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sirocco

(n) hot winds from Africa.

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sisterhood

(n) A body of sisters united by some  
bond of sympathy or by a religious  
vow.

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skeptic

(n) One who doubts any statements.

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skepticism

(n) The entertainment of doubt  
concerning something.

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skiff

(n) Usually, a small light boat propelled by oars.

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skirmish

(n) Desultory fighting between advanced detachments of two armies.

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skulk

(v) to move secretly, implies sinister

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slander

(v) defame; maliciously misrepresent

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