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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. ANTITHESIS (noun) – विलोम

Pronunciation: an·ti·thuh·suhs

Meaning: a person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else

Synonyms: converse, reverse, reversal, inverse, obverse

Antonyms: identity, sameness, coalescence

Usage: Slavery is the antithesis of freedom.

2. APPREHENSION (noun) – डर, शंका

Pronunciation: a·pruh·hen·shn

Meaning: anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen

Synonyms: anxiety, worry, restlessness, panic, dread, fear, shock, horror

Antonyms: in apprehension, confidence

Usage: She felt a shiver of apprehension.

3. DISCONCERT (verb) – व्याकुल करना

Pronunciation: di·skuhn·suht

Meaning: disturb the composure of

Synonyms: unsettle, nonplus, discomfit, unnerve, disorient, perturb, disturb

Antonyms: reassure, encourage, comfort

Usage: John would disconcert his parents by not coming home after school.

4. COURTESY (noun) – शिष्टाचार

Pronunciation: kuh·tuh·see

Meaning: the showing of politeness in one's attitude and behaviour towards others

Synonyms: politeness, civility, respect, chivalry, gentility

Antonyms: discourtesy, rudeness

Usage: He did not have the common courtesy to ask permission.

5. RENOUNCE (verb) – त्याग

Pronunciation: ruh·nawns

Meaning: formally declare one's abandonment of a claim, right, or possession

Synonyms: reject, repudiate, give up, relinquish, abandon, resign

Antonyms: accept, assert, reassert

Usage: If the prince chooses to renounce his throne, he will not be king when his father dies.

6. HUMBUG (noun) – छल-कपट

Pronunciation: huhm·buhg

Meaning: deceptive actions or words

Synonyms: hypocrisy, deceit, dishonesty, falsity, sham, deception, trickery

Antonyms: honesty, truthfulness

Usage: Because the voters were not fooled by the politician's humbug, they gave their support to his opponent.

7. DELVE (verb) – खोजना

Pronunciation: delv

Meaning: to search thoroughly and carefully

Synonyms: inquire, explore, investigate, search, examine

Antonyms: find, ignore, neglect

Usage: We need to delve more deeply into this matter.

8. ACCOLADE (noun) – सम्मान

Pronunciation: a·kuh·leid

Meaning: an award or privilege granted as a special honour or as an acknowledgement of merit

Synonyms: honor, recognition, privilege, award, title, prize

Antonyms: discouragement, disapprobation

Usage: The Nobel Prize has become the ultimate accolade in the sciences.

9. VISCOUS (adjective) – चिपचिपा

Pronunciation: vi·skuhs

Meaning: having a thick, sticky consistency between solid and liquid; having a high viscosity

Synonyms: sticky, gummy, gluey, adhesive, tacky, adhering, viscid

Antonyms: dry, unsticky, watery

Usage: Because honey is a viscous substance, it takes a great deal of work to remove it from a jar.

10. BEHEST (noun) – आज्ञा

Pronunciation: buh·hest

Meaning: a person's orders or command

Synonyms: mandate, command, order, instruction, injunction, edict

Antonym: question

Usage: They arrested him at the King's behest.



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