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VOCABULARY

CURTAIL(VERB)

Meaning: To reduce or limit the extent or quantity of something; to cut short or bring to a close.

Synonyms: Restrict, Shorten Abate

Antonyms: Augment, Enlarge, Lengthen

Sentence: In an effort to save costs, the company decided to curtail its spending on non-essential expenses.

DISTRESS(NOUN)

Meaning: Extreme sorrow, suffering, or pain;

a state of adversity, affliction, or hardship.

Synonyms: Misery, Turmoil, Agony

Antonyms: Contentment, Satisfaction, Well-

being

Example Sentence:

The refugees faced extreme distress as they fled the war-torn region in search of safety.

SPARSE (ADJ.)

Meaning: Thinly scattered or distributed; not dense or crowded.

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Meager; insufficient in quantity or amount.

Synonyms: Seldom, Scarce, Few

Antonyms: Numerous, Profuse, Ample

Sentence: The sparse population in the remote mountain

region made it an ideal location for those seeking solitude.

Due to the dry climate, the vegetation in the desert was sparse, with only a few hardy plants surviving.



TREACHEROUS(ADJ.)

Meaning: Guilty of betrayal or deceit; untrustworthy. Hazardous or dangerous, especially when hidden or

not easily recognized

Synonyms: Perfidious, Sneaky, Cunning

Antonyms: Faithful, Dependable, Open

Example Sentence:

The treacherous path through the dense forest required careful navigation to avoid hidden dangers.

She discovered the treacherous nature of her socalled friend when he betrayed her trust.



to their beliefs.



PERSECUTION (NOUN)

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Meaning: The act or practice of subjecting a person or group to harsh and unjust treatment, often due to their race, religion, beliefs, or membership in a particular social or political group.

Synonyms: Oppression, Discrimination, Harassment
Tyranny

Antonyms: Embrace, Respect, Fairness

Sentence: Noun: The history of religious persecution is marked by instances of individuals and communities facing discrimination and violence due

GULLIBLE(ADJ.)

Meaning: Easily deceived or fooled because of a lack of critical thinking or judgment; overly trusting or credulous.

Synonyms: Unsophisticated, Simple, Dupable

Antonyms: Cautious , Suspicious , Wary

Sentence: Because of his gullible nature, he often fell for scams and schemes that preyed on people's trust.



EXACERBATE (VERB)



Meaning: To make a situation, condition, or feeling more intense, severe, or worse; to aggravate or worsen.

Synonyms: Increase , Augment , Exaggerate

Antonyms: Relieve ,Ameliorate ,Improve , Soothe.

Example Sentence:

The lack of rain served to exacerbate the drought conditions in the region, leading to widespread crop failures.

PLUMMET (VERB)

Meaning: To fall or drop straight down at high

speed; to plunge or descend rapidly.

Synonyms: Plunge ,Decline ,Descend ,Tumble

Antonyms: Ascend, Grow, Surge

Example Sentence:

The stock prices began to plummet after the unexpected announcement of the company's financial troubles.

GLEANED(VERB)

Meaning: Obtained or collected (information, knowledge, or insights) gradually, bit by bit, or from various sources.

Synonyms: Accumulated ,Harvested ,Acquired

Antonyms: Overseen, Ignored, Spurned

Example Sentence:

She gleaned valuable insights from various research papers and interviews to complete her comprehensive analysis of the topic.

BONHOMIE (NOUN)

Meaning: Cheerful friendliness; geniality, a sense of warmth and friendliness in demeanor.

Synonyms: Geniality, Comradeship

Antonyms: Stiffness, Formality, Disdain

Example Sentence:

Despite the competitive nature of the business world, the team's bonhomie and collaborative spirit contributed to their success.



PHRASAL VERBS

SMOOTH OVER: To make something appear more acceptable or less problematic than it actually is.

IDIOMS & PHRASES

MAKE THE MEETINGS: To be in agreement or have a shared understanding about a situation or plan.

ON TRACK: acting or progressing in a way that is likely to result in success





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

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



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