

Machiavelli Reading Word Bank

Ought - duty; supposed to; obligation

Subjects - people under the rule of others

Presumptuous - assuming; arrogant

Apprehends - understands; "gets it"

Republic - government system where citizens elect representatives

Principalities - small territory or state ruled by a prince within

Neglect - ^{a larger state} pay no attention to

Virtue - goodness; moral

Hence - therefore; from now

Liberal - political concept based on individual freedom & rights.
Secured by laws

Miserly/Miser - stingy; saves money

Avaricious - greedy; jealous

Repute/reputed - known as (reputation)

Rapacious - really greedy ("rape" is a derivative)

Compassionate - sympathetic; need to help those in need

Effeminate - having traits associated with being feminine; delicate

Affable - polite; friendly; approachable

Haughty - snobbish; arrogant; stuck up

Lascivious - lustful; indicates sexual desire

Chaste - celibate; does not engage in sexual activity

Cunning - sly; deceptive; clever

Frivolous - not serious; no purpose; not important

Prudent - practical; careful; responsible

Reproach - blame

Vice - an evil act; illegal or immoral activity; bad habit

Hesitation - pause

Incur/Incurring - acquire; become responsible for (not usually a good thing)

Attribute - characteristic; trait

Odious - offensive; disgusting; hateful

Imperiled - put in danger

Clemency - mercy; forgiveness

Dispense/dispensed - deal out; distribute

Assert/asserted - state strongly; defend (rights or a claim)

Fickle - not loyal; changes mind often; unstable

Covetous - envies others' wealth

Scruple - moral or ethical standard

Baseness - morally low; mean spirited; worthless

Integrity - honest; ethical

Craft - (crafty) - sly; clever

Circumvent - bypass; avoid; get around

Contest/contesting - argue; dispute

Recourse - liability; pay back (consequence)

Figurative/figuratively - metaphorical; not literal

Achilles and Centaurs → Yz man Yz horse

↳ Greek hero of Trojan war

Durable - strong, lasting

Snare/snares - trap