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Indian politician known for using advanced English words in speeches.

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#	Word	Definition / Example
1	<b>sesquipedalian</b>	adj. 1 having many syllables; 2 given to or characterized by the use of long words "His sesquipedalian eloquence delights audiences who cherish the full grandeur of the English language."
2	<b>mellifluous</b>	adj. sweetly flowing; pleasant to the ear "The mellifluous cadence of his oratory transforms even policy debates into literary experiences."
3	<b>perspicacious</b>	adj. having keen judgment or understanding "A perspicacious observer of geopolitics, he anticipates shifts others overlook entirely."
4	<b>loquacious</b>	adj. talking or tending to talk much or freely "Unapologetically loquacious, he believes every idea deserves its fullest and most articulate expression."
5	<b>encomiastic</b>	adj. of an encomiast or of or like an encomium; eulogistic "His encomiastic tribute to India's civilizational legacy moved the Oxford Union to a standing ovation."
6	<b>interlocutor</b>	n. 1 a person taking part in a conversation or dialogue; 2 the performer in the middle of a minstrel line who engages the others in talk "As a skilled interlocutor, he draws out the finest arguments from even the most reticent diplomats."
7	<b>luminiferous</b>	able to carry or produce light "Literature, he argues, is luminiferous — it carries light into corners where politics cannot reach."
8	<b>autodidactic</b>	someone who teaches themselves, often outside a traditional school setting "His autodidactic curiosity has led him from Sanskrit poetics to postcolonial theory with equal fluency."
9	<b>extemporaneous</b>	adj. composed or performed on the spur of the moment with little or no planning. "His extemporaneous speeches rival carefully scripted addresses, flowing with precision and rhetorical grace."
10	<b>syncretic</b>	relating to the combination of different beliefs or practices "India's civilization has always been syncretic, weaving diverse faiths into a radiant cultural tapestry."
11	<b>peripatetic</b>	adj. 1 of or relating to going from place to place especially on foot 2 of; relating to; or given to walking; moving or traveling from place to place itinerant "A peripatetic intellectual, he carries his ideas from Geneva to Thiruvananthapuram with equal conviction."
12	<b>voluminous</b>	adj. having great bulk or volume; ample "His voluminous bibliography reflects a mind that refuses to confine itself to any single discipline."
13	<b>grandiloquent</b>	adj. speaking in or characterized by a pompous or bombastic style "Critics call it grandiloquent; he calls it simply doing justice to the magnificence of the subject."
14	<b>logorrhic</b>	a tendency to talk excessively and in a disorganized way "Even routine debates become captivating when his logorrhic eloquence turns simple discourse into linguistic artistry."
15	<b>collocutor</b>	a person who engages in a conversation or dialogue "A refined collocutor, he elevates every exchange with wit, depth, and a command of language that captivates his audience."