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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.MERCIFUL (adjective) - दयालु

Pronunciation: muh·suh·fl
Meaning: showing or exercising mercy
Synonyms: forgiving, kind, pitying, gracious, forbearing, humane, compassionate
Antonyms: merciless, cruel
Usage: She was <u>merciful</u> to the prisoners.

2.AUXILIARY (adjective) - सहायक

Pronunciation: awg·zi·luh·ree
Meaning: providing supplementary or additional help and support
Synonyms: additional, supplementary, supplemental, extra, reserve, backup, emergency
Antonyms: important, necessary
Usage: The hospital has an <u>auxiliary</u> power system in case of blackout.

3.VIGILANCE (noun) – जागरूकता

Pronunciation: vi·juh·luhns
Meaning: the state of keeping a careful watch for danger
Synonyms: surveillance, alertness, care, attentiveness, caution, wariness, circumspection, prudence
Antonyms: neglect, carelessness, inattentiveness
Usage: Because of my neighbor's vigilance, the intruder was caught in the act.

4.DEFIANT (adjective) – उपेक्षापूर्ण

Pronunciation: duh·fai·uhnt
Meaning: boldly resisting authority or an opposing force
Synonyms: intransigent, resistant, obstinate, uncooperative, recalcitrant, confrontational, challenging
Antonyms: cooperative, submissive
Usage: The terrorists sent a <u>defiant</u> message to the government.

5.DERIVATIVE (adjective) – अमौलिक

Pronunciation: duh·ri·vuh·tuhv

Meaning: an object or idea that is produced from something else



Synonyms: imitative, unoriginal, uninventive, cognate, secondary, subordinate, acquired **Antonyms:** inventive, original, fundamental

Usage: The new antibiotic is listed as a <u>derivative</u> of penicillin because it was produced from a penicillin base.

6.TURMOIL (noun) – खलबली

Pronunciation: tuh⋅moyl
Meaning: a state of confusion or disorder
Synonyms: confusion, turbulence, tumult, disorder, commotion, disturbance, agitation
Antonyms: calm, order, peace
Usage: During the riots, there was widespread <u>turmoil</u> in the city.

7.VACUOUS (adjective) – मूढ़

Pronunciation: va·kyoo·uhs

Meaning: having or showing a lack of thought or intelligence

Synonyms: blank, vacant, brainless, expressionless, deadpan, inscrutable, inexpressive **Antonyms:** intelligent, expressive, meaningful

Usage: The talk show host was well-known for making <u>vacuous</u> statements about celebrities.

8.DOMINATION (noun) – प्रभुत्व, वर्चस्व

Pronunciation: do·muh·nei·shn
Meaning: power or control over people or things
Synonyms: rule, sovereignty, control, command, authority, power, influence
Antonyms: inferiority, weakness
Usage: Wanting total <u>domination</u> of the business, the attorney offered to buy his partner out so that he could make all the decision.

9. ALACRITY (noun) – तत्परता

Pronunciation: uh·la·kruh·tee

Meaning: cheerful willingness and eagerness

Synonyms: eagerness, willingness, readiness, enthusiasm, ardour, fervour, keenness **Antonyms:** apathy, coolness, discouragement

Usage: His <u>alacrity</u> to learn more about technology grew as he diligently studied the subject.

10.RESILIENCE (noun) – लचीलापन

Pronunciation: ruh·zi·lee·uhns **Meaning:** the ability of a substance or object to spring back into shape



Synonyms: flexibility, pliability, durability, plasticity, elasticity, spring **Antonyms:** rigidity, fragility, vulnerability **Usage:** Nylon is excellent in resistance and <u>resilience</u>.

