

Apex

/ˈeɪ.pɛks/

Noun

Meaning	The top or highest part of something; peak
Example	He reached the apex of his career.
Sentence	The mountain's apex was covered with snow.
Mnemonic	Apex = A peak extreme
Synonyms	Peak, Summit
Antonyms	Bottom, Base

Aphorism

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Noun

Meaning	A concise statement of a principle or truth
Example	"Actions speak louder than words" is an aphorism.
Sentence	Her speech was full of clever aphorisms.
Mnemonic	Aphorism = A phrase of wisdom
Synonyms	Saying, Proverb
Antonyms	Long-winded explanation

Apiary

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Noun

Meaning	A place where bees are kept
Example	He tends bees at his apiary.
Sentence	The farm's apiary produces organic honey.
Mnemonic	Apiary = Bee paradise
Synonyms	Beehive, Bee-farm
Antonyms	— (no exact opposite)

Aplomb

/ə'plɒm/

Noun

Meaning Self-confidence and assurance, especially in a demanding situation

Example She handled the crisis with aplomb.

Sentence He answered the tough questions with aplomb.

Mnemonic Aplomb = A plum (cool and steady)

Synonyms Confidence, Poise

Antonyms Panic, Awkwardness

Apocalyptic

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Adjective

Meaning

Relating to the end of the world;
catastrophic

Example

The movie depicted an apocalyptic future.

Sentence

The flood caused apocalyptic destruction.

Mnemonic

Apocalyptic = Apocalypse-like devastation

Synonyms

Catastrophic, Disastrous

Antonyms

Peaceful, Calm