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Happy learning!!!

1. WARILY (adverb) – सावधानी से

Pronunciation: weuh·ruh·lee

Meaning: with caution

Synonyms: carefully, cautiously, gingerly, attentively, observantly, hesitantly, timidly

Antonyms: recklessly, unwarily

Usage: The hikers climbed warily up the dangerous path.

2. PROXIMITY (noun) – निकटता

Pronunciation: prok·si·muh·tee

Meaning: nearness in space, time, or relationship

Synonyms: closeness, nearness, presence, adjacency, juxtaposition, propinquity

Antonyms: distance, remoteness

Usage: We chose the house for its proximity to the school.

3. SEDENTARY (adj) – गतिहीन

Pronunciation: seh·duhn·tree

Meaning: tending to spend much time seated

Synonyms: sitting, seated, desk-bound, desk, inactive, still, stationary

Antonyms: active, mobile

Usage: John's computer programming job kept him sedentary for most of the day.

4. DELINEATE (verb) – वर्णन करना, चित्रित करना

Pronunciation: duh·li·nee·eit

Meaning: describe or portray something precisely

Synonyms: describe, present, outline, depict, portray

Antonyms: misrepresent, exaggerate, misportray

Usage: the story does a remarkable job of delineating the emotions of immigrants.

5. CAPRICE (noun) – सनक

Pronunciation: kuh·prees

Meaning: a sudden and unaccountable change of mood or behavior

Synonyms: whim, eccentricity, vagary, notion, fad, freak, impulse, quirk

Antonyms: stability, certainty, verity

Usage: Margie's angry outburst was a caprice she wished she could take back.

6. ADIEU (noun) – अलविदा

Pronunciation: uh·dyoo

Meaning: a goodbye

Synonyms: goodbye, farewell, valediction, vale, bye, cheerio

Antonyms: greeting, welcome, salutation

Usage: The young man silently bade adieu to his hometown.

7. JUNCTURE (noun) – संधि-स्थल

Pronunciation: juhngk·chuh

Meaning: place where things join

Synonyms: joint, junction, moment, crossroad, stage, period, phase

Antonyms: disjuncture, schism, division

Usage: At this junction, I suggest we take a short break.

8. SEVERITY (noun) – तीव्रता

Pronunciation: suh·veh·ruh·tee

Meaning: the fact or condition of being severe

Synonyms: seriousness, intensity, extremity, gravity, danger, strength, ferocity

Antonyms: mildness, gentility, kindness

Usage: The severity of the injury is unknown until she is seen by the emergency room physician.

9. INCULCATE (verb) – मन में बैठाना

Pronunciation: in·kuhl·keit

Meaning: instill an idea, attitude, or habit by persistent instruction

Synonyms: instill, implant, fix, ingrain, infuse, impress, imprint, introduce

Antonyms: neglect, abjure

Usage: Our football coach has worked hard to inculcate a team spirit in the players.

10. IMPUTE (verb) – आरोप लगाना, मढ़ना

Pronunciation: uhm·pyoot

Meaning: to lay the responsibility or blame on someone else

Synonyms: accuse, blame, attribute, ascribe, accredit, adduce, assign

Antonyms: absolve, exculpate, praise

Usage: Even though my sister had broken the window, she tried to impute the damage onto me.

11. DREAD (noun) – भय**Pronunciation:** dred**Meaning:** great fear or apprehension**Synonyms:** fear, apprehension, trepidation, anxiety, worry, concern, foreboding**Antonyms:** confidence, bravery, courage**Usage:** Terror and dread filled the minds of all of the passengers aboard the failing aircraft.**12. VETO (noun) – अस्वीकार करना****Pronunciation:** vee·tow**Meaning:** to forbid something**Synonyms:** reject, dismiss, overrule, quash, prohibit, forbid, proscribe**Antonyms:** approve, authorize, permit**Usage:** The president will more than likely veto the bill since it does not include any of the components of his economic proposal.**13. OVERWROUGHT (adj) – बेचैन, अतिव्यग्र****Pronunciation:** ow·vuh·rawt**Meaning:** in a state of nervous excitement or anxiety**Synonyms:** tense, agitated, nervous, edgy, neurotic, overexcited, panicky**Antonyms:** calm, cool, rested**Usage:** An overwrought mom frantically searched the park for her missing son.**14. SECT (noun) – संप्रदाय****Pronunciation:** sekt**Meaning:** school of thought**Synonyms:** creed, cult, denomination, persuasion, faith, faction, schism**Antonyms:** agnosticism, disbelief**Usage:** The religious sect did not celebrate Halloween, but offered an alternative activity for families.**15. PUTATIVE (adj) – विख्यात****Pronunciation:** pyoo·tuh·tuhv**Meaning:** generally considered or assumed to be**Synonyms:** supposed, assumed, presumed, acknowledged, accepted**Antonyms:** proven, real, true**Usage:** Even though the count is not yet official, the putative governor has already made plans to have his wife redecorate the mansion.**16. EQUIPOISE (noun) – संतुलन**

Pronunciation: eh·kwuh·poyz

Meaning: a state of balance

Synonyms: equilibrium, balance, stability, symmetry, parity, equality, equity

Antonyms: imbalance, unevenness, asymmetry

Usage: The lecturer always tried to keep equipoise between engaging and challenging assignments.

17. ARISTOCRAT (noun) – रईस, कुलीन

Pronunciation: a·ruh·stuh·krat

Meaning: a member of the highest class in certain societies

Synonyms: nobleman, peer, patrician, grandee, swell

Antonyms: commoner, plebian, proletariat

Usage: Henry Cyril Paget was an aristocrat so wealthy that he built a dance theater so that he could perform for his royal family and friends.

18. STUDIOUS (adj) – अध्ययनशील

Pronunciation: styoo·dee·uhs

Meaning: focused on learning and studying

Synonyms: scholarly, attentive, bookish, contemplative, diligent, earnest

Antonyms: inattentive, unscholarly, thoughtless

Usage: Because Jack is a studious young man, he usually spends his free time in the library.

19. WITHSTAND (verb) – सहन करना

Pronunciation: wuhth·stand

Meaning: remain undamaged or unaffected by

Synonyms: resist, endure, tolerate, fight, combat, oppose, face, confront

Antonyms: surrender, yield, capitulate

Usage: This fabric can withstand steam and high temperatures.

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Usage: The young man silently bade adieu to his hometown.

21. MUSHY (adj) – पिलपिला

Pronunciation: muh·shee

Meaning: soft and pulpy

Synonyms: soft, pulpy, pappy, slushy, sloppy, spongy, squashy

Antonyms: hard, firm

Usage: After cooking the peas for too long, the mushy vegetable was too soft to be delicious.

22. CONTENTED (adj) – संतुष्ट

Pronunciation: kuhn·ten·tuhd

Meaning: happy and satisfied

Synonyms: content, satisfied, pleased, gratified, fulfilled, happy, cheerful

Antonyms: discontented, dissatisfied, upset

Usage: Quite contented with the results, the plastic surgeon marveled at his work.

23. DELIGHTED (adj) – प्रसन्न

Pronunciation: duh·lai·tuhd

Meaning: feeling or showing great pleasure

Synonyms: glad, happy, joyful, thrilled, overjoyed, ecstatic, euphoric

Antonyms: dismayed, disappointed, sad

Usage: We are all delighted at the news.

24. TRUCE (noun) – युद्धविराम

Pronunciation: troos

Meaning: a time period in which opposing sides agree to stop fighting

Synonyms: ceasefire, armistice, peace, break, respite, lull, moratorium

Antonyms: fighting, hostilities, war

Usage: When the truce ends at noon tomorrow, it will only be a matter of time before gunfire is heard again.

25. RETICENT (adj) – अल्पभाषी

Pronunciation: reh·tuh·snt

Meaning: not revealing one's thoughts or feelings readily

Synonyms: reserved, withdrawn, introverted, restrained, inhibited, diffident, shy

Antonyms: garrulous, talkative, verbose

Usage: Because Ann is so reticent, you hardly ever know what she's thinking.

26. CURTAIL (verb) – घटाना

Pronunciation: kuh·teil

Meaning: reduce in extent or quantity

Synonyms: reduce, cut, decrease, lessen, diminish, retrench, trim

Antonyms: increase, lengthen

Usage: The high cost of fuel is sure to curtail holiday travel this year.

27. CODDLE (verb) – लाड़ प्यार करना

Pronunciation: ko·dl

Meaning: treat someone in an indulgent or overprotective way

Synonyms: pamper, cosset, mollycoddle, spoil, indulge, overparent

Antonyms: neglect, abandon, forsake

Usage: Many people coddle their children too much.

28. INCURSION (noun) – आक्रमण

Pronunciation: uhng·kuh·shn

Meaning: an invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one

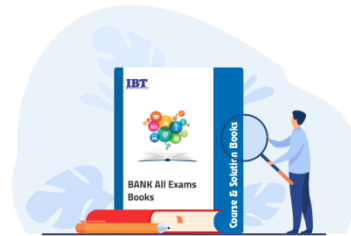
Synonyms: attack, raid, foray, infiltration, inroad, intrusion, penetration

Antonyms: retreat, withdraw

Usage: When the troops made an incursion across the border, they ruined any chance for peace between the two countries.

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29. SIMULATE (verb) – अनुकरण करना

Pronunciation: si·myoo·leit

Meaning: to duplicate or replicate an image or a behavior

Synonyms: imitate, reproduce, replicate, duplicate, mimic, parallel, mock

Antonyms: real, reveal

Usage: Botanists often use lamps to simulate natural sunlight.

30. RADIANT (adj) – चमकीला

Pronunciation: rei·dee·uhnt

Meaning: shining or glowing brightly

Synonyms: shining, bright, illuminated, lit, lighted, brilliant, gleaming

Antonyms: dark, dull

Usage: The sun was radiant in a clear blue sky.

31. MOUNTAINOUS (adj) – पर्वतीय

Pronunciation: mawn·tuh·nuhs

Meaning: having many mountains

Synonyms: hilly, craggy, rocky, alpine, high, steep, precipitous

Antonym: flat

Usage: A majority of the state is mountainous with a few flat areas scattered amongst the foothills.

32. HABITABLE (adj) – 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.

33. IMPLY (verb) – संकेत करना

Pronunciation: uhm·plai

Meaning: to hint at something without directly stating or presenting

Synonyms: implicit, indirect, hinted, suggested, insinuated, inferred, hint

Antonyms: explicit, direct

Usage: The letter seems to imply that the minister knew about the business deals.

34. RAMBUNCTIOUS (adj) – उधमी

Pronunciation: ram·buhngk·shuhs

Meaning: uncontrollably exuberant

Synonyms: boisterous, unrestrained, irrepressible, exuberant, uproarious, rollicking

Antonyms: restrained, quiet

Usage: Their rambunctious son always got into trouble.

35. SCINTILLATING (adj) – परिहास युक्त

Pronunciation: sin·tuh·lei·tuhng

Meaning: remarkably witty

Synonyms: brilliant, dazzling, exciting, exhilarating, stimulating, invigorating

Antonyms: boring, dull

Usage: Throughout the debate, the politician made people laugh with his scintillating remarks.

36. CONTAMINATE (verb) – दूषित करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·ta·muh·neit

Meaning: to make something dirty, dangerous or impure

Synonyms: pollute, adulterate, defile, debase, corrupt, taint, infect

Antonyms: purify, decontaminate

Usage: A sneeze guard covered the buffet line so that people wouldn't contaminate the food.

37. SOLITUDE (noun) – एकांत

Pronunciation: so·luh·hood

Meaning: the state or situation of being alone

Synonyms: loneliness, remoteness, isolation, seclusion, retirement, withdrawal

Antonym: company

Usage: Sometimes, a little solitude is just what you need to clear your mind.

38. INFERIOR (noun) – निम्न

Pronunciation: uhn·feeuh·ree·uh

Meaning: a person lower than another in rank, status, or ability

Synonyms: subordinate, junior, underling, minion, menial

Antonym: superior

Usage: A captain is inferior to a major.

39. REDUNDANT (adj) – अनावश्यक

Pronunciation: ruh·duhn·dnt

Meaning: not needed or useless

Synonyms: unnecessary, inessential, unessential, needless, unneeded, dispensable

Antonyms: essential, necessary

Usage: The programmer deleted the redundant line of code that added no value to the software program.

40. RAMPANT (adj) – अनियंत्रित

Pronunciation: ram·pnt

Meaning: flourishing or spreading unchecked

Synonyms: uncontrolled, unrestrained, unchecked, unbridled, widespread

Antonyms: controlled, restrained

Usage: Sadly, the Internet has made it easier for the rampant spread of false information.

41. RANCOUR (noun) – विद्वेष**Pronunciation:** ran·cor**Meaning:** bitterness or resentfulness**Synonyms:** hatred, hate, spite, hostility, resentment, bitterness, grudge**Antonyms:** amiability, amicability, civility, cordiality, friendliness**Usage:** She answered her accusers calmly and without rancour.**42. EXTRADITION (noun) – प्रत्यर्पण****Pronunciation:** ex·tra·di·tion**Meaning:** The action of eradicating a person accused or convicted of a crime**Synonyms:** banishment, deportation, displacement, exile, expatriation, expulsion, relegation**Antonyms:** banishment, deportation, displacement, exile,**Usage:** He is being imprisoned while awaiting possible extradition to the United States.**43. LIKEN (verb) – मिलाना****Pronunciation:** lik·en**Meaning:** point out the resemblance of someone or something to.**Synonyms:** analogize, assimilate, bracket, compare, equate**Antonyms:** differentiate, discern, discriminate, distinguish, separate**Usage:** The disappointed travelers likened the horrible trip to going to a beach with no water.**44. OASIS (noun) – सहारा****Pronunciation:** oa·sis**Meaning:** a fertile spot in a desert, where water is found.**Synonyms:** asylum, bolt-hole, harbor, harborage, haven, refuge, retreat, sanctuary, sanctum, shelter**Antonyms:** disarrangement, dishevelment, messiness, muss**Usage:** Ribbon Falls, a sacred site of the Zuni people, is an incredible green oasis in the sea of red.**45. ENDURE (verb) – सहना****Pronunciation:** en·dure**Meaning:** suffer patiently**Synonyms:** absorb, accept, bear, bide**Antonyms:** contest, fight, oppose, resist**Usage:** I cannot endure any more, he said, and left the room.**46. INSULATE (verb) – बचाने**

Pronunciation: in·su·late

Meaning: Protect (someone or something) from unpleasant influences or experiences

Synonyms: separation, nonconductor, insulant, furring, protecting,

Antonyms: associate, connect, join, link, unite

Usage: Texas prohibits abortions after six weeks and, equally significant for judicial review, appears to insulate state officials from lawsuits over its unconstitutionality.

47. BACKPEDAL (verb) – लाड़ प्यार करना

Pronunciation: back·ped·al

Meaning: move hastily backwards

Synonyms: fall back, back, backtrack, retreat, retrocede, retrograde

Antonyms: adhering (to), following through (with), complying (with), fulfilling, honoring

Usage: The Government are back-peddaling on their election promises.

48. UNFATHOMABLE (adj) – अथाह

Pronunciation: un·fath·om·able

Meaning: Incapable of being fully explored or understood

Synonyms: incalculable, incomputable, inestimable, innumerable

Antonyms: fathomable, measurable, depthless, shallow, superficial

Usage: We are moving into depths that are unfathomable.

49. ASSENT (noun) – अनुमति

Pronunciation: as·sent

Meaning: the expression of approval or agreement.

Synonyms: accede, acquiesce, agree, consent, and subscribe

Antonyms: rebuff, refuse, reject, scorn

Usage: She murmured her assent and that ended the conversation.

50. EGREGIOUS (adj) – प्रबल

Pronunciation: egre·gious

Meaning: outstandingly bad; shocking.

Synonyms: shocking, horrific, terrible, frightful, horrendous

Antonym: marvellous

Usage: Egregious errors were caused by the tablet's failure to check spelling.

51. APATHY (noun) – उदासीनता

Pronunciation: ap·a·thy

Meaning: lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern

Synonyms: affectlessness, emotionlessness, impassiveness, impassivity

Antonyms: compassion, empathy, pity, sympathy

Usage: That is evidenced in the apathy of Democrats toward the Sept. 14 recall election.

52. ERADICATE (verb) – उन्मूलन

Pronunciation: erad·i·cate

Meaning: destroy completely; put an end to

Synonyms: annihilate, clean (up), erase, sweep (away), wipe out

Antonyms: extinguish, exterminate, excise, uproot

Usage: The non-profit organization, founded by Sonia Jackson Myles, empowers young women to eradicate bullying and violence.

53. OUTLAW (verb) – डाकू

Pronunciation: out·law

Meaning: a person excluded from the benefit or protection of the law.

Synonyms: criminalize, illegalize

Antonyms: decriminalize, legalize

Usage: Billy the Kid was one of the most famous outlaws of America's early history.

54. REPRESSIVE (adj) – दमनकारी

Pronunciation: ri-'pre-siv

Meaning: (especially of a social or political system) inhibiting or restraining personal freedom.

Synonyms: restrictive, authoritarian, autocratic, difficult

Antonyms: cathartic, purificatory, meaningful, significant

Usage: The emperor had returned to Bismarck's policy of joining social reform with repressive legislation.

55. CLAMOUR (verb) – शोर मचाना

Pronunciation: clam·our

Meaning: (of a group of people) shout loudly and insistently

Synonyms: loud noise, uproar, tumult, babel, shouting,

Antonyms: calm, order, peace, silence

Usage: He raised a hand to still the clamour.

56. RESENT (verb) – नाराज़ करना

Pronunciation: re·sent

Meaning: Feel bitterness or indignation at (a circumstance, action, or person)

Synonyms: repel, resist, rebel, recalcitrate,

Antonyms: acquiesce, submit, condone, pardon, overlook

Usage: The children resented the new woman in their father's life.

57. RIVETING (verb) – दिलचस्प

Pronunciation: riv·et·ing

Meaning: Completely engrossing

Synonyms: absorbing, arresting, consuming, interesting

Antonyms: boring, drab, dry, dull

Usage: A riveting explanation of light waves that fascinated the class.



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58. APPREHENSIVE (adj) – भयभीत

Pronunciation: ap·pre·hen·sive

Meaning: Anxious or fearful that something bad or unpleasant will happen

Synonyms: anxious, alarmed, worried, fidgety, panicky

Antonyms: definite, sure, at ease, quiet.

Usage: I'm very apprehensive about tomorrow's meeting.

59. TALISMAN (noun) – तावीज़

Pronunciation: tal·is·man

Meaning: an object held to act as a charm to avert evil and bring good fortune.

Synonyms: amulet, charm, fetish (also fetich), mascot

Antonyms: hoodoo, jinx

Usage: A pendant of white nephrite jade is often worn by Indians as a talisman to ward off heart disease.

60. FORAY (noun) – धावा

Pronunciation: for·ay

Meaning: a sudden attack or incursion into enemy territory, especially to obtain something; a raid.

Synonyms: descent, incursion, inroad, invasion

Antonyms: flight, retreat, recall, decampment

Usage: My foray into rugby ended with my spending a week in the hospital.

61. MITIGATION (noun) – कमी करना

Pronunciation: mit·i·ga·tion

Meaning: The action of reducing the severity, seriousness, or painfulness of something

Synonyms: reduction, assuagement, decrease, diminishment

Antonyms: discomfort, unrest, agony, anguish

Usage: The removal or the mitigation of objectionable matter is also occasionally found.

62. MANOEUVRE (verb) – पैंतरेबाज़ी

Pronunciation: ma·noeu·vre

Meaning: Move skillfully or carefully

Synonyms: Steer, guide, drive, navigate, move

Antonyms: cessation, ignorance, inaction, inactivity.

Usage: If you manoeuvre a situation, you change it in a clever and skilful way so that you can benefit from it.

63. CONUNDRUM (noun) – पहेली

Pronunciation: co·nun·drum

Meaning: A confusing and difficult problem or question.

Synonyms: closed book, enigma, head-scratcher, mystery

Antonyms: axiom, explanation, proposition

Usage: The conundrum is that I am stranded in the middle of nowhere without my cell phone.

64. RETROFIT (verb) – दोबारा बनाना

Pronunciation: ret·ro·fit

Meaning: Provide (something) with a component or accessory not fitted during manufacture.

Synonyms: reassemble, rebuild, reconstruct, redevelop.

Antonyms: demount, disassemble, dismantle, dismember

Usage: The factory has been retrofitted to meet the new safety regulations.

65. WHIP (verb) – चाबुक

Pronunciation: vip

Meaning: a strip of leather or length of cord fastened to a handle, used for flogging or beating a person or for urging on an animal.

Synonyms: flogger, lash, scourge, switch

Antonyms: birch, blacksnake, bullwhip, cowhide

Usage: Whips are generally used on animals to provide directional guidance or to encourage movement.

66. PROTEAN (adj) – रूपांतरणीय

Pronunciation: proh•tee•uhn

Meaning: tending or able to change frequently or easily.

Synonyms: variable, changeable, mutable

Antonyms: limited, amateur

Usage: It is difficult to comprehend the whole of this protean subject.

67. BUCKLE (verb) – झुकना

Pronunciation: buck·le

Meaning: Bend and give way under a weight or force

Synonyms: grasp, clutch, clamp, fasten

Antonyms: unfasten, undo, refuse, leave

Usage: The bridge buckled in the storm.

68. IRATE (adj) – क्रुद्ध

Pronunciation: ī- 'rāt

Meaning: Feeling or Charachterized by great anger

Synonyms: angered, angry, apoplectic, ballistic

Antonyms: angerless, delighted, pleased.

Usage: Irate viewers called the television network to complain about the show.

69. SWEEPING (adj) – झाड़ू मारना

Pronunciation: svee·puhng

Meaning: Extended or performed in a long and continous curve.

Synonyms: broad, deep, expansive, extended

Antonyms: circumscribed, limited, restricted

Usage: Security forces were given sweeping powers to search homes.

70. LEVERAGE (verb) – लाभ

Pronunciation: le·ver·age

Meaning: use (something) to maximum advantage.

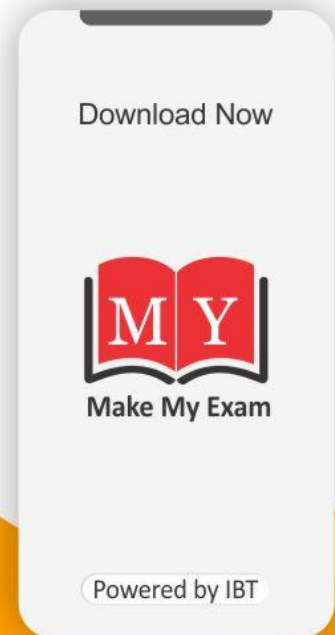
Synonyms: authority, clout, credit, heft

Antonyms: abuse, capitalize (on), cash in (on), exploit

Usage: Without leverage, it will be hard to convince the daughter to testify against her mother.

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