

## The Hindu Vocabulary: 17.11.2023

1-Geriatric (noun): an old person who is receiving special care

Synonyms: elder, senior, senior citizen

Antonyms: youngster, youth

**Sentence**: Who's going to elect a geriatric President?

2-Ravage (verb): to bring destruction to (something) through violent action

**Synonyms:** destroy, devastate, ruin

Antonyms: fix, repair, redeem

**Sentence:** The forest was ravaged by fire.

3-Gabby (adjective): excessively or annoyingly talkative.

**Synonyms:** talkative, chatty, loquacious

Antonyms: laconic, silent, reticent

**Sentence:** Jack became gabby on his favourite topic.

4-Cognate (adjective) : having qualities in common

**Synonyms:** alike, analogous, comparable

Antonyms: different, dissimilar, unlike

Sentence: German and Dutch are cognate languages.

5-Puny (adjective): small and weak.

**Synonyms:** diminutive, dinky, dwarfish

Antonyms: large, massive, big

**Sentence:** What a puny little creature!

6-Hanker (verb): feel a strong desire for or to do something.

**Synonyms:** yearn, crave, desire

**Antonyms:** abhor, abominate, despise

Sentence: What did you hanker after most when you were in prison?

7-Burnish (verb): polish (something, especially metal) by rubbing

Synonyms: polish (up), shine, brighten

Antonyms: rough (up), roughen, ruffle

Sentence: She wished her to dust the furniture, burnish the coal scuttle, and

clean the windows.

8-Allusion (noun): an expression designed to call something to mind without mentioning it explicitly; an indirect or passing reference.

**Synonyms:** reference to, mention of, comment on

**Sentence:** The committee made no allusion to the former President in its report.

9-Moribund (adjective): (of a person) at the point of death.

**Synonyms:** (of a person) at the point of death.

Antonyms: dying, near death, near the end

**Sentence:** The patient was moribund by the time the doctor arrived.

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