

VOCABULARY

1. FATIGUE (NOUN): थकान

Pronunciation: fuh•teeg

Meaning: extreme physical or mental tiredness, a state of lacking energy.

Synonyms: Drowsiness, Weariness, Exhaustion

Antonyms: Vigorous, Energy, Strength

Sentence: She continued to have severe stomach cramps, aches, *fatigue*, and depression.

2. BOLSTERED (VERB): सहारा देना

Pronunciation: bole•stuhd

Meaning: To support or encourage somebody/something

Synonyms: Strengthen, Boost, Support

Antonyms: undermine, Discourage, Weaken

Sentence: The IAF said that there was a need for India to *bolster* its "technological asymmetry."

3. TENABLE (ADJECTIVE): मान्य

Pronunciation: teh•nuh•bl

Meaning: Reasonable and could be successfully defended against criticism

Synonyms: Justifiable, Plausible, viable

Antonyms: Irrational, Unreasonable, Untenable

Sentence: His theory is no longer *tenable* in the light of the recent discoveries.

4. COMPLACENCY (NOUN): आत्मसंतोष

Pronunciation: kuhm•play•suhns•ee

Meaning: Self-satisfaction especially when accompanied by unawareness of actual dangers or deficiencies

Synonyms: contentment, Smugness, Self-satisfaction

Antonyms: Humility, Diffidence, Dissatisfaction

Sentence: This boundless *complacency* was due to policy, not weakness.

5. DEFT (ADJECTIVE): निपुण

Pronunciation: deft

Meaning: Skilful, clever, or quick

Synonyms: Adept, Adroit, dexterous

Antonyms: inept, Clumsy, unskilled

Sentence: She answered the journalist's questions with a *deft* touch.

6. SPARSE (Adjective): कमघना

Pronunciation:spaas

Meaning: Small in number or amount and spread out over an area.

Synonyms: Meagre, Scanty, Scarce

Antonyms: Abundant, Plentiful, Thick

Sentence: Many slopes are rock fields with *sparse* vegetation.

7. CONVERGENCE (NOUN): अभिसरण

Pronunciation:kuhn•vuh•jns

Meaning: The fact that two or more things, ideas, etc. become similar or come together

Synonyms: Assemble, Confluence, Merging

Antonyms: Divergence, Separation, Dispersion

Sentence: Economic forces *converged* to bring the country out of a recession.

8. VANGUARDS (NOUN): अग्र-दल

Pronunciation:vang•gaadz

Meaning: The forefront of an action or movement

Synonyms: vanguard, pioneers, lead

Antonyms: Rearguard, back, followers

Sentence: The company is proud to be in the *vanguard* of scientific progress.

9. BUOYANCY (NOUN) : अधिकउछाल

Pronunciation: boy•uhns•ee

Meaning: Power to float or rise in a fluid; relative lightness

Synonyms: Ebullience, Vivacity, Liveliness

Antonyms: Sinking, Heaviness, Weightiness

Sentence: The *buoyancy* of the wooden block kept it floating on the surface of the water.

10. FERVOR (NOUN): उत्साह

Pronunciation:fuh•vuh

Meaning: Very strong feeling or belief

Synonyms: Ardor, Passion, Intensity

Antonyms: Apathy, Dullness, Insincerity

Sentence: They were concerned only with their own religious *fervor*.