

VOCABULARY

1. ABNEGATE (VERB): अस्वीकार करना

Pronunciation: ab•nuh•gayt

Meaning: to not allow yourself to have something, especially something you like or want, renounce or reject (something desired or valuable).

Synonyms: renounce, relinquish, Reject, resign

Antonyms: adhere, accept, admit

Sentence: The athlete decided to *abnegate* the unhealthy snack even though she really wanted to have a bite.

2. TAINING (VERB): दूषित

Pronunciation: taynt•uhng

Meaning: contaminate or pollute (something).

Synonyms: contaminate, pollute, befoul

Antonyms: decontaminate, purify, filter

Sentence: Smog has long *tainted* the air of the city, making it difficult to breathe.

3. SMEAR (VERB): बदनाम करना

Pronunciation: smeeuh

Meaning: damage the reputation of (someone) by false accusations.

Synonyms: libel, slander, defame

Antonyms: honor, exalt, glorify

Sentence: Someone was trying to *smear* her by faking letters.

4. RECHRISTEN (VERB): नया नाम देना

Pronunciation: re•chris•ten

Meaning: to give a new name to something or someone.

Synonyms: Rename, Retitle, relabel

Antonyms: maintain, Retain, Preserve

Sentence: The company decided to *rechristen* itself to better reflect its expanded services.

5. IMPREGNABLE (ADJECTIVE): अजेय

Pronunciation: uhm•preg•nuh•bl

Meaning: incapable of being overcome, challenged, or defeated.

Synonyms: invincible, Impenetrable, unconquerable

Antonyms: susceptible, vulnerable, Assailable

Sentence: The prison's *impregnable* security wall make it impossible for inmates to leave grounds.

6. PLURALISM (NOUN): बहुलवाद

Pronunciation: PLOOR-uh-li-zuhm

Meaning: the existence of different types of people, who have different beliefs and opinions, within the same society.

Synonyms: diversity, heterogeneity, multiplicity, Plurality

Antonyms: uniformity, similarity, Singularity, Homogeneity

Sentence: We know it's not easy to maintain *pluralism* in a country.

7. VOUCH (VERB): गारंटी देना

Pronunciation: vawch

Meaning: assert or confirm as a result of one's own experience that something is true.

Synonyms: certify, attest, guarantee

Antonyms: Disavow, Repudiate, Contradict

Sentence: Ally said she would *vouch* to her boss that her friend was a strong candidate for the job.

8. FLIMSY (ADJECTIVE): कमज़ोर

Pronunciation: flim•zee

Meaning: comparatively light and insubstantial; easily damaged.

Synonyms: fragile, feeble, Weak

Antonyms: sturdy, Robust, strong

Sentence: The storm flattened the *flimsy* wooden huts that the villagers lived in.

9. VERACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): सत्यनिष्ठ

Pronunciation: vuh-RAY-shus

Meaning: honest and not telling or containing any lies.

Synonyms: honest, truthful, Accurate

Antonyms: mendacious, dishonest, False

Sentence: He was a strictly *veracious* reporter.

10. COMPLACENT (ADJECTIVE): आत्मसंतुष्ट

Pronunciation: kuhm•play•snt

Meaning: feeling so satisfied with your own abilities or situation that you feel you do not need to try any harder.

Synonyms: Smug, Self-satisfied, Careless

Antonyms: Dissatisfied, Humble, Concerned

Sentence: With 66 deaths on our roads every week, none of us can afford to be *complacent*.