



## The Hindu Vocabulary: 06.11.2023

**1-Cantankerous(adjective):** bad-tempered, argumentative, and uncooperative.

**Synonyms:** bad-tempered, irascible, crotchety

**Antonyms:** amiable, pleasant, friendly

**Sentence:** He's getting a bit cantankerous in his old age.

**2-Excursion (noun):** a short journey or trip, especially one engaged in as a leisure activity

**Synonyms:** tour, jaunt, trip

**Sentence:** We went on an excursion to the city.

**3-Immaculately (adverb):** in a perfectly clean, neat, or tidy manner.

**Synonyms:** tidily, orderly, neatly

**Antonyms:** sloppily, inelegantly, slovenly

**Sentence:** As always, he was immaculately dressed.

**4-Fad (noun):** a practice or interest that is very popular for a short time

**Synonyms:** craze, trend, vogue

**Antonyms:** standard, classic

**Sentence:** His interest in photography is only a passing fad.

**5-Munificence (noun): the quality or state of being generous**

**Synonyms:** kindness, generosity, bountifulness

**Antonyms:** selfishness, cheapness, meanness

**Sentence:** A number of poor communities now have school computers as a result of that billionaire's munificence

**6-Irascible (adjective): easily irritated or annoyed**

**Synonyms:** irritable, fiery, peevish

**Antonyms:** affable, gregarious, friendly

**Sentence:** forced to endure a memorably irascible boss on her first job after college.

**7-Banal (adjective) : used or heard so often as to be dull**

**Synonyms:** boring, usual, tired

**Antonyms:** new, original, fresh

**Sentence:** The allegations ranged from the banal to the bizarre.

**8-Pandemonium (noun): a state of noisy, confused activity**

**Synonyms:** hurry, disturbance, commotion

**Antonyms:** rest, peace, calm

**Sentence:** Pandemonium remained in the classroom until the teacher arrived.

**9-Interlude (noun): a break in continuity**

**Synonyms:** interval, interruption, hiatus

**Antonyms:** continuation, continuity, run

**Sentence:** There will now be a 15-minute interlude.

**10-Dabbled (verb): to take part in an activity in a superficial way**

**Synonyms:** delighted, entertained, played

**Antonyms:** worked, struggled, laboured.

**Sentence:** She dabbled in drawing and painting, but sculpture was her favourite medium.

**11-Conscription (noun): the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces**

**Synonyms:** induction, recruitment, draft

**Antonyms:** removal, discharge, dismissal

**Sentence:** At the outbreak of war, young people knew they would soon face conscription into the army.

