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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. CLAMOUR (VERB): कोलाहल

Pronunciation: clam·our
Meaning: to demand something in a loud or angry way.
Synonyms: Commotion, Uproar, Tumult
Antonyms: Stillness, Hush, Lull
Sentence: The crowded stadium erupted in a clamour of cheers and applause.

# 2. OBSCENITY (ADJECTIVE): अश्लीलता

#### Pronunciation: awb·see·nuh·tee

Meaning: sexual words or acts that shock people and cause offence. Synonyms: Vulgarity, Profanity, Foulness Antonyms: Decorum, propriety, Purity Sentence: The comedian's performance was filled with <u>obscenities</u> and vulgar language, shocking the audience.

## 3. REBUFF (NOUN): प्रतिघात

Pronunciation: ruh·buhf
Meaning: to reject or criticize sharply.
Synonyms: Snub, Repulse, Banishment
Antonyms: Embrace, Welcome, Glad hand
Sentence: Despite his best efforts, he received a <u>rebuff</u> from the hiring manager and did

# 4.FERVENT(ADJECTIVE):उत्साही

# Pronunciation: fuh·vnt Meaning: having or showing very strong feelings about something. Synonyms: Passionate, Ardent, Warm Antonyms: Apathetic, Indifferent, Dry Sentence: His <u>fervent</u> love for music drove him to practice for hours every day.

# 5. SCORCHING (ADJECTIVE) : तपताह्आ

**Pronunciation: skawch∙uhng Meaning:** very hot. **Synonyms:** Searing, Burning, Boiling



**Antonyms:** Freezing, Cold, Glacial **Sentence:** The scorching sun made it unbearable to be outside.

# 6. MELANCHOLY (NOUN/ADJECTIVE): उदासी

**Pronunciation:** meh·luhng·kuh·lee

Meaning: a feeling of pensive sadness, typically with no obvious cause. Synonyms: Sadness, Sorrow, Depression Antonyms: cheery, Happy, Glad Sentence: The old photograph brought back a wave of <u>melancholy</u> memories.

# 7. CONTENTMENT (NOUN, VERB) : संतोष

#### Pronunciation: kuhn·tent·muhnt

Meaning: a state of happiness and satisfaction. Synonyms: Satisfaction, Fulfilment, Comfort Antonyms: Discontent, Dissatisfaction, Sorrow Sentence: After years of hard work, he finally found <u>contentment</u> in his career.

# 8. MAGNIFY (VERB): बढ़ाना

#### **Pronunciation:** mag·nuh·fai

Meaning: make (something) appear larger than it is, especially with a lens. Synonyms: Amplify, Enlarge, Expand Antonyms: Reduce, Decrease, Minimize Sentences: The microscope allowed us to <u>magnify</u> the tiny organisms and studythem in detail.

# 9. DIASPORA (NOUN): प्रवासी

#### Pronunciation: dai·a·spuh·ruh

Meaning: the movement of people away from their own country. Synonyms: Exile, Dispersion, Displacement Antonyms: Concentration, Integration Sentences: The Indian <u>diaspora</u> has made significant contributions to variousfields around the world.

## 10. DISASTROUS (ADJECTIVE): आपदाजनक

Pronunciation: di-zaa-struhs

Meaning: terrible, harmful or failing completely. Synonyms: Catastrophic, Devastating, Dire Antonyms: Beneficial, Favorable, Happy Sentences: The hurricane caused <u>disastrous</u> damage to the coastal towns.



