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VOCABULARY



RAZED(VERB)

Meaning: To completely destroy or level to the ground; to demolish or erase.

Synonym: demolish, destroy, level, flatten, obliterate

Antonym; build, construct, create, preserve

Example Sentence: The old building was razed to make way for a new shopping mall.



MAZE(NOUN)

Meaning: A complex network of paths or passages, typically designed as a puzzle, through which one must find a way.

Synonym: <u>labyrinth</u>, <u>puzzle</u>, <u>network</u>, <u>intricacy</u>

Antonym: <u>straightforward</u> path, simplicity

Example Sentence: Exploring the maze in the garden

was a delightful challenge, and it took us quite some time to find the exit.

MAZE(VERB)

Meaning: To bewilder or perplex, to cause to be lost in a complex or confusing situation.

Synonym: bewilder, perplex, confuse, confound

Antonym: clarify, simplify

Example Sentence: The intricate instructions mazed

him, and he struggled to make sense of the complex

procedure.

RUBBLE (NOUN)

Meaning: Broken fragments of rocks, bricks, concrete, or other materials, especially debris from a destroyed or demolished building.

Synonym: debris, wreckage, fragments, ruins, detritus

Antonym: structure, intact building

Example Sentence: After the earthquake, the streets were filled with rubble, making it difficult for rescue teams to navigate.

SLIVER (VERB)

Meaning: To cut or divide into small, thin pieces or fragments.

Synonym: slice, cut, divide, separate

Antonym: combine, unite

Example Sentence: The chef expertly slivered the vegetables for the stir-fry, creating delicate and evenly sized pieces.

UNFAZED (NOUN)

Meaning: Not disturbed, unaffected, or perturbed by a situation; remaining calm and composed despite challenges or difficulties.

Synonym: undisturbed, composed, unaffected, untroubled

Antonym: perturbed, disturbed, agitated, rattled Example Sentence: Despite facing numerous setbacks, he remained unfazed and continued working towards his goal with determination.

BUNKER (NOUN)

Meaning: A reinforced underground shelter or storage space, often used for protection during warfare or as a storage facility. It can also refer to a hollow area on a golf course, typically filled with sand.

Synonym: shelter, refuge, stronghold, dugout

Antonym: exposed area, vulnerability

Example Sentence: During the air raid, people sought refuge in the underground bunker to protect themselves from the bombing.

GRAVEYARD (NOUN)

Meaning: A piece of ground, often near a church, where the dead are buried; a cemetery.

Synonym: cemetery, burial ground, necropolis,

churchyard

Antonym: birthplace, nursery (used metaphorically)

Example Sentence: Every year on Memorial Day,

families visit the graveyard to pay their respects to their

loved ones who have passed away.

HOSTAGE (NOUN)

Meaning: A person seized or held as security for the fulfillment of certain conditions or demands, often taken by force.

Synonym: captive, prisoner, detainee, pawn

Antonym: liberator free person

Example Sentence: The terrorists took several

hostages in an attempt to secure their demands during the hostage crisis.



SFAIT ACCOMPLI (ADJ.)

Meaning: A French term meaning "an accomplished fact" or "a done deal." It refers to a situation that has already happened or been decided before those affected by it learn about it, leaving them with no option but to accept it.

Synonym: accomplished fact, done deal, irreversible situation

Antonym: open issue, undecided matter

Example Sentence: By the time the team discovered the changes in the project plan, it was already a fait accompli, and they had no choice but to adapt to the new direction.

DELIMITATION (VERB)

Meaning: The process of fixing, determining, or marking the boundaries or limits of something, such as a territory, area, or project.

Synonym: demarcation, delineation, boundary definition, limitation

Antonym: expansion, unlimited, boundarylessness

Example Sentence: The delimitation of the national park
was carefully planned to ensure the conservation of its

unique ecosystems.

HERALD(NOUN)

Meaning: A person or thing that announces or signals the approach of another; a messenger or sign.

Synonym: harbinger, messenger, announcer,

precursor

Antonym (follower, laggard, latecomer

Example Sentence: The first snowfall was

considered a herald of the upcoming winter season.



HERALD(VERB)

Meaning: To proclaim or announce with enthusiasm or as a forerunner of something.

Synonym: announce, proclaim, declare, signal

Antonym: conceal, suppress, silence

Example Sentence: The trumpets heralded the arrival of the king, announcing his presence to the awaiting crowd.





What is the tone used in the passage by the author?

- 1. Humanistic
- 2. Analytical
- 3. Skeptical
- 4. Laudable
- 5. Critical









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