

Daily Word Power Series

Day 11



quandary (noun): state of uncertainty or perplexity especially as requiring a choice between equally unfavourable options

Synonym: dilemma, plight, etc.

Antonym: resolution, plainness,

Example: The pandemic situation has forced all the nations into a financial quandary.

Learning Trick: Quandary relates to quantum physics, which is so complex that it leaves you in Dilemma about the uncertainty of photon.

malady noun: a disease or sickness

Synonym: illness, sickness, etc.

Antonym: health, sanity, etc.

Example: The teacher knew the boy sitting right in the front bench was faking a malady to avoid the class test.

Learning Trick: Mala D is a pill (contraceptive) and you take pills when you become ill.

flounder (verb): behave awkwardly; have difficulties

Synonym: struggle

Antonym: prosper

Example: Many automobile companies are floundering due to the down surge in the sector.

Learning Trick: Fly+under water is accompanied with lots of struggle and confusion.

plodding (adjective): (of movement) slow and laborious

Synonym: grind, toil, etc.

Antonym: inattentive

Example: The comedy-drama I watched last week had some witty humorous parts but the overall plot was very plodding.

Learning Trick: Think of Plotting which moves slowly.

dearth (noun): a lack or shortage

Synonym: scarcity, shortage, etc.

Antonym: abundance, surfeit, etc.



Example: They have a dearth of affection for you because you stabbed on the back!

Learning Trick: Earth is Big, de-earth (read as dearth) means small...small in quantity or scarcity.

avid (adjective): marked by active interest and enthusiasm

Synonym: greedy, devouring, etc.

Antonym: apathetic

Example: Rishi is an avid reader of science fictions and comics.

Learning Trick: A person is always eager to be in avid (a video)

ascendancy (noun): the state that exists when one person or group has power over another

Synonym: control, dominance, etc.

Antonym: subordination

Example: Let your morality have the ascendancy over your desires.

Learning Trick: Ascend means to rise, as you rise you gain power & then you dance i.e. ascendancy.





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