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Happy learning!!!

1. ESPIONAGE (noun) : जासूसी

Pronunciation: eh•spee•uh•naazh

Meaning: act of finding out secret information about another country or org

Synonyms: observation, eavesdropping, surveillance

Antonyms: malfunctioning, insignificant

Sentence: Many people were arrested under the Espionage Act.

2. VERISIMILITUDE (noun) : संभाव्यता

Pronunciation: veh•ruh•suh•mi•luh•tood

Meaning: the appearance or quality of seeing to be true.

Synonyms: realism, literalism

Antonyms: falseness, dissimilarity

Sentence: To add verisimilitude, the stage is covered with sand for the desert scene.

3. ANTAGONIST (noun) : प्रतिपक्षी

Pronunciation: an•ta•guh•nuhst

Meaning: a person who is strongly against somebody/ something

Synonyms: adversary, competitor, opposer

Antonyms: associate, protagonist, supporter

Sentence: He hit upon a plan to defeat his antagonist.

4. THRALL (noun) : गुलाम

Pronunciation: thraal

Meaning: the state of being in someone's power

Synonyms: servitude, slavery

Antonym: mastery

Sentence: The country's economy is in thrall to the big companies.

5. FISSURE (noun) : दरार

Pronunciation: fi•shr

Meaning: a long narrow depression in a surface

Synonyms: crack, cleft

Antonyms: closure, solid

Sentence: Ahead lay a large fissure in the ice, three feet across

6. OMINOUS (adj) : अमंगल

Pronunciation: aa•muh•nuhs

Meaning: giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen

Synonyms: threatening, menacing

Antonyms: auspicious, bright

Sentence: Those black clouds look a bit ominous.

7. DAUNTING (adj) : कठिन

Pronunciation: daan•tuhng

Meaning: seeming difficult to deal with/Intimidating

Synonyms: dismay, subdue, dishearten

Antonyms: assist, support, calm

Sentence: The prospect of meeting with Principal is quite daunting

8. COMPUNCTION (noun) : मलाल

Pronunciation: kuhm•puhngk•chn

Meaning: feeling of deep Regret

Synonyms: unease, misgiving, guilt

Antonyms: disdain, meanness, happiness

Sentence: Actress kept Director and team waiting without the slightest compunction.

9. CONCILIATORY (adj) : मिलाप करनेवाला

Pronunciation: kuhn•si•lee•uh•taw•ree

Meaning : intended or likely to placate or pacify

Synonyms: calm, pacify, quiet

Antonyms: antagonist, fight, stubborn

Sentence: Everyone is in conciliatory mood at the start of the class.

10. PROPHYLACTIC (noun) : रोगनिरोधी

Pronunciation: prow•fuh•lak•tuhk

Meaning: intended to prevent diseases

Synonyms: preventive, contraceptive

Antonyms: irregularity, unusualness

Sentence: Vaccination and other prophylactic measures are using to prevent COVID-19.



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