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1. Dilettante

Kannada: ಹಗುರಾಸಕಿಯ, ತೇಲುಕಲಿಕೆಯ

Hindi : शौकीन

Meaning: a person who cultivates an area of interest, such as the arts, without real commitment or knowledge.

Synonyms: dabbler, trifler, tinkerer

Antonyms: professional

Sentence:

- I'm too serious to be a dilettante and too much a dabbler to be professional.
- He's a bit of a dilettante as far as wine is concerned.
- He had dropped in in a dilettante spirit to hear the spirited debate, and the judges were greatly honored.
- It is an expert on some subjects and a dilettante on others.
- Fred has no formal medical training; while he likes to claim authority on medical issues, he is little more than a dilettante.

2. Blather

Kannada: ಅಸಂಬದ್ಧವಾಗಿ ಮಾತನಾಡುತಿದ್ದಾರೆ

Hindi: बकवास करना

Meaning: talk long-windedly without

making very much sense.

Synonyms: prattle, babble, chatter

Antonyms: calm, peace, quiet Sentence:

- He'll just **blather** about the subject for hours once he gets started.
- The old men **blather** on and on.
- He kept on **blathering** about police incompetence.
- Anyone knows that all this is **blather**.

3. Gravest

Kannada : ಸಮಾಧಿ, ಸಾವು, ಕಿತು, ಗೋರಿ, ಮುಖ್ಯ, ಪ್ರಮುಖ, ಪ್ರಧಾನ, ಮಂಕಾದ, ಗಂಭೀರವಾದ, ವಿಷಮ, ಚಿಂತಾಜನಕ, ಮಹತ್ತಾದ, ಕಳವಳಪಡಿಸುವ, ಮಹತ್ತರದ, ತೀವ್ರ, ಬಿಕ್ಕಟ್ಪಾದ

Hindi: सबसे गंभीर

Meaning: giving cause for alarm; serious. Synonyms: serious, important, profound Antonyms: light, unserious, frivolous Sentence:

- That is the **gravest** problem of all.
- Perhaps the **gravest** obstacles were to be expected from the army.
- The economic situation was of the gravest.
- In fact, the gravest threat facing the West is that posed Islamic by fundamentalism.

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4. Ruse

Kannada: ಸಂಚು, ಹಂಚಿಕೆ, ಮೋಸ, ಕಪಟ,

ಷದ್ಯಂತ್ರ, ಕುಯುಕ್ತಿ

Hindi : चाल

Meaning: an action intended to deceive

someone; a trick.

Synonyms: ploy, stratagem, tactic

Antonyms: frankness, honesty, misunderstanding, benevolence, candidness, genuineness, plainness, bluntness, openheartedness, plainspokenness

Sentence:

- It is now clear that this was a ruse to divide them.
- We came up with a ruse to delay her.
- Emma tried to think of a ruse to get Paul out of the house.
- She was smart enough to see through their clever ruse.
- I'm not convinced they saw through my ruse of pretending to photograph someone else.

5. Prophecy

Kannada: ಭವಿಷ್ಯವಾಣಿ, ಕಾಲಜ್ಞಾನ,

ಭವಿಷ್ಯಜ್ಞಾನ, ಭವಿಷ್ಯ ಕಥನ, ಭವಿಷ್ಯ ಹೇಳುವ ಶಕ್ತಿ, ಭವಿಷ್ಯ ಹೇಳುವುದು, ಶಕುನ

Hindi: भविष्यवाणी

Meaning: a prediction.

Synonyms: prediction, forecast,

prognostication

Antonyms: improvidence, myopia, unpreparedness, carelessness, thoughtlessness, retrospection, neglect, indiscretion, ignorance, negligence

Sentence:

- Macbeth believed the witches' **prophecy** about his future.
- The gift of **prophecy**.
- A decade later her **prophecy** came true.
- His death fulfilled the prophecy.
- You'll also be likely to create new behaviours to fulfil the prophecy.

6. Rue

Kannada: ಮರುಗು, ದುಃಖಿಸು, ವಿಷಾದಿಸು, ವ್ಯಥೆಪಡು, ಪಶ್ಚಾತ್ತಾಪಪಡು, ಕೊರಗು

Hindi : पछताना

Meaning: bitterly regret (something one has done or allowed to happen).

Synonyms: regret, be sorry about, feel

remorse for

Antonyms: impenitence, remorselessness Sentence:

I rue the day I agreed to this stupid plan.

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I rue the day I met him.

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- The team will rue the missed chances they had in the first half.
- With **rue** my heart is laden.
- I rue the fact that I never seized on this domain name for my site.

7. Asperse

Kannada: ದೋಷಾರೋಪಣೆ, ಅಪಶಬ್ಧ, ಕೆಡಿಸುವುದು, ಹೆಸರು ಕೆಡಿಸುವುದು, ಚಿಮುಕಿಸು,

ಸಿಂಪಡಿಸು

Hindi: कलंक लगाना

Meaning: attack or criticize the reputation or integrity of.

Synonyms: disparage, denigrate, defame

Antonyms: glorify, honor, acclaim

Sentence:

- How dare you asperse the character of our dedicated pastor!
- I don't wish to asperse the fellow, but he does have a background as a Republican staffer and operative.
- As for the company at the Wells, he would challenge every man at Epsom, if necessary, if he should dare to asperse his bravery.

8. Complacent

Kannada : ಆತ್ಮತೃಪ್ತಿ, ಸಂತೃಪತ್ತತೆ, ನೆಮ್ಮದಿಯ,

ಅಲಕ್ಷ

Hindi : आत्मसत्ष्ट

Meaning: showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements.

Synonyms: smug, self-satisfied, pleased

with oneself

Antonyms: uncomplacent, elf-distrustful, self-doubting

Sentence:

- The complacent winner's smile annoyed some people.
- 'yes,' he said, with a **complacent** smile, 'I came top'.
- We cannot afford to be too **complacent** about the future.
- I am very happy with the figures but I aware we cannot become complacent. tellimited
- I had been **complacent**, even blasé, about someone who really was important to me.

9. Arrant

Kannada : ಕೆಟ್ಟ, ಸಂಪೂರ್ಣ, ಪೂರ್ಣ, ಇಡೀ, ಅಪರಾಧ, ರಾಜಿಯಾಗದ, ಪೂರ್ತಿಯಾಗಿ, ಆಮೂಲಾಗ್ಯ, ಹೊಳೆಯುವ, ಸರಳ, ಅಯೋಗ್ಯನಂತೆ, ಅಪ್ರಾಮಾಣಿಕ

Hindi : पूर्ण

Meaning: complete, utter.

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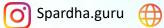
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Synonyms: utter, complete, thorough Antonyms: uncertain, dubious Sentence:

- Most of his theories are arrant nonsense.
- 'I'd apologise on their behalf if that wouldn't sound like arrant nonsense.
- `That chastity oath of hers was an act of arrant lunacy, Joanna.
- I do not doubt that you do the best job you can, but to tell me that people like you do not make government policy is arrant nonsense.

- The two-week interregnum between the conference championships and the Super Bowl brought the rest of the drama.
- The researchers noticed that one colony's chirps began to vary in the interregnum after their queen died.
- The motion picture industry first moved aggressively into polemical territory during the prewar interregnum from 1939 to ...

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10. Interregnum

Kannada : ಮಧ್ಯಕಾಲ, ಪ್ರಭುತ್ವಾಂತರದ ಅವಧಿ,

ರಾಜನಿಲ್ಲದ-ನಡುಗಾಲ, ಅಂತರ, ವಿರಾಮ, ಬಿಡುವು

Hindi : दो राजाए के भीतर समय,अंतर्काल,

अराजक काल, दो शासनों के बीच का काल

Meaning: a period when normal

government is suspended, especially between successive reigns or regimes.

Synonyms: discontinuity, adjournment,

suspension

Antonyms: continuation, continuity

Sentence:

The democratic regime proved to be a short-lived interregnum between dictatorships.

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