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VOCABULARY



BACKSLIDING(NOUN & VERB)

Meaning: The act of reverting to previous undesirable behaviors or lapsing into old habits, especially in terms of moral or religious beliefs.

As a verb: The act of relapsing into undesirable behaviors or reverting to old habits.

Synonym: Relapse, regression, falling back

Antonym: Progress, improvement, advancement

Sentence: After a period of success in overcoming addiction, the individual experienced a period of backsliding, returning to harmful behaviors.



ERODING(VERB)

Meaning: the gradual wearing away or breaking down of something, typically by natural forces like wind, water, or other environmental factors.

Synonym: Wearing away, corroding, undermining

Antonym: Building up, reinforcing, preserving

Sentence: The constant flow of water was slowly eroding the riverbank over time.



FARCICAL(ADJ.)

Meaning: Pertaining to or resembling farce; absurd, ludicrous, or exaggerated in a humorous or slapstick manner.

Synonym: Absurd, comical, ridiculous

Antonym: Serious, solemn, earnest

Sentence: The play was a farcical comedy that had the audience laughing uncontrollably from start to finish.



CRIPPLING(ADJ. & VERB)

Meaning: Causing severe damage or impairment, often to the point of serious debilitation.

As a verb (gerund form): The act of causing severe damage or impairment.

Synonym: Devastating, paralyzing, incapacitating

Antonym: Healing, fortifying, strengthening

Sentence: The economic crisis had a crippling effect on businesses, leading to widespread layoffs and closures.



PARANOID(ADJ.)

Meaning: Experiencing or characterized by extreme and irrational distrust or suspicion of others, often accompanied by feelings of persecution.

Synonym: Distrustful, suspicious, apprehensive

Antonym: Trusting, confident, assured

Sentence: The paranoid individual constantly believed that others were plotting against them, leading to a sense of isolation and fear.



TARNISH(VERB)

Meaning: To dull or diminish the luster, shine, or quality of something, often through the effects of time, exposure, or improper care.

Synonym: Diminish, dull, stain

Antonym : Polish, enhance, brighten

Sentence: The antique silverware began to tarnish after years of exposure to the elements.



REENTERED(VERB)

Meaning: the action of entering or going back into something, such as a place, activity, or atmosphere, after having left or been absent.

Synonym: Returned, came back, went back in

Antonym: Departed, left, exited

Sentence: After a brief hiatus, she reentered the workforce with renewed enthusiasm and dedication.



PROPELLANT(NOUN)

Meaning: A substance used to propel or generate thrust in a rocket or other propulsion system.

Synonym: Rocket fuel, propulsive agent

Antonym: Inhibitor (in the context of propulsion systems)

Sentence: The engineers carefully selected the propellant for the spacecraft to ensure optimal performance during the mission.



SPACEFARING(ADJ.)

Meaning: Relating to the ability or activity of traveling or operating in outer space.

Synonym: Astronautic, space-traveling, cosmic

Antonym: Earthbound, non-spacefaring

Sentence: The spacefaring mission aimed to explore distant planets beyond our solar system.



SNIPER (NOUN)

Meaning: A skilled marksman or shooter who specializes in precision shooting from a concealed position, often with a scoped rifle, for the purpose of accuracy and stealth.

Synonym: Sharpshooter, marksman, gunman

Antonym: Target, non-combatant, civilian

Sentence: The sniper positioned himself on the rooftop, carefully observing the enemy's movements before taking a shot.



PHRASAL VERB

BOUND TO : TO DO/BE SOMETHING CERTAIN OR LIKELY TO HAPPEN, OR TO DO OR BE SOMETHING

SHUT DOWN : TO STOP OPERATING COMPLETELY

SHUTTING OFF : TO STOP THE OPERATION

COMPLAIN ABOUT : TO EXPRESS DISSATISFACTION ABOUT AN EVENT.



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**WHAT IS THE TONE OF THE WRITER IN THE
PASSAGE ?**

- 1. ANALYTICAL**
- 2. DISMISSIVE**
- 3. CRITICAL**
- 4. NEUTRAL**
- 5. INFORMATIVE**



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