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Adjectives of Three Syllables, Explained, I to P

*Adjectives of three syllables, explained, from Daniel Fenning, The Universal Spelling-Book (London, 1798),
Part III, Table V: his old words kept, in today's spelling; their syllables on the right.
Each word is given once with its meaning as a model: copy it on the line below.*

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Part III, Table V. Nouns Adjective of three Syllables, accented and explained, I to P.

ignoble ➞ *base* ig-no-ble

illegal ➞ *contrary to law* il-le-gal

immature ➞ *not come to perfection* im-ma-ture

immersed ➞ *plunged into* im-merg-ed

imminent  *ready to* im-mi-nent

come upon us

immodest  *wanton,* im-mod-est

rude

immoral  *profane* im-mor-al

immortal  *everlasting* im-mor-tal

impendent ➤ *hanging* im-pen-dent

over head

imperfect ➤ *unfinished* im-per-fect

impious ➤ *ungodly* im-pi-ous

implicit ➤ *tacitly* im-pli-cit

understood

important  *of great* im-por-tant

concern

improper  *inconvenient,* im-prop-er

unfit

imprudent  *unwise* im-pru-dent

impudent  *shameless* im-pu-dent

incentive ✎ *stirring up* in-cen-tive

incessant ✎ *without* in-ces-sant

ceasing

inclusive ✎ *comprehending* in-clu-sive

incomplete ✎ *imperfect* in-com-plete

incompact  *not close* **in-com-pact**

fastened together

inconstant  *uncertain* **in-con-stant**

incorrect  *faulty, not* **in-cor-rect**

correct

incorrupt  *untainted* **in-cor-rupt**

increate ✎ *not created* in-cre-ate

indecent ✎ *unbecoming* in-de-cent

indented ✎ *notched* in-dent-ed

indigent ✎ *needy, poor* in-di-gent

indirect ✎ *unfair,*
unhandsome in-di-rect

indiscreet  *unwise* in-dis-creet

indolent  *lazy, careless* in-do-lent

infamous  *scandalous* in-fa-mous

infernal  *hellish* in-fer-nal

infertile  *barren,* in-fer-tile
unfruitful

infinite ➡ *without end* in-fi-nite

infused ➡ *soaked or steeped* in-fus-ed

inherent ➡ *abiding* in-he-rent

inhuman ➡ *barbarous* in-hu-man

innocent ➡ *not guilty* in-no-cent

insecure  *not safe* in-se-cure

insipid  *tasteless, flat* in-sip-id

insolent  *saucy, proud* in-so-lent

internal  *inward* in-ter-nal

intestate  *dying without*
a will in-tes-tate

intimate  *familiar* **in-ti-mate**

intrepid  *fearless,*
undaunted **in-trep-id**

intrinsic  *inward, real* **in-trin-sic**

invalid  *not good in*
law **in-val-id**

invective ➞ *railing,* **in-vec-tive**

reproaching

jocular ➞ *pleasant,* **joc-u-lar**

merry

italic ➞ *belonging to* **i-tal-ic**

Italy

juvenile ➡ *youthful*

ju-ve-nile

laboursome ➡ *slavish*

la-bour-some

laconic ➡ *brief*

la-con-ic

lacteal ➡ *milky*

lac-te-al

lateral ➡ *sideways*

lat-e-ral

laudable ➡ *commendable*

lau-da-ble

laxative ➞ *loosening* **lax-a-tive**

legible ➞ *easy to be read* **leg-i-ble**

lenitive ➞ *assuaging,*
healing **len-i-tive**

limited ➞ *bounded* **lim-it-ed**

lineal  *belonging to a* **lin-e-al**

line

literal  *according to the* **lit-e-ral**

letter

logical  *belonging to* **log-i-cal**

logic

lubricous ➞ *slippery,* lu-bri-cous

uncertain

lucrative ➞ *gainful* lu-cra-tive

luminous ➞ *full of light* lu-mi-nous

lunatic ➞ *distracted* lu-na-tic

luscious ➞ *over-sweet* lus-ci-ous

majestic ➞ *noble, stately* ma-jes-tic

malignant ➞ *hurtful* ma-lig-nant

manifest ➞ *clear, evident* man-i-fest

marginal ➞ *belonging to*
the margin mar-gi-nal

maritime ➞ *belonging to* **mar-i-time**

the sea

martial ➞ *warlike,* **mar-ti-al**

valiant

masculine ➞ *manly* **mas-cu-line**

maternal ➞ *motherly* **ma-ter-nal**

menial ➞ *domestic* me-ni-al

metalline ➞ *of the nature*
of metal me-tal-line

militant ➞ *fighting* mil-i-tant

mimical ➞ *apish* mim-i-cal

mineral  *belonging to* min-e-ral

mines

moderate  *temperate,* mod-e-rate

saler

momentous  *of weight* mo-men-tous

morbific ➞ *causing* mor-bif-ic

diseases

moveable ➞ *what may be* move-a-ble

moved

mountainous ➞ *full of* moun-tain-ous

mountains

multiform  *of many* **mul-ti-form**
shapes

musical  *belonging to* **mu-si-cal**
music

mutable  *subject to* **mu-ta-ble**
change

mutinous  *seditions* **mu-ti-nous**

mutual  *alike on both*
sides **mu-tu-al**

mystical  *belonging to* **mys-ti-cal**
mystery

natural ➤ *easy, free,*
unaffected nat-u-ral

nauseous ➤ *loathsome* nau-se-ous

nebulous ➤ *cloudy* neb-u-lous

negative ➤ *denying* neg-a-tive

negligent ➤ *careless* neg-li-gent

neighbourly ➞ *friendly* neigh-bour-ly

niggardly ➞ *cavetous* nig-gard-ly

nocturnal ➞ *nightly* noc-tur-nal

noxious ➞ *hurtful* nox-i-ous

numeral ➞ *belonging to* nu-me-ral

number

numerous  *great in* nu-me-rous

number

nuptial  *belonging to* nup-ti-al

marriage

obdurate  *hardened,* ob-du-rate

obstinate

obliging ➡ *civil, courteous* o-blig-ing

obstinate ➡ *stubborn* ob-sti-nate

obsolete ➡ *out of date* ob-so-lete

obvious ➡ *clear, plain* ob-vi-ous

ocular ➡ *belonging to the* o-cu-lar
eyes

odious ➤ *hateful* o-di-ous

odorous ➤ *sweet-smelling* o-do-rous

offensive ➤ *displeasing* of-fen-sive

ominous ➤ *ill-boding* om-i-nous

operose ➤ *laborious* op-e-rose

opportune ➤ *convenient* op-por-tune

opposite ➞ *over against* op-po-site

opulent ➞ *wealthy* op-u-lent

orderly ➞ *regular* or-der-ly

orthodox ➞ *sound in*
faith or-tho-dox

overplus ➤ *over and* o-ver-plus

above

pacific ➤ *peaceable* pa-cif-ic

palpable ➤ *manifest,* pa-pa-ble

clear

parallel ➤ *equal to* par-al-lel

parental  *belonging to* pa-ren-tal

parents

partial  *biased by a* par-ti-al

party

passable  *that may be* pas-sa-ble

passed

pastoral ➡ *belonging to*
a shepherd

pas-to-ral

paternal ➡ *fatherly*

pa-ter-nal

pathetic ➡ *moving the*
passions

pa-thet-ic

passible ➡ *sufferable*

pas-si-ble

patient ➡ *enduring*

pa-ti-ent

pectoral ➡ *belonging to*
the breast

pec-to-ral

pellucid ➡ *clear, bright*

pel-lu-cid

penitent ➡ *sorrowful*

pen-i-tent

perilous ➡ *dangerous*

per-il-ous

permanent  *lasting* per-ma-nent

perplexed  *confounded* per-plex-ed

personal  *belonging to* per-so-nal
a person

persuasive  *apt to* per-sua-sive
persuade

pertinent  *fit for*

per-ti-nent

the purpose

pervious  *easy to be*

per-vi-ous

passed

petulant  *saucy*

pet-u-lant

physical  *belonging to*

phys-i-cal

physic

piteous  *sad, grievous*

pit-e-ous

plausible  *seemingly*

plau-si-ble

fair

plenary ➞ *full,*

ple-na-ry

complete

plenteous ➞ *plentiful*

plen-te-ous

popular ➞ *beloved by*

pop-u-lar

the people

portable ➡ *that may be* **por-ta-ble**

carried

positive ➡ *dogmatical* **pos-i-tive**

possible ➡ *that may be* **pos-si-ble**

done

posthumous  *after* **post-hu-mous**
death

potable  *drinkable* **po-ta-ble**

practical  *belonging to* **prac-ti-cal**
practice

pragmatic ➡ *over-busy,* prag-mat-ic

saucy

precedent ➡ *foregoing* prec-e-dent

preceptive ➡ *belonging* pre-cep-tive
to precept

prev alent ➡ *powerful* prev-a-lent

previous  *going*

pre-vi-ous

before

primary  *principal*

pri-ma-ry

primitive  *ancient*

prim-i-tive

probable  *like to be*

prob-a-ble

done

prodigal ➞ *lavish,*

prod-i-gal

vainglorious

projected ➞ *contrived*

pro-ject-ed

prolific ➞ *apt to breed,*

pro-lif-ic

fruitful

prominent  *jutting* prom-i-nent

out

prosperous  *fortunate* pros-pe-rous

puerile  *childish* pu-e-rile

puissant  *powerful* pu-is-sant

punctual  *nice, exact* punc-tu-al

pursuant  *according* **pur-su-ant**

to