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## VOCABULARY

## PROPPING(VERB)

Meaning: the action of supporting or sustaining something by placing or using a prop.

Synonyms: Supporting, bracing, bolstering, buttressing, shoring up.

Antonyms: Undermining, weakening, destabilizing.

**Sentence:** 

Propping the painting against the wall allowed the artist to step back and assess it from a distance.

## POSIT(VERB)

Meaning: to suggest, assume, or put forward as a fact or hypothesis, often without providing concrete evidence.

Synonyms: Propose, postulate, advance, assert,

hypothesize.

Antonyms: Disprove, reject, deny.

**Example Sentence:** 

The author posited an alternate ending to the story, inviting readers to consider different possibilities.

## BEDROCK (NOUN)



Meaning: it is used to describe the fundamental or unchanging basis or foundation of something.

Synonyms: Basis, foundation, cornerstone,

groundwork.

Antonyms: Instability, uncertainty.

**Sentence:** 

Trust and communication are the bedrock of a healthy relationship.

## HALVING(VERB)

Meaning: the act of dividing something into two

equal parts or reducing it by half.

Synonyms: Dividing in half, cutting in two, splitting,

dividing by half.

Antonyms: Doubling, combining, uniting.

**Sentence:** 

The recipe called for halving the ingredients to adjust the serving size.



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## EBB(NOUN & VERB)

Meaning: the gradual decline or reduction of something, such as a tide, a feeling, or a situation.

Synonyms: Decline, recede, wane, diminish.

Antonyms: Surge, rise, increase, expand.

Sentence: The ebb of the tide revealed hidden treasures along the shore.

Verb: The economic prosperity started to ebb after the financial crisis.



## VAGARIES(NOUN)

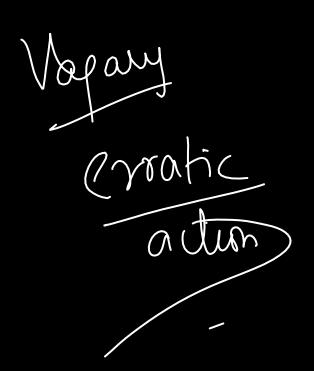
Meaning: unpredictable or unexpected changes, fluctuations, or whimsical and capricious actions or events.

Synonyms: Whims, caprices, eccentricities, fluctuations, uncertainties.

Antonyms: Consistencies, predictabilities, certainties, regularities.

**Sentence:** 

The stock market is known for its vagaries, with prices often influenced by unpredictable factors.



## VIGOUR (NOUN)



Meaning: refers to physical strength, health, or robustness.

Synonyms: Strength, vitality, energy, robustness, vigor.

Antonyms: Weakness, feebleness, lethargy, frailty.

**Sentence:** 

The athlete demonstrated remarkable vigour in the final moments of the race.

## HINTERLAND(NOUN)

Meaning: the remote or less developed areas that are located beyond the coastal or urban regions.

Synonyms: Backcountry, interior, wilderness, remote

areas.

Antonyms: Urban center, metropolitan area, city.

**Sentence:** 

The explorer ventured into the hinterland to study the flora and fauna of untouched regions.





## UNENVIABLE(ADJ.)

Meaning: Unenviable describes a situation or task that is undesirable, difficult, or not likely to be envied or desired by others.

Synonyms: Unpleasant, undesirable, thankless, burdensome.

Antonyms: Enviable, desirable, attractive, favorable.

**Sentence:** 

The manager had the unenviable task of announcing layoffs to the employees.

## SPIGOT(NOUN)

Meaning: A spigot is a device or faucet that controls the flow of liquid, usually water, from a pipe or container. It is a valve used for regulating the release of a fluid.

Synonyms: Faucet, tap, valve, cock.

Antonyms: Leak, opening.

#### **Sentence:**

The gardener attached a spigot to the rain barrel to easily access water for the plants.



## PHRASAL VERBS



### IDIOMS & PHRASES

Tighten the purse strings: to reduce or limit spending

Economy on steroids: an economy exeriencing rapid and sometimes unnatural growth

Spending spigot: a metaphor for the control of the flow of government spending

Peps growing: estimates or predict growth





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

- 1. PESSIMISTIC
- 2. ENTHUSIASTIC
- 3. NEUTRAL
- 4. NEUTRAL







