

Hillcrest Word of the Day

March 2010



The Hillcrest Word of the Day is _____.

Simply, _____ means _____.

Listen to this word in a sentence. _____.

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Date	Word	Definition Sentence
Monday March 1	embody	To give concrete form to an idea; to be a perfect example of a concept Olympic athletes embody the vigor of youth.
Tuesday March 2	impinge Latin <i>in- + pangere</i>	To intrude upon; to have an effect, often negative, on something Do you feel airport security measures impinge upon citizens' privacy?
Wednesday March 3	tangible Latin <i>tangere</i>	Able to be touched; real; concrete The huge footprints were tangible evidence that the bear had visited the camp.
Thursday March 4	adjacent Latin <i>adiacere</i>	Next to; close to The kitchen was adjacent to the dining room.
Friday March 5	omnipresent Latin <i>omnis + praesens</i>	Existing everywhere at the same time The omnipresent desert sand found its way into our sleeping bags, food, and water supply.
Monday March 8	apparatus Latin <i>ad- + apparare</i>	Tools or equipment for a certain use. The photographer sat surrounded by cameras, lenses, and other apparatus of his trade.

Tuesday March 9	proximity Latin <i>proximare</i>	Closeness of location; nearness The couple wanted to buy a house in close proximity of the school.
Wednesday March 10	generator Latin <i>generare</i>	A machine that produces electrical energy from mechanical energy After the storm knocked out the electricity, we turned on the gasoline generator .
Thursday March 11	blockade	The closing off of an area to prevent people and supplies from leaving and entering The troops set up a blockade to prevent enemy ships from entering the harbor.
Friday March 12	martial Latin <i>Mars</i>	Warlike; relating to war or the military The army band was well known for its performances of martial music.
Monday March 15	inventory Latin <i>in- + venire</i>	Goods or materials in stock or on hand Inventory in the warehouse has increased as a result of declining orders.
Tuesday March 16	merger Latin <i>mergere</i>	The union of two or more companies or organizations After their merger , the two community banks moved into one building.
Wednesday March 17	robust Latin <i>robustus</i>	Healthy, strong, and vigorous; sturdily built People who climb the mountains of Tibet must be robust .
Thursday March 18	stable Latin <i>staulum</i>	Not easily changed; relatively permanent Although it decreased for many years, the African elephant population is now stable .

Friday March 19	dignity <i>Latin dignus</i>	A calm manner indicating self-respect and worthiness During the ceremony, the student receiving the award stood with quiet dignity .
Monday March 22	staunch	Firm; steadfast in support; loyal The judge was a staunch supporter of equal rights.
Tuesday March 23	cordial <i>Latin cordis</i>	Warm and friendly The class gave the new student a cordial greeting.
Wednesday March 24	vulnerability <i>Latin vulnerare</i>	The quality of being open to injury, disease, attack or criticism; weakness The events of September 11 revealed the United States' vulnerability to terrorism.
Thursday March 25	tact <i>Latin tactus</i>	The ability to speak or act without offending others Tact can often accomplish more than rudeness or aggression can.
Friday March 26	withstand Old English <i>with + standan</i>	To successfully resist or oppose something; to survive without damage The sand castle could not withstand the powerful ocean waves.
Monday March 29	hospitable <i>Latin hospes</i>	Open and welcoming to guests The hospitable family invited guests to stop by after the game.
Tuesday March 30	indispensable <i>Latin in- + dispensare</i>	Required; essential; necessary The new quarterback was indispensable to the team's success.
Wednesday March 31	indubitably <i>Latin in- + dubitare</i>	Clearly; unquestionably; without a doubt George Washington was indubitably a great U.S. president.

