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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.BULWARK (noun): बांध

Pronunciation: bul•vuhk

Meaning: a defensive wall.

Synonyms: wall, rampart, fortification

Antonyms: harm, hurt, injury.

Sentence: Our people's support is a bulwark against the enemy.

2.LANGUISHED (verb) : दुर्बल होना

Pronunciation: lang•gvuhsht

Meaning: (of a person or other living thing) lose or lack vitality; grow weak or feeble.

Synonyms: weaken, grow weak, deteriorate

Antonyms: rebounded, recovered, recuperated

Sentence: He languished in poverty for years.

3.DISMAL (adj.) : निराशाजनक

Pronunciation: diz•muhl

Meaning: depressing; dreary.

Synonyms: dingy, dim, dark

Antonyms: cheering, cheery, glad

Sentence: Christmas will be dismal without the children.

4.EXPLICABLE (adj.) : समझाने के योग्य

Pronunciation: uhk•spli•kuh•bl

Meaning: able to be accounted for or understood.

Synonyms: explainable, interpretable, definable

Antonyms: inexplicable, insoluble, unsolvable

Sentence: The sudden increase in sales is easily explicable.

5.GIST (noun) : सार

Pronunciation: jist

Meaning: the substance or essence of a speech or text.

Synonyms: essence, substance, quintessence

Antonyms: exterior, exteriority, insignificance.

Sentence: she noted the gist of each message

6.DECIMATION (noun) : बरबादी

Pronunciation: deh•suh•may•shn

Meaning: the state or fact of being rendered non-existent

Synonyms: annihilation, demolishment, demolition

Antonyms: building, construction, protection

Sentence: The virtual decimation of the coastal town was caused by the hurricane.

7.ASCENDANCY (noun) : प्रभुत्व

Pronunciation: uh•send•uhns•ee

Meaning: occupation of a position of dominant power or influence.

Synonyms: dominance, domination, supremacy

Antonyms: impotence, impotency, powerlessness

Sentence: He slowly gained ascendancy in the group.

8.VACATE (verb) : खाली

Pronunciation: vuh•kayt

Meaning: leave (a place that one previously occupied).

Synonyms: leave, get out of, move out of

Antonyms: fill, load

Sentence: Rooms must be vacated by noon on the last day of your vacation.

9.GRAPPLE (verb) : मुठभेड

Pronunciation: gra•pl

Meaning: engage in a close fight or struggle without weapons; wrestle.

Synonyms: wrestle, struggle, tussle

Antonyms: concord, harmony, peace

Sentence: Two sumo wrestlers were grappling like a pair of mammoth bears.

10.RABID (adj.) : विक्षिप्त

Pronunciation: ra•buhd

Meaning: having or proceeding from extreme or fanatical support of or belief in something.

Synonyms: extreme, fanatical, overzealous

Antonyms: delighted, pleased

Sentence: Even the survey's most rabid critics acknowledge the utility of this kind of data.

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