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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. DOGMA (NOUN): हठधर्मिता

Pronunciation: dawg.muh
Meaning: a belief or set of beliefs that people are expected to accept as true without questioning
Synonyms: belief, conviction, tenet
Antonyms: doubt, open-mindedness
Example Sentence: In place of dogma, the elements of religion were alone to be taught.

2. JEOPARDIZE (VERB): जोखिम में डालना

Pronunciation: jep.uh.dyz
Meaning: to do something that may damage something or put it at risk
Synonyms: endanger, imperil,risk
Antonyms: safeguard, protect ,save
Example Sentence: He said that the deportations could jeopardize international negotiations.

3. PANDEMONIUM (NOUN): विप्लव

Pronunciation: pan.duh.moh.nee.uhmMeaning: a state of great noise and confusionSynonyms: chaos, mayhem ,havocAntonyms: silence, peaceExample Sentence: There was complete pandemonium here.

4. ASSUAGE (VERB): राहत देना

Pronunciation: uh.svayj
Meaning: to make an unpleasant feeling less strong
Synonyms: ease, alleviate , soothe
Antonyms: Aggravate , hurt , harm
Example Sentence: The letter assuaged the fears of most members

5. DISCONTENT (VERB): असंतोष

Pronunciation: dis.kuhn.tent



Meaning: the state of being unhappy with something Synonyms: disaffection, grievances, envy Antonyms: contentment, satisfaction, joyous Example Sentence: Voters voiced discontent with both parties.

6. ABRASIVE (ADJECTIVE): अपघर्षक

Pronunciation: uh.brays.uhv
Meaning: rough and likely to scratch
Synonyms: cutting, grating , harsh
Antonyms: kind , delightful , pleasing
Example Sentence: Her abrasive and arrogant personal style won her few friends.

7. EUPHEMISM (NOUN): प्रेयोक्ति

Pronunciation: yoo.fuh.mi.zm

Meaning: an indirect word or expression that you use instead of a more direct one when you are talking about something that is unpleasant or embarrassing; the use of such expressions **Synonyms**: understatement, underplaying, coy term **Antonyms**: dysphemism

Example Sentence: The jargon has given us 'downsizing' as a euphemism for cuts.

8. HEDONISTIC (ADJECTIVE): सुखवादी

Pronunciation: heh.duh.ni.stuhk
Meaning: devoted to the pursuit of pleasure
Synonyms: indulgent, pleasure-seeking , luxurious
Antonyms: ascetic, sober , continent
Example Sentence: He accepted bodily without farther questioning the hedonistic psychology.

9. EPITOMIZE (VERB): संक्षिप्तकरना

Pronunciation: epitomizeMeaning: to be typical of somethingSynonyms: abstract, precisAntonyms: elaborateExample Sentence: For the benefit of our readers, we will epitomize the pamphlet.

10. SIDESTEP (VERB): बचना

Pronunciation: side.step **Meaning:** to avoid answering a question or dealing with a problem



Synonyms: evade, dodge , shuns **Antonyms**: tackle , keeps , obeys **Example Sentence**:He neatly sidestepped the questions about riots.

