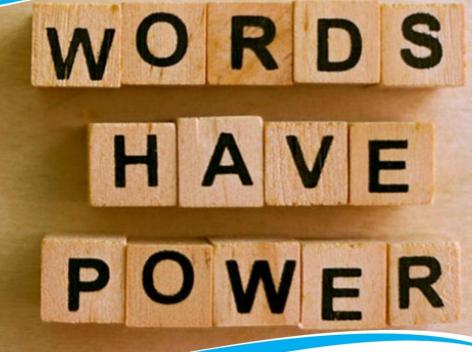






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1. DRUDGERY (noun): कठिन परिश्रम

Pronunciation: druhj·uh·ree
Meaning: hard menial or dull work.
Synonyms: hard work, menial work, labor
Antonyms: relaxation, fun
Sentence: He spent his life in pointlessly tiresome drudgery.

2. ANATHEMA (noun) : अभिशाप

Pronunciation: uh·na·thuh·muh **Meaning:** Something or someone that one vehemently dislikes. **Synonyms:** abhorrent, hateful, odious **Antonyms:** joy, pleasure **Sentence:** His political views were <u>anathema</u> to me.

3. STAUNCHLY (adv.) : दढता से

Pronunciation: stawnch·lee **Meaning:** in a very loyal and committed manner. **Synonyms:** dedicated, devoted, devout **Antonyms:** faltering, faithless, perfidious **Sentence:** She <u>staunchly</u> defended the new policy.

4. SEARING (adj) : जलाना

Pronunciation: sear ingMeaning: extremely hot or intense.Synonyms: scorching, blistering, flamingAntonyms: cold, icy, frozenSentence: The searing heat of the sun is troubling me.

5. EMBEZZLEMENT (noun) : ग़बन

Pronunciation: uhm·beh·zuhl·muhnt **Meaning:** theft or misappropriation of funds placed in one's trust or belonging to one's employer. **Synonyms:** theft, stealing, robbing



Antonyms: give, sincerity, compensate

Sentence: They were arrested for <u>embezzlement</u> of company funds.

6. RABBLE-ROUSER (noun) : हंगामा करने वाला

Pronunciation: rab·ble-rous·er

Meaning: a person who speaks with the intention of inflaming the emotions of a crowd of people, typically for political reasons.

Synonyms: agitator, troublemaker, instigator

Antonyms: peacemaker, reconciler, uniter

Sentence: <u>Rabble-rousers</u> inciting hungry people on breadlines to demand social justice.

7. FEISTY (adj.) : उत्साही

Pronunciation: feist·y
Meaning: (of a person, typically one who is relatively small or weak) lively, determined, and courageous
Synonyms: spirited, gutsy, gutty
Antonyms: coward, gutless
Sentence: She is a feisty heroine who's more than just a pretty face.

8. FORFEITURE (noun) : ज़ब्ती

Pronunciation: for fei ture
Meaning: the loss or giving up of something as a penalty for wrongdoing.
Synonyms: confiscation, sequestration, loss
Antonyms: award, reward, return
Sentence: Refusal to sign meant <u>forfeiture</u> of property and exile.

9. SCUFFLE (noun) : हाथापाई

Pronunciation: skuh·flMeaning: a short, confused fight or struggle at close quarters.Synonyms: fight, struggle, tussleAntonyms: truceSentence: He was involved in a scuffle with a photographer.

10. PICKETS (noun) : पहरेदार

Pronunciation: pi·kuhtsMeaning: a person or group that watches over someone or somethingSynonyms: guards, keepers, lookoutsAntonyms: attacker, enemySentence: The <u>pickets</u> persuaded some drivers not to enter the factory.



