

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

**redolent ADJ.** /fragrant; odorous; suggestive of an odor.

Even though it is February, the air is *redolent* of spring.

**redoubtable ADJ.** / formidable; causing fear

. During the Cold War period, neighboring countries tried not to offend the Russians because they could be *redoubtable* foes.

**redress N.** / /remedy; compensation

. Do you mean to tell me that I can get no *redress* for my injuries?  
also v.

**redundant ADJ.** / /superfluous; repetitious;

excessive; wordy. The bottle of wine I brought to Bob's was certainly *redundant* how was I to know Bob owned a winery? In your essay, you repeat several points unnecessarily; try to be less *redundant* in the future. redundancy, **N.**

**reek V.** / emit (odor).

The room *reeked* with stale tobacco smoke. also **N.**

**refraction N.** / /bending of a ray of light.

When you look at a stick inserted in water, it looks bent because of the *refraction* of the light by the water.

**refractory ADJ.** /stubborn; unmanageable.

The *refractory* horse was eliminated from the race when he refused to obey the jockey.

**refrain V.** abstain from; resist.

Whenever he heard a song with a lively chorus, Sol could never *refrain* from joining in on the *refrain*.

**refurbish V.** /renovate; make bright by polishing.

The flood left a deposit of mud on everything; we had to *refurbish* our belongings.

**refute V.** disprove.

The defense called several respectable witnesses who were able to *refute* the false testimony of the prosecution's sole witness. refutation, **N.**

**regal ADJ.** /royal.

Prince Albert had a *regal* manner.

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

**regale V. /entertain.**

John *regaled* us with tales of his adventures in Africa.

**regime N. / /method or system of government.**

When the French mention the Old *Regime*, they refer to the government existing before the revolution.

**regimen N. /prescribed diet and habits**

. I doubt whether the results warrant our living under such a strict *regimen*.

**rehabilitate V. / /restore to proper condition.**

We must *rehabilitate* those whom we send to prison.

**reimburse V. / repay.**

Let me know what you have spent and I will *reimburse* you.

**reiterate V /repeat.**

He *reiterated* the warning to make sure everyone understood it.

**rejoinder N. /retort; comeback; reply.**

When someone has been rude to me, I find it particularly satisfying to come up with a quick *rejoinder*.

**rejuvenate V. / /make young again.**

The charlatan claimed that his elixir would *rejuvenate* the aged and weary.

**relegate V. banish to an inferior position; delegate; assign.**

After Ralph dropped his second tray of drinks that week, the manager swiftly *relegated* him to a minor post cleaning up behind the bar.

**relent V. / /give in.**

When her stern father would not *relent* and allow her to marry Robert Browning, Elizabeth Barrett eloped with her suitor. relentless, **ADJ.**

**relevant ADJ. / /pertinent; referring to the case in hand.**

How *relevant* Virginia Woolf's essays are to women writers today! It's as if Woolf in the 1930s foresaw our current literary struggles. relevancy, **N.**

**relic N. / /surviving remnant; memento.**

Egypt's Department of Antiquities prohibits tourists

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

from taking mummies and other ancient relics out of the country. Mike keeps his photos of his trip to Egypt in a box with other *relics* of his travels.

**relinquish V./give up something with reluctance; yield.**

Denise never realized how hard it would be for her to *relinquish* her newborn son to the care of his adoptive parents. Once you get used to fringe benefits like expense account meals and a company car, it's very hard to *relinquish* them.

**relish V. /savor; enjoy.**

Watching Peter enthusiastically chow down, I thought, "Now there's a man who *relishes* a good dinner!" also **N.**

**remediable ADJ. / /reparable.**

Let us be grateful that the damage is *remediable*.

**remedial ADJ. / curative; corrective.**

Because he was a slow reader, he decided to take a course in *remedial* reading.

**reminiscence N. / /recollection.**

Her *reminiscences* of her experiences are so fascinating that she ought to write a book.

**remiss ADJ. / /negligent.**

The guard was accused of being *remiss* in his duty when the prisoner escaped.

**remission N. temporary moderation of disease symptoms; cancellation of a debt; forgiveness or pardon.**

Though the senator had been treated for cancer, his symptoms were in *remission*, and he was considered fit enough to handle the strains of a presidential race.

**remnant N. / /remainder**

. I suggest that you wait until the store places the *remnants* of these goods on sale.

**remonstrance N. / /protest; objection.**

The authorities were deaf to the pastor's *remonstrances* about the lack of police protection in the area. *remonstrate, V.*

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

**remorse N.** / /guilt; self-reproach.

The murderer felt no *remorse* for his crime.

**remunerative ADJ** /compensating; rewarding.

I find my new work so remunerative that I may not return to my previous employment. remuneration, **N.**

**rend V.** / /split; tear apart.

In his grief, he tried to *rend* his garments. rent, **N.**

**render** /deliver; provide; represent.

He *rendered* aid to the needy and indigent.

**rendition N.** translation;

artistic interpretation of a song, etc. The audience cheered enthusiastically as she completed her *rendition* of the aria.

**renegade N.** / /deserter; traitor.

Because he had abandoned his post and joined forces with the Indians, his fellow officers considered the hero of *Dances with Wolves* a *renegade*. also **ADJ.**

**renege V.** /deny; go back on.

He *reneged* on paying off his debt.

**renounce V** /abandon; disown; repudiate

. Even though she knew she would be burned at the stake as a witch, Joan of Arc refused to *renounce* her belief that her voices came from God.

renunciation, **N.**

**renovate** Vestore to good condition; renew

. They claim that they can *renovate* worn shoes so that they look like new ones.

**renown N.** / /fame.

For many years an unheralded researcher, Barbara McClintock gained international *renown* when she won the Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine. renowned, **ADJ.**

**rent N.** / /rip; split.

Kit did an excellent job of mending the rent in the lining of her coat.

**reparable ADJ.** / /capable of being repaired.

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

Fortunately, the damages we suffered in the accident were repairable and our car looks brand new.

**reparation N. /amends; compensation.**

At the peace conference, the defeated country promised to pay reparations to the victors.

**repast N /meal; feast; banquet.**

The caterers prepared a delicious repast for Fred and Judy's wedding day.

**repeal V. / /revoke; annul.**

What would the effect on our society be if we decriminalized drug use by *repealing* the laws against the possession and sale of narcotics?

**repel V. / drive away; disgust.**

At first, the Beast's ferocious appearance *repelled* Beauty, but she came to love the tender heart hidden behind that beastly exterior.

**repellent ADJ. / /driving away; unattractive**

. Mosquitoes find the odor so *repellent* that they leave any spot where this liquid has been sprayed. also **N.**

**repercussion N. /rebound; reverberation; reaction.**

I am afraid that this unfortunate incident will have serious repercussions.

**repertoire N /list of works of music, drama, etc., a performer is prepared to present.**

**The opera**

company decided to include *Madame Butterfly* in its *repertoire* for the following season.

**replenish V. / /fill up again**

. Before she could take another backpacking trip, Carla had to *replenish* her stock of freeze-dried foods.

**replete ADJ. / ; /filled to the brim or to the point of being stuffed;**

abundantly supplied. The movie star's memoir was *replete* with juicy details about the love life of half of Hollywood.

**replica N. / /copy.**

Are you going to hang this replica of the Declaration of Independence in the classroom or in the auditorium?

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

**replicate V.** / /**reproduce; duplicate.**

Because he had always wanted a palace, Donald decided to replicate the Tai Mahal in miniature on his estate.

**repository N.** /**storehouse.**

Libraries are repositories of the world's best thoughts.

**reprehensible ADJ.** / /**deserving blame.**

Shocked by the viciousness of the bombing, politicians of every party uniformly condemned the terrorists' *reprehensible* deed.

**repress V.** / /**restrain; crush; oppress.**

Anne's parents tried to curb her impetuosity without *repressing* her boundless high spirits.

**reprieve N.** / /**temporary stay.**

During the twenty-four-hour *reprieve*, the lawyers sought to make the stay of execution permanent. also **V.**

**reprimand V.** / /**reprove severely; rebuke.**

Every time Ermengarde made a mistake in class, she was afraid that Miss Minchin would *reprimand* her and tell her father how badly she was doing in school. also **N.**

**reprisal N.** / /**retaliation.**

I am confident that we are ready for any *reprisals* the enemy may undertake.

**reprise N.** **musical repetition;**

repeat performance; recurrent action. We enjoyed the soprano's solo in Act I so much that we were delighted by its *reprise* in the finale.

**reproach V;** /**express disapproval or disappointment. He never could do anything wrong without**

imagining how the look on his mother's face would reproach him afterwards. reproachful, **ADJ.**

**reprobate N.** / /**person hardened in sin, devoid of a sense of decency.**

**I cannot**

understand why he has so many admirers if he is the reprobate you say he is.

**reprove V.** / /**censure; rebuke.**

The principal severely reproved the students whenever they talked in the halls.

# BHARAT SCHOOL OF BANKING –ENGLISH VOCABULARY

## WORD LIST 40

**repudiate V.** / /disown; disavow.

On separating from Tony, Tina announced that she would repudiate all debts incurred by her soon-to-be ex-husband.

**repugnant ADJ** /loathsome; hateful.

She found the snake *repugnant* and looked on it with loathing and fear.

**repulsion N.** /distaste; act of driving back.

Hating bloodshed, she viewed war with *repulsion*. Even defensive battles distressed her, for the *repulsion* of enemy forces is never accomplished bloodlessly.

**reputable ADJ.** / respectable.

If you want to buy antiques, look for a reputable dealer; far too many dealers today pass off fakes as genuine antiques.

**reputed ADJ.** / /supposed.

Though he is the *reputed* father of the child, no one can be sure. **repute, N.**

**requiem N.** / mass for the dead; dirge.

They played Mozart's *Requiem* at the funeral.

**requisite N.** / necessary requirement.

Many colleges state that a student must offer three years of a language as a requisite for admission.

**requite V.** / /repay; revenge.

The wretch *requited* his benefactors by betraying them.

**rescind V.** / /cancel.

Because of the public outcry against the new taxes, the senator proposed a bill to *rescind* the unpopular financial measure.