**Word of the Day**

1. *Whirligig*

* /wer-lih-gig/ (noun)

Definition: A whirling or circling course.

Other Definitions:

2. A toy that spins (eg. a top)

3. Small black beetle that swims rapidly in circles on the surface of still water.

**1EX.** Sam was spinning in a financial ***whirligig***; the more he earned the more he spent as he plunged closer into dept.

**2EX.** When sally was swimming at the lake by her cabin, she noticed a ***whirligig*** of the surface of the crystal blue water.

1. *Torpor*

* /tor-per/ (noun)

Definition: Apathy, dullness.

Other Definitions:

2. A condition of mental or physical inactivity or sluggishness.

**1EX.** The magazine article provided ideas for activities designed to shake off the ***torpor*** of a rainy day.

**2EX.** On a gloomy day Justine went on her computer and found a recipe on how to bake a cake, and that inspired her to bake a cake and shook off her ***torporness***.

1. *Wardrobe*

* /WOR-drohb/ (noun)

Definition: A collection of wearing apparel (as of one person or for an activity)

**1EX.**  Over the years, Sandra has managed to acquire a large and varied ***wardrobe.***

**2EX**. Since spring and summer is approaching Andrea went shopping and got a ***wardrobe*** filled with floral, pastel and much other kind of materials.

1. *Rupee*

* /roo-pee/ (noun)

Definition: A coin and monetary unit used in countries such as India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka.

**1EX.** Six months after I returned from India, I found a lonely ***rupee*** wedged in the lining of my purse.

**2EX.** When my grandpa came to visit me and my family from Mauritius he had a whole bunch of ***rupees*** in his wallet.

1. *Merciless*

* /mer-si-less/ (adjective)

Definition: having or showing no mercy or pity

**1EX.** The presidential candidate was ***merciless*** in his criticism of his opponents.

**2EX.** When Bethany’s friend hated on her for doing something she did not do, they were all ***merciless*** of what Bethany was trying to tell them.

1. *Headlong*

* /HED-long/ (adverb)

Definition: Without deliberation: recklessly

**1EX.** He often rushes ***headlong*** into relationships with little thought given to their log-term effect.

**2EX.**  When Jessie was riding his bike to the corner store he noticed a ***headlong*** driver passing the speed limit.

1. *Prosperity*

* /praw-SPARE-ih-tee/ (noun)

Definition: The condition of being successful or thriving.

**1EX.** The result was Panem, a shining capitol ringed by 13 districts, which brought peace and ***prosperity*** to its citizen.

**2EX.** When Diana wanted to make pancakes she was afraid it would taste bad but in the end she had great ***prosperity*** in making her pancakes.

1. *Pique*

* /peek/ (verb)

Definition: To arouse curiosity or interest.

**1EX.**  Our curiosity was ***piqued*** by the locked chest hidden at the back of the old ship.

**2EX.** When Mary went to her friend’s house, her curiosity was ***piqued*** to find out what was in the black box on her vanity.

1. *Pungent*

* /pun-jent/ (adjective)

Definition: Sharply and strongly affecting the organs of taste and smell.

**1EX.**  The ***pungent*** aroma of stinky blue cheese filled the kitchen.

**2EX.** When Jessie walked into KFC there was a ***pungent*** smell of fried chicken that filled the room.

**3EX.** When my dad buys air freshener for the car there is a ***pungent*** smell to it that usually gives me a headache.

1. *Dysentery*

* /dis-en-ter-e/ (noun)

Definition: An infection of the intestine, producing diarrhea with blood and mucus that is caused by consuming contaminated food or water.

**1EX.**  “That mouth an attack of ***dysentery*** obliged us to use the little place behind the curtain more often than we liked.”

**2EX.** The soldiers had ***dysentery*** because of the working conditions they find themselves into.

**3EX.** The child labourers had ***dysentery*** because of the work conditions Hussain Khan put them in and that is because he is self-centered, and won’t give the kids medical help.