

TYPES OF PEOPLE VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. ANTHROPOLOGIST** - a person specializing in the study of humanity
Synonym – social scientist; ethnographer
Antonym- zoologist
- 2. ASCETIC** - a person who practises self-denial as a spiritual practise
Synonym – austere; abstinent
Antonym- sybaritic; extravagant
- 3. BOSSY** - fond of giving people orders
Synonym – domineering; overbearing
Antonym- submissive; compliant
- 4. CHARLATAN** – give voting rights
Synonym - quack; fraud
Antonym- altruist; philanthrope
- 5. CONNOISSEUR** - an expert on a field
Synonym – pundit; savant
Antonym- ignoramus; stupid
- 6. ICONOCLAST** – a person who attacks or criticizes cherished beliefs or institutions.
Synonym – critic; sceptic
Antonym- traditionalist; conformist
- 7. MAVERICK** – an unorthodox person
Synonym – individualist; free spirit
Antonym- conservative; orthodox
- 8. PEDANT** - a person who pays too much attention to formal rules.
Synonym - purist; formalist
Antonym- low-brow; philistine
- 9. RHETORICIAN** - a speaker whose words are primarily intended to impress
Synonym – elocutionist; lecturer
Antonym- spectator; audience
- 10. ZEALOT** – a fervent proponent of something
Synonym – fanatic; extremist
Antonym- moderate; non-extreme

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. CONNOISSEUR | a) collector | b) politician | c) aesthetician | d) perplex |
| 2. RHETORICIAN | a) elocutionist | b) traditionalist | c) audience | d) spectator |
| 3. MAVERICK | a) conformist | b) individualist | c) orthodox | d) traditionalist |
| 4. BOSSY | a) philistine | b) altruist | c) quack | d) domineering |
| 5. ICONOCLAST | a) critic | b) abstinent | c) formalist | d) zoologist |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. CHARLATAN | a) flamboyant | b) fraud | c) altruist | d) fake |
| 2. ASCETIC | a) abstinent | b) abolitionist | c) sybaritic | d) compliant |
| 3. ANTHROPOLOGIST | a) zoologist | b) scientist | c) sociologist | d) ethnographer |
| 4. PEDANT | a) philistine | b) moderate | c) pundit | d) zoologist |
| 5. ZEALOT | a) moderate | b) audience | c) philistine | d) altruist |

EXERCISE 3

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

1. As an _____ she studied evolution of humans, but she was a _____ and her work lacked originality.
2. Jacob chose to live an _____ life because he was a religious _____.
3. As a wine _____, Sam was consulted by everyone, however his _____ nature was resented by all.
4. The priest's heterodox ideas earned him a _____ reputation, but he showed little sign of being an _____.
5. Mike was a _____ who tricked people, but his training as a lawyer also turned him into a brilliant _____.