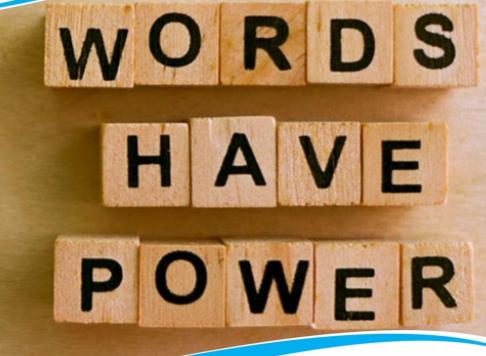






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. ESPIONAGE (noun) : जासूसी

Pronunciation: eh•spee•uh•naazh
Meaning: act of finding out secret information about another country or org
Synonyms: observation, eavesdropping, surveillance
Antonyms: malfunctioning, insignificant
Sentence: Many people were arrested under the Espionage Act.

2. VERISIMILITUDE (noun) : संभाव्यता

Pronunciation: veh•ruh•suh•mi•luh•tood
Meaning: the appearance or quality of seeing to be true.
Synonyms: realism, literalism
Antonyms: falseness, dissimilarity
Sentence: To add verisimilitude, the stage is covered with sand for the desert scene.

3. ANTAGONIST (noun) : प्रतिपक्षी

Pronunciation: an•ta•guh•nuhst
Meaning: a person who is strongly against somebody/ something
Synonyms: adversary, competitor, opposer
Antonyms: associate, protagonist, supporter
Sentence: He hit upon a plan to defeat his <u>antagonist</u>.

4. THRALL (noun) : गुलाम

Pronunciation: thraalMeaning: the state of being in someone's powerSynonyms: servitude, slaveryAntonym: masterySentence: The country's economy is in <u>thrall</u> to the big companies.

5. FISSURE (noun) : दरार

Pronunciation: fi•shr **Meaning:** a long narrow depression in a surface **Synonyms:** crack, cleft **Antonyms:** closure, solid



Sentence: Ahead lay a arge <u>fissure</u> in the ice, three feet across

6. OMINOUS (adj) : अमंगल

Pronunciation: aa•muh•nuhs
Meaning: giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen
Synonyms: threatening, menacing
Antonyms: auspicious, bright
Sentence: Those black cloud look a bit <u>ominous</u>.

7. DAUNTING (adj) : कठिन

Pronunciation: daan•tuhng
Meaning: seeming difficult to deal with/Intimidating
Synonyms: dismay, subdue, dishearten
Antonyms: assist, support, calm
Sentence: The prospect of meeting with Principal is quite daunting

8. COMPUNCTION (noun) : मलाल

Pronunciation: kuhm•puhngk•chn
Meaning: feeling of deep Regret
Synonyms: unease, misgiving, guilt
Antonyms: disdain, meanness, happiness
Sentence: Actress kept Director and team waiting without the slightest compunction.

9. CONCILIATORY (adj) : मिलाप करनेवाला

Pronunciation: kuhn•si•lee•uh•taw•ree
Meaning : intended or likely to placate or pacify
Synonyms: calm, pacify, quiet
Antonyms: antagonist, fight, stubborn
Sentence: Everyone is in <u>conciliatory</u> mood at the start of the class.

10. PROPHYLACTIC (noun) : रोगनिरोधी

Pronunciation: prow•fuh•lak•tuhk Meaning: intended to prevent diseases Synonyms: preventive, contraceptive Antonyms: irregularity, unusualness Sentence: Vaccination and other <u>prophylactic</u> measures are using to prevent COVID-19.



