

VOCABULARY

1. PERPETRATOR (NOUN): अपराधी

Pronunciation: puh•puh•trayt•uh

Meaning: a person who carries out a harmful, illegal, or immoral act.

Synonyms: wrongdoer, offender, culprit

Antonyms: innocent, good person

Sentence: The *perpetrators* of this horrific crime must be brought to justice.

2. BLANDISH (VERB): चापलूसी

Pronunciation: blan•duhsh

Meaning: coax (someone) with kind words or flattery.

Synonyms: blarney, sweet-talk, cajole

Antonyms: browbeat, tease

Sentence: I was *blandishing* her with imprudences to get her off the subject.

3. GRISLY (ADJECTIVE): भयानक

Pronunciation: griz•lee

Meaning: causing horror or disgust.

Synonyms: gruesome, ghastly, frightful

Antonyms: comforting, soothing, pleasurable

Sentence: The 55-year-old Canadian had suffered a *grisly* death.

4. RISIBLE (ADJECTIVE): हास्यास्पद

Pronunciation: ri•zuh•bl

Meaning: such as to provoke laughter.

Synonyms: laughable, comedic, comic

Antonyms: humorless, lame, unamusing

Sentence: A *risible* comment that made the whole class laugh.

5. BONHOMIE (NOUN): खुश मिज़ाजी

Pronunciation: baw•naw•mee

Meaning: cheerful friendliness; geniality.

Synonyms: geniality, congeniality, conviviality

Antonyms: animosity, antagonism, antipathy

Sentence: He was full of *bonhomie*.

6. EXUDE (VERB): बहाना

Pronunciation: uhg•zyoo•duhd

Meaning: to flow forth slowly through small openings.

Synonyms: give off/out, discharge, release

Antonyms: gushed, poured

Sentence: A sticky resin *exudes* from the bark of the tree.

7. REVILE (VERB): बुरा-भला कहना

Pronunciation: ruh•vile

Meaning: criticize in an abusive or angrily insulting manner.

Synonyms: criticize, censure, condemn

Antonyms: acclaim, applaud, commend

Sentence: They feared that he would *revile* them if they displeased him.

8. PENSIVE (ADJECTIVE): चिंताग्रस्त

Pronunciation: pen•suhv

Meaning: engaged in, involving, or reflecting deep or serious thought.

Synonyms: thoughtful, thinking, reflective

Antonyms: unreflective, thoughtless

Sentence: She looked *pensive* when she heard the news.

9. ARIDITY (NOUN): सूखेपन

Pronunciation: uh-rid-ih-tee

Meaning: as in dehydration, dryness.

Synonyms: dehumidification, dehydration, dryness

Antonyms: dampness, humidity, moisture

Sentence: Due to the high elevation and *aridity*, temperatures drop sharply after sunset.

10. VENAL (ADJECTIVE): घूसखोर

Pronunciation: vee•nuhl

Meaning: showing or motivated by susceptibility to bribery.

Synonyms: corrupt, corruptible, bribable

Antonyms: incorruptible, ethical, honest

Sentence: They are accused of being involved in *venal* practices.