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TOPICS TO BE COVERED

- **EXAM-BASED WORDS**
- > ANTONYMS SYNONYMS
- > ONE -WORD-SUBSTITUTION
- > IDIOM AND PHRASES





REVISION

Presentiment (noun)

Meaning: a feeling that something bad will

happen

Synonyms: feel, fear, suspicion

Sentence: He had a presentiment of disaster.



Farce (noun)

Meaning: a poor, insincere, or insulting

imitation of something

Synonyms: parody, joke, caricature

Antonyms: tribute, homage, seriousness

Sentence: The whole procedure has become

a complete farce.

Lethal (adj.)

Meaning: likely to cause or capable of causing

death

Synonyms deadly, fatal, poisonous

Antonyms: healthy, nonlethal, beneficial

Sentence: All these knives are absolutely lethal.



Cachinnation (noun)



Meaning: as in laughter

Synonyms: chuckle, giggle

Antonyms: cry, groan, wail

Sentence: He starts Cachinnation very fast

after watching comedy shows.

Perused (verb)

Meaning: read (something), typically in a

thorough or careful way

Synonyms: read, reviewed, studied

Sentence: After breakfast, he perused the

newspapers.



Milieus (noun)

Meaning: the circumstances, conditions, or

objects by which one is surrounded

Synonyms: environments, surroundings,

contexts

Sentence: He grew up in a military milieu.

Debilitating (verb)



Meaning: making someone very weak and

infirm

Synonyms: weakening, enfeebling,

enervating

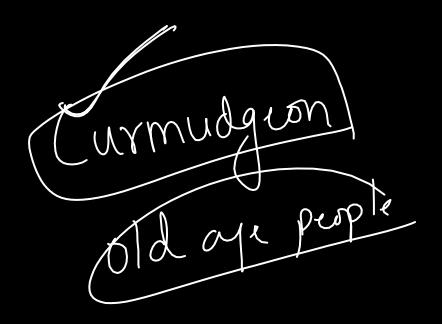
Antonyms: strengthening, energizing,

fortifying

Sentence: Huge debts are debilitating their

economy.





Cantankerous (adj.)

Meaning: bad-tempered,

argumentative, and uncooperative.

Synonyms: bad-tempered, irascible, crotchety

Antonyms: amiable, pleasant,

friendly

Sentence: He's getting a bit

cantankerous in his old age.

Excursion (noun)

Meaning: <u>a short journey or trip</u>, especially one engaged in as a leisure activity Synonyms: tour, jaunt, trip

Sentence: We went on an excursion to the city.



Immaculately (adv.)

Meaning: in a perfectly clean, neat, or

tidy manner.

Synonyms: tidily, orderly, neatly

Antonyms: sloppily, inelegantly, slovenly

She always look Immaculate

Pufut | Sentence: As always, he was immaculately dressed.



Fad (noun)

Meaning: a practice or interest that is

very popular for a short time

Synonyms: craze, trend, vogue

Antonyms: standard, classic

Sentence: His interest in photography is only a passing fad.



Munificence (noun)

Meaning: the quality or state of being generous

Synonyms: kindness, generosity,

bountifulness

Antonyms: selfishness, cheapness, meanness

Sentence: A number of poor communities

now have school computers as a result of that

billionaire's munificence



Irascible (adj.)

Ough angered

Meaning: easily irritated or approved

Synonyms: irritable, fiery, peevish

Antonyms: affable, gregarious,

friendly

Sentence: forced to endure a memorably irascible boss on her first job after college

Banal (adj.)

Meaning: used or heard so often as to be

dull

Synonyms: boring, usual, tired

Antonyms: new, original, fresh

Sentence: The allegations ranged from the

banal to the bizarre



Pandemonium (noun)

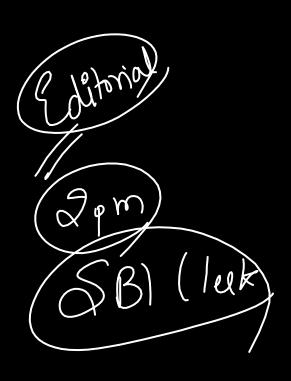
(haps) Bedlam Meaning: a state of noisy, confused activity

Synonyms: hurry, disturbance,

commotion

Antonyms: rest, peace, calm

Sentence: Pandemonium reigned in the classroom until the teacher arrived.



Interlude (noun)

Meaning: a break in continuity

Synonyms: interval, interruption, hiatus

Antonyms: continuation, continuity, run

Sentence: There will now be a 15-minute

interlude.

Dabbled (verb)

Meaning: to take part in an activity in a

Paddle Splash superficial way

Synonyms: delighted, entertained, played

Antonyms: worked, struggled, labored

Sentence: She dabbled in drawing and painting, but sculpture was her favorite medium.

Conscription (noun)

Meaning: the practice of ordering people

Compulsory enrollment by law to serve in the armed forces

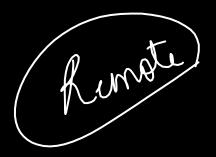
Synonyms: induction, recruitment, draft

Antonyms: removal, discharge, dismissal

Sentence: At the outbreak of war, young people knew they would soon face conscription into the army.



Far-Flung (adj.)



Meaning: having considerable extent

Synonyms: extensive, broad, wide

Antonyms: narrow, limited, restricted

Sentence: The news spread to all corners of our far-flung empire.

Prodigal (adj.)

Louish giving

Meaning: given to spending money freely

or foolishly

Synonyms: wasteful, profligate, generous

Antonyms: frugal, thrifty, economical

Sentence: The prodigal child always spent

her allowance the minute she got it

Hitherto (adv.)

Meaning: up to this or that time

Synonyms: yet, heretofore, so far

Antonyms: henceforth, hereafter, thereafter

Sentence: At the talent show Kyle revealed his hitherto unknown gift for doing impressions

Whittle (verb)

Meaning: to cause to diminish gradually by or

as if by cutting off bits with a knife

Synonyms: cut, clip, pare

Antonyms: extend, inflate, swell

Sentence: The president has agreed to whittle

down his proposal.

weild)

use power

or authority

— Unwieldy (adj.)

Meaning: difficult to use or operate especially because of size, weight, or design Synonyms: clumsy, awkward, cumbersome

Antonyms: useful, practical, handy

Sentence: An unwieldy machine that

requires two people to operate it.



Gratuitous (adj.)

Meaning: not costing or charging

anything-

Synonyms: free, complimentary,

costless

Antonyms: expensive, high, costly

Sentence: They will throw in a gratuitous box of chocolates when you spend \$30 or more in their shop

Thicket (noun)



Meaning: A dense group of bushes, shrubs, small trees

Synonyms: Copse, Grove, Wilderness

Antonyms: Meadow, Prairie, Pasture

Sentence: We had to navigate through a thicket of brambles and bushes to reach the hidden clearing in the forest.



Fraught (Adj.)

Meaning: Filled with a particular quality, emotion, or element often implying tension or difficulty

Synonyms: Laden, Rife

Antonyms: Baren, Devoid

Sentence: The negotiation was fraught with tension, making it difficult to reach an agreement.



Mandarin (noun)

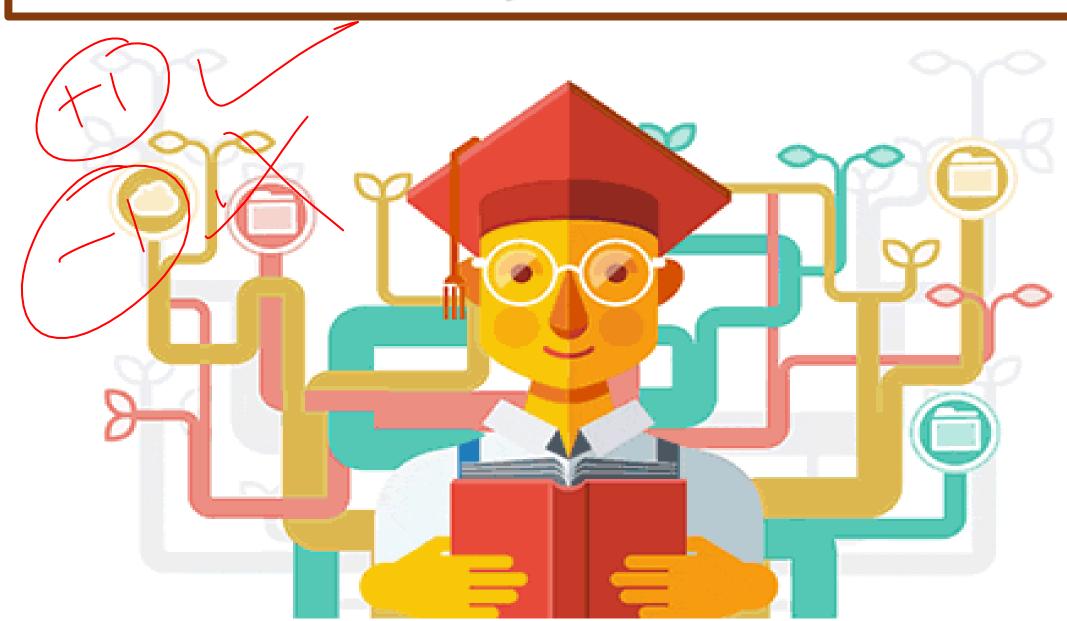
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Meaning: A powerful official or senior bureaucrat, especially one perceived as reactionary and secretive

Synonyms: Public servant

Sentence: The mandarins are not able to control inflation through policymaking.

WEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





Your guess is as good as mine



- 1. To have patience
- 2. Go to sleep
- 3. I do not know
- 4. To avoid talking about what's important



Boil the ocean



- 1. Taking up an almost impossible or overly ambitious project
- 2. The aspect of momentum in every event and how they build upon each other
- 3. Eating too excessively
- 4. Being ignored

Break a leg





- 1. Not as easy as it appears to be.
- 2. Saying good luck to someone
- 3. In an unlucky situation.
- 4. To be out of your comfort zone.

In the fast lane



- 1. To make an extra effort.
- 2. To start performing better
- 3. To go insane.
- 4. A life filled with excitement.



Everything but the kitchen sink



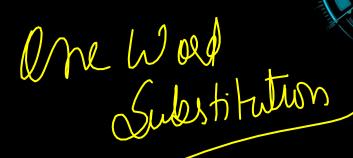
- 1. Take on difficult work that is beyond your capabilities.
- 2. You are better off not knowing some things.
- 3. Everything that you can think of
- 4. Something very easy to do



A traitor who collaborates with an enemy force occupying their country

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- 1. Narcissist
- 2. Quisling
- 3. Vagrant
- 4. Yachtsman



A person who talks at great length without making

much sense



- 2. Abolitionist
- 3. Unanimous
- 4. Quack

The act of renouncing or rejecting something



- 1. Blasphemy
- 2. Zealot
- 3. Stentorian
- 4. Abnegation

An independent-minded person



- 1. Ombudsman
- 2. Maverick
- 3. Vagrant
- 4. Xenophobe





Extremely idealistic, unrealistic and impractical



- 1. Quixotic
- 2. Meticulous
- 3. Hypocrite
- 4. Agnostic



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