

VOCABULARY

1. MERRIMENT (NOUN): आमोद

Pronunciation: meh•ruh•muhnt

Meaning: gaiety and fun.

Synonyms: exuberance, cheerfulness, gaiety

Antonyms: dejection, depression, despondence

Sentence: Their unexpected merriment made him nervously inquire as to the reason for it.

2. NEOTERIC (ADJECTIVE): नवीन

Pronunciation: ne•o•ter•ic

Meaning: new or modern; recent.

Synonyms: latest, modern, recent

Antonyms: old, oldfangled

Sentence: The neoteric design of the building stood out among the surrounding traditional structures.

3. REACTIONARY (ADJECTIVE): प्रतिक्रियावादी

Pronunciation: ree•ak•shuhn•uh•ree

Meaning: (of a person or a set of views) opposing political or social liberalization or reform.

Synonyms: conservative, rightist, orthodox

Antonyms: liberal, nonconservative

Sentence: The reactionary officer then ordered him arrested.

4. CATACLYSMIC (ADJECTIVE): दुर्घटना

Pronunciation: ka•tuh•kliz•muhk

Meaning: relating to or denoting a violent natural event.

Synonyms: disastrous, catastrophic, calamitous

Antonyms: non-destructive, protective

Sentence: These countries are on the brink of cataclysmic famine.

5. OBSEQUIOUS (ADJECTIVE): चापलूस

Pronunciation: uhb•see•kvee•uhs

Meaning: obedient or attentive to an excessive or servile degree.

Synonyms: servile, ingratiating, unctuous

Antonyms: insurgent, mutinous, mulish

Sentence: The salesman's obsequious manner was beginning to irritate me.

6. PORTENTOUS (ADJECTIVE): अमंगल

Pronunciation: paw•tent•uhs

Meaning: of or like a portent.

Synonyms: ominous, warning, foreshadowing

Antonyms: unthreatening, auspicious, benign

Sentence: There was nothing portentous or solemn about him.

7. ENRAPTURED (VERB): मंत्रमुग्ध

Pronunciation: uhn•rap•chuhd

Meaning: give intense pleasure or joy to.

Synonyms: delight, give great pleasure to, give joy to

Antonyms: depressed, discouraged, disheartened

Sentence: The audience was enraptured by her beautiful voice.

8. OVATION (NOUN): वाहवाही

Pronunciation: oh•vay•shn

Meaning: they were given an enthusiastic ovation after the show.

Synonyms: applause, handclapping, clapping

Antonyms: booing, hissing, taunt

Sentence: He received the longest ovation of the evening.

9. ADDENDUM (NOUN): परिशिष्ट

Pronunciation: uh•den•dm

Meaning: an item of additional material, typically omissions, added at the end of a book or other publication.

Synonyms: appendix, codicil, postscript

Antonyms: introduction, preface, prologue

Sentence: I follow this letter with the addendum duly signed for your attention.