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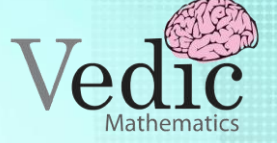
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1. Bon vivant

Kannada : ಐಷಾರಾಮಿಯಾಗಿ ವಾಸಿಸುವ ಮತ್ತು ಉತ್ತಮ ಆಹಾರ ಮತ್ತು ಪಾನೀಯವನ್ನು ಆನಂದಿಸುವ ವ್ಯಕ್ತಿ.

Hindi : भुक्खड

Meaning: a person who enjoys a sociable and luxurious lifestyle, especially good food and wine.

Synonyms: gourmet, savorer, gastronomist

Antonyms : ascetic, self-denier, aesthete, abstainer

Sentence:

- He is a **bon vivant** who loves to hold dinner parties and serve exquisite, elaborate meals.
- In addition to being a renowned travel writer, he was a **bon vivant** who loves to hold dinner parties and serve exquisite, elaborate meals.
- She has become something of a **bon vivant** since moving to Paris, going out most nights and delighting in the city's many famous restaurants.
- Mr. K— was a **bon vivant** as well as an accomplished teacher; he liked a sly illusion no less than a careful preparation.
- He leaves his life as a hard-working mechanic to become a morally corrupt **bon vivant**.

- He was not distinguished in college for his scholarship, but rather as a wit, a **bon vivant**, and a good fellow.

2. Careen

Kannada : ಬಗ್ಗು, ಮಾಲು, ಮಗುಚು

Hindi : झुक जाना

Meaning: to move forward while swaying from side to side

Synonyms: sway, tilt, lurch

Antonyms : unwind, disarrange, ratite, stay in place, victory, misbehave, artifact

Sentence:

- The ship **careened** out of control.
- High waves **careened** the boat.
- The car **careened** down the hill.

3. Recusant

Kannada : ಸಲ್ಲಿಸಲು ನಿರಾಕರಿಸುವುದು, ಅನುಸರಿಸುವುದು, ಅವಿಧೇಯ, ತಿರುಗಿಬೀಳುವ

Hindi : विद्रोही

Meaning: a person who refuses to submit to an authority or to comply with a regulation.

Synonyms: rebellious, stubborn, oppositionist

Antonyms: submissive, amiable, compliant

Sentence:

- Several **recusants** refused to vote as commanded by the party leadership.





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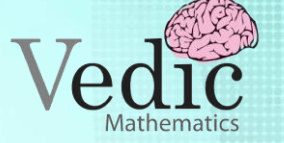
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- Once again, the **recusants** ignored my instructions to get in line after recess.

4. Firebrand

Kannada : ಅಗ್ನಿಶಾಮಕ, ಕೊಳ್ಳಿ, ವ್ಯಾಜ್ಯಪ್ರೇರಕ, ಉದ್ರೇಕಕಾರಿ, ಜಗಳ ಹಚ್ಚುವವನು

Hindi : आंदोलनकर्ता

Meaning: a person who is passionate about a particular cause, typically inciting change and taking radical action.

Synonyms: agitator, proponent, reformer

Antonyms: peacemaker, reconciler

Sentence:

- Firebrands** urged crowds to riot during the blackouts.
- He used to be a famous left-wing **firebrand**.
- He was good enough to refer to me as a **firebrand**. He does it consistently and with his **firebrand** tactics.
- He was also somewhat of a **firebrand** and almost immediately sought the direct confrontation with his opposite number.

5. Surcharge

Kannada : ಅಧಿಕ ಕರ, ದಂಡ ತೆರಿಗೆ, ಜುಲ್ಮಾನೆ ತೆರಿಗೆ, ಮೇಲ್ತೆರಿಗೆ

Hindi : अधिशूल्क

Meaning: to charge (someone) too much for goods or services

Synonyms: overcharge, fleece

Antonyms: undercharge

Sentence:

- There is a **surcharge** for excess baggage.
- Do they impose a **surcharge** on people who pay late?
- You have to consider the **surcharge** on the basic cost of the holiday.
- All prices are fully inclusive of taxes and the insurance **surcharge**.
- Retailers will be able to **surcharge** credit-card users.

6. Carouse

Kannada : ಅತಿಯಾಗಿ ಕುಡಿ, ಮಿತಿ ಮೀರಿ ಕುಡಿ

Hindi : बहुत पीना

Meaning: drink plentiful amounts of alcohol and enjoy oneself with others in a noisy, lively way.

Synonyms: drunk, spree, carousal

Antonyms : be sad, grieve

Sentence:

- They danced and **caroused** until the drink ran out.
- People **carousing** in these places would be at risk at closing time.
- He led an active social life, **carousing** with medical students and law pupils,





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going to music halls and taking the performers to dinner.

7. Foiled

Kannada : ವಿಫಲವಾಗಿದೆ, ಕೆಡಿಸು, ತಪ್ಪಿಸು, ಭಂಗಗೊಳಿಸು, ವಿಫಲಗೊಳಿಸು, ವ್ಯರ್ಥಗೊಳಿಸು, ಕಕ್ಕಾಬಿಕ್ಕಿಯಾಗಿಸು, ಉದ್ದೇಶ ಭಂಗಮಾಡು

Hindi : विफल करना

Meaning: prevent (something considered wrong or undesirable) from succeeding.

Synonyms: hampered, baffled, hindered

Antonyms: encouraged, advanced, assisted

Sentence:

- The enemy's attack was **foiled**.
- The 89-year-old **foiled** two would-be thieves last November.
- Their rivals were **foiled** by the weather.
- I was informed recently that it was a Johnson who **foiled** the gunpowder plot.
- Police **foiled** the kidnapping plot.

8. Smidge

Kannada : ಒಂದು ಸಣ್ಣ ಅಥವಾ ವಿರಳವಾಗಿ ಪತ್ತೆಹಚ್ಚಬಹುದಾದ ಮೊತ್ತ

Hindi : छोटा भाग

Meaning: a very small amount

Synonyms: bit, ounce, tad

Antonyms: lot, plenty, loads

Sentence:

- The maid cleaned the house until there wasn't even a **smidge** of dust left.
- He is not very good with measurements, as he doesn't use proper units of measurements, rather just tweaking the thingy on the whatchamacallit a **smidge**.
- We watch for those awkward scenes that make us feel a **smidge** better about our own little unfilmed lives.

9. Ignoramus

Kannada : ದಡ್ಡ, ಕೋಣ, ನಿರಕ್ಷರಚುಕ್ಕೆ, ಹೆಡ್ಡ, ಅಲ್ಪಜ್ಞ, ತಿಳಿಗೇಡಿ, ಮೂಢ

Hindi : मूर्ख

Meaning: an ignorant or stupid person.

Synonyms: stupid, idiot, moron

Antonyms: genius, intellect, sage

Sentence:

- When it comes to music, I'm a complete **ignoramus**.
- I'm a complete **ignoramus** where computers are concerned.

10. Ersatz

Kannada : ಕೃತಕ, ಬನಾವಟಿ, ಬೇರೆಯವರನ್ನು ನೋಡಿ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದು, ಕಡಿಮೆ ಗುಣಮಟ್ಟದ

Hindi : कृत्रिम वस्तु





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Meaning: (of a product) made or used as a substitute, typically an inferior one, for something else.

Synonyms: synthetic, substitute, artificial

Antonyms: real, genuine, authentic

Sentence:

- He tried to scam the customers by selling them **ersatz** products.
- In the end, **ersatz** haggis was produced by our polite hosts.
- Those two songs have proved remarkably prescient in their bogus rebellion and **ersatz** torment.
- Burns was lamenting within his own lifetime a host of **ersatz** imitators of his achievement.
- They provide an **ersatz** community for people who lack community.

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