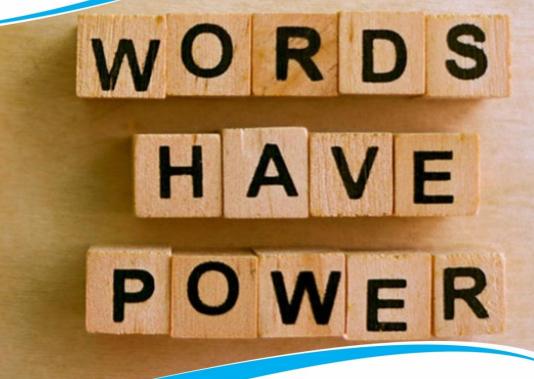






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper '**The Hindu**' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

Happy learning!!!

1.BLUSTER (noun): धमकी

Pronunciation: bluh-stuh
Meaning: loud, aggressive, or indignant talk with little effect.
Synonyms: ranting, hectoring, thundering
Antonyms: tranquillity, quietude
Sentence: I believe deeply in persuasion, not <u>bluster</u>.

2.POMPOUS (adj.): गर्वित

Pronunciation: pawmp·uhs
Meaning: affectedly and irritatingly grand, solemn, or self-important.
Synonyms: self-important, imperious, overbearing
Antonyms: egoless, humble, modest
Sentence: He appears pompous but is a good man underneath.

3.INOPPORTUNE (adj.): बेवक़्त

Pronunciation: i.naw.puh.choon Meaning: occurring at an inconvenient or inappropriate time. Synonyms: untimely, ill-timed, badly timed Antonyms: timely, expected Sentence: They arrived at an inopportune moment.

4.ENNOBLE (verb): उदात्त बनाना

Pronunciation: uh·noh·bl
Meaning: give (someone) a noble rank or title.
Synonyms: aggrandize, canonize, elevate
Antonyms: abase, degrade, demean
Sentence: The heroic actions of firefighters during the terrorist attack did much to ennoble the profession of fire fighting in the public mind.

5.MASCULINITY (noun): बहादुरता

Pronunciation: ma·skyoo·lin·uh·tee **Meaning**: qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of men. **Synonyms**: virility, manliness, maleness **Antonyms**: muliebrity, effeminacy



Sentence: Handsome, muscled, and driven, he's a prime example of masculinity.

6.QUELL (verb): शांत करना

Pronunciation: kvel
Meaning: put an end to (a rebellion or other disorder), typically by the use of force.
Synonyms: end, finish, get rid of
Antonyms: support, foment, incite
Sentence: Soldiers were sent in to <u>quell</u> the riots.

7.BLARNEY (noun): चापलूसी

Pronunciation: blaa.nee
Meaning: talk that aims to charm, pleasantly flatter, or persuade.
Synonyms: blandishments, honeyed word, flattery
Antonyms: disparagement, coerce,
Sentence: Only a fool will believe your <u>blarney</u>.

8.PENCHANT (noun): लगन

Pronunciation: pawn-shawn
Meaning: a strong or habitual liking for something or tendency to do something.
Synonyms: liking, fondness, preference
Antonyms: apathy, dislike, distaste
Sentence: She has a penchant for Indian food.

9.FOMENTED (verb): भड़काना

Pronunciation: fuh·ment·uhd
Meaning: instigate or stir up (an undesirable or violent sentiment or course of action).
Synonyms: instigate, incite, provoke
Antonyms: allay, calm, settle
Sentence: They accused him of <u>fomenting</u> political unrest.

10.RAUCOUS (adj.): कर्कश

Pronunciation: raw-kuhs
Meaning: making or constituting a disturbingly harsh and loud noise.
Synonyms: harsh, strident, screeching
Antonyms: sedate, sober, quiet
Sentence: I heard the <u>raucous</u> call of the crows.





