



The Hindu Vocabulary: 31.01.2024

1. ENCOMIUM(NOUN)

Meaning: A tribute or speech that highly praises someone or something.

Synonym: Praise, accolade, tribute

Antonym: Criticism, censure, condemnation

Sentence: The speaker delivered an encomium highlighting the achievements and virtues of the honored guest.

2. STOKE(VERB)

Meaning: To encourage or stimulate the growth, development, or intensity of something, such as emotions, tensions, or activities.

Synonym: Fuel, kindle, stimulate

Antonym: Quench, dampen, suppress

Sentence: The blacksmith needed to periodically stoke the fire to maintain the high temperature required for forging metal.

3. COMPLACENCY(NOUN)

Meaning: A feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements.

Synonym: Self-satisfaction, smugness, contentment

Antonym: Discontent, dissatisfaction, vigilance

Sentence: The company's success led to a dangerous complacency among its leadership.

4. RECKON(VERB)

Meaning: To consider or think about something in a particular way; to regard or deem.

Synonym: Calculate, estimate, consider

Antonym: Disregard, ignore, neglect

Sentence: She tried to reckon the total cost of the project before presenting it to the team.

5. HOBbled(VERB)

Meaning: To walk or move with difficulty, often due to a limp or some hindrance.

Synonym: shuffle, hobble along

Antonym: Stride, march, stroll

Sentence: After the injury, she hobbled for a few weeks before fully recovering.

As an Adjective: The hobbled economy struggled to regain momentum after the financial crisis.

6. TARDY(ADJ.)

Meaning: Moving or progressing at a slower pace than expected.

Synonym: Late, overdue, delayed

Antonym: Punctual, prompt, on time

Sentence: The student received a detention for being tardy to class every day.

7. UNPALATABLE(ADJ.)

Meaning: Not pleasing to the taste; having a disagreeable or unpleasant flavor.

Synonym: Distasteful, disagreeable, unpleasant

Antonym: Palatable, tasty, agreeable

Sentence: The new recipe turned out to be unpalatable, and no one enjoyed it.

8. VEHEMENT(ADJ.)

Meaning: Marked by strong and energetic conviction or feeling.

Synonym: Passionate, fervent, intense

Antonym: Mild, subdued, gentle

Sentence: She made a vehement argument in favor of environmental conservation.

9. HINGE(VERB)

Meaning: To be contingent on or dependent on something; to pivot or turn on a central point.

Synonym: Depend, rely, pivot

Antonym: Detach, disconnect, separate

Sentence: Noun: The door swung on its hinges, allowing access to the garden.

As a Verb: The success of the plan will hinge on the support of key stakeholders.

10. VENDETTA (NOUN)

Meaning: An intense, often malicious, desire for revenge.

Synonym: Feud, rivalry, revenge

Antonym: Reconciliation, peace, harmony

Sentence: The families had a vendetta that spanned generations, leading to ongoing conflict.