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Fears and Phobias 2

What are you most afraid of? Use a library or the Internet to find out the official names of these fears and phobias. Write your answers below:

1. fear of germs _____
2. fear of long words _____
3. fear of growing old _____
4. fear of bees and insects _____
5. fear of putting on weight _____
6. fear of men with beards _____
7. fear of getting wrinkles _____
8. fear of small things _____
9. fear of words _____
10. fear of parents-in-law _____
11. fear of foreigners _____
12. fear of being buried alive _____
13. fear of everything _____
14. fear of feathers _____
15. fear of fear _____

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Answers:

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| 1. fear of germs | Verminophobia |
| 2. fear of long words | Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia |
| 3. fear of growing old | Gerascophobia |
| 4. fear of bees and insects | Melissophobia |
| 5. fear of putting on weight | Obesophobia |
| 6. fear of men with beards | Pogonophobia |
| 7. fear of getting wrinkles | Rhytiphobia |
| 8. fear of small things | Tapinophobia |
| 9. fear of words | Verbaphobia |
| 10. fear of parents-in-law | Soceraphobia |
| 11. fear of foreigners | Xenophobia |
| 12. fear of being buried alive | Taphophobia |
| 13. fear of everything | Panphobia |
| 14. fear of feathers | Pteronophobia |
| 15. fear of fear | Phobophobia |

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