**Mal Word List and Definitions**

dismal depressing; causing gloom or misery, bad feelings

malady bad health, illness, sickness

malaria bad air; a disease usually spread by infected mosquitoes

malefactor an evildoer; a person who does bad things

malevolent a word that describes a person or character who wishes bad

 things to happen

malfeasance wrongdoing or bad conduct by a public official

malice mischief; evil intent

malignant harmful; something bad enough that could result in death

 when related to cancer

malnourished having bad health or having poor nutrition

malodorous bad smell; stinky