# **ANUSHKA ACADEMY**

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### **VOCABULARY FOR 29 JANUARY 2023**

1. Portentous (Adjective) : अमंगल: too serious and trying to be very important; giving a sign or warning that something usually bad or unpleasant is going to

**Synonyms:** ominous, sinister, menacing, bleak, somber

**Antonyms:** favorable, promising, propitious

**Example Sentence:** Mark's portentous voice made him the perfect narrator for the horror movie.

2. Streisand effect : गंभीर प्रभाव :The Streisand effect is the way attempts to hide, remove, or censor information can lead to the unintended consequence of increasing awareness of that information.

**Example Sentence:** Looks like his complaint against the thesis is an example of the Streisand effect.

3. Overkill (Noun): अत्यधिक विनाशकारी क्षमता : much more of something than is needed, resulting in less effectiveness

**Synonyms:** surplus, excess, overflow, surplusage

**Antonyms:** Deficiency, deficit, insufficiency

**Example Sentence:** Some die-hard Sonic fans have been disappointed with some of the annoying characters and overkill of unnecessary video clips.

4. Disseminate (Verb) : फैलाना: spread (something, especially information) widely

Synonyms: propagate, spread, circulate, transmit

Antonyms: repress, suppress, stifle, discountenance

**Example Sentence:** One of the organization's aims is to disseminate information about the disease.

5. Pogrom (Noun): an act of organized cruel behavior or killing that is done to a large group of people because of their race or religion

Synonyms: genocide, massacre, holocaust, slaughter, carnage

Antonyms: help, refuge, relief, rescue

**Example Sentence:**The famines and pogroms in 19th-century eastern Europe forced many Jewish refugees to emigrate.

6. Callous (Adjective) : कठोर: showing or having an insensitive and cruel disregard for others

Synonyms: ruthless, merciless, heartless, cruel, unfeeling

**Antonyms:** sympathetic, compassionate, merciful

**Example Sentence:** The professor was callous and cold, and no one wanted to remain the class.

#### 7. Propaganda (Noun):

प्रचार/दुष्प्रचार: information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view

Synonyms: campaign, advertisement, publicity

**Example Sentence:** Voters should listen to facts and not to the propaganda distributed by the media.

8. Trafficking (Verb) : तस्करी: deal or trade in something illegal

**Synonyms:** trading, smuggling, selling

Antonyms: boycotting, blacking

**Example Sentence:** The abduction and trafficking of babies has been a problem in China for decades

9.Straw Purchases (Noun): a criminal act in which something, especially a firearm, is bought by one person on behalf of another who is legally unable to make the purchase themselves.

**Example Sentence:** Across the gun industry, there is concern about straw purchases thus the bill will prohibit all straw purchases.

10. Stalled (Verb) : रोकना: stop or cause to stop making progress

**Synonyms:** halted, stopped, ended

**Example Sentence:** Our car stalled and

wouldn't restart.



