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### **1. PROCLIVITY (noun) : झुकाव**

**Pronunciation:** pruh•kli•vuh•tee

**Meaning:** a tendency to choose or do something regularly; an inclination or predisposition toward a particular thing.

**Synonyms:** tendency, leaning, propensity

**Antonyms:** aversion, disfavor, disinclination

**Sentence:** The child showed no proclivity towards aggression.

### **2. SPRUCE (verb) : सजाना**

**Pronunciation:** sproos

**Meaning:** make a person or place smarter or tidier.

**Synonyms:** smarten up, make smarter, tidy up

**Antonyms:** dirty, filthy, untidy

**Sentence:** The fund will be used to spruce up historic buildings.

### **3. HIDEOUS (adj.) : कुरूप**

**Pronunciation:** hi•dee•uhs

**Meaning:** ugly or disgusting to look at.

**Synonyms:** ugly, unsightly, repulsive

**Antonyms:** attractive, good-looking, impressive

**Sentence:** His smile made him look more hideous than ever.

### **4. CONTAGIOUS (adj.) : संक्रामक**

**Pronunciation:** kuhn•tay•juhs

**Meaning:** (of a disease) spread from one person or organism to another by direct or indirect contact.

**Synonyms:** infectious, communicable, transmittable

**Antonyms:** noncommunicable, noninfectious

**Sentence:** It's a highly contagious infection.

### **5. PONDEROUS (adj.) : भारी-भरकम**

**Pronunciation:** pawn•duh•ruhs

**Meaning:** slow and clumsy because of great weight.

**Synonyms:** clumsy, slow, heavy

**Antonyms:** lightweight, fluffy

**Sentence:** Her footsteps were heavy and ponderous.

### **6. PEEVISH (adj.) : चिड़चिड़ा**

**Pronunciation:** peev•uhsh

**Meaning:** easily irritated, especially by unimportant things

**Synonyms:** irritable, irascible, fractious

**Antonyms:** affable, companionable, cordial

**Sentence:** Sebastian was a sickly, peevish child.

### **7. MISOGYNIST (noun) : स्त्री जाति से द्वेष करनेवाला**

**Pronunciation:** mi•saw•juh•nuhst

**Meaning:** a person who dislikes, despises, or is strongly prejudiced against women.

**Synonyms:** woman-hater, anti-feminist, male chauvinist

**Antonyms:** feminist, optimist, idealist

**Sentence:** She felt she was struggling against thinly disguised misogyny.

### **8. OVERT (adj.) : अपरोक्ष**

**Pronunciation:** oh•vuht

**Meaning:** done or shown openly; plainly or readily apparent, not secret or hidden.

**Synonyms:** undisguised, unconcealed, clear

**Antonyms:** unapparent, unclarified, unclear

**Sentence:** His opponent's intention is quite overt.

### **9. STAID (adj.) : शांत**

**Pronunciation:** stayd

**Meaning:** sedate, respectable, and unadventurous.

**Synonyms:** sedate, respectable, quiet

**Antonyms:** joking, kittenish, ludic

**Sentence:** He had grown staid and dull.

### **10. PUTREFY (verb) : सड़ना**

**Pronunciation:** pyoo•truh•fai

**Meaning:** (of a body or other organic matter) decay or rot and produce a fetid smell.

**Synonyms:** decay, rot, decompose

**Antonyms:** develop, grow, mature

**Sentence:** The body was beginning to putrefy.



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