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Class 5

Word: Gist (Noun)

Meaning: The substance or general meaning of a speech or text; 'Central or Main Idea'.

Origin: The word originates from the Latin word 'Jacere' and Old French along with Anglo -French word 'Gesir' which means 'to lie', since early 18th century.

Synonyms: Essence, Substance, Theme, Crux, Core, Soul, 'Heart of the Matter'

Antonyms: Insignificant, Meaningless, Irrelevant, Hollow, Pointless, Worthless

Usage in Sentences:

1. It was hard to get the **gist** of Surendra's talk.
2. That has been the **gist** of Principal's repeated communications.

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Allege- verb

Meaning - to say that someone has done something illegal or wrong without giving proof:

Origin - Middle English (in the sense 'declare on oath'): from Old French esligier, based on Latin lis, lit-'lawsuit'; confused in sense with Latin allegare 'allege'.

Synonyms – accuse, charge, indict, impeach, implicate.

Antonyms - disclaim, deny, disown, negate, gainsay.

Usage in sentences-

1. The two men **alleged** that the police forced them to make false confessions.
2. The prosecution **alleges** (that) she was driving carelessly.
3. It is **alleged** that he mistreated the prisoners.

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CLASS 7

Dire

Meaning- extremely serious or urgent

Origin- mid 16th century from Latin dirus

Synonyms- acute, critical, drastic

Antonyms- calm, mild, unimportant

Usage in Sentences:

1. He passed his childhood in **dire** poverty.
2. After the earthquake there was a **dire** need of housing and medical care in the city.

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Class 8

Word – resplendent (adjective)

Meaning- having great beauty and splendor

Origin- Latin resplendent

First use- 15th Century

Synonyms- glorious, splendid, beautiful

Antonyms- dead, dull, lusterless

Usage in sentences-

1. The fields were **resplendent** with flowers.
2. She looked **resplendent** in her green evening gown.
3. The old farmhouse appeared almost **resplendent** in the golden sunlight.

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Grade-9

CLARION

Meaning: loud and clear, proclaim on

Origin : Latin 'clarus' & (clear)

Synonym: sharp, blaring, loud

Antonym: soft, quiet, low

Usage in sentences

- a) Once the victim got over her fear, she was able to testify in a **clarion** voice.
- b) This election is a **clarion** call for our country to face the challenges ahead.
- c) It is a **clarion** call to avoid being too much.

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Class 10

Clandestine (adjective)

Meaning: Secret and often not legal

Origin: mid 16th century from French clandestin or Latin clandestinus, from clam;secretly

Synonym: furtive, covert, sneak

Antonym: aboveboard, open, known

Usage in sentence

1. For safety reasons, the government cannot release information about the **clandestine** plan to rescue the hostages.
2. We waited until after our parents went to sleep to have our **clandestine** meeting about their surprise party.

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Word: Euphoria

Meaning: A feeling state of intense excitement and happiness

Origin: 17th century modern Latin from Greek euphorus 'borne well, healthy' from eu 'well'+ pherein ' to bear'.

Synonym: elation, joy

Antonym: misery, depression

Usage in sentence

1. He would not feel **euphoria** but can only feel pain and terror.
2. The **euphoria** of his awakening from the coma passed as other symptoms persisted

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Word: Sacrosanct (adjective)

Meaning: (especially of a principle, place or routine) regarded as too important or valuable to be interfered with.

Origin: Late 15th century from Latin Sacrosanctus.

Synonyms: sacred, venerated, respected, revered, holy

Antonyms: nonreligious, unspiritual, irreverent, mundane

Sentence:

1. The king was thereby rendered **sacrosanct**.
2. **Sacrosanct** nature of such texts has been revered historically by religious artisans.