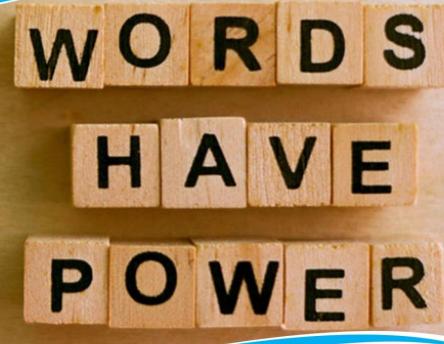






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Happy learning!!!

1.SECRECY (noun): गुप्तता

Pronunciation: see kruh see **Meaning:** the action of keeping something secret or the state of being kept secret. **Synonyms:** closeness, secretiveness, privacy **Antonyms:** candor, frankness, openness **Sentence:** The talks have been cloaked in <u>secrecy</u>.

2.EXERTION (noun) : तनाव

Pronunciation: uhg·zuh·shn **Meaning:** physical or mental effort. **Synonyms:** strain, struggle, toil **Antonyms:** struggle, toil **Sentence:** A person with nephritis must avoid all <u>exertion</u>.

3.SEDULOUS (adj.) : परिश्रमी

Pronunciation: seh-joo-luhs
Meaning: (of a person or action) showing dedication and diligence.
Synonyms: diligent, careful, meticulous
Antonyms: idle, inactive, dull
Sentence: An impressively <u>sedulous</u> suitor, he was constantly sending her flowers and other tokens of his affection,

4.EGREGIOUS (adj.) : प्रबल

Pronunciation: uh·gree·juhs
Meaning: outstandingly bad; shocking.
Synonyms: shocking, appalling, horrific
Antonyms: imperceptible, inconspicuous, unnoticeable
Sentence: It was an <u>egregious</u> error for a statesman to show such ignorance.

5.INSCRUTABLE (adj.) : गूढ़

Pronunciation: uhn·skroo·tuh·bl
Meaning: impossible to understand or interpret.
Synonyms: enigmatic, unreadable, impenetrable
Antonyms: fathomable, intelligible, understandable
Sentence: There are many <u>inscrutable</u> beliefs of that ancient religion



6.PIQUE (noun) : मनमुटाव

Pronunciation: pēk
Meaning: a feeling of irritation or resentment resulting from a slight, especially to one's pride.
Synonyms: irritation, annoyance, resentment
Antonyms: appeasement, mollification, pacification
Sentence: In a fit of pique, he posted embarrassing photos of his friend on the Internet.

7.SHEEPISH (adj.) : शर्मीला

Pronunciation: sheep uhs
Meaning: (of a person or expression) showing embarrassment from shame or a lack of self-confidence.
Synonyms: embarrassed, uncomfortable, hangdog
Antonyms: extroverted, bold, dashing
Sentence: He came into the room looking distinctly sheepish.

8.GROTESQUE (adj.) : विचित्र

Pronunciation: groh·tesk
Meaning: comically or repulsively ugly or distorted.
Synonyms: malformed, deformed, strange
Antonyms: impressive, pretty, ravishing
Sentence: That bloody Halloween mask is grotesque.

9.PREDISPOSE (noun) : संभावना अधिक होती है

Pronunciation: pree duh spoze
Meaning: make someone liable or inclined to a specified attitude, action, or condition.
Synonyms: make susceptible, make liable, make prone
Antonyms: unwilling, disinclined, hesitant
Sentence: His good manners predispose people to like him.

10.SALUBRIOUS (adj.) : स्वास्थ्यप्रद

Pronunciation: suh·loo·bree·uhs **Meaning:** health-giving; healthy. **Synonyms:** healthy, beneficial **Antonyms:** insalubrious, noxious, unhealthful Sentence: He doesn't live in a very <u>salubrious</u> part of town.



