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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. CARVE (verb) – तराशना

Pronunciation: kaav
Meaning: cut a hard material in order to produce an object, design, or inscription
Synonyms: sculpt, sculpture, cut, chisel, hew, whittle, chip, hack
Antonyms: erase
Usage: Dustin used a hammer and chisel to <u>carve</u> out his name in the wood.

2. CONQUER (verb) – अधिकार करना

Pronunciation: kong·kuhMeaning: overcome and take control of a place or people by military forceSynonyms: defeat, beat, vanquish, trounce, annihilate, overpower, subdueAntonyms: liberate, lose

Usage: The small city was <u>conquered</u> by the vast armies of Rome in just a few hours, offering minimal resistance.

3. ILLUMINATE (verb) - रोशन करना

Pronunciation: uh·loo·muh·neit
Meaning: light up
Synonyms: brighten, light, floodlight, irradiate, illumine
Antonyms: darken
Usage: If the light bulb is too dim to <u>illuminate</u> the room, it should be replaced.

4. ACQUIT (verb) – बरी करना

Pronunciation: uh·kwit

Meaning: free someone from a criminal charge by a verdict of not guilty **Synonyms**: absolve, clear, exonerate, exculpate, discharge, release, liberate **Antonyms**: convict

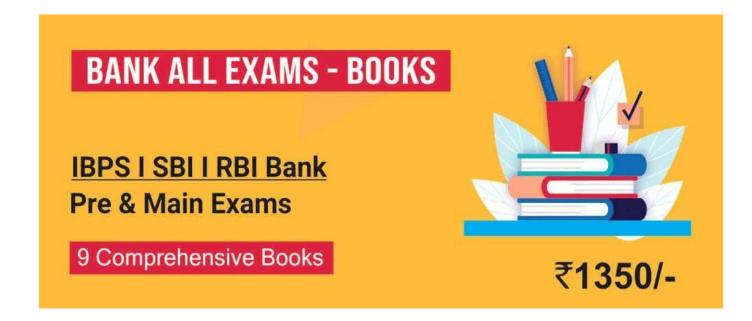


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Usage: The judge directed the jury to <u>acquit</u> Phillips of the murder.

5. CLOTHE (verb) – ढकना, कपड़े पहनना

Pronunciation: klowthMeaning: put clothes onSynonyms: dress, cover, enshroud, attire, outfit, array, costumeAntonyms: uncover, undressUsage: They clothe their children in the latest fashions.



6. CONTRAST (noun) - विपरीत, विषम

Pronunciation: kuhn·traa·st

Meaning: the state of being strikingly different

Synonyms: difference, dissimilarity, contradiction, disparity, variance, opposition

Antonyms: similarity, resemblance

Usage: Usually, the shopping habits of the rich <u>contrast</u> greatly with the spending habits of the poor.

7. DOMINEER (verb) - अत्याचार करना

Pronunciation: do·muh·neeuh

Meaning: assert one's will over another in an arrogant way **Synonyms**: browbeat, bully, intimidate, pressurize, menace, hector



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Antonyms: meek

Usage: Ruling with an iron fist, the dictator was able to <u>domineer</u> the oppressed citizens.

8. DISILLUSIONED (adjective) - मोहभंग, निराश

Pronunciation: di-suh-loo-zhnd

Meaning: disappointed in someone or something that one discovers to be less good than one had believed

Synonyms: disenchanted, disappointed, downcast, discouraged, disabused, undeceived, cynical

Antonyms: trusting, enthusiastic, enchanted

Usage: Several <u>disillusioned</u> party members have decided to switch to another political party.

9. DISASTROUS (adjective) - विनाशकारी

Pronunciation: duh·zaa·struhs

Meaning: causing great damage

Synonyms: catastrophic, calamitous, cataclysmic, tragic, devastating, ravaging,

ruinous

Antonyms: fortunate, successful, beneficial

Usage: The radiation leak has had a disastrous effect on the environment.

10. AWFUL (adjective) - भयंकर

Pronunciation: aw·fl
Meaning: very bad or unpleasant
Synonyms: disgusting, nasty, terrible, dreadful, ghastly, horrible
Antonyms: lovely, wonderful, good
Usage: An <u>awful</u> plague took over the city and thousands of people died from the sickness.



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