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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. DOUR (adj.) : कठोर

Pronunciation: doh•uh

Meaning: relentlessly severe, stern or gloomy in manner or appearance.

Synonyms: stern, unsmiling, unfriendly

Antonyms: benign, friendly, gentle

Sentence: No wonder he looked so dour.

2. TREPIDATION (noun) : घबराहट

Pronunciation: treh•puhd•ay•shn

Meaning: a feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen.

Synonyms: fear, apprehension, worry

Antonyms: boldness, confidence, courage

Sentence: Shaking with trepidation, I stepped into the old abandoned house.

3. OCCLUDE (verb) : रोक देना

Pronunciation: uh•klood

Meaning: stop, close up, or obstruct (an opening, orifice, or passage).

Synonyms: block, obstruct, stop

Antonyms: clear, free, unblock

Sentence: A blood clot had occluded a major artery in his body.

4. SCURRILOUS (adj.) : मिथ्या

Pronunciation: skuh•ruh•luhs

Meaning: making or spreading scandalous claims about someone with the intention of damaging their reputation.

Synonyms: abusive, vituperative, derogatory

Antonyms: respectful, polite, gracious

Sentence: He wrote a scurrilous piece about me in the local press.

5. ENTENTE (noun) : अंतत

Pronunciation: awn•tawnt

Meaning: a friendly understanding or informal alliance between states or factions.

Synonyms: understanding, agreement, alliance

Antonyms: disagreement, misunderstanding.

Sentence: The two leaders signed a treaty of entente and cooperation.

6. SCRIMMAGE (noun) : धक्का मुक्की

Pronunciation: skri•muhj

Meaning: a confused struggle or fight.

Synonyms: fight, battle, struggle

Antonyms: truce, accord, peace

Sentence: There was a considerable scrimmage, with people anxious to obtain cabs.

7. INSOUCIANCE (noun) : लापरवाही

Pronunciation: uhn•soo•see•uhns

Meaning: casual lack of concern; indifference.

Synonyms: nonchalance, unconcern, lack of concern

Antonyms: concern, interest, regard

Sentence: For all her apparent insouciance, she was desperately unhappy.

8. ABASH (verb) : लज्जित करना

Pronunciation: uh•bash

Meaning: make (someone) feel embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.

Synonyms: embarrassed, ashamed, shamefaced

Antonyms: comfort, console, relieve

Sentence: The girl was abashed by the laughter of her classmates.

9. VIRTUOSO (noun) : कलाप्रवीण व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: vuh•tyoo•oh•soh

Meaning: a person highly skilled in music or another artistic pursuit.

Synonyms: genius, expert, prodigy

Antonyms: amateur, amateurish, inexperienced

Sentence: He was gaining a reputation as a remarkable virtuoso.

10. STAID (adj.) : शांत

Pronunciation: stayd

Meaning: sedate, respectable, and unadventurous.

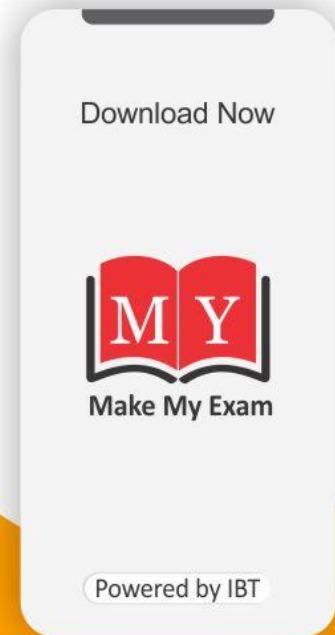
Synonyms: sedate, respectable, quiet

Antonyms: joking, kittenish, ludic

Sentence: He had grown staid and dull.

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