







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. ANIMADVERSION (noun) : निन्दा

Pronunciation: a·nuh·mad·vuh·shn
Meaning: criticism or censure.
Synonyms: harsh criticism, disapproval
Antonyms: extol, laud, praise
Sentence: He was infuriated by their constant animadversion.

### 2. DOTARD (noun) : बूढ़ा

Pronunciation: dot ard
Meaning: an old person, especially one who has become physically weak or whose mental faculties have declined.
Synonyms: elder, geriatric, senior citizen
Antonyms: youngster, youth, adolescent
Sentence: You are a real dotard to have forgotten it so easily.

#### 3. SMATTERING (noun) : अल्प ज्ञान

Pronunciation: sma·tuh·ruhng
Meaning: a slight superficial knowledge of a language or subject.
Synonyms: erudition, learnedness
Antonyms: ignorance, illiteracy
Sentence: He only has a smattering of French.

### 4. MEED (noun) : पुरस्कार

**Pronunciation: MEED Meaning:** a deserved share or reward. **Synonyms:** reward, award, prize **Antonyms:** dishonor, nonpayment **Sentence:** There was a <u>meed</u> of \$50 for the return of the missing cat.

### 5. MACABRE (adj.) : भयावह

**Pronunciation:** muh·kaa·bruh

**Meaning:** disturbing and horrifying because of involvement with or depiction of death and injury.

Vocabulary

**Synonyms:** gruesome, grisly, ghastly **Antonyms:** comforting, soothing, pleasant **Sentence:** Even the police were horrified at the <u>macabre</u> nature of the killings.

## 6. AGOG (adj.) : उत्सुक

Pronunciation: uh·gawg
Meaning: very eager or curious to hear or see something.
Synonyms: eager, excited, impatient
Antonyms: apathetic, unenthusiastic, incurious
Sentence: I've been agog all afternoon, waiting for the next part of your story.

## 7. STINGY (adj.) : कंजूस

Pronunciation: sting ee
Meaning: unwilling to give or spend; ungenerous.
Synonyms: parsimonious, niggardly, penny-pinching
Antonyms: bounteous, openhanded, munificent
Sentence: He's really stingy and never buys the drinks when we go out.

## 8. BUNGLER (noun) : भूल करने वाला

**Pronunciation:** buhng·guhl·uh **Meaning:** a person who habitually bungles things; an amateur. **Synonyms:** blunderer, incompetent, amateur **Antonyms:** expert, maestro, master **Sentence:** He's an incompetent <u>bungler</u>.

## 9. HILARITY (noun) : आनंद

**Pronunciation:** huh·la·ruh·tee **Meaning:** extreme amusement, especially when expressed by laughter. **Synonyms:** amusement, mirth, laughter **Antonyms:** depression, despondence, sorrow **Sentence:** His incredulous expression was the cause of much <u>hilarity</u>.

# 10. DELIVERANCE (noun) : मुक्ति

**Pronunciation:** duh·li·vuh·ruhns **Meaning:** the action of being rescued or set free. **Synonyms:** liberation, release, freeing **Antonyms:** decline, death, evil **Sentence:** We pray for <u>deliverance</u> from our sins.



