

Word of the week

6th September – 12th September 2021

Class 5

ADORN

Meaning- to make more beautiful or attractive

Origin- Late Middle English: via Old French from Latin *adornare*

Synonyms- embellish, decorate, furnish

Antonyms- damage, deform, disfigure

Sentences:

1. She likes to **adorn** herself with jewels.
2. Roman paintings were used to **adorn** the walls of the new church.

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GRADE-6

Exodus (noun)

Meaning- a situation in which many people leave a place at the same time

Origin-The word itself was adopted into English (via Latin) from Greek Exodos, which literally means” the road out”. The Greek word was formed by combining the prefix ex- and hodos, meaning “road” or “way”.

Synonyms- gush, outflow, outpour

Antonyms- flux, inflow, influx, inrush

Usage in sentence

1. There has been a mass **exodus** of workers from the villages to the town.
2. There is always an **exodus** to the coast at holiday times.

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Grade- 7

Codswallop (Noun)

Meaning- senseless talk or writing; words or ideas that are foolish or untrue

Origin- First attested in 1959, codswallop appears to be a relatively young term, perhaps originating from wallop (beer), and cod in one of its various senses, perhaps “testicles.” (As in a codpiece.) A 1966 citation in the Oxford English Dictionary spells it cod's wallop.

Synonyms- nonsense, rubbish, garbage, hogwash, trash, foolishness

Antonyms- common sense, wisdom, rationality, reasonability, sensibleness

Usage in sentence:

1. I've never heard such a load of old **codswallop** in my life.
2. He's talking (a load of) **codswallop**.

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Class 8

Word – Arabesque

Meaning 1. Ballet: a posture in which one leg is extended backwards at right angles, the torso bent forwards, and the arms outstretched, one forwards and one backwards.

2. An ornamental design consisting of intertwined flowing lines, originally found in ancient Islamic art.

Origin – Arabesque is a French term derived from the Italian word arabesco, meaning “in the Arabic style.”

Synonyms – florid, ornate, extravagant

Antonyms – austere, unadorned, simple

Usage in sentences:

1. It resembles a very large and elaborate mausoleum, built in Byzantine style, with Moorish **arabesques**.
2. The mihrab is finely ornamented with **arabesques**.

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Class 9

Aleatory (adjective)

Meaning – depending on the throw of a dice or a chance; random

Origin – 17th century from Latin from aleatorius

Synonyms – accidental, random, unexpected

Antonyms – deliberate, planned, intentional

Usage in sentence:

1. The four books work published in a disorganized order, following an **aleatory** chronology instead of a direct one.
2. The technical processes of a game stand for experiments that generate **aleatory** events.

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Grade 10

FRACTIOUS

Meaning: unpredictably difficult in operation; likely to be troublesome

Origin: late 17th century: from fraction

Synonyms: stubborn, difficult, argumentative, controversial

Antonyms: amiable, benevolent, friendly, submissive, obedient

Usage in sentence:

1. The inexperienced teacher found the **fractious** students difficult to control.
2. When the rebels' group leader died, the group became **fractious** and unable to work as a unit.
3. The Principal gave the **fractious** students detention for misbehaving in the cafeteria.

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Class 11

Exonerate

Meaning: 1.(of an official body) absolve (someone) from blame for a fault or wrongdoing.

2. Release someone from (a duty or obligation).

Origin: Exonerate derives **via Middle English from the past participle of the Latin verb exonerare**, meaning "to unburden," formed by combining the prefix ex- with onus, meaning "load" or "burden" (onus itself lives on with that meaning in English).

Synonym: absolve, release, discharge

Antonyms: charge, convict, hold to

Usage in sentence:

1. An inquiry **exonerated** those involved.
2. Pope Clement V **exonerated** the king from his oath to the barons.

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Class 12

WORD: Apotheosis

MEANING: the highest point in the development of something, a culmination or climax, the elevation of someone to divine status.

ORIGIN: Late 16th century, Greek work apotheoum, 'to make a God'.

SYNONYMS: culmination, idolization, elevation, immortalization, etc.

ANTONYMS: rock bottom, low point, depth, condemnation, lowliness, etc.

USAGE IN A SENTENCE:

1. With the coming of television, mass communication embarked upon a kind of **apotheosis**.
2. I think he is enjoying his **apotheosis**.
3. When she walked down the aisle in her wedding gown, everyone thought she was the **apotheosis** of beauty.