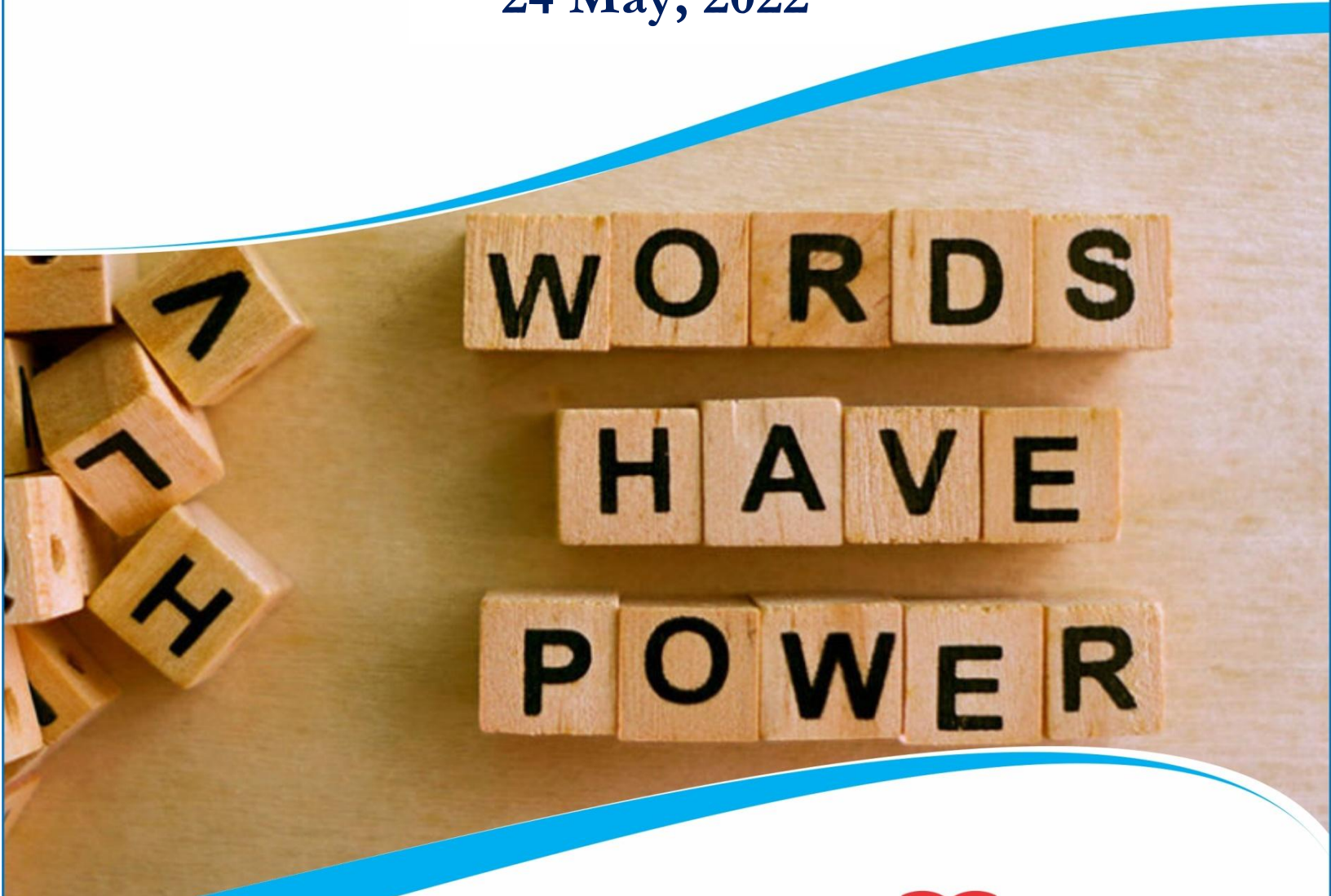
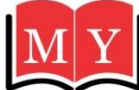


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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

**Happy learning!!!**

### **1. USURPATION (noun) : हड़प लेना**

**Pronunciation:** yoo·zuhp·ay·shn

**Meaning:** the unlawful taking or withholding of something from the rightful owner under the guise of authority

**Synonyms:** preemption, seizure, takeover

**Antonyms:** letting go, release, leave

**Sentence:** The unexpected usurpation of power by the government resulted in the townspeople revolting.

### **2. INNOCUOUS (adj.) : अहानिकर**

**Pronunciation:** uh·naw·kyoo·uhs

**Meaning:** not harmful or offensive.

**Synonyms:** harmless, safe, nondangerous

**Antonyms:** baleful, baneful, damaging

**Sentence:** His comment seemed perfectly innocuous.

### **3. LICIT (adj.) : जायज**

**Pronunciation:** li·suht

**Meaning:** not forbidden; lawful.

**Synonyms:** legitimate, permissible, admissible

**Antonyms:** illegal, illegitimate, illicit

**Sentence:** She made some money by licit means.

### **4. PERSEVERANCE (noun) : धैर्य**

**Pronunciation:** puh·suh·veeuh·ruhns

**Meaning:** persistence in doing something despite difficulty or delay in achieving success.

**Synonyms:** persistence, tenacity, determination

**Antonyms:** doubt, incertitude, indetermination

**Sentence:** Perseverance is the only road to success.

### **5. INGRATIATING (adj.) : अनुग्रह पाने**

**Pronunciation:** ng·gray·shee·ay·ting

**Meaning:** intended to gain approval or favor; sycophantic.

**Synonyms:** sycophantic, obsequious, servile

**Antonyms:** unendearing, uningratiating

**Sentence:** He said this with an ingratiating smile.

### **6. AD-LIB (verb) : बिना तैयारी के**

**Pronunciation:** ad lib

**Meaning:** speak or perform in public without previously preparing one's words.

**Synonyms:** extempore, without preparation, impromptu

**Antonyms:** considered, planned, premeditated

**Sentence:** She ad-libbed her way through the entire speech.

### **7. PITTANCE (noun) : अल्प भाग**

**Pronunciation:** pi·tns

**Meaning:** a very small or inadequate amount of money paid to someone as an allowance or wage.

**Synonyms:** very small amount, a tiny amount, an insufficient amount

**Antonyms:** big buck, treasure

**Sentence:** The internship offers only a pittance of a salary, but it is a great opportunity to gain experience.

### **8. FLABBERGAST (verb) : हैरत में डालना**

**Pronunciation:** fla·buh·gaast

**Meaning:** surprise (someone) greatly; astonish.

**Synonyms:** astonish, astound, amaze

**Antonyms:** aware, clear, oriented.

**Sentence:** He was flabbergasted when we told him how cheap it was.

### **9. DESECRATE (verb) : तिरस्कार करना**

**Pronunciation:** deh·suh·krayt

**Meaning:** treat (a sacred place or thing) with violent disrespect; violate.

**Synonyms:** violate, profane, dishonor

**Antonyms:** honor, respect, bless

**Sentence:** She shouldn't have desecrated the picture of a religious leader.

### **10. WHEEDLE (verb) : चापलूसी से मना लेना**

**Pronunciation:** vee·dl

**Meaning:** to get (someone) to do something by gentle urging, special attention, or flattery

**Synonyms:** blandish, blarney, flattery

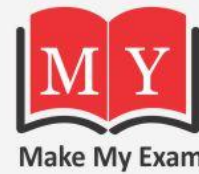
**Antonyms:** demand, force, compel

**Sentence:** She even managed to wheedle more money out of him.

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