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pro·cliv·i·ty  (prō-klīv ĭ-tē)

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n. pl. **pro·cliv·i·ties**

A natural propensity or inclination; a predisposition: *a proclivity for exaggeration; a proclivity to complain.*

[Latin *prōclīvītās*, from *prōclīvis*, inclined : *prō-*, forward; see [PRO](#)¹ + *clīvus*, slope; see [klei-](#) [in the Appendix of Indo-European roots](#).]

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