

## Week Three Words

### benevolent

Pronunciation: -l&nt

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: Middle English, from Latin *benevolent-*, *benevolens*, from *bene* + *volent-*, *volens*, present participle of *velle* to wish -- more at [WILL](#)

**1 a** : marked by or disposed to doing good: a *benevolent* donor

**b** : organized for the purpose of doing good: a *benevolent* society

**2** : marked by or suggestive of goodwill: *benevolent* smiles

- **be·nev·o·lent·ly** *adverb*

- **be·nev·o·lent·ness** *noun*

### candid

Pronunciation: 'kan-d&d

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: French & Latin; French *candide*, from Latin *candidus* bright, white, from *candere* to shine, glow; akin to Welsh *can* white, Sanskrit *candati* it shines

**1** : [WHITE](#): *candid* flames

**2** : free from bias, prejudice, or malice : [FAIR](#): a *candid* observer

**3 a** : marked by honest sincere expression: a *candid* discussion

**b** : indicating or suggesting sincere honesty and absence of deception: her *candid* face

**c** : disposed to criticize severely : [BLUNT](#): *candid* critics

**4** : relating to or being photography of subjects acting naturally or spontaneously without being posed

**synonym** see [FRANK](#)

- **can·did·ly** *adverb*

- **can·did·ness** *noun*

## capricious

Pronunciation: k&-'pri-sh&s, -'prE-

Function: *adjective*

: governed or characterized by [caprice](#) : **impulsive: unpredictable**

**synonym** see [inconstant](#)

- ca·pri·cious·ly *adverb*

- ca·pri·cious·ness *noun*

## clairvoyant

Pronunciation: -&nt

Function: *adjective*

Etymology: French, from *clair* clear (from Latin *clarus*) + *voyant*, present participle of *voir* to see, from Latin *vidEre* -- more at [WIT](#)

**1** : having [clairvoyance](#) : able to see beyond the range of ordinary perception:

claims to be *clairvoyant*

**2** : of or relating to [clairvoyance](#): *clairvoyant* powers

- clair·voy·ant·ly *adverb*

## chicanery

Pronunciation: -'kAn-rE, -'kA-n&-

Function: *noun*

Inflected Form(s): *plural* **-ner·ies**

**1** : deception by artful subterfuge or sophistry : [TRICKERY](#)

**2** : a piece of sharp practice (as at law) : [TRICK](#)