



Daily Word Power Series

Day 2



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1. **Torpor (Noun):** inactivity resulting from lethargy and lack of energy

Example: Torpor reduces the amount of food intake.

Synonym: Sloth, Laziness, dullness, idleness, etc.

Antonym: concern, interest, regard

Learning Trick: Well its quite opposite to what is a topper who is naturally diligent

2. **Aesthete:** a person who has a love and understanding of art and beautiful things

Example: Ravi thinks art critics as a bunch of arrogant aesthetes.

Synonym: connoisseur, esthete.

Antonym: ignoramus

Learning Trick: Aastha (faith or belief); You have aastha in aesthetic things (person or object)

3. **Gall:** a bitter feeling full of hate

Example: Rohit speak words full of venom and gall

Synonym: resentment, impudence, animosity, antipathy, etc.

Antonym: Amity, civility, gentility, graciousness, etc.

Learning Trick: A slap on 'Gall' (cheek) completely exasperated him.

4. **Cryptic (Adjective):** with a meaning that is hidden or not easily understood

Example: Neha got a cryptic text message from Trump.

Synonym: Mysterious, enigmatic, inscrutable, etc.

Antonym: Straightforward, clear.

Learning Trick: Crypt means secret, so cryptic means something secret.

5. **Diffident:** not having much confidence in yourself; not wanting to talk about yourself

Example: We usually feel diffident about speaking in public.

Synonym: Shy, bashful, modest, etc.

Antonym: Confident, conceited, etc.

Learning Trick: 1. Diffident= Difficult to be confident

2. The root 'DI' means lacking, and 'fide' means trust. Therefore, Diffident means lack of trust or confidence.

6. **Perfidy:** behaviour that is not loyal

Example: Rohit decided to forgive his friend's perfidy.

Synonym: Disloyalty, treason, betrayal, deceit, etc.

Antonym: Loyalty, faithfulness, etc.

Learning Trick: Break it- Per+fidy= without fidelity i.e. cheat upon your partner. In general cheat or breach something

7. **Germane:** relevant and appropriate

Example: Mohit raise questions that are germane and to the point.

Synonym: Relevant, pertinent

Antonym: irrelevant

Learning Trick: Germane is very close to Germany. So if you want to learn German language, I guess a German teacher would be APPROPRIATE.

8. **Incisive:** showing clear thought and a good understanding of what is important, and the ability to express this

Example: Sonu had a clear, incisive mind.

Synonym: acute, sharp.

Antonym: rambling, vague.

Learning Trick: Incisive can be co-related with incisor teeth which are very sharp.

9. **Culminate:** to end with a particular result, or at a particular point

Example: Kargil war culminated with India's victory.

Synonym: come to a climax, peak, climax, etc.

Antonym: Start, begin

Learning Trick: Break it like this- cal min ate {My dinner is almost climax, I will call you in a minute}.



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10. **Volubility:** the quality of talking or writing easily and continuously

Example: Ravi is voluble politician as he never at a loss for words.

Synonym: loquacity

Antonym: taciturnity

Learning Tricks: vol= volume and volume straightly gives us the idea of speech.



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