

STATES OF MIND VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. ABERRANT** – deviating from the ordinary
Synonym – deviant; divergent
Antonym- normal; typical
- 2. ABSTAIN** – showing or feeling no interest
Synonym – abjure; forgo
Antonym- indulge; exceed
- 3. APOSTASY** – abandoning one's religion or belief
Synonym – recantation; treachery
Antonym- loyalty; allegiance
- 4. BECALM**- to make calm
Synonym – motionless; still
Antonym- agitated, disquieted
- 5. BEFUDDLED** – to be perplexed or confused
Synonym – bewildered; disoriented
Antonym- clear; intelligible
- 6. CANDID** – truthful and straight-forward
Synonym – frank; outspoken
Antonym- secretive; guarded
- 7. COMMISERATE**- express sympathy or pity
Synonym – comfort; console
Antonym- disregard; neglect
- 8. DELUSIONAL** – based on faulty judgement
Synonym – obstinate; uncooperative
Antonym- compliant; collaborative
- 9. HYSTERICAL** – uncontrollably emotional
Synonym – overwrought; frenzied
Antonym- calm; self-possessed
- 10. PREMEDITATED** – planned beforehand
Synonym – planned; intentional
Antonym- accidental; spontaneous

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. PREMEDITATED | a) calm | b) neglect | c) spontaneous | d) intentional |
| 2. APOSTASY | a) loyalty | b) elimination | c) clear | d) pity |
| 3. COMMISERATE | a) negligence | b) disquieted | c) console | d) forgo |
| 4. HYSTERICAL | a) calm | b) frenzied | c) loyalty | d) allegiance |
| 5. BECALM | a) restless | b) intentional | c) outspoken | d) nihilism |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. BEFUDDLED | a) clarity | b) muddled | c) intelligible | d) accidental |
| 2. ABERRANT | a) deviant | b) diverse | c) typical | d) unusual |
| 3. ABSTAIN | a) refuse | b) restrain | c) indulging | d) planned |
| 4. DELUSIONAL | a) careless | b) compliant | c) keen | d) meticulous |
| 5. CANDID | a) guarded | b) intelligible | c) obstinate | d) divergent |

EXERCISE 3

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE VOCABULARY LIST

1. Yami's grandfather was completely _____ by the new smartphone, she had to _____ him.
2. The politician was _____ about the scandal, he promised to _____ from voting on the unpopular bill.
3. Susan was _____ because of her son's _____ of the long-held religious beliefs
4. Demi was _____ that her sister will clean the room, but her sister always behaved in an _____ manner.
5. As a mother she was able to _____ with the parents of the child who died due to a _____ attack.