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abase	(v) To lower in position, estimation, or the like; degrade.
	
abash	(v) embarrass
abate	(v) subside or moderate
abbess	(n) The lady superior of a nunnery.

abbey	(n) The group of buildings which collectively form the dwelling-place of a society of monks or nuns.
abbot	(n) The superior of a community of monks.
	
abbreviate	(v) shorten
abdicate	(v) To give up (royal power or the like).