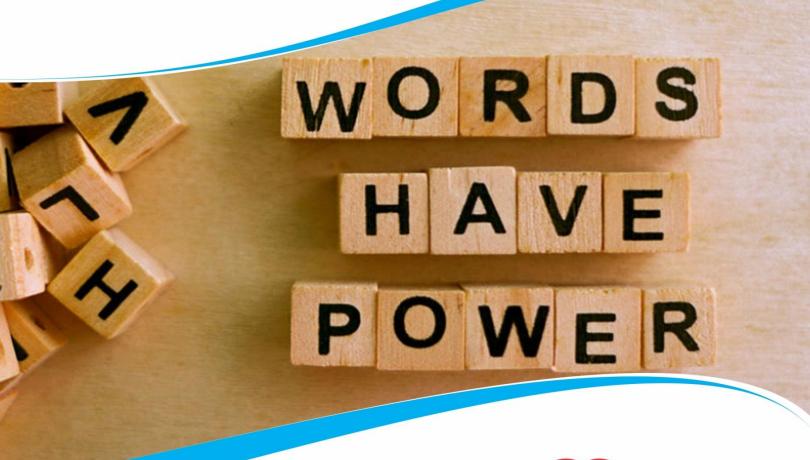




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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy Learning!!!

1. GLEAN (verb) - जानकारी बटोरना

Pronunciation: gleen

Meaning: obtain (information) from various sources, often with difficulty

Synonyms: obtain, get, take, draw, derive, extract

Usage: Several lessons can be gleaned from our experience so far.

2. CUSTOMARY (adjective) - प्रथागत

Pronunciation: kustum(u)ri

Meaning: according to the customs or usual practices associated with a particular society, place, or set of circumstances;

according to a person's habitual practice

Synonyms: usual, traditional, normal, conventional, familiar

Antonyms: unusual, exceptional, rare

Usage: It is <u>customary</u> to offer a drink or a snack to guests.

3. STOUT (adjective) – मोटा, बलवान, साहसी

Pronunciation: staut

Meaning: (of a person) rather fat or of heavy build Synonyms: fat, plump, portly, rotund, roly-poly **Antonyms:** thin, slender; half-hearted, feeble Usage: He was a tall, stout man with gray hair.

4. TERMINATION (noun) – समाप्ति

Pronunciation: ter-mi-nei-shun

Meaning: the action of bringing something to end Synonyms: ending, end, closing, close, conclusion

Antonyms: start, beginning

Usage: The landlord gave notice of the <u>termination</u> of tenancy.

5. IMPOSTOR (noun) - पाखण्डी, कपटी

Pronunciation: im-poster

Meaning: a person who pretends to be someone else in order to deceive others, especially for fraudulent gain

Synonyms: impersonator, pretender, hoaxer, fake

Usage: The nurse was soon discovered to be an impostor.

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6. CULMINATION (noun) - परिणति, पराकाष्ठा

Pronunciation: kul-mi-nei-shun

Meaning: the highest or climactic point of something, especially as attained after a long time

Synonyms: climax, pinnacle, peak, high point

Antonym: nadir

Usage: They marked the successful <u>culmination</u> of a long campaign.

7. APOSTASY (noun) - स्वधर्मत्याग

Pronunciation: upo-stusi

Meaning: the abandonment or renunciation of a religious or political belief or principle

Synonyms: treachery, perfidy, disloyalty

Antonym: loyalty

Usage: In those days <u>apostasy</u> was punishable by death.

8. ABOMINATION (noun) – अति घृणा

Pronunciation: ub-omi-nei-sh(u)n

Meaning: a thing that causes disgust; a feeling of hatred

Synonyms: atrocity, disgrace, horror, obscenity; detestation, loathing, hatred, aversion

Antonyms: liking, love

Usage: She regarded smoking with abomination.

9. GUSTO (noun) - उत्साह, जोश

Pronunciation: gusto

Meaning: enjoyment and enthusiasm in doing something **Synonyms:** enthusiasm, relish, appetite, enjoyment, delight

Antonyms: apathy, distaste

Usage: Everyone joined in the singing with great gusto.

10. GLEE (noun) - उल्लास, आनंद

Pronunciation: glee

Meaning: great delight, especially from one's own good fortune or another's misfortune

Synonyms: delight, pleasure, happiness, joy

Antonyms: gloom, disappointment Usage: She opened her presents with glee.



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