

Must Do Vocabulary for IBPS Clerk Prelims Exam

1. ACQUITTAL (Noun)

Meaning: a judgment or verdict that a person is not guilty of the crime with which they have been charged.

Synonyms: absolution, exoneration, exculpation, liberation.

Antonyms: conviction, accusation, incrimination, indictment.

Example: Now the choice is go to trial on a felony assault charge and hope for an acquittal or plead guilty to a misdemeanor.

2. ARDUOUS(Adjective)

Meaning: demanding great effort or labor; difficult

Synonyms: exhausting, grueling

Antonyms: facile, easy

Example: Needless to say, mastering a foreign language is an arduous challenge.

3. BLATANT (Adjective)

Meaning: (of bad behavior) done openly and unashamedly.

Synonym: flagrant, glaring

Antonym: inconspicuous, subtle

Example: The whole episode was a blatant attempt to gain publicity

4. CONDIGN (Adjective)

Meaning: (of punishment or retribution) appropriate to the crime or wrongdoing; fitting and deserved.

Synonyms: earned, merited, warranted, justifiable.

Antonyms: unjust, undue, unsuitable, unfair.

Example: I may pity him, and even understand his motives, but a murderer is still deserving of condign punishment

5. DIMINUTION (Noun)

Meaning: a reduction in the size, extent, or importance of something.

Synonyms: curtailment, contraction, constriction, restriction, limitation

Antonyms: increase, expansion, growth

Example: The diminution of cafeteria monitors has resulted in an increase in food fights at the high school.

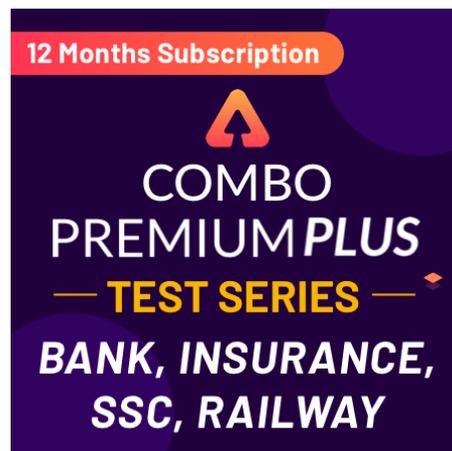
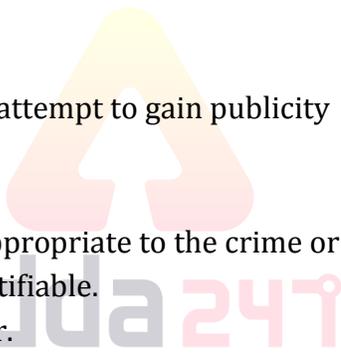
6. ENCUMBRANCE (Noun)

Meaning: an impediment or burden.

Synonym: hindrance, obstruction

Antonym: help, asset

Example: I felt I was being an encumbrance to them.



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7. FLIPPANT (Adjective)

Meaning: showing or having a rude attitude of not being serious esp. by trying to be amusing when most people expect you to be serious

Synonyms: rude, archness

Antonyms: respect, regard

Example: We had lost thousands of dollars, so we did not appreciate his flippant remark about “better luck next time.”

8. GULE (Noun)

Meaning: sly or cunning intelligence.

Synonyms: cunning, artifice, canniness

Antonyms: forthrightness, guilelessness

Example: A shady salesman usually relies on a combination of quick thinking and guile.

9. HOBBLE (Verb)

Meaning: walk in an awkward way, typically because of pain from an injury.

Synonyms: totter, dodder, falter, lurch.

Antonyms: breeze, glide, sail, stride.

Example: And the Olympic silver medalist in Sydney looked to be in considerable pain as he hobbled off the track.'

10. IMPASSE (Noun)

Meaning: a situation in which no progress is possible, especially because of disagreement; a deadlock.

Synonyms: deadlock, dead end, stalemate, checkmate, stand-off; standstill

Antonyms: solution, boon

Example: Because of the impasse between workers and management, the factory has been closed for two weeks.

11. LARGESSE (Noun)

Meaning: generosity in bestowing money or gifts upon others.

Synonyms: generosity, liberality, munificence, bounty

Antonyms: meanness, miserliness

Example: When I was in need, I benefited from the largesse of an anonymous donor.

12. MALAPERT (Adjective)

Meaning: boldly disrespectful; impudent.

Synonym: impertinent, cheeky, rude, brazen.

Antonyms: courteous, humble, modest, polite.

Example: In a fury, she said that he was too malapert to give her such an answer, and affirmed that both he and they should repent it

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13. OBSTREPEROUS(Adjective)

Meaning: difficult to deal with and noisy

Synonyms: loud, blusterous

Antonyms: calm, silent

Example: Only a few highly publicized cases have been manipulated to give the impression of obstreperous owners.

14. PERNICIOUS (Adjective)

Meaning: having a harmful effect, especially in a gradual or subtle way.

Synonym: harmful, damaging, destructive, injurious

Antonym: beneficial, benign, favourable

Example: If you are going to behave in such a pernicious manner, I would prefer to not be around you.

15. PREMONITION (Noun)

Meaning: a strong feeling that something is about to happen, especially something unpleasant.

Synonym: foreboding, presage, presentiment, prognostication, insight, intuition

Example: He had a premonition of imminent disaster

16. REPRIMAND(Noun)

Meaning:to tell someone, esp. officially, that his or her behavior is wrong and not acceptable

Synonyms: admonish, censure

Antonyms: approve, commend

Example: The committee reprimanded and censured him for his uncooperative attitude.

17. RELENT (Verb)

Meaning: to cease resistance (as to another's arguments, demands, or control).

Synonyms: concede, give in, submit, succumb.

Antonyms: combat, confront, counter, defy.

Example: Because my mother is very angry, she won't relent on my severe punishment.

18. SAGACITY (noun)

Meaning: ability to make good judgments and decisions.

Synonyms: discernment, insight, sapience, acumen.

Antonyms: folly, imbecility, witlessness, irrationality.

Example: Even though his friends chose to go out and get into trouble, the young man had the sagacity to stay home and study

19. SHRILL (Adjective)

Meaning: (of a voice or sound) high-pitched and piercing.

Synonyms: high-pitched, piercing, high, sharp

Antonyms: low, soft, dulcet

Example: When Rose was stabbed, she let out a shrill scream

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20. STYMIE (Verb)

Meaning: prevent or hinder the progress of.

Synonyms: hamper, hinder, obstruct, inhibit,

Antonyms: assist, help

Example: The famous pianist refused to let his blindness stymie his successful career.

21. TEDIOUS (adjective)

Meaning: too long, slow, or dull; tiresome or monotonous.

Synonyms: dull, unexciting, unvaried, mundane

Antonyms: exciting, interesting

Example: The meeting was so long and tedious, he was ready to climb the wall.

22. TRAILBLAZING (Adjective)

Meaning: introducing new ideas or methods; innovative or pioneering.

Synonym: innovative, radical

Antonym: conservative

Sentence: "It's a trailblazing result," says astrophysicist Sara Seager of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Cambridge.

23. TROVE (Noun)

Meaning: a store of valuable or delightful things.

Synonyms: accumulation, agglomeration, backlog, conglomeration, heap, pile, reservoir, stock, store, supply.

Antonyms: trash, litter, junk, dispersion, reduction, shrinkage.

Usage: I discovered a trove of candy bars and pop tarts in my teen son's pillow case.

24. UNLEASHING (Verb)

Meaning: release (a dog) from a leash.

Synonym: set free, release, leave

Antonym: restrain, hold, keep

Sentence: Other parishioners were wary of unleashing political passions in the parish.

24. VITIATE (Verb)

Meaning: spoil or impair the quality or efficiency of.

Synonyms: annihilate, negate, quash, abate

Antonyms: allow, help, permit, affirm

Example: Changes at this point may actually vitiate the entire system

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25. VEST (Verb)

Meaning: confer or bestow (power, authority, property, etc.) on someone.

Synonyms: entrust, invest, bestow, confer.

Antonyms: impede, inhibit, disqualify, disbar.

Usage: Extensive powers were vested into the hands of the President who headed the executive branch of government.

26. WANE (Verb)

Meaning: (of a state or feeling) decrease in vigour or extent; become weaker.

Synonyms: decrease, decline, diminish, dwindle, shrink

Antonyms: increase, grow

Example: When the investigators ran out of leads, the intensity of the murder investigation started to wane

27. WANTON (Adjective)

Meaning: (of a cruel or violent action) deliberate and unprovoked

Synonym: bawdy, nasty, obscene, deliberate, malicious,

Antonym: clean, decent, acceptable, agreeable, desirable, pleasant, pleasing

Usage: The man is probably going to get the death penalty for his wanton killing of six school children.

28. WITHER (Verb)

Meaning: fall into decay or decline

Synonym: diminish, dwindle, shrink, lessen, fade

Antonym: grow

Example: Words to express her feelings seemed to wither and die inside her.

29. WREST (Verb)

Meaning: forcibly pull (something) from a person's grasp.

Synonyms: wrench, snatch, seize, grab

Antonyms: give

Example: Sita felt she had to wrest the weapon from the hostage-taker for the sake of her safety.

30. WOO (verb)

Meaning: seek the favor, support, or custom of.

Synonyms: chase, pursue, ingratiate,

Antonyms: deter, affront, repulse, reject.

Example: Political parties have roped in Bollywood stars only to woo the young.

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