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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.DITHER (verb) – अनिश्चय में होना

Pronunciation: di thuh
Meaning: to hesitate or be indecisive
Synonyms: hesitate, falter, waver, teeter, vacillate, oscillate, fluctuate
Antonyms: calm, peaceful, decisive
Usage: Stop <u>dithering</u> and choose which one you want.

2.DEVOUT (adjective) - धर्मनिष्ठ

Pronunciation: di-vaut
Meaning: totally committed to a cause or belief
Synonyms: pious, religious, devoted, dedicated, committed, loyal, faithful
Antonyms: insincere, lapsed
Usage: His grandfather is a <u>devout</u> Buddhist.

3.QUIRKY (adjective) - विचित्र

Pronunciation: kwuh·kee **Meaning:** having or characterized by peculiar or unexpected traits or aspects **Synonyms:** eccentric, unconventional, strange, bizarre, weird, peculiar, odd **Antonyms:** normal, usual **Usage:** I like his <u>quirky</u> sense of humor.

4.LUSCIOUS (adjective) - सुस्वाद

Pronunciation: luh·shuhs
Meaning: having a pleasingly rich, sweet taste
Synonyms: delicious, succulent, lush, juicy, sweet, tasty, flavorful
Antonyms: unappetizing, distasteful, bland
Usage: I wanted to take a bite of the <u>luscious</u> apple.

5.CORROBORATE (verb) - समर्थन करना

Pronunciation: kuh·ro·buh·reit **Meaning:** confirm or give support to **Synonyms:** confirm, verify, endorse, ratify, authenticate, validate, certify **Antonyms:** contradict, deny, reject





Usage: If his words are not enough, the evidence will <u>corroborate</u> his claim.

6.EMBARK (verb) – प्रारम्भ करना

Pronunciation: uhm baak
Meaning: to begin a course of action
Synonyms: begin, start, commence, undertake, set about, enter on, go into, take-up
Antonyms: disembark, end, finish, cease
Usage: Lawrence has plans to embark on a new career as a journalist.

7.HEYDAY (noun) – समृद्धि का उत्कर्ष

Pronunciation: hei·dei **Meaning:** the period of greatest prosperity or productivity **Synonyms:** prime, peak, height, acme, pinnacle, zenith **Antonyms:** base, bottom, nadir **Usage:** She was a great singer in her <u>heyday</u>.

8.FRACTION (noun) – अंश, खण्ड

Pronunciation: frak shn
Meaning: a small part of something
Synonyms: chunk, part, portion, fragment, section
Antonyms: whole, total, entirety
Usage: Lightning strikes so quickly that it travels between the sky and the ground in a fraction of a second.

9.BRAWN (noun) - शारीरिक शक्ति, बाहूबल

Pronunciation: brawnMeaning: physical strengthSynonyms: muscle, muscles, robustness, toughness, mightAntonyms: weakness, frailnessUsage: The football player showed his brawn by moving a parked truck.

10.UNIFY (verb) – जोड़ना, एक करना

Pronunciation: yoo nuh fai
Meaning: to bring or combine together
Synonyms: unite, merge, fuse, amalgamate, coalesce, combine, blend
Antonyms: separate, split
Usage: In an effort to <u>unify</u> the groups, the politician drew up a bill that would make both sides happy.

