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## 1. FLARE (noun, verb) – चमक; फूलना

**Pronunciation:** fleuh

**Meaning:** a sudden brief burst of bright flame or light; a gradual widening in shape, especially towards the hem of a garment

**Synonyms:** blaze, flash, dazzle, glare, burst, flicker, glimmer, shimmer, gleam, widening, spread

**Antonyms:** blackness, dark, darkness, dimness, dusk, gloom, gloominess, obscurity, shade, shadow

**Usage:**

- I saw the sudden flare of a flashlight in the darkness. (noun)
- This skirt has a definite flare. (verb)

## 2. ERSTWHILE (adjective, adverb) – भूतपूर्व, पहला

**Pronunciation:** uhst•wail

**Meaning:** former; formerly

**Synonyms:** former, old, past, previous, prior, late, then, ex-, foregoing, quondam, whilom

**Antonyms:** present, future

**Usage:**

- He was the erstwhile president of the company.
- She is Mary Anderson, erstwhile the queen of America's stage.

## 3. ANTITHESIS (noun) – विलोम, विरोध

**Pronunciation:** an•ti•thuh•suhs

**Meaning:** a person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else

**Synonyms:** converse, reverse, reversal, inverse, obverse, the other extreme, the other side of the coin, the flip side

**Antonyms:** identity, sameness, convertibility, coincidence, coalescence

**Usage:** Slavery is the antithesis of freedom.

## 4. PROXIMITY (noun) – निकटता

**Pronunciation:** prok•si•muh•tee

**Meaning:** nearness in space, time, or relationship

**Synonyms:** closeness, nearness, presence, juxtaposition, propinquity, adjacency, accessibility, contiguity, vicinity, vicinage

**Antonyms:** distance, remoteness

**Usage:** We chose the house for its proximity to the school.

## 5. GRAPPLE (verb) – हाथापाई करना, पकड़ना

**Pronunciation:** gra•pl

**Meaning:** engage in a close fight or struggle without weapons; wrestle

**Synonyms:** wrestle, struggle, tussle, brawl, fight, scuffle, clash, combat, battle, close, engage

**Antonyms:** avoid, dodge

**Usage:** They managed to grapple him to the ground.

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**6. EMULATE (verb) – अनुसरण करना, प्रतियोगिता करना**

**Pronunciation:** eh•myoo•leit

**Meaning:** match or surpass (a person or achievement), typically by imitation

**Synonyms:** imitate, copy, reproduce, mimic, mirror, echo, follow, parallel, come close to, approximate

**Antonyms:** disaffect, shun, forego, abandon, despise, condemn, waive

**Usage:** You must work hard to emulate your brother's success.

**7. SEDENTARY (adjective) – गतिहीन**

**Pronunciation:** seh•duhn•tree

**Meaning:** tending to spend much time seated; somewhat inactive

**Synonyms:** sitting, seated, desk-bound, desk, inactive, still, stationary

**Antonyms:** active, mobile

**Usage:** John's computer programming job kept him sedentary for most of the day.

**8. DELINEATE (verb) – वर्णन करना, चित्रित करना**

**Pronunciation:** duh•li•nee•eit

**Meaning:** describe or portray (something) precisely

**Synonyms:** describe, set forth, set out, present, outline, depict, portray, represent, characterize, chart, define, detail, specify, identify, particularize

**Antonyms:** misrepresent, caricature, exaggerate, misportray

**Usage:** The story does a remarkable job of delineating the emotions of immigrants.

**9. CAPRICE (noun) – सनक**

**Pronunciation:** kuh•prees

**Meaning:** a sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behaviour

**Synonyms:** whim, whimsy, vagary, fancy, notion, fad, freak, humour, impulse, quirk, eccentricity, foible, crotchet, urge, fickleness, changeableness, inconstancy, fitfulness, unpredictability

**Antonyms:** stability, actuality, certainty, fact, reality, truth, verity

**Usage:** Margie's angry outburst was a caprice she wished she could take back.

### 10. EMBARK (verb) – प्रारंभ

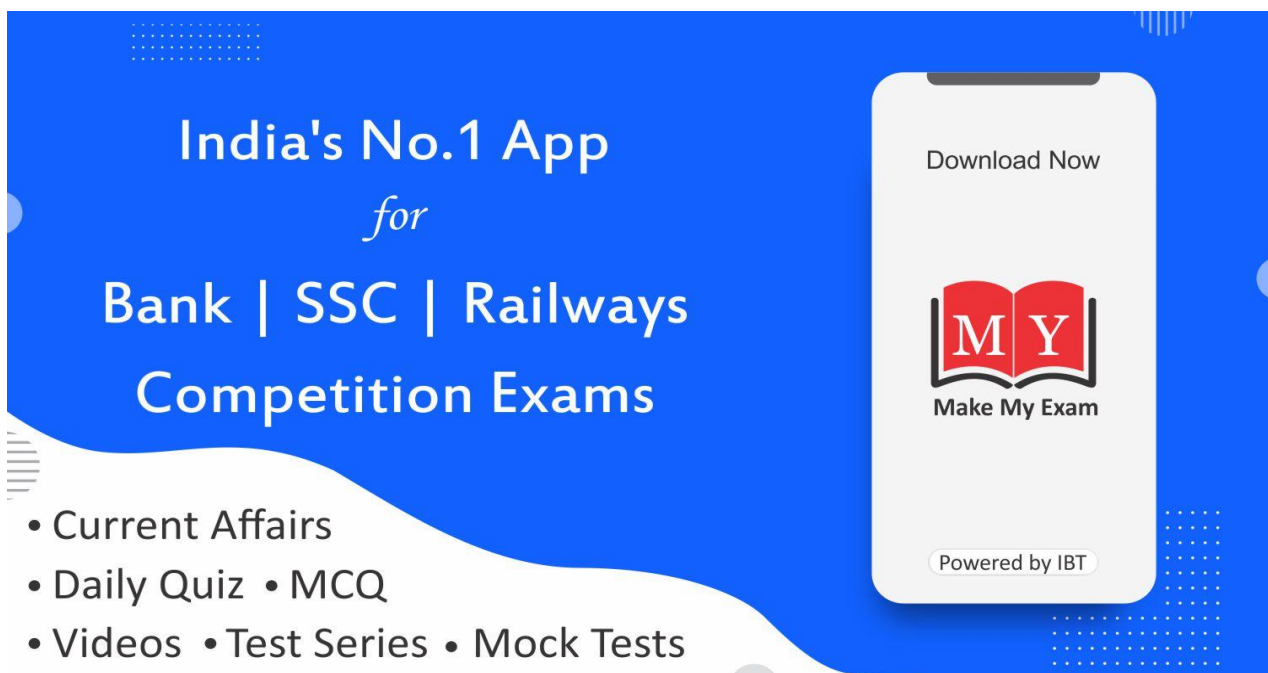
**Pronunciation:** uhm•baak

**Meaning:** begin (a course of action)

**Synonyms:** begin, start, commence, undertake, set about, enter on, go into, take-up

**Antonyms:** disembark, land

**Usage:** Lawrence has plans to embark on a new career as a journalist.



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