

## "PAIR OF WORDS" (2021)

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- 1) Gibe : Variant spelling of Jibe  
Jibe : An insulting or mocking remark ; taunt.  
(v. n)
- 2) Epigram : A short poem or phrase - that expresses an idea in a clever <sup>or</sup> and amusing way.  
Example ; "I can resist everything but temptation." — Oscar Wilde.  
Epigraph : A short quotation or saying at the beginning of ~~the~~<sup>a</sup> book or chapter, intended to suggest its theme.  
Example ; "Lawyers, I suppose, were children once." (To Kill a Mockingbird).
- 3) Brawl : (v. n) Fight, Quarrel.  
Bawl : Shout or Call out noisily.
- 4) Crib : A cot ; Child's bed  
Crypt : A room under the floor of a church, used esp. in the past as a place for burying people.
- 5) Barmy : Mad, crazy // Extremely foolish.  
Balmy : Variant spelling of barmy // characterized by pleasantly warm weather.
- 6) Peat : A soft black or brown substance formed from decaying plants just under the surface of the ground.  
Petite : Attractively small and dainty. (woman)  
→ "Dainty" : Delicate and graceful in build or movement."
- 7) Monogamous : Involving marriage to one person at a time.  
Monogenous : Having a single common origin.

- 8) Postilion : A person who rides the left horse of the leading or the only pair of horses drawing a carriage.  
 Posterior : Later in time

(2020)<sup>8</sup>

- 1) Callous : Showing or having an insensitive and cruel disregard for others.  
 Callus : An area of thick hard skin on a hand or foot, usually caused by rubbing.
- 2) Borne : Borne in Karachi.  
 Borne : Carried or transported by the thing specified.
- 3) Faint : dizzy, giddy.  
 Feint (v.n) : A movement that is intended to make your opponent think you're going to do one thing when you're really going to do sth else.
- 4) Dinghy : A small boat for recreation or racing.  
 Dingy : Gloomy and drab.
- 5) Lose : Be deprived of or cease to have.  
 Loose : Not firmly fixed in place.
- 6) Waiver : A situation in which sb gives up a legal right or claim; an official doc. stating this.  
 Waver : Become weaker; falter. // be undecided
- 7) Shear : Cut the wool off (a sheep or other animal) // Cut off (hair, wool, grass) with scissors.  
 Sheer : Utter, Complete.

- 8) Resister : A person who resists sb/sth.  
 Resistor : A device that has resistance to an electric current in a circuit.

(2017)

- 1) Wrath : Extreme anger.  
 Wroth : Angry.
- 2) Veracity : Conformity to facts ; accuracy.  
 Voracity : The state of being voracious.  
 → "Voracious : Wanting great quantities of food"  
 "OR" Engaging in an activity with great eagerness or enthusiasm. i.e voracious reader.
- 3) Subtler : Comparative adjective of "subtle".  
 Subtle means 'so delicate or precise as to be difficult to analyse or describe.'  
 Suttler : Civilian merchant who sells provisions to an army in the field, in camp, or in quarters.
- 4) Retenue : Self-restraint & reserve  
 Retinue : A group of people who travel with an imp. person to provide help and support.
- 5) Minulē : Very short time ; It only takes a minute to make salad.  
 Minuet : A slow, stately dance for groups of couples, introduced in France in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.
- 6) Furor : Also "Furore"  
 Furore : Great anger or excitement shown by a no. of people, usually caused by a public event.
- 7) Bony : Very thin so that the bones can be seen

Bonny : under the skin.  
Very pretty, attractive, beautiful.

(2016)

- 1) Adverse : Unfavourable, disadvantageous.  
Averse : Opposed to, Against.
- 2) Altogether : Completely; totally.  
All together : All in 1 place or in a group; all at once.
- 3) Allude : Suggest, hint at.  
Elude : Avoid or escape in a clever way.
- 4) Braise : To cook very slowly with a little liquid in a closed container.  
Braze : Form, fix, or join by soldering with an alloy of copper and zinc at high temperature.
- 5) Curb : Restrain or keep in check.  
Kerb : The edge of the raised path at the side of a road.
- 6) Faze : Disturb or disconcert s/o.  
Phase : Stage, period, chapter.
- 7) Maybe : Perhaps; possibly.  
May be : Used to indicate that sth is uncertain.  
i.e. He may be who he says he is.  
You may be asked to help.
- 8) Moat : A deep, wide ditch surrounding a castle, fort or town, typically filled with water and intended as a defense against attack.  
Mote : Speck, Particle, grain.

(2015)

(5)

1) Plaintiff : A person who brings a case against another in a court of law.

Plaintive : Sounding sad or mournful.

2) Valet : Butler, a male servant.

Varlet : An attendant or servant.

3) Monitor : Observe, watch.

Mentor : Trainer, teacher, tutor.

4) Complacent : Self-satisfied.

Complaisant : Ready to accept other's people's actions & opinions and to do what other people want.

5) Penitence : A feeling of being sorry because you have done sth wrong. // Contrition

Penance : Punishment inflicted on oneself as an outward expression of repentance for wrongdoing. // Atonement, expiation.

6) Crevice : Crack, fissure. // a narrow opening or fissure, esp. in a rock or wall.

Crevasse : A deep open crack, esp. one in a glacier.

7) Beneficent : Giving help; showing kindness, Generous.

Beneficial : Advantageous, Favourable.

(2013)

1) Adjoin : Be next to or joined with; -the dining room adjoins a conservatory.

Adjourn : Break off (a meeting<sup>etc</sup>) with the intention of resuming it later.

2) Allay : Reduce, diminish, relieve or alleviate.  
 Ally : A state formally cooperating with another.

3) Bases : Plural form of 'base' and 'basis'.  
 Base : foundation, bottom.  
 Basis : Basis : the underlying support or foundation for an idea, argument, or process.

4) Click : An act of selecting an option on an electronic interface.  
 Clique : A small close-knit group of people who do not readily allow others to join them.  
 // Coterie

5) Distract : Prevent s<sup>th</sup> from concentrating on s<sup>th</sup>.  
 Detract : To make s<sup>th</sup> seem less good or enjoyable.  
 → belittle

6) Liable : Responsible // Likely, inclined, tending.  
 Libel : A published false statement that is damaging to a person's reputation.

(2011)

1) Capital : Wealth in the form of money or other assets. // the city that functions as the seat of govt. and administrative centre of a country.

Capitol : the building in Washington DC where the US congress meets to work on new laws.

*The man who assayed gold was more than a technician!*

2) Assay : (v. n) the testing of metals and chemicals for quality, often to see how pure they are.

Essay : A short piece of writing on a particular subject // Attempt or try.

3) Envelop : Wrap up, cover, or surround completely.

Envelope : A flat paper container used for sending letters in.

4) Decree : <sup>an official</sup> Order, ~~decr~~ edict, command.

Degree : The amount or level of sth; i.e. I agree with you to a certain degree. // A unit for measuring angles.

5) Desolate : (of a place) empty and without people, making you feel sad or frightened // Very lonely and unhappy; forlorn

Dissolute : Enjoying immoral activities and not caring about behaving in a morally acceptable way.

6) Species : A kind or sort, i.e. a <sup>rare</sup> species of beetle

Specie : Money in the form of coins rather than notes i.e. 'the Bank of England in 1795 had held around £8 million in specie'

7) Tortuous : Full of twists and turns // excessively lengthy and complex, i.e. a tortuous argument.

Torturous : Characterized by, involving, or causing pain or suffering.

8) Wet : Damp

Whet : Excite or stimulate (someone's desire, interest, or appetite).

(2010)

1) Maize : <sup>جذ</sup> / Corn / A tall plant grown for its large yellow grains that are used for making flour or eaten as a vegetable.

Maze : A network of paths and hedges designed as a puzzle through which one has to find a way.

2) Medal : <sup>ميدالية</sup>

Meddle : Interfere in sth that is not one's concern.

3) Imperious : Expecting people to obey you and treating them as if they are not as imp. as you.

Imperial : Connected with an empire // majestic and/or magnificent.

4) Allusion : Sth that is said or written that refers to another person or subject in an indirect way. i.e, His statement was seen as an allusion to the recent drug-related killings.

Illusion : A false idea or belief.

5) Ordnance : Large guns on wheels ; Artillery // Military supplies and materials : i.e an ordnance depot.

Ordinance : An authoritative order.

6) Willing : Ready, prepared.

Wilful : (of a bad or harmful act) intentional; deliberate. i.e 'wilful acts of damage'.  
// having or showing a stubborn and determined intention to do as one wants, regardless of the consequences.

"a spoiled, wilful child!"



(2009)

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1) Persecute : Subject to hostility & ill-treatment, esp. because of their race or political or religious beliefs.  
Prosecute : Conduct legal proceedings against.

2) Luxuriant : Rich and profuse in growth // (of hair) -thick and healthy.  
Luxurious : extremely comfortable or elegant.

3) Mean : Intend to convey // intend<sup>stn</sup> to occur or be the case, i.e. we mean no harm.  
Mien : A person's appearance or manner, esp. as an indication of their character or mood. Example: 'He has a cautious, academic mean.'  
~~mean~~ mien

4) Observation : An act of watching sth carefully // Remark; he began by making a few general observations about the report.  
Observance : The practice of obeying a law, celebrating a festival, or behaving according to a particular custom.

5) Naughty : (esp. of a child) badly behaved; disobedient.  
Knotty : Full of knots // Extremely difficult or complex.

6) Ghostly : Like a ghost; eerie or unnatural.  
Ghastly : Causing great horror or fear.

7) Hew : Chop or cut.  
Hue : a colour; a particular shade of a colour.  
"His face took on an unhealthy whitish hue."

8) Hoard : (v. n) A stock or store of money or valued objects, typically one that is secret or carefully guarded.

Example : He came back to rescue his little hoard of gold.

Horde : A large crowd of people. "There are always hordes of tourists here in summer."

(2008)

1) Mitigate : To make sth less harmful, serious, etc.

Alleviate : To make sth less severe ; to alleviate suffering.

2) Popular : Like or admired by many people.

Populace : The people living in a particular country or area.

3) Compliment : A polite expression of praise or admiration.

Complement : Add to or make complete.

4) Excite : Thrill ; cause to feel very enthusiastic and eager.

Incite : Encourage or stir up (violent or unlawful behaviour).

5) Virtual : Almost or nearly as described.

"The virtual absence of border controls".

Virtuous : Righteous. "She considered herself very virtuous because she neither drank nor smoked."

I would fain do as you ask.

(11)

(2006)

1) Loath : Reluctant, Unwilling i.e "I was loath to leave".

Loathe : Feel intense dislike or disgust for.  
"She loathed him on sight."

2) Ingenious : (of a person) clever & inventive.

"She is very ingenious when it comes to finding excuses."

Ingenuous : Innocent, Unsuspecting, naive.

3) Fain : ~~Fain~~ Willingly or with pleasure. \*

Feign : Pretend to be affected by; Fake.

4) Emigrant : A person who leaves their country to live in another. "Emigrant workers".

Immigrants : A person who has come to live permanently in a country that is not their own. "Immigrant communities".

5) Wreak : Cause a large amount of damage.

Wreck : Sth that has been badly damaged or destroyed. // v. destroy or severely damage.

(2005)

1) Council : An elected body or group of people.

Counsel : Advice

"There was a distinct

2) Distinct : Recognizably different. <sup>↑</sup> smell of gas".

Distinctive : Having a quality or characteristic that makes sth different and easily noticed. "The male bird has distinctive white markings on its head."

3) Apposite : Appropriate, Suitable, Fitting.  
 Opposite : Completely different; of a contrary kind

4) Deprecate : Express disapproval of.  
 Depreciate : Diminish in value // disparage or belittle.

5) Punctual : Happening or doing sth at the arranged or correct time.

Punctilious : Very careful to behave correctly or to perform your duties exactly as you should. "A punctilious host".

6) Judicial : Relating to the administration of justice.

Judicious : Having, showing, or done with good judgement or sense → "The judicious use of public investment."

7) Salutary : (esp. with reference to sth unpleasant) producing good effects; beneficial.

"The accident was a salutary reminder of the dangers of climbing."

Salubrious : Health-giving; pleasant to live in: clean & healthy.

8) Canvas : A strong, heavy, rough material used for making tents, etc. and by artists for painting on.

Canvass : To ask sb to support a particular person, political party, etc. esp. by going around an area and talking to people.  
 "He spent the whole month canvassing for votes."

(2004)

(13)

1) Auger : A tool for making holes in wood.  
Augur : Portend, bode

2) Emigrate : To leave your own country to go and live permanently in another country.

Immigrate : To come and live permanently in a country after leaving your own country.

You "emigrate" from your home country, while you "immigrate" to another country.

3) Envy : The feeling of wanting to be in the same situation as sb else; the feeling of wanting sth that sb else has.

Jealousy : A feeling of anger or unhappiness because sb you like or love is showing interest in sb else.

4) Invade : To enter a country, etc. using military force in order to take control of it.

Attack : Take aggressive military action against (a place or enemy forces) with weapons or armed force.

5) Trifling : Small and not important.

Trivial : Not important or serious; not worth considering.

6) Simulation : Imitation of a situation or process.

Dissimulation : Concealment of one's thoughts, feelings, etc.

*Local custom officers are notoriously venal.*

7) Venal : Corrupt. , Not very serious and therefore

Venial : (sin or mistake) able to be forgiven.

*Breaking a signal does not fall under venial crimes.*

(2001)

1) Brooch : An ornament fastened to clothing with a hinged pin. // Breastpin

Broach : Raise or bring up (a difficult subject) for discussion.

2) Collusion : Secret or illegal cooperation or conspiracy in order to deceive others.

Collision : Crash, Accident // Conflict, Clash.

3) Illusion : A deceptive appearance or impression // a false idea or belief.

Delusion : A false belief or opinion about yourself or your situation.

"He has delusions about how much money he can make at that job."

4) Prescribe : Advise and authorize (the use of a medicine or treatment) for s/o, esp. in writing // State authoritatively or as a rule that (an action or procedure) should be carried out.

Proscribe : Prohibit, ban; esp. by law // denounce or condemn.

5) Respectfully : With respect.

Respectively : In the same order as the people or things already mentioned.

"They received sentences of one year and eight months respectively."

Made bread by kneading flour.

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(2000)

- 1) Knead : Work (moistened flour or clay) into dough or paste with the hands.  
Need : Require.
- 2) Queue : a line or sequence of people.  
Cue : Signal, sign, indication.
- 3) Quarts : Plural of "quart" : A unit for measuring liquids. ( $1^{\wedge} = 1.14$  litres in UK/Canada & 0.94 US)  
Quartz : A hard mineral, often in crystal form, that is used to make very accurate clocks and watches.
- 4) Choral : Connected with, written for, or sung by a choir (= a group of singers)  
Coral : A hard substance that is red, pink, or white in colour, and that forms on the bottom of the sea from the bones of very small creatures. Coral is often used in jewelry.
- 5) Discrete : Separate, Distinct.  
Discreet : Careful in what you say or do, in order to keep sth secret or to avoid causing embarrassment or difficulty for sb.  
; Tactful. "He was always very discreet about his love affairs."
- 6) Epoch : era, age, period, time.  
Epic : A long poem about the actions of great men and women or about a nation's history. // a long and difficult job or activity that you think people should admire.

- 7) Banned : Past tense of ban : prohibit.  
Band : Group of musicians // Group of people who do sth together or who have the same ideas // Strip of material/Colour.
- 8) Barred : 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> form of bar ; prevent or prohibit s/o from doing sth or from going somewhere.  
Bard : A person who writes poems.

Poet - Allame Iqbal is our national bard.