



The Hindu Vocabulary: 14.02.2024

1. HEFT

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: The weight of someone or something; the perceived heaviness or substantiality.

Example Sentence: The heft of the package indicated that it contained something substantial.

Synonyms: Weight, heaviness, bulk, mass.

Antonyms: Lightness, insignificance.

2. INTERLOCUTOR

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: A person who takes part in a conversation or dialogue; someone who participates in a discussion or interchange of ideas.

Synonyms: Conversationalist, participant, discussant, communicator, speaker.

Antonym: Bystander, observer, silent party.

Example Sentence: During the debate, each candidate served as an interlocutor, presenting their views on various issues.

3. BRINKMANSHIP

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: The practice or strategy of pushing a dangerous situation or confrontation to the edge or brink of disaster, especially in diplomacy or politics, with the aim of achieving a favorable outcome.

Synonyms: Risk-taking, daring, game of chicken, high-stakes tactics.

Antonym: De-escalation, caution, diplomacy, negotiation.

Example Sentence: The leaders engaged in brinkmanship, using the threat of military action to gain concessions in the diplomatic negotiations.

4. SPARRING

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: The action of engaging in a practice session or informal competition, especially in sports like boxing or martial arts, where participants simulate a match without full force.

Example Sentence: The boxers engaged in intense sparring sessions to prepare for the upcoming championship match.

Synonyms: Practice, training, scrimmage, mock competition.

Antonyms: Actual competition, real match.

5. ESCALATORY

Parts of Speech: ADJ.

Meaning : Relating to or involving escalation, especially in terms of conflict or intensity.

Synonyms: Intensifying, increasing, rising, advancing.

Antonym: De-escalatory, reducing, calming, decreasing.

Example Sentence: The escalating tension between the two nations prompted concerns about the potential for an escalatory conflict.

6. CONVICTION

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: A firmly held belief or opinion.

The act of finding someone guilty of a criminal offense in a court of law.

Synonyms: Belief, certainty, confidence, faith.

Judgment, verdict, decision.

Antonym: Doubt, skepticism, uncertainty. Acquittal, innocence.

Example Sentence: Her conviction in the importance of education led her to establish a scholarship fund.

7. INVOKED

Parts of Speech: VERB

Meaning: Called upon or appealed to a higher power, authority, or principle, often for support, aid, or inspiration.

Synonyms: Summoned, called upon, appealed to, elicited, requested.

Antonym: Ignored, disregarded, neglected.

Example Sentence: The speaker invoked the wisdom of ancient philosophers to support his argument.

8. ESPIONAGE

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: The practice of spying or using spies to obtain information about the plans and activities of a foreign government or organization, often for political, military, or industrial purposes.

Synonyms: Spying, intelligence, surveillance, undercover work, reconnaissance.

Antonym: Openness, transparency, disclosure.

Example Sentence: The intelligence agency engaged in espionage to gather information about the enemy's military plans.

9. HOMEWARD

Parts of Speech: ADVERB

Meaning: Toward home; in the direction of one's home or homeland.

Synonyms: Towards home, in the direction of home, homewards, on the way home.

Antonym: Away from home.

Example Sentence: After a long journey, they turned homeward with a sense of relief.

10. INCURSION आक्रमण

Parts of Speech: NOUN

Meaning: A sudden and aggressive entrance or invasion into a place, often with the intention of causing damage or disruption.

Synonym: Invasion, raid, foray, attack

Antonym: Withdrawal, retreat, departure

Example Sentence: The military conducted a swift incursion into the enemy territory to gather intelligence.