

VOCABULARY

1. SALIENT (ADJECTIVE): महत्त्वपूर्ण

Pronunciation: say•lee•uhnt

Meaning: noticeable or important.

Synonyms: remarkable, prominent, striking

Antonyms: subtle, unremarkable, obscure

Sentence: She began to summarize the *salient* features/points of the proposal.

2. INGENIOUS (ADJECTIVE): रचनात्मक

Pronunciation: in•jee•nee•uhs

Meaning: having the skill and imagination to create new things.

Synonyms: inventive, innovative, creative

Antonyms: imitative, uninventive, unskilful

Sentence: With how skilled my chess opponent was, it would take an *ingenious* strategy to defeat him, and a fair amount of luck.

3. DUNCE (NOUN): मूर्ख

Pronunciation: duhns

Meaning: a person who is slow at learning; a stupid person.

Synonyms: fool, idiot, simpleton

Antonyms: brainy, genius, intellectual

Sentence: Because it takes me a long time to solve problems, I am a *dunce* at mathematics.

4. PANDEMONIUM (NOUN): हंगामा

Pronunciation: pan•duh•moh•nee•uhm

Meaning: wild and noisy disorder or confusion; uproar.

Synonyms: disturbance, turmoil, stir

Antonyms: calm, rest, tranquility, peace

Sentence: There was *pandemonium* in court as the judge gave his summing up.

5. PERTINENT (ADJECTIVE): उचित

Pronunciation: puh•ti•nent

Meaning: relevant or applicable to a particular matter; apposite

Synonyms: relevant, applicable, appropriate

Antonyms: irrelevant, impertinent, inapplicable, inappropriate

Sentence: To ensure a prompt reply, please include all *pertinent* details in your email.

6. IMPETUS (NOUN): प्रोत्साहन

Pronunciation: im•puh•tuhs

Meaning: something that encourages a particular activity or makes that activity more energetic.

Synonyms: encouragement, stimulus, momentum, catalyst

Antonyms: disincentive, discouragement, hindrance, deterrent, impediment

Sentence: The high crime rate was the *impetus* for the hiring of one hundred new police officers in our city.

7. SQUANDERED (VERB): गंवाना

Pronunciation: skvawn•duhd

Meaning: waste (something, especially money or time) in a reckless and foolish manner.

Synonyms: waste, misspend, misuse

Antonyms: conserved, preserved

Sentence: Eddie has a tendency to *squander* his entire allowance on comic books and movies.

8. SUBJUGATE (VERB): अधीन करना

Pronunciation: suhb•ju•gayt

Meaning: bring under domination or control, especially by conquest.

Synonyms: subdue, conquer, dominate

Antonyms: liberate, emancipate, enfranchise

Sentence: The manager tried to *subjugate* employees into working late by threatening to fire them.

9. APARTHEID (NOUN): रंग-भेद

Pronunciation: uh•paat•ide

Meaning: a system under which people of different races were kept separate by law, and white people were given more political rights and educational and other advantages

Synonyms: Separation, Discrimination, Prejudice, racism

Antonyms: integration, union, Equality

Sentence: Nelson Mandela helped to end *Apartheid*, which was racial discrimination in South Africa.

10. PROPITIATE (VERB): शांत करना

Pronunciation: pruh•pi•shee•ayt

Meaning: to lessen the anger or agitation of.

Synonyms: appease, placate, conciliate

Antonyms: anger, Incense, Offend

Sentence: After Bill forgot his wife's birthday, he tried to *propitiate* her by purchasing her the pearl necklace she always wanted.