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tap-es-try \ˈtəpəstrē\ *n, pl*
-tries : heavy handwoven rug-like wall hanging

tape-worm *n* : long flat intestinal worm

tap-i-o-ca \ˌtəpēˈōkə\ *n* : a granular starch used esp. in puddings

tar \ˈtär\ *n* : thick dark sticky liquid distilled (as from coal) ~
vb -rr- : treat or smear with tar

ta-ran-tu-la \təˈranchələ, -ˈrantələ\ *n* : large hairy usu. harmless spider

tar-dy \ˈtərdē\ *adj -di-er; -est* : late — **tar-di-ly** \ˈtərdiˈlē\ *adv* — **tar-di-ness** *n*

tar-get \ˈtərgət\ *n* **1** : mark to shoot at **2** : goal to be achieved ~ *vb* **1** : make a target of **2** : establish as a goal

tar-iff \ˈtarəf\ *n* **1** : duty or rate of duty imposed on imported goods **2** : schedule of tariffs, rates, or charges

tar-nish \ˈtərnish\ *vb* : make or become dull or discolored — **tarnish** *n*

tar-pau-lin \tärˈpōlən, ˈtärpə-\ *n* : waterproof protective covering

tar-ry \ˈtarē\ *vb -ried; -ry-ing* : be slow in leaving

tar-ry \ˈtärē\ *adj* : resembling or covered with tar

tart \ˈtärt\ *adj* **1** : pleasantly sharp to the taste **2** : caustic — **tart-ly** *adv* — **tart-ness** *n*

²tart *n* : small pie

tar-tan \ˈtärtən\ *n* : woolen fabric with a plaid design

tar-tar \ˈtärtər\ *n* : hard crust on the teeth

task \ˈtask\ *n* : assigned work
task-mas-ter *n* : one that burdens another with labor

tas-sel \ˈtasəl, ˈtäs-\ *n* : hanging ornament made of a bunch of cords fastened at one end

taste \ˈtāst\ *vb* **tast-ed; tast-ing**
1 : test or determine the flavor of **2** : eat or drink in small quantities **3** : have a specific flavor ~ *n* **1** : small amount

tasted **2** : bit **3** : special sense that identifies sweet, sour, bitter, or salty qualities **4** : individual preference **5** : critical appreciation of quality —

taste-ful \-fəl\ *adj* — **taste-ful-ly** *adv* — **taste-less** *adj* — **taste-less-ly** *adv* — **tast-er** *n*

tasty \ˈtāstē\ *adj* **tast-i-er; -est** : pleasing to the sense of taste — **tast-i-ness** *n*

tat-ter \ˈtatər\ *n* **1** : part torn and left hanging **2 pl** : tattered clothing ~ *vb* : make or become ragged

tat-tle \ˈtatəl\ *vb -tled; -tling* : inform on someone — **tat-tler** *n*

tat-tle-tale *n* : one that tattles

tat-too \təˈtü\ *vb* : mark the skin with indelible designs or figures — **tattoo** *n*