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The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 30 September 2024

Editorial : Demand flux: On growth dynamics – Growth dynamics may falter with waning urban consumption

English Vocabulary : 30 September 2024

Portents

Pronunciation: /'pɔːr.tənts/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A sign or warning that something, especially something momentous or calamitous, is likely to happen.

Meaning in Hindi: संकेत, पूर्वसूचना

Synonyms: Omen, indication, warning, forewarning

Antonyms: Assurance, certainty

Use in Sentence: The dark clouds were seen as portents of an approaching storm.

Use in Editorial: "India's resounding 8.2% GDP growth in 2023-24 came with two worrying portents."

K-shaped consumption

Pronunciation: /keɪ ʃeɪpt kən'sʌmp.jən/

Part of Speech: Phrase

Meaning: A pattern where different parts of the economy recover at different rates, creating a divergence between high-income and low-income groups.

Meaning in Hindi: असमान उपभोग पैटर्न

Synonyms: Divergent consumption, unequal recovery

Antonyms: Uniform consumption, equal recovery

Use in Sentence: The pandemic resulted in a K-shaped consumption pattern, with luxury goods seeing a surge while basic goods lagged behind.

Use in Editorial: "Economists flagged a K-shaped consumption pattern of higher-end goods and services seeing greater offtake than the rest."

Shore up

Pronunciation: /ʃɔːr ʌp/

Part of Speech: Phrasal Verb

Meaning: To support or strengthen something that is weak or about to fail.

Meaning in Hindi: समर्थन करना, मज़बूत करना

Synonyms: Strengthen, bolster, reinforce

Antonyms: Weaken, undermine

Use in Sentence: The government injected funds to shore up the failing economy.

Use in Editorial: "A normal monsoon this year, it was hoped, would help the farm sector and rural demand rebound, and shore up overall consumption."

4. Virtuous cycle

Pronunciation: /'vɜː.tʃu.əs saɪ.kl/

Part of Speech: Noun Phrase

Meaning: A self-perpetuating series of beneficial events, where one positive event leads to another.

Meaning in Hindi: गुणात्मक चक्र, लाभप्रद चक्र

Synonyms: Positive feedback loop, beneficial cycle

Antonyms: Vicious cycle, negative feedback loop

Use in Sentence: Investments in infrastructure create a virtuous cycle of growth and development.

Use in Editorial: "This much-awaited outcome is vital for the virtuous cycle of more investments leading to more jobs and higher consumption to kick in."

Fatigue

Pronunciation: /fə'ti:g/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Extreme tiredness resulting from mental or physical exertion; a decline in performance or enthusiasm.

Meaning in Hindi: थकान, अवसाद

Synonyms: Exhaustion, weariness, lethargy

Antonyms: Energy, vitality, alertness

Use in Sentence: After months of hard work, the team showed signs of fatigue.

Use in Editorial: "However, a twist in this tale may be imminent, with urban demand beginning to show some fatigue."

The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 28 September 2024

Editorial : Staying the course: On the fight against air pollution in the Indo-Gangetic plains – The Centre and the States need to fight air pollution together

English Vocabulary : 28 September 2024

Functionary

Punctuation: func-tion-ar-y

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A person who performs specific duties or functions, especially in a government or organization.

Meaning in Hindi: कार्यकारी

Synonyms: Official, operative, agent

Antonyms: Volunteer, layman

Use in Sentence: The functionary from the Prime Minister's Office convened a meeting to discuss pollution control measures.

Use in Editorial: "Earlier this week, a top functionary in the Prime Minister's Office convened a meeting..."

Deteriorating

Punctuation: de-te-ri-o-rat-ing

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To become progressively worse.

Meaning in Hindi: बिगड़ना

Synonyms: Worsening, declining, degrading

Antonyms: Improving, enhancing

Use in Sentence: The air quality in the city has been deteriorating due to various sources of pollution.

Use in Editorial: "...to prevent air quality from deteriorating catastrophically in Delhi."

Emissions

Punctuation: e-mis-sions

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The act of releasing something, especially gas or radiation.

Meaning in Hindi: उत्सर्जन

Synonyms: Discharges, releases, outputs

Antonyms: Absorption, retention

Use in Sentence: The factory's emissions have been linked to respiratory problems in the

local population.

Use in Editorial: "...pollution from vehicular emissions, road and construction dust..."

Incentives

Punctuation: in·cen·tives

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Something that motivates or encourages someone to do something.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रोत्साहन

Synonyms: Motivation, encouragement, inducement

Antonyms: Deterrent, disincentive

Use in Sentence: The government provided financial incentives to promote the use of renewable energy.

Use in Editorial: "...create economic incentives as well as punitive measures to prevent straw from being burned..."

Compliance

Punctuation: com·pli·ance

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The act of conforming to rules, regulations, or standards.

Meaning in Hindi: अनुपालन

Synonyms: Adherence, conformity, obedience

Antonyms: Violation, disobedience

Use in Sentence: The company's compliance with safety regulations was thoroughly inspected by the authorities.

Use in Editorial: "Whether the States can comply remains to be seen."

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 27 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Embattled CM: On Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah – Anti-graft moves should not be overshadowed by political motive

English Vocabulary : 27 September 2024

Prosecuted

Pronunciation: /'prɒsɪ,kju:tɪd/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To institute legal proceedings against someone in respect of a criminal charge.

Meaning in Hindi: मुकदमा चलाना

Synonyms: Charged, indicted, sued

Antonyms: Defended, absolved, exonerated

Use in a sentence: The company was **prosecuted** for violating environmental laws.

Use in Editorial: "Politico-legal cases have a momentum of their own, depending on who is being **prosecuted**."

Corruption

Pronunciation: /kə'ɹʌpʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Dishonest or fraudulent conduct by those in power, typically involving bribery.

Meaning in Hindi: भ्रष्टाचार

Synonyms: Fraud, dishonesty, graft

Antonyms: Integrity, honesty, fairness

Use in a sentence: The minister was removed from office due to charges of **corruption**.

Use in Editorial: "The Special Court in Bengaluru has acted swiftly to direct the State's Lokayukta police to investigate a complaint of **corruption** against Chief Minister Siddaramaiah."

Discretion

Pronunciation: /dɪ'skrɛʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The freedom to decide what should be done in a particular situation.

Meaning in Hindi: विवेक, निर्णय करने की स्वतंत्रता

Synonyms: Judgment, prudence, discernment

Antonyms: Recklessness, carelessness, ignorance

Use in a sentence: The judge used his **discretion** to impose a lighter sentence.

Use in Editorial: "It justifies the Governor acting on his own **discretion** on the ground that the Council of Ministers was biased towards the CM."

Cognisance

Pronunciation: /'kɒgnɪzəns/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Knowledge or awareness; the action of taking judicial notice of something.

Meaning in Hindi: संज्ञान

Synonyms: Awareness, notice, perception

Antonyms: Ignorance, neglect, disregard

Use in a sentence: The court took **cognisance** of the new evidence presented.

Use in Editorial: "A private complainant has to produce the sanctioning authority's approval

for the jurisdiction court to take **cognisance** of his complaint of corruption against a public servant.”

Bias

Pronunciation: /'baɪəs/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Prejudice in favor of or against one thing, person, or group compared with another, usually in a way considered to be unfair.

Meaning in Hindi: पक्षपात, पूर्वाग्रह

Synonyms: Prejudice, favoritism, partiality

Antonyms: Impartiality, fairness, neutrality

Use in a sentence: The journalist was accused of having a **bias** against the government.

Use in Editorial: “The question whether the Governor was free from **bias** is also likely to arise.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 26 September 2024](#)

Editorial : For a fair probe: On the Kejriwal bail order and CBI conduct – Kejriwal bail order is a reminder to CBI to dispel perception of bias

English Vocabulary : 26 September 2024

Incarceration

Pronunciation: /ɪnˌkɑːrsə'reɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The state of being confined in prison; imprisonment.

Meaning in Hindi: कैद, बंदी

Synonyms: Imprisonment, confinement, detention

Antonyms: Freedom, release, liberation

Use in Sentence: The judge ordered the incarceration of the criminal for ten years.

Use in Editorial: “The delay in issuing notice and hearing the matter at length resulted only in prolonging his incarceration.”

Stringent

Pronunciation: /'strɪndʒənt/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: (of regulations or conditions) strict, precise, and exacting.

Meaning in Hindi: सख्त, कठोर

Synonyms: Strict, severe, rigorous

Antonyms: Lenient, flexible, lax

Use in Sentence: The company implemented stringent safety regulations to prevent accidents.

Use in Editorial: "After the benefit was given to the co-accused, including Delhi's Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia and Bharat Rashtra Samithi leader K. Kavitha, under the more stringent Prevention of Money Laundering Act..."

Precedent

Pronunciation: /'preʃɪdənt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An earlier event or action that is regarded as an example or guide to be considered in subsequent similar circumstances.

Meaning in Hindi: पूर्व उदाहरण, मिसाल

Synonyms: Example, model, standard

Antonyms: Subsequent, following

Use in Sentence: The judge's ruling set a precedent for future cases of this kind.

Use in Editorial: "Justice Bhuyan also recalled precedents that say the existence of the power to arrest did not necessarily mean that there was a need to arrest."

Propensity

Pronunciation: /prə'pensɪti/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An inclination or natural tendency to behave in a particular way.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रवृत्ति, झुकाव

Synonyms: Tendency, inclination, predisposition

Antonyms: Aversion, disinclination

Use in Sentence: He has a propensity for making hasty decisions.

Use in Editorial: "The judge has rightly emphasised the right of the accused to remain silent, and decried the propensity among investigating agencies to cite 'non-cooperation'..."

Cusp

Pronunciation: /kʌsp/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A point of transition between two different states or conditions.

Meaning in Hindi: संधिकाल, मोड़

Synonyms: Verge, brink, edge

Antonyms: Middle, inside

Use in Sentence: She was on the cusp of a major breakthrough in her career.

Use in Editorial: “He questioned the urgency to arrest him ‘when he was on the cusp of release in the ED (Enforcement Directorate) case.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 25 September 2024](#)

Editorial : It is an offence: On Supreme Court clarification on online content on child sex abuse

English vocab words from the Hindu : 25 September 2024

Delineation

Pronunciation: /dɪˌlɪn.iˈeɪ.ʃən/

Part of speech: Noun

Meaning: The action of describing or portraying something precisely.

Meaning in Hindi: सीमांकन, स्पष्ट विवरण

Synonyms: Outline, depiction, description, definition

Antonyms: Ambiguity, vagueness

Use in sentence: The teacher’s clear delineation of the topic helped the students understand it better.

Use in Editorial: “The Supreme Court of India’s clear delineation of the penal consequences of accessing or storing sexual material concerning children is in complete consonance with the letter and spirit of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.”

Consonance

Pronunciation: /ˈkɒn.sə.nəns/

Part of speech: Noun

Meaning: Agreement or compatibility between opinions or actions.

Meaning in Hindi: सामंजस्य, मेल

Synonyms: Agreement, harmony, accord, consistency

Antonyms: Dissonance, discord, disagreement

Use in sentence: The decision was in consonance with the company’s policies.

Use in Editorial: “The Supreme Court of India’s clear delineation of the penal consequences of accessing or storing sexual material concerning children is in complete consonance with the letter and spirit of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act.”

Culpable

Pronunciation: /ˈkʌl.pə.bəl/

Part of speech: Adjective

Meaning: Deserving blame.

Meaning in Hindi: दोषी, निंदनीय

Synonyms: Blameworthy, guilty, responsible, liable

Antonyms: Innocent, blameless, faultless

Use in sentence: The employee was found culpable for the security breach.

Use in Editorial: “The Court has also advocated that the term ‘child pornography’ be avoided... as it appears to trivialise the enormity of the offence of exploiting children to create and disseminate sexual material to gratify the perversions of a few.”

Proliferation

Pronunciation: /prəˌlɪf.ə'reɪ.ʃən/

Part of speech: Noun

Meaning: Rapid increase in the number or amount of something.

Meaning in Hindi: तीव्र वृद्धि, विस्तार

Synonyms: Expansion, spread, escalation, multiplication

Antonyms: Reduction, decrease, decline

Use in sentence: The proliferation of mobile phones has transformed communication globally.

Use in Editorial: “Demonstrating an enlightened approach to the social questions that arise from the proliferation of online content featuring sexual exploitation of children...”

Constructive

Pronunciation: /kən'strʌk.tɪv/

Part of speech: Adjective

Meaning: Serving a useful purpose; intended to help or improve.

Meaning in Hindi: रचनात्मक, सृजनात्मक

Synonyms: Positive, beneficial, helpful, productive

Antonyms: Destructive, negative, harmful

Use in sentence: The feedback from the manager was constructive and aimed at improving performance.

Use in Editorial: “Invoking the doctrine of ‘constructive possession’, it has ruled that any act of viewing or displaying such material over the Internet without actual possession or storage in any device would also amount to ‘possession’...”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 24 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Triumph squared: On India’s chess double win in Budapest

English vocab words from the Hindu : 24 September 2024

Word: Prestigious

Pronunciation: /pre'stɪdʒəs/

Part of speech: Adjective

Meaning: Inspiring respect and admiration; having high status.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रतिष्ठित

Synonyms: Renowned, esteemed, distinguished

Antonyms: Insignificant, obscure, unimportant

Use in sentence: "Winning the prestigious award was a moment of pride for the entire team."

Use in Editorial: "The Indian women began as the first seed and the men as the second in the mind sport's most prestigious team event."

Word: Triumph

Pronunciation: /'traɪ.əmf/

Part of speech: Noun

Meaning: A great victory or achievement.

Meaning in Hindi: विजय, सफलता

Synonyms: Victory, conquest, success

Antonyms: Defeat, failure, loss

Use in sentence: "The team's triumph in the finals was a testament to their hard work and dedication."

Use in Editorial: "India's twin triumph was fashioned by a bunch of youngsters belonging to the golden generation of Indian chess."

Word: Dominant

Pronunciation: /'dɒmɪnənt/

Part of speech: Adjective

Meaning: Having power and influence over others.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रभावशाली, प्रमुख

Synonyms: Controlling, commanding, influential

Antonyms: Submissive, weak, inferior

Use in sentence: "She had a dominant presence in the courtroom, influencing the decision."

Use in Editorial: "The men were absolutely dominant right through."

Word: Revolutionised

Pronunciation: /,revə'lu:ʃənəɪzd/

Part of speech: Verb (past tense)

Meaning: To radically change or transform something.

Meaning in Hindi: क्रांतिकारी परिवर्तन लाना

Synonyms: Transformed, innovated, altered

Antonyms: Maintained, preserved, kept

Use in sentence: "The invention of smartphones revolutionized the way we communicate."

Use in Editorial: "Viswanathan Anand, the man who single-handedly revolutionised chess in India..."

Aggressively

Pronunciation: /ə'grɛsɪvli/

Part of speech: Adverb

Meaning: In a determined and forceful way.

Meaning in Hindi: आक्रामक रूप से

Synonyms: Assertively, forcefully, vigorously

Antonyms: Passively, calmly, softly

Use in sentence: “The company aggressively marketed its new product to dominate the market.”

Use in Editorial: “India’s chess administration should try to use the great success of its women at Budapest to promote the game more aggressively among girls.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 23 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Sri Lanka’s verdict: On the Island nation’s ninth Presidential election – The spirit of the mandate of the presidential poll was clear — for change

English vocab words from the Hindu : 23 September 2024

Perceptible

Pronunciation: /pər-'sep-tə-bəl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Able to be seen or noticed; noticeable.

Meaning in Hindi: ध्यान देने योग्य

Synonyms: Noticeable, Discernible, Detectable

Antonyms: Imperceptible, Inconspicuous, Unnoticeable

Use in a Sentence: The changes in the company’s policies were barely perceptible to the employees.

Use in Editorial: “The spirit of the mandate is for a change and a perceptible shift away from the established, traditional parties and groups.”

Resonance

Pronunciation: /'rez-ə-nəns/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The quality of being deep, full, and reverberating; a quality that evokes a strong emotional response.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रतिध्वनि, गूंज

Synonyms: Echo, Reverberation, Resonation

Antonyms: Dissonance, Silence

Use in a Sentence: His speech had a deep resonance that moved the audience.

Use in Editorial: “The popular uprising Aragalaya found resonance in the campaign and verdict.”

Battered**Pronunciation:** /'bætərd/**Part of Speech:** Adjective**Meaning:** Damaged by repeated use or suffering from repeated problems.**Meaning in Hindi:** पस्त, क्षतिग्रस्त**Synonyms:** Damaged, Worn, Beaten**Antonyms:** New, Fresh, Undamaged**Use in a Sentence:** The battered old car barely made it to the service station.**Use in Editorial:** "Fixing the battered economy would be among his priorities."**Consensual****Pronunciation:** /kən-'sen(t)-sh(ə-)wəl/**Part of Speech:** Adjective**Meaning:** Relating to or involving consensus or agreement from all parties.**Meaning in Hindi:** सर्वसम्मत**Synonyms:** Agreed, Cooperative, Unanimous**Antonyms:** Disagreeable, Conflicted, Controversial**Use in a Sentence:** They reached a consensual decision after hours of discussion.**Use in Editorial:** "He has to adopt a consensual path while implementing his economic policies and programmes."**Executive Presidency****Pronunciation:** /ɪg'zɛk.jʊ.tɪv 'prezɪdənsɪ/**Part of Speech:** Noun (Phrase)**Meaning:** A system where the president holds significant executive powers, including decision-making and governance, beyond ceremonial duties.**Meaning in Hindi:** कार्यकारी राष्ट्रपति प्रणाली**Synonyms:** Strong Presidency, Presidential Government**Antonyms:** Parliamentary System**Use in a Sentence:** The country's executive presidency system gives the president vast powers over government affairs.**Use in Editorial:** "The introduction of the system of executive presidency in 1978..."**[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 21 September 2024](#)****Editorial :** Pivot to watch: On the U.S. Fed's rate reduction, its impact**English Vocabulary : 21 September 2024****Pivot****Pronunciation:** /'pɪvət/**Part of Speech:** Noun/Verb

Meaning: A central point, pin, or shaft on which a mechanism turns; a shift in strategy or policy.

Meaning in Hindi: धुरी, नीति में बदलाव

Synonyms: Shift, turn, adjustment

Antonyms: Stasis, stagnation

Use in a sentence: The company's decision to pivot towards a digital-first strategy paid off.

Use in Editorial: "The U.S. Federal Reserve... cut interest rates... in a policy **pivot** that is bound to have far-reaching implications."

Rationale

Pronunciation: /ˌræʃəˈneɪl/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A set of reasons or a logical basis for a course of action or belief.

Meaning in Hindi: तर्क, कारण

Synonyms: Reasoning, justification, explanation

Antonyms: Irrationality, illogicality

Use in a sentence: The **rationale** behind the new policy is to increase efficiency.

Use in Editorial: "Elaborating on the **rationale** for the cut... Fed Chairman Jerome Powell said..."

Mandate

Pronunciation: /ˈmænˌdeɪt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An official order or commission to do something.

Meaning in Hindi: आदेश, अधिकार

Synonyms: Directive, instruction, command

Antonyms: Suggestion, request, appeal

Use in a sentence: The agency has been given a **mandate** to reduce pollution levels.

Use in Editorial: "The Fed, which has a dual **mandate** of ensuring maximum employment... and keeping inflation at 2%."

Unrelenting

Pronunciation: /ˌʌnrɪˈlentɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Not yielding in strength, severity, or determination.

Meaning in Hindi: निरंतर, अडिग

Synonyms: Incessant, relentless, persistent

Antonyms: Relenting, yielding, flexible

Use in a sentence: The heat was **unrelenting** throughout the day.

Use in Editorial: “The U.S. central bank’s **unrelenting** rate increases... had rippled through the global economy.”

Palpable

Pronunciation: /'pælpəbəl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: So intense as to seem almost tangible; able to be touched or felt.

Meaning in Hindi: स्पष्ट, स्पर्शनीय

Synonyms: Tangible, noticeable, perceptible

Antonyms: Intangible, unclear, imperceptible

Use in a sentence: There was a **palpable** sense of relief when the exam was over.

Use in Editorial: “The relief though is certain to be far more **palpable** for other emerging and developing economies.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 20 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Milestones and U-turns: On the government in its third term – The optics of the 100-day mark cannot conceal changed dynamics for the BJP

English Vocabulary : 20 September 2024

Seamless

Pronunciation: /'si:mləs/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Smooth and continuous, with no apparent gaps or breaks.

Meaning in Hindi: सुगम, बिना किसी रुकावट के

Synonyms: Smooth, continuous, uninterrupted

Antonyms: Disjointed, interrupted, uneven

Use in a sentence: The team’s seamless coordination made the project successful.

Use in Editorial: “The Narendra Modi government and the BJP are eager to claim a **seamless** continuity with the first two terms, as a mark of effective governance and leadership.”

Milestone

Pronunciation: /'maɪl,stoʊn/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A significant stage or event in the development of something.

Meaning in Hindi: एक महत्वपूर्ण चरण या घटना

Synonyms: Landmark, benchmark, achievement

Antonyms: Triviality, insignificance

Use in a sentence: Winning the award was a major **milestone** in her career.

Use in Editorial: "The government and the party have used the arbitrary 100-day **milestone** to showcase their achievements in various sectors."

Endorsed

Pronunciation: /ɪn'dɔːrst/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To declare one's public approval or support of.

Meaning in Hindi: समर्थन करना, अनुमोदन करना

Synonyms: Support, approve, back

Antonyms: Oppose, reject, disapprove

Use in a sentence: The celebrity **endorsed** the new product, boosting its sales.

Use in Editorial: "The Union Cabinet... approved a report by a committee headed by the former President of India, Ram Nath Kovind, that has **endorsed** a partisan BJP proposal for simultaneous elections."

Flexibility

Pronunciation: /ˌfleksə'bɪlɪti/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The quality of being adaptable or variable.

Meaning in Hindi: लचीलेपन, अनुकूलता

Synonyms: Adaptability, pliability, suppleness

Antonyms: Rigidity, inflexibility, stiffness

Use in a sentence: The company's **flexibility** in dealing with client requests has earned it a good reputation.

Use in Editorial: "The BJP has quietly learnt this lesson, though it is unwilling to own up its own new **flexibility**."

Bombast

Pronunciation: /'bɑ:mbæst/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: High-sounding language with little meaning, used to impress people.

Meaning in Hindi: दिखावटी बातें, आडंबरपूर्ण भाषा

Synonyms: Boasting, bluster, grandiloquence

Antonyms: Humility, simplicity, understatement

Use in a sentence: His speech was full of **bombast** but lacked real substance.

Use in Editorial: "The BJP is now haunted by the ghost of its own past **bombast**."

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 19 September 2024](#)

Editorial : A fair share: On the concerns of high performing States – The Sixteenth Finance Commission must address the concerns of high-performing States

English Vocabulary : 19 September 2024

Apportionment

Pronunciation: /ə'pɔ:rfənmənt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The action of dividing and allocating something.

Meaning in Hindi: आवंटन

Synonyms: Distribution, allocation, sharing

Antonyms: Collection, consolidation

Use in Sentence: The apportionment of resources among various departments was crucial for the project's success.

Use in Editorial: "...demanded a raise in the divisible pool of taxes from 41% — the Fifteenth Finance Commission's recommendation — to a 50% apportionment..."

Infringement

Pronunciation: /ɪn'frɪndʒmənt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A violation or breach of a law, agreement, or right.

Meaning in Hindi: उल्लंघन

Synonyms: Violation, breach, encroachment

Antonyms: Compliance, observance

Use in Sentence: The company faced serious penalties for the infringement of copyright laws.

Use in Editorial: "...to discuss the growing infringement on States' autonomy to collect taxes since the introduction of the GST framework..."

Devolution**Pronunciation:** /ˌdɛvəˈluːʃən/**Part of Speech:** Noun**Meaning:** The transfer or delegation of power to a lower level, especially by central government to local or regional administration.**Meaning in Hindi:** सत्ता का हस्तांतरण**Synonyms:** Delegation, transfer, decentralization**Antonyms:** Centralization, concentration**Use in Sentence:** The devolution of powers to local governments has empowered communities to make decisions.**Use in Editorial:** “The Sixteenth Finance Commission’s recommendations on tax devolution are expected by October 2025.”**Contingency****Pronunciation:** /kənˈtɪndʒənsi/**Part of Speech:** Noun**Meaning:** A future event or circumstance that is possible but cannot be predicted with certainty.**Meaning in Hindi:** आकस्मिकता**Synonyms:** Possibility, eventuality, uncertainty**Antonyms:** Certainty, inevitability
Use in Sentence: The company set aside a contingency fund to handle unexpected expenses.**Use in Editorial:** “Moreover, neither the GST nor the Finance Commission have addressed contingency expenses, which are now relevant more than ever...”**Trajectories****Pronunciation:** /trəˈdʒɛktərɪz/**Part of Speech:** Noun**Meaning:** The path followed by a projectile flying or an object moving under the action of given forces; often used metaphorically to describe a course of development.**Meaning in Hindi:** पथ**Synonyms:** Path, course, direction**Antonyms:** Stagnation, immobility**Use in Sentence:** The researchers studied the trajectories of different species in the ecosystem.**Use in Editorial:** “...the governments of high-performing States are finding their hands tied at a crucial juncture in their economic and social trajectories.”

The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 18 September 2024

Editorial : Third front: On the expanding nature of the conflict in West Asia – Israel’s fighting three enemy militias at once highlights the pressing need for a ceasefire

English Vocabulary : 18 September 2024

Breach

Pronunciation: /bri:tʃ/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An act of breaking or failing to observe a law, agreement, or code of conduct.

Meaning in Hindi: उल्लंघन

Synonyms: Violation, infringement, gap

Antonyms: Compliance, adherence

Use in Sentence: The company faced legal consequences for the breach of contract.

Use in Editorial: “The missile attack on Sunday (September 15, 2024) on Israel by Yemen’s Houthi rebels marked the second breach of Israel’s highly fortified skies by Houthi weapons in two months...”

Retaliation

Pronunciation: /rɪˌtæl.iˈeɪ.ʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The action of returning a military attack; counter-attack.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रतिशोध

Synonyms: Revenge, reprisal, vengeance

Antonyms: Forgiveness, pardon

Use in Sentence: The country prepared for retaliation after the unexpected attack on its territory.

Use in Editorial: “In retaliation, Israel launched an air strike on Hodeida, a Houthi-controlled Red Sea port in Yemen.”

Diminishing

Pronunciation: /dɪˈmɪn.ɪʃ.ɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Becoming less or smaller.

Meaning in Hindi: घटता हुआ

Synonyms: Reducing, decreasing, lessening

Antonyms: Increasing, amplifying

Use in Sentence: The team focused on diminishing their errors during the game to improve

their chances of winning.

Use in Editorial: “But months of air strikes led by the U.S. and the U.K. have done little in diminishing Houthi fire power.”

Entrenched

Pronunciation: /ɪn'trentʃt/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Firmly established and difficult or unlikely to change; ingrained.

Meaning in Hindi: स्थिर, दृढ़

Synonyms: Established, ingrained, fixed

Antonyms: Unsettled, unstable

Use in Sentence: The entrenched beliefs of the community made it difficult to introduce new ideas.

Use in Editorial: “The Houthis, who have direct Iranian support, are entrenched in Yemen.”

Unending

Pronunciation: /ʌn'endɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Having no end; perpetual.

Meaning in Hindi: अंतहीन

Synonyms: Endless, perpetual, infinite

Antonyms: Finite, limited

Use in Sentence: The unending noise from the construction site made it hard to concentrate.

Use in Editorial: “And the drone and missile attacks on Israel are an indication of what is to come in Israel’s unending wars.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 17 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Clarity of vision: On eye drops for presbyopia and ‘claims’ – A useful drug is undone by fantastic claims about its efficacy

English Vocabulary : 17 September 2024

Unsubstantiated

Pronunciation: /,ʌn.səb'stæɪ.n.ji.eɪ.tɪd/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Not supported or proven by evidence.

Meaning in Hindi: असत्यापित, बिना प्रमाण के

Synonyms: Unverified, unsupported, unfounded

Antonyms: Verified, substantiated, confirmed

Use in Sentence: The journalist faced criticism for publishing unsubstantiated claims without reliable sources.

Use in Editorial: "The casual exaggeration of claims in medicine, unsubstantiated by science and facts, has long been a plague in the health sector."

Efficacy

Pronunciation: /'ɛf.ɪ.kə.si/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The ability to produce a desired or intended result.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रभावशीलता, क्षमता

Synonyms: Effectiveness, efficiency, capability

Antonyms: Ineffectiveness, incapacity

Use in Sentence: The study tested the efficacy of the new drug in reducing symptoms.

Use in Editorial: "It ladled the blame for the 'claims' on to media reports on the new product, which went viral and public imagination [that] led to an unusual escalation for which ENTOD Pharmaceuticals is not responsible."

Constrict

Pronunciation: /kən'strɪkt/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To make narrower or tighter.

Meaning in Hindi: संकुचित करना

Synonyms: Tighten, compress, squeeze

Antonyms: Expand, loosen

Use in Sentence: The cold weather caused the metal to constrict, making it difficult to fit the pieces together.

Use in Editorial: "The main ingredient in the drops, pilocarpine, works by causing the pupils to constrict, creating a pinhole effect."

Escalation

Pronunciation: /,ɛs.kə'leɪ.jən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An increase or intensification, especially in conflict or a situation.

Meaning in Hindi: वृद्धि, चढ़ाई

Synonyms: Increase, escalation, intensification

Antonyms: De-escalation, reduction

Use in Sentence: The escalation of violence in the region has prompted international concern.

Use in Editorial: “The company held that approval for the drug was based upon a valid controlled clinical trial that demonstrated efficacy and safety... which went viral and public imagination [that] led to an unusual escalation for which ENTOD Pharmaceuticals is not responsible.”

Rein in

Pronunciation: /ri:n in/

Part of Speech: Verb Phrase

Meaning: To restrain or control; to limit something.

Meaning in Hindi: रोकना, नियंत्रित करना

Synonyms: Control, restrain, curb

Antonyms: Unleash, free

Use in Sentence: The government decided to rein in spending to address the budget deficit.

Use in Editorial: “It is the duty of the government to set store entirely by scientific data, and rein in unsubstantiated claims about drugs, no matter who makes them.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 16 September 2024](#)

Editorial : For a fair probe: On the Kejriwal bail order and CBI conduct – Kejriwal bail order is a reminder to CBI to dispel perception of bias

English Vocabulary : 16 September 2024

Disinflation

Pronunciation: /,dɪsɪnˈfleɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A reduction in the rate of inflation; slowing down of price increases.

Meaning in Hindi: मुद्रास्फीति में कमी

Synonyms: Decrease in inflation, price deceleration

Antonyms: Inflation, price increase

Use in Sentence: The central bank is aiming for disinflation to bring inflation rates under control.

Use in Editorial: “A durable disinflation to the RBI’s medium-term monetary policy goal of 4% headline retail inflation also faces other challenges.”

Provisional

Pronunciation: /prəˈvɪʒənəl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Temporary or subject to change; not final.

Meaning in Hindi: अस्थायी, अनंतिम

Synonyms: Temporary, interim, tentative

Antonyms: Final, definite, permanent

Use in Sentence: The company issued a provisional report before the final audit was completed.

Use in Editorial: "Provisional estimates for year-on-year price gains in August show the headline rate based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) quickened marginally to 3.65%."

Resurgence

Pronunciation: /rɪ'sɜːdʒəns/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An increase or revival after a period of little activity or decline.

Meaning in Hindi: पुनरुत्थान, फिर से उठना

Synonyms: Revival, comeback, rebound

Antonyms: Decline, disappearance, weakening

Use in Sentence: The resurgence of demand for electric vehicles has boosted the auto industry.

Use in Editorial: "A key element being a resurgence in core inflation."

Disconcertingly

Pronunciation: /ˌdɪskən'sɜːtɪŋli/

Part of Speech: Adverb

Meaning: In a way that makes someone feel uneasy or worried.

Meaning in Hindi: चिंता उत्पन्न करने वाला

Synonyms: Unsettlingly, disturbingly, worryingly

Antonyms: Comfortingly, reassuringly, calmly

Use in Sentence: Disconcertingly, the project was delayed due to unforeseen circumstances.

Use in Editorial: "Disconcertingly, food inflation in the rural areas rebounded to exceed 6%."

Marginally

Pronunciation: /'mɑːrdʒɪnəli/

Part of Speech: Adverb

Meaning: To a small extent or degree.

Meaning in Hindi: थोड़ी मात्रा में, थोड़ा सा

Synonyms: Slightly, minimally, barely

Antonyms: Significantly, greatly, substantially

Use in Sentence: The stock prices have increased marginally over the past week.

Use in Editorial: “Provisional estimates for year-on-year price gains in August show the headline rate based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) quickened marginally to 3.65%.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 14 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Last mile woes: On inflation data and the challenges – Inflation should not be allowed to undermine the economic momentum

English Vocabulary : 14 September 2024

Durable

Pronunciation: /'djʊərəbl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Able to withstand wear, pressure, or damage; long-lasting.

Meaning in Hindi: टिकाऊ, स्थायी

Synonyms: Lasting, stable, enduring

Antonyms: Fragile, temporary, weak

Use in Sentence: The durable materials used in the construction ensured that the building would last for decades.

Use in Editorial: “The latest retail inflation data from the National Statistical Office yet again highlights the challenge in achieving durable price stability.”

Disconcertingly

Pronunciation: /,dɪs.kən'sɜːr.tən.li/

Part of Speech: Adverb

Meaning: In a way that causes someone to feel unsettled or confused.

Meaning in Hindi: चिंताजनक तरीके से, अस्थिरता में

Synonyms: Alarmingly, unsettlingly, troublingly

Antonyms: Comfortingly, reassuringly

Use in Sentence: The sudden change in plans disconcertingly caught everyone off guard.

Use in Editorial: “Disconcertingly, food inflation in the rural areas rebounded to exceed 6%...”

Resurgence

Pronunciation: /rɪ'sɜːrdʒəns/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An increase or revival after a period of little activity or popularity.

Meaning in Hindi: पुनरुत्थान, वापसी

Synonyms: Revival, comeback, reappearance

Antonyms: Decline, decrease, waning

Use in Sentence: The resurgence of interest in vintage clothing has led to many thrift stores flourishing.

Use in Editorial: "A key element being a resurgence in core inflation."

Streak

Pronunciation: /stri:k/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A continuous series of specified success or failures.

Meaning in Hindi: धारा, रेखा, निरंतरता

Synonyms: Series, run, spell

Antonyms: Break, interruption

Use in Sentence: The athlete had an impressive streak of victories in her last ten races.

Use in Editorial: "...after having snapped a 17-month decelerating streak in July."

Muddled

Pronunciation: /'mʌd.id/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Made unclear or confused.

Meaning in Hindi: अस्पष्ट, धुंधला

Synonyms: Clouded, confused, obscured

Antonyms: Clear, distinct, lucid

Use in Sentence: The explanation was muddled by the lack of clear examples.

Use in Editorial: "Add to this the spatial and temporal volatility of the monsoon, and the outlook for price stability becomes even more muddled."

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 13 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Street power: On the Kolkata protest – The Kolkata protest must keep its focus and not be a free-for-all

English Vocabulary : 13 September 2024

Tumultuous

Pronunciation: /tju:'mʌltʃuəs/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Involving a lot of confusion, noise, and disorder.

Meaning in Hindi: अशांत, उथल-पुथल से भरा

Synonyms: Chaotic, turbulent, stormy

Antonyms: Calm, peaceful, orderly

Use in Sentence: The tumultuous crowd protested against the new policies.

Use in Editorial: "It has been a tumultuous month in Kolkata with junior doctors and civil society leading protests against the brutal rape and murder of a woman doctor on duty on August 9."

Rallying

Pronunciation: /'ræliɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Verb (used as an adjective)

Meaning: Gathering together to support a common cause.

Meaning in Hindi: समर्थन के लिए एकत्रित होना

Synonyms: Uniting, assembling, mobilizing

Antonyms: Dispersing, separating, scattering

Use in Sentence: The rallying cry of the protestors could be heard across the city.

Use in Editorial: "The rallying cry, 'We demand justice,' is being heard loud and clear by everyone, from the State administration right up to the Supreme Court."

Tokenism

Pronunciation: /'təʊ.kən.ɪz.əm/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The practice of making a symbolic effort to do something, especially to give the appearance of equality without any real commitment.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रतीकात्मक कार्य

Synonyms: Symbolic gesture, superficial effort

Antonyms: Genuine effort, meaningful action

Use in Sentence: The company's diversity program was criticized as mere tokenism.

Use in Editorial: "But these will not help stem the rot and are seen as tokenism at best."

Creaking

Pronunciation: /'kri:kɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Verb (used as an adjective)

Meaning: Making a harsh, high-pitched sound, often associated with strain; here, used metaphorically to indicate a system under strain or pressure.

Meaning in Hindi: चरमराहट, दबाव में

Synonyms: Strained, stressed, overburdened

Antonyms: Strong, stable, robust

Use in Sentence: The old chair was creaking under the weight.

Use in Editorial: “That the Court had to direct the State administration to provide separate duty rooms, toilets, and install CCTVs indicates that the health infrastructure is creaking.”

Logjam

Pronunciation: /'lɒg,dʒæm/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A situation in which no progress can be made, often due to a conflict or problem that needs resolving.

Meaning in Hindi: गतिरोध, अवरोध

Synonyms: Impasse, stalemate, gridlock

Antonyms: Breakthrough, progress, resolution

Use in Sentence: The negotiations reached a logjam and had to be paused for further discussions.

Use in Editorial: “The government needs to do more to break the logjam.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 12 September 2024](#)

Editorial : One-man rule: On Venezuela’s disputed presidential election – Maduro must realise socialist rhetoric is no substitute for popular support

English Vocabulary : 12 September 2024

Crackdown

Pronunciation: /'kræk.daʊn/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Severe measures to restrict or discourage undesirable or illegal people or behavior.

Meaning in Hindi: दमनात्मक कार्रवाई

Synonyms: Repression, suppression, clampdown

Antonyms: Leniency, tolerance, permissiveness

Use in Sentence: The government’s crackdown on protesters led to widespread criticism.

Use in Editorial: “The subsequent crackdown on the Opposition by the regime of President Nicolás Maduro has deepened the political divisions in the oil-rich country.”

Unleashed

Pronunciation: /ʌn'li:ft/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To release or cause something to be released suddenly, usually something

powerful or aggressive.

Meaning in Hindi: उन्मुक्त करना, छूट देना

Synonyms: Release, set free, trigger

Antonyms: Restrain, hold back, suppress

Use in Sentence: The news unleashed a wave of protests across the city.

Use in Editorial: "Rejecting calls to quit, he has unleashed the crackdown."

Incitement

Pronunciation: /ɪn'saɪt.mənt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The action of provoking unlawful or violent behavior.

Meaning in Hindi: उकसाना

Synonyms: Provocation, instigation, stimulation

Antonyms: Deterrence, discouragement, prevention

Use in Sentence: The leader was arrested for incitement of violence during the rally.

Use in Editorial: "Mr. González, a retired diplomat who faces charges for incitement of protests, left for Spain on September 7."

Revoked

Pronunciation: /rɪ'vookt/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To officially cancel or withdraw something.

Meaning in Hindi: रद्द करना, वापस लेना

Synonyms: Repeal, rescind, annul

Antonyms: Enforce, ratify, uphold

Use in Sentence: The government revoked the controversial law after public protests.

Use in Editorial: "The tensions between Venezuela and Brazil came out in the open when the Maduro regime revoked Brasilia's authorisation to manage and represent the Argentine embassy."

Hyperinflation

Pronunciation: /ˌhaɪpəˈrɪnˈfleɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Extremely rapid or out-of-control inflation.

Meaning in Hindi: अत्यधिक मुद्रास्फीति

Synonyms: Inflationary spiral, extreme inflation

Antonyms: Deflation, price stability

Use in Sentence: Hyperinflation made it impossible for the people to afford basic goods.

Use in Editorial: “About 7.7 million people have fled in recent years amid hyperinflation, economic contraction and scarcity for food and medicine.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 11 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Future, at last: On tennis’ brand-new era – Tennis gets a settled look with the rise of a new generation

English Vocabulary : 11 September 2024

Traverse

Pronunciation: /trəˈvɜːs/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To travel across or through.

Meaning in Hindi: पार करना, यात्रा करना

Synonyms: Cross, navigate, pass through

Antonyms: Remain, stay, stagnate

Use in Sentence: The explorers traversed the dense jungle to reach the hidden village.

Use in Editorial: “The season starts in early January and ends only in mid-November, traversing continents, different time zones and a multitude of playing surfaces.”

Notwithstanding

Pronunciation: /ˌnɒtwɪθˈstændɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Preposition

Meaning: In spite of; despite.

Meaning in Hindi: इसके बावजूद

Synonyms: Despite, in spite of, regardless of

Antonyms: Because of, due to

Use in Sentence: Notwithstanding the rain, the event continued as planned.

Use in Editorial: “For Sinner, the twin successes bookend a career-best year, the recent doping cloud he came under notwithstanding.”

Embellish

Pronunciation: /ɪmˈbɛlɪʃ/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To make something more attractive by the addition of decorative details or features.

Meaning in Hindi: सुसज्जित करना, सजाना

Synonyms: Decorate, adorn, beautify

Antonyms: Simplify, deface, mar

Use in Sentence: The artist embellished the painting with intricate designs.

Use in Editorial: “While their triumphs will no doubt embellish their respective careers, the accomplishments will, in all probability, shape the future of tennis.”

Duopoly

Pronunciation: /dju:'ɒpəli/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A situation in which two suppliers dominate the market.

Meaning in Hindi: द्वि-एकाधिकार

Synonyms: Dual control, bipoly, shared monopoly

Antonyms: Monopoly, competition

Use in Sentence: The tech industry has turned into a duopoly controlled by two major companies.

Use in Editorial: “Like Sinner-Alcaraz, there is the Sabalenka-Iga Swiatek duopoly, with the pair having secured seven of the past 11 Slams.”

Eclectic

Pronunciation: /ɪ'klektɪk/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Deriving ideas, style, or taste from a broad and diverse range of sources.

Meaning in Hindi: विभिन्न स्रोतों से चुना हुआ

Synonyms: Diverse, varied, wide-ranging

Antonyms: Narrow, homogeneous, uniform

Use in Sentence: Her musical tastes are eclectic, ranging from classical to jazz to pop.

Use in Editorial: “Sinner’s clinically efficient and workman-like game, and Alcaraz’s all-court dazzle and razzmatazz make the upper echelons of men’s tennis an eclectic place.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 10 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Stolen vote: On a sledgehammer blow to democracy in France – Macron’s impulsive decisions are pushing France into political turmoil

English Vocabulary : 10 September 2024

Rationale

Pronunciation: /ˌræʃə'næl/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A set of reasons or logical basis for a course of action or belief.

Meaning in Hindi: तर्क, कारण

Synonyms: Reasoning, justification, explanation

Antonyms: Irrationality, illogicality, absurdity

Use in Sentence: The rationale behind his decision was clear and well thought out.

Use in Editorial: “Mr. Macron’s rationale was that he chose ‘institutional stability’ as most other political blocs were opposed to a leftist forming the government.”

Stalemate

Pronunciation: /'steɪlmert/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A situation in which no progress can be made or no advancement is possible.

Meaning in Hindi: गतिरोध, ठहराव

Synonyms: Deadlock, impasse, standstill

Antonyms: Breakthrough, progress, solution

Use in Sentence: The negotiations ended in a stalemate, with neither side willing to compromise.

Use in Editorial: “But after two months of a political deadlock, Mr. Macron... picked Michel Barnier... as the new Prime Minister.”

Impulsive

Pronunciation: /ɪm'pʌlsɪv/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Acting or done without forethought; driven by sudden urges or desires.

Meaning in Hindi: आवेगी, जल्दीबाज़

Synonyms: Spontaneous, hasty, rash

Antonyms: Cautious, deliberate, planned

Use in Sentence: His impulsive decision to quit his job shocked everyone.

Use in Editorial: “Mr. Macron’s move itself is a sledgehammer blow to democracy in France. His impulsive decisions... are not typical of leaders of mature democracies.”

Mandate

Pronunciation: /'mændert/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An official order or commission to do something; the authority granted by the people to a party or government.

Meaning in Hindi: जनादेश, आदेश

Synonyms: Authority, directive, command

Antonyms: Refusal, veto, denial

Use in Sentence: The new government was given a strong mandate to implement reforms.

Use in Editorial: “Jean-Luc Mélenchon has slammed Mr. Macron’s ‘betrayal’ of the public mandate.”

Mainstreaming

Pronunciation: /'meɪnstri:mɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: Bringing something or someone into the dominant or accepted culture or practices of a society.

Meaning in Hindi: मुख्यधारा में लाना

Synonyms: Incorporating, integrating, including

Antonyms: Marginalizing, excluding, isolating

Use in Sentence: The government is working towards mainstreaming environmental education in schools.

Use in Editorial: “By rejecting the winner of the election and picking a Prime Minister... Mr. Macron is... mainstreaming the far right with neo-Nazi roots.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 9 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Wide open: On India’s Paralympians – With more state support, Indian Paralympians are on a high

English Vocabulary : 9 September 2024

Ascent

Pronunciation: /ə'sent/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A rise to an important position or a higher level; an upward movement.

Meaning in Hindi: चढ़ाई, उन्नति

Synonyms: Climb, rise, advancement

Antonyms: Descent, decline, drop

Use in Sentence: The ascent of India’s para-athletes to the global stage is a testament to their perseverance.

Use in Editorial: “This is a significant ascent and depicts the Indian Paralympians’ constant improvement...”

Quest

Pronunciation: /kwest/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A long or arduous search for something.

Meaning in Hindi: खोज, तलाश

Synonyms: Pursuit, search, mission

Antonyms: Neglect, avoidance, retreat

Use in Sentence: The scientist's quest for knowledge led to groundbreaking discoveries.

Use in Editorial: "India's performance in the 2024 Paralympics reflects its para-athletes' quest for excellence despite the unimaginable odds..."

Indomitable

Pronunciation: /ɪnˈdɒmɪtəbl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Impossible to subdue or defeat.

Meaning in Hindi: अजेय, अडिग

Synonyms: Unconquerable, invincible, resolute

Antonyms: Weak, submissive, yielding

Use in Sentence: Her indomitable spirit helped her overcome every obstacle in life.

Use in Editorial: "Hokato Sema... cornered glory to underscore the indomitable human spirit."

Throng

Pronunciation: /θrɒŋ/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To crowd or fill a place or area in large numbers.

Meaning in Hindi: भीड़ लगाना, जमा होना

Synonyms: Crowd, swarm, gather

Antonyms: Disperse, scatter, spread

Use in Sentence: Fans thronged the stadium to witness the final match.

Use in Editorial: "The Stade de France witnessed a near-capacity crowd thronging the iconic venue daily..."

Inclusive

Pronunciation: /ɪnˈkluːsɪv/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Including all services, facilities, or items normally expected or required; not excluding any group.

Meaning in Hindi: समावेशी, सर्वसमावेशक

Synonyms: Comprehensive, all-encompassing, embracing

Antonyms: Exclusive, selective, limited

Use in Sentence: The organization aims to create an inclusive environment for all its employees.

Use in Editorial: "It complemented the French authorities' attempt to make the Paralympics more inclusive..."

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 7 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Undoing the undoing: On the Competency-Based Medical Education Curriculum guidelines – The withdrawal of the new curriculum by the NMC is welcome

English Vocabulary : 7 September 2024

Retrograde

Pronunciation: /'rɛtrəˌgreɪd/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Directed or moving backward; a return to an earlier and less advanced state.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रतिगामी, पीछे की ओर जाने वाला

Synonyms: Backward, regressive, declining

Antonyms: Progressive, forward, advanced

Use in Sentence: The government's decision to revoke the policy is seen as a retrograde step in social development.

Use in Editorial: "...jerks a retrograde move back within law, and reason."

Perversion

Pronunciation: /pə'r'vɜːrʒən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The alteration of something from its original course, meaning, or state to a distortion or corruption.

Meaning in Hindi: विकृति, भ्रष्टाचार

Synonyms: Distortion, corruption, misrepresentation

Antonyms: Normalcy, purity, morality

Use in Sentence: The media's perversion of facts often leads to widespread misinformation.

Use in Editorial: "It also slotted transvestism or cross-dressing under the category of sexual perversion."

Admonition

Pronunciation: /ˌædmə'nɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A firm warning or reprimand.

Meaning in Hindi: चेतावनी, फटकार

Synonyms: Warning, caution, reprimand

Antonyms: Praise, encouragement, commendation

Use in Sentence: After several admonitions from the teacher, the student finally changed his behavior.

Use in Editorial: "Notably, following admonition by the Madras and Kerala High Courts..."

Vehemently

Pronunciation: /'vi:əməntli/

Part of Speech: Adverb

Meaning: In a forceful, passionate, or intense manner; with great feeling.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रबल रूप से, जोशीले ढंग से

Synonyms: Fiercely, passionately, intensely

Antonyms: Mildly, gently, softly

Use in Sentence: The activist spoke vehemently against the new policy, demanding immediate action.

Use in Editorial: "Naturally, transgender and disability rights groups protested vehemently against the revised curriculum."

Incensed

Pronunciation: /in'sɛnst/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Very angry; enraged.

Meaning in Hindi: क्रोधित, गुस्से में

Synonyms: Enraged, infuriated, outraged

Antonyms: Calm, pleased, appeased

Use in Sentence: The workers were incensed by the sudden cuts in their wages.

Use in Editorial: "Incensed by this regressive move, that erased all the progress achieved in the curriculum after decades of advocacy..."

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Editorial : Income inequality: On the ILO's World Employment and Social Outlook study – More jobs and higher taxes can counter the effects of automation

English Vocabulary : 6 September 2024

Ominously

Pronunciation: /'ɒmɪnəsli/

Part of Speech: Adverb

Meaning: In a way that suggests something bad or unpleasant is going to happen.

Meaning in Hindi: अशुभ रूप से, भयावह तरीके से

Synonyms: Threateningly, forebodingly, menacingly

Antonyms: Hopefully, encouragingly, reassuringly

Use in Sentence: The sky darkened ominously, signaling the approach of a storm.

Use in Editorial: "More ominously, almost 40% of this decline was in the pandemic years of 2019-22..."

Recoup

Pronunciation: /rɪ'ku:p/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To regain something lost or spent.

Meaning in Hindi: फिर से प्राप्त करना, भरपाई करना

Synonyms: Recover, regain, reclaim

Antonyms: Lose, forfeit, surrender

Use in Sentence: The company managed to recoup its losses after a successful product launch.

Use in Editorial: "...a drop that has not been recouped in the past couple of years."

Gendered

Pronunciation: /'dʒɛndəd/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Influenced by gender, often reflecting differences or inequalities between genders.

Meaning in Hindi: लैंगिक, लिंग आधारित

Synonyms: Gender-specific, sex-based, gender-biased

Antonyms: Gender-neutral, unbiased

Use in Sentence: The study highlighted the gendered nature of job opportunities in many industries.

Use in Editorial: "The study also highlights the gendered aspect of this inequality."

Mooting

Pronunciation: /mu:tɪŋ/

Part of Speech: Verb (Gerund/Present participle)

Meaning: To suggest or introduce for discussion.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रस्ताव रखना, विचार-विमर्श के लिए उठाना

Synonyms: Proposing, suggesting, broaching

Antonyms: Settling, deciding, concluding

Use in Sentence: The idea of reducing taxes was mooted in the meeting but not widely accepted.

Use in Editorial: "Several countries have been mooting the idea of a universal basic income..."

Irreversible

Pronunciation: /ɪˌrɪˈvɜːsəbl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Not able to be undone or altered.

Meaning in Hindi: अपरिवर्तनीय, जिसे बदला न जा सके

Synonyms: Unalterable, permanent, irrevocable

Antonyms: Reversible, temporary, alterable

Use in Sentence: The damage caused to the environment by deforestation is often irreversible.

Use in Editorial: "Indeed, with the apparent advantages of automation and AI being irreversible..."

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Editorial : Death for rape: On Bengal's Aparajita Bill – Homes and workplaces must first be made safe for women

English Vocabulary : 5 September 2024

Heinous

Pronunciation: /'heɪnəs/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Utterly wicked or evil.

Meaning in Hindi: घृणित, अत्यंत बुरा

Synonyms: Atrocious, monstrous, abominable, horrendous

Antonyms: Admirable, good, pleasant, kind

Use in Sentence: The heinous crime shocked the entire community.

Use in Editorial: "The cry for the death penalty after every heinous sexual crime..."

Ordinance

Pronunciation: /'ɔːdɪnəns/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A law or regulation enacted by a government authority.

Meaning in Hindi: अध्यादेश

Synonyms: Decree, regulation, mandate, directive

Antonyms: Repeal, cancellation, veto

Use in Sentence: The government issued an ordinance to regulate the new policy.

Use in Editorial: "...governments yielding to it by issuing ordinances or passing Bills..."

Clamour

Pronunciation: /'klæmə/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A loud and persistent demand or protest.

Meaning in Hindi: शोर, हंगामा

Synonyms: Outcry, uproar, commotion, demand

Antonyms: Silence, calm, peace

Use in Sentence: The clamour for justice grew louder after the tragic incident.

Use in Editorial: "...following the rape and murder of a doctor... and a persistent clamour for justice."

Deterrent

Pronunciation: /di'tɜ:rənt/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: Something that discourages or prevents a particular action.

Meaning in Hindi: निवारक, रोकने वाला

Synonyms: Hindrance, obstacle, restraint, discouragement

Antonyms: Incentive, encouragement, catalyst

Use in Sentence: The severe punishment served as a deterrent to potential criminals.

Use in Editorial: "There is little evidence that awarding the death penalty is a deterrent against sexual offences..."

Onus

Pronunciation: /'ənəs/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The responsibility or burden for something.

Meaning in Hindi: दायित्व, ज़िम्मेदारी

Synonyms: Obligation, duty, burden, responsibility

Antonyms: Exemption, irresponsibility, freedom

Use in Sentence: The onus of proving his innocence lies with the defendant.

Use in Editorial: “The onus is on every government to ensure that laws are implemented effectively...”

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Editorial : Hollow middle: On the regional election results in Germany – The growing anti-establishment mood in Germany is worrisome

English Vocabulary : 4 September 2024

Unmistakable

Pronunciation: /,ʌnmɪ'steɪkəbl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Clear; not able to be confused with anything else.

Meaning in Hindi: स्पष्ट, बिना किसी संदेह के

Synonyms: Indisputable, obvious, clear, apparent

Antonyms: Unclear, ambiguous, doubtful

Use in sentence: The unmistakable sound of thunder indicated that a storm was approaching.

Use in Editorial: “The results underline an unmistakable trend in German politics...”

Extremist

Pronunciation: /ɪk'stri:mɪst/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A person who holds extreme or fanatical political or religious views, especially one who resorts to or advocates extreme action.

Meaning in Hindi: उग्रवादी, अतिवादी

Synonyms: Fanatic, radical, zealot, hardliner

Antonyms: Moderate, centrist, realist

Use in sentence: Extremists often resort to violence to push their political agenda.

Use in Editorial: “Classified as ‘extremist’ by domestic intelligence, the AfD emerged as the largest vote-getter...”

Ascent

Pronunciation: /ə'sent/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The rise or increase in power, status, or importance.

Meaning in Hindi: आरोहण, उन्नति

Synonyms: Rise, climb, progression, advancement

Antonyms: Descent, decline, downfall

Use in sentence: His ascent to power was swift and unexpected.

Use in Editorial: “The AfD... is on the ascent.”

Populist

Pronunciation: /'pɒpjʊlɪst/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A person, especially a politician, who strives to appeal to ordinary people who feel that their concerns are disregarded by established elite groups.

Meaning in Hindi: जनतावादी, लोकलुभावनवादी

Synonyms: Demagogue, nationalist, rabble-rouser

Antonyms: Elitist, technocrat

Use in sentence: The populist leader promised reforms that would benefit the working class.

Use in Editorial: “The Reason and Justice Alliance, a leftist nationalist-populist upstart...”

Untouchability

Pronunciation: /ʌnˌtʌtʃəˈbɪlɪti/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The quality of being untouchable; in politics, it refers to the deliberate exclusion of a person or group from forming alliances or joining mainstream politics.

Meaning in Hindi: अस्पृश्यता

Synonyms: Exclusion, isolation, ostracism

Antonyms: Inclusion, acceptance, integration

Use in sentence: The policy of political untouchability left the party isolated from mainstream politics.

Use in Editorial: “...even the policy of political untouchability will come under stress.”

[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 3 September 2024](#)

Editorial : Another escalation: On the Manipur ground report – The drone attacks in Manipur call for an overhaul of the government’s approach

English Vocabulary : 3 September 2024

Deterioration

Pronunciation: /dɪˌtɪəriəˈreɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: The process of becoming progressively worse.

Meaning in Hindi: गिरावट, पतन

Synonyms: Decline, degradation, worsening, decay

Antonyms: Improvement, enhancement, upgrade

Use in sentence: The sudden deterioration of her health worried the doctors.

Use in Editorial: "In a significant deterioration of an already fraught situation in Manipur..."

Perpetrators

Pronunciation: /'pɜːpɪ,treɪtəz/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: People who commit illegal, harmful, or immoral acts.

Meaning in Hindi: अपराधी, दोषी

Synonyms: Offenders, criminals, culprits, wrongdoers

Antonyms: Victims, innocent, law-abiders

Use in sentence: The police are on the hunt for the perpetrators of the robbery.

Use in Editorial: "The perpetrators are believed to be Kuki-Zo militants."

Escalation

Pronunciation: /,ɛskə'leɪʃən/

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: An increase in the intensity or seriousness of something, often leading to a more dangerous situation.

Meaning in Hindi: वृद्धि, तीव्रता

Synonyms: Intensification, amplification, aggravation, rise

Antonyms: De-escalation, reduction, decrease, decline

Use in sentence: The escalation of the conflict led to a large-scale military intervention.

Use in Editorial: "...a tactic employed by pro-democracy insurgents in Myanmar against the junta — points to a dangerous escalation of the ethnic conflict in the State."

Dastardly

Pronunciation: /'dæstərdli/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Wicked and cruel; cowardly.

Meaning in Hindi: नीच, कायरतापूर्ण

Synonyms: Cowardly, heinous, despicable, vile

Antonyms: Noble, courageous, honorable, brave

Use in sentence: The dastardly act of terrorism left the nation in shock.

Use in Editorial: "The dastardly attacks could indicate that they are either a deliberate ploy..."

Concomitant**Pronunciation:** /kən'kɑ:mitənt/**Part of Speech:** Adjective**Meaning:** Naturally accompanying or associated with something.**Meaning in Hindi:** सहवर्ती, संबंधित**Synonyms:** Accompanying, associated, related, simultaneous**Antonyms:** Unrelated, independent, disconnected**Use in sentence:** The rise in unemployment was concomitant with the economic downturn.**Use in Editorial:** "While the fresh attacks call for security forces to calibrate a strong response, a concomitant change in approach and leadership in the State is a must..."[The Hindu Daily Vocabulary : 2 September 2024](#)**Editorial :** Open season: On the U.S. Open – The new order in tennis has been a long time coming, but it is here**English Vocabulary : 2 September 2024****Hegemonic****Pronunciation:** /hi'gɛmənɪk/**Part of Speech:** Adjective**Meaning:** Dominant in a political, social, or economic sense; exercising control or authority over others.**Meaning in Hindi:** प्रभुत्वशाली**Synonyms:** Dominant, authoritative, controlling, ruling**Antonyms:** Subordinate, weak, secondary**Use in sentence:** The hegemonic influence of Western countries has shaped global economic policies.**Use in Editorial:** "Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal and Novak Djokovic have been the hegemonic forces..."**Seismic****Pronunciation:** /'saɪzmɪk/**Part of Speech:** Adjective**Meaning:** Relating to earthquakes or other vibrations of the earth and its crust; used figuratively to describe an event with far-reaching, dramatic impact.**Meaning in Hindi:** भूकंप-संबंधी; भारी प्रभाव डालने वाला**Synonyms:** Earth-shattering, monumental, groundbreaking, tectonic**Antonyms:** Minor, insignificant, trivial

Use in sentence: The CEO's resignation had a seismic effect on the company's stock prices.

Use in Editorial: "The exits of Carlos Alcaraz and Novak Djokovic... appear seismic."

Bona fide

Pronunciation: /'bɒnə ,faɪdi/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Genuine; real; made or done in good faith without deception.

Meaning in Hindi: वास्तविक, प्रामाणिक

Synonyms: Authentic, legitimate, genuine, true

Antonyms: Fake, fraudulent, false, counterfeit

Use in sentence: She is a bona fide expert in the field of environmental science.

Use in Editorial: "Alcaraz is... a bona fide title-contender wherever he plays."

Upend

Pronunciation: /ʌp'ɛnd/

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To turn something upside down; to cause drastic changes or overturn the established order.

Meaning in Hindi: उलट देना, बदल देना

Synonyms: Overturn, disrupt, topple, overthrow

Antonyms: Stabilize, steady, maintain

Use in sentence: The new regulations could upend the entire education system.

Use in Editorial: "It is Djokovic's third-round loss that can upend world tennis."

Telltale

Pronunciation: /'tɛl ,teɪl/

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Revealing or indicating something that is supposed to be kept secret or unnoticed.

Meaning in Hindi: प्रकट करने वाला, संकेत देने वाला

Synonyms: Indicative, revealing, suggestive, indicative

Antonyms: Concealing, hidden, secretive

Use in sentence: The telltale signs of stress were visible in her eyes.

Use in Editorial: "The failure is a telltale sign that Djokovic... will no longer be at the top."