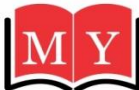


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Happy learning!!!

1. AFFINITY (noun) – आत्मीयता

Pronunciation: uh·fi·nuh·tee

Meaning: a natural liking or attraction for someone or something

Synonyms: affection, empathy, closeness, fondness, leaning, accord, harmony

Antonyms: dislike, aversion, antipathy

Usage: My natural affinity for the arts has led me to museums located all over the world.

2. CHICANERY (noun) – छल

Pronunciation: shuh·kei·nuh·ree

Meaning: the use of tricks to deceive someone

Synonyms: trickery, cheating, deception, deceit, dishonesty, duplicity, fraud

Antonyms: honesty, openness, truthfulness

Usage: The investigation revealed political chicanery and corruption at the highest levels.

3. CALIBRATE (verb) – जांचना

Pronunciation: ka·luh·breit

Meaning: to quantify in a careful and detailed manner

Synonyms: evaluate, assess, compute, specify, check, gauge, count, determine

Antonyms: guess, speculate

Usage: During the concert, the audio technician will calibrate the music to a comfortable listening level.

4. IMPOLITIC (adjective) – अभद्र

Pronunciation: uhm·po·luh·tuhk

Meaning: failing to possess or display prudence

Synonyms: imprudent, unwise, injudicious, incautious, irresponsible, misguided, reckless

Antonyms: prudent, wise, cautious

Usage: It would have been impolitic to refuse his offer.

5. ELABORATE (adjective) – विस्तृत

Pronunciation: uh·la·buh·erit

Meaning: involving many carefully arranged parts or details

Synonyms: explain, detailed, intricate, complex, enlarge, expound

Antonyms: compress, simple, plain

Usage: John made an elaborate excuse for being late.



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6. PURVEY (verb) – बेचना

Pronunciation: puh·vei

Meaning: provide or supply

Synonyms: sell, retail, supply, provide, furnish, cater, offer

Antonyms: take, buy

Usage: They have two restaurants that purvey dumplings.

7. DOGMA (noun) – मत

Pronunciation: dog·muh

Meaning: something held as an established opinion

Synonyms: teaching, belief, conviction, tenet, precept, doctrine

Antonyms: doubt, unbelief, ambiguity

Usage: Since I do not believe my firm's dogma that work comes before family, I have decided to look for a new job.

8. BALK (verb) – टाल जाना

Pronunciation: bawl

Meaning: hesitate or be unwilling to accept

Synonyms: flinch, hesitate, recoil, refuse, resist, disdain

Antonyms: accept, face, meet

Usage: Because Colleen will always balk at commitment, I'm afraid she's always going to be single.

9. CHUM (noun) – घनिष्ठ मित्र

Pronunciation: chu:m

Meaning: a close friend

Synonyms: friend, companion, intimate, familiar, confidant, pal, buddy

Antonyms: enemy, stranger

Usage: Freddie is an old school chum of mine.

10. HUDDLE (verb) – झुण्ड

Pronunciation: hu:dl

Meaning: crowd together; nestle closely

Synonyms: crowd, gather, throng, flock, herd, pile, bunch

Antonyms: disperse, scatter

Usage: A little huddle of men stood in one corner.

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