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1. PERFIDY (noun) – नमकहरामी

Pronunciation: puh·fuh·dee

Meaning: behavior that shows that someone cannot be trusted

Synonyms: treachery, betrayal, deceit, duplicity, disloyalty, infidelity, treason

Antonyms: faithfulness, loyalty

Usage: Because my husband's perfidy hurt me terribly, I served him with divorce papers.

2. ANTI (noun) – विरोधी

Pronunciation: an·tee

Meaning: against or opposed to

Synonyms: antithetical, averse, disputed, hostile, inimical, opposing, clashing

Antonyms: friendly, kind

Usage: They are completely anti the new proposals.

3. PRIM (adjective) – नियमानुकूल

Pronunciation: prim

Meaning: stiffly correct

Synonyms: demure, tidy, formal, correct, spruce, stickling, uncluttered

Antonyms: untidy, informal, rumpled

Usage: The princess has a reputation for being overly prim and proper.

4. IMPISH (adjective) – शरारती

Pronunciation: im·puhsh

Meaning: mischievous or annoyingly playful

Synonyms: mischievous, naughty, wicked, prankish, playful, waggish, elfin

Antonyms: good, moral, behaved

Usage: Gillespie is well known for his impish sense of humor.

5. YIELD (verb) – समर्पण करना, हार मानना**Pronunciation:** yeeld**Meaning:** give way to arguments, demands, or pressure**Synonyms:** surrender, capitulate, submit, relent, quit, heed, give up**Antonyms:** resist, defend, fight**Usage:** We shall never yield to a conqueror.**6. DISTINCTLY (adverb) – स्पष्ट रूप से****Pronunciation:** duh·stingkt·lee**Meaning:** in a way that is very noticeable or apparent**Synonyms:** decidedly, clearly, definitely, emphatically, noticeably, evidently, markedly**Antonyms:** vaguely, possibly, indistinctly**Usage:** I distinctly remember Jane saying that the show started at eight.**7. UNIFY (verb) – जोड़ना, एक करना****Pronunciation:** yoo·nuh·fai**Meaning:** to bring or combine together**Synonyms:** unite, merge, fuse, amalgamate, coalesce, combine, blend**Antonyms:** separate, split, disunite**Usage:** In an effort to unify the groups, the politician drew up a bill that would make both sides happy.**8. NEBULOUS (adjective) – अस्पष्ट****Pronunciation:** neh·byoo·luhs**Meaning:** not clearly defined**Synonyms:** hazy, uncertain, indefinite, indeterminate, imprecise**Antonyms:** certain, precise**Usage:** Normality is a rather nebulous concept.**9. CRABBY (adjective) – चिड़चिड़ा****Pronunciation:** kra·bee**Meaning:** grumpy and irritable**Synonyms:** irritable, fractious, fretful, cross, petulant, pettish, crabbed**Antonyms:** charming, amiable, happy

Usage: He is very crabby right now because he has a bad tooth.

10. UPBEAT (noun) – आशावादी

Pronunciation: uhp·beet

Meaning: pleasantly optimistic

Synonyms: optimistic, positive, confident, cheerful, cheery, hopeful, sanguine

Antonyms: pessimistic, negative, cynical

Usage: I try to stay upbeat and refuse to let negative things bring down my mood.

11. ITINERANT (adjective) – भ्रमणकारी

Pronunciation: uh·ti·nuh·ruhnt

Meaning: moving around from location to location

Synonyms: travelling, peripatetic, wandering, wayfaring, roving, roaming, rambling

Antonyms: sedentary, settled

Usage: Jane is an itinerant teacher who travels between schools teaching special education students.

12. CONCUR (verb) – सहमत होना

Pronunciation: kuhng·kuh

Meaning: to agree with something

Synonyms: acquiesce, coincide, jibe, accede, accord, assent

Antonyms: clash, disagree, separate

Usage: I fully concur with him in this matter.

13. RECANT (verb) – खण्डन करना

Pronunciation: ruh·kant

Meaning: to retract a public statement

Synonyms: renounce, forswear, disavow, deny, repudiate, abjure, relinquish

Antonyms: reaffirm, admit, affirm

Usage: The judge ordered the magazine to recant the false statements it made about the actress.

14. BOLSTER (verb) – सँभालना, सहारा देना

Pronunciation: bowl·stuh

Meaning: support or strengthen

Synonyms: strengthen, support, reinforce, boost, fortify, uphold, aid, assist

Antonyms: undermine, weaken, obstruct

Usage: Free tickets were given away to bolster attendance at the game.

15. MORTIFY (verb) – अपमानित करना

Pronunciation: maw·tuh·fai

Meaning: cause someone to feel very embarrassed or ashamed

Synonyms: embarrass, humiliate, chagrin, shame, discomfit, abash

Antonyms: delight, please, soothe

Usage: I am certain my sister meant to mortify me when she showed my date my baby pictures.



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16. LUNACY (noun) – बावलापन

Pronunciation: loo·nuh·see

Meaning: foolish or senseless behavior

Synonyms: absurdity, folly, foolishness, idiocy, insanity, mania, stupidity

Antonyms: intelligence, judgment, sanity

Usage: It would be lunacy to try to climb the mountain in this weather.

17. CHEEKY (adjective) – मुखर

Pronunciation: chee·kee

Meaning: impudent or unapologetic but in a generally charming way

Synonyms: impudent, impertinent, insolent, presumptuous, forward, pert, bold

Antonyms: respectful, polite

Usage: My son can be a little cheeky at times, but I don't get too mad unless he flat out disobeys me on something important.

18. CRAVEN (adjective) – डरपोक**Pronunciation:** kreɪ·vən**Meaning:** lacking in courage**Synonyms:** cowardly, faint-hearted, spiritless, spineless, timid, fearful, trembling**Antonyms:** brave**Usage:** A hero risks his life to help others whereas a craven runs from the scene.**19. CODDLE (verb) – लाड़ प्यार करना****Pronunciation:** kɒ·dl**Meaning:** to treat gently or with great care**Synonyms:** pamper, cosset, caress, indulge, mollycoddle**Antonyms:** ignore, neglect**Usage:** Many people coddle their children too much.**20. SUPERFLUOUS (adjective) – अतिरिक्त****Pronunciation:** soo·puh·floo·uhs**Meaning:** more than what is needed**Synonyms:** excessive, expendable, gratuitous, redundant, unneeded, useless, abounding**Antonyms:** important, necessary, needed**Usage:** The recipe is annoying me with superfluous details.**21. METAPHYSICAL (adjective) – अभौतिक****Pronunciation:** meh·tuh·fi·zuh·kl**Meaning:** without physical presence**Synonyms:** abstract, mystical, spiritual, philosophical, abstruse, supernatural**Antonyms:** empirical, factual, physical**Usage:** While the girl believes in alternate worlds, her parents view her ideas as metaphysical fancies.**22. GLEE (noun) – उल्लास****Pronunciation:** glee**Meaning:** great delight**Synonyms:** delight, pleasure, happiness, joy, elation, cheerfulness, exhilaration**Antonyms:** gloom, disappointment

Usage: Smiling with glee, the child unwrapped his birthday gift.

23. INDOLENCE (noun) – आलस

Pronunciation: in·duh·luhns

Meaning: avoidance of activity or exertion

Synonyms: laziness, idleness, procrastination, sloth, inactivity, inaction

Antonyms: diligence

Usage: My failure is probably due to my own indolence.

24. DILIGENT (adjective) – मेहनती

Pronunciation: di·luh·jnt

Meaning: careful in carrying out tasks and duties

Synonyms: industrious, assiduous, conscientious, particular, punctilious, meticulous, painstaking

Antonyms: lazy, casual, careless

Usage: Success always smiles upon people who are diligent.

25. PREJUDICIAL (adjective) – हानिकारक

Pronunciation: preh·ju·di·shl

Meaning: harmful to someone or something

Synonyms: harmful, detrimental, damaging, injurious, disadvantageous, hurtful

Antonyms: beneficial, advantageous

Usage: Poor reviews of a product on major sites are prejudicial to the overall sale of the item.

26. PRODUCTIVITY (noun) – उत्पादकता

Pronunciation: pro·duhk·ti·vuh·tee

Meaning: a measure for how efficiently well something is working

Synonyms: efficiency, capacity, output, production, yield

Antonyms: inefficiency, unproductivity

Usage: The machine's productivity has increased since the parts were replaced.

27. RAVENOUS (adjective) – क्षुधातुर

Pronunciation: ra·vuh·nuhs

Meaning: extremely hungry

Synonyms: starving, famished, insatiable, hungry, rapacious, avaricious

Antonyms: satisfied, full

Usage: The boys ran in, ravenous after their game.

28. PROLIFERATE (verb) – संख्या में बढ़ना

Pronunciation: pruh·li·fuh·reit

Meaning: increase in number

Synonyms: multiply, propagate, burgeon, snowball, escalate

Antonyms: decrease, dwindle, lessen

Usage: Health food shops proliferate in this region.

29. LIONHEART (adjective) – शेरदिल

Pronunciation: lai·uhn·haat

Meaning: brave and determined

Synonyms: brave, courageous, valiant, gallant, intrepid, valorous, fearless

Antonyms: cowardly, timid, mousy

Usage: The lionhearted king defeated the enemy with a small army.

30. DEXTERITY (noun) – निपुणता

Pronunciation: dek·steh·ruh·tee

Meaning: the ability to perform a task both quickly and skillfully

Synonyms: capability, proficiency, agility, adroitness, nimbleness, ability, skill

Antonyms: clumsiness, stupidity, insensitivity

Usage: The student's vocal dexterity allows her to sing through many different ranges.

31. SWERVE (verb) – भटकना

Pronunciation: swuhv

Meaning: to change direction very suddenly

Synonyms: deflect, lurch, skid, stray, veer, bend, depart

Antonyms: stay, remain, straighten

Usage: To avoid hitting the squirrel on the road, the car had to swerve to the left.

32. COALESCE (verb) – संगठित होना

Pronunciation: kow·uh·les

Meaning: come together to form one mass or whole

Synonyms: unite, combine, merge, fuse, mingle, meld, blend

Antonyms: divide, separate, detach

Usage: Local high school principals have agreed to coalesce around new approaches for college preparation.

33. PHILANTHROPY (noun) – लोकोपकार

Pronunciation: fuh·lan·thruh·pee

Meaning: the act of donating time and money to help others

Synonyms: charity, generosity, alms, humanity, kindness, benefaction, relief

Antonyms: hurt, injury

Usage: When the billionaire engages in philanthropy, he changes the lives of people who have no hope.

34. TENUOUS (adjective) – तुच्छ

Pronunciation: teh·nyoo·uhs

Meaning: very weak or slight

Synonyms: slight, insubstantial, flimsy, negligible, weak, fragile, shaky

Antonyms: convincing, substantial, strong

Usage: Because the evidence against her is tenuous, the accused murderer will be released from jail on bail.



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35. NASCENT (adjective) – नवजात, अपरिपक्व**Pronunciation:** na·snt**Meaning:** recently formed or started**Synonyms:** budding, developing, growing, embryonic, incipient, young, fledgling**Antonyms:** developed, grown, mature**Usage:** Since the nascent restaurant has only been open for two weeks, it does not have printed copies of its menu yet.**36. COGITATE (verb) – ध्यान करना****Pronunciation:** ko·juh·teit**Meaning:** to consider**Synonyms:** consider, envisage, contemplate, deliberate, cerebration, conceive, meditate**Antonyms:** discard, disregard, forget**Usage:** I need a few days to cogitate the problem.**37. NECESSITATE (verb) – मजबूर करना****Pronunciation:** nuh·seh·suh·teit**Meaning:** to make essential as a result of something**Synonyms:** constrain, entail, require, cause, compel, force**Antonyms:** disallow, discourage, repress**Usage:** The heavy rain will necessitate the use of an umbrella.**38. CRASS (adjective) – मूर्खतापूर्ण****Pronunciation:** kras**Meaning:** showing no intelligence or sensitivity**Synonyms:** boorish, churlish, rude, stupid, vulgar, asinine, blundering**Antonyms:** nice, intelligent, refined**Usage:** Compared to his usual crass manners, his behavior tonight was rather pleasant.**39. CORRESPONDENCE (noun) – समानता****Pronunciation:** ko·ruh·spon·dns**Meaning:** a close similarity, connection, or equivalence**Synonyms:** correlation, similarity, resemblance, comparability, compatibility, uniformity**Antonyms:** clash, difference, unlikeness

Usage: There is a close correspondence between the two extracts.

40. INCREDULOUS (adjective) – अविश्वासी

Pronunciation: in·kreh·dyoo·luhs

Meaning: unwilling or unable to believe something

Synonyms: disbelieving, suspicious, questioning, doubtful, dubious, unbelieving, unconvinced

Antonyms: credulous, believing, certain

Usage: Miriam's envious friends were incredulous about her engagement to a wealthy doctor.

41. STUPENDOUS (adjective) – विस्मयकारी

Pronunciation: styoo·pen·duhs

Meaning: extremely impressive

Synonyms: amazing, fantastic, breathtaking, astonishing, astounding, fabulous

Antonyms: unimportant, terrible, unimpressive

Usage: The fireworks were stupendous.

42. PROBABLE (adjective) – संभावित

Pronunciation: pro·buh·bl

Meaning: likely but not certain

Synonyms: apparent, likely, credible, feasible, plausible, possible, presumed, reasonable

Antonyms: improbable, unlikely, impossible

Usage: The probable cause of the fire was faulty wiring.

43. RELEVANCY (noun) – प्रासंगिकता

Pronunciation: reh·luh·vuhn·see

Meaning: the connectedness or appropriateness of a situation

Synonyms: accordance, applicability, significance, application, appositeness, aptness

Antonyms: insignificance

Usage: The attorney questioned the relevancy of the opposing council's queries.

44. VISIONARY (noun) – दूरदर्शी

Pronunciation: vi·zhuh·nuh·ree

Meaning: a person with original ideas about the future

Synonyms: dreamer, idealist, prophet, seer, theorist, zealot

Antonyms: realist, practical

Usage: Jim was a visionary leader who had the foresight to lead our company in a profitable direction for many years.

45. LURE (verb) – प्रलोभित करना

Pronunciation: luor

Meaning: to tempt a person or an animal to do something

Synonyms: tempt, entice, attract, induce, persuade, inveigle

Antonyms: deter, repel, offend

Usage: The kidnapper was able to lure the small child into his van by offering her candy.

46. IMPECCABLE (adjective) - त्रुटिहीन

Pronunciation: uhm·peh·kuh·bl

Meaning: perfect in every way

Synonyms: flawless, faultless, unblemished, spotless, stainless, untarnished, perfect

Antonyms: imperfect, flawed, defective

Usage: Without a scratch, this car is in impeccable condition.

47. VERSATILE (adjective) – बहुमुखी

Pronunciation: vuh·suh·tail

Meaning: able to adapt to many different functions or activities

Synonyms: adaptable, flexible, multifaceted, multitalented, multiskilled, resourceful, adjustable

Antonyms: inflexible, limited, incapable

Usage: He is a very versatile young actor.

48. QUAIN (adjective) – पुराने ढंग का

Pronunciation: kweint

Meaning: appearing old-fashioned in an appealing way

Synonyms: antiquated, archaic, charming, curious, cute, fanciful, picturesque

Antonyms: modern, new, current

Usage: As I walked through the quaint shop, I felt as though I was transported back in time.

49. GLANCE (verb) – झलक

Pronunciation: glaans

Meaning: a quick look

Synonyms: glimpse, peek, peep, gander, squiz, look

Antonyms: stare, ignore

Usage: He gave another impatient glance at his watch.

50. PERILOUS (adjective) – खतरनाक

Pronunciation: peh·ruh·luhs

Meaning: full of danger or risk

Synonyms: dangerous, hazardous, risky, unsafe, treacherous, precarious, vulnerable

Antonyms: safe, secure

Usage: Putting out wildfires is a very perilous job.

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51. CONTAMINATION (noun) – मलिनता

Pronunciation: kuhn·ta·muh·nei·shn

Meaning: including unwanted substances or factors

Synonyms: contagion, impurity, pollution, corruption, disease, epidemic, infection

Antonyms: cleanliness, purification, sterility

Usage: Water samples taken from streams were analyzed for contamination by chemicals.

52. RANDOM (adjective) – अनियमित, क्रमरहित**Pronunciation:** ran·dm**Meaning:** without method or conscious decision**Synonyms:** accidental, aimless, arbitrary, incidental, indiscriminate, irregular, odd, unplanned**Antonyms:** methodical, planned, systematic**Usage:** To fairly choose the winner, the store owner pulled a random slip out of a hat full of numbered papers.**53. BURGEON (verb) – तेजी से बढ़ना****Pronunciation:** buh·jn**Meaning:** begin to grow or increase rapidly**Synonyms:** expand, swell, explode, boom, proliferate, flourish, thrive, prosper**Antonyms:** shrink, contract, diminish**Usage:** The actor hopes the use of social media will burgeon his popularity.**54. BLAND (adjective) – नरम****Pronunciation:** bland**Meaning:** showing no strong emotion**Synonyms:** temperate, mild, soft, calm, balmy, soothing, benign**Antonyms:** violent, destructive, caustic**Usage:** His expression was bland and unreadable.**55. LEVITY (noun) – चंचलता****Pronunciation:** leh·vuh·tee**Meaning:** a lack of seriousness**Synonyms:** vivacity, frivolity, liveliness, conviviality, cheerfulness, humor, amusement**Antonyms:** seriousness, gravity, depression**Usage:** Karen's parents were serious people who did not seem to appreciate her acts of levity during church service.**56. BROOK (verb) – बर्दाश्त करना****Pronunciation:** bruk**Meaning:** put up with something or somebody unpleasant

Synonyms: countenance, tolerate, bear, suffer, withstand

Antonyms: resist, combat, repel

Usage: He won't brook any criticism of his work.

57. CROOK (noun) – धूर्त

Pronunciation: kruk

Meaning: a dishonest individual

Synonyms: cheat, fraudster, shoplifter, thief, mugger, outlaw, lawbreaker

Antonyms: lawman

Usage: The man is a crook and a liar.

58. PIVOTAL (adjective) – केंद्रीय, आधारभूत

Pronunciation: pi·vuh·tl

Meaning: of crucial significance

Synonyms: central, climactic, critical, crucial, decisive, essential

Antonyms: inessential, minor, secondary

Usage: As soon as the pivotal character of the film died, I grew bored with the movie and left the theater.

59. TRITE (adjective) - घिसा-पिटा

Pronunciation: trait

Meaning: repeated too often

Synonyms: hackneyed, banal, corny, dull, common, exhausted, worn

Antonyms: fresh, new, original

Usage: I did not finish the novel because the story's plot was trite and uninspiring.

60. EULOGY (noun) – गुणगान

Pronunciation: yoo·luh·jee

Meaning: a formal expression of praise

Synonyms: praise, citation, paean, tribute, acclaim, accolade, adulation, applause

Antonyms: blame, censure, criticism

Usage: They chanted the eulogy of the king.

61. ORATE (verb) – भाषण देना

Pronunciation: aw·reit

Meaning: make a speech, especially pompously or at length

Synonyms: declaim, speak, discourse, pontificate, preach, sermonize, spiel

Antonyms: whisper

Usage: It certainly is a fine thing to be able to orate.

62. SUBJUGATE (verb) – अधीन करना

Pronunciation: suhb·joo·geit

Meaning: bring under domination or control, especially by conquest

Synonyms: enslave, conquer, vanquish, defeat, crush, quell, quash

Antonym: liberate

Usage: Good pet owners are unwilling to subjugate their dogs by placing them in cages.

63. DEMURE (adjective) – संकोची

Pronunciation: duh·myuor

Meaning: reserved, modest, and shy

Synonyms: modest, meek, mild, reserved, retiring, quiet, shy, bashful

Antonym: brazen, shameless, bold

Usage: The princess was a demure woman who hated being in the spotlight.

64. INSouciant (adjective) – लापरवाह

Pronunciation: uhn·soo·see·uhnt

Meaning: showing a casual lack of concern

Synonyms: indifferent, heedless, relaxed, unconcerned, equable, carefree, unruffled

Antonyms: anxious, concerned, worried

Usage: Since Jane is insouciant about her health, she does not bother to take her medication.

65. DISCERN (verb) – पहचानना

Pronunciation: duh·suhn

Meaning: recognize or find out

Synonyms: perceive, detect, recognize, notice, observe, see, spot, identify

Antonyms: overlook, miss

Usage: Looking at the muddy footprints in the kitchen will make it easier for us to discern which of the kids stole the plate of cookies.

66. OPULENCE (noun) – बहुतायत

Pronunciation: o·pyoo·luhns

Meaning: great wealth or luxuriousness

Synonyms: richness, luxury, magnificence, grandeur, grandiosity, wealth

Antonyms: restraint, poverty

Usage: His eyes had never beheld such opulence.

67. BEWILDER (verb) – उलझन में डालना

Pronunciation: buh·wil·duh

Meaning: cause someone to become perplexed and confused

Synonyms: baffle, mystify, bemuse, perplex, puzzle, confuse, confound

Antonyms: enlighten

Usage: Those shifting attitudes bewilder me.

68. FERVID (adjective) – जुनूनी

Pronunciation: fuh·vuhd

Meaning: intensely enthusiastic or passionate

Synonyms: fervent, ardent, passionate, impassioned, intense, vehement, heated

Antonyms: unenthusiastic, perfunctory

Usage: Although Stewart was fervid about basketball, he really could not play the game very well.

69. OFFEND (verb) – अपमान करना

Pronunciation: uh·fend

Meaning: to cause another to feel upset or angry

Synonyms: affront, upset, displease, distress, hurt, annoy, irritate

Antonyms: calm, comfort, please

Usage: Neil did not mean to offend anybody with his joke.

70. BOUNDLESS (adjective) – असीम

Pronunciation: bawnd·luhs

Meaning: unlimited or immense

Synonyms: limitless, unlimited, illimitable, unbounded, bottomless, immeasurable

Antonyms: limited, bounded, restricted

Usage: The toddler's boundless energy seemed endless, as he played from sun up to sun down.



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