

# VOCABULARY

## 1. UPHEAVAL (NOUN): उथल-पुथल

**Pronunciation:** uhp•heev•uhl

**Meaning:** a violent or sudden change or disruption to something.

**Synonyms:** disruption, turbulence, disturbance

**Antonyms:** stability, stagnation, peacefulness

**Sentence:** The government can no longer control the social upheaval brought about by the collapse of the country's economy.

## 2. DEVIOUS (ADJECTIVE): चालाक

**Pronunciation:** de•vi•ous

**Meaning:** showing a skillful use of underhanded tactics to achieve goals.

**Synonyms:** underhanded, deceitful, dishonest

**Antonyms:** guileless, ingenuous, innocent

**Sentence:** His devious nature was shown in half-lies and small dishonesties.

## 3. TEMERITY (NOUN): उतावला पन

**Pronunciation:** tuh•meh•ruh•tee

**Meaning:** excessive confidence or boldness; audacity.

**Synonyms:** audacity, boldness, audaciousness

**Antonyms:** bashfulness, diffidence, hesitancy

**Sentence:** He had the temerity to ask for higher wages after only a day's work.

## 4. CAVIL (VERB): झूठा इलज़ाम

**Pronunciation:** ka•vl

**Meaning:** make petty or unnecessary objections.

**Synonyms:** complain, carp, niggle

**Antonyms:** applaud, commend, compliment

**Sentence:** I don't think this is the time to cavil at the wording of the report.

## 5. HAGGLE (VERB): सौदेबाज़ी करना

**Pronunciation:** ha•gl

**Meaning:** dispute or bargain persistently, especially over the cost of something.

**Synonyms:** barter, bargain, negotiate

**Antonyms:** comply, acquiesce

**Sentence:** Ella taught her how to haggle with used furniture dealers.

## 6. DREARY (ADJECTIVE): उदास

**Pronunciation:** dreeuh•ree

**Meaning:** dull, bleak, and lifeless; depressing.

**Synonyms:** dull, drab, uninteresting

**Antonyms:** cheerful, glad, happy

**Sentence:** The sun beamed through the dreary clouds.

## 7. NONPLUSSED (ADJECTIVE): भौचक

**Pronunciation:** nawn•pluhst

**Meaning:** (of a person) surprised and confused so much that they are unsure how to react.

**Synonyms:** confused, bewildered, bemused

**Antonyms:** undaunted, unfazed

**Sentence:** I was completely nonplussed by his sudden appearance.

## 8. BLUSTER (NOUN): धमकी

**Pronunciation:** bluh•stuh

**Meaning:** loud, aggressive, or indignant talk with little effect.

**Synonyms:** ranting, hectoring, thundering

**Antonyms:** tranquillity, quietude

**Sentence:** I believe deeply in persuasion, not bluster.

## 9. POMPOUS (ADJECTIVE): गर्वित

**Pronunciation:** pawmp•uhs

**Meaning:** affectedly and irritatingly grand, solemn, or self-important.

**Synonyms:** self-important, imperious, overbearing

**Antonyms:** egoless, humble, modest

**Sentence:** He appears pompous but is a good man underneath.

## 10. INOPPORTUNE (ADJECTIVE): बेवकूत

**Pronunciation:** i•naw•puh•choon

**Meaning:** occurring at an inconvenient or inappropriate time.

**Synonyms:** untimely, ill-timed, badly timed

**Antonyms:** timely, expected, felicitous

**Sentence:** They arrived at an inopportune moment.