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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 mucah you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

### 1. OBSOLETE (adj.) : पुराना

Pronunciation: awb·suh·leet
Meaning: no longer produced or used; out of date.
Synonyms: out of date, outdated, outmoded
Antonyms: new-fashioned, modern, recent
Sentence: Gas lamps became obsolete when electric lighting was invented.

### 2. OUTSKIRTS (noun) : उपनगर

**Pronunciation: awt** skuhts **Meaning:** the outer parts of a town or city. **Synonyms:** outlying districts, purlieu, suburb **Antonyms:** inner city, midtown **Sentence:** They live on the <u>outskirts</u> of Bangalore.

# 3. TACTLESS (adj.) : उद्दंड

Pronunciation: takt · luhs
Meaning: having or showing a lack of adroitness and sensitivity in dealing with others or with difficult issues.
Synonyms: insensitive, inconsiderate, thoughtless
Antonyms: judicious, prudent, tactful
Sentence: His tactless words had incurred his father's deep displeasure.

## 4. BIVOUAC (noun) : शिविर

#### **Pronunciation: bi**·voo·ak

**Meaning:** a temporary camp without tents or cover, used especially by soldiers or mountaineers. **Synonyms:** tent, encamp, cantonment

Antonyms: tasteful, dead, inanimate

Sentence: Soldiers setting up a <u>bivouac</u> by the stream.

### 5. CONCOMITANT (adj.) : सहगामी

**Pronunciation:** kuhng·kaw·muh·tnt **Meaning:** naturally accompanying or associated.



**Synonyms:** attendant, accompanying, associated **Antonyms:** unrelated, unconnected **Sentence:** Any increase in students meant a <u>concomitant</u> increase in funding.

# 6. INANE (adj.) : मूर्खतापूर्ण

Pronunciation: uh nayn Meaning: having or showing a lack of common sense or judgment; absurd and foolish Synonyms: silly, foolish, stupid Antonyms: meaningful, significant, eloquent Sentence: Penny began an <u>inane</u> conversation about the book she was reading to fill the silence.

## 7. ELEVENTH HOUR (noun) : अंतिम क्षण

**Pronunciation: ELEVENTH HOUR** 

Meaning: the latest possible time Synonyms: last minute, zero-hour, last moment Antonyms: punctual, early, delayed Sentence: He postponed his trip at the <u>eleventh hour</u>.

### 8. CONVIVIALITY (noun) : प्रफुल्लता

Pronunciation: kuhn·vi·vee·al·uh·tee
Meaning: the quality of being friendly and lively; friendliness.
Synonyms: friendliness, geniality, affability
Antonyms: misery, grief, mourning
Sentence: Gatherings of friends bring joy with <u>convivality</u> and celebration.

### 9. GUILE (noun) : छल

Pronunciation: gileMeaning: the inclination or practice of misleading others through lies or trickerySynonyms: deception, cunning, slynessAntonyms: sincerity, guilelessness, ingenuousnessSentence: With a little guile he might get what he wanted.

### 10. ABORTIVE (adj.) : निष्फल

Pronunciation: uh·bawt·uhv
Meaning: failing to produce the intended result.
Synonyms: failed, unsuccessful, futile
Antonyms: effective, effectual, efficacious
Sentence: He made an <u>abortive</u> attempt to recover the sunken pirate ship.



