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#### **ODISHA CAREER FOR COMPETITIVE EXAMS**

#### VOCABULARY

- 1. Partisanship: The fact of showing too much support for one person, group or idea especially without considering it carefully.
  - Synonyms: bias, partiality
  - Antonyms: equity, fairness
  - Example: The decision-making process was hindered by excessive partisanship among team members.
- 2. Exhibit: to show something publicly.
  - Synonyms: display, showcase
  - Antonyms: conceal, veil
  - Example: Sarah will exhibit her artwork at the local gallery next week.
- **3.Pomp:** impressive and colourful ceremonies, especially traditional ceremonies on public occasions.
  - Synonyms: grandeur, magnificence
  - Antonyms: simplicity, modesty
  - Example: the royal procession moved with great pomp through the city.

4. Momentous: very important because of effects on future events.

- Synonyms: pivotal, consequential
- Antonyms: trivial, minor
- Example: Opening the acceptance letter felt like a momentous moment in her life.
- 5. Anguish: extreme unhappiness caused physical or mental suffering.
  - Synonyms: distress, agony
  - Antonyms: delight, contentment
  - Example: Witnessing the accident filled him with a sense of helpless anguish.
- 6. Potency: the power of something to influence or make an impression.
  - Synonyms: efficacy, strength
  - Antonyms: incapacity, enervation
  - Example: The potency of the medicine quickly relieved her headache.
- 7. Heydays: the most successful or popular period of someone or something.
  - Synonyms: golden days, halcyon days

- Antonyms: rock bottom, dark age
- Example: the company experienced its heyday in the 1990s when its products gained widespread popularity.
- 8. Discontent: a feeling of being unhappy because you are not satisfied with a particular situation.
  - Synonyms: dissatisfaction, disgruntlement
  - Antonyms: gratification, fulfilment
  - Example: The employee expressed discontent with the new work policies.
- 9. Espousing: adopting or supporting a cause, belief, or way of life.
  - Synonyms: championing, advocating
  - Antonyms: opposing, rejecting
  - Example: The professor often espouses the importance of critical thinking in his lectures.

#### PHRASAL VERBS

1. Relying on: needing a particular thing or the help and support of someone or something in order to continue, to work correctly, or to succeed. 2. Handed over: gave another person control of someone or something, or responsibility for dealing with him, her, or it.

#### **IDIOMS**

- 1. Crying foul: saying that something that ha happened is unfair or illegal.
- 2. Make the cut: to meet the requirements necessary for an application to be successful or to be selected from a group of candidates.
- 3. Staying put: remaining in the same place or position.