

Roget's Thesaurus

Class I : Abstract Relations

Section 1 : Existence

- 1. Existence**
- 2. Non-existence**
- 3. Having substance**
- 4. Lacking substance**
- 5. Inherent state**
- 6. Externality**
- 7. State : absolute condition**
- 8. Circumstance : relative condition**

Section 2 : Relation

- 9. Relation**
- 10. Unrelatedness : absence of relations**
- 11. Consanguinity : relation of kindred**
- 12. Correlation : double or reciprocal relation**
- 13. Identity**
- 14. Contrariety**
- 15. Difference**
- 16. Uniformity**
- 17. Non-uniformity**

18. **Similarity**
19. **Dissimilarity**
20. **Imitation**
21. **Originality**
22. **Copy**
23. **Prototype**
24. **Agreement**
25. **Disagreement**

Section 3 : Quantity

26. **Quantity**
27. **Degree : Relative quantity**
28. **Equality : Sameness of quantity or degree**
29. **Inequality : Difference of quantity or degree**
30. **Mean**
31. **Compensation**
32. **Largeness**
33. **Smallness**
34. **Superiority**
35. **Inferiority**
36. **Increase**
37. **Decrease : no increase**
38. **Addition**
39. **Substraction**
40. **Adjunct : thing added**
41. **Remainder : thing remaining**
42. **Deduction : thing deducted**
43. **Mixture**
44. **Simpleness : freedom from mixture**

- 45. Union
- 46. Separation
- 47. Bond : connecting medium
- 48. Cohesiveness
- 49. Non-cohesiveness
- 50. Combination
- 51. Decomposition
- 52. Whole : principal part
- 53. Part
- 54. Completeness
- 55. Incompleteness
- 56. Composition
- 57. Exclusion
- 58. Component
- 59. Extraneousness

Section 4 : Order

- 60. Order
- 61. Disorder
- 62. Arrangement: reduction to order
- 63. Disarrangement
- 64. Precedence
- 65. Sequence
- 66. Precursor
- 67. Sequel
- 68. Beginning
- 69. End
- 70. Middle
- 71. Continuity: uninterrupted sequence
- 72. Discontinuity: interrupted sequence
- 73. Term: serial position

- 74. **Assemblage**
- 75. **Non Assembly: dispersion**
- 76. **Focus: place of meeting**
- 77. **Class**
- 78. **Inclusion**
- 79. **Generality**
- 80. **Speciality**
- 81. **Rule**
- 82. **Multiformity: having many forms**
- 83. **Conformity**
- 84. **Nonconformity**

Section 5 : Number

- 85. **Number**
- 86. **Numeration**
- 87. **List**
- 88. **Unity**
- 89. **Accompaniment**
- 90. **Duality : existence as two**
- 91. **Duplication : multiplication by two**
- 92. **Bisection : division into two**
- 93. **Triality : existence as three**
- 94. **Triplication: multiplication by three**
- 95. **Trisection : division into three**
- 96. **Quaternity : existence as four**
- 97. **Quadruplication : multiplication by four**
- 98. **Quadrisection : division into four**
- 99. **Five and over**
- 100. **Multisection : division into many parts**
- 101. **Plurality**
- 102. **Fraction : less than one**

- 103. Zero**
- 104. Multitude**
- 105. Fewness**
- 106. Repetition**
- 107. Infinity**

Section 6 : Time

- 108. Time**
- 109. Neverness**
- 110. Period**
- 111. Course : indefinite duration**
- 112. Contingent duration**
- 113. Long duration**
- 114. Transience**
- 115. Perpetuity : endless duration**
- 116. Instantaneousness : point of time**
- 117. Chronometry**
- 118. Anachronism**
- 119. Antecedence : coming before**
- 120. Subsequence : coming after**
- 121. Present time**
- 122. Different time**
- 123. Same time**
- 124. Futurity : prospective time**
- 125. Past time : retrospective time**
- 126. Newness**
- 127. Oldness**
- 128. Morning spring summer**
- 129. Evening autumn winter**
- 130. Youth**
- 131. Age**

- 132. Young person**
Young animal
Young plant
- 133. Old person**
- 134. Adulthood**
- 135. Earliness**
- 136. Lateness**
- 137. Occasion : timeliness**
- 138. Untimeliness**
- 139. Frequency**
- 140. Infrequency**
- 141. Periodicity : regularity of recurrence**
- 142. Fitfulness : irregularity of recurrence**

Section 7 : Change

- 143. Change : difference at different times**
- 144. Permanence : absence of change**
- 145. Cessation : change from action to rest**
- 146. Continuance in action**
- 147. Conversion : change to something different**
- 148. Reversion**
- 149. Revolution : sudden and violent change**
- 150. Substitution : change of one thing for another**
- 151. Interchange : double or mutual change**
- 152. Changeableness**
- 153. Stability**
- 154. Present events**
- 155. Destiny : future events**

Section 8 : Causation

- 156. Cause : constant antecedent**
- 157. Effect : constant sequel**
- 158. Attribution : assignment of cause**
- 159. Chance : no assignable cause**
- 160. Power**
- 161. Impotence**
- 162. Strength**
- 163. Weakness**
- 164. Production**
- 165. Destruction**
- 166. Reproduction**
- 167. Propagation**
- 168. Destroyer**
- 169. Parentage**
- 170. Posterity**
- 171. Productiveness**
- 172. Unproductiveness**
- 173. Agency**
- 174. Vigour : physical energy**
- 175. Inertness**
- 176. Violence**
- 177. Moderation**
- 178. Influence**
- 179. Tendency**
- 180. Liability**
- 181. Concurrence : combination of causes**
- 182. Counteraction**

Class II : Space

Section 1 : Space in general

- 183. Space : indefinite space**
- 184. Region : definite space**
- 185. Place : limited space**
- 186. Situation**
- 187. Location**
- 188. Displacement**
- 189. Presence**
- 190. Absence**
- 191. Inhabitant**
- 192. Abode : place of habitation or resort**
- 193. Contents : things contained**
- 194. Receptacle**

Section 2 : Dimensions

- 195. Size**
- 196. Littleness**
- 197. Expansion**
- 198. Contraction**
- 199. Distance**
- 200. Nearness**
- 201. Interval**
- 202. Contiguity**
- 203. Length**
- 204. Shortness**
- 205. Breadth - Thickness**
- 206. Narrowness – Thinness**

- 207. Layer**
- 208. Filament**
- 209. Height**
- 210. Lowness**
- 211. Depth**
- 212. Shallowness**
- 213. Summit**
- 214. Base**
- 215. Verticality**
- 216. Horizontality**
- 217. Pendency: Hanging**
- 218. Support**
- 219. Parallelism**
- 220. Obliqueness**
- 221. Inversion**
- 222. Crossing: Intertexture**
- 223. Exteriority**
- 224. Interiority**
- 225. Centrality**
- 226. Covering**
- 227. Lining**
- 228. Dressing**
- 229. Uncovering**
- 230. Surroundings**
- 231. Betweenness**
- 232. Encircling**
- 233. Outline**
- 234. Edge**
- 235. Enclosure**
- 236. Limit**
- 237. Front**

- 238. Rear**
- 239. Laterality**
- 240. Oppositeness**
- 241. Right-handedness**
- 242. Left-handedness**

Section 3 : Form

- 243. Form**
- 244. Absence of form**
- 245. Symmetry: regularity of form**
- 246. Distortion: irregularity of form**
- 247. Angularity**
- 248. Curvature**
- 249. Straightness**
- 250. Circularity: simple circularity**
- 251. Convolution: complex circularity**
- 252. Roundness**
- 253. Convexity**
- 254. Prominence**
- 255. Concavity**
- 256. Sharpness**
- 257. Bluntness**
- 258. Smoothness**
- 259. Roughness**
- 260. Notch**
- 261. Fold**
- 262. Furrow**
- 263. Opening**
- 264. Closure**

Section 4 : Motion

- 265. Motion: successive change of place**
- 266. Quiescence: being at rest**
- 267. Land travel**
- 268. Traveller**
- 269. Water travel**
- 270. Mariner**
- 271. Aeronautics**
- 272. Transference**
- 273. Carrier**
- 274. Vehicle**
- 275. Ship**
- 276. Aircraft**
- 277. Velocity**
- 278. Slowness**
- 279. Impulse**
- 280. Recoil**
- 281. Direction**
- 282. Deviation**
- 283. Preceding: going before**
- 284. Following: going after**
- 285. Progression: motion forwards**
- 286. Regression: motion backwards**
- 287. Propulsion**
- 288. Traction**
- 289. Approach: motion towards**
- 290. Recession: motion from**
- 291. Attraction**
- 292. Repulsion**

- 293. Convergence**
- 294. Divergence**
- 295. Arrival**
- 296. Departure**
- 297. Ingress: motion into**
- 298. Egress: motion out of**
- 299. Reception**
- 300. Ejection**
- 301. Food: eating and drinking**
- 302. Excretion**
- 303. Insertion: forcible entry**
- 304. Extraction: forcible exit**
- 305. Passage: motion through**
- 306. Overstepping: motion beyond**
- 307. Shortfall**
- 308. Ascent: motion upwards**
- 309. Descent: motion downwards**
- 310. Elevation**
- 311. Lowering**
- 312. Leap**
- 313. Plunge**
- 314. Circuitous motion: curvilinear motion**
- 315. Rotation: motion in a continued circle**
- 316. Evolution: motion in a reverse circle**
- 317. Oscillation: reciprocating motion**
- 318. Agitation: irregular motion**

Class III : Matter

Section 1 : Matter in general

- 319 Materiality**
- 320 Non-materiality**
- 321 Universe**
- 322 Gravity**
- 323 Lightness**

Section 2 : Inorganic matter

- 324 Density**
- 325 Lack of density**
- 326 Hardness**
- 327 Softness**
- 328 Elasticity**
- 329 Toughness**
- 330 Brittleness**
- 331 Structure.Texture**
- 332 Powderiness**
- 333 Friction**
- 334 Lubrication**
- 335 Fluidity**
- 336 Gaseousness**
- 337 Liquefaction**
- 338 Vaporization**
- 339 Water**
- 340 Air**
- 341 Moisture**

- 342 Dryness**
- 343 Ocean**
- 344 Land**
- 345 Gulf : Inlet**
- 346 Lake**
- 347 Marsh**
- 348 Plain**
- 349 Island**
- 350 Stream : water in motion**
- 351 Conduit : channel**
- 352 Wind : air in motion**
- 353 Air pipe**
- 354 Semiliquidity**
- 355 Bubble.Cloud : air and water mixed**
- 356 Pulpiness**
- 357 Greasiness**

Section 3 : Organic matter

- 358 Organisms : living matter**
- 359 Mineral : inorganic matter**
- 360 Life**
- 361 Death**
- 362 Killing : destruction of life**
- 363 Corpse**
- 364 Interment**
- 365 Animal life**
- 366 Plant life**
- 367 Zoology : the science of animals**
- 368 Botany: the science of plants**

- 369 Animal husbandry**
- 370 Agriculture and gardening**
- 371 Humankind**
- 372 Male**
- 373 Female**
- 374 Physical sensitivity**
- 375 Physical insensitivity**
- 376 Physical pleasure**
- 377 Physical pain**
- 378 Touch : sensation of touch**
- 379 Heat**
- 380 Cold**
- 381 Heating**
- 382 Refrigeration**
- 383 Furnace**
- 384 Refrigerator**
- 385 Fuel**
- 386 Taste**
- 387 Insipidness**
- 388 Pungency**
- 389 Condiment**
- 390 Savouriness**
- 391 Unsavouriness**
- 392 Sweetness**
- 393 Sourness**
- 394 Odour**
- 395 Odourlessness**
- 396 Fragrance**
- 397 Stench**
- 398 Sound**
- 399 Silence**

- 400 Loudness**
- 401 Faintness**
- 402 Bang : sudden and violent noise**
- 403 Roll : repeated and protracted sounds**
- 404 Resonance**
- 405 Non-Resonance**
- 406 Sibilation : hissing sound**
- 407 Stridency : harsh sound**
- 408 Human cry**
- 409 Howling, etc : animal sounds**
- 410 Melody : concord**
- 411 Discord**
- 412 Music**
- 413 Musician**
- 414 Musical instruments**
- 415 Hearing**
- 416 Deafness**
- 417 Light**
- 418 Darkness**
- 419 Dimness**
- 420 Source of light**
- 421 Screen**
- 422 Transparency**
- 423 Opacity**
- 424 Semitransparency**
- 425 Colour**
- 426 Absence of colour**
- 427 Whiteness**
- 428 Blackness**
- 429 Greyness**
- 430 Brownness**

- 431 Redness**
- 432 Orange**
- 433 Yellowness**
- 434 Greenness**
- 435 Blueness**
- 436 Purpleness**
- 437 Variegation**
- 438 Vision**
- 439 Blindness**
- 440 Dim-sightedness : imperfect vision**
- 441 Spectator**
- 442 Optical instrument**
- 443 Visibility**
- 444 Invisibility**
- 445 Appearance**
- 446 Disappearance**

Class IV – Intellect : exercise of the mind

4.1 Formation of ideas

Section 1 : General

- 447 Intellect**
- 448 Absence of intellect**
- 449 Thought**
- 450 Absence of thought**
- 451 Idea**
- 452 Topic**

Section 2 : Precursory Conditions and Operations

- 453 Curiosity : desire for knowledge**
- 454 Lack of curiosity**
- 455 Attention**
- 456 Inattention**
- 457 Carefulness**
- 458 Negligence**
- 459 Enquiry**
- 460 Answer**
- 461 Experiment**
- 462 Comparison**
- 463 Discrimination**
- 464 Lack of discrimination**
- 465 Measurement**

Section 3 : Materials for reasoning

- 466 Evidence**
- 467 Counterevidence**
- 468 Qualification**
- 469 Possibility**
- 470 Impossibility**
- 471 Probability**
- 472 Improbability**
- 473 Certainty**

474 Uncertainty

Section 4 : Reasoning processes

475 Reasoning

476 Intuition : absence of reason

477 Sophistry : false reasoning

478 Demonstration

479 Confutation

Section 5 : Results of reasoning

480 Judgement : conclusion

481 Misjudgement : prejudice

482 Overestimation

483 Underestimation

484 Discovery

485 Belief

486 Unbelief – Doubt

487 Credulity

488 Assent

489 Dissent

490 Knowledge

491 Ignorance

492 Scholar

493 Ignoramus

494 Truth

495 Error

496 Maxim

497 Absurdity

- 498 Intelligence : wisdom**
- 499 Unintelligence : folly**
- 500 Sage**
- 501 Fool**
- 502 Sanity**
- 503 Insanity : mental disorder**
- 504 Madman**

Section 6 : Extension of thought

- 505 Memory**
- 506 Oblivion : no memory**
- 507 Expectation**
- 508 Lack of expectation**
- 509 Disappointment**
- 510 Foresight**
- 511 Prediction**

Section 7 : Creative thought

- 512 Supposition**
- 513 Imagination**

4.2 Communication of ideas

Section 1 : Nature of ideas

communicated

514 Meaning

515 Lack of meaning

516 Intelligibility

517 Unintelligibility

518 Equivocalness

519 Metaphor : figure of speech

520 Interpretation

521 Misinterpretation

Section 2 : Modes of communication

522 Manifestation

523 Latency

524 Information

525 Concealment

526 Disclosure

527 Hiding – Disguise

528 Publication

529 News

530 Secret

531 Communications

532 Affirmation

533 Negation

534 Teaching

535 Misteaching
536 Learning
537 Teacher
538 Learner
539 School
540 Truthfulness
541 Falsehood
542 Deception
543 Untruth
544 Dupe
545 Deceiver
546 Exaggeration

Section 3 : Means of communicating ideas

547 Indication
548 Record
549 Recorder
550 Obliteration
551 Representation
552 Misrepresentation
553 Painting
554 Sculpture
555 Engraving – Printing
556 Artist
557 Language
558 Letter
559 Word
560 Neologism
561 Nomenclature

562 Misnomer
563 Phrase
564 Grammar
565 Bad grammar
566 Style
567 Clarity
568 Lack of clarity
569 Conciseness
570 Diffuseness
571 Vigour
572 Feebleness
573 Plainness
574 Ornament
575 Elegance
576 Inelegance
577 Voice
578 Voicelessness
579 Speech
580 Speech defect
581 Talkativeness
582 Uncommunicativeness
583 Address
584 Conversation
585 Soliloquy
586 Writing
587 Print
588 Correspondence
589 Book
590 Description
591 Dissertation
592 Compendium

593 Poetry – prose

594 Drama – ballet

Class V : Volition : Exercise of the will

5.1 Individual Volition

Section 1 : Volition in general

595 Will

596 Necessity

597 Willingness

598 Unwillingness

599 Resolution

600 Perseverance

601 Irresolution

602 Obstinacy

603 Change of mind

604 Caprice

605 Choice

606 Absence of choice

607 Rejection

608 Predetermination

609 Spontaneity

610 Habit

611 Disuse

612 Motive

613 Dissuasion

614 Pretext

615 Good

616 Evil

Section 2 : Prospective volition

617 Intention

618 Non-design – gamble

619 Pursuit

620 Avoidance

621 Relinquishment

622 Business

623 Plan

624 Way

625 Middle-way

626 Circuit

627 Requirement

628 Instrumentality

629 Means

630 Tool

631 Materials

632 Store

633 Provision

634 Waste

635 Sufficiency

636 Insufficiency

637 Redundancy

638 Importance

639 Unimportance

640 Utility

641 Uselessness

642 Good policy

643 Inexpediency

644 Goodness

645 Badness

646 Perfection
647 Imperfection
648 Cleanness
649 Uncleanness
650 Health
651 Ill health – disease
652 Healthiness
653 Unhealthiness
654 Improvement
655 Deterioration
656 Restoration
657 Relapse
658 Remedy
659 Bane
660 Safety
661 Danger
662 Refuge – safeguard
663 Pitfall : source of danger
664 Warning
665 Danger signal
666 Preservation
667 Escape
668 Rescue
669 Preparation
670 Non-preparation
671 Attempt
672 Undertaking
673 Use
674 Non-use
675 Misuse

Section 3 : Voluntary action

676 Action

677 Inaction

678 Activity

679 Inactivity

680 Haste

681 Leisure

682 Exertion

683 Rest

684 Fatigue

685 Refreshment

686 Agent

687 Workshop

688 Conduct

689 Management

690 Director

691 Advice

692 Council

693 Precept

694 Skill

695 Lack of skill

696 Proficient person

697 Bungler

698 Cunning

699 Artlessness

Section 4 : Antagonism

700 Difficulty

701 Easiness

702 Hindrance

703 Aid
704 Opposition
705 Opponent
706 Cooperation
707 Auxiliary
708 Party
709 Dissension
710 Harmony
711 Defiance
712 Attack
713 Defence
714 Retaliation
715 Resistance
716 Contention
717 Peace
718 War
719 Pacification
720 Mediation
721 Submission
722 Combattant – army – navy – air force
723 Arms
724 Arena

Section 5 : Results of action

725 Completion
726 Non-completion
727 Success
728 Failure
729 Trophy
730 Prosperity

731 Adversity

732 Averageness

5.2 Social Volition

Section 1 : General social volition

733 Authority

734 Laxity : absence of authority

735 Severity

736 Leniency

737 Command

738 Disobedience

739 Obedience

740 Compulsion

741 Master

742 Servant

743 Badge of office

744 Freedom

745 Subjection

746 Liberation

747 Restraint

748 Prison

749 Keeper

750 Prisoner

751 Commission : vicarious authority

752 Annulment

753 Resignation

754 Nominee

755 Deputy

Section 2 : Special social volition

756 Permission

757 Prohibition

758 Consent

759 Offer

760 Refusal

761 Request

762 Deprecation : negative request

763 Petitioner

Section 3 : Conditional social volition

764 Promise

765 Pact

766 Conditions

767 Security

768 Observance

769 Non-observance

770 Compromise

Section 4 : Possessive relations

771 Acquisition

772 Loss

773 Possession

774 Non-ownership

775 Joint possession / Joint activity

776 Possessor

777 Property

778 Retention

779 Non-retention

780 Transfer (of property)

781 Giving
782 Receiving
783 Allocation
784 Lending
785 Borrowing
786 Taking
787 Restitution
788 Stealing
789 Thief
790 Booty
791 Barter
792 Purchase
793 Sale
794 Merchant
795 Merchandise
796 Market
797 Money
798 Treasurer
799 Treasury
800 Wealth
801 Poverty
802 Credit
803 Debt
804 Payment
805 Non-payment
806 Expenditure
807 Receipt
808 Accounts
809 Price
810 Discount
811 Dearness

- 812 Cheapness**
- 813 Liberality**
- 814 Economy**
- 815 Prodigality**
- 816 Parsimony**

Class VI – Emotion – Religion – Morality

Section 1 : General

- 817 Mental state**
- 818 Feeling**
- 819 Sensibility**
- 820 Insensibility**
- 821 Excitation**
- 822 Excitability**
- 823 Inexcitability**

Section 2 : Personal emotion

- 824 Joy**
- 825 Suffering**
- 826 Pleasurableness**
- 827 Painfulness**
- 828 Contentment**
- 829 Discontent**
- 830 Regret**
- 831 Relief**
- 832 Aggravation**
- 833 Cheerfulness**
- 834 Dejection – Seriousness**

835 Rejoicing
836 Lamentation
837 Amusement
838 Tedium
839 Wit
840 Dullness
841 Beauty
842 Ugliness
843 Beautification
844 Ornamentation
845 Blemish
846 Good taste
847 Bad taste
848 Fashion – Etiquette
849 Ridiculousness
850 Affectation
851 Ridicule
852 Hope
853 Hopelessness
854 Fear
855 Courage
856 Cowardice
857 Rashness
858 Caution
859 Desire
860 Indifference
861 Dislike
862 Fastidiousness
863 Satiation
864 Wonder
865 Lack of wonder

866 Repute
867 Disrepute
868 Nobility
869 Commonalty
870 Title
871 Pride
872 Humility – Humiliation
873 Vanity
874 Modesty
875 Ostentation – Formality – Pageant
876 Celebration
877 Boasting
878 Insolence
879 Servility

Section 3 : Interpersonal emotion

880 Friendship
881 Enmity
882 Sociality
883 Unsociability – seclusion
884 Courtesy
885 Discourtesy
886 Congratulation
887 Love
888 Hatred
889 Endearment
890 Darling – Favourite
891 Resentment – Anger
892 Irascibility
893 Sullenness
894 Marriage

- 895 Celibacy**
- 896 Divorce – Widowhood**
- 897 Benevolence**
- 898 Malevolence**
- 899 Malediction : cursing**
- 900 Threat**
- 901 Philanthropy**
- 902 Misanthropy**
- 903 Benefactor**
- 904 Evildoer**
- 905 Pity**
- 906 Pitylessness**
- 907 Gratitude**
- 908 Ingratitude**
- 909 Forgiveness**
- 910 Revenge**
- 911 Jealousy**
- 912 Envy**

Section 4 : Morality

- 913 Right**
- 914 Wrong**
- 915 Dueness**
- 916 Undueness**
- 917 Duty**
- 918 Undutyfulness**
- 919 Non-liability**
- 920 Respect**
- 921 Disrespect**
- 922 Contempt**
- 923 Approbation**

924 Disapprobation
925 Flattery
926 Detraction
927 Vindication
928 Accusation
929 Probity
930 Improbity
931 Disinterestedness
932 Selfishness
933 Virtue
934 Wickedness
935 Innocence
936 Guilt
937 Good person
938 Bad person
939 Penitence
940 Impenitence
941 Atonement
942 Temperance
943 Intemperance
944 Sensualism
945 Ascetism
946 Fasting
947 Gluttony
948 Sobriety
949 Drunkenness – Drug-taking
950 Purity
951 Impurity
952 Libertine
953 Legality
954 Illegality

955 Jurisdiction
956 Tribunal
957 Judge
958 Lawyer
959 Litigation
960 Acquittal
961 Condemnation
962 Reward
963 Punishment
964 Means of punishment

Section 5 : Religion

965 Divineness
966 Deities in general
967 Pantheon: classical and non-classical deities
968 Angel – Saint – Madonna
969 Devil
970 Fairy
971 Heaven
972 Hell
973 Religion
974 Lack of religion
975 Revelation
976 Orthodoxy
977 Heterodoxy
978 Sectarianism
979 Piety
980 Impiety
981 Worship
982 Idolatry
983 Sorcery

984 Occultism
985 The church
986 Clergy
987 Laity
988 Ritual
989 Clerical dress
990 Temple

