



The Hindu Vocabulary: 19.12.2023

1. BELLIGERENT (Adjective & NOUN): A person or a nation engaged in warfare or conflict; a hostile and aggressive individual.

Synonym: Hostile, Aggressive, Combative

Antonym: Peaceful, Pacifistic, Amicable

Example Sentence: The belligerent nations were locked in a fierce conflict that lasted for several years.

2. DELIBERATIVE (Adjective): Related to or involving careful consideration and discussion before making a decision, often in a formal or thoughtful manner.

Synonyms: Reflective, Thoughtful, Considerate

Antonyms: Impulsive, Rash, Thoughtless

Example Sentence: The committee engaged in a deliberative process to weigh the pros and cons of each proposal before reaching a consensus on the best course of action.

3. REBEL (NOUN): A person who opposes or rises against authority, control, or tradition, often engaging in acts of resistance or defiance.

Synonyms: Insurrectionist, Mutineer, Anarchist

Antonyms: Follower, Supporter, Submissive

Example Sentence: The rebel led a group of dissidents in a protest against the oppressive regime.

4. DELVE (VERB): To investigate, explore, or research deeply and thoroughly, often with the intent of discovering or understanding more about a subject.

Synonyms: Study, Dig into, Search

Antonyms: Glance, Overlook, Ignore

Example Sentence: The historian decided to delve into the archives to uncover the hidden details of the ancient civilization that had long been forgotten.

5. THREADBARE (Adjective): Used so often that it has lost its freshness or originality, making it ineffective or unconvincing.

Synonyms: Frayed, Used, Unsound

Antonyms: Intact, Untouched, Vigorous

Example Sentence: After years of repetitive jokes, the comedian's routine had become threadbare, and the audience no longer found it amusing.

6. BROWBEATING (NOUN): Intimidating or bullying someone with stern and harsh words, often to force them to do something against their will.

Synonyms: Bullying, Harassment, Coercion

Antonyms: Praise, Persuasion, Kindness

Example Sentence: The manager's constant browbeating of the employees created a hostile work environment, leading to decreased morale and productivity among the team.

7. BACKSLIDING (NOUN): The act of reverting to previous undesirable behaviors or a decline in moral or religious commitment; a relapse.

Synonyms: Recidivism, Reversion, Lapse

Antonyms: Growth, Development, Ascension

Example Sentence: Despite his initial efforts to quit smoking, John found himself backsliding into old habits after a particularly stressful week at work.

8. ACRIMONY (NOUN): Bitterness or harshness in speech or behavior, often characterized by resentment or hostility.

Synonyms: Enmity, Antipathy, Contention

Antonyms: Friendliness, Kindness, Agreement

Example Sentence: The negotiations between the two parties ended in acrimony, with each side blaming the other for the breakdown in communication and trust.

10. AGGRIEVED (Adjective): Experiencing deep and lasting distress or sorrow, often due to a perceived injustice or wrongdoing.

Synonyms: Suffering, Pained, Mournful

Antonyms: Gratified, Satisfied, Comforted

Example Sentence: The aggrieved employee filed a complaint against the company for unfair treatment and sought justice for the alleged discrimination.