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Word of the Day - for Toastmasters everywhere
Thursday 30th June 2022



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(adjective) TRUK-yu-lent

Aggressive, discourteous, sullenly defiant.

Having taught **truculent** 15-year-olds, who have no interest whatever in gaining formal qualifications, I imagine that teaching **truculent** 18-year-olds would be far worse.

Anne Main, *Commons Hansard*, 10 October 2007. Commons Hansard

That association, which made the effort to write to Parliament, is but one of a plethora of associations and organisations that are upset by the arrogant, **truculent** and jackboot approach taken by the Government in relation to the constitutional monarchy of this State and, indeed, of the country.

J.M. Samios, *New South Wales Hansard*, 17 October 1996. NSW Hansard

But out of the dramatist's **truculent** solitude derives our portrait of a nation still struggling, after all these years, to discover its true identity.

Michael Billington, *The Guardian*, 24 October 2007. Guardian

Mr. Hopkins's **truculent** belligerence softens movingly when he recalls his moment of triumph, the creation of a bonfire to burn the Pope in effigy.

Charles Isherwood, *The New York Times*, 18 September 2007. New York Times