



Are You a Lif Enhancer? A Checklist

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Introduction

According to the American Heritage Dictionary (4th ed., 2007, p. 489), Life is the quality that distinguishes living organisms from dead organisms and from inanimate matter. That lexicographic work also tells us that "to enhance" means to make greater, especially in value, reputation, or usefulness (p.286).

The Random House Webster`s College Dictionary, 1995, p.433 teaches us that to enhance is to increase the quality of/to improve. If we put enhance and life together and invert the noun/adjective sequence, we`ll come up with Life enhancer. By resorting to an Old English spelling - LIF - we can coin an additional noun in current English: Lif enhancer. This lexical combination has inspired me to create a poster which will ask the following questions:

Are you a lif enhancer? How? By acting in what ways?

Suggested answers can be provided through –LY ending adverbs. Readers are invited to reflect on, and to add to this list. You are a LIF enhancer when you help improve the quality of Life by acting/interacting:

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| <i>A</i> ffectionately, altruistically, amicably | <i>N</i> on-aggressively, nonkillingly, nonviolently |
| <i>B</i> enevolently, benignly | <i>O</i> pen-mindedly, optimistically |
| <i>C</i> aringly, charitably, compassionately, constructively,
convergently, conversantly cooperatively, cordially,
courageously | <i>P</i> atiently, peaceably, playfully, positively, prudently,
productively |
| <i>D</i> ignifyingly, diligently | <i>Q</i> uietly, questionigly |
| <i>E</i> arth-friendly, empathetically, encouragingly | <i>R</i> elevantly, respectfully, rightfully |
| <i>F</i> airly, farsightedly, fearlessly, fondly, friendlily | <i>S</i> afely, securely, sociably, spiritually |
| <i>G</i> enerously, good-humoredly, good-naturedly | <i>T</i> actfully, tenderly |
| <i>H</i> appily, healthfully, honestly, humanizingly, humbly | <i>U</i> sefully |
| <i>I</i> maginatively, incorruptibly, industrially, inspiringly | <i>V</i> ibrantly, virtuously |
| <i>J</i> ovially, joyfully, justly | <i>W</i> illingly, wisely, wittily |
| <i>K</i> indheartedly, kindly | <i>X</i> ... ? |
| <i>L</i> awfully, lightheartedly, lovingly | <i>Y</i> ieldingly, youthfully |
| <i>M</i> agnanimously, morally, multiculturally, multifariously,
multilingually | <i>Z</i> estfully |