Vocab Set-2

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1. **Dexterous**
2. **Alter Ego**
3. **Altercation**
4. **Introvert**
5. **Altruistic**
6. **Courteous**
7. **Bibliophile**
8. **Ascetic**
9. **Misogamist**
10. **Misogynist**

Challenge your knowledge of Words :-

1) Choose the nearest synonym of DEXTEROUS.

A-ADEPT B-CLUMSY C-EQUIVALENT D-CONCORD

2) Choose the word that gives the similar meaning of COURTEOUS.

A-GREGARIOUS B-SQUABBLE C-GENIAL D-GENIUS

3) Choose the synonym for the word PHILANTHROPIST.

A-Misanthropist B-MISOGYNIST C-ALTRUIST D-HEDONIST

4) Choose the suitable antonym for ALTERCATION.

A-WRANGLE B-DISPUTATION C-CONTRETEMPS D-HARMONY

5) Choose the nearest Antonym for COURTEOUS.

A- Amiable B- Virtuous C- Impertinent D- Noble

1. DEXTEROUS (adj) - [निपुण] showing or having skill.

- **Synonyms** - Deft, Adroit, Adept, Masterful, Accomplished
- **Antonyms** - Awkward, Clumsy, Amateur, Incompetent
- **Example** -
  1. He was not only a very dexterous thief, but also was notorious for his boldness
  2. To be dexterous in danger is a virtue; but to court danger to show it, is weakness.

2. ALTER-EGO(n) - [जिगरी दोस्त या अपने आप का दूसरा रूप] someone with whom you are so close that you both do the same things, think alike, react similarly, almost mirror images of each other or an alternative personality of yourself.

- **Synonyms** - Confidant, Companion, Replica, Equivalent
- **Antonyms** - Adversary, Antagonist, Opponent, Rival, Antithesis
- **Examples-**
  1. Over the years the secretary has become the alter ego of his boss.
  2. Tony Stark's alter ego is Ironman.

3. ALTERCATION(n) - [झगड़ा या कहा सुनी] a noisy argument or disagreement.

- **Synonyms** - Quarrel, Squabble, Disputation, Wrangle, Feud
- **Antonyms** - Agreement, Peace, Accord, Concord,
- **Examples** -
  1. The best friends had an altercation over a girl they both liked.
  2. Until more information is known, the police will not reveal details about the altercation between the arresting officer and the suspect.

4. INTROVERT(n) - [अंतर्मुखी या जो अपने आप तक ही सीमित रहे] who shrinks from being social and be preoccupied in his own thoughts.

- **Synonyms** - Withdrawn, Shy, Lone-Wolf
- **Antonyms** - Extrovert, Social, Gregarious, Outgoing
- Introvert + Extrovert = Ambivert [Ambi means both]
- **Examples** -
  1. Being an introvert, I rarely go to parties.
  2. The teacher has to try harder to involve the introvert students in class discussions.

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5. ALTRUISTIC (adj) - [परोपकारी] devoted to the welfare of others

- **Synonyms** – Benevolent, Beneficent, Generous, Magnanimous, Kind-Hearted, Philanthropic
- **Antonyms** – Self-Indulgent, Selfish, Uncharitable
- **Examples** -
  1. When my friend donated her lottery winnings to the orphanage, she made an altruistic decision that changed the lives of hundreds of children.
  2. Nowadays, Nations are governed by self-interests, but they prefer to believe that their aims are altruistic.

6. COURTEOUS (adj) - [शिष्ट] marked by respectful and polished manners

- **Synonyms** – Noble, Virtuous, Modest, Genial
- **Antonyms** – Ill-Mannered, Impertinent, Uncouth
- **Examples** –
  1. A player should be courteous in his treatment of his opponents.
  2. The other chief function of diplomacy is to be a courteous medium of conveying messages from one government to another.

7. BIBLIOPHILE (n) – [पुस्तक प्रेमी] a book lover and collector•

- **Synonyms** – Bookworm
- **Antonyms** – Ignoramus
- **Examples -**
  1. Because Amit is a known bibliophile, he did not surprise anyone when he chose library science as his major.
  2. With more time at home in this era of social distancing and self isolation, if you spend your time reading books than watching Netflix, you are a true bibliophile.

8. ASCETIC (adj) – [आत्मसंयमी योगी] practising self-denial of pleasures as a measure of religious & spiritual discipline.

- **Synonyms** – Self-restrained, Austere, Abstinent, Recluse, Hermit
- **Antonyms** - Sybarite, Libertine, Debauchee, Hedonist, pleasure-seeker
- **Examples** –
  1. Mahatma Buddha gave up princely life and became a wandering ascetic in search of the truth.
  2. Most of the martial arts are based on the creations of Chinese ascetic monks almost thousands of years ago.

9. MISOGAMIST(n) – [विवाह से घृणा करने वाला], one who hates marriages

- **Root words** → Misos – to hate, Gamos - Marriage.
- **Antonyms** – Philogamist, Polygamist
- **Example** –
  1. It is not always the oath of celibacy, sometimes, the fear of responsibility too leads to misogamy.

10. MISOGYNIST(n) – [स्त्रियों से घृणा या द्वेष करने वाला] one who hates women

- **Root words** → Misos – to hate, Gyne - woman.
- **Synonyms** - Male Chauvinist
- **Antonyms** – Philogynist, Misandrist, Feminist
- **Examples** –
  1. She left the sect because of its misogynist teachings.
  2. The movie is a moral tale about a misogynist who dies and is reborn as a beautiful woman.

Sonu (an **Introvert**) and Monu (an **Extrovert**) were twins. Their father was a **dexterous** businessman and their mother was an **alter ego** of their father, that's why their parents never had any kind of **altercation**. On the birthday of the twins, the father decided to celebrate it by doing charity as he was an **altruist** by heart. And after doing that, the twins went to their grandma who had been living the life of an **ascetic** in the village. The grandma was a **courteous** lady and a **bibliophile** too. She taught both the brothers to try to lead a simple life ahead. She also emphasised a point that being an **ascetic** doesn't mean that one has to be a **misogamist** or **misogynist.** It simply means to have the purity of thoughts.

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