

**Word of the week**  
**Std. V**

**10<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Word: Paltry ( adjective)**

**Meaning-** Too small to be considered important or useful

**Origin-** mid 16th century: apparently based on dialect pelt ‘rubbish, especially rags

**Synonyms-** small, negligible, insignificant

**Antonyms-** considerable, substantial

**Usage in sentences :-**

1. She made some paltry excuse and left.
2. The company offered Jeremy a paltry sum which he refused.

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t of public attention and approval to, treat as a celebrity

**Origin-** the first known use of lionize was in 1809( lion+ ize)

**Synonyms-** glorify, honour, admire, applaud

**Antonyms-** vilify, disgrace, criticize

**Usage in Sentences:**

1. The press began to **lionize** him enthusiastically.
2. We should **lionize** our soldiers for their bravery.

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**Std. VI**

**10<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Word: Lionize (verb)**

**Meaning-** give a lot of public attention and approval to, treat as a celebrity

**Origin-** the first known use of lionize was in 1809( lion+ ize)

**Synonyms-** glorify, honour, admire, applaud

**Antonyms-** vilify, disgrace, criticize, dishonor

**Usage in Sentences:**

1. The press began to **lionize** him enthusiastically.
2. We should **lionize** our soldiers for their bravery.

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**10<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Word: Mendacious (Adjective)**

**Meaning-** not telling the truth; lying

**Origin-** early 17<sup>th</sup> century: from Latin Mendax, mendac 'lying' (related to mendum 'fault' ) + -ious.

**Synonyms-** untruthful, dishonest, false, deceitful

**Antonyms-** truthful, sincere, honest

**Usage in sentences :-**

1. She gave us a **mendacious** report.
2. The **mendacious** beggar told a different tale of woe at every house.

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**Word: Serendipity**

**Meaning-** the fact of finding something valuable or interesting by accident or something pleasant happening by chance

**Origin-** 1754: coined by Horace Walpole, suggested by The Three Princes of Serendip, the title of a fairy tale in which the heroes 'were always making discoveries, by accidents and sagacity, of things they were not in quest of'.

**Synonyms-** luck, opportunity, blessing, boon, fortune

**Antonyms-** tragedy, mishap, accident, calamity, catastrophe

**Use in Sentences:**

1. There's a strange **serendipity** to the garden.
2. It was only through pure **serendipity** that I met my best friend.

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**Std. IX**

**10<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Word: Panache**

**Meaning-** a confident and stylish way of doing things that people find attractive

**Origin-** mid 16<sup>th</sup> century: from French, from Italian pennacchio, from late Latin pinnaculum, diminutive of pinna 'feather'.

**Synonyms-** charisma, flamboyance, flourish

**Antonyms-** apathy, lethargy, incompetence, weakness

**Use in Sentences:**

1. The orchestra played with great **panache**.
2. Their work has all the usual punch, **panache** and flair you'd expect.

**Word of the week**  
**Std. X**

**10<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Word: Chimera**

**Meaning**– 1. (In Greek Mythology) a fire – breathing female monster with a lion's head, a goat's body and a serpent's tail.

a thing which is hoped for but is illusory or impossible to achieve.

**Origin**– originated from the Greek word 'Khimaira', meaning 'she – goat or chimera.'

**Synonyms**– illusion, fantasy, delusion

**Antonyms**– fact, reality

**Usage in sentences:**

1. The economic system that he so highly values is a **chimera**.
2. Although she is quite ambitious about world peace, it's likely a **chimera** of an ideal.

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**Word: Clairvoyance**

**Meaning**– ability to perceive matters beyond the range of ordinary perception

**Origin**– It came from Old French *clerveans*

**Synonyms**– Telepathy

**Antonyms**– Unprophetic

**Usage in sentence:**

A weather forecaster predicts rain not on the basis of *clairvoyance* but on the basis of patterns of prior meteorological events.

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**Std. XII**

**Word: Chiaroscuro(Noun)**

**Meaning**- The treatment of light and shade in drawing and painting. Artists use the chiaroscuro method of painting shadows and a single light source to make photorealistic paintings with value and depth.

**Origin** – The term Chiaroscuro comes from the Italian words Chiaro, meaning bright or light, and oscuro, which means dark. Chiaroscuro originated in the Renaissance period and artists known for using the technique include Leonardo da Vinci.

**Usage in sentence:**

1. He specialized in **Chiaroscuro** wood carving, especially of religious themes and scenes.
2. The **Chiaroscuro** caused by light radiation is one of the basic element in realistic paintings.