Word of the Day

* *Whirligig*
* (wer-lih-gig) (noun)

Definition: a whirling or circling course

Definition: a toy that spins for example: a top

Definition: small black beetle that swims rapidly in circles on the surface of still water

Example: Sam was spinning in a financial *whirligig*; the more he earned the more he spent as he plunged closer into debt.

Example: One day I was looking into the water and I saw a *whirligig* whirling around in the water.

* *Corrode*
* (kuh-RAYD) (verb)

Definition: to wear or crumble away through abrasion

Example: Over the years, the rushing waters had *corroded* the riverbanks.

Example: While the years past, the clear blue water *corroded* the sandy, calm beaches of Lake Winnipeg.

* *Broadside*
* (BRAWD-syde) (noun)

Definition: a strongly worded attack

Example: The intern was survorised when her supervisor answered her simple question with a *broadside* against the company’s treatment of employees.

Example: The little girl asked a simple question but her mom answered it with a *broadside* because she had a bad day at work.

* *Patina*
* (puh-TEE-nuh) (noun)

Definition: a surface appearance of something grown beautiful, especially with age or use

Example: The wiren has been constructed and decorated to owe it a *patina* of the old-world quaintness.

Example: The flowery, lacy ribbon on the present has been constructed and decorated on a *patina* paper to make the ribbon look like the old-world.

* *Solidarity*
* (saw-lih-DAIR-rih-tee) (noun)

Definition: unity that produces or is based on community of interests, objectives and standards

Example: When Neha lost her hair during her battle with cancer, her classmates shaved their heads to show their *solidarity*.

Example: When the popular people saw a little boy getting bullied because he had red hair, the next day the popular people dyed their hair red to show *solidarity.*

* *Rupee*
* (ROO- pee) (noun)

Definition: A coin and monetary unit used in countries such as India, Nepal, Pakistan, and Sri Lanka ($1.00 = 85 rupees)

Example: Six months after I returned from India, I found a lonely *rupee* wedged in the lying of my purse.

Example: When Sally went to India to stare in a movie production she found a shiny *rupee* on the edge of the sewer grate and she said that it was a great souvenir to bring back home.

* *Numskull*
* (num-skull) (noun)

Definition: a trick or muddled head; a dull or stupid person

Example: “Don’t be such a *numskull,*” my mother shouted as I slammed on the brakes. “We can’t afford a new car.”

Example: My sister Jessica is such a *numskull* because sometimes she puts black clothes with all different colors in the washing machine.

* *Feisty*
* (FYE-stee) (adjective)

Definition: having or showing a lively aggressiveness,spunky

Example: Elena found success as a stage actress thanks in part to her *feisty* spirit and strong work ethic.

Example: When Santa Claus saw sally being a *feisty* girl he put her on the naughty list instead, and when she woke up Christmas morning all she got was a lump of coal.

* *Suk*
* (sook) (noun)

Definition: a market or bizarre, especially in trab or Middle Eastern countries

Example: Normally I revel in the hustle and bustle of the *Suk*, but when I have a headache it’s the last place I want to be.

Example: I usually go wild in a *Suk*, but when it’s time of the month that’s the last place I want to be.

* *Echelon*
* (ESH-uh-lon) (noun)

Definition: one of a series of levels or grades in an organization or field of activity

Example: We heard stories of corruptions on the higher *echelon* of the firm.

Example: In the earlier days their were higher *echelons* of the kingdoms. Like king and queen or prince and princess.

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

Definition : an infection of the intestines producing diarrhea with blood and mucus that is caused by consuming contaminated food or water

Example: “That month an attack of *dysentery* obliged us to use the little place behind the curtain more often then we liked”. Chpt 7 pg 52

Example: The children in the carpet factory have a high risk at getting *dysentery* because they work under unsanitary conditions, and they go to the washroom behind a filthy curtain with no water or soap to wash their hands. (Iqbal, chapter 5) I guess Hussain Khan was sellfish and greedy because all the things cost money.

* *Muezzin*
* (noun)

Definition: Muslim choir who calls the hour of daily prayers from a minaret

Example: I arrived at the church that morning, before the *muezzin* called out midday prayers, after I shut myself inside the church to hear the daily mass.

* *Kibosh*
* (KYE-bosh) (noun)

Definition: something that serves as a check or stop

Example: The economic downturn put the *kibosh* on their renovation plans.

Example: I want to try to put a *kibosh* to child labour because children do not deserve to work at such a young age, and not be able to see their family for a long time.