

Word of the Week (31.8.15 - 5.9.15)

Class-III

DEFINITE

Meaning – Clearly defined or determined.

Origin - Latin definitus which means precise.

Synonyms –specific, particular, well defined, fixed, precise, clear .

Antonyms- indefinite, fuzzy, unclear, unlimited, imprecise, inexact.

Sentences-

- 1) Are you definite about your answers?
- 2) He was definite that he will come first in class.
- 3) I will definitely improve my grades.
- 4) She is definite about her success.
- 5) Raju will definitely come to the party.

CLASS -IV

Persuade (*verb* cause to believe; convince to do)

Meaning of persuade

To cause (someone) to accept a point of view or to undertake a course of action by means of argument, reasoning or entreaty.

Synonyms for persuade

Assure, lead to believe, argue into, bring around, bring to senses, impress, influence, urge, gain confidence of.

Antonyms for persuade

discourage , dissuade , prevent , stay , hinder , repel , suppress

ORIGIN

from Latin *persuasion*

SENTENCES:-

[1]. He had the courage to step forward and take chances, and the ability to persuade others to follow.

[2]. How did you persuade mother to agree to this?

[3]. Monica needed plenty of persuasion before she actually left.

[4]. She actually tried to persuade a large number of German and Belgic tribes to join forces with them.

[5]. To make children fit to live in a society we should persuade them to learn and accept its codes.

At Kandern, on the 10th of April, he made a vain effort to persuade the leaders to submit, and was about to order his troops to attack.

CLASS -V

1. Emigrant

Meaning- A person who leaves their own country in order to settle permanently in another.

Origin- Mid 18th century, from Latin emigrant.

Synonyms- alien, refugee, fugitive, migrant

Antonyms- nationalist, native

2. Immigrant-

Meaning- means to come to a country of which is not a native, usually for permanent residence.

Origin- originated from Latin immigrants referred to ‘ moving into’.

Synonyms- foreigner, refugee, newcomer

Antonyms- aborigine, native, citizen

Sentences showing difference between emigrant and immigrant.

1. The Patels immigrated to Canada in 1943.
The Patels family emigrated from India in 1943.
2. The victims of war emigrated by the thousands into a new, safe land.
Some believe that immigrants should have the same rights as other citizens.
3. The emigration of birds from cold climates to warmer ones is fascinating to me.
4. Immigration laws are touchy political concern for many.

CLASS - VI

Fain

Meaning - 1.) glad (an adjective meaning)

2.) gladly, pleased (an adverb meaning)

It appears occasionally, but in most modern examples we can find, the word is used to affect an archaic tone.

Synonyms – delighted, favorably disposed, ready, inclined, agreeable, happy.

Antonyms – unwilling, repelled, disinclined, loath.

Sentences –

1. He fain would accept.
2. They were fain to go.
3. He was fain to obey his Lord.

Feign

Meaning – pretend

Synonyms – fake, dissemble, make believe, assume, imitate, disguise.

Antonyms – actual, be true, astonish, disbelieve, extinguish, real.

Sentences –

1. She is only feigning, she isn't really ill.
2. In the new world, there is a lot of feigned expertise.
3. She says she was released when she feigned acceptance of their dogma.

Std –VII

Alternate and Alternative

Meaning:

Alternate (1) happening in turns, or (2) serving in place of another.

Alternative means (1) providing a choice between two or more things, or (2) existing outside the mainstream.

Synonyms:

Replacement, equivalent, backup, different, other, option, substitute, another

Antonyms:

Necessary, primary, compulsion

Sentences:

1. His early years were spent in alternate pleasure and military service.
2. She sat again in the uncomfortable chair that had become her alternate bed.
3. He proposed an alternate plan.
4. I guess the alternative was worse.
5. He had no alternative but to leave.
6. They had no alternative but to drive the additional distance.

Std –VIII

1. Continuous

ADJECTIVE

1. forming an unbroken whole; without interruption:

"the whole performance is enacted in one continuous movement"

synonyms:

continual · uninterrupted · unbroken · constant · ceaseless ·

incessant · steady · sustained · solid · continuing · ongoing · unceasing · without a break · permanent · non-stop · round-the-clock · persistent · unremitting · relentless · unrelenting · unabating · unrelieved · without respite · endless · unending · never-ending · perpetual · without end · everlasting · eternal · interminable · consecutive · running · with no let-up · without surcease

antonyms:

intermittent · sporadic

forming a series with no exceptions or reversals:

Sentence

"There are continuous advances in design and production"

2. another term for progressive.
3. (of a function) of which the graph is a smooth unbroken curve, i.e. one such that as the value of x approaches any given value a , the value of $f(x)$ approaches that of $f(a)$ as a limit.

ORIGIN

mid 17th cent.: from Latin *continuus* 'uninterrupted', from *continere* 'hang together' (from *con-* 'together with' + *tenere* 'hold') + *-ous*.

2. Continual

ADJECTIVE

1. forming a sequence in which the same action or event is repeated frequently:

Sentence

"His plane went down after continual attacks"

Synonyms:

repeated · frequent · recurrent · recurring · oft repeated ·

regular · constant · persistent · non-stop · more ... than one can shake a stick at

Antonyms:

occasional · sporadic

2. having no interruptions:

Sentence

"Some patients need continual safeguarding"

Synonyms:

constant · continuous · endless · unending · never-ending ·

perpetual · perennial · eternal · everlasting · ceaseless · incessant · unceasing · sustained · ongoing ·

uninterrupted · unbroken · round-the-clock · unremitting · unabating · relentless · unrelenting · unrelieved · chronic · interminable

antonyms:

temporary · momentary

ORIGIN

Middle English: from Old French *continuel*, from *continuer* 'continue', from Latin *continuare*, from *continuus* (see *continuous*).

Sentences:

There was continuous rain for two hours.

Robbers are continual on highways these days.

Mr. Sharma does six hours continuous work in his office.

The observer pays continual visit at the exam centers.

How to do continuous work can be learnt from the second-needle of the watch.

It was continual rain for two days.
His continual efforts brought him success.
Mathematics requires continuous work at a stretch.
Notification is continual part of work in any govt. department.

Class - IX

IMMANENT, IMMINEENT, EMINENT

IMMANENT (adj.)- remaining within; indwelling

Synonyms- innate, inborn, intrinsic, natural, inherent

Antonyms- extrinsic, acquired, superimposed

Sentences:

- We already know that this feature is immanent in each of the member of the clan.
- All were stirred by the remoteness of the place, and by the immanent beauty of the rivers.
- God was apt to be thought of as purely transcendent, not immanent in the world.

IMMINEENT(adj.)- about to happen; likely to occur at any moment

Synonyms- approaching, brewing, expectant, forthcoming, overhanging

Antonyms- distant, doubtful, far, future, later

Sentences:

- For all the concern expressed about the imminent demise of the college library, librarians are needed more than ever.
- It was understood that flies are a transmission vector for disease, and a public health crisis seemed imminent.
- The imminent arrival of the guest made everyone a bit nervous.

EMINENT(adj.)- (of a person)famous and respected within a particular sphere; (of a positive quality) present to a notable degree

Synonyms- jutting, lofty, prominent, utmost, noteworthy, conspicuous, greatest

Antonyms- disrespected, inferior, unimportant

Sentences:

- My eminent professor gave a test on the subject of which he is an expert.
- An eminent novelist is composing a book of his opinions.
- Former ABC Radio morning show host Michael Schildberger remembers Mc Comas playing the part of an eminent engineer.

Class - X

Esoteric

Meaning: intended for or likely to be understood by only a small number of people with a specialized knowledge or interest.

Synonyms: [abstruse](#), [obscure](#), [abstract](#), [difficult](#), [hard](#), [puzzling](#), [perplexing](#), [enigmatic](#), [inscrutable](#), [cryptic](#)

Antonyms: [public](#), [common](#), [obvious](#), [known](#), [unmysterious](#)

SENTENCES:

The medical research was so esoteric that only a few physicians could actually understand the results.

Janice loved her country and found it difficult to agree with the esoteric ideas of the terrorists.

Gerald was an eight-year-old genius who had esoteric interests much different from kids of a similar age.

Eric made an esoteric joke that only he and his brother understood.

The two roads in the poem “THE ROAD NOT TAKEN” are esoteric one.

EXOTERIC

Meaning: a. suitable to be imparted to the public
b. Comprehensible to or suited to the public; popular.
Synonyms: peripheral, common, outer, public,
Antonyms: esoteric, mysterious, cryptic, deep, secret

Std: XI

Definite

Meaning- clearly stated or decided, not vague or doubtful
Synonyms- certain, absolute, firm, concrete, clear, obvious.
Antonyms- vague, ambiguous, indefinite, uncertain
Sentences:

1. We both agreed that there were definite similarities between the two best friends.
2. It is evident that we have in this law a definite prediction that can be tested by experiment.
3. The talk between labour and management yielded no definite results.

Definitive

Meaning- settled in a final way, authoritative
Synonyms- authoritative, conclusive, decisive, final, determinative.
Antonyms- provisional, unreliable, temporary, questionable.
Sentences:

1. Rachel comes up with the definitive list of Melbourne's best dressed.
2. A Sherlock Holmes devotee has produced a definitive edition of his classic stories.

The board has come to a definitive decision regarding his appeal for the extension of his service period.

Std. XII

Censor

Meaning: (**Noun**) An official who examines books, films, news, etc. that are about to be published and suppresses any parts that are considered obscene, politically unacceptable, or a threat to security.
(**Verb**) Examine (a book, film, etc.) officially and suppress unacceptable parts of it.

Synonyms: cut, delete, delete parts of, redact, make cuts in, to suppress, forbid, abridge, edit, blacklist

Antonyms: add, enlarge, expand, let go, put in, release, allow, approve, ignore, neglect, permit, praise, endorse

Sentences:

- In 50 he was **censor**, and expelled many of the members of the senate, amongst them the historian Sallust on the ground of immorality.
- He sat to **censor** the matter voluntarily submitted by the Press.
- The man who gave the orders did not **censor** the "copy," and was not in continuous and direct touch with those who did.
- Returning to Valladolid, he acted as **censor** of books (including versions of the Bible) for the Inquisition.

Censure

Meaning: (noun) the formal expression of severe disapproval.

Synonyms: condemnation, criticism, attack, abuse, revilement, rebuke, reprimand, blame, objection

Antonyms: approval, commendation, praise, acceptance, agreement, approval, compliment, encouragement, endorsement, ratification, recommendation

Sentences:

- Two MPs were singled out for **censure**.

- This brought them under the official **censure**, and was forbidden.
- Nevertheless he only escaped a vote of **censure** by ten votes, and accordingly resigned office.
- The **censure** was re-established in 1820 and abolished in 1828 with the monopoly.

Cynosure

Meaning: A person or thing that is the centre of attention or admiration.

Synonyms: attraction, centre, centre of attention, focus, leading light, polestar

Antonyms: commoner, nobody, nonentity, unknown, obscurity

Sentences:

- Kirk was the **cynosure** of all eyes at home.
- At the ball, the **cynosure** of the evening was the queen's million-dollar tiara.
- Jane has been the **cynosure** of the media since she won the award for best supporting actress.
- The run-down house is the unpleasant **cynosure** of our otherwise beautiful neighborhood.
- The handcuffed killer was the **cynosure** of all eyes in the courtroom.
- The coach told Serena if she wanted to make the tennis team she needed to practice and make tennis the **cynosure** of her life.

The incoming snowstorm was the **cynosure** of the midday news.