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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. SUBDUE (verb) – अधीन करना, वश में करना

Pronunciation: sub-dyoo

Meaning: overcome, quieten, or bring under control (a feeling or person)

Synonyms: conquer, defeat, vanquish, overpower, overcome, overwhelm

Antonyms: aggrandize, exalt, fortify, strengthen, empower, liberate

Usage: Police managed to subdue the angry crowd.

2. ENFRANCHISE (verb) – मताधिकार देना, मुक्त करना

Pronunciation: en-fran-chaiz / in-fran-chaiz

Meaning: give the right to vote; free (a slave)

Synonyms: give suffrage to, grant suffrage to, grant franchise to; emancipate, liberate, free, release

Antonyms: disenfranchise; enslave

Usage:

- In Britain, women were enfranchised in 1918.
- He campaigned against Americans to get Africans enfranchised.

3. NONCHALANCE (noun) – नीरवता, शीतलता

Pronunciation: non-sh(u)l(u)ns

Meaning: the state of being casually calm and relaxed; not displaying anxiety, interest, or enthusiasm

Synonyms: calmness, coolness, insouciance, unconcern

Antonyms: anxiety, concern

Usage: He hides his worries behind a mask of nonchalance.

4. PETULANCE (noun) – झल्लाहट

Pronunciation: peh-choo-luhns

Meaning: easily annoyed and complaining in a rude way like a child

Synonyms: peevishness, bad temper, ill temper, pettishness, pique, impatience, irritability

Antonyms: amiability, charity, forbearance, gentleness, leniency

Usage: After being fouled out of the basketball game, the player displayed his petulance by kicking over a chair.

5. TEMPEST (noun) – आंधी, तूफान

Pronunciation: tem-pist

Meaning: a violent windy storm

Synonyms: storm, squall, gale, hurricane, tornado, cyclone, typhoon

Antonyms: tranquillity

Usage: The tempest hit the town very badly.

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6. CONTRETEMPS (noun) – मामूली विवाद; दुर्भाग्यपूर्ण घटना

Pronunciation: kon-truh-tom

Meaning: a minor dispute or disagreement; an unexpected and unfortunate occurrence

Synonyms: argument, quarrel, squabble, altercation, clash, fight; mishap, misadventure, accident, mischance

Usage: They have been ignoring me since our last contretemps.

7. CONTEND (verb) – संघर्ष करना

Pronunciation: kun-tend

Meaning: struggle to overcome a difficulty; compete with others in a struggle to achieve something

Synonyms: face, grapple with, resist, withstand; compete, challenge, vie, contest

Usage:

- They have to contend against draught every year.
- The firm is too small to contend against large international companies.

8. JAB (verb, noun) – प्रहार, मुक्का

Pronunciation: jab

Meaning: to push or hit something forcefully and quickly, often with a thin or sharp object; a quick, sharp blow, especially with the fist

Synonyms: poke, prod, dig, nudge, shove

Usage:

- She jabbed her finger in his ribs. (verb)
- The boy received a jab. (noun)

9. PURLOIN (verb) – चोरी करना

Pronunciation: puh-loin

Meaning: steal something

Synonyms: steal, thief, take, loot, pilfer

Usage: He must have purloined the key from somewhere.

10. DISCREPANCY (noun) – अंतर, भिन्नता

Pronunciation: dis-krep(u)nsi

Meaning: the state or quality of being in disagreement; an unexpected difference

Synonyms: inconsistency, difference, disparity, variance, variation, deviation, divergence

Antonyms: similarity, correspondence

Usage: A greater cause for resentment is the discrepancy in pay.



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