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A 8s

B 8s

BECAPPED	ABCDEEPP	to put cap on [v]
BECARPET	ABCEEPRT	to cover with carpet [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BECHANCE	ABCCEEHN	to befall [v -D, -CING, -S]
BECLAMOR	ABCELMOR	to clamor loudly [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BECLOTHE	BCEEHLOT	to clothe [v -D, -HING, -S]
BECOWARD	ABCDEORW	to accuse of cowardice [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BECUDGEL	BCDEEGLU	to cudgel thoroughly [v -LLED or -ED, -LLING or -ING, -S]
BEDABBLE	ABBBDEEL	to soil [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEDARKEN	ABDEEKNR	to darken [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEDAZZLE	ABDEELZZ	to confuse [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEDEAFEN	ABDEEEFN	to deafen [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEDIAPER	ABDEEIPR	to ornament with kind of design [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEDIMMED	BDDEEIMM	made dimmed [v]
BEDIMPLE	BDEEILMP	to dimple [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEDOTTED	BDDEEOTT	covered with dots [adj]
BEDRENCH	BCDEEHRN	to drench thoroughly [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEDRIVEL	BDEEILRV	to cover with saliva [v -LLED or -ED, -LLING or -ING, -S]
BEFINGER	BEEFGINR	to touch all over [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEFLOWER	BEEFLORW	to cover with flowers [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEFOGGED	BDEEFGGO	enveloped with fog [v]
BEFOULER	BEEFLORU	one that befouls [n -S]
BEFRINGE	BEEFGINR	to border with fringe [v -D, -GING, -S]
BEFUDDLE	BDDEEFLU	to confuse [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEGEMMED	BDEEEGMM	to gem (to adorn with precious stones) [v]
BEGETTER	BEEEGRTT	one that begets (causes to exist) [n -S]
BEGIRDLE	BDEEGILR	to surround [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEGLAMOR	ABEGLMOR	to dazzle with glamor [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEGOTTEN	BEEGNOTT	caused to exist [v]
BEGRUDGE	BDEEGGRU	to concede reluctantly [v -D, -GING, -S]
BEGUILER	BEEGILRU	one that beguiles [n -S]
BEHOLDER	BDEEHLOR	one that beholds [n -S]
BEJUMBLE	BBEEJLMU	to jumble [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEKISSES	BEEIKSSS	to cover with kisses [v]
BEKNIGHT	BEGHIKNT	to raise to knighthood [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BELABOUR	ABBELORU	to belabor [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BELADIES	ABDEEILS	to apply title of lady to [v]
BELIQUOR	BEILOQRU	to soak with liquor [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEMADDEN	ABDDEEMN	to madden [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEMINGLE	BEEGILMN	to mix together [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEMUDDLE	BDDEELMU	to confuse completely [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEMURMUR	BEMMRRUU	to murmur at [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEMUZZLE	BEELMUZZ	to muzzle [v -D, -LING, -S]
BEPIMPLE	BEEILMPP	to cover with pimples [v -D, -LING, -S]
BERASCAL	AABCELRS	to accuse of being rascal [v -ED, -ING, -S]



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BERINGED	BDEEGINR	adorned with rings [adj]
BEROUGED	BDEEGORU	obviously or thickly rouged [adj]
BESCORCH	BCCEHORS	to scorch [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESCREEN	BCEEENRS	to screen [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESETTER	BEEERSTT	one that besets [n -S]
BESHADOW	ABDEHOSW	to cast shadow on [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESHIVER	BEEHIRSV	to break into small pieces [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESHROUD	BDEHORSU	to cover [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESIEGER	BEEEGIRS	one that besieges [n -S]
BESLAVED	ABDEELSV	filled with slaves [adj]
BESMOOTH	BEHMOOST	to smooth [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BESMUDGE	BDEEGMSU	to smudge [v -D, -GING, -S]
BESOOTHE	BEEHOOST	to soothe [v -D, -HING, -S]
BESOTTED	BDEEOSTT	stupefied [v]
BESPOUSE	BEEOPSSU	to marry [v -D, -SING, -S]
BESPREAD	ABDEEPRS	to spread [v -SPREAD, -ING, -S]
BESPRENT	BEENPRST	sprinkled over [adj]
BESTRIDE	BDEEIRST	to straddle [v -RODE or -RID, -DDEN, -DING, -S]
BESTROWN	BENORSTW	bestrewed [v]
BESUITED	BDEEISTU	wearing suit [adj]
BETATTER	ABEERTTT	to tatter [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEUNCLE	BCDEELNU	having many uncles [adj]
BEWAILER	ABEEILRW	one that bewails [n -S]
BEWIGGED	BDEEGGIW	adorned with wig [v]
BEWILDER	BDEEILRW	to confuse [v -ED, -ING, -S]
BEWINGED	BDEEGINW	having wings [adj]
BEWRAYER	ABEERRWY	one that bewrays [n -S]

C 8s

COMETHER	CEEHMORT	affair or matter [n -S]
COULDEST	CDELOSTU	can [v]

D 8s

E 8s

EFTSOONS	EFNOOSST	EFTSOON, soon afterward [adv]
EREWHILE	EEEHILRW	some time ago [adv]

F 8s

FLOREATS	AEFLOST	may he/she/it flourish [v]
FOREDOOM	DEFMOOOR	to doom in advance [v -ED, -ING, -S]
FOREFEEL	EEEFFLOR	to have premonition of [v -FELT, -LING, -S]
FOREFEND	DEEFFNOR	to protect [v -ED, -ING, -S]
FOREKNOW	EFKNOORW	to know in advance [v -NEW, -N, -ING, -S]
FORENOON	EFNNOOOR	period of daylight before noon [n -S]
FORETIME	EEFIMORT	past [n -S]
FOREWENT	EEFNORTW	went before [v]
FORSOOTH	FHOOORST	in truth [adv]
FORSPENT	EFNOPRST	worn out [adj]
FORSWEAR	AEFORRSW	to deny under oath [v -WORE, -WORN, -ING, -S]



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G 8s

GADZOOKS	ADGKOOSZ	used as mild oath [interj]
GARDYLOO	ADGLOORY	used as warning cry [interj]
GRAMERCY	ACEGMRRY	expression of gratitude [n -CIES]

H 8s

HEREAWAY	AAEEHRWY	in this vicinity [adv]
HEREINTO	EEHINORT	into this place [adv]
HEREUNTO	EEHNORTU	to this matter [adv]
HEREUPON	EEHNOPRU	immediately following this [adv]
HEREWITH	EEHHIRTW	along with this [adv]

I 8s

J 8s

K 8s

L 8s

LACKADAY	AAACDKLY	used to express regret [interj]
LOQUITUR	ILOQRTUU	he or she speaks [v]

M 8s

MESEEMED	DEEEEMMS	it seemed to me [v]
METHINKS	EHIKMNST	it seems to me [v]

N 8s

NAETHING	AEGHINNT	nothing [n -S]
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O 8s

P 8s

PUISSANT	AINPSSTU	powerful [adj]
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Q 8s

R 8s

S 8s

SELCOUTH	CEHLOSTU	unusual [adj]
SOMEDEAL	ADEELMOS	to some degree [adv]
SOMEWAYS	AEMOSSWY	someway [adv]
SOMEWHEN	EEHMNOSW	sometime [adv]
SOMEWISE	EEIMOSSW	somehow [adv]
SOOTHSAY	AHOOSSTY	to predict [v -AID, -ING, -S]

T 8s

U 8s

V 8s

W 8s

WAESUCKS	ACEKSSUW	used to express pity [interj]
WELLADAY	AADELLWY	expression of sorrow [n -S]
WELLAWAY	AAELLWWY	expression of sorrow [n -S]

X 8s

Y 8s

Z 8s