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peril noun

Exposure to possible harm, loss, or injury: danger, endangerment, hazard, imperilment, jeopardy, risk. See SAFETY.

peril verb To subject to danger or destruction: endanger, imperil, jeopardize, menace, risk, threaten. See SAFETY.

perilous adjective

Involving possible risk, loss, or injury: adventurous, chancy, dangerous, hazardous, jeopardous, parlous, risky, treacherous, unsafe, venturesome, venturous. Slang: hairy. See SAFETY. perimeter noun

1. A line around a closed figure or area: ambit, circuit, circumference, compass, periphery. See EDGE. 2. Chiefly Military. A fairly narrow line or space forming a boundary: border, borderline, brim, brink, edge, edging, fringe, margin, periphery, rim, verge. See EDGE.

period noun

1. A specific length of time characterized by the occurrence of certain conditions or events: season, span, stretch, term. See TIME. 2. A particular time notable for its distinctive characteristics: age, day, epoch, era, time (often used in plural). See TIME. 3. An interval regarded as a distinct evolutionary or developmental unit: phase, stage. See TIME. 4. A span designated for a given activity: season, time. See TIME. 5. A concluding or terminating: cease, cessation, close, closing, closure, completion, conclusion, consummation, end, ending, end of the line, finish, stop, stopping point, termination, terminus, wind-up, wrap-up. See CONTINUE.

periodic adjective

1. Happening or appearing at regular intervals: cyclic, cyclical, isochronal, isochronous, periodical, recurrent. Idiom: like clockwork See BERE

peripatetic adjective

Leading the life of a person without a fixed domicile; moving from place to place: itiner. ant, nomadic, vagabond, vagrant. See MOVE,

periphery noun

1. A line around a closed figure or area: ambit circuit, circumference, compass, perimeter. See EDGE. 2. A fairly narrow line or space forming a boundary: border, borderline, brim, brink edge, edging, fringe, margin, rim, verge. Chiefly Military: perimeter. See EDGE.

periphrastic adjective

Using or containing an excessive number of words: diffuse, long-winded, pleonastic, prolix, redundant, verbose, wordy. See EXCESS, STYLE, WORDS.

perish verb

To cease living: decease, demise, depart, die, drop, expire, go, pass away, pass (on), succumb. Informal: pop off. Slang: check out, croak, kick in, kick off. Idioms: bite the dust, breathe one's last, cash in, give up the ghost, go to one's grave, kick the bucket, meet one's end (or Maker), pass on to the Great Beyond, turn up one's toes. See LIVE.

perjure verb

Law. To make untrue declarations: falsify, fib, forswear, lie2, prevaricate. See TRUE.

perjured adjective

Marked by lying under oath: forsworn, perjurious. See TRUE.

perjurer noun

Law. One who tells lies: fabricator, fabulist, falsisier, fibber, liar, prevaricator. Informal: storyteller. See TRUE.

perjurious adjective

Marked by lying under oath . C