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Happy learning!!!

1. IMPETUOUS (adj.) : अविवेकी

Pronunciation: uhm•peh•choo•uhs

Meaning: acting or done quickly and without thought or care.

Synonyms: impulsive, rash, hasty

Antonyms: careful, cautious, heedful

Sentence: He's always been an impetuous young man, rushing into things without asking questions first.

2. ENAMOR (verb) : आनंदित करना

Pronunciation: en•am•or

Meaning: be filled with a feeling of love for.

Synonyms: in love with, infatuated with, besotted with

Antonyms: allergic, averse

Sentence: Her beauty enamored the prince.

3. DESOLATION (noun) : वीरानी

Pronunciation: duh•zuh•lay•shn

Meaning: a state of complete emptiness or destruction.

Synonyms: barrenness, bleakness, starkness

Antonyms: blissfulness, ecstasy, elatedness

Sentence: His desolation after his twin brother died was incurable.

4. CONVALESCE (verb) : अच्छा हो जाना

Pronunciation: kaw•vuh•les

Meaning: recover one's health and strength over a period of time after an illness or operation.

Synonyms: recuperate, get better, recover

Antonyms: fail, collapse, sicken

Sentence: The long months that the soldier spent in the hospital slowly convalesce.

5. UNCOUTH (adj.) : गंवार

Pronunciation: uhn•kooth

Meaning: (of a person or their appearance or behavior) lacking good manners, refinement, or grace.

Synonyms: uncivilized, uncultured, strange

Antonyms: civilized, cultured, classy

Sentence: He is unwashed, uncouth, and drunk most of the time.

6. ELUCIDATIVE (adj.) : स्पष्ट

Pronunciation: elu·ci·dative

Meaning: serving to explain

Synonyms: exegetical, explanative, explanatory

Antonyms: befogging, clouding

Sentence: Most editions of Shakespeare's plays now have elucidative footnotes to help the modern reader.

7. PANDER (verb) : बढ़ावा देना

Pronunciation: pan·daa

Meaning: gratify or indulge (an immoral or distasteful desire, need, habit or a person with such a desire, etc.).

Synonyms: indulge, gratify, satisfy

Antonyms: anger, annoy, disappoint.

Sentence: Don't pander to such people.

8. HARANGUE (noun) : भाषण

Pronunciation: huh·rang

Meaning: a lengthy and aggressive speech.

Synonyms: tirade, lecture, diatribe

Antonym: panegyric

Sentence: They were subjected to a ten-minute harangue by two border guards.

9. RABID (adj.) : विकिष्ट

Pronunciation: ra·buhd

Meaning: having or proceeding from extreme or fanatical support of or belief in something.

Synonyms: extreme, fanatical, overzealous

Antonyms: delighted, pleased

Sentence: Even the survey's most rabid critics acknowledge the utility of this kind of data.

10. MORIBUND (adj.) : मरणासन्न

Pronunciation: maw·ruh·buhnd

Meaning: (of a person) at the point of death.

Synonyms: dying, expiring, near-death

Antonyms: alive, animate, live

Sentence: The patient was moribund by the time the doctor arrived.

11. LAMBASTE (verb) : आलोचना करना

Pronunciation: lam'bast

Meaning: criticize (someone or something) harshly.

Synonyms: criticize, castigate, chastise

Antonyms: acclaim, commend, compliment

Sentence: The professor lambasted me for my careless mistake.

12. PARTISAN (noun) : पक्षपातपूर्ण

Pronunciation: paar•tuh•zn

Meaning: a strong supporter of a party, cause, or person.

Synonyms: supporter, follower, adherent

Antonyms: impartial, neutral, nonpartisan

Sentence: British newspapers are highly partisan.

13. PHALANX (noun) : झुंड

Pronunciation: fay•langks

Meaning: formal a large collection of people, animals, or things often placed close together

Synonyms: brigade, crew, platoon

Antonyms: individual, single

Sentence: A solid phalanx of armed guards stood in front of the castle.

14. PROSCRIPTION (noun) : बहिष्कार

Pronunciation: prow•skrip•shn

Meaning: the action of forbidding something; banning.

Synonyms: prohibition, prohibiting, forbidding

Antonyms: allowance, permission, sufferance

Sentence: The proscription against bicycles and skateboards is intended to make the plaza a more pedestrian-friendly place

15. CREDULITY (noun) : भोलापन

Pronunciation: kruh•doo•luh•tee

Meaning: a tendency to be too ready to believe that something is real or true.

Synonyms: credulousness, naivety, gullibility

Antonyms: incredulity, skepticism

Sentence: The quack pushing the phony medicine was taking advantage of the credulity of people hoping for miracle cures

16. DEMAGOGUE (noun) : जनसमुदाय का नेता

Pronunciation: dem•a•gogue

Meaning: a political leader who seeks support by appealing to the desires and prejudices of ordinary people rather than by using rational argument.

Synonyms: rabble-rouser, political agitator, agitator

Antonyms: peacemaker, reconciler, uniter

Sentence: The Senator was a gifted demagogue, with particular skill in manipulating press and television.



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17. SWAY (noun) : बोलबाला

Pronunciation: sway

Meaning: the power to bring about a result on another

Synonyms: effect, impact, influence

Antonyms: impotence, impotency, powerlessness

Sentence: Under the sway of euphoria, she offered to take us all out to dinner in celebration of her new job.

18. UNWITTING (adj.) : अनिच्छित

Pronunciation: uhn•wi•tuhng

Meaning: (of a person) not aware of the full facts.

Synonyms: unknowing, unconscious, unsuspecting

Antonyms: acquainted, aware, cognizant

Sentence: The two women claimed they were the unwitting victims of a drug dealer who planted a large quantity of heroin in their luggage.

19. MASQUERADE (noun) : छद्मवेष**Pronunciation:** ma•skuh•rayd**Meaning:** a false show or pretense.**Synonyms:** pretense, deception, facade**Antonyms:** candidness, candor**Sentence:** His masquerade ended when he was arrested.**20. SYMPOSIUM (noun) : संगोष्ठी****Pronunciation:** suhm•pow•zee•uhm**Meaning:** a conference or meeting to discuss a particular subject.**Synonyms:** assembly, conclave, congregation**Antonyms:** division, lawlessness, fractionation, splitting up**Sentence:** He had been taking part in an international symposium on population.**21. SEDULOUS (noun) : परिश्रमी****Pronunciation:** seh•joo•luhs**Meaning:** (of a person or action) showing dedication and diligence.**Synonyms:** diligent, careful, meticulous**Antonyms:** idle, inactive, unbusy**Sentence:** He watched himself with the most sedulous care.**22. PESTERED (verb) : सताया****Pronunciation:** peh•stuhd**Meaning:** trouble or annoy (someone) with frequent or persistent requests or interruptions.**Synonyms:** badger, hound, annoy**Antonyms:** delighted, pleased**Sentence:** He'd been pestered by reporters for days.**23. INSALUBRIOUS (adj.) : अस्वस्थ****Pronunciation:** in•suh•loo•bree•uhs**Meaning:** (especially of a climate or locality) not salubrious; unhealthy.**Synonyms:** seedy, unsavory, sordid**Antonyms:** healthful, healthy**Sentence:** After inhaling the insalubrious city smog for a month, I was happy to once again breathe in the fresh air of the country.**24. INFATUATED (adj.) : मुग्ध****Pronunciation:** uhn•fa•choo•ayt•uhd**Meaning:** possessed with an intense but short-lived passion or admiration for someone.

Synonyms: besotted, obsessed

Antonyms: allergic, averse, disinclined

Sentence: She was infatuated with her boss.

25. RETICENT (adj.) : मौन रहने वाला

Pronunciation: reh·tuh·snt

Meaning: not revealing one's thoughts or feelings readily.

Synonyms: reserved, withdrawn, introverted

Antonyms: communicative, open, frank

Sentence: She was extremely reticent about her personal affairs.

26. ASININE (adj.) : नासमझ

Pronunciation: a·suh·nine

Meaning: extremely stupid or foolish.

Synonyms: stupid, foolish, brainless

Antonyms: judicious, prudent, sagacious

Sentence: It was asinine to run into the street like that

27. SERENDIPITY (noun) : नसीब

Pronunciation: seh·ruhn·di·puh·tee

Meaning: the occurrence and development of events by chance in a happy or beneficial way.

Synonyms: luck, good fortune, chance

Antonyms: mischance, misfortune, unluckiness

Sentence: Nature has created wonderful serendipity.

28. UMBRAGE (noun) : अपमान

Pronunciation: uhm·bruhj

Meaning: offense or annoyance.

Synonyms: take offense, be offended, be affronted

Antonyms: appeasement, mollification, pacification

Sentence: She took umbrage at his remarks.

29. CONFRONTATION (noun) : आमना-सामना

Pronunciation: kawnt·fruhnt·ay·shn

Meaning: a hostile or argumentative meeting or situation between opposing parties.

Synonyms: conflict, clash, brush

Antonyms: concord, harmony, peace

Sentence: The government was dragged willy-nilly into the confrontation.

30. DISCONSOLATE (adj.) : निराश**Pronunciation:** duh·skawn·suh·luht**Meaning:** without consolation or comfort; unhappy.**Synonyms:** unhappy, doleful, woebegone**Antonyms:** happy, cheerful, blissful**Sentence:** The death of her father left Mary disconsolate.**31. TURMOIL (noun) : उथल-पुथल****Pronunciation:** tuh•moyl**Meaning:** a state of great disturbance, confusion, or uncertainty.**Synonyms:** confusion, upheaval, turbulence**Antonyms:** calm, ease, peace**Sentence:** Her mind was in a state of constant turmoil.**32. CRUSADER (noun) : जेहादी****Pronunciation:** kroo•sayd•uh**Meaning:** a fighter in the medieval Crusades.**Synonyms:** campaigner, fighter, battler**Antonyms:** dabbler, dilettante, nonmilitant**Sentence:** He fought as a crusader at the Navas de Tolosa, he went to Rome to be crowned and did voluntary homage to the pope.**33. CREDIBLE (adj.) : विश्वसनीय****Pronunciation:** kreh•duh•bl**Meaning:** able to be believed; convincing.**Synonyms:** acceptable, trustworthy, reliable**Antonyms:** unbelievable, unsure, doubtful**Sentence:** Few people found his story credible.**34. AGHAST (adj.) : भौचक्का****Pronunciation:** uh•gaast**Meaning:** filled with horror or shock.**Synonyms:** horrified, appalled, astounded**Antonyms:** fearless, unafraid, brave**Sentence:** When the news came out they were aghast.**35. STEER (verb) : मार्गदर्शन करना****Pronunciation:** steuh

Meaning: (of a person) guides or control the movement of (a vehicle, vessel, or aircraft), for example by turning a wheel or operating a rudder.

Synonyms: guide, direct, maneuver

Antonyms: follow, trail

Sentence: He steered the boat slowly toward the busy quay.

36. EVASION (noun) : टालना

Pronunciation: uh•vay•zhn

Meaning: the action of evading something.

Synonyms: avoidance, dodging, eluding

Antonyms: abidance, endurance, submission

Sentence: He was arrested for tax evasion.

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37. SPURIOUS (adj.) : नकली

Pronunciation: spyoo•ree•uhs

Meaning: not being what it purports to be; false or fake.

Synonyms: bogus, fake, not genuine

Antonyms: genuine, real, actual

Sentence: He was arrested in 1979 on spurious corruption charges.

38. VENGEFUL (adj.) : तामसिक

Pronunciation: venj•ful

Meaning: seeking to harm someone in return for a perceived injury.

Synonyms: vindictive, revengeful, out for revenge

Antonyms: forgiving, benevolent, calm

Sentence: He was stabbed to death by his vengeful wife.

39. MENACE (verb) : खतरा

Pronunciation: meh•nuhs

Meaning: threaten, especially in a malignant or hostile manner.

Synonyms: threaten, scare, imperil

Antonyms: guard, protect, save

Sentence: Africa's elephants are still menaced by poaching.

40. SCRUFFY (adj.) : मैला-कुचैला

Pronunciation: skruh•ee

Meaning: shabby and untidy or dirty

Synonyms: shabby, worn, shoddy

Antonyms: smart, tidy, clean

Sentence: His scruffy appearance does not reflect his character.

41. RAPACIOUS (adj.) : लालची

Pronunciation: ruh•pay•shuhs

Meaning: aggressively greedy or grasping.

Synonyms: grasping, greedy, avaricious

Antonyms: satisfied, stuffed, generous

Sentence: Hawks and other rapacious birds prey on a variety of small animals.

42. PRELUDE (noun) : प्रस्तावना

Pronunciation: preh•lyood

Meaning: an action or event serving as an introduction to something more important.

Synonyms: preliminary, overture, opening

Antonyms: aftermath, closing, conclusion

Sentence: Education cannot simply be a prelude to a career.

43. ENTRANT (noun) : शामिल होनेवाला

Pronunciation: en•truhnt

Meaning: a person or group that enters, joins, or takes part in something.

Synonyms: beginner, newcomer, fresher

Antonyms: dropout, noncandidate

Sentence: The prize will be awarded to the entrant who wins the tiebreak.

44. EXONERATE (verb) : मुक्त करना

Pronunciation: uhg•zaw•nuh•rayt

Meaning: release someone from (a duty or obligation).

Synonyms: release, discharge, relieve

Antonyms: criminate, incriminate, accuse

Sentence: Pope Clement V exonerated the king from his oath to the barons.

45. WARY (adj.) : सावधान

Pronunciation: veuh•ree

Meaning: feeling or showing caution about possible dangers or problems.

Synonyms: cautious, careful, circumspect

Antonyms: careless, heedless, incautious

Sentence: Dogs that have been mistreated often remain very wary of strangers.

46. ADVERSARY (noun) : विरोधी

Pronunciation: ad•ver•sary

Meaning: one's opponent in a contest, conflict, or dispute.

Synonyms: opponent, rival, enemy

Antonyms: partner, hospitable, friend

Sentence: Davis beat his old adversary in the quarterfinals.

47. LARGESSE (noun) : उदारता

Pronunciation: laa•jes

Meaning: generosity in bestowing money or gifts upon others.

Synonyms: generosity, liberality, munificence

Antonyms: cheapness, parsimony, penuriousness

Sentence: She is not noted for her largesse.

48. APPROBATION (noun) : प्रशंसा

Pronunciation: a•proh•bay•shn

Meaning: approval or praise.

Synonyms: approval, acceptance, assent

Antonyms: disapprobation, disapproval, disfavor

Sentence: The manager surveyed her report with approbation.

49. REPRIMAND (noun) : डांटना

Pronunciation: reh•pruh•maand

Meaning: a rebuke, especially an official one.

Synonyms: rebuke, reproof, admonishment

Antonyms: citation, commendation, endorsement

Sentence: The golfer received a reprimand for a breach of rules.

50. VAGUE (adj.) : अस्पष्ट

Pronunciation: vayg

Meaning: of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning.

Synonyms: indistinct, indefinite, unclear

Antonyms: clear, definite, specific

Sentence: They had only a vague idea of where the place was.

51. DELIRIOUS (adj.) : भ्रान्तचित्त

Pronunciation: duh·leeuh·ree·uhs

Meaning: in an acutely disturbed state of mind resulting from illness or intoxication and characterized by restlessness, illusions, and incoherence of thought and speech.

Synonyms: incoherent, raving, babbling

Antonyms: relaxed, calm, peaceful

Sentence: He's so delirious he doesn't know where he is.

52. SUCCINCTLY (adv.) : संक्षेप

Pronunciation: suhk·singkt·lee

Meaning: in a brief and clearly expressed manner.

Synonyms: briefly, compactly, concisely

Antonyms: diffusely, long-windedly, verbosely

Sentence: He succinctly summed up his manifesto as "Work hard, train hard and play hard".

53. BALDERDASH (noun) : बकवास

Pronunciation: bawl·duh·dash

Meaning: senseless talk or writing; nonsense.

Synonyms: nonsense, gibberish, claptrap

Antonyms: sensibleness, discernment

Sentence: Every word that came out of the drunk man's mouth was balderdash.

54. FREIGHT (noun) : परिवहन

Pronunciation: frayt

Meaning: goods transported in bulk by truck, train, ship, or aircraft.

Synonyms: cargo, consignment, haul

Antonyms: alleviate, ease, lighten, relieve

Sentence: France derives 16% of revenue from air freight.

55. TRANSMOGRIFY (verb) : परिणत हो जाना

Pronunciation: tranz·maw·gruh·fai

Meaning: transform in a surprising or magical manner.

Synonyms: redesign, transfigure, transform

Antonyms: increase, keep, leave alone, preserve.

Sentence: The cucumbers were ultimately transmogrified into pickles.

56. JETTISON (verb) : बोझ गिराना**Pronunciation:** jeh·tuh·sn**Meaning:** throw or drop (something) from an aircraft or ship.**Synonyms:** discarding, disposal, dumping**Antonyms:** accumulation, gathering**Sentence:** Six aircraft jettisoned their loads in the sea.**57. GRISLY (adj.) : भयानक****Pronunciation:** griz·lee**Meaning:** causing horror or disgust.**Synonyms:** gruesome, ghastly, frightful**Antonyms:** comforting, soothing, pleasurable**Sentence:** The 55-year-old Canadian had suffered a grisly death.**58. SERENITY (noun) : शांति****Pronunciation:** suh·reh·nuh·tee**Meaning:** the state of being calm, peaceful, and untroubled.**Synonyms:** calmness, tranquillity, peacefulness**Antonyms:** bustle, tumult, turmoil**Sentence:** Her face had an expression of absolute serenity.**59. CONSCIENTIOUS (adj.) : ईमानदार****Pronunciation:** kuhn·sen·shee·uhs**Meaning:** (of a person) wishing to do what is right, especially to do one's work or duty well and thoroughly.**Synonyms:** diligent, industrious, punctilious**Antonyms:** cutthroat, dishonest, dishonorable**Sentence:** We are generally very conscientious about our work.**60. LUGUBRIOUS (adj.) : शोकाकुल****Pronunciation:** luh·goo·bree·uhs**Meaning:** looking or sounding sad and dismal.**Synonyms:** mournful, gloomy, sad**Antonyms:** delighted, exulting, glorying**Sentence:** His face looked even more lugubrious than usual.**61. DOMINEERING (adj.) : अत्याचारी****Pronunciation:** daw·muh·neeuh·ruhng**Meaning:** asserting one's will over another in an arrogant way.

Synonyms: browbeat, bully, intimidate

Antonyms: humble, meek, modest

Sentence: Many of her women friends also had domineering husbands.

62. DEVIIOUS (adj.) : चालाक

Pronunciation: Devious

Meaning: showing a skillful use of underhanded tactics to achieve goals.

Synonyms: underhand, deceptive, dishonest

Antonyms: guileless, ingenuous, innocent

Sentence: You have to be a bit devious if you're going to succeed in business.

63. OPTOMETRIST (noun) : चिकित्सक

Pronunciation: awp·taw·muh·truhst

Meaning: a person who practices optometry.

Synonyms: doctor, medic, physician

Antonyms: nondoctor, nonphysician

Sentence: A swollen optic nerve found by her optometrist led to the discovery of the tumor.

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64. DESICCATE (verb) : सूखना

Pronunciation: deh·suh·kayt

Meaning: remove the moisture from (something); cause it to become completely dry.

Synonyms: dried, dried up, dehydrated

Antonyms: hydrate, wash, water

Sentence: The bricks were desiccated by the sun.

65. RIPOSTE (verb) : जवाबी हमला

Pronunciation: ruh·pawst

Meaning: make a quick, clever reply to an insult or criticism.

Synonyms: retort, counter, hurl back

Antonyms: ask, inquire, question

Sentence: The US delivered an early riposte to the air attack.

66. TRIVIAL (adj.) : तुच्छ

Pronunciation: tri·vee·uhl

Meaning: of little value or importance.

Synonyms: unimportant, insignificant, inconsequential

Antonyms: consequential, important, major

Sentence: He could remember every trivial incident in great detail.

67. SLEUTH (noun) : जासूस

Pronunciation: slooth

Meaning: a person who investigates crimes; a detective.

Synonyms: private detective, detective, private investigator

Antonyms: Ignore, miss, neglect

Sentence: The trusty Dr. Watson narrates the stories of his adventures with the sleuth of Baker Street.

68. QUIBBLE (noun) : वक्रोक्ति

Pronunciation: kvi·bl

Meaning: a slight objection or criticism about a trivial matter.

Synonyms: minor criticism, trivial objection, trivial complaint

Antonyms: applaud, commend, compliment

Sentence: The only quibble about this book is the lack of color illustrations.

69. BEREAVE (verb) : वंचित करना

Pronunciation: buh·reev

Meaning: be deprived of a loved one through a profound absence, especially due to the loved one's death.

Synonyms: deprive, dispossess, strip

Antonyms: cheerful, glad, happy

Sentence: The plane crash bereaved her of her husband.

70. SYMPOSIUM (noun) : संगोष्ठी

Pronunciation: suhm·poze·ee·uhm

Meaning: a conference or meeting to discuss a particular subject.

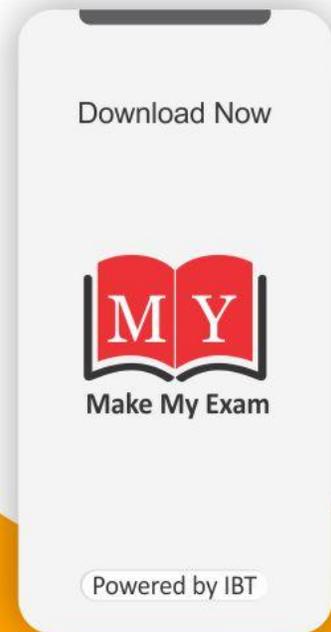
Synonyms: assembly, conclave, congregation

Antonyms: division, lawlessness, fractionation

Sentence: He had been taking part in an international symposium on population.

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