

## 100 Troublesome Adjectives

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Here is a short list of adjectives used in business to describe products, services, concepts, companies and other things. Use them smartly if you use them at all. Most are hyperbolic and convey little more than puff as descriptors.

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| 1. all-important     | 39. illuminating  | 77. required      |
| 2. beneficial        | 40. illustrious   | 78. requisite     |
| 3. central           | 41. imperative    | 79. respected     |
| 4. compelling        | 42. implicit      | 80. salient       |
| 5. consequential     | 43. important     | 81. seminal       |
| 6. controversial     | 44. imposing      | 82. signal        |
| 7. core              | 45. impressive    | 83. significant   |
| 8. critical          | 46. incomparable  | 84. singular      |
| 9. crucial           | 47. incredible    | 85. special       |
| 10. desirable        | 48. indispensable | 86. superior      |
| 11. desired          | 49. influential   | 87. supportive    |
| 12. distinguished    | 50. informational | 88. unbelievable  |
| 13. dynamic          | 51. informative   | 89. underlying    |
| 14. educational      | 52. innovative    | 90. unmatched     |
| 15. effective        | 53. instructive   | 91. unparalleled  |
| 16. efficient        | 54. intrinsic     | 92. unprecedented |
| 17. empowering       | 55. key           | 93. unusual       |
| 18. encouraging      | 56. leading       | 94. urgent        |
| 19. enlightening     | 57. leading edge  | 95. vigorous      |
| 20. essential        | 58. main          | 96. rigorous      |
| 21. esteemed         | 59. meaningful    | 97. vital         |
| 22. eventful         | 60. must-buy      | 98. well-known    |
| 23. extraordinary    | 61. necessary     | 99. wonderful     |
| 24. famous           | 62. needed        | 100. worthy       |
| 25. far-reaching     | 63. notable       |                   |
| 26. first class      | 64. noted         |                   |
| 27. foremost         | 65. noteworthy    |                   |
| 28. forward-thinking | 66. notorious     |                   |
| 29. front-page       | 67. one-stop      |                   |
| 30. fundamental      | 68. pivotal       |                   |
| 31. grand            | 69. potent        |                   |
| 32. helpful          | 70. powerful      |                   |
| 33. high-level       | 71. preeminent    |                   |
| 34. high-profile     | 72. primary       |                   |
| 35. high-ranking     | 73. principal     |                   |
| 36. high-up          | 74. prominent     |                   |
| 37. hopeful          | 75. refreshing    |                   |
| 38. honored          | 76. relevant      |                   |