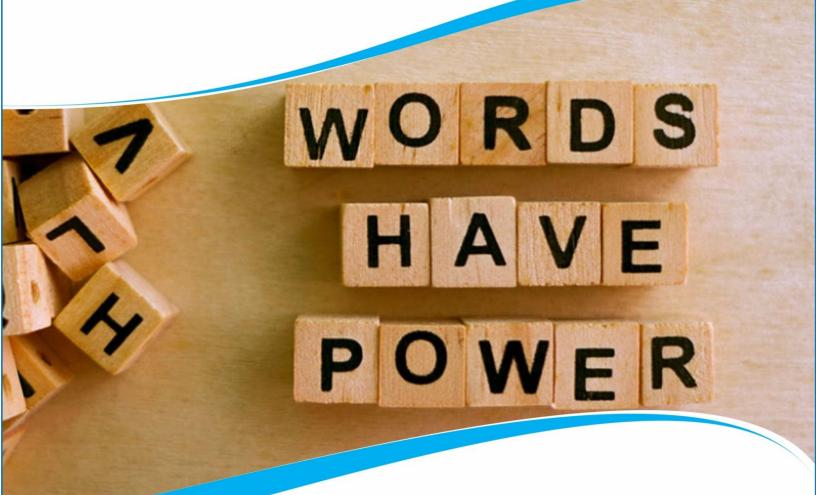




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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

Happy learning!!!

1. PESSIMISM (noun) : निराशावाद

Pronunciation: peh·suhm·i·zm

Meaning: a tendency to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will

happen; a lack of hope or confidence in the future.

Synonyms: defeatism, negativity, cynicism **Antonyms:** optimism, cheer, hopefulness

Sentence: The dispute cast an air of deep pessimism over the future of the peace talks.

2. DICHOTOMY (noun) : विरोधाभास

Pronunciation: dai·kaw·tuh·mee

Meaning: a division or contrast between two things that are or are represented as being

opposed or entirely different.

Synonyms: division, separation, split

Antonyms: agreement, harmony, likeness, sameness.

Sentence: There is a dichotomy between the academic world and the industrial world.

3. SKIMPED (verb) : कंजूसी करना

Pronunciation: skimpt

Meaning: expend or use less time, money, or material on something than is necessary in

an attempt to economize.

Synonyms: stint on, scrimp on, economize on

Antonyms: wasted, lavished, misspent

Sentence: we must **skimp** and save if we are going to afford a vacation this summer

4. INGENUITY (adj.) : सरलता

Pronunciation: in · juh · nyoo · uh · tee

Meaning: the quality of being clever, original, and inventive.

Synonyms: inventiveness, creativity, imagination

Antonyms: dryness, dullness

Sentence: We are looking for someone with <u>ingenuity</u> and imagination.

5. KNACK (noun) : आदत

Pronunciation: nak

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Meaning: an acquired or natural skill at performing a task.

Synonyms: aptitude, aptness, skill **Antonyms:** inability, incapacity

Sentence: He has a <u>knack</u> for saying the wrong thing.

6. SLY (adj.) : धूर्त

Pronunciation: Sly

Meaning: having or showing a cunning and deceitful nature.

Synonyms: cunning, crafty, clever

Antonyms: guileless, ingenuous, innocent

Sentence: People consider foxes as clever but <u>sly</u> animals.

7. CONSCIENTIOUS (adj.) : ईमानदार

Pronunciation: kuhn·sen·shee·uhs

Meaning: (of a person) wishing to do what is right, especially to do one's work or duty

well and thoroughly.

Synonyms: diligent, industrious, punctilious **Antonyms:** cutthroat, dishonest, immoral

Sentence: We are generally very <u>conscientious</u> about our work.

8. PERVERSITY (noun) : प्रतिकृलता

Pronunciation: puh·vuhs·uh·tee

Meaning: a deliberate desire to behave in an unreasonable or unacceptable way;

contrariness.

Synonyms: contrariness, perverseness, awkwardness

Antonyms: amiability, serenity

Sentence: She's marrying him out of sheer perversity.

9. DECADENCE (noun): पतन

Pronunciation: deh·kuh·dns

Meaning: moral or cultural decline as characterized by excessive indulgence in pleasure or

luxury.

Synonyms: dissipation, dissoluteness, degeneracy

Antonyms: ascent, rise, morality

Sentence: The <u>decadence</u> of morals is bad for a nation.

10. ASSORTMENT (noun): वर्गीकरण

Pronunciation: uh·sawt·muhnt

Meaning: a miscellaneous collection of things or people.

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Synonyms: mixture, variety, array

Antonyms: likeness, sameness, similarity

Sentence: The room was filled with an <u>assortment</u> of clothes.



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