

VOCABULARY

1. STINGY (ADJECTIVE): कंजूस

Pronunciation: sting•ee

Meaning: unwilling to give or spend; ungenerous.

Synonyms: miserly, parsimonious, niggardly

Antonyms: generous, munificent, liberal

Sentence: She's too *stingy* to give money to charity.

2. CULL (NOUN): छाँटना / निकृष्ट वस्तु

Pronunciation: kuhl

Meaning: something separated from a group or lot for not being as good as the others.

Synonyms: discard, reject, throwaway

Antonyms: selection, keeper, choice

Sentence: The unbruised apples will be packed in bags, and the *culls* will be used for cider.

3. DURESS (NOUN): दबाव

Pronunciation: dyoo•res

Meaning: threats, violence, constraints, or other action brought to bear on someone to do something against their will or better judgment.

Synonyms: coercion, compulsion, enforcement

Antonyms: agreement, consent, approval

Sentence: He signed the confession under *duress*.

4. HEED (VERB): मान ली

Pronunciation: heed•uhd

Meaning: pay attention to; take notice of.

Synonyms: followed, noted, obeyed

Antonyms: ignored, disregarded, dismissed

Sentence: If he had only *heeded* my warnings, none of this would have happened.

5. EULOGIZE (VERB): स्तुति करना

Pronunciation: eu•lo•gize

Meaning: praise highly in speech or writing.

Synonyms: praise, hail, laud

Antonyms: criticize, condemn, denounce

Sentence: Critics everywhere have *eulogized* her new novel.

6. WAYWARD (ADJECTIVE): स्वच्छंद

Pronunciation: way•wuhd

Meaning: difficult to control or predict because of unusual or perverse behavior.

Synonyms: willful, self-willed, headstrong

Antonyms: obedient, disciplined, compliant

Sentence: This *wayward* tendency is a great drawback.

7. UPROOT (VERB): जड़ से उखाड़ना

Pronunciation: up•root

Meaning: to draw out by force or with effort.

Synonyms: withdraw, remove, extract

Antonyms: install, insert, implant

Sentence: We must *uproot* our bad habits.

8. GAWKING (VERB): आंखे फाड़कर देखना

Pronunciation: gawk•uhng

Meaning: stare openly and stupidly.

Synonyms: gape, goggle, gaze

Antonyms: glancing, peeking, ignoring

Sentence: I hate being *gawked* at!

9. COMPLACENCY (NOUN): आत्मसंतोष / लापरवाही

Pronunciation: kuhm•play•suhns•ee

Meaning: a feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements.

Synonyms: smugness, self-satisfaction, self-approval

Antonyms: concern, anxiety, vigilance

Sentence: Doctors have warned against *complacency* in fighting common diseases.

10. ACRIDITY (NOUN): कटुता

Pronunciation: acrid•i•ty

Meaning: a harsh or sharp quality.

Synonyms: bitterness, harshness, severity

Antonyms: mildness, gentleness, kindness

Sentence: The *acridity* of the stand-up comedian was a little unexpected.