

VOCABULARY

1. TRANCHE (NOUN): अंश

Pronunciation: traanch

Meaning: a portion of something, especially money.

Synonyms: fraction, tiny part, bit

Antonyms: entirety, aggregate, whole

Sentence: They risk losing the next *tranche* of funding.

2. ATTRITION (NOUN): कमी होना

Pronunciation: uh•tri•shn

Meaning: the action or process of gradually reducing the strength or effectiveness of someone or something through sustained attack or pressure.

Synonyms: decay, weakening, debilitation

Antonyms: buildup, increase, gain

Sentence: The council is trying to wear down the opposition by *attrition*.

3. JOCUND (ADJECTIVE): प्रफुल्ल

Pronunciation: joh•knd

Meaning: cheerful and lighthearted.

Synonyms: cheerful, happy, jolly

Antonyms: melancholy, sorrowful, sad

Sentence: Old friends engaged in *jocund* teasing.

4. IMPEDIMENT (NOUN): बाधा

Pronunciation: uhm•peh•duh•muhnt

Meaning: a hindrance or obstruction in doing something.

Synonyms: hindrance, obstruction, obstacle

Antonyms: catalyst, goad, impetus

Sentence: He was satisfied there was no legal *impediment* to the marriage.

5. CUMBERSOME (ADJECTIVE): बोझिल

Pronunciation: kuhm•buh•sm

Meaning: Difficult to use or operate especially because of size, weight, or design.

Synonyms: clumsy, awkward, unwieldy

Antonyms: practical, useful, functional

Sentence: A long-handled wrench that is too *cumbersome* for tight spots, such as under the sink.

6. CONDEMNATION (NOUN):निंदा

Pronunciation:kawn•dem•nay•shn

Meaning: An often public or formal expression of disapproval.

Synonyms: censure, disapproval, criticism

Antonyms: endorsement, indorsement, commendation

Sentence: He is bitter in his *condemnation* of terrorism.

7. CONSENSUS (NOUN):सर्वसम्मति

Pronunciation:kuhn•sen•suhs

Meaning: The state of being of one opinion about something.

Synonyms: agreement, unison, unanimity

Antonyms: disagreement, conflict, opposition

Sentence: He was the first to break the *consensus* and criticize the proposal.

8. SUBSUME (VERB):सम्मिलित

Pronunciation:suhb•syoom

Meaning: To have as part of a whole.

Synonyms: include, contain, involve

Antonyms: exclude, leave (out), prevent

Sentence: How can *subsume* these items?

9. TACIT (ADJECTIVE):मौनसहमति

Pronunciation:ta•suht

Meaning: Understood although not put into words.

Synonyms: unspoken, implied, implicit

Antonyms: explicit, express, obvious

Sentence: By *tacit* agreement, Clark's friends all avoided any mention of his mentally ill wife.

10. COMBINE (VERB):मिलाना

Pronunciation:kum•byn

Meaning: To come together to form a single unit.

Synonyms: connect, unite, fuse

Antonyms: split, separate, section

Sentence: Hydrogen and oxygen *combine* to form water.