

VOCABULARY

1. LACHRYMOSE (ADJECTIVE):रोना

Pronunciation: la•kruh•mose

Meaning: given to expressing strong emotion (as sorrow) by readily shedding tears.

Synonyms: tearful, weeping, crying

Antonyms: smiling, laughing, grinning

Sentence: He is better known for his *lachrymose* ballads than hard rock numbers.

2. LACONIC (ADJECTIVE):संक्षिप्त

Pronunciation: luh•kaw•nuhk

Meaning: marked by the use of few words to convey much information or meaning.

Synonyms: concise, brief, summary

Antonyms: prolix, verbose, wordy

Sentence: The sportscasters colour commentary tends to be *laconic* but very much to the point.

3. SHRILLED (VERB):चिल्लाना

Pronunciation: shrill-ed

Meaning: to cry out loudly and emotionally.

Synonyms: screamed, squealed, yelled

Antonyms: whispered, muttered, murmured

Sentence: 'I hate you!' she *shrilled*.

4. VULNERABLE (ADJECTIVE):असुरक्षित

Pronunciation: vuhl•nuh•ray•bl

Meaning: being in a situation where one is likely to meet with harm.

Synonyms: susceptible, sensitive, exposed

Antonyms: invulnerable, unexposed, protected

Sentence: You must try not to appear *vulnerable*.

5. AVERTING (VERB):टालना

Pronunciation: uh•vuht•uhng

Meaning: to keep from happening by taking action in advance.

Synonyms: preventing, forestalling, avoiding

Antonyms: assisting, aiding, facilitating

Sentence: Pre-emption was the only method of *averting* defeat.

6. INTREPID (ADJECTIVE): निडर

Pronunciation: uhn•treh•puhd

Meaning: feeling or displaying no fear by temperament.

Synonyms: courageous, brave, fearless

Antonyms: timorous, timid, fearful

Sentence: An *intrepid* explorer who probed parts of the rain forest never previously attempted.

7. EMISSARY (NOUN): दूत

Pronunciation: eh•muh•suh•ree

Meaning: a person sent on a mission to represent another.

Synonyms: ambassador, envoy, representative

Antonyms: antagonist, recipient

Sentence: He had been engaged in *emissary* activity before he was discovered.

8. APLOMB (NOUN): आत्मविश्वास

Pronunciation: uh•plawm

Meaning: evenness of emotions or temper

Synonyms: composure, sangfroid, calmness

Antonyms: agitation, concern, perturbation

Sentence: He delivered the speech with his usual *aplomb*.

9. EXHORT (VERB): प्रोत्साहित करना

Pronunciation: uhg•zawt

Meaning: to try to persuade (someone) through earnest appeals to follow a course of action.

Synonyms: urge, encourage, nudge

Antonyms: discourage, deter, check

Sentence: The essay *exhorts* women to cast off their servitude to husbands and priests.

10. CONVALESCE (VERB): ठीक होना

Pronunciation: kawm•vuh•les•uhnt

Meaning: to become healthy and strong again after illness or weakness.

Synonyms: recover, recuperate, heal

Antonyms: decline, collapse, fail

Sentence: She went to the seaside to *convalesce* after her stay in hospital.