

VOCABULARY

1. INTENT (NOUN/ADJECTIVE): इरादा

Pronunciation: uhn•tent

Meaning: having the mind or attention firmly fixed on something; (n) intention or purpose.

Synonyms: aim, goal, objective, purpose

Antonyms: aimless, unfocused, distracted

Sentence: The athlete had an **intent** look on his face as he prepared for the race.

2. CANARD (NOUN): झूठी खबर, धोखा

Pronunciation: ka•naad

Meaning: false or baseless, usually a derogatory story, report, or rumor, misleading statement

Synonyms: falsehood, rumor, hoax, fabrication, lie

Antonyms: truth, fact, reality

Sentence The politician was known for spreading **canards** about his opponents to gain an advantage in the election.

3. TACITURN (ADJECTIVE): अल्पभाषी

Pronunciation: ta•suh•tuhn

Meaning: reserved or uncommunicative in speech; tending not to speak much.

Synonyms: untalkative, uncommunicative, reticent

Antonyms: blabby, chatty, talkative

Sentence: John is a **taciturn** man who rarely speaks more than a few words at a time.

4. LEVY (VERB): जुर्माना लगाना

Pronunciation: leh•vee

Meaning: to impose or collect a tax, fee or fine (that you have to pay to a government or organization).

Synonyms: tax, charge, impose

Antonyms: exempt, waive, Refund, cancel

Sentence: The government decided to **levy** an additional tax on luxury goods.

5. BATTERED (ADJECTIVE): क्षतिग्रस्त

Pronunciation: ba•tuhd

Meaning: hurt by being repeatedly hit; damaged, especially by being used a lot.

Synonyms: beaten, damaged, worn out, dilapidated

Antonyms: undamaged, unspoiled, new, pristine

Sentence: The old, **battered** car was still running, but it was clearly on its last legs. across Europe.

6. GAUGE (VERB): मापना

Pronunciation: gayj

Meaning: to calculate an amount, especially by using a measuring device; to make a judgment about something, usually people's feelings.

Synonyms: measure, calculate, Assess, evaluate

Antonyms: estimation, guess, speculate

Sentence: We need to *gauge* the amount of work required before committing to the project.

7. STRANDED (ADJECTIVE): फंसा हुआ

Pronunciation: strand•uhd

Meaning: unable to leave somewhere because of a problem such as not having any transportation or money (lacking what is necessary to leave a place or to get out of a situation).

Synonyms: marooned, stuck, abandoned, isolated

Antonyms: rescued, assisted, Liberated

Sentence: The travelers were *stranded* in the desert when their car broke down.

8. VIRULENCE (NOUN): अनिष्ट करता

Pronunciation: vi•ruh•luhns

Meaning: the danger and speed of spreading of a disease; very strong feelings of hating or opposing something or someone.

Synonyms: toxicity, malignancy, bitterness

Antonyms: harmlessness, benignity

Sentence: The *virulence* of the virus made the disease very dangerous and deadly.

9. PERIPHERY (NOUN): परिधि

Pronunciation: puh•ri•fuh•ree

Meaning: the outer limit or edge of an area or object.

Synonyms: edge, Border, margin, fringe, rim

Antonyms: center, core, middle

Sentence: The new factory will be located on the *periphery* of the city.

10. PROXIMITY (NOUN): निकटता

Pronunciation: prawk•suh•muh•tee

Meaning: nearness; the state of being close to something in space, time, or a relationship.

Synonyms: Closeness, nearness, adjacency, vicinity

Antonyms: Distance, remoteness, separation

Sentence: The *proximity* of the beach to our hotel was a major selling point.