



## The Hindu Vocabulary: 25.11.2023

**1-TEPID (Adjective) : Lacking enthusiasm or passion; indifferent.**

**Synonyms:** Unenthusiastic, Halfhearted

**Antonyms:** Passionate, Zealous, Fervent

**Sentence:** The audience gave a tepid response to the speaker's uninspiring presentation.

**2-TIDINGS (Noun) : an old-fashioned word for news or information**

**Synonyms:** Information, Report

**Sentences:** 1. In times of uncertainty, people often seek tidings to stay informed about current events.

2. The messenger arrived with tidings of victory from the battlefield.

**3-SPURRED (Verb) : Urged or prompted someone to do something.**

**Synonyms:** Motivated, Encouraged, Egged on

**Antonyms:** Deterred, Discouraged, Hindered

**Sentence:** The challenging task ahead spurred her to work harder and overcome obstacles.

**4-RECEDE (Verb):** To move back or away from a previous position; To diminish or become less intense; withdraw from (a promise or agreement)

**Synonyms:** Retreat, Subside

**Antonyms:** Advance, Approach

**Sentence:** With time, the painful memories of the past started to recede from her mind.

**5-EUPHEMISM (Noun) :** Substitution of a mild, indirect, or vague expression for one thought to be harsh, blunt, or offensive.

**Synonyms:** Circumlocution, Polite term

**Antonyms:** Bluntness, Candor

**Sentence:** 1. Senior citizen - Instead of saying elderly person.

2. Visually impaired - Instead of saying blind.

**6-Idiosyncrasy (Noun) :** a strange or unusual habit, way of behaving, or feature that someone or something has.

**Synonyms:** Quirk, Peculiar

**Antonyms:** Conformity, Commonality

**Sentence:** The artist's paintings were marked by an idiosyncrasy that made them instantly recognizable in the art world.

**7-Kink (Noun):** A flaw or obstacle in a plan or system;A twist or curl in something that is otherwise straight.

**Synonyms:** Twist, Bend, Deviation

**Antonyms:** Straightness, Smoothness

**Sentence:** 1. The project faced a kink when unexpected expenses arose.

2. The cable had a kink in it, affecting the quality of the signal.

**8-RAMP UP (Phrasal verb):** To increase or raise the level, quantity, or intensity of something; To accelerate or escalate the pace or amount of a process or activity.

**Synonyms:** Intensify, Boost

**Antonyms:** Diminish, Scale down

**Sentence:** The company decided to ramp up production in response to the high demand for their product.

**9-Rein in (Phrasal verb):** To control or restrain something or someone.

**Synonyms:** Limit, Regulate

**Antonyms:** Unleash, Allow

**Sentence:** The teacher had to rein in the students' excitement before the field trip.

**10-A RUDE SHOCK (Phrase):** An unexpected and unpleasant surprise or revelation that is disappointing, unsettling, or disconcerting.

**Synonyms:** Harsh surprise, Jolt

**Antonyms:** Pleasant surprise

**Sentence:** The sudden drop in stock prices was a rude shock to investors who were expecting a stable market.