

# VISUAL VOCABULARY

## 100 High frequency words with MNEMONICS

(Total 1500 words)

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# (1) ABDICATE (v)

Meaning: (i)to give up the position of being king, queen/ emperor.  
 (i. పదవిని వదులుకొను , ii. తనకు సంబంధము లేదను)

*Eg : 'Which king abdicated from the British throne in 1936?'*

*(ii) Fail to fulfil or undertake (a responsibility or duty)*

*Eg: 'The government was accused of abdicating its responsibility'*



**abdication = noun**

**Mnemonic clue:** 'abdicate' has  
 'abd' (=Abdulla) & 'cate' =Ketugallu)  
 – Abdulla 'gives up' Ketugallu

**Synonyms:** disown, turn down, spurn, reject, renounce, give up, refuse, abnegate, relinquish, abjure, repudiate, waive, yield, forgo, abandon, surrender, deliver up, disgorge, cast aside, avoid, drop, turn one's back on, wash one's hands of



## (2) ABLUTION (n)

Meaning : An act of **washing** oneself. (స్వాను)

Eg : '*The women performed their ablutions*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'Ablution' has 'blue lotion' meant for 'washing'

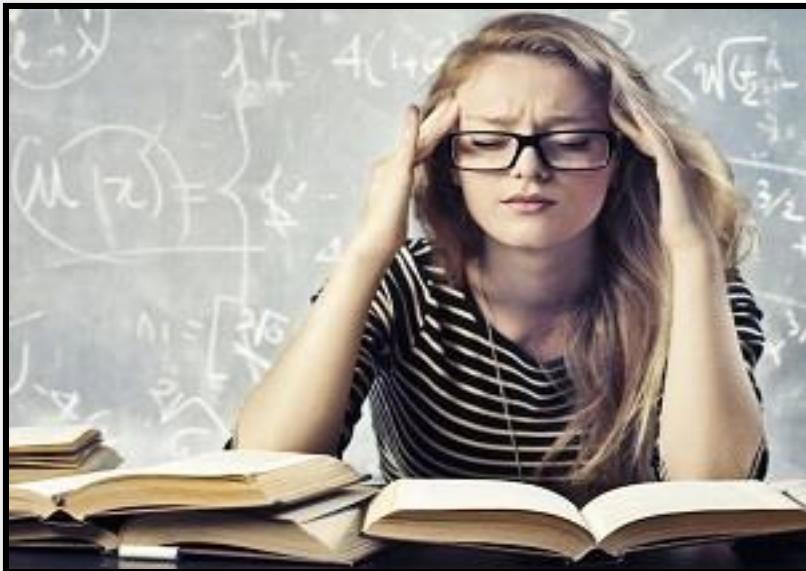
### Synonyms:

cleansing, bathing, showering, scrubbing, purification



### (3) ADDLE (v) (గందరగోళపరచు)

Meaning: Make (someone) unable to think clearly; **confuse**  
*Eg : ‘Being in love must have addled your brain’*



addled- adj

Mnemonic clue: ‘addle’ has ‘ad’ and ‘dle’ (=dull). If the ‘ad’ is dull, you will be ‘confused’

Synonyms: muddled, fuddled, befuddled, bewildered, dazed, dizzy, disoriented, disorientated, stupefied, unbalanced, unhinged, demented, deranged, discombobulated



## (4) ADMONITION (n)

Meaning: A firm **warning** or reprimand. (మందలింపు)

Eg : '*He received numerous admonitions for his behaviour*'



admonish (v), admonitory (adj)

Mnemonic clue: ‘Admonition’ has the Telugu words of ‘Aadu Manisha?’  
 ‘ఆదు మనిషేనా ?’  
 -which means warning

Synonyms: rebuke, reproof, remonstrance, reproach, stricture, lecture, criticism, recrimination, tirade, diatribe, philippic, harangue, attack

Antonyms: commendation, pat on the back, praise



# (5) ADROIT (adj)

Meaning: clever and showing skill. (ఆరితేరిన)

Eg : 'He was adroit at tax avoidance'



adroitness –noun; adroitly –adv

Mnemonic clue: ‘adroit’ sounds like having of ‘ad’ and ‘wrote’ – ads are written ‘skilfully’

Synonyms: skilful, adept, dexterous, deft, agile, nimble, nimble-fingered, handy

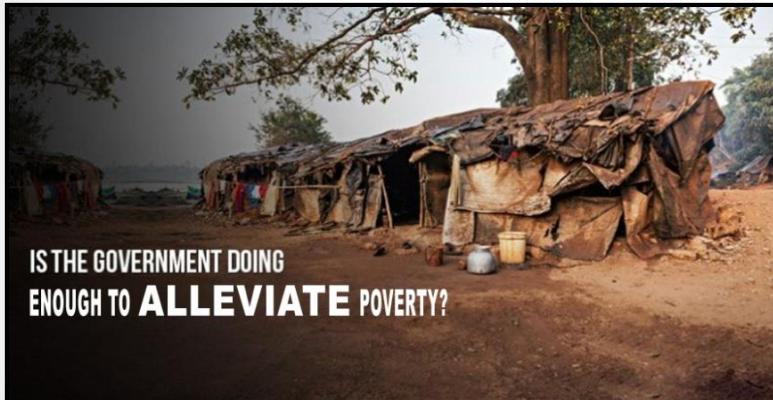
Antonyms: clumsy, incompetent



# (6) ALLEVIATE (v)

Meaning: to make something **less severe**. (ఉపశమింపజేయు)

*Eg : 'He couldn't prevent her pain, only alleviate it'  
 'measures to alleviate unemployment'*



Alleviation = noun

### Mnemonic clue:

'Alleviate' has 'Aloe vera' which 'reduces' problems'

Synonyms: reduce, ease, relieve, take the edge off, deaden, dull, diminish, lessen, weaken, lighten, attenuate, allay, assuage, palliate, damp, soothe, help, soften, control, quell, quieten, tone down, blunt, dilute, moderate, mitigate, modify, abate, lull, pacify, placate, mollify, sweeten

Antonyms: aggravate



# (7) ALTERCATION (n)

Meaning :A **noisy argument** or disagreement, especially in public. (స్టోటు)

Eg: '*I had an altercation with the ticket collector*'



altercate - verb

**Mnemonic clue:** 'altercation' has 'alteration'. You picked an altercation when you approached a tailor for 'alteration'

synonyms: argument, quarrel, squabble, fight, shouting match, contretemps, disagreement, difference of opinion, dissension, falling-out, dispute, disputation, contention, clash, acrimonious exchange, war of words, wrangle



# (8) ALTRUISM (n)

Meaning: the fact of **caring** about the needs and happiness of **other people** (పరోపకారం)

Eg : 'Politicians are not necessarily motivated by pure altruism'



altruistic = adj

Mnemonic clue: 'altruism' has the words of 'True to all' (= altruism)

Synonyms: unselfishness, selflessness, self-sacrifice, consideration, compassion, kindness, goodwill, nobility, public-spiritedness, generosity, magnanimity, liberality, open-handedness, free-handedness, big-heartedness, lavishness, benevolence, beneficence, philanthropy, humanitarianism, charity, charitableness

**Antonym:** selfishness



# (9) AMBIDEXTRIOUS (adj)

Meaning: Able to use **the right and left hands** equally well.

(ಸಹಸ್ಯಾಚಿ)

*Eg : 'few of us are naturally ambidextrous'*



ambidexterity = noun

Mnemonic clue:

This word has 'Amitab' who  
is an ambidextrous person



# (10) AMBIVALENCE (n)

Meaning: the fact of having or showing **both positive and negative feelings about sb/sth** (அனிச்சதி)

Eg : ‘government ambivalence towards the arts’

ambivalent = adj



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘ambivalence’ has ‘valence’ which sounds like ‘Youth are in ‘uncertainty’ on Valentine’s day

**Synonyms:** equivocation, uncertainty, unsureness, doubt, indecision , inconclusiveness, irresolution, irresoluteness, hesitation, hesitancy, fluctuation, vacillation, shilly-shallying, tentativeness

**Antonyms:** certainty, decisiveness



# (11) AMELIORATE (v)

Meaning: to make **better** something that was bad.(మెరుగుపడు)

Eg : '*The reform did much to ameliorate living standards*'



Amelioration = noun

Mnemonic clue:

'Ameliorate' has 'America'  
where everybody 'improves'

## Synonyms:

better, upgrade, refine, enhance, boost, build on, help, raise, revamp, brush up, polish up, perk up, tweak

**Antonyms:** deteriorate, worsen



## (12) AMICABLE (adj)

**Meaning:** done or achieved in a polite or **friendly way** and without arguing. (స్నాహపూర్వక)

*Eg :an amicable settlement of the dispute'*



amicability = noun; amicably = adv

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘Amicable’ has ‘I am’ –means ‘I am friendly’

**Synonyms:** good-natured, cordial, civil, courteous, polite, easy-going, neighbourly, brotherly, fraternal, harmonious, cooperative, civilized, peaceable, peaceful, conflict-free    **Ant.**: unfriendly, hostile

AMIABLE : friendly (for people)   *Eg: Amiable parents*



# (13) AMNESTY (n)

Meaning: an official statement that allows people who have been put in **prison** for crimes against the state **to go free** (క్షమాభిక్ష)

*Eg : ‘an amnesty for political prisoners’*



## Mnemonic clue:

‘Amnesty’ has ‘Amen’- a sinner gets amnesty in a church when the priest says ‘Amen’

## Synonyms:

pardon, reprieve, release, discharge, liberty, freedom



## (14) ANOMALY (n)

Meaning: a thing, situation, etc. that is **different** from what is normal or expected (அனாலை)

Eg: '*There are a number of anomalies in the present system*'



anomalous- adj; anomalously- adv

**Mnemonic clue:** 'Anomaly' has a university name 'Annamalai' which is 'different' from A.P universities

**Synonyms:** eccentricity, peculiarity, abnormality, irregularity, inconsistency, incongruity, deviation, aberration, quirk, freak, exception, departure, divergence, variation, rarity, oddity



# (15) APATHY (n)

**Meaning:** lack of interest, enthusiasm, or concern. (அனாஸ்கீ)

*Eg : ‘widespread apathy among students’      apathetic- adj*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘Apathy has ‘A’ -means ‘Aavida’ (wife) & ‘Pathy’ (husband)- Pathi has lack of interest in his ‘Aavida’- அவிட மீட புளிகி- no interest

**Synonyms:** indifference, unconcern, uninterestedness, unresponsiveness, impassivity, passivity, passiveness, detachment, dispassion, dispassionateness, lack of involvement, phlegm, coolness, listlessness, lethargy, languor, lassitude, torpor

**Antonyms:** enthusiasm, interest, passion

# (16) APLOMB (n) (ಅಕುಂರಿತ ವಿಶ್ವಾಸಂ)

Meaning: If somebody does something **with aplomb**, they do it in a **confident** and successful way, often in a **difficult situation**.



*Eg: 'She passed the test with aplomb'.*

**Mnemonic clue:** 'aplomb' has 'apl' (=apple) and MB' (=memory). MB is added in 'Apple' phones with 'self-confidence'

**Synonyms:** poise, self-assurance, assurance, self-possession, self-confidence, calmness, composure, collectedness, nerve, presence of mind, level-headedness, sangfroid, equilibrium, equanimity, nonchalance



# (17) APOCALYPSE (n)

Meaning: The complete **final destruction** of the world  
 (ప్రపంచం వినాశనం)                      apocalyptic- adj

*Eg : 'Civilization is on the brink of apocalypse'*

**Mnemonic clue:** 'Apocalypse' has two words- 'Apo' and 'cal'-  
 'Appullo (debts) 'Kaalu' (foot) pedithe, your 'world is destructed'  
 అప్పుల్లో కాలు పెడితే మీ 'ప్రపంచం నాశనం '



# (18) APOSTATE (n)

Meaning: A person who has **rejected** their **religious / political** beliefs (మతాన్ని / రాజకీయాల్ని త్యజించిన వ్యక్తి)

Eg : 'After fifty years as an apostate he returned to the faith'



**Mnemonic clue:** In 'Apostate'-  
'A' stands for 'abandon', 'po'-  
'political' and 'state' =  
abandoning political state

**Synonyms:** dissenter, heretic, nonconformist, defector,  
deserter, traitor, turncoat

**Antonyms:** follower, disciple



# (19) ARDUOUS (adj) (கிளிவாய்ந)

Meaning: involving or requiring strenuous effort ;  
**difficult** and tiring.

*Eg : 'an arduous journey'*



arduously - adv

Mnemonic clue:  
'Arduous' rhymes with 'hard'

Synonyms: onerous, taxing, hard, heavy, laborious, burdensome, strenuous, vigorous, back-breaking, stiff, uphill, relentless, he

Antonyms: easy, effortless



## (20) ARRAIGN (v)

Meaning: to bring somebody (sb) to court in order to formally **accuse** them of a crime (నేరం ఆర్టీపీఎంచడం)

*Eg : 'She was arraigned on charges of attempted murder'*

arraignment- noun



**Mnemonic clue:** 'Arraign' sounds like 'arrive with gun'. If somebody is 'accused', they will arrive with guns (by the police)

**Synonyms:** indict, prosecute, put on trial, bring to trial, denounce, sue, take to court, bring an action against, lay charges against, file charges against, prefer charges against, summons, cite

**Antonyms:** clear, acquit



# (21) ASININE (adj)

Meaning: Extremely **stupid** or foolish. (తెలివితక్కువ)



*Eg: 'asinine remarks'; asininity -n*

**Mnemonic clue:** 'Asinine' has a heroine name of 'Asin' who played 'stupid' role in Ghazini movie

**Synonyms:** pointless, brainless, mindless, senseless, doltish, idiotic, imbecilic, insane, lunatic, ridiculous, ludicrous, absurd, preposterous, nonsensical, fatuous, silly, childish, infantile, puerile, immature, juvenile, inane, witless, half-baked, empty-headed, unintelligent, half-witted, slow-witted, weak-minded

**Antonym :** intelligent



## (22) ASPERSIONS (n)

Meaning: critical or **unpleasant remarks** or judgements. (நீங்கள்)

Eg : '*It is so easy to cast aspersions on someone else.*'



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘Aspersions’ sounds ‘ass’ and ‘person’ – if you say that a ‘person’ is ‘an ass’, it is an unpleasant remark

**Synonyms:** vilification, disparagement, denigration, defamation, abuse, attack, vituperation, condemnation, criticism, censure, castigation, denunciation, flak, depreciation, opprobrium, obloquy, derogation, slander, revilement, calumny, calumnia, slurs, smears, execration, excoriation, lambasting, upbraiding, bad press, character assassination, invective, libel, insults, slights, curses,

## (23) ASSIDUOUS (adj)

Meaning: **working very hard** and taking great care that everything is done as well as it can be (కठిన పరిశ్రమ)

Eg : '*She was assiduous in pointing out every feature*'

assiduity- noun



**Mnemonic clue:** 'assiduous' starts with 'ass' (an animal) which symbolizes 'hard work'

**Synonyms:** diligent, careful, meticulous, thorough, sedulous, attentive, industrious, laborious, hard-working, conscientious, ultra-careful, close, punctilious, painstaking, demanding, exacting, persevering, unflagging, elaborate, minute, accurate, correct, studious, rigorous, particular

**Antonyms:** lazy, casual



# (24) ASTUTE (adj)

Meaning: **very clever** and quick at seeing what to do in a particular situation, especially how to get an advantage. (చతుర్త)

*Eg : 'an astute businessman'*

astuteness - noun



## Mnemonic clue:

'astute' has 'tute' which means-  
'tutor' who is 'clever'. So one  
should work 'as a tutor'

Synonyms: shrewd, sharp, sharp-witted, razor-sharp, acute, quick, quick-witted, ingenious, clever, intelligent, bright, brilliant, smart, canny, media-savvy, intuitive, discerning, perceptive, perspicacious, penetrating, insightful, incisive, piercing, discriminating, sagacious, wise, judicious

**Antonym:** stupid



# (25) ASYLUM (n)

Meaning: (also **political asylum**) protection that a government gives to people who have left their own country, usually because they were in danger for political reasons (శరణాలయం/ఆశ్రయం)

*Eg : 'She applied for asylum and was granted refugee status'*



asylee - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'asylum' rhymes with Telugu meaning 'Asrayam' (= protection)

**Synonyms:** refuge, sanctuary, shelter, safety, safe keeping, protection, security, immunity, haven, safe haven, retreat, sanctum, harbour, safe house, fastness, hideaway, hideout, bolthole, foxhole, hiding place, den



## (26) AVARICE (n)

Meaning: Extreme **desire for wealth** or material gain. (ధనదాహం)

Eg : '*He was rich beyond the dreams of avarice*'

avaricious- adj



**Mnemonic clue:** 'Avarice' has 'Avva' (=old aged woman) and 'rice'. One is so greedy that he/she grabs 'rice' from her (అవ్వ దగ్గర రైన్ కాజేనే అత్యాశ)

**Synonyms:** mercenariness, acquisitiveness, cupidity, covetousness, rapacity, rapaciousness, graspingness, materialism, greed



## (27) BELLICOSE (adj) (గొడవపెట్టుకొనే)

Meaning: having or showing a desire to **argue** or fight

Eg : '*The tone of his speech was bellicose and threatening.*'



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘bellicose’ has ‘bell’ which is used to begin the ‘fight’ in wrestling

**Synonyms:** belligerent, aggressive, hostile, threatening, antagonistic, pugnacious, truculent, confrontational, argumentative, quarrelsome, disputatious, contentious, militant, combative

**Antonym:** peaceable

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# (28) BESMIRCH (v)

Meaning: to **damage the opinion** that people have of somebody/something (ప్రపంచానికి విషయముగా కొనుట నిషాధికారించుట)

Eg : '*He had besmirched the good name of his family*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'besmirch' has 'mirch' (=mirchi powder) which 'damages' something

**Synonyms:** sully, tarnish, blacken, drag through the mire / mud, stain, taint, smear, befoul, soil, contaminate, pollute, disgrace, ruin, dishonour, bring discredit to, stigmatize, injure, damage, debase, spoil

**Antonyms:** honour, enhance



# (29) BIZARRE (adj)

Meaning: Very **strange** or unusual. (விபரீதமைன)

*Eg : 'His behaviour became more and more bizarre'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'bizarre' has 'bazaar' which is 'strange'

**Synonyms:** peculiar, odd, funny, curious, offbeat, outlandish, eccentric, unconventional, unorthodox, queer, unexpected, unfamiliar, abnormal, atypical, unusual, out of the ordinary, out of the way, extraordinary ;      **Ant.:** ordinary, normal



# (30) BLANDISHMENTS (n) (తియ్యనిమాటలు)

**Meaning:** pleasant things that you say to somebody or do for them to try to persuade them to do something.

Eg : '*the blandishments of the travel brochure*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'blandishments' sounds like having 'brandy' and 'dish'- If somebody drinks brandy and eat dish, they will say 'blandishments'

**Synonyms:** flattery, cajolery, coaxing, wheedling, honeyed words, smooth talk, soft words, blarney

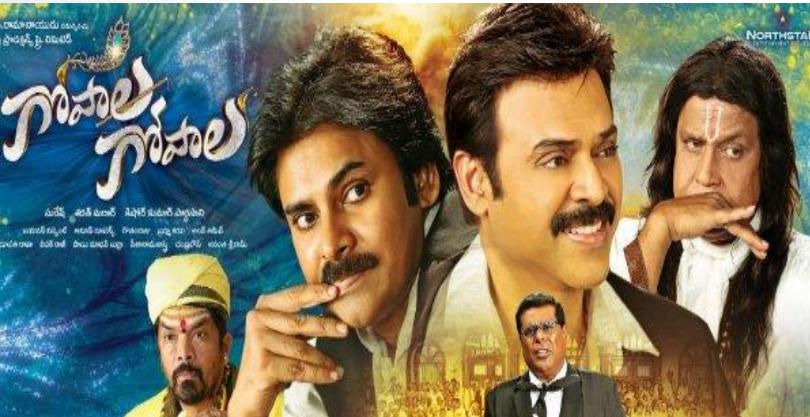


# (31) BLASPHEMY (n)

Meaning: behaviour or language that is offensive or shows a **lack of respect for God or religion** (దైవదూషණ)

Eg : '*He was detained on charges of blasphemy*'

blasphemous- adj ; blasphemously-adv



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘blasphemy’ has ‘blas’ (=blast -criticise) and ‘ph’ =Parameswara- God)-  
‘blasting the God- Parameswara’  
= criticism of the god

## Synonyms:

profanity, profaneness, sacrilege, irreligiousness, irreverence, taking the Lord's name in vain, swearing, curse, cursing, impiety, impiousness, ungodliness, unholiness, desecration, disrespect



## (32) BLUDGEON (v)

Meaning: to **hit** somebody several times with a heavy object  
(మడ్డకర్త తో బాదు)

Eg : '*He was bludgeoned to death outside the nightclub.*'



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘bludgeon’ has the words of ‘blood’ and ‘gen’ – to ‘hit’ somebody until he ‘generates blood’

### Synonyms:

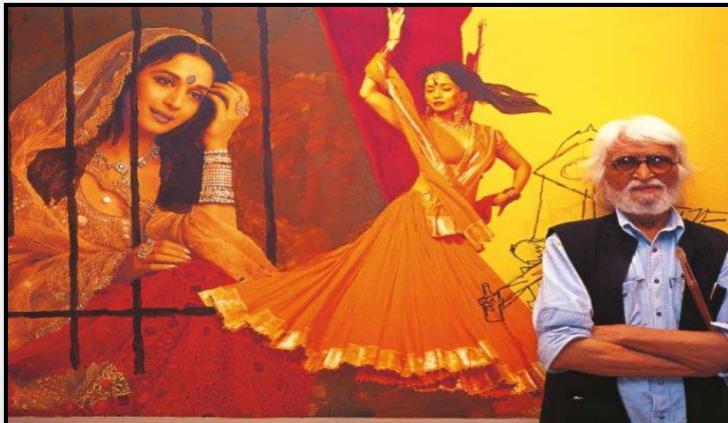
batter, cudgel, club, strike, beat, beat up, hammer, thrash



## (33) BOHEMIAN (n / adj)

Meaning: a person, often somebody who is involved with the **arts**, who lives in a very informal way **without following accepted rules** of behaviour  
 (కళల విషయం లో సాంఘిక నియమాలను పాటించని వ్యక్తే )

Eg : *He liked to think of himself a bit of a bohemian.*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘bohemian’  
 which sounds like ‘Brahmin’  
 who is involved with the arts

Synonyms: nonconformist, unconventional person, beatnik, hippy, avant-gardist, free spirit, dropout, artistic person



# (34) BOMBASTIC (adj)

Meaning: (of somebody's words) **sounding** important but having **little meaning** and used to impress people. (శబ్దగాంభీర్యం గల)

Eg : *Bombastic music that drowned out what anyone was saying'*  
bombast - noun



Mnemonic clue: ‘bombastic’ has ‘bomb’ and ‘stick’ – a *bomb exploded but only a stick was broken at a place without any big effect*- it looks like ‘bombastic’- meaning ‘big sound but no effect’

## Synonyms:

pompous, blustering, ranting, blathering

**Antonym:** straightforward



# (35) BONHOMIE (n)

Meaning: a feeling of **cheerful friendship.** (షల్వసు)

Eg : 'There was a casual bonhomie between the actors at rehearsals'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'bonhomie' has 'bun' and 'home'- You offer bun to your guests at your home with 'cheerful friendship'

**Synonyms:** geniality, congeniality, conviviality, cordiality, affability, amiability, sociability, friendliness, warmth, jollity, warm-heartedness, good nature, good humour, joviality, cheerfulness, good cheer, cheeriness,   **Antonym:** coldness



# (36) CADAVEROUS (adj)

Meaning: (of a person) **extremely pale**, thin and looking ill  
(పీనుగువంటి)

*Eg: 'When she looked at him again, her face was cadaverous.'*



**cadaver-** noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'cadaverous' rhymes with 'divorce' which causes a man to become 'extremely thin'

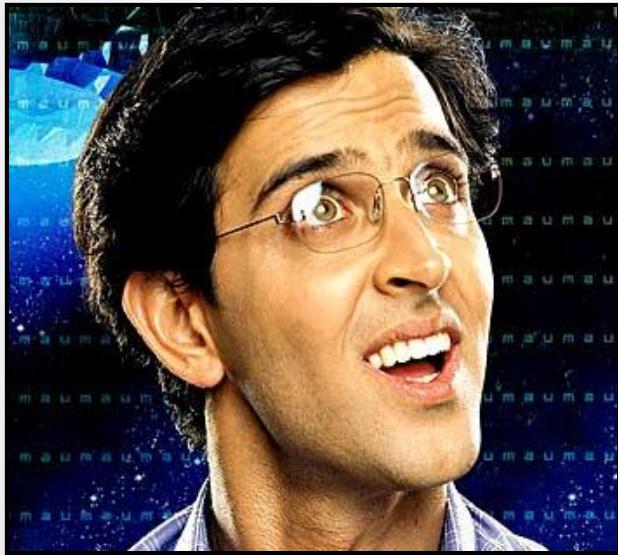
**Synonyms:** pale, deathly pale, pallid, white, bloodless, ashen, ashen-faced, ashy, chalky, chalk-white, grey, white-faced, whey-faced, waxen, waxy, corpse-like, deathlike, ghostly.



# (37) CALLOW (adj) (అనుభవంలేని)

**Meaning:** (of a young person) **inexperienced** and immature.

*Eg: ‘earnest and callow undergraduates’*



callowness - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘callow’ – ‘callow’ is split into two words of ‘cal’ (=calibre) & ‘low’= ‘calibre low’ means ‘inexperienced’

**Synonyms:** immature, inexperienced, naive, green, as green as grass, born yesterday, raw, unseasoned, untrained, untried

**Antonyms:** mature, experienced, sophisticated

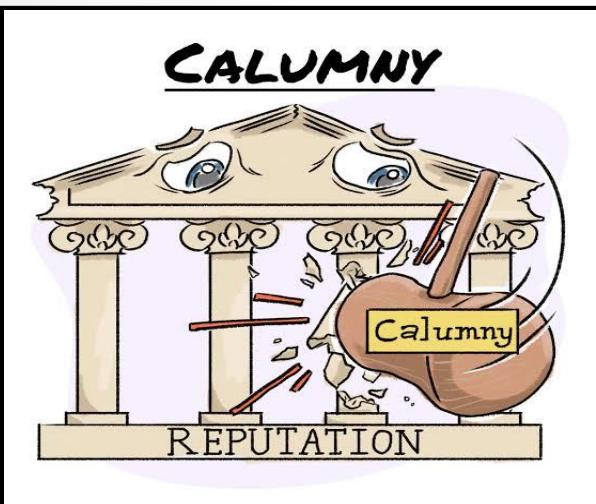


# (38) CALUMNY (n)

Meaning: a **false statement** about a person that is made to damage their reputation. (ಅಪವಾದು)

Eg : '*He accused the press of publishing vicious calumnies'*

**SLANDER** = a spoken statement ....damaging reputation



**Mnemonic clue:** 'calumny' has 'column' (used in news papers) and 'y (=yellow= false)'. It means 'yellow column /journalism'= false statements to damage reputation

**Synonyms:** slander, defamation, defamation of character, libel, character assassination, misrepresentation of character, evil-speaking



# (39) CAMARADERIE (n)

Meaning: a feeling of **friendship** and trust among people who work or spend a lot of time together (సన్నిహిత స్నాహం)

*Eg : the wartime spirit of camaraderie*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘camaraderie’ begins with ‘camera’ which is used when we have ‘friendship’

**Synonyms:** comradeship, fellowship, good fellowship, companionship, brotherliness, brotherhood, sisterhood, affinity, closeness, togetherness, solidarity, mutual support



# (40) CAPITULATE (v) (లొంగి పోవటం)

**Meaning:** **capitulate (to somebody/something)** to agree to do something that you have been refusing to do for a long time

*Eg : They were finally forced to capitulate to the terrorists' demands.*

## 3 capitals of Andhra Pradesh



**capitulation - noun**

**Mnemonic clue:** 'capitulate' has 'capital'. The A.P. govt 'capitulated /surrendered' to the demands of 3 capitals

**Synonyms:** surrender, give in, yield, admit, defeat, concede defeat, give up the struggle, submit, back down, climb down, give way, cave in, succumb, crumble, bow to someone, bow to

**Antonyms:** resist, hold out

## (41) CHIMERA (n)

**Meanings :** (i) (in Greek mythology) a fire-breathing female monster with a lion's head, a goat's body, and a serpent's tail.

(ii) an **impossible idea** or hope (ಅಭ್ಯಾತಕಲ್ಪನೆ)

*Eg: 'The economic sovereignty you claim to defend is a chimera'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'chimera' sounds like a combination of 'China and America'. The combination of these two countries is an 'impossible idea'

**Synonyms:** illusion, fantasy, delusion, dream, fancy, mirage  
figment of the imagination, will-o'-the-wisp, phantom



## (42) CLAIRVOYANCE (n)

Meaning: the power that some people claim to have to be able to see future events or to communicate with people who are dead or far away (ధ్వని దృష్టి)

*Eg: He didn't tell me about it and I'm not clairvoyant'*



Mnemonic clue: ‘clairvoyant’ has ‘c’ (=see) and ‘air’ – ‘see air’. The clairvoyant people ‘see air’ to ‘predict your future’

Synonyms: second sight, psychic powers, ESP, perception, sixth sense, telepathy, extrasensory



# (43) CLANDESTINE (adj)

Meaning: done secretly or kept secret (దొంగచాటు)

*Eg : the clandestine sale of weapons*



Mnemonic clue: ‘clandestine’ has ‘clan’ (=group of family/ వంశం). The people keep ‘secret’ about their ‘clan’

Synonyms: covert, furtive, surreptitious, stealthy, cloak-and-dagger, hole-and-corner, hole-in-the-corner, closet, behind-the-scenes, backstairs, back-alley, under-the-table, hidden, hugger-mugger, concealed, private

Antonyms: open, above board

## (44) COMITY (n) (ಕಲಿಮ)

Meaning: An **association of nations** for their mutual benefit.

Eg: '*The comity between India and the US is testimony to the strength of liberal peace.*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'comity' is pronounced like 'committee' which has 'association/ friendship' of sth.

**Synonyms:** friendship, peace, peacefulness, harmony, harmoniousness, understanding, accord, concord, concurrence, cooperation, amicableness, goodwill, cordiality, warmth, geniality, fellowship, fraternity, brotherhood, brotherliness



# (45) CONDESCEND (v)

**Meanings:** (i) to do sth that you think it is **below your social position** to do (i. దిగివచ్చు, ii. ఇతరులు కన్నా నువ్వు తెలివికల వాడుగా భావించు)

*Eg: 'We had to wait almost an hour before he condescended to see us'*

(ii) **condescend to somebody** to behave towards somebody as though **you are more important** and more intelligent than they are

*Eg : When giving a talk, be careful not to condescend to your audience .*



condescending - adj,

**Antonym:** respect

**Mnemonic clue:** 'condescend' sounds like 'can't descend' behaviour

Synonyms: patronize, speak haughtily to, talk down to, look down one's nose at, look down on, put down, be snobbish to



# (46) CONFLAGRATION (n)

Meaning: a very **large fire** that destroys a lot of land or buildings. (దహనకాండ / పెద్దమంట)

Eg: *The fire services were not adequate to deal with major conflagrations.*



Mnemonic clue: ‘conflagration’ has the words of ‘flag’ and ‘ration’. A burning flag falls on ration shops –causing ‘a large fire’

## Synonyms:

fire, blaze, flames, inferno, firestorm, holocaust



# (47) COPIOUS (n)

Meaning: existing in **large quantities**. (సమృద్ధిగల)

*Eg : ‘She supports her theory with copious evidence.*



copiousness - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘copious’ has a word of ‘cops’ who are ‘abundant in supply’

**Synonyms:** abundant, superabundant, plentiful, ample, profuse, full, extensive, considerable, substantial, generous, bumper, lavish, fulsome, liberal, bountiful, overflowing, abounding, teeming

**Antonym:** sparse



# (48) DESPAIR (n)

Meaning: the feeling of having lost all hope (నిరూప)

Eg : *She uttered a cry of despair.*



Adjective : despairing

Mnemonic clue: 'despair' has 'de' / 'డೆ' and 'pair'- when a pair is separated, they will have 'despair /hopelessness'

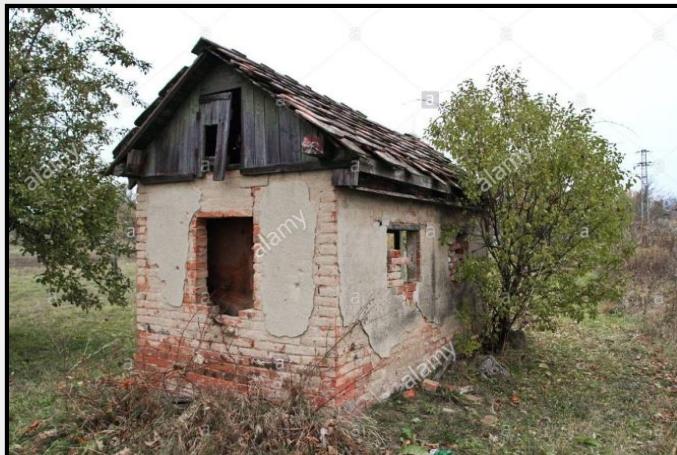
Synonyms: hopelessness, desperation, distress, anguish, pain, unhappiness

Antonyms: hope, joy



# (49) DILAPIDATED (adj)

Meaning: (of furniture and buildings) old and in very **bad condition** (శధలమైన) Eg : 'old, dilapidated buildings'



Mnemonic clue: 'dilapidated' has Telugu word of 'deela padi' (= bad condition)

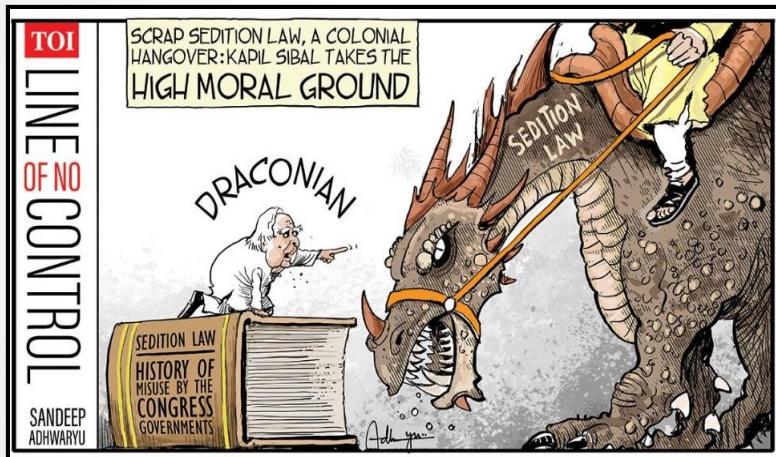
Synonyms: run down, tumbledown, ramshackle, broken-down, in disrepair, shabby, battered, rickety, shaky, unsound, crumbling, in ruins, ruined, decayed, decaying, deteriorating, deteriorated, decrepit, worn out

Antonyms: smart, intact

# (50) DRACONIAN (adj) (ಕಿರಾತಕಮೈನ)

**Meaning:** (of a law, punishment, etc.) extremely **cruel** and severe

*Eg: 'Had we been caught, we could have faced two years in jail under draconian new media laws.'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'draconian' has a word of 'dracula'- a symbol of 'harshness'

**Synonyms:** harsh, severe, strict, extreme, drastic, stringent, iron-fisted, swingeing, brutal, oppressive, ruthless, relentless, summary, punitive, authoritarian, despotic, tyrannical, arbitrary, repressive, tough

**Antonym:** mild

## (51) ENDEARMENT (n)

Meaning: A word or phrase expressing love (ప్రియమైన మాటలు)

*Eg: 'It was here a young couple walked hand in hand, whispering sweet endearments to each other.'*



endear to –verb ;endearingly- adv

**Mnemonic clue:** 'endearment' has 'dear'- known for 'love'

Synonyms: sweet words, sweet talk, affectionate talk



## (52) EXTRADITE (v)

**Meaning:** to officially **send back somebody** who has been accused or found guilty of a crime **to the country** where the crime was committed (ದೇಶ ಒಂಪಟ್ಟಿರಣ ಚೇಯು)

*Eg: ‘Brazil refused to extradite him to Britain’*



extradition - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘extradite’ has two words of ‘extra’ and ‘dite’ (=diet)- so if you go for ‘extra diet’, you will be ‘deported’

**Synonyms:** deport, hand over, send back, send home, repatriate, expel, banish

Expatriate = migrant



## (53) FAUX PAS (n)

Meaning: an action or a remark that causes somebody to feel embarrassed because it is **not socially correct**.

(ಜರಗನ್ನಾಡನಿ ಪೆದ್ದ ಪೊರಪಾಟು)

Eg: '*I made some remark about his wife's family and then realized I'd made a serious faux pas.*



Mnemonic clue: 'faux pas' which has 'fax and pause'. If the fax machine faces a pause, it's a 'mistake' in it.



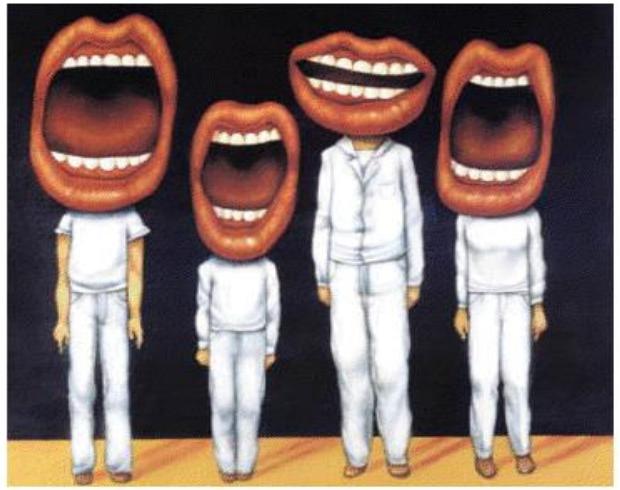
Synonyms: gaffe, blunder, mistake

# (54) GARRULOUS (adj) (గాలివాగుడు)

**Meaning:** talking a lot, especially about unimportant things

*Eg : He became positively garrulous after a few glasses of wine.*

adverb: garrulously



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘garrulous’ has a Telugu word of ‘Garelu’. If you eat ‘Garelu’ (గారెలు), you will ‘talk a lot’ with happiness

**Synonyms:** talkative, loquacious, voluble, verbose, long-winded, chattery, chattering, chatty, gossipy, gossiping, babbling, blathering, prattling, prating, jabbering, gushing, effusive, expansive, forthcoming, conversational, communicative

**Antonyms:** taciturn, reticent

## (55) GROVEL (v) (పాకులాడు, అర్పులుచాచు)

**Meaning:** to show **too much respect** to somebody who is more important than you or who can give you something you want

*Eg : He went grovelling to her for forgiveness.*

adjective : grovelling



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘grovel’ has ‘grow’ and ‘well’. If you want to ‘grow well’ in life, you need to ‘show too much respect’ to somebody sometimes

**Synonyms:** behave obsequiously, be obsequious, be servile, be sycophantic, fawn, kowtow, bow and scrape, toady, abase oneself, humble oneself, prostrate oneself, truckle



## (56) HALLUCINATION (n)

Meaning: the fact of seeming to see or hear somebody/something that is **not really there**, especially because of illness or drugs (మతిబ్రమ)

Eg: '*He continued to suffer from horrific hallucinations*'



Mnemonic clue: 'hallucination' has two words – 'hall' and 'nation' (=father of the nation) – having a 'nation' in a hall is a hallucination

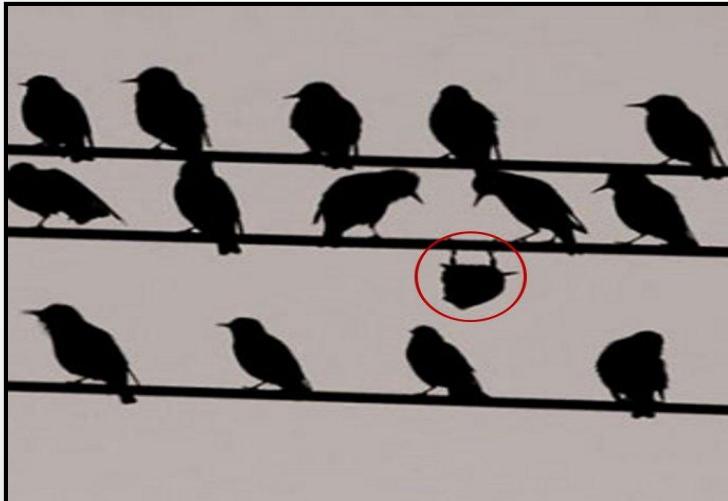
Synonyms: delusion, illusion, figment of the imagination, vision, apparition, mirage, chimera, fantasy, dream, daydream



## (57) IDIOSYNCRACY (n)

**Meaning:** a person's particular way of behaving, thinking, etc., esp. when it is unusual; **an unusual feature** (విలక్షణస్వభావము)

*Eg: 'Wearing a raincoat, even on a hot day, is one of her idiosyncrasies.'*



idiosyncratic -adj

**Mnemonic clue:** 'idiosyncratic' has 'idiot'- means 'unusual'

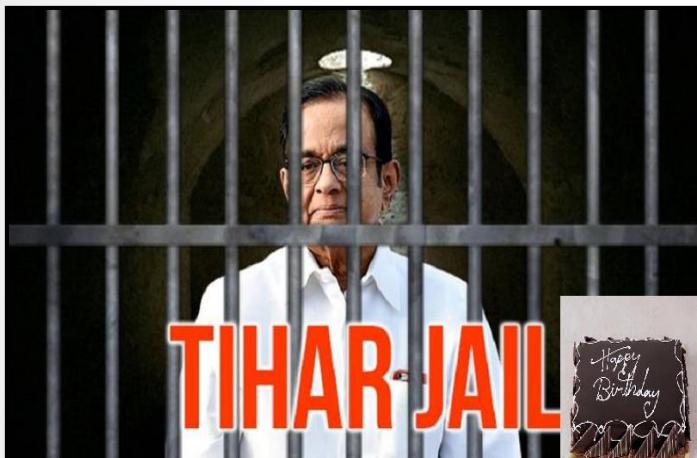
**Synonyms:** peculiarity, quirk, eccentricity, oddity, foible, whim, whimsy, caprice, vagary, twist, crotchet, mannerism, fad



# (58) IGNOMINY (n)

**Meaning:** ‘Public shame or disgrace.’ (అవమానం, అపకీర్తి)

*Eg: ‘the ignominy of being imprisoned’*



ignominious – adj; ignominiously-adv

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘ignominy’ has two words of ‘igno’ (=IGNOU uni.) and ‘mini’. So IGNOU, a famous university becoming mini is ‘shameful’

**Synonyms:** humiliating, undignified, embarrassing, mortifying, shameful, disgraceful, dishonourable, discreditable, ignoble, inglorious, abject, sorry, wretched, miserable, pitiful

**Antonym:** honour



# (59) IMPASSE (n) (ప్రతిష్టంభన)

Meaning: a **difficult situation** in which no progress can be made because the people involved cannot agree what to do

*Eg : Negotiations have reached an impasse.*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'impasse' which sounds like 'impossible' to pass = no progress

**Synonyms:** deadlock, dead end, stalemate, checkmate, stand-off, standstill, halt, stop, stoppage, full stop



# (60) IMPUNITY (n)

**Meaning:** Exemption from punishment . (శక్తేము)

*Eg: 'Those involved in such attacks often enjoy complete impunity.'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'impunity' has 'im' (= negative prefix of 'im' means 'no') and 'pun' (=punishment) = no punishment

**Synonyms:** immunity, indemnity, freedom from punishment, exemption, non-liability, licence, amnesty, dispensation, pardon, reprieve, stay of execution, exoneration, privilege, special treatment, favouritism

**Antonyms:** liability, responsibility



# (61) INCARCERATION (n)

Meaning: the act of putting somebody **in prison** or in another place from which they cannot escape (ಖ್ಯಾತಿ)

Eg: *We're spending billions of dollars each year on incarceration.*



incarcerate - verb

Mnemonic clue: ‘incarcerate’ has two words – ‘in’ and ‘car’- so if you are ‘in car’, you feel like ‘imprisonment’

Synonyms: internment, confinement, detention, captivity, restraint

Antonym: freedom



## (62) INDIGENT (adj)

Meaning: very poor (బీద)

Eg : *The first state pensions were given to indigent people*



Mnemonic clue: ‘indigent’ has two words of ‘indi (=india) and ‘gent’ (= gents) – gents in India are ‘poor’

Synonyms: impecunious, destitute, penniless, impoverished, poverty-stricken, down and out, pauperized, without a penny to one's name, without two farthings to rub together, without two pennies to rub together

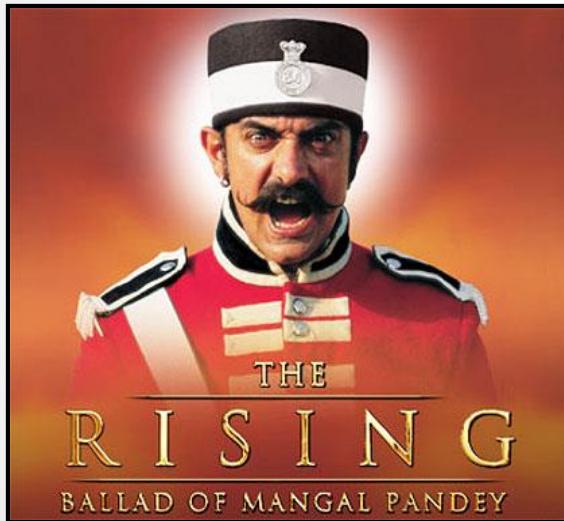
Antonym: rich



# (63) INDIGNATION (n)

Meaning: a feeling of **anger** and surprise caused by something that you think is unfair or unreasonable (ଓର୍ପାବୁ)

*Eg : 'The rise in train fares has aroused public indignation.*



indignation – noun, indignantly- adv

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘indignation’ has ‘in’ (= injustice) and ‘nation’. If anyone does ‘injustice’ to ‘nation’, you will get ‘anger’ (indignation)

**Synonyms:** resentment, umbrage, affront, disgruntlement, distress, unhappiness, discontent, dissatisfaction, displeasure, hurt, pain, upset, offence, pique, spleen, crossness, exasperation, vexation, irritation, annoyance, chagrin

**Antonym:** contentment

# (64) INFERNO (n)

**Meaning:** A **large fire** that is dangerously out of control.  
**దహనకాండ ; (నరకం లాంటి ప్రదేశం) ; (ii) Hell**

*Eg: 'The inferno had swept through the city'*



## Mnemonic clue:

'inferno' can be read as 'in furnace'-means 'fire/hell'

Synonyms for (i): blaze, conflagration, holocaust, firestorm



# (65) INORDINATE (adj) (விதிவிரிந)

**Meaning:** far more than is usual or expected; **excessive.**

*Eg : 'The case had taken up an inordinate amount of time' ;  
 Inordinate eating will surely make you obese.*



inordinateness – noun; inordinately- adv

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘inordinate’ has ‘in’ which means ‘not’ (in= negative prefix), ‘ordina (=ordinary), ‘ate’ = ‘not ordinary eating = excessive’

**Synonyms:** undue, unreasonable, unjustifiable, unwarrantable, extreme, disproportionate, out of all proportion, unconscionable, unwarranted, needless unnecessary, uncalled for, exorbitant, outrageous, preposterous

**Antonyms:** moderate, limited



# (66) INQUIZITIVE (adj)

**Meaning:** (i) asking too many questions and trying to find out about what other people are doing, etc. ; **curious** (ఉర్క అడిగే)

Eg : *Don't be so inquisitive. It's none of your business!*

(ii) Having or showing an **interest in learning** things ; enquiring (జిబ్బాను)

Eg: *She was impressed by the inquisitiveness of the children.*



**inquisitiveness - noun**

**Mnemonic clue:** 'inquisitive' has two words of 'in' and 'quiz'- so one has 'inquisitiveness' 'in quiz'

**Synonyms:** curious, eager excited, impatient, in suspense, on tenterhooks, on the edge of one's seat, on pins and needles, keen, anxious, longing

**Antonym:** uninterested



# (67) IRASCIBLE (adj)

Meaning: becoming angry very easily (సులభముగా క్షపమువచ్చేడు)

Eg : '*an irascible young man*'



irascibility- noun

Mnemonic clue: 'irascible' has 'rascal' who 'becomes angry very easily'

Synonyms: irritable, quick-tempered, short-tempered, bad-tempered, ill-tempered, hot-tempered, thin-skinned, snappy, snappish, tetchy, testy, touchy, edgy, crabby, waspish, dyspeptic

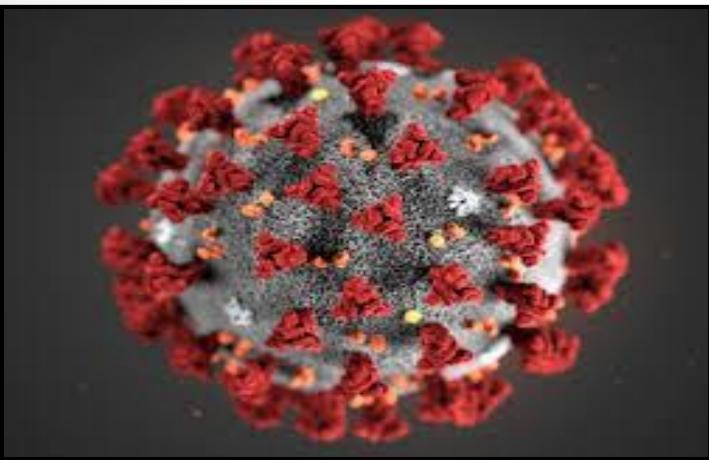
Antonyms : good-humoured, easy-going



# (68) JEOPARDISE (v)

Meaning: to risk **harming** or destroying something/somebody.  
; **endanger** (ప్రమాదంలోకి నెఱ్చు)

*Eg: 'This scandal could seriously jeopardize his chances of being re-elected.'*



**jeopardy –noun**

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘jeopardise’  
sounds a Telugu phrase of ‘zoo lo padithe’ ‘జూ’ లో పడితే  
(= in danger)

**Synonyms:** threaten, imperil, menace, risk, put at risk,  
expose to risk, put in danger, expose to danger, put in jeopardy,  
put on the line

**Antonym:** safeguard



# (69) JUGGERNAUT (n)

Meaning: a large and **powerful force** or institution that cannot be controlled (ನಿರ್ವರ್ತಿಧಕ ಶಕ್ತಿ / ಶಕ್ತಿವಂತಮೈನ (ದಾನ್ಯ) ನಿಯಂತ್ರಿಂಚಲ್ಪೇವಡಂ)

Eg: '*the juggernaut of public expenditure*'



Mnemonic clue: 'Juggernaut' sounds like 'Jagannath (Poori)' which is very 'powerful'



# (70) LETHARGY (n)

Meaning: A **lack of energy** and enthusiasm. (ಅಲಸತ್ವಂ, ಉದಾಹರಿತ)

*Eg : 'A good breakfast is important for refilling our energy stores, keeping lethargy at bay during the morning hours.'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'lethargy'  
sounds like 'lacking energy'

**Synonyms:** sluggishness, inertia, inactivity, inaction, slowness, torpor, torpidity, lifelessness, dullness, listlessness, languor, languidness, stagnation, laziness, idleness, indolence, shiftlessness, sloth, phlegm, apathy, passivity, ennui, weariness, tiredness, lassitude, fatigue, sleepiness, drowsiness, enervation, somnolence, narcosis      **Ant:** vigour, energy, animation



# (71) MIRTH (n) (ఉల్లంసం)

Meaning : **happiness**, fun and the sound of people laughing

Eg : '*The performance produced much mirth among the audience.*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'mirth' has 'mirt' (=mart). If you go to any mart (Reliance mart, etc), you will feel 'happy'

**Synonyms:** merriment, high spirits, mirthfulness, cheerfulness, cheeriness, cheer, hilarity, glee, laughter, jocularity, levity, gaiety, buoyancy, blitheness, euphoria, exhilaration, elation, light-heartedness, joviality, joy, joyfulness, joyousness, fun, enjoyment, amusement, pleasure, merrymaking, jollity, festivity, revelry, frolics, frolicsomeness

**Antonyms:** gloom, misery



# (72) OSTENTATION (n)

**Meaning:** an exaggerated **display of wealth**, knowledge or skill that is made in order to impress people (ఆడంబర ప్రదర్శన)

Eg: *But they had to be careful not to show their wealth with too much ostentation*  
**ostentatious – adj ; ostentatiousness- noun**



## Mnemonic clue:

‘ostentation’ has ‘o (=openly), s (=showing), ten (=wealth) = **openly showing wealth**

**Synonyms:** showiness, show, showing off, pretentiousness, pretension, vulgarity, conspicuousness, obtrusiveness, display, flamboyance, gaudiness, garishness, tinsel, brashness, loudness, extravagance, ornateness, theatricality, kitschness, affectation, bad taste, tastelessness, self-advertisement, flaunting

**Antonyms:** modesty, unpretentiousness



# (73) PANDEMONIUM (n)

**Meaning:** a situation in which there is a **lot of noise** and activity with a great lack of order, especially because people are feeling angry or frightened (ಅಲಜಡೆ / ಅಲ್ಲರಿ)

*Eg :‘Pandemonium broke out when the news was announced.’*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘Pandemonium’ has ‘Pande’ (=Pandu- Mahesh Babu name in Pokiri movie) & ‘Moni’ (=money)- Pandu creates ‘noise’ (pandemonium) for money-ವೋಕೆರಿ ಸೀನಿಮಾಲ್ 'ಪಂಡು' ಗಾಡು 'ಮನ್ನ' ಕೋಸಂ 'ಅಲಜಡೆ' ಸೃಷ್ಟಿಂದರು

**Synonyms:** bedlam, chaos, mayhem, uproar, madness, havoc, turmoil, tumult, commotion, confusion, disorder, anarchy, furore, frenzy, maelstrom, clamour, din, hubbub, hue and cry, babel, rumpus, fracas, hurly-burly

**Antonyms :** silence , peace

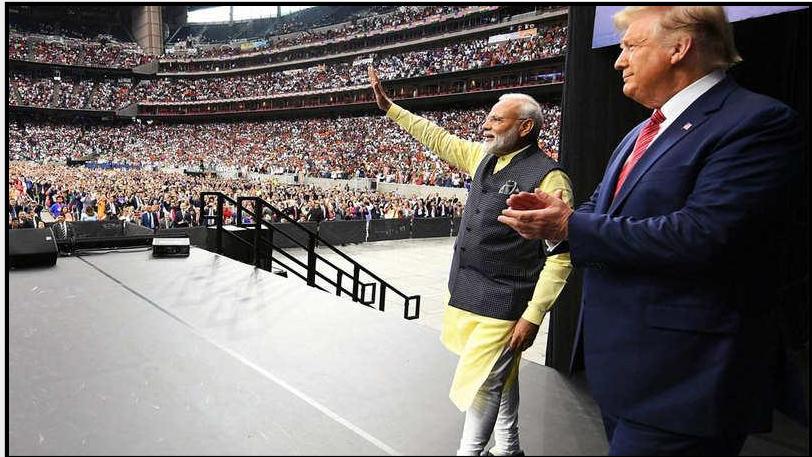


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# (74) PANEGYRIC (n)

Meaning: a speech or piece of writing **praising** somebody/something  
(ప్రసుదుతూ చేసిన ఉపన్యాసం)

*Eg : 'He finished up with a panegyric on the Vice Chancellor'*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘panegyric’ has ‘Panaji’-the capital of ‘Goa’. In Panaji, you are ‘praised’

## Synonyms:

eulogy, speech of praise, paean, accolade, tribute, testimonial, commendation, acclamation



# (75) PARSIMONY (n)

**Meaning:** the fact of being extremely **unwilling to spend money** (పీసినారితనం)

*Eg : She criticised government parsimony with defence investment.*



**parsimoniousness-** noun

**parsimonious-** adj, **parsimoniously -** adv

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘parsimony’ has ‘Paris’ and ‘money’- Paris is ‘unwilling to spend money’

**Synonyms:** meanness, miserliness, niggardliness, close-fistedness, closeness, penuriousness, penny-pinching, cheese-paring, illiberality, frugality    **Ant:** generosity



# (76) PARTISAN (adj)

Meaning: showing **too much support** for one person, group or idea, especially without considering it carefully (పక్షపాతి)

*Eg : Most newspapers are politically partisan*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘partisan’ has ‘party’ and ‘son’. When somebody works like a ‘son’ to a ‘party’, he has too much ‘support’

**Synonyms:** supporter, follower, adherent, devotee, champion, backer, upholder, promoter, fanatic, fan, enthusiast, stalwart, zealot, disciple, votary

**Antonyms:** impartial, unbiased



# (77) PERPETRATE (v) (దుష్కర్యం చేయు)

Meaning: to **commit a crime** or do something wrong or evil

*Eg : 'security breaches perpetrated by people working for the company'*



perpetration – noun ; perpetrator - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘perpetrate’ ends with ‘petrate’ = in Telugu, ‘petrigi povuta’ (పెత్రిగటం) -in English, it means ‘to commit a crime’

**Synonyms:** commit, carry out, perform, execute, do, effect, bring about, be guilty of, be to blame for, be responsible for, accomplish, inflict, wreak ,pull off, pull



# (78) PERSECUTE (v)

Meaning: persecute somebody (for something) to **treat** somebody in a **cruel** and unfair **way**, especially because of their race, religion or political beliefs      (హంసించు)

*Eg :Throughout history, people have been persecuted for their religious beliefs.*



persecution - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘persecution’ has two words of ‘purse’ and ‘cut’- so if you cut somebody’s purse, you will be ‘persecuted’ (=ill-treatment)

**Synonyms:** oppress, abuse, victimize, ill-treat, mistreat, maltreat, discriminate against, punish, inflict pain on, inflict suffering on, tyrannize, afflict, torment, torture, martyr .



# (79) PERVASIVE (adj)

Meaning: (especially of an unwelcome influence or physical effect) **spreading** widely throughout an area or a group of people.  
 (ಅಂತರ್ ವ್ಯಾಪಿಸಿನ)

Eg: '*Ageism is pervasive and entrenched in our society*'



pervade- verb, pervasively- adv,  
 pervasiveness- noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'pervasive' begins with 'per' (=perfume- it 'spreads')

**Synonyms:** prevalent, penetrating, pervading, permeating, general, extensive, ubiquitous, omnipresent, present everywhere, rife, widespread, common, universal, pandemic, epidemic, endemic, inescapable, insidious



# (80) PERVERSE (adj)

Meaning: showing a deliberate and determined desire to **behave** in a way that most people think is wrong, unacceptable or **unreasonable**  
 (వక్షయుద్ధిగల) adverb : perversely, noun : perversion

Eg : ‘She finds a perverse pleasure in upsetting her parents



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘perverse’ has ‘reverse’= unreasonable behaviour

**Synonyms:** awkward, contrary, difficult, unreasonable, unhelpful, uncooperative, obstructive, disobliging, unaccommodating, annoying, troublesome, tiresome, vexatious, obstreperous, rebellious, disobedient, unmanageable, uncontrollable, recalcitrant, refractory

**Antonyms:** accommodating, cooperative

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# (81) PROFOUND (adj)

Meanings: (i) very **great**; felt or experienced very strongly

*Eg : profound changes in the earth's climate* (எல்லைந)

(ii) having or showing great knowledge or insight.



Eg: *profound insights*    **profoundity** - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'profound'  
begins with 'pro' (= professor).  
Professor has 'great knowledge'

**Synonyms:** heartfelt, intense, keen, great, extreme, sincere, earnest, deep, deepest, deeply felt, wholehearted, acute, ardent, overpowering, overwhelming, deep-seated, deep-rooted, fervent, .

**Antonyms:** superficial, mild



# (82) PROGENY (n) (సంతానము)

Meaning: a person's **children**; the young of animals and plants

*Eg : He was surrounded by his numerous progeny.*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'progeny' has two words of 'pro' (=providing) and 'gen' (=generations) - providing generations = children

**Synonyms:** offspring, children, young, family, brood, issue



# (83) QUAINt (adj)

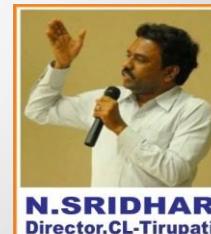
**Meaning:** Attractively unusual or old-fashioned.  
(ప్రాచీనమైన మరియు ఆకర్షణమైన) *Eg: 'quaint country cottages'*



quaintly- adv,    quaintness- noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'quaint' has 'quant' (=Maths) which is 'old fashioned but attractive'

**Synonyms:** picturesque, charming, attractive, pleasantly, old-fashioned, old-world, toytown, unusual, different, out of the way, unfamiliar, curious, eccentric, quirky, bizarre, zany, whimsical, fanciful, idiosyncratic, unconventional, outlandish, offbeat, off-centre



# (84) QUELL (v) (అణచు)

**Meaning:** to **stop** something such as **violent behaviour** or protests

*Eg : Extra police were called in to quell the disturbances.*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘quell’ has  
‘queue’ which ‘puts an end to  
violent behaviour’

**Synonyms:** put an end to, stamp out, put a stop to, end, finish, crush, get rid of, put down, check, crack down on, curb, nip in the bud, thwart, frustrate, squash, quash, subdue, suppress, repress, quench, extinguish, stifle, abolish, terminate, beat, overcome, defeat, rout, destroy, demolish, annihilate, wipe out, extirpate

**Antonyms:** bring about, prompt



# (85) QUERULOUS (adj) (ఫెర్యాదులు చేస్తు)

**Meaning:** complaining; showing that you are annoyed

*Eg :He complained in a querulous voice about having been woken up.*



**adverb:** querulously

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘querulous’ has ‘queue’ and ‘rules’. So one ‘complains’ about the ‘rules in queue’

**Synonyms:** petulant, pettish, touchy, testy, tetchy, waspish, prickly, crusty, peppery, fractious, fretful, irritable, cross, crabbed, crabby, crotchety, choleric, cantankerous, curmudgeonly, disagreeable, miserable, morose, on edge, edgy, impatient, bitter, moody, in a bad mood, grumpy, huffy, scratchy, out of sorts, out of temper, ill-tempered, bad-tempered, ill-natured, bilious, splenetic, ill-humoured, sullen, surly, sulky, sour, churlish, liverish, dyspeptic,



# (86) RAMBUNCTIONS (adj)

Meaning: **full of energy** in a cheerful and noisy way (గోలపెట్టే)

Eg : *rambunctious preschoolers'*



**Mnemonic clue:** 'rambunctious' has 'Rambantu' (Hanuman) who is 'full of energy'

**Synonyms:** boisterous, unrestrained, irrepressible, exuberant, uproarious, rollicking, roisterous, racketty, noisy, loud, clamorous

**Antonyms:** restrained, quiet



# (87) RAUCOUS (adj)

Meaning: sounding **loud** and rough (హోర్నెనా గొంతు)

*Eg :raucous laughter*



raucously- adv, raucousness - n

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘raucous’ has Telugu word of ‘Rakasi’ (రాకసి) (=ghost) who has ‘harsh’ sound

**Synonyms:** harsh, strident, screeching, squawky, squawking, sharp, grating, discordant, dissonant, inharmonious, unmelodious, jarring, brassy

**Antonyms:** soft, dulcet, peaceful, quiet, restrained



# (88) RAVAGE (v)

Meaning: to **damage** something badly (విధ్వంసం)

Eg : '*The hurricane ravaged southern Florida*'



**Mnemonic clue:** 'ravage' has 'rava' which symbolises 'Ravan' who damaged things badly

## Synonyms:

lay waste, devastate, ruin, leave in ruins, destroy, demolish  
wreak havoc on, leave desolate, level, raze, wipe out, wreck



# (89) RESPITE (n)

Meaning: a short **break** or escape from something difficult or unpleasant (ఉపశమనం)



*Eg : 'a brief respite from the heat'*

Mnemonic clue: 'respite' has 'rest'

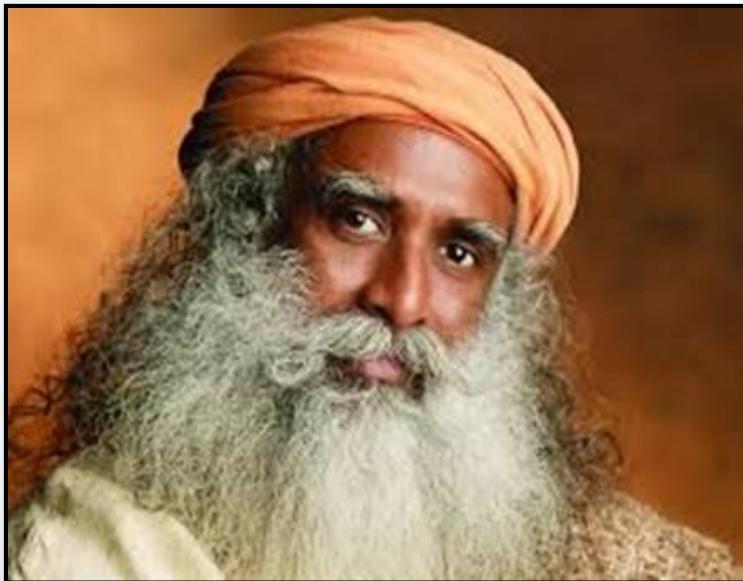
Synonyms: rest, break, breathing space, interval, intermission, interlude, recess, lull, pause, time out, hiatus, halt, stop, stoppage, cessation, discontinuation, standstill, relief, relaxation, repose



# (90) SAGACIOUS (adj) (వీవేకంగల)

Meaning: wise, showing **good understanding** and judgement

Eg: 'They were sagacious enough to avoid any outright confrontation'



sagacity - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** 'sagacious' has the word 'sage' who is always 'sagacious'

Synonyms: clever, intelligent, knowledgeable, sensible, sage

Antonyms: stupid, foolish



# (91) SALUBRIOUS (adj)

Meaning: healthy (ఆస్థాగ్నికం)

Eg : 'With its salubrious weather, few would want to move out.'



Mnemonic clue: 'salubrious' begins with 'salu' = Sallu bhai who is 'healthy'

Synonyms: health-giving, healthful, beneficial, good for one's health, wholesome, salutary

Antonym: insalubrious



# (92) SARDONIC (adj)

Meaning: showing that you **think** that you are **better than other people** and do not take them seriously (ಅಪಂಪಸ್ಯಕರಮೈನ)

*Eg : 'He looked at her with sardonic amusement.*

sardonically - adv

**Mnemonic clue:** 'sardonic' has the words of 'sir' and 'don'. If a 'sir' behaves like a 'don', it is 'sardonic' behaviour



## Synonyms:

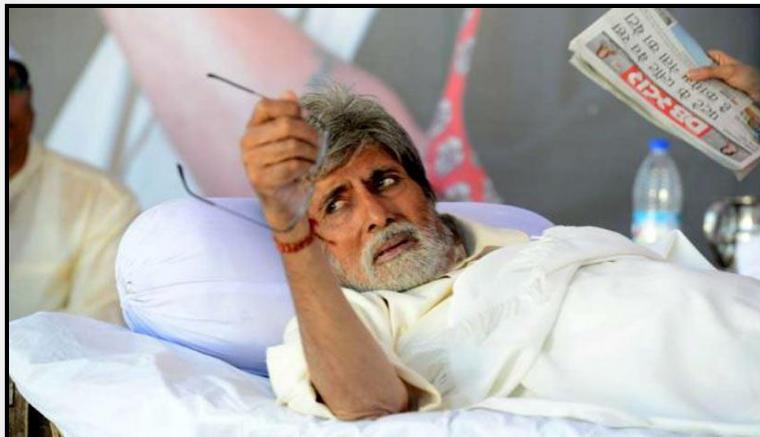
sarcastic, mocking, ironical, ironic, cynical, scornful, derisive, contemptuous, derisory, sneering, jeering, scoffing, taunting



# (93) SENILE (adj)

Meaning: behaving in a **confused** or strange way, and unable to remember things, because you are **old**

*Eg :I think she's going senile.* (వయసు మీరడంతే గందరగోళంగా వ్యవహారించు)



noun: senility

**Mnemonic clue:** 'senile' sounds like 'saline'- you will get 'saline', when you are 'old / aged'

**Synonyms:** doddering, doddery, decrepit, aged, long in the tooth, senescent, failing, declining, infirm, feeble, unsteady, in one's dotage, losing one's faculties, in one's second childhood, mentally confused, suffering from Alzheimer's, suffering from senile dementia .

**Antonym:** in the prime of life



# (94) SHREWD (adj)

**Meaning:** having or showing sharp powers of judgement  
(నేర్వరి, చతురతగల, నిశిత బుద్ధిగల)

Eg: 'a shrewd businessman' ; She is a shrewd judge of character.



**Mnemonic clue:**

'shrewd' has 'she', who is 'shrewd'

**Synonyms:** astute, sharp-witted, sharp, acute, intelligent, clever, alert, canny, media-savvy, perceptive, perspicacious, observant, discriminating, sagacious, sage, wise, far-seeing, far-sighted

**Antonyms:** stupid, unwise, ingenuous



# (95) SOPORIFIC (adj)

Meaning: making you want to go to sleep

(నిద్రపట్టించే)

*Eg : the soporific effect of the sun*



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘soporific’ has ‘supper’. After having supper, one will have ‘sleepy’ feeling

Synonyms: sleep-inducing, somnolent, sedative, calmative, tranquillizing, narcotic, opiate, drowsy, sleepy, somniferous

**Antonym:** invigorating



# (96) SUAVE (adj)

Meaning: (especially of a man) **confident, attractive** and polite, sometimes in a way that does not seem sincere (రఘ్యమైన, మనోజ్ఞమైన)

*Eg: The manager was suave and sophisticated.*



suavely - adverb

**Mnemonic clue:** 'suave' rhymes with 'wow' which means= 'charming'

**Synonyms:** charming, sophisticated, debonair, urbane, worldly, worldly-wise, polished, refined, poised, self-possessed, dignified, civilized, gentlemanly, gallant

**Antonyms:** unsophisticated, rude



# (97) SUSCEPTIBLE (adj)

Meaning: very likely to be influenced, **harmed** or affected by something (హని పొందదగిన / దాడికి గురికాగల)

*Eg :He's highly susceptible to flattery.*

susceptibility - noun

**Mnemonic clue:** ‘susceptible’ has ‘suspect’ (= doubt). If you suspect somebody, they will ‘likely be harmed’ by something.



**Synonyms:** vulnerable, impressionable, credulous, gullible, innocent, ingenuous, easily taken in, naive, defenceless, easily led, manageable, acquiescent, adaptable, persuadable, tractable

**Antonyms:** immune, resistant



# (98) TEETOTALLER (n)

**Meaning:** A person who **never drinks** alcohol  
 (మత్తు పద్ధాలకు దూరంగా ఉన్న వ్యక్తి)

*Eg : 'I am a strict vegetarian, non-smoker and a teetotaller'*



**teetotal – adj ; teetotalism- noun**

**Mnemonic clue:** if you say 'total gaa tea koodaa thragadu' (టోటల్ గా టీ కూడా త్రాగడు) in Telugu, it means 'teetotaller'

**Synonyms:** non-drinker, abstainer    **Ant. :** drunk, lush



# (99) UTOPIA (n)

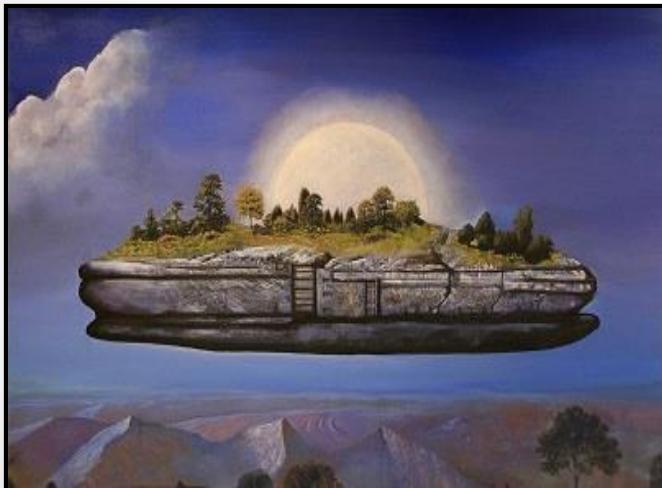
**Meaning:** An **imagined place** or state of things in which everything is perfect. (ಒಂದು ಜನಿತ ಸಮಾಜಂ)

*Eg : 'The idea of America as utopia has recurred throughout our history.'*

**DYSTOPIA:** An imagined state or society in which there is

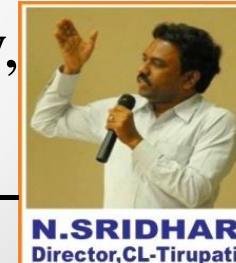
great suffering or injustice

utopian – adj ; utopianism-noun



**Mnemonic clue:** 'utopia' has  
'Ooty' which is an imagined place

**Synonyms:** ideal place, paradise, heaven, heaven on earth, Eden, Garden of Eden, Elysium, the Elysian Fields, Happy Valley, seventh heaven, idyll, nirvana, bliss. **Ant:** Hell on earth



# (100) VITUPERATION (adj)

**Meaning:** cruel and **angry criticism** (దూషణ)

*Eg : She was unprepared for the flood of vituperation which descended on her from her critics.*

**adjective:** vituperative



**Mnemonic clue:** ‘vituperation’ has ‘VIT’ (college) and ‘ration’ (ration shop items). There is ‘criticism’ over ‘ration’ in the ‘VIT’ college

**Synonyms:** revilement, invective, condemnation, castigation, chastisement, opprobrium, rebuke, scolding, criticism, disapprobation, fault-finding, flak

**Ant.:** praise

