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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. What's more, take the test given at the last to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. CONCEITED (adjective) – अभिमानी

Pronunciation: kuhn·see·tuhd
Meaning: excessively proud of oneself; vain
Synonyms: vain, narcissistic, self-centered, egotistical, proud, arrogant, boastful
Antonyms: modest, self-effacing
Usage: The <u>conceited</u> man would not stop talking about himself.

2. CASTIGATE (verb) – फटकारना, सज़ा देना

Pronunciation: ka·stuh·geit
Meaning: reprimand someone severely
Synonyms: reprimand, scold, punish, rebuke, admonish, chastise, chide
Antonyms: praise, commend
Usage: If you want better results, you should praise your children and not <u>castigate</u> them.

3. NEGATE (verb) – खंडन करना

Pronunciation: nuh·geit
Meaning: make ineffective; nullify
Synonyms: invalidate, nullify, neutralize, revoke, abrogate
Antonyms: confirm, validate
Usage: These facts <u>negate</u> your theory.

4. OMIT (verb) – छोड़ देना

Pronunciation: uh·mit

Meaning: leave out or exclude (someone or something), either intentionally or forgetfully **Synonyms**: exclude, except, shut out, leave off, take out, miss out, drop

Antonyms: add, include

Usage: Janice was angry because she thought I chose to purposely <u>omit</u> her name from my party list.

5. UNTENABLE (adjective) – अस्थिर, असमर्थनीय

Pronunciation: $uhn \cdot teh \cdot nuh \cdot bl$



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Meaning: not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection **Synonyms**: indefensible, undefendable, unarguable, insupportable, unsustainable **Antonyms**: tenable, defensible

Usage: The mayor's proposal is <u>untenable</u> and will not gain the support of the city council.



6. SANGUINE (adjective) – आशावादी

Pronunciation: sang·gwn

Meaning: optimistic or positive, especially in an apparently bad or difficult situation **Synonyms**: optimistic, bullish, hopeful, buoyant, positive, confident, cheerful **Antonym**: pessimistic, gloomy

Usage: He seemed quite sanguine about his chances of success.

7. IMPREGNABLE (adjective) – अभेद्य

Pronunciation: im·preg·nuh·bl
Meaning: unable to be captured or broken into
Synonyms: invulnerable, impenetrable, inviolable, secure, strong, stout, safe
Antonyms: vulnerable, conquerable
Usage: During the battle, the soldiers were unable to breach the <u>impregnable</u> castle walls.

8. SPENDTHRIFT (noun) – अपव्ययी

Pronunciation: spend · thrift

Meaning: a person who spends money in an extravagant, irresponsible way **Synonyms**: profligate, prodigal, waster, big spender, wastrel, improvident, extravagant **Antonyms**: miser, frugal



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Usage: Because the lottery winner was a <u>spendthrift</u>, he spent his winnings in less than a year.

9. CONFISCATE (verb) – ज़ब्त करना

Pronunciation: kon·fuh·skeit
Meaning: take or seize someone's property with authority
Synonyms: impound, seize, commandeer, requisition, expropriate
Antonyms: return, release
Usage: The police have the right to <u>confiscate</u> any forbidden objects they find.

10. SAGACIOUS (adjective) - मेधावी

Pronunciation: suh·gei·shuhs
Meaning: having or showing keen mental discernment and good judgement; wise or shrewd
Synonyms: wise, clever, intelligent, knowledgeable, sensible, sage, discerning
Antonym: stupid, foolish

Usage: The sagacious inventor went from rags to riches with one great idea.

