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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy Learning!!!

1. GALLANTRY (noun) – वीरता; स्शीलता

Pronunciation: gal-untri
Meaning: courage (in battle); polite behaviour towards women by men
Synonyms: bravery, valour; respect, courtesy
Antonyms: cowardice; rudeness
Usage: He win a medal for gallantry.

2. VENGEANCE (noun) – प्रतिशोध

Pronunciation: van-juns
Meaning: punishment inflicted for an injury or wrong
Synonyms: revenge, retribution, retaliation, requital, reprisal
Usage: The murdered girl's parents wanted <u>vengeance</u> in the form of the death penalty.

3. NARK (verb) – परेशान करना

Pronunciation: naak
Meaning: cause annoyance to someone
Synonyms: annoy, irritate, cross, angry, vex, exasperate, irk
Antonyms: appease, conciliate, mollify, pacify, placate
Usage: His remarks <u>narked</u> me.

4. MORDANT (adjective) - व्यंग्यमिश्रित आलोचना

Pronunciation: mo-duntMeaning: (especially of humour) having or showing a sharp or critical qualitySynonyms: caustic, trenchant, bitingAntonyms: vague, uncriticalUsage: My aunt owns a mordant sense of humour.

5. PAGEANTRY (noun) - जलूस

Pronunciation: paj-untri **Meaning:** elaborate display or ceremony **Synonyms:** spectacle, display, ceremony, magnificence, pomp **Usage:** She loved the <u>pageantry</u> and tradition of the Royal family.



6. UNHINGE (verb) – बावला या विक्षिप्त करना

Pronunciation: un-hinj **Meaning:** make (someone) mentally unbalanced **Synonyms:** deranged, demented, unbalanced



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Antonyms: sane, stable Usage: He was <u>unhinged</u> by his wife's death.

7. SWINGEING (adjective) - जबर्दस्त

Pronunciation: swin-jing
Meaning: severe or extreme in size, amount, or effect
Synonyms: severe, extreme, serious, substantial, drastic, harsh, punishing, excessive
Antonyms: minor, mild
Usage: The government is expected to make swingeing cuts.

8. SNARL (verb, noun) – उलझान; कर्कश शब्द बोलना

Pronunciation: snaal Meaning: entangle something; to speak sharply or irritably Synonyms: tangle, entangle, entwine, enmesh; bark, snap, grumble Antonym: untangle; calm (down), simmer down Usage:

- He <u>snarled</u> savagely at her. (verb)
- You'll be awfully sorry if you <u>snarl</u> your fishing line. (verb)
- She answered with an angry <u>snarl</u>. (noun)

9. CAVIL (verb) - अनुचित शिकायत करना

Pronunciation: kav-ul **Meaning:** to make unreasonable complaints, especially about things that are not important **Synonyms:** complain, carp, grumble, moan, grouse, grouch, whine **Usage:** Let's not <u>cavil</u> too much.

10. IMPUGN (verb) – वैधता पर सवाल उठाना

Pronunciation: im-pyoon
Meaning: dispute the truth, validity, or honesty of (a statement or motive)
Synonyms: challenge, question, dispute, query
Antonym: support
Usage: I did not mean to impugn her professional abilities.

