



## The Hindu Vocabulary: 10.01.2024

### 1. PROPPING (VERB)

**Meaning:** the action of supporting or sustaining something by placing or using a prop.

**Synonyms:** Supporting, bracing, bolstering, buttressing, shoring up.

**Antonyms:** Undermining, weakening, destabilizing.

**Sentence:** Propping the painting against the wall allowed the artist to step back and assess it from a distance.

### 2. POSIT (VERB)

**Meaning:** to suggest, assume, or put forward as a fact or hypothesis, often without providing concrete evidence.

**Synonyms:** Propose, postulate, advance, assert, hypothesize.

**Antonyms:** Disprove, reject, deny.

**Sentence:** The author posited an alternate ending to the story, inviting readers to consider different possibilities.

### 3. BEDROCK (NOUN)

**Meaning:** it is used to describe the fundamental or unchanging basis or foundation of something.

**Synonyms:** Basis, foundation, cornerstone, groundwork.

**Antonyms:** Instability, uncertainty.

**Sentence:** Trust and communication are the bedrock of a healthy relationship.

#### 4. HALVING (VERB)

**Meaning:** the act of dividing something into two equal parts or reducing it by half.

**Synonyms:** Dividing in half, cutting in two, splitting, dividing by half.

**Antonyms:** Doubling, combining, uniting.

**Sentence:** The recipe called for halving the ingredients to adjust the serving size.

#### 5. EBB (NOUN & VERB)

**Meaning:** the gradual decline or reduction of something, such as a tide, a feeling, or a situation.

**Synonyms:** Decline, recede, wane, diminish.

**Antonyms:** Surge, rise, increase, expand.

**Sentence:** The ebb of the tide revealed hidden treasures along the shore.

**Verb:** The economic prosperity started to ebb after the financial crisis.

#### 6. VAGARIES (NOUN)

**Meaning:** unpredictable or unexpected changes, fluctuations, or whimsical and capricious actions or events.

**Synonyms:** Whims, caprices, eccentricities, fluctuations, uncertainties.

**Antonyms:** Consistencies, predictabilities, certainties, regularities.

**Sentence:** The stock market is known for its vagaries, with prices often influenced by unpredictable factors.

#### 7. VIGOUR (NOUN)

**Meaning:** refers to physical strength, health, or robustness.

**Synonyms:** Strength, vitality, energy, robustness, vigor.

**Antonyms:** Weakness, feebleness, lethargy, frailty.

**Sentence:** The athlete demonstrated remarkable vigour in the final moments of the race.

## 8. HINTERLAND (NOUN)

**Meaning:** the remote or less developed areas that are located beyond the coastal or urban regions.

**Synonyms:** Backcountry, interior, wilderness, remote areas.

**Antonyms:** Urban center, metropolitan area, city.

**Sentence:** The explorer ventured into the hinterland to study the flora and fauna of untouched regions.

## 9. UNENVIABLE (Adjective)

**Meaning:** Unenviable describes a situation or task that is undesirable, difficult, or not likely to be envied or desired by others.

**Synonyms:** Unpleasant, undesirable, thankless, burdensome.

**Antonyms:** Envidable, desirable, attractive, favorable.

**Sentence:** The manager had the unenviable task of announcing layoffs to the employees.

## 10. SPIGOT (NOUN)

**Meaning:** A spigot is a device or faucet that controls the flow of liquid, usually water, from a pipe or container. It is a valve used for regulating the release of a fluid.

**Synonyms:** Faucet, tap, valve, cock.

**Antonyms:** Leak, opening.

**Sentence:** The gardener attached a spigot to the rain barrel to easily access water for the plants.