

# VOCABULARY

## 1. FALTER (VERB): लड़खड़ाना

**Pronunciation:** fawl•tuh

**Meaning:** lose strength or momentum; speak hesitantly.

**Synonyms:** waver, vacillate, halt, stagger

**Antonyms:** decide, budge, plunge

**Sentence:** His voice began to *falter* at the mention of his sufferings in the old days.

## 2. CONTEMPLATE (VERB): सोचना

**Pronunciation:** kaw•tuhm•playt

**Meaning:** think deeply and at length.

**Synonyms:** ponder, consider, entertain, debate, study

**Antonyms:** dismiss, ignore, scorn, disregard, reject

**Sentence:** When the accountant was asked to *contemplate* the current budget, he discovered many ways the company could save money.

## 3. COMPLY (VERB): पालन करना

**Pronunciation:** kuhm•plai

**Meaning:** act in accordance with a wish or command.

**Synonyms:** consent, defer, accede

**Antonyms:** disagree, differ, dissent, conflict

**Sentence:** The man was arrested because he refused to *comply* with the airline's no smoking policy.

## 4. CONVICTION (NOUN): दोषसिद्धि

**Pronunciation:** kuh•vik•shn

**Meaning:** a formal declaration by the verdict or decision of a judge in a court of law that someone is guilty of a criminal offense; firmly held belief or opinion.

**Synonyms:** judgement, sentence, assurance, belief

**Antonyms:** disbelief, distrust, skepticism

**Sentence:** She takes pride in stating her political *convictions*.

## 5. PENURY (NOUN): दरिद्रता

**Pronunciation:** peh•nyoo•ree

**Meaning:** the state of being very poor; extreme poverty.

**Synonyms:** misery, beggary, indigence, impoverishment

**Antonyms:** affluence, wealth, opulence, Luxury

**Sentence:** When Margot lost all her money gambling, her family was forced to live in *penury*.

## 6. TRANSCEND (NOUN / VERB): ऊंचा उठना

**Pronunciation:** tran•send

**Meaning:** to go further, rise above, or be more important or better than something, especially a limit.

**Synonyms:** surpass, exceed, top, excel, outshine, outstrip

**Antonyms:** fail, lose, surrender

**Sentence:** The athlete hoped the increased training would allow him to *transcend* Olympic records.

## 7. PESTILENT (ADJECTIVE): बिनाशक

**Pronunciation:** peh•stuh•luhnt

**Meaning:** likely to cause or capable of causing death.

**Synonyms:** lethal, deadly, harmful

**Antonyms:** salubrious, beneficial, salutary

**Sentence:** Smallpox is a *pestilent* disease.

## 8. ADEPTNESS (ADJECTIVE): निपुणता

**Pronunciation:** ad•ept.ness

**Meaning:** subtle or imaginative ability in inventing, devising, or executing something.

**Synonyms:** skillfulness, adroitness, proficiency

**Antonyms:** ineptitude, ineptness, artlessness

**Sentence:** His quick *adeptness* was a product of good design.

## 9. CUMBER (NOUN): बोझ

**Pronunciation:** KYOO-kum-ber

**Meaning:** obstruction, or burden.

**Synonyms:** impediment, Burden, obstruction

**Antonyms:** help, assist, Relieve

**Sentence:** His heavy boots *cumbered* him in walking.

## 10. CHASTEN (VERB): दंड देना

**Pronunciation:** chay•suhn

**Meaning:** to inflict a penalty for a fault or crime.

**Synonyms:** punish, fine, penalize

**Antonyms:** spare, excuse, pardon

**Sentence:** When I was a child, my parents would *chasten* me by taking all of my toys.