

VOCABULARY

1. CHRONIC (ADJECTIVE): चिरकालिक

Pronunciation: kraw•nuhk

Meaning: persisting for a long time or constantly recurring; long-lasting.

Synonyms: persistent, serial, inveterate

Antonyms: occasional, intermittent, unaccustomed

Sentence: Because my aunt has untreatable cancer, she has been dealing with *chronic* pain for several months.

2. EXHORTATION (NOUN): प्रोत्साहन

Pronunciation: eg•zawt•ay•shn

Meaning: the act of strongly encouraging or trying to persuade someone to do something.

Synonyms: recommendation, suggestion, urging

Antonyms: discouragement, restrain

Sentence: In the 3rd quatrain there is a change of tone, with the speaker making a direct *exhortation* to his beloved.

3. QUIBBLE (NOUN): आपत्ति

Pronunciation: kvi•bl

Meaning: the action of raising objections about a trivial matter.

Synonyms: criticism, niggle, Complaint

Antonyms: approval, support, Agreement

Sentence: The only *quibble* about this book is the price.

4. EXPUNGE (VERB): मिटाना

Pronunciation: uhk•spuhnj

Meaning: to rub off or remove information from a piece of writing.

Synonyms: erase, obliterate, Delete

Antonyms: add, allow, construct, insert

Sentence: His name has been *expunged* from the list of members.

5. OBFUSCATE (NOUN): अस्पष्ट

Pronunciation: awb•fuh•skayt

Meaning: make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible.

Synonyms: Confuse, Obscure, Muddle, Blur

Antonyms: clarify, simplify, illumination

Sentence: She was criticized for using arguments that *obfuscated* the main issue.

6. UNREMITTING (ADJECTIVE): निरंतर

Pronunciation: uhn•ruh•mit•uhng

Meaning: going on and on without any interruptions.

Synonyms: continuous, relentless, incessant

Antonyms: recurrent, intermittent, discontinuous

Sentence: Continuous effort and *unremitting* struggle can conquer anything.

7. NAY (NOUN): अस्वीकार

Pronunciation: nei

Meaning: a negative answer or vote.

Synonyms: denial, refusal, negation

Antonyms: yes, positive, approval

Sentence: Since only ten percent of the members voted *nay*, the was passed which was then sent to the president to be signed.

8. CORROBORATE (VERB): पुष्टि करना

Pronunciation: kuh•raw•buh•rayt

Meaning: confirm or give support to (a statement, theory, or finding)

Synonyms: confirm, verify, endorse

Antonyms: refute, disprove, rebut

Sentence: Recent research seems to *corroborate* his theory.

9. UNFURL (VERB): खोलना

Pronunciation: uhn•fuhr

Meaning: make or become spread out from a rolled or folded state, especially in order to be open to the wind.

Synonyms: unfold, expand, extend, open, outspread

Antonyms: fold, close, reduce, compress

Sentence: During the spring, the sprouting leaves begin to *unfurl*, and each petal that opens will sprout a colorful bloom.

10. INVERSION (NOUN): उल्टा

Pronunciation: uhn•vuh•zhn

Meaning: a situation in which something is changed so that it is the opposite of what it was before, or in which something is turned upside down.

Synonyms: reversal, turning about, turning upside down, Reverse, contrary, antithesis

Antonyms: verticality, erectness, stability

Sentence: Her account of the case was an *inversion* of the facts.