

Advanced Composition Word List  
Week 15 (Tuesday, Dec 13, 2005)

1. **Duress** – *N.* Constraint by threat
2. **Dyspeptic** – *N.* A person suffering from indigestion
3. **Ebb** – *N.* A gradual decline
4. **Eccentric** – *N.* A person with an odd personality, also not having a common center
5. **Ecclesiastic** – *N.* A person in religious orders; Priest; Rabbi; Imam; et al
6. **Eclectic** – *Adj.* Selecting what seems best of various styles or ideas
7. **Eclipse** – *N.* One celestial body obscures another  
*V.* Exceed in importance; outweigh
8. **Eddy** – *N.* A miniature whirlpool (*or the flow of it [v]*)
9. **Edify** – *V.* Make understand
10. **Efface** – *V.* To rub or wipe out; erase
11. **Effectual** – *Adj.* Sufficient to produce a result
12. **Effete** – *Adj.* Marked by excessive self-indulgence and moral decay, also as infertile
13. **Efficacy** – *N.* Power or capacity to produce a desired effect
14. **Efflorescent** – *Adj.* Bursting into a flower
15. **Effluvium** – *N.* A foul-smelling outflow or vapor
16. **Effrontery** – *N.* Boldly arrogant or offensive
17. **Egregious** – *Adj.* Conspicuously bad or offensive
18. **Elegiacal** – *Adj.* Expressing sorrow
19. **Ellipsis** – *N.* Omission or suppression of parts of words or sentences, eg: ...
20. **Elliptical** – *Adj.* Of or relating to having the shape of an ellipse
21. **Elucidate** – *V.* To make clear and comprehensible
22. **Elysian** – *Adj.* Delightful; blissful
23. **Embroider** – *V.* To force into some kind of situation, condition, or course of action
24. **Embryonic** – *Adj.* Of or relating to an embryo
25. **Emend** – *V.* To make improvements or corrections to
26. **Emetic** – *N.* A medicine that causes vomiting
27. **Emollient** – *N.* An agent that softens or soothes the skin
28. **Enamored** – *V.* To be inspired with love; captivated
29. **Encomium** – *N.* A formal expression of praise