

1. Meliorate

Kannada : ಸುಧಾರಿಸು, ಉತ್ತಮಗೊಳಿಸು

Hindi : बेहतर बनाना

Meaning: to make better

Synonyms: improve, enhance, upgrade

Antonyms: worsen, impair, spoil

Sentence:

- Those regulations are intended to **meliorate** the working conditions of factory workers.
- The government introduced reforms to **ameliorate** the conditions of the working class.
- A good diet can help **ameliorate** health issues.

2. Moxie

Kannada : ಅಸಮಾನ್ಯ ಧೈರ್ಯ ಮತ್ತು ದೃಢಸಂಕಲ್ಪ

Hindi : साहस

Meaning: strength of mind to carry on in spite of danger

Synonyms: courage, bravery, heroism

Antonyms: cowardice, timidity

Sentence:

- He's a small kid, but he has plenty of **moxie**.
- He showed a lot of **moxie** in questioning the policy.
- All of the tough, the feisty, the scrappy, and the **moxie** comes from mom.

- White threw for 369 yards and played with a lot of **moxie** late in the game.
- There was a lot of poise and **moxie** in the fourth quarter.

3. Affluent

Kannada : ಶ್ರೀಮಂತ, ಸಮೃದ್ಧ, ಪುಷ್ಕಳ

Hindi : धनी

Meaning: having goods, property, or money in abundance

Synonyms: wealthy, rich, prosperous

Antonyms: poor, impoverished, needy

Sentence:

- He is **affluent** and can afford to send his children to the best schools.
- They live in an **affluent** suburb.
- It's a very **affluent** area and I like pretending I live there!
- The programme showed the sort of **affluent** lifestyle most of us can only aspire to.
- The **affluent** societies of the western world.

4. Gadfly

Kannada : ಕಿಠಾಪತಿ, ತೊಣಚಿ, ಪೀಡಕ, ಕಿರಿಕಿರಿ ಉಂಟುಮಾಡುವ ಅಥವಾ ತೊಂದರೆ ಕೊಡುವ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ ಅಥವಾ ಕೀಟ

Hindi : परेशान करने वाला

Meaning: one who is obnoxiously annoying

Synonyms: nuisance, annoyer, persecutor

Antonyms: charmer, comforter, solacer

Sentence:

- The journalist was known as a **gadfly** for exposing hypocrisy in politics.
- She spoke of charities as **gadflies** and as pioneering.
- Scientists are rather like **gadflies** in this matter.
- Largely according to species, they also are known variously as warble flies, heel flies, and **gadflies**.

5. Cronyism

Kannada : ದೋಸ್ತಿ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ ಅಥವಾ ಸ್ನೇಹಿತರ ಬೆಂಬಲ ವ್ಯವಸ್ಥೆ

Hindi : पक्षपात

Meaning: the unfair practice by a powerful person (such as a politician) of giving jobs and other favors to friends

Synonyms: bias, nepotism, favoritism

Antonyms: fairness, neutrality, impartiality

Sentence:

- The mayor has been accused of **cronyism**.
- The mayor was accused of **cronyism** when he appointed his friends to high-paying city jobs instead of hiring the most qualified candidates.
- Industrial policy can stifle competition and breed **cronyism**.
- Many people are calling for a probe into the **cronyism** and corruption that led to the country's financial crisis.

- Addressing political **cronyism** is essential for a stronger democracy.

6. Deride

Kannada : ಹೀಯಾಳಿಸು, ಅಪಹಾಸ್ಯ ಮಾಡು, ಗೇಲಿ ಮಾಡು ಅಥವಾ ಪರಿಹಾಸ ಮಾಡು

Hindi : उपहास करना

Meaning: to make (someone or something) the object of unkind laughter

Synonyms: ridicule, mock, taunt

Antonyms: commend, applaud

Sentence:

- You shouldn't **deride** their efforts.
- He **derided** my singing as pathetic.
- This building, once **derided** by critics, is now a major tourist attraction.

7. Svelte

Kannada : ತೆಳ್ಳಗಿನ, ಹಗುರವಾದ, ಅಥವಾ ಆಕರ್ಷಕವಾಗಿ ತೆಳ್ಳಗಿನ ಚಿತ್ರದಲ್ಲಿ

Hindi : दुर्बल

Meaning: having a noticeably small amount of body fat

Synonyms: skinny, slender, lean

Antonyms: plump, chubby, fat

Sentence:

- He was slim, **svelte**, and sophisticated.
- Louis, as you can see, is a gorgeous, **svelte** figure of a man himself.
- She was **svelte** and sophisticated.

8. Neophyte

Kannada : ಹರಿಕಾರ, ಅನನುಭವಿ, ಅಥವಾ ಹೊಸಬ

Hindi : नौसिखिया

Meaning: a person who is new to a subject, skill, or belief.

Synonyms: beginner, rookie, novice

Antonyms: veteran, expert, master

Sentence:

- The company announced four-day free cooking classes to **neophytes**.
- When the shell is cracked open, the scent can buckle a **neophyte's** knees.
- The learning curve for the New England **neophytes** is steep.
- LeVert, a second-year Nets guard, is a **neophyte** in the art world.
- Like many of the men and women who worked on The Godfather, Mark and I were **neophytes**.

9. Countermand

Kannada : ಹಿಂದಿನ ಆದೇಶವನ್ನು ರದ್ದುಗೊಳಿಸುವುದು, ಹಿಂತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಅಥವಾ ವಿರೋಧಿಸುವುದು

Hindi : रद्द करना

Meaning: to cancel (an order) especially by giving a new order

Synonyms: overturn, cancel, revoke

Antonyms: enact, establish, approve

Sentence:

- He was expelled for **countermanding** a direct order from the supervisor.
- I forthwith mounted, and went off, lest I should receive a **countermand**.
- Countermand** is precluded once the card-holder has given his signature.

10. Consternation

Kannada : ದಿಗ್ಭ್ರಮೆ, ಬೆಚ್ಚಿಕೆ, ದಿಗ್ಭ್ರಾಂತಿ, ಕಡು ಬೆದರಿಕೆ

Hindi : घबड़ाहट

Meaning: feelings of anxiety or dismay, typically at something unexpected.

Synonyms: dismay, tension, panic

Antonyms: ease, contentment, tranquillity

Sentence:

- The announcement created surprise and **consternation**.
- To her **consternation** her car wouldn't start.
- The central message of the book caused the most **consternation**.
- You can horrify the tabloids and cause **consternation** in the wings.
- His remarks caused **consternation** on both sides of the Atlantic.