Sample Dictionary Created Using datagidx

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**adze** (US adz) noun a tool similar to an axe, with an arched blade at right angles to the handle.  
– ORIGIN Old English.

**æolian harp** /ee-oh-li-uhn/ noun a stringed instrument that produces musical sounds when a current of air passes through it.  
– ORIGIN from Æolus, the Greek god of the winds.

**astern** adverb behind or towards the rear of a ship.

**astute** adjective good at making accurate judgements; shrewd.  
– DERIVATIVES astutely adverb astuteness noun.  
– ORIGIN Latin astutus.

**asunder** adverb literary apart.  
– ORIGIN Old English.

**athwart** /uh-thwart/ preposition & adverb from side to side of something; across.  
– ORIGIN from an old sense of THWART, meaning ‘across’.

**atrium** /ay-tri-uhm/ (pl. atria /ay-tri-uh/ or atriums) noun 1 a central hall rising through several storeys and having a glazed roof. 2 an open area in the centre of an ancient Roman house. 3 each of the two cavities of the heart.  
– DERIVATIVES atrial adjective.

**attorney** /uh-ter-ni/ (pl. attorneys) noun 1 a person appointed to act for another in legal matters. 2 chiefly US a lawyer.  
– ORIGIN Old French atorner ‘assign’.

**aubretia** /aw-bree-shuh/ (also aubrietia) noun a trailing plant with purple, pink, or white flowers.  
– ORIGIN named after the French botanist Claude Aubriet.

**audacious** /aw-day-shuhss/ adjective 1 willing to take daring risks. 2 showing lack of respect; rude or impudent.  
– DERIVATIVES audaciously adverb audaciousness noun audacity noun.  
– ORIGIN Latin audax ‘bold’.

**austerity** /oss-te-ri-uh/ (pl. austerities) noun 1 strictness or severity of appearance or manner. 2 difficult economic conditions resulting from a cut in public spending.

**cactus** (pl. cacti or cactuses) noun a succulent plant with thick fleshy stems bearing spikes but no leaves.  
– ORIGIN Greek kaktoς ‘cardoon’.

**chaff** /chahf/ noun 1 the husks of grain from the seed by winnowing or threshing. 2 chopped hay and straw used in cattle fodder.  
– PHRASES separate (or sort) the wheat
from the chaff distinguish valuable people or things from worthless ones.
– ORIGIN Old English.

chaff\(^2\) /chaff/ noun light-hearted joking.
  ● verb tease someone.

elf (pl. elves) a supernatural creature of folk tales, represented as a small human figure with pointed ears.
– DERIVATIVES elfish adjective elven adjective (literary) elvish adjective.
– ORIGIN Old English.

élite /i-leet/ noun a group of people regarded as the best in a particular society or organisation.

elves plural of ELF.

cesophagus /i-sof-fuh-guhss/ (pl. cesophagi) noun the muscular tube which connects throat to stomach.
– ORIGIN Greek oisophagos.

thunderbolt noun flash of lightning with a crash of thunder at the same time.

thunderclap noun a crash of thunder.

thwart /thwort/ verb 1 prevent someone from accomplishing something.
  2 prevent something from succeeding.
  ● noun a crosspiece forming a seat for a rower in a boat.
– ORIGIN from Old Norse, ‘transverse’.

tic noun a recurring spasm of the muscles, most often in the face.
– ORIGIN Italian ticchio.