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Blackbird=a European thrush with black plumage (κοτσύφι)

Solitary=loner

Melodious=melodic, having a pleasant tone

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(to) perch= to rest on sth, to settle

(to) plunge=to dip, to dive

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Veiling=tulle, a light gauzy fabric

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(to) sparkle= to shine, to glow, to glitter, to glisten

Ripples= series of waves on the surface of water

(to) chum= to be friendly with sb

(to) dodge= to avoid, to evade

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Webbed=having the toes connected by a membrane

Beak=a bird’s horny projecting jaws/a bill

(to) strain=to stress, to force

Curve=turning, bend

Fierce=wild, savage, harsh

(to) ruffle=to mix, disorder or disarrange

(to) stall=to pause, to procrastinate

(to) falter=to hesitate

Disgrace=loss of respect

Dishonor=a state of shame, disgrace

Dismayed=distressed, disappointed

Glide=slide, smooth continuous movement

Daring=adventurous or audaciously bold

Bold=daring, cheeky, audacious

Decisive=determined

Cowardly=coward, lacking courage

Arrogant=conceited

Risky=dangerous, unsafe, hazardous

Single-minded=frank, sincere/ concentrating on only one purpose

Dynamic=energetic, characterized by constant change

Persistent=tenacious, persevering

Flexible=capable of bending easily without breaking

Headstrong=stubborn, opinionated

Submissive=docile, obedient

Revolutionary=involving or causing a complete change

Resourceful=ingenious, cunning

Non-conformist=heretic, one that does not conform to prevailing ideas or practices

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Fable=myth, legend, tale (conveying a moral)

Norm=rule, canon, order

Flock=a number of birds travelling together

Tribe=clan, race

(to)soar=to fly or rise high in the air

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(to) preach=to deliver a sermon (as in Church)

(to) obstruct=to prevent, to block, to impede

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Literary=poetic/dramatic/having a marked style intended to create a particular emotional effect