

VOCABULARY

1. EPHEMERAL (ADJECTIVE): अल्पकालिक

Pronunciation: uh•feh•muh•ruhl

Meaning: lasting for a very short time.

Synonyms: brief, short, little

Antonyms: eternal, lasting, enduring

Sentence: Fashion is by nature *ephemeral*.

2. CONTRAVENTION (NOUN): उल्लंघन

Pronunciation: kaw•truh•ven•shn

Meaning: a failure to uphold the requirements of law, duty, or obligation.

Synonyms: violation, breach, offence

Antonyms: observance, respecting, upholding

Sentence: Sending the troops was a *contravention* of the treaty.

3. VERTIGINOUS (ADJECTIVE): चक्कर आना

Pronunciation: vur•tij•ih•nus

Meaning: having or causing a whirling sensation; liable to failing.

Synonyms: giddy, dizzy, woozy

Antonyms: steady, stable, clearheaded

Sentence: 3-D effect is likely to leave some audience members feeling *vertiginous*.

4. CONGRUITY (NOUN): समानता

Pronunciation: kuhng•groo•i•tee.

Meaning: a point which two or more things share in common.

Synonyms: similarity, resemblance, commonality

Antonyms: difference, discrepancy, dissimilarity

Sentence: The book alleges certain *congruities* between several political assassinations that were thought to be unrelated.

5. FAMISHED (ADJECTIVE): भूखा

Pronunciation: fa•muhst

Meaning: Feeling a desire or need for food.

Synonyms: hungry, starving, starved

Antonyms: satisfied, sated, satiated

Sentence: I was *famished*, having had no food or sleep for thirty hours.

6. DISCERNING (ADJECTIVE): समझदार

Pronunciation: duh•suh•uhng

Meaning: Having or showing deep understanding and intelligent application of knowledge.

Synonyms: wise, prudent, insightful

Antonyms: unwise, dense, obtuse

Sentence: She is a very *discerning* art critic.

7. DEVIANCE (NOUN): विचलन

Pronunciation: dee•vee•uhns

Meaning: The fact or state of departing from usual or accepted standards, especially in social or sexual behavior.

Synonyms: divergence, discrepancy, disparity

Antonyms: community, similarity, identity

Sentence: Normal is the average of *deviance*.

8. COALESCE (VERB): एकत्रित होना

Pronunciation: koh•uh•les

Meaning: To come together to form a single unit.

Synonyms: combine, unite, connect

Antonyms: split, separate, section

Sentence: Cities, if unrestricted, tend to *coalesce* into bigger and bigger conurbations.

9. CLEAVE (VERB): चिपकना

Pronunciation: klev

Meaning: To hold to something firmly as if by adhesion.

Synonyms: adhere, cling, stick

Antonyms: fall, loosen, drop

Sentence: Rose's mouth was dry, her tongue *cleaving* to the roof of her mouth.

10. STAGNATION (NOUN): स्थिरता

Pronunciation: stag•nay•shn

Meaning: A lack of activity or development and especially economic development.

Synonyms: recession, slump, depression

Antonyms: development, growth, progress

Sentence: After years of economic *stagnation*, employment numbers began to rise.