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conscienceless

conscienceless, *a.* having no conscience; unscrupulous.

conscience-stricken, *a.* feeling guilty or bad because of having done something wrong.

conscient, *a.* conscious. [Rare.]

conscientious (-shi-en'shus), *a.* influenced or governed by conscience; governed by the known or accepted rules of right and wrong; scrupulous; honest; as, a *conscientious* judge.

conscientiously, *adv.* according to the dictates of conscience; faithfully; scrupulously; as, a man may err *conscientiously*.

conscientiousness, *n.* the state or quality of being conscientious.

conscientious objector, *a.* a person who objects to warfare because he believes that it is wrong to kill; especially, a member of any of various religious sects whose tenets prohibit military service.

conscionable (-shun-), *a.* according to conscience; reasonable; just. [Rare.]
Let my debtors have *conscionable* satisfaction. —Wotton.

conscious (-shus), *a.* [L. *conscious*, knowing, aware, from *conscire*, to know with, be cognizant of; from *com-*, with, and *scire*, to know.]

1. having a feeling or knowledge (of one's sensations, feelings, etc., or external things); knowing or feeling (that something is or was happening or existing); aware; cognizant.
2. able to feel and think; awake.
3. aware of oneself as a thinking being; knowing what one is doing and why.
4. painfully aware of oneself; self-conscious; embarrassed.
5. accompanied by an awareness of what one is thinking, feeling, and doing; intentional; as, *conscious* humor.
6. known to or felt by oneself; as, *conscious* guilt.

Syn.—aware, sensible, felt, known, cognizant, apprised.

consciously, *adv.* with knowledge of one's own mental operations or actions.

consciousness, *n.* 1. the knowledge of what is happening around one; the state of being conscious.
2. the totality of one's thoughts, feelings, and impressions; mind.
Syn.—feeling, attention, sensation.

consciousness-raising, *n.* the process of seeking, especially through group sessions, to increase awareness of one's own role, attitudes, needs, etc. in connection with the personal, social, economic, sexual, etc. problems of modern life.

conscript, *v.t.* to force to do military service; to draft; to conscript. [Obs.]

conscript, *v.t.*; conscripted, *pl.*, *pp.*; conscripting, *ppr.* [L. *conscriptus*, pp. of *conscribere*, to enroll; from *com-*, together with, and *scribere*, to write.]

1. to draft for military service; to enroll in a compulsory manner in the armed forces.
2. to force (labor, capital, etc.) into service for the government.

conscript, *a.* conscripted; drafted.

conscript, *n.* a conscripted person; a draftee.

conscript fathers, 1. the senators of ancient Rome.
2. legislators of any nation, state, etc.

conscription, *n.* 1. an enrolling or registering. [Obs.]
2. a compulsory enrollment of men, or sometimes women, in the armed forces.
3. a forcing of labor, capital, etc. into government service.

consecrate, *v.t.*; consecrated, *pl.*, *pp.*; consecrating, *ppr.* [L. *consecratus*, pp. of *consecrare*, to dedicate; from *com-*, together, and *sacrare*, to consecrate, devote to a divinity, from *sacer*, sacred.]

1. to make or declare to be sacred, by certain ceremonies or rites; to appropriate to sacred uses; to set apart or dedicate as holy; as, to *consecrate* a church, to *consecrate* a bishop.
2. to make (someone) a bishop, ruler, etc. by a religious ceremony.
3. to make respected; to cause to be revered or honored; as, customs or principles *consecrated* by time.
4. to devote to a sacred or high purpose; to dedicate; as, he *consecrated* his life to the glory of his country.

consecrate, *a.* sacred; consecrated; devoted; dedicated.
They were assembled in that *consecrated* place. —Bacon.

conservation

consent, *n.* a person who consents.

consent (-shent), *a.* agreeing in mind; united in opinion; unanimous.
The *consent* judgment of the church.

consentingly, *adv.* in a consenting manner.

consentual, *a.* [from *consent*, and *-al*.] involving consent, especially mutual consent; as, *consentual* divorce.

consequence, *n.* [Fr. *consequence*; L. *consequentia*, from *consequens* (-entis), pp. of *consequi*, to follow after; from *com-*, with, and *sequi*, to follow.]

1. that which follows from any act, cause, principle, or series of actions; an event or effect produced by some preceding act or cause; a result.
Shun the bitter *consequence*. —Milton.
2. a logical result or conclusion; inference; deduction.
3. connection of cause and effect.
4. logical sequence.
5. importance as a cause or influence; significance; as, a matter of little *consequence*.
6. importance in rank; influence; distinction; as, a man of great *consequence* in society.

in consequence, *as a result*; for this reason; hence; therefore.

in consequence of, *as a result or effect of*; because of; through.

Syn.—effect, result, outgrowth, end, consequent, issue.

consequence, *v.i.* to draw inferences; to form deductions. [Obs.]

Moses condescends to such a methodical and school-like way of defining and *consequencing*. —Milton.

consequent, *a.* 1. following as a result; resulting; as, favorable weather and *consequent* abundant crops; distress *consequent* on the war.
The right was *consequent* to, and built on, an act perfectly personal. —Locke.
2. following as a logical inference or deduction; as, a proposition *consequent* to other propositions.
3. proceeding in logical sequence.

consequent, *n.* 1. that which follows something else.
2. that which follows as a result or effect.
3. in logic, that which follows from propositions by rational deduction; especially, (a) the second term of a conditional proposition; (b) an inference.
4. in mathematics, the second of the two terms of a ratio, or that with which the antecedent is compared.

consequential (-shál), *a.* 1. following as the natural effect; resulting; consequent; as, a *consequential* failure.
2. having the consequence justly connected with the premises; conclusive. [Obs.]
3. assuming the air of a person of importance; pompous; as, a very *consequential* delegation.
4. important; as, a *consequential* event. [Rare.]

consequential losses or damages, in law, such losses or damages as arise not from the primary cause, but as an incidental result of it.

consequently, *adv.* same as *consequently*.

consequentialness, *n.* 1. the state or quality of being consequential.
2. conceit; pompousness; the assumption of importance.

consequently, *adv.* by necessary connection of effects with their causes; as a result; by logical inference; therefore; accordingly.

consequentness, *n.* the quality or condition of being consequential. [Obs.]

conservable, *a.* capable of being kept or preserved.

conservancy, *n.* 1. the act of preserving; conservation; preservation from injury or improper use; as, the *conservancy* of fisheries or forests.
2. a commission authorized to supervise a forest, river, or port. [Brit.]

conserving, *a.* conserving; having the power or quality of preserving.

conservation, *n.* [L. *conservatio*, from *conservare*, to keep; from *com-*, together, and *servare*, to keep, save.]

1. the act of preserving, guarding, or protecting; preservation from loss, decay, injury, or violation; as, the *conservation* of the peace of society.
2. the official care and protection of natural resources, as forests.
3. a forest, fishery, etc., or a part of one, under official supervision.

conservation of areas, the theory that a plan-