

## SHUN

(shun)

to keep away from;  
to take pains to avoid

Sounds like: **SUN**



*"At the beach, Dad would always  
**SHUN** the **SUN**."*

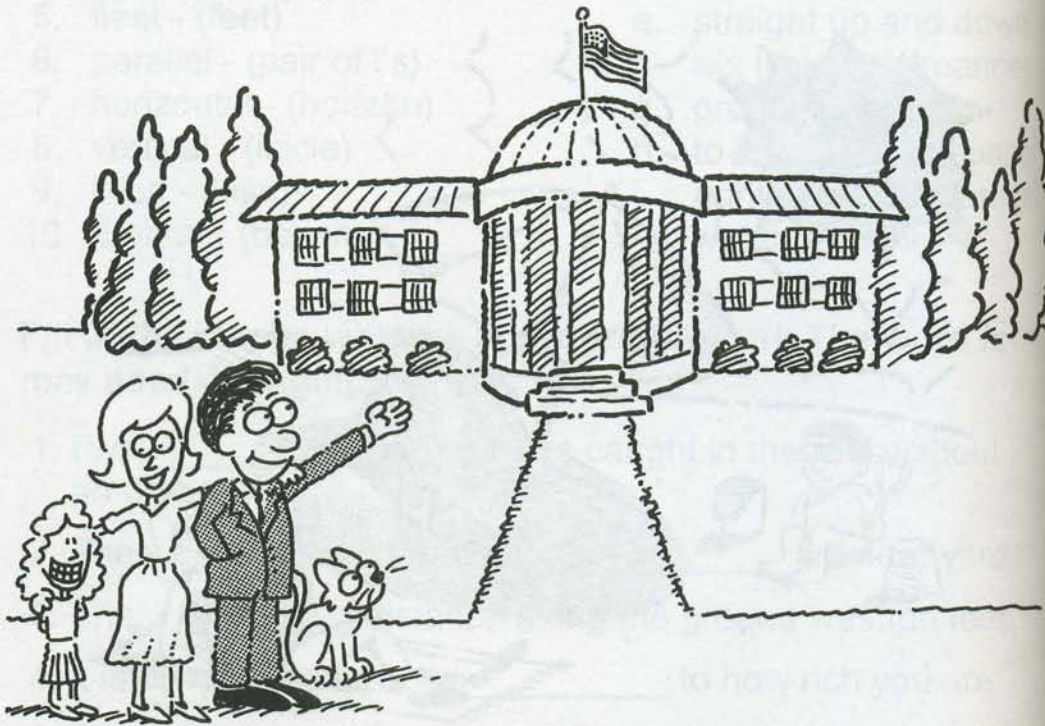
- Ralph was **SHUNNED** by everyone in his class because he rarely took a bath.
- She thought she was a princess and **SHUNNED** all her friends.
- In large cities it is wise to **SHUN** dark streets at night.

## RESIDENT

(RES uh dint)

one who lives in a place

Sounds like: **PRESIDENT**



*"The **PRESIDENT** and his family are **RESIDENTS** of the White House."*

- ❑ Although Jack had been a house guest for two years, he was only a visitor and not a **RESIDENT**.
- ❑ We used to live in Ohio, but now we are **RESIDENTS** of Texas.
- ❑ Upon entering the United States, an immigration officer will ask to see your passport to prove you are a U.S. **RESIDENT**.

## RUTHLESS

(RUTH les)

having no compassion  
or pity; cruel; merciless

Sounds like: **TOOTHLESS**



*"TOOTHLESS Captain Gums  
was a RUTHLESS pirate."*

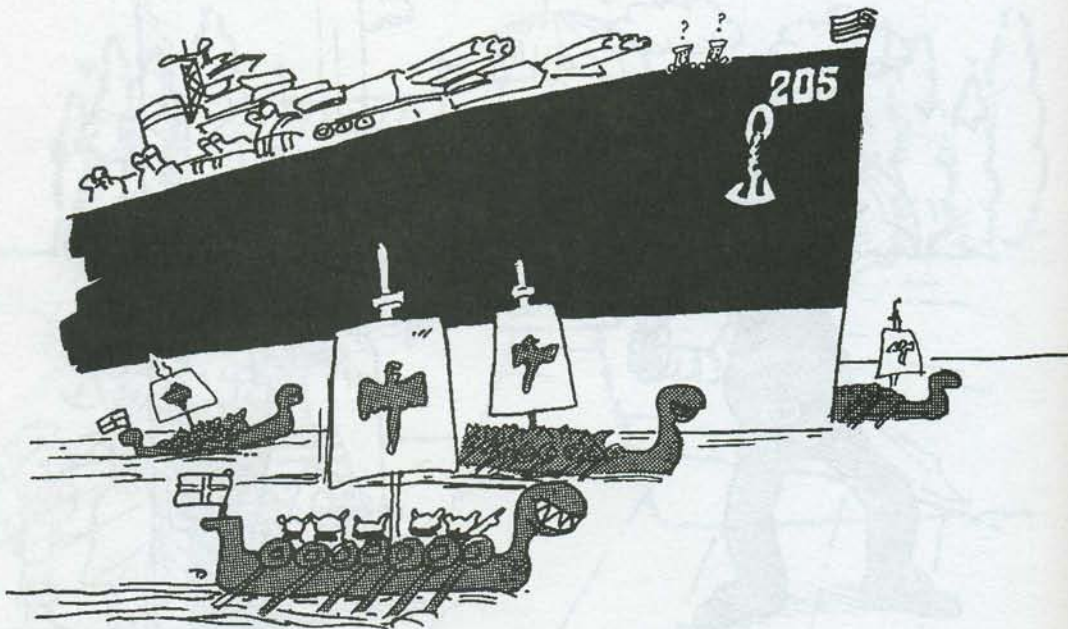
- Our teacher was so **RUTHLESS**, she gave us three hours of homework every night.
- **RUTHLESS** Coach Ashton made his players run fifty laps around the field after each game.
- The **RUTHLESS** behavior of Captain Bligh caused a mutiny aboard his ship.

# OBSOLETE

(OB so leet)

out of date; no longer in use or in fashion

Sounds like: **FLEET**



*"The Norwegian Viking **FLEET** is **OBSOLETE**."*

- ❑ Jet engines have made propeller driven airplanes **OBSOLETE**.
- ❑ The horse may be **OBSOLETE** transportation, but it is still a fun way to take a ride.
- ❑ **OBSOLETE** technology made it difficult for the old computers to keep up with the modern ones.

## MAGNATE

(mag nate)

a rich, powerful, or successful  
business person

Sounds like: **MAGNET**



*"A **MAGNATE** attracts money like a **MAGNET**."*

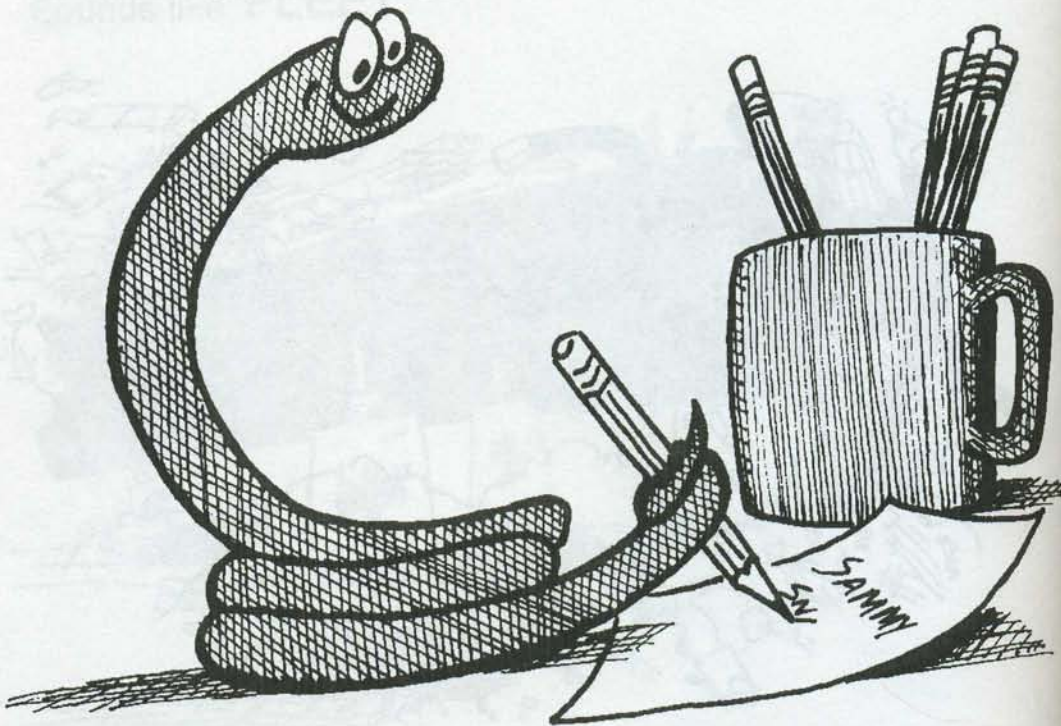
- ❑ William Hearst was America's greatest newspaper **MAGNATE**.
- ❑ Oil **MAGNATES** own the oil rights in oil fields.
- ❑ Donald Trump became a powerful and wealthy real estate **MAGNATE**.

## DESPITE

(dis PYTE)

in spite of, notwithstanding

Sounds like: **WRITE**



*"Sammy the snake, learned how to **WRITE**  
**DESPITE** having no hands."*

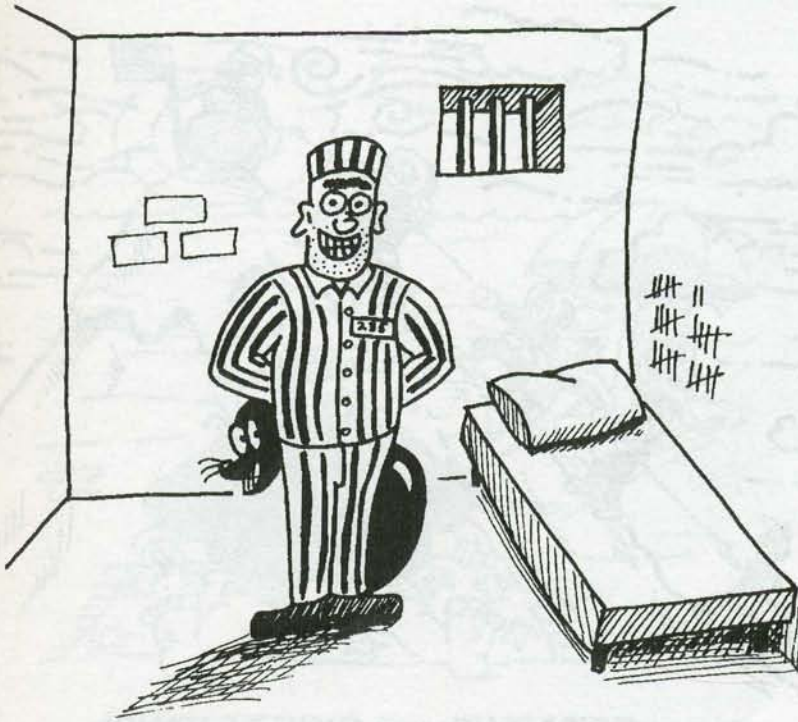
- ❑ We had a great time at the picnic **DESPITE** the rain.
- ❑ We went to the movie **DESPITE** the fact we had already seen it.
- ❑ **DESPITE** his bad table manners, Ralph was a good dinner guest because he helped with the dishes.

## CONCEAL

(kun SEAL)

to keep from being seen;  
put out of sight; hidden

Sounds like: **CON SEAL**



*"A CON CONCEALING his pet SEAL."*

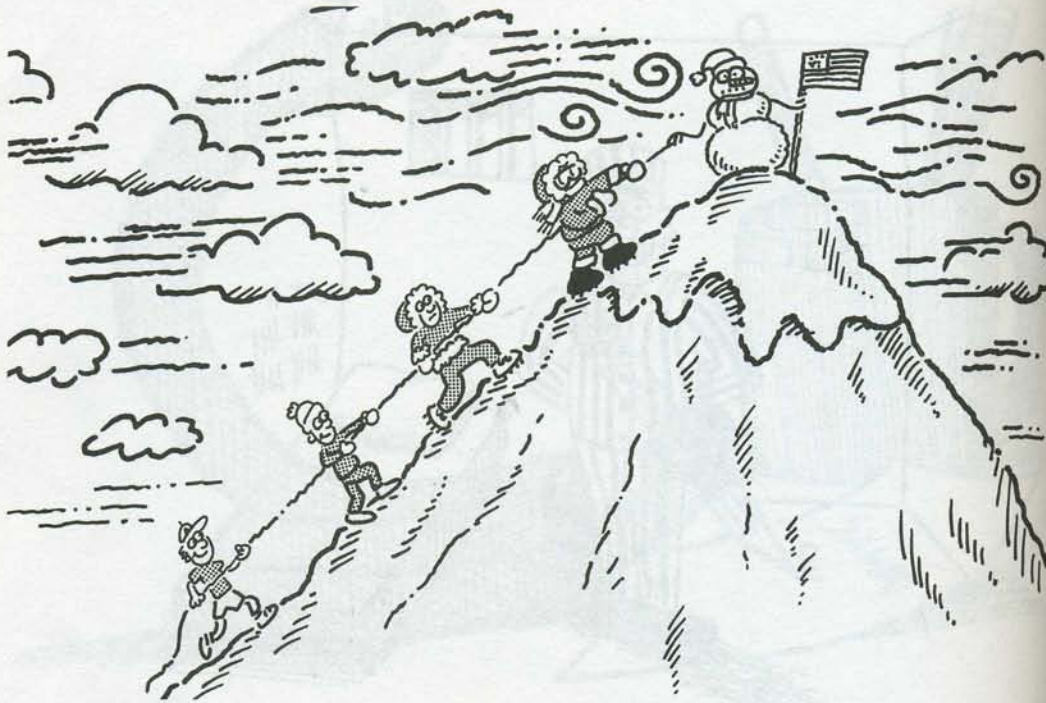
- We could hear the airplane but could not see it **CONCEALED** above the clouds.
- Erin found it difficult to **CONCEAL** her feelings from others.
- We tried to **CONCEAL** Arnie's pet elephant in the garage, but he was **UNCONCEALABLE**.

# CLIMATE

(clime at)

refers to weather conditions; a condition or attitude

Sounds like: **CLIMB**



*"As a climber **CLIMBS** a mountain, the **CLIMATE** gets colder."*

- ❑ South Florida has a sub-tropical **CLIMATE** consisting of warm breezes and sunshine.
- ❑ When it started to rain, there was a **CLIMATE** of optimism among the farmers that the dry season was over.
- ❑ After showing her parents her bad report card, the **CLIMATE** was not right for Tanya to ask for her allowance.

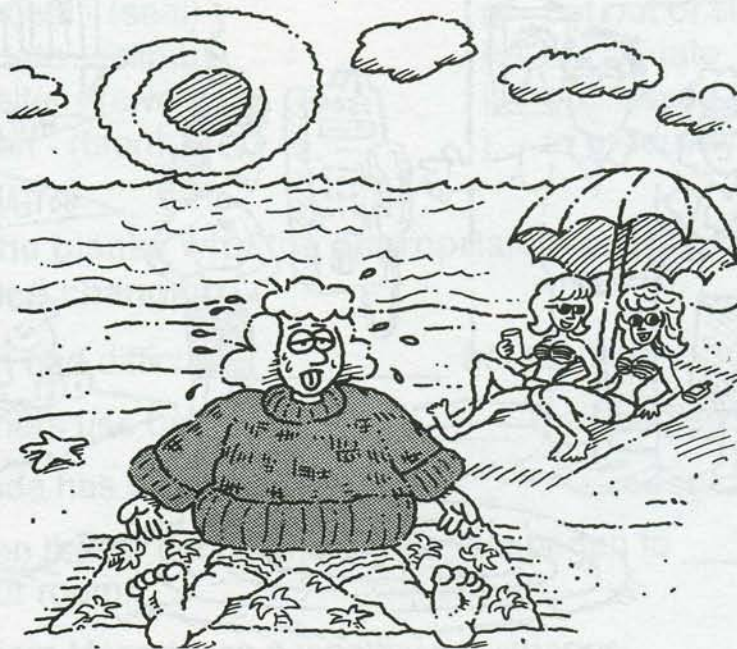


## SWELTER

(SWELL terr)

oppressed by heat

Sounds like: **SWEATER**



**"SWELTERING** in a **SWEATER** is not  
the coolest way to diet."

- The heat is **SWELTERING** in the Amazon.
- Our air conditioner broke and we began to **SWELTER** in our rooms.
- The **SWELTERING** temperatures in a green house create optimum conditions for growing plants.

## WEAN

(wean)

to withdraw from any type of habit

Sounds like: **TEEN**



*"How to **WEAN** a **TEEN** away from the family telephone."*

- ❑ Baby bottles filled with warm milk are used to **WEAN** babies from their mother's milk.
- ❑ Her folks tried to **WEAN** Mable off her ice cream habit by giving her a teaspoon of sugar every hour.
- ❑ Homer **WEANED** himself off cigarettes by biting his finger every time he wanted a smoke.