

MASTERING ENGLISH VOCABULARY USING ROOT WORDS: PART 17

SAN -

The root word **san** is related to cleanliness, health and purity.

The following words are based on the root word **san**.

1. **SANE** (adj.) - a person having a sound, healthy mind, reasonable, sensible.
2. **INSANE** (adj.) - mentally ill, unreasonable or stupid, lunatic.
3. **SANITORIUM** (noun) - a type of hospital where mentally sick people are treated.
4. **SANGUINE** (adj.) - cheerful, hopeful, optimistic: sanguine disposition.
5. **SANGFROID** (noun) - equilibrium, balance, calmness. A person who doesn't lose hope and remain balanced even in adverse circumstances.
6. **SANITARY** (adj.) - it implies absence of germs (hygienic) as well as clean appearance.
7. **SANITATION** (noun) - conditions relating to public health, especially the provision of clean drinking water and adequate sewage disposal.
8. **SANCTITY** (noun) - purity, godliness, saintliness.

SYNONYMS & ANTONYMS

1. **SANGUINE** -

SYNONYMS - optimistic, hopeful, positive, upbeat, high spirited, buoyant, bullish (like a bull, expecting the price of stocks to go up- a bullish market).

ANTONYMS - pessimist, depressed, low spirited, gloomy, dejected, despondent.

2. **SANGFROID** -

SYNONYMS - composure, self-control, calmness, balanced, equanimity, aplomb, equilibrium.

ANTONYMS - discomposure, anxiety, agitation, uneasiness, discomfort.

3. **SANCTITY** -

SYNONYMS - purity, holiness, sacredness, sanctitude, piety.

ANTONYMS - impurity, depravity, evilness, vileness, sinfulness, wickedness.