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Happy learning!!!

1. DEBONAIR (adjective) – सुशील

Pronunciation: deh·buh·neuh

Meaning: confident, stylish, and charming

Synonyms: suave, urbane, sophisticated, cultured, confident, charming, gracious

Antonyms: unsophisticated, ignorant, clumsy

Usage: Onscreen and in person, the Hollywood actor always manages to look so debonair.

2. EMINENT (adjective) – प्रख्यात

Pronunciation: eh·muh·nuhnt

Meaning: famous and respected within a particular sphere

Synonyms: illustrious, distinguished, renowned, esteemed, notable, noteworthy, great

Antonyms: unimportant, unknown

Usage: The audience was expecting the arrival of an eminent actor.

3. OPERATIVE (adjective) – ऑपरेटिव

Pronunciation: o·puh·ruh·tuhv

Meaning: functioning or having effect

Synonyms: effective, valid, functioning, working, running, operational, workable

Antonyms: invalid, broken, defective

Usage: The car was not operative until the engine was fixed.

4. ATTEST (verb) – संपुष्टि करना

Pronunciation: uh·test

Meaning: witness or certify formally

Synonyms: certify, corroborate, confirm, verify, substantiate, document, authenticate

Antonyms: disprove, refute, falsify

Usage: The doctor can attest to your medical condition if a work excuse is needed.

5. RELISH (verb) – आनंद लेना

Pronunciation: reh·luhsh

Meaning: enjoy greatly

Synonyms: enjoy, love, like, adore, appreciate, savour

Antonym: dislike

Usage: He was relishing his moment of glory.

6. AWE (noun) – विस्मय

Pronunciation: aw

Meaning: a feeling of wonder or amazement

Synonyms: wonder, amazement, astonishment, wonderment, admiration, reverence, veneration

Antonyms: contempt, despise, calmness

Usage: They gazed in awe at the small mountain of diamonds.

7. SAVVY (adjective) – कुशाग्रता

Pronunciation: sa·vee

Meaning: shrewd and knowledgeable

Synonyms: shrewd, astute, sharp, acute, intelligent, clever, canny

Antonym: stupid

Usage: When the savvy investor sold his stock before its value dropped, he made a very profitable transaction.

8.COMPLACENCY (noun) – शालीनता

Pronunciation: kuhm·plei·suhn·see

Meaning: a feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements

Synonyms: smugness, satisfaction, contentment, gloating, triumph, pride, laxity

Antonym: dissatisfaction

Usage: There's no room for complacency if we want to stay in the competition.

9.SHIRK (verb) – बचना

Pronunciation: shuhk

Meaning: to dodge responsibilities

Synonyms: evade, dodge, avoid, sidestep, dodge, shun, neglect

Antonyms: confront, encounter, face

Usage: The man tried to shirk his duties by pretending to be ill.

10.BEHOLD (verb) – निहारना

Pronunciation: buh·howld

Meaning: see or observe

Synonyms: see, observe, view, watch, survey, scan, witness

Antonyms: neglect, overlook, ignore

Usage: Watching the fight at the arena was a sight to behold.

11. DISPARATE (adjective) – असमान**Pronunciation:** di·spuh·ruht**Meaning:** essentially different in kind**Synonyms:** contrasting, different, dissimilar, unlike, varying, diverse, heterogeneous**Antonyms:** homogeneous, similar, alike**Usage:** This organization includes people of disparate backgrounds and beliefs.**12. CONFRONT (verb) – सामना करना****Pronunciation:** kuhn·fruhnt**Meaning:** to face or stand up to**Synonyms:** tackle, address, face, approach, pursue, handle, manage**Antonyms:** avoid, evade, dodge**Usage:** It took a lot of courage for the victim to confront her attacker in court.**13. ROWDY (adjective) – उपद्रवी****Pronunciation:** raw·dee**Meaning:** noisy and disorderly**Synonyms:** unruly, disorderly, obstreperous, riotous, unrestrained, undisciplined**Antonyms:** peaceful, quiet, restrained**Usage:** Young children have a tendency to get rowdy because they have a lot of energy and don't have any inkling of social tact.**14. HABITABLE (adjective) – रहने योग्य****Pronunciation:** ha·buh·tuh·bl**Meaning:** suitable or good enough to live in**Synonyms:** inhabitable, usable, tenantable, livable**Antonyms:** uninhabitable, unlivable**Usage:** The house should be habitable by Christmas.**15. SOLITUDE (noun) – एकांत****Pronunciation:** so·luh·chood**Meaning:** the state or situation of being alone**Synonyms:** loneliness, remoteness, isolation, seclusion, retirement, withdrawal**Antonyms:** company, togetherness, companionship**Usage:** Sometimes, a little solitude is just what you need to clear your mind.**16. AFFLUENCE (noun) – समृद्धि****Pronunciation:** a·floo·uhns**Meaning:** the state of having a great deal of money

Synonyms: wealth, prosperity, opulence, fortune, richness, luxury, plenty

Antonym: poverty

Usage: The businessman uses his affluence to help people in need.

17. UTTER (adjective) – पूर्ण

Pronunciation: uh·tuh

Meaning: total or complete

Synonyms: complete, total, absolute, thorough, perfect, downright, sheer

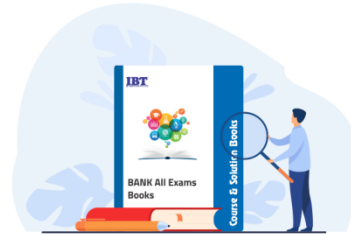
Antonyms: partial, incomplete, unfinished

Usage: The billionaire's utter lack of arrogance makes him very approachable.

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18. CONSEQUENTIAL (adjective) – महत्त्वपूर्ण

Pronunciation: kon·suh·kwen·shl

Meaning: having important issues or results

Synonyms: important, significant, major, serious, weighty, material, appreciable

Antonyms: insignificant, minor

Usage: The partial footprint was consequential in solving the case.

19. FUSION (noun) – विलय

Pronunciation: fyoo·zhn

Meaning: the process or result of joining two or more things together to form a single entity

Synonyms: blend, merging, combination, amalgamation, joining, bonding

Antonyms: separation, segregation

Usage: Brass is formed by the fusion of copper and zinc.

20. FOOLPROOF (adjective) – अचूक

Pronunciation: fool·proof

Meaning: incapable of going wrong

Synonyms: infallible, unflinching, dependable, reliable, trustworthy, certain, unerring

Antonyms: flawed, inaccurate, faulty

Usage: He tried to devise a foolproof plan for getting rid of termites.

21. ORTHODOX (adjective) – रूढ़िवादी

Pronunciation: aw·thuh·doks

Meaning: adhering to what is commonly accepted

Synonyms: conservative, traditional, observant, conformist, devout, strict

Antonyms: heterodox, unconventional

Usage: He challenged the orthodox views on education.

22. TRICKLE (verb) – टपकना

Pronunciation: tri·kl

Meaning: flow in a small stream

Synonyms: drip, dribble, flow, run, spill, ooze, leak

Antonyms: gush, stream

Usage: There was a slow trickle of water from the faucet in the bathroom.

23. PERPETUAL (adjective) – लगातार

Pronunciation: puh·peh·choo·uhl

Meaning: never ending or changing

Synonyms: everlasting, eternal, permanent, unending, endless, lasting

Antonyms: transitory, temporary, intermittent

Usage: I am a perpetual truth seeker, forever investigating life's secrets.

24. REJOICE (verb) – प्रसन्न होना

Pronunciation: ruh·joys

Meaning: feel or show great joy or delight

Synonyms: happiness, pleasure, joy, delight, elation, cheer, jubilation

Antonyms: deplore, bewail, regret

Usage: The hometown fans are sure to rejoice when their team wins the basketball championship.

25. PARCHED (adjective) – सूखा

Pronunciation: paacht

Meaning: dried out with heat

Synonyms: dry, arid, desiccated, dehyd

26. DISHEVELED (adjective) – अस्त-व्यस्त**Pronunciation:** duh·sheh·vld**Meaning:** extremely disorderly**Synonyms:** untidy, unkempt, scruffy, messy, disordered, disarranged, rumpled**Antonyms:** tidy, neat, kempt**Usage:** The wind disheveled the newspapers on the table.**27. WINDING (adjective) – घुमावदार****Pronunciation:** wain·duhng**Meaning:** a twisting or curving path**Synonyms:** meandering, windy, twisty, bending, curving, looping, zigzag**Antonyms:** direct, straight, untwisted**Usage:** A winding path leads to the cave.**28. TREMENDOUS (adjective) – विशाल****Pronunciation:** truh·men·duhs**Meaning:** massive, huge, or giant in scope**Synonyms:** huge, enormous, immense, colossal, massive, prodigious, stupendous**Antonyms:** tiny, small, little**Usage:** We are missing out on a tremendous opportunity.**29. OFFSHOOT (noun) – शाखा****Pronunciation:** of·shoot**Meaning:** a thing that develops from something else**Synonyms:** subsidiary, branch, outgrowth, derivative, adjunct, appendage, descendant**Antonyms:** root, source**Usage:** It's an offshoot of a much larger company based in Sydney.**30. RECOUNT (verb) – वर्णन करना****Pronunciation:** ri·kount**Meaning:** tell someone about something**Synonyms:** tell, relate, narrate, describe, portray, depict, recite**Antonyms:** hide, withhold**Usage:** I recounted the tale to Steve.**31. PROVISIONAL (adjective) – अनंतिम****Pronunciation:** pruh·vi·zhuh·nuhl**Meaning:** arranged or existing for the present, possibly to be changed later**Synonyms:** interim, temporary, transitional, changeover, stopgap, tentative, provisional

Antonyms: permanent, definite

Usage: The provisional committee was selected to serve until a formal committee could be chosen.

32. FRENETIC (adjective) – उन्मत्त

Pronunciation: fruh·neh·tuhk

Meaning: fast and energetic in a rather wild and uncontrolled way

Synonyms: wild, frenzied, hectic, fraught, feverish, fevered

Antonyms: calm, peaceful, balanced

Usage: After two hours of frenetic frolic, the puppies finally curled up in a ball for a nap.

33. ENTITY (noun) – अस्तित्व

Pronunciation: en·tuh·tee

Meaning: something that exists independently

Synonyms: body, existence, individual, article, being, creature

Antonyms: nonentity, abstract

Usage: Wanting to build his own entity, the man left his job and started his own company.

34. ADJOURN (verb) – स्थगित करना

Pronunciation: uh·juhn

Meaning: break from a meeting or gathering

Synonyms: delay, discontinue, postpone, recess, shelve, suspend

Antonyms: advance, continue, expedite

Usage: The court will adjourn for lunch.

35. 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.

36. 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.

37. 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.**38. 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.**SSC ALL EXAM : TEST SERIES**

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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.

42. GLEE (noun) – उल्लास

Pronunciation: gl

Meaning: great delight

Synonyms: delight, pleasure, happiness, joy, elation, cheerfulness, exhilaration

Antonyms: gloom, disappointment

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

43. 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.

44. 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.

45. 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.

46. 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.

47. 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 him candy.

48. 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.

49. DEMURE (adjective) – संकोची

Pronunciation: duh·myuor

Meaning: reserved, modest, and shy

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

Antonyms: shameless, bold

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

50. 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

Antonym: enlighten

Usage: Those shifting attitudes bewilder me.

51. EDIBLE (adjective) – खाने योग्य

Pronunciation: eh·duh·bl

Meaning: suitable to be eaten

Synonyms: wholesome, consumable, digestible, palatable, comestible

Antonyms: inedible, harmful, unpalatable

Usage: The airline food was not great, but it was edible.

52.FORMIDABLE (adjective) – विकट

Pronunciation: faw·mi·duh·bl

Meaning: something that inspires fear

Synonyms: intimidating, forbidding, redoubtable, daunting, alarming, frightening, terrifying

Antonyms: comforting, easy, weak

Usage: They had to overcome formidable obstacles.

53.AFTERMATH (noun) – परिणाम

Pronunciation: aaf·tuh·maath

Meaning: the consequences of an unpleasant or destructive event

Synonyms: impact, outcome, consequences, results, effects, repercussions

Antonyms: cause, origin, source

Usage: The story deals with the aftermath of warfare.

54.VERISIMILITUDE (noun) – सत्याभास

Pronunciation: veh·ruh·suh·mi·luh·hood

Meaning: the appearance of being true or real

Synonyms: authenticity, realism, genuineness, plausibility, resemblance

Antonym: falseness

Usage: To add verisimilitude, the stage is covered with sand for the desert scenes.

55.TACITURNITY (noun) – चुप्पी

Pronunciation: ta·suh·tuh·ni·tee

Meaning: the trait of being uncommunicative

Synonyms: reserve, silence, aloofness, calmness, caution, coldness, constraint

Antonym: boldness

Usage: His taciturnity was unbroken.

56.SHIFTY (adjective) – बेईमान

Pronunciation: shif·tee

Meaning: appearing deceitful or evasive

Synonyms: devious, evasive, slippery, duplicitous, false, deceitful, untrustworthy

Antonyms: honest, open, trustworthy

Usage: That guy is very suspicious, his shifty eyes move constantly.

57.INTERFERE (verb) – हस्तक्षेप करना

Pronunciation: in·tuh·feeuh

Meaning: intervene in a situation without invitation or necessity

Synonyms: meddle, intervene, intrude, impede, inhibit, obtrude

Antonyms: aid, allow, assist

Usage: I never interfere in his business.

58.HAPHAZARD (adjective) – बेतरतीब

Pronunciation: hap·ha·zuhd

Meaning: lacking any obvious principle of organization

Synonyms: random, unplanned, unsystematic, unmethodical, disorganized, disorderly, irregular

Antonyms: systematic, organized

Usage: Files have been stored in such a haphazard manner that they are impossible to find.

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59.ENGENDER (verb) – उत्पन्न करना

Pronunciation: uhn·jen·duh

Meaning: cause or give rise to

Synonyms: cause, produce, create, generate, arouse, provoke, trigger

Antonyms: destroy

Usage: Some people believe violent video games engender feelings of hostility in young people.

60.INQUISITIVE (adjective) – जिज्ञासु

Pronunciation: uhng·kwi·zuh·tuhv

Meaning: eager for knowledge

Synonyms: curious, intrigued, interested, agog, intrusive, investigative, questioning

Antonyms: unconcerned, uninterested, incurious

Usage: The inquisitive little boy would not stop asking his parents questions.

61.PEEVE (verb) – परेशान करना

Pronunciation: pee·v

Meaning: annoy or irritate

Synonyms: annoy, irritate, bother, disturb, exasperate, gall, upset

Antonyms: comfort, delight, please

Usage: What peeved her most was his thoughtlessness.

62.SAFEGUARD (verb) – सुरक्षा करना

Pronunciation: seif·gaad

Meaning: to take appropriate measures in order to protect something from harm

Synonyms: protect, conserve, defend, secure, preserve, guard, screen

Antonyms: destroy, endanger, hurt

Usage: Lottery players were cautioned to safeguard the winning ticket and not share the news with others just yet.

63.PURPORTED (adjective) – तथाकथित

Pronunciation: puh·paw·tuhd

Meaning: claimed that something was true without proof

Synonyms: imply, pretend, profess, allege, betoken, claim, declare

Antonyms: conceal, deny, disclaim

Usage: The miracle drug has gotten attention for its purported health benefits, but no real evidence has been found.

64.RECKON (verb) – मानना

Pronunciation: reh·kn

Meaning: to anticipate a specific thing will occur

Synonyms: surmise, assume, suppose, believe, expect, imagine, fancy

Antonyms: disbelieve, misunderstand, neglect

Usage: From the loud cheers, it's obvious the local fans reckon their team will win the game.

65.CONFAB (noun) – बात करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·fab

Meaning: an informal private conversation or discussion

Synonyms: conversation, chat, confabulation, dialogue, discussion

Antonyms: quiet, silence, listening

Usage: Let's confab a bit about that idea.

66.CARAVAN (noun) – काफ़िला

Pronunciation: ka·ruh·van

Meaning: a group of travelers, animals, or vehicles traveling together

Synonyms: cavalcade, convoy, expedition, procession, band

Antonym: individual

Usage: The nomads traveled as a caravan from place to place.

67.SENSITIVITY (noun) – संवेदनशीलता

Pronunciation: sen·suh·ti·vuh·tee

Meaning: the quality or condition of being sensitive

Synonyms: responsiveness, consideration, reactivity, vulnerability, care

Antonyms: insensitivity, numbness

Usage: The child's sensitivity allowed him to be upset by every cruel and unkind word that was said to him.

68.TRANSITION (noun) – परिवर्तन

Pronunciation: tran·zi·shn

Meaning: the process or a period of changing from one state or condition to another

Synonyms: change, transformation, conversion, development, evolution, adaptation, alteration

Antonym: sameness

Usage: The transition from a totalitarian state to a free country will be long and slow.

69.INDIGENE (noun) – स्वदेशी

Pronunciation: in·duh·jeen

Meaning: a person that is a native of a certain place

Synonyms: native, citizen, inhabitant, national, aboriginal, dweller, local

Antonyms: foreigner, immigrant, alien

Usage: While sitting around the campfire, the Australian indigene told his grandchildren the stories of his native ancestors.

70.SPORTSMANSHIP (noun) – खेल भावना

Pronunciation: spawts·muhn·shuhp

Meaning: fair and generous behavior while participating in a competition

Synonyms: integrity, fairness, honesty, sincerity, virtue, goodness, righteousness

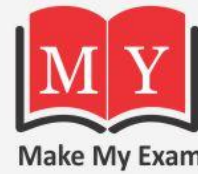
Antonym: dishonesty

Usage: Exhibiting good sportsmanship and being nice to your fellow players is just as important as winning the gam

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