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VOCABULARY

BELLIGERENT(ADJ. & NOUN)

Meaning: A person or a nation engaged in warfare or conflict; a hostile and aggressive individual.

Synonym: Hostile, Aggressive, Combative

Antonym: Peaceful, Pacifistic, Amicable

Example Sentence: The belligerent nations were

locked in a fierce conflict that lasted for several years.

DELIBERATIVE (adj.)

Meaning: Related to or involving careful consideration and discussion before making a decision, often in a formal or thoughtful manner.

Synonyms: Reflective, Thoughtful, Considerate

Antonyms: Impulsive, Rash, Thoughtless

Example Sentence:

The committee engaged in a deliberative process to weigh the pros and cons of each proposal before reaching a consensus on the best course of action.

REBEL (NOUN)

Meaning: A person who opposes or rises against authority, control, or tradition, often engaging in acts of resistance or defiance.

Synonyms: Insurrectionist, Mutineer, Anarchist

Antonyms: Follower, Supporter, Submissive

Example Sentence: The rebel led a group of dissidents

in a protest against the oppressive regime.

DELVE(VERB)

Meaning: To investigate, explore, or research deeply and thoroughly, often with the intent of discovering or understanding more about a subject.

Synonyms: Study, Dig into, Search

Antonyms: Glance, Overlook, Ignore

Example Sentence:

The historian decided to delve into the archives to uncover the hidden details of the ancient civilization that had long been forgotten.

THREADBARE (ADJ.)

Meaning: Used so often that it has lost its freshness or originality, making it ineffective or

unconvincing.Synonyms: Frayed, Used, Unsound

Antonyms: Intact, Untouched, Vigorous

Example Sentence:

After years of repetitive jokes, the comedian's routine had become threadbare, and the audience no longer found it amusing.





BROWBEATING (NOUN)

Meaning: Intimidating or bullying someone with stern and harsh words, often to force them to do something against their will.

Synonyms: Bullying, Harassment, Coercion

Antonyms: Praise, Persuasion, Kindness

Example Sentence:

The manager's constant browbeating of the employees created a hostile work environment, leading to decreased morale and productivity among the team.

BACKSLIDING (NOUN)

Meaning: The act of reverting to previous undesirable behaviors or a decline in moral or religious commitment; a relapse.

Synonyms: Recidivism, Reversion, Lapse

Antonyms: Growth, Development, Ascension

Example Sentence:

Despite his initial efforts to quit smoking, John found himself backsliding into old habits after a particularly stressful week at work.

ACRIMONY (NOUN)

Meaning: Bitterness or harshness in speech or behavior, often characterized by resentment or hostility.

Synonyms: Enmity, Antipathy, Contention

Antonyms: Friendliness, Kindness, Agreement

Example Sentence:

The negotiations between the two parties ended in acrimony, with each side blaming the other for the breakdown in communication and trust.

AGGRIEVED (ADJ.)

Meaning: Experiencing deep and lasting distress or sorrow, often due to a perceived injustice or

wrongdoing.

Synonyms: Suffering, Pained, Mournful

Antonyms: Gratified, Satisfied, Comforted

Example Sentence:

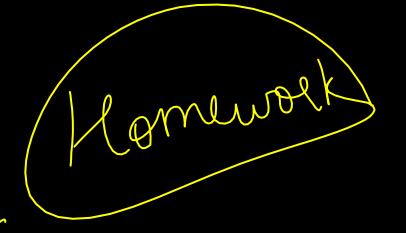
The aggrieved employee filed a complaint against the company for unfair treatment and sought justice for the alleged discrimination.





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

- 1. SKEPTICAL
- 2. ENTHUSIASTIC
- 3. INFORMATIVE
- 4. NEUTRAL
- 5. CRITICAL





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