

The Hindu Vocabulary: 12.01.2024

1. PETITION (VERB)

Meaning: to formally request or solicit something through a written or formal appeal.

Synonyms: Appeal, request, solicit, apply.

Antonyms: Refuse, deny.

Sentence:

Noun: The online petition gathered thousands of signatures in support of the environmental cause.

Verb: The workers decided to petition their employer for better working conditions.

2. FACTION (NOUN)

Meaning: A faction refers to a small, organized group within a larger entity, often characterized by differing opinions, interests, or beliefs.

Synonyms: Sect, group, clique, factionalism.

Antonyms: Unity, alliance, collaboration.

Sentence: The political party was divided into several factions, each advocating for different policies.

3. WHIP (VERB)

Meaning: To whip means to strike with a whip or similar object. In a political context, it can also mean to secure obedience or compliance.

Synonyms: Flog, lash, beat.

Antonyms: Spare, pardon.

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Sentence: The taskmaster threatened to whip the workers if they didn't increase their productivity.

4. CONSTITUTE (VERB)

Meaning: to form, make up, or establish something, often a part or essential element of a whole. It can also refer to the act of appointing or establishing.

Synonyms: Comprise, compose, form, establish, appoint.

Antonyms: Disband, discontinue, dismantle.

Sentence: The various departments constitute the organization's structure.

5. CONCEDED (VERB)

Meaning: to acknowledge or admit the truth of a statement or the validity of an opposing argument. It involves surrendering or yielding, especially in a discussion or debate.

Synonyms: Admitted, granted, accepted, yielded.

Antonyms: Disputed, denied, contested.

Sentence: In the debate, the candidate conceded that his opponent had valid points.

6. ADJUDICATE (VERB)

Meaning: To adjudicate means to make an official judgment or decision, especially in a legal context. It involves settling a dispute or determining the outcome of a legal case.

Synonyms: Judge, arbitrate, decide, settle.

Antonyms: Disregard, ignore, neglect.

Sentence: The judge was appointed to adjudicate the complex legal dispute between the two parties.

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7. RELIANCE (NOUN)

Meaning: the act or state of depending on someone or something for support, trust, or assistance. It involves having confidence or trust in the reliability of a person or thing.

Synonyms: Dependence, trust, confidence, faith, reliance.

Antonyms: Independence, skepticism, distrust, doubt.

Sentence: The success of the project was achieved through the team's strong reliance on each other's expertise.

8. TABLEAUX (NOUN)

Meaning: a striking or artistic grouping of people or objects, often arranged to represent a scene or tell a story. It is commonly used in the context of visual arts, theater, or photography.

Synonyms: Scene, tableau vivant, composition, arrangement.

Antonyms: Disarray, chaos, disorder.

Sentence: The photographer captured a series of tableaux depicting everyday life in the city.

9. EMPANNELLED (VERB)

Meaning: To empanel means to select or enroll individuals, such as jurors or a group of experts, for a particular purpose, usually to serve on a jury or a committee.

Synonyms: Enlist, select, choose, appoint.

Antonyms: Dismiss, discharge, release.

Sentence: The judge empanelled a jury to hear the evidence in the high-profile case.

10. CONTINGENT (NOUN)

Meaning: a group of people or things that are part of a larger assembly, often with a specific purpose or representing a particular interest.

Synonyms: Adjective: Conditional, dependent, subject to, uncertain. Noun: Group, delegation, team, assembly.

Antonyms: Adjective: Certain, definite, unconditional.

Noun: Whole, entirety.

Sentence: Adjective: The success of the project was contingent on securing additional funding.

A contingent of students attended the conference to represent their university.

