereal  
eulogy  
euphemism  
evinced  
exacerbate  
excoriation  
exhume  
exigency  
efface  
emancipate  
embroil  
eminent  
enlightened  
envoy  
erratic  
erroneous  
escalate  
exodus  
exonerate  
exorbitant  
expedient  
exploit  
expulsion  
extemporaneous  
efficacious  
egregious

elicit  
encumber  
enhance  
enigmatic  
enjoin  
ennui  
enthrall  
epitome  
equanimity  
equitable  
equivocate  
erudite  
evanescent  
exhort  
expatiate  
expedite  
expiate  
expostulate  
expurgate  
extenuate  
extraneous  
extricate  
exude  
facade  
fatuous  
febrile  
feckless  
fecund  
felicitous  
fetish  
fiat  
figment  
flaccid  
flotsam  
foible  
forgo  
fraught  
frenetic  
furtive  
fabricate  
faciliate  
fated  
feign  
feint  
flair  
flippant  
fodder  
forestall  
fortify  
ferment

fetter  
filch  
florid  
flout  
foist  
foment  
forbearance  
fortuitous  
gainsay  
garnish  
garner  
germane  
ghoulish  
glean  
gregarious  
grouse  
gauche  
gauntlet  
gist  
gossamer  
grandiose  
gratuitous  
garbled  
ghastly  
glib  
grisly  
halcyon  
hallow  
hapless  
histrionic  
hamper  
haphazard  
harrangue  
harry  
heterogenous  
hew  
hoodwink  
horde  
humane  
hackneyed  
heinous  
herculean  
heresy  
hiatus  
hypothetical  
idiosyncrasy  
ignominy  
illusory  
imminent  
impeccable

impecunious  
imperturbable  
importune  
improvident  
inane  
incarcerate  
incendiary  
incongruous  
increment  
incumbent  
indictment  
indigent  
indubitable  
inexorable  
iniquity  
innate  
inordinate  
instiable  
intermittent  
interpolate  
intractable  
intransigent  
inure  
invidious  
inviolable  
irrefutable  
irreparable  
ignoble  
implicit  
immutable  
impassive  
imperious  
implicit  
impromptu  
impugn  
inadvertent  
inauspicious  
inception  
incisive  
inconsequential  
incontrovertible  
inculcate  
infer  
infirmity  
infraction  
illegible  
illustrious  
immunity  
impair  
impel

impenitent  
impoverished  
inanimate  
incessant  
incinerate  
incite  
incorrigible  
incredulous  
influx  
inscribe  
institute  
interim  
intolerable  
intrepid  
intricate  
inundate  
invincible  
irate  
irreverent  
infringe  
ingratiating  
inimical  
innuendo  
inscrutable  
insular  
insurgent  
intemperate  
intercede  
interloper  
intrinsic  
invective  
inveigh  
irresolute  
irrevocable  
jettison  
jocular  
jaded  
jejune  
jeer  
knave  
laconic  
laconic  
languish  
largesse  
litany  
loathe  
ludicrous  
luminous  
lassitude  
lurid

laborious  
languid  
larceny  
latent  
legion  
liability  
liberality  
lithe  
lofty  
lucid  
lucrative  
macabre  
machination  
maelstrom  
malediction  
mandate  
manifest  
melange  
mendacious  
meretricious  
mesmerize  
minutiae  
misanthrope  
moot  
moratorium  
mordant  
moribund  
motif  
mundane  
murky  
mutable  
myopic  
magniloquence  
mawkish  
megalomania  
meritorious  
millennium  
mitigate  
modicum  
mollify  
motley  
munificent  
malign  
maltreat  
marauder  
meander  
mediocre  
metropolis  
migration  
militant

mire  
momentous  
monologue  
morose  
muddle  
nadir  
nascent  
necromancer  
nefarious  
neophyte  
nettle  
nostrum  
nuance  
novice  
nebulous  
nominal  
noncommittal  
nonplus  
obtuse  
obedience  
obsequious  
omnipresent  
onerous  
opprobrium  
oscillate  
overt  
overweening  
obdurate  
occult  
odium  
onus  
opportune  
ostensible  
ostentation  
obesity  
obstreperous  
obtrusive  
opaque  
opinionated  
prim  
probe  
profuse  
prognosis  
proliferate  
proponent  
protract  
pugnacious  
quarry  
quaver  
quail

querulous  
raimant  
ramify  
raze  
rebuff  
recant  
reconnoiter  
rectitude  
recumbent  
redolent  
refulgent  
replete  
reputed  
requite  
restive  
rife  
rudiment  
recapitulate  
recondite  
redoubtable  
redundant  
rejoinder  
relegate  
remit  
remonstrate  
reprobate  
reprove  
repudiate  
requisite  
resilient  
restitution  
resuscitate  
retrench  
reverberate  
rabid  
rancid  
rasping  
realm  
rebut  
recoil  
reconcile  
recoup  
rectify  
reek  
rejuvenate  
relentless  
relinquish  
remunerate  
render  
reprieve

reprimand  
repugnant  
revile  
rift  
rivulet  
rugged  
rustic  
sacrilege  
saturate  
satumine  
sequester  
seraph  
shambles  
shibboleth  
simplistic  
slough  
sophistry  
sporadic  
strategem  
subsist  
substantiate  
substantive  
summarily  
sumptuous  
suppliant  
sylvan  
salvage  
sardonic  
scuttle  
semblance  
servitude  
shackle  
shoddy  
skeptical  
slapdash  
slipshod  
sordid  
sparse  
spasmodic  
sprightly  
spurious  
spum  
squander  
stagnant  
statute  
sterling  
subjugate  
subterfuge  
subversive  
succumb

sully  
superfluous  
supplant  
surly  
surmount  
synthetic  
salient  
salutary  
sanctimonious  
sanguinary  
satiare  
scathing  
scintillating  
scourge  
scurrilous  
sear  
sedentary  
seditious  
sedulous  
sententious  
sepulchral  
simulate  
sinecure  
slovenly  
soporific  
speicious  
squeamish  
stalwart  
stipend  
strait-laced  
stringent  
subservient  
succinct  
supplicate  
supposition  
surfeit  
surmise  
surreptitious  
susceptible  
tenuous  
thwart  
torpid  
turtuous  
transcend  
transgress  
transient  
transmute  
turgid  
tantalize  
temperate

tenacious  
terminate  
terse  
threadbare  
tirade  
trite  
tacitum  
talisman  
tantamount  
temporize  
tenable  
testy  
threshold  
travesty  
tyro  
ubiquitous  
undulate  
unregenerate  
unremitting  
unwonted  
utopian  
umbrage  
unctuous  
unwieldy  
unbridled  
unflinching  
untenable  
usurp  
vacillate  
verbiage  
verdant  
viscous  
visionary  
vituperative  
vapid  
vacarious  
vitriolic  
vouchsafe  
vulnerable  
vagrant  
venomous  
venture  
versatile  
vindicate  
wane  
warp  
wheedle  
wily  
winnow  
winsome

wizened  
wrath