Prognosticate (verb) – Predict or tell the future.

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| **Synonym** | Foretell; prophesy |
| **Sentence** | It’s tough to prognosticate the future of the stock market.  He was an expert prognosticator. (noun) |

Compound (verb) – Make something worse. Intensify negative consequences.

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| **Synonym** | Worsen; Exacerbate |
| **Sentence** | He didn’t want to compound his mistake. |

Implore (Verb) – To plead urgently for.

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| **Synonym** | Beg; Urge |
| **Sentence** | He implored her to change her mind. |

Interminable (adj) – Never ending.

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| **Synonym** | Endless; Continuous |
| **Sentence** | His boring work day seemed interminable. |

Caustic (adj) – Coldly Sarcastic.

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| **Synonym** | Abrasive; Acerbic |
| **Sentence** | We’d had enough of his caustic comments. |

Rampant (adj) – Unchecked; Widespread

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| **Synonym** | Excessive; Uncontrollable |
| **Sentence** | The disease was rampant in the city. |

Quell (verb) – Put an end to.

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| **Synonym** | Crush; quench; put down |
| **Sentence** | He needed to quell the rebellion. |

Clandestine (adj) – Secret or undercover

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| **Synonym** | Covert; hidden |
| **Sentence** | The king knew clandestine plots were being formulated throughout the city. |

Avid (adj) – Eager

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| **Synonym** | Devoted; Ardent |
| **Sentence** | He was an avid reader. |

Hapless (adj) – Unfortunate.

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| **Synonym** | Unlucky; Woeful |
| **Sentence** | I couldn’t help but feel sorry for the hapless child. |