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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and usage. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary.

Happy Learning.....!!!

## 1. CONTUMELIOUS (adjective) – गुस्ताख, बदतमीज़

**Pronunciation:** kon-tyu-mee-li-us

**Meaning:** insulting behaviour; rude and arrogant behaviour

**Synonyms:** insolent, impertinent, impudent, cheeky, ill-mannered

**Antonym:** humble, polite

**Usage:** Angered with her niece's contumelious behavior, Linda decided not to invite her back over until she learned some manners.

## 2. PAEAN (noun) – विजय का गीत, प्रशंसात्मक गीत

**Pronunciation:** pee-un

**Meaning:** a song of praise or triumph; a creative work expressing enthusiastic praise

**Synonyms:** hymn, psalm, anthem, alleluia

**Usage:** After winning the battle, the warriors gathered around and sung a paean.

## 3. GALE (noun) – आंधी; असंयत हंसी

**Pronunciation:** geil

**Meaning:** a very strong wind; an outburst of laughter

**Synonyms:** storm, tempest, squall, hurricane; outburst, burst, eruption, explosion, effusion

**Usage:**

- A gale was blowing from the east.
- She collapsed into gales of laughter.

## 4. SURLY (adjective) – रुक्ष

**Pronunciation:** suh-li

**Meaning:** bad-tempered and unfriendly

**Synonyms:** ill-natured, grumpy, glum, crotchety, prickly

**Antonyms:** good-natured, friendly, pleasant

**Usage:** We were served by a very surly waiter.

## 5. BOOTLESS (adjective) – बेकार, व्यर्थ

**Pronunciation:** boot-lus

**Meaning:** an ineffectual or useless task

**Synonyms:** inefficacious, unproductive, fruitless, profitless, unrewarding

**Antonym:** fruitful

**Usage:** Your effort will be bootless.

## 6. CHOPPY (adjective) – ज़ोरदार लहरों वाला

**Pronunciation:** chopi

**Meaning:** (of a sea, lake, or river) having many small waves

**Synonyms:** rough, turbulent, heaving, tempestuous

**Antonyms:** calm, smooth

**Usage:** The sea began getting choppy.

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**7. ELUCIDATION (noun) – व्याख्या, विवरण**

**Pronunciation:** ilyoo-sidei-sh(u)n

**Meaning:** explanation that makes something clear

**Synonyms:** clarification, illumination, explication

**Usage:** Their objectives and methods require further elucidation.

**8. BRIMFUL (adjective) – पूरा भरा हुआ**

**Pronunciation:** brim-f(u)l

**Meaning:** filled with something to the point of overflowing

**Synonyms:** brimming, full, filled, overfull

**Antonym:** empty

**Usage:** She handed over a jug brimful of custard.

**9. GUILLELESS (adjective) – निष्कपट, निश्छल**

**Pronunciation:** gail-lus

**Meaning:** honest and direct; innocent

**Synonyms:** ingenuous, open, honest, sincere, genuine, naive

**Antonym:** scheming

**Usage:** He is a guileless young man.

**10. ELYSIAN (adjective) – स्वर्गिक, आनंद-दायक, दिव्य**

**Pronunciation:** ilizi-un

**Meaning:** relating to or characteristic of heaven or paradise

**Synonyms:** heavenly, paradisiacal, celestial, empyrean

**Antonyms:** hellish, mundane

**Usage:** I love to have Elysian dreams.



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