

Vocabulary list: Words and Phrases

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Guns and Fracking: Ethical Banking

“Nanny state”	squabbling (petty squabbling)
“What’s ethical is in the eye of the beholder”	(the) flight of investors
“Slash-and-burn”	stewardship
“Voting with their wallets”	to tout
Let’s not let the mission “wag the dog”	To be on/off the table
“What is ‘harm’, what is ‘evil’?”	Ruefully: ‘he said ruefully’
“It's a no-brainer”	Gimmick: “the green thing is just a marketing gimmick”
to put off	

Women on Board: Gender and Finance

Gender; Gender gap	Egregious (+ egregious schemes)
To empower (+‘Agency’)	to latch on to
Tokenism	to bear the brunt of
Tenure	Critical to ...ing (here, achieving)
to levy fines on someone	to walk the talk
to skew	Ethics of Care

Religion and Finance / Islamic Finance

Religion / Spirituality	Thrift / Usury
Devout / observant	CE vs. AD and BCE vs. BC
Secular / religious	Debt trap
Sinful (Sin)	Installments / mortgage

Accruals	Riba, Hiyal / sleight of hand / legal tricks
Payday or Car/auto title loans	Sukuk
To yield	Formalism
Scam	Opposition between the Letter and the Spirit of the law
Ruthless	Epitome
Ethically dubious	Buffer
Bias (biases)	Onus
To convene	Inception
To prompt	To spur (growth, here)
To screen	To extoll
A means to (an end)	To opine
Oversight	To be mired in debt
Consistent / Consistency	Reverse engineering
Shariah (or Shari'ah), Fiqh, Qur'an, Sunnah	Window dressing
"To be Shariah-compliant"	Ubiquity

Cryptocurrencies and Ethics

Cryptocurrency, blockchain, miners, decentralised /distributed ledger	"On the flipside"
"Altcoins"	To zero in on something
"Electronic wallet" / Plastic money	To be factored in/into
Digital, digitis/zed currencies, digitalis/zation	To hinge on
Shadow banking / The shadow economy	To gain momentum
Remittance(s)	Mercurial
Money laundering	Relevance / relevant
Tax evasion/tax avoidance, loopholes	Hazards
"Money makes the world go round"	Deontologist / Teleologist (in morals)