

**Word of the week**  
**Std-V**

**1<sup>st</sup> August - 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

**Peckish (Adjective)**

**Meaning-** slightly hungry

**Origin-** peck (verb) + -ish from late 18<sup>th</sup> century

**Synonyms-** starved, empty

**Antonyms-** full, satiate, satisfied

**Usage in sentence: -**

1. By noon we were feeling a bit **peckish**.
2. By ten o' clock I was feeling **peckish**, even though I had a large breakfast.
3. He's always a bit **peckish** after his nap.

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**Word – Crestfallen**

**Meaning –** sad and disappointed

**Origin-** late 16th century: originally with reference to a mammal or bird having a fallen or drooping crest.

**Synonyms –** disheartened, dejected, depressed

**Antonyms –** encouraged, elated, overjoyed

**Usage in sentences:**

1. The young politician was **crestfallen** after not winning the election.
2. He looked **crestfallen** at their decision, but did not argue.

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**Resilient (Adjective)**

Meaning- strong enough to deal with illness, a shock, change, etc.

Origin- mid-17th century: from Latin *resilient*- 'leaping back', from the verb *resilire*

Synonyms- strong, tough, hardy, flexible, adaptable

Antonyms – vulnerable, sensitive, inflexible, fragile

Usage in Sentences-

1. My doctors were surprised at how **resilient** I was during and after treatment.
2. The fish are **resilient**; withstanding pollution and climate change.

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**PONDEROUS**

Meaning- slow and clumsy because of great weight

Origin- Ponderous" is ultimately from the Latin word for "weight," namely, "pondus" (which also gave us "ponder" and "preponderance" and is related to "pound").

Synonyms- clumsy, slow, heavy - footed, graceless

Antonyms- graceful, elegant

Usage in Sentences:

1. Presentations should be exciting and engaging, not **ponderous**.
2. John quickly fell asleep while his sister played the **ponderous** movie.

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**Flamboyant (adjective)**

Meaning- very confident in behavior, liking to be noticed by other people

Origin- mid 19<sup>th</sup> century from French, literally ‘flaming, blazing’ present participle of flamboyance

Synonyms- brilliant, colorful ,ornate ,splashy

Antonyms- modest, subtle, faint, obscure

Usage in Sentences-

1. The writer’s **flamboyant** lifestyle was well-known.
2. His clothes were rather **flamboyant** for such a serious occasion.

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**Ostentatious**

Meaning – characterized by pretentious or showy display; designed to impress; attracting or seeking to attract attention, admiration

Origin – from the noun ostentation, which can be traced back, via Middle French, to the Latin verb ostentare (meaning "to display"), a frequentative form of the verb ostendere, meaning "to show."

1701, “characterized by display or show from vanity or pride;” 1713, “showy, gaudy, intended for vain display,” from ostentation + -ous.

Synonyms – showy, flamboyant, gaudy, garish

Antonyms – plain, modest, unobtrusive, restrained

Usage in sentences:

1. Obviously, he had plenty of money and was generous in its use without being **ostentatious**.
2. My wealthy aunt who enjoys flaunting her wealth always wears an **ostentatious** diamond necklace.

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### **Ramification**

Meaning – a complex consequence of an action

Origin- The first known use of ramification was in 1578, "a branching out, a structure like or analogous to the branches of a tree," from French ramification, from ramifier (see ramify). Transferred sense of "outgrowth, consequence," in reference to immaterial things, is attested by 1755.

Synonyms- aftermath, conclusion, consequence, ending

Antonyms – consideration, beginning, foundation,

Usage in Sentences -

1. Jason was shocked when he learned the **ramification** of his cheating was immediate expulsion from the university.
2. The government hopes the lowering of interest rates will have a positive **ramification** on the economy.
3. The biggest **ramification** of the new healthcare law is that many people will lose their current medical coverage.

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### **Encomium (Noun)**

A speech or piece of writing that praises someone or something highly

Origin – Mid 16th century: Latin, from Greek enkōmion 'eulogy', from en- 'within' + komos 'revel'.

Synonym – tribute, testimonial, compliment

Antonym – blame, censure, condemnation

Usage in sentence –

1. The little that is known of him is to be found in his letters and the *encomium* by his pupil and successor Choricus.
2. Paula finds painting so therapeutic that she has written an *encomium* celebrating the art form.