



The Hindu Vocabulary: 29.11.2023

1-SLAPDASH(adjective): Something that is done hastily or in a careless and rushed manner, often resulting in a lack of attention to detail or quality.

Synonyms: Cursory, Shoddy

Antonyms: Diligent, Thorough, Meticulous

Sentence : The report was completed in a slapdash manner, with numerous errors and inconsistencies that could have been avoided with more careful consideration and attention to detail.

2-HINDSIGHT (noun): the understanding or awareness of a situation, event, or decision after it has occurred.

Synonyms: Reflection, Retrospection

Antonyms: Foresight, Prescience

Sentence: In hindsight, she realized that her decision to change careers was the best choice she could have made, leading to greater happiness and fulfilment.

3-CULVERT (noun): A culvert is a structure, usually a pipe or a channel, that allows water to flow under a road, railroad, or similar obstruction.

Synonyms: Conduit, Channel, Aqueduct

Sentence: Heavy rain caused the creek to overflow, highlighting the importance of the culvert beneath the road in preventing flooding and maintaining traffic flow.

4-GASP (verb): the act of inhaling suddenly with a wide open mouth, usually in response to surprise, shock, or a lack of breath.

Synonyms: Pant, Wheeze, Gulp

Antonyms: Exhale, Breathe out, Relax

Sentence: She couldn't help but gasp when she opened the door to find a room filled with balloons and confetti, a surprise birthday party awaiting her.

5-WISTFUL (adjective): a feeling of melancholy or yearning, often accompanied by a sense of longing or nostalgia for something that may not be attainable.

Synonyms: Nostalgic, Dreamy, Yearning

Antonyms: Content, Satisfied

Sentence: As she looked at the old photographs, a wistful expression crossed her face, reminiscing about the carefree days of her youth.

6-CRABBED (adjective): something that is irritable, grumpy, or difficult to deal with.

Synonyms: Cross , Testy , Cranky

Antonyms: Cheerful , Pleasant , Affable

Sentence: His crabbed demeanor made it challenging for others to approach him with questions or concerns, creating a tense atmosphere in the office.

7-CLAMMY (adjective): something that is damp, sticky, and cold to the touch.

Synonyms: Sweaty, Dank, Moist

Antonyms: Warm, Smooth, Comfortable

Sentence: After the intense workout, her skin felt clammy, and she welcomed the cool breeze to provide some relief.

8-PUERILE (adjective): something that is childish, immature, or silly in a way that is typical of a child or youth.

Synonyms: Immature, Juvenile, Infantile

Antonyms: Adult, Sophisticated, Grown-up.

Sentence: His puerile jokes during the important business meeting were not well-received, as the team expected a more professional and mature approach to the discussion.

9-CANDOR (noun): the quality of being open, honest, and straightforward in speech or expression.

Synonyms: Frankness, Openness

Antonyms: Deceit, Dishonesty, Concealment, Evasiveness

Sentence: Her candour in admitting her mistakes not only earned her the respect of her colleagues but also helped to build a culture of transparency in the workplace.

10-DERISIVE (adjective): something that expresses contempt or ridicule, often in a mocking or scornful manner.

Synonyms: Mocking, Sneering, Ridiculing

Antonyms: Admiring, Appreciative, Complimentary

Sentence: The comedian's derisive comments about certain political figures drew laughter from the audience but also left some feeling uneasy about the level of sarcasm in his humour.

11-MENDACIOUS (adjective): the quality of being untruthful or dishonest. It describes someone or something that tends to lie or deceive.

Synonyms: Deceptive, False

Antonyms: Sincere, Genuine, Honest

Sentence: The mendacious politician claimed to have accomplished numerous feats, but upon investigation, it was revealed that most of his statements were fabricated.