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## VOCABULARY

1. **Malfeasance:** illegal actions, especially those of a government official or large business company.
  - **Synonyms:** wrongdoing, misconduct
  - **Antonyms:** Obedience, fairness
  - **Example:** The company's CEO was investigating for financial malfeasance.
2. **Chariness:** the trait of being cautious and watchful.
  - **Synonyms:** wariness, vigilance
  - **Antonyms:** heedlessness, negligence
  - **Example:** His chariness in sharing personal information made him a private individual.
3. **Emphatic:** strong and clear, without any possibility for doubt.
  - **Synonyms:** definite, unequivocal
  - **Antonyms:** ambiguous, vague
  - **Example:** She gave an emphatic nod to express her agreement.
4. **Warrant:** to make something necessary or appropriate in a particular situation
  - **Synonyms:** necessitate, require
  - **Antonyms:** exclude, omit

- **Example:** Severe weather conditions may warrant a school closure.

5. **Skirted:** avoided talking about a subject, especially because it is difficult or embarrassing.

- **Synonyms:** evaded, dodged
- **Antonyms:** confronted, tackled
- **Example:** She skirted around the difficult question during the interview.

6. **Capricious:** likely to change or reacting to a sudden desire or new idea.

- **Synonyms:** variable, erratic
- **Antonyms:** steady, stable
- **Example:** Planning a picnic was difficult with the capricious nature of the wind.

7. **Assuage:** to make an unpleasant feeling less severe.

- **Synonyms:** alleviate, allay
- **Antonyms:** aggravate, heighten
- **Example:** To assuage her worries, he reassured her that everything would be okey.

8. **Tardiness:** the quality of being late or slow.

- **Synonyms:** unpunctuality, sluggishness
- **Antonyms:** promptitude, timeliness
- **Example:** Sarah apologized for her tardiness to the meeting, explaining that traffic was unexpectedly heavy.

## WORD OF FOREIGN ORIGIN

9. **Prima facie:** at first sight (based on what seems to be the truth when first seen or heard)

## PHRASAL VERBS

10. **Pertaining to:** being connected with a particular subject, event, or situation.

11. **Seized upon:** used, accepted, or took advantage of something quickly or enthusiastically.

## IDIOMS

12. **In the wake of:** happening after an earlier event, especially an unpleasant one, often as a result of it.

13. **The ball is in someone's court:** it is time for someone to deal with a problem or make a decision, because other people have already done as much as they can.

14. **Stop short of:** if someone stops short of doing something, they come close to doing it but do not actually do it.

15. **Found wanting:** lacking all that is needed or expected.