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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. DRUDGERY (noun) : कठिन परिश्रम

Pronunciation: druhj·uh·ree

Meaning: hard menial or dull work.

Synonyms: hard work, menial work, labor

Antonyms: fun, play, relaxation

Sentence: He spent his life in pointlessly tiresome drudgery.

2. ANATHEMA (noun) : अभिशाप

Pronunciation: uh·na·thuh·muh

Meaning: Something or someone that one vehemently dislikes.

Synonyms: abhorrent, hateful, odious

Antonyms: joy, pleasure

Sentence: His political views were anathema to me.

3. STAUNCHLY (adv.) : दृढता से

Pronunciation: stawnych·lee

Meaning: in a very loyal and committed manner.

Synonyms: dedicated, devoted, devout

Antonyms: disloyal, faithless, perfidious

Sentence: She staunchly defended the new policy.

4. LOCUTION (noun) : मुहावरा

Pronunciation: luh·kyoo·shn

Meaning: a word or phrase, especially with regard to style or idiom.

Synonyms: denotation, expression, idiom

Antonyms: euphemism, misconstruction, monosemy

Sentence: His locution puzzled me, disturbed me, but I was a guest at his table so I said nothing.

5. EMBEZZLEMENT (noun) : ग़बन

Pronunciation: uhm·beh·zuhl·muhnt

Meaning: theft or misappropriation of funds placed in one's trust or belonging to one's employer.

Synonyms: theft, stealing, robbing

Antonyms: give, receive, compensate.

Sentence: They were arrested for embezzlement of company funds.

6. RABBLE-ROUSER (noun) : हंगामा करने वाला

Pronunciation: rab·ble-rous·er

Meaning: a person who speaks with the intention of inflaming the emotions of a crowd of people, typically for political reasons.

Synonyms: agitator, troublemaker, instigator

Antonyms: peacemaker, reconciler, uniter

Sentence: Rabble-rousers inciting hungry people on breadlines to demand social justice.

7. FEISTY (adj.) : आक्रमणशील

Pronunciation: fai·stee

Meaning: feeling or displaying an eagerness to fight

Synonyms: aggressive, agonistic, bellicose

Antonyms: nonaggressive, nonbelligerent, pacific

Sentence: He launched a feisty attack on the government.

8. FORFEITURE (noun) : ज़ब्ती

Pronunciation: faw·fuh·chuh

Meaning: the loss or giving up of something as a penalty for wrongdoing.

Synonyms: confiscation, sequestration, loss

Antonyms: award, reward, gain

Sentence: Refusal to sign meant forfeiture of property and exile.

9. SCUFFLE (noun) : हाथापाई

Pronunciation: skuh·fl

Meaning: a short, confused fight or struggle at close quarters.

Synonyms: fight, struggle, tussle

Antonyms: truce, peace, harmony

Sentence: He was involved in a scuffle with a photographer.

10. PICKETS (noun) : पहरेदार

Pronunciation: pi·kuhts

Meaning: a person or group that watches over someone or something

Synonyms: guards, keepers, lookouts

Antonyms: attacks, assails, assaults

Sentence: The pickets persuaded some drivers not to enter the factory.



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