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"pon" to place
or
"pos" to put

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"ex" means from
or out of

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excerpt

noun - a reading passage selected from a book, a piece of music, etc

Our anthology contains thousands of **excerpts** from literature.

verb - to take a reading passage or a quote

The students **excerpted** their favorite songs from *Cats* to perform a skit.

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exhilarate

verb - to cheer: to enliven

Her singing performance exhilarated the crowd.

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exonerate

verb - to free from blame

The jury exonerated the defendant.

verb - to relieve of a task

The parents exonerated their children from the week's chores.

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exorbitant

adjective - excessive

The rhinoceros is in danger of becoming extinct because of the exorbitant price poachers receive for the animals' horns.

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compound

verb - to mix together; to combine

The losing politician compounded his problems by insulting his challenger.

noun - a combination

Steel is a compound, or alloy, of iron, carbon, and other metals.

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exposition

noun - a precise statement or explanation

With both written text and 1,065 colored illustrations, John James Audobon's *Birds of America* remains a model exposition on the subject of ornithology.

noun - a public exhibit or show

The first international exposition was held in London's Crystal Palace in 1851.

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expound

verb - to set forth an explanation in great detail

The travelers expounded on the animals they saw on their safari in Kenya.

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impose

verb - to set up, or to force something on others

Under apartheid, the South African government imposed laws that granted different rights to people based on the color of their skin.

verb - to take unfair advantage of someone

In the play *The Man Who Came to Dinner*, a guest who breaks his hip when leaving imposes his hosts for six months.

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impostor

noun - one who deceives by using a false identity

The wife of Martin Guerre wonders if the man claiming to be Martin is really her husband returning after eight years or if he is an impostor.

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proponent

noun - one who argues in support of something.

Proponents of recycling newsprint, glass, and aluminum have found citizens more willing to cooperate than they expected.