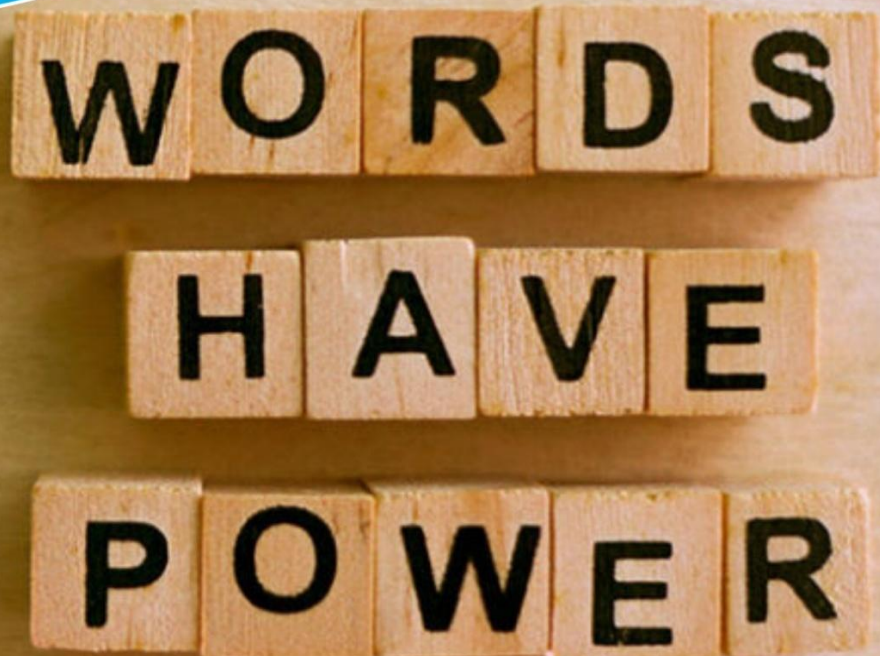
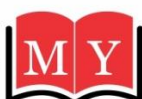


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Happy learning!!!

1. COERCION (NOUN): बलप्रयोग

Pronunciation: koh·uh·shn

Meaning: the use of force to persuade someone to do something that they are unwilling to do.

Synonyms: Compulsion, Harassment

Antonyms: Consent, Free Will

Sentence: The workers felt under constant coercion to work overtime, which led to widespread discontent among them.

2. PERMEATES (VERB): दिखावा

Pronunciation: puh·mee·ayts

Meaning: to spread or pass through every part of something.

Synonyms: Infuses, Saturates

Antonyms: Evacuate, Extract

Sentence: The aroma of freshly brewed coffee permeates the entire house, creating a warm and inviting atmosphere.

3. PELLETS (NOUN): गोली

Pronunciation: peh·luhts

Meaning: a usually small rounded, spherical, or cylindrical body (as of food or medicine).

Synonyms: Pill, Bead

Antonyms: Cube, Brick

Sentence: The hunter carefully loaded his rifle with a small lead pellet before aiming at the target.

4. OBFUSCATION (NOUN): अस्पष्टता

Pronunciation: awb·fuh·skay·shn

Meaning: the act of deliberately making something unclear, confusing.

Synonyms: Perplexity, Muddle

Antonyms: lucidity, explicitness

Sentence: She was criticized for using arguments that obfuscated the main issue.

5. TRENCHES (NOUN): खाइयों

Pronunciation: trench·uhz

Meaning: long, narrow ditches dug in the ground, typically for military purposes or drainage.

Synonyms: Ditches, furrows, excavations

Antonyms: Mounds, hills, embankments

Sentence: The construction crew was tasked with digging trenches to lay down utility lines for the new housing development.

6. SCUFFLE (NOUN AND VERB): हाथापाई, छीना. झपटी, लड़ाईयाधक्कम. धक्का**Pronunciation: skuh·fl**

Meaning: a short, confused fight or struggle.

Synonyms: skirmish, altercation, fracas

Antonyms: Peace, harmony, agreement

Sentence: A scuffle broke out among the fans after the opposing teams exchanged heated words.

The players scuffled for the ball near the goalpost during the intense soccer match.

7. VANGUARD (NOUN): मोहरा**Pronunciation: vang·gaad**

Meaning: the group or individuals who are at the forefront of a new development, movement, or idea.

Synonyms: avant. garde, pioneers, trailblazers

Antonyms: followers, laggards, mainstream

Sentence: The vanguard of the civil rights movement fought tirelessly for equality and social justice.

8. WHOPPING (ADJECTIVE): मरम्मत**Pronunciation: vawp·uhng**

Meaning: extremely large or impressive in size, amount, degree, or extent.

Synonyms: Enormous, huge, gigantic

Antonyms: Tiny, small, minuscule

Sentence: The company reported a whopping increase in profits this quarter, exceeding all expectations.

9. HEGEMONIC (NOUN): शासक**Pronunciation: heh·juh·maw·nuhk**

Meaning: the dominance or leadership of one group or entity over others, often in a political, economic, or cultural context.

Synonyms: Preeminent, authoritative

Antonyms: Inferior, powerless

Sentence: The cultural exchange program aimed to promote diversity and reduce the influence of any single hegemonic perspective.

10. HARBINGER (NOUN): अग्र. दूत

Pronunciation: haa·buhn·juh

Meaning: a person or thing that signals or foreshadows the approach of something.

Synonyms: Herald, precursor, omen, sign

Antonyms: Follower, result, consequence, effect

Sentence: The sudden increase in stock market volatility served as a harbinger of an impending economic downturn.

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