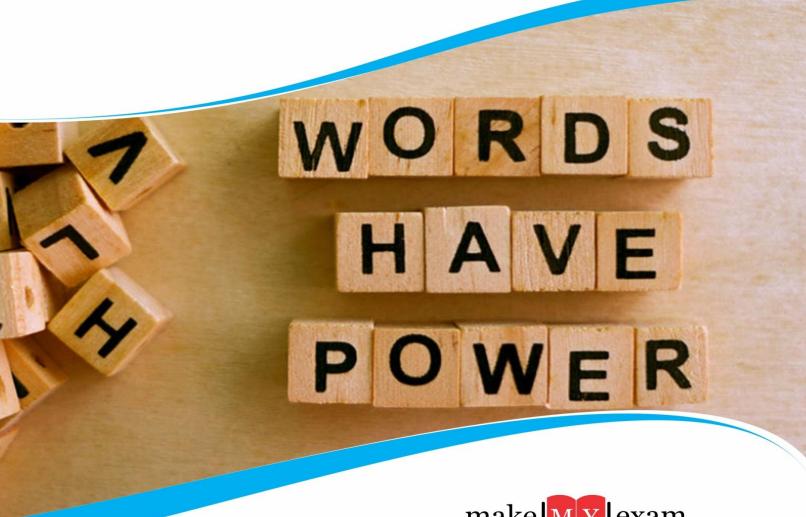




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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

Happy learning!!!

#### 1. SHALLOW (adjective) – 3থনা

**Pronunciation**: sha·low

Meaning: not exhibiting, requiring, or capable of serious thought

Synonyms: superficial, facile, glib, simplistic, oversimplified, schematic, slight

**Antonyms**: profound, serious

**Usage**: Because Jim is a <u>shallow</u> person, he tends to judge people by the amount of money

they spend on their cars.

#### 2. IGNITE (verb) - आग पकड़ना

**Pronunciation**: uhg·nait

Meaning: catch fire or cause to catch fire

Synonyms: inflame, erupt, explode, burn, kindle, light, fire

Antonyms: extinguish, douse, quench

**Usage**: The gunpowder sometimes fails to <u>ignite</u>.

#### 3. CORDIAL (adjective) – हार्दिक, मैत्रीपूर्ण

**Pronunciation**: kaw·dee·uhl **Meaning**: warm and friendly

Synonyms: friendly, warm, genial, affable, amiable, pleasant, fond

Antonyms: unfriendly, hostile

Usage: If you treat people in a cordial manner, they will treat you well also.

#### 4. ANTITHETICAL (adjective) - विरोधात्मक

**Pronunciation**: an·tuh·theh·tuh·kl

Meaning: directly opposed or contrasted

Synonyms: unlike, opposing, polar, obverse, oppugnant

Antonyms: same, identical, like





**Usage**: Their priorities are <u>antithetical</u> to those of environmentalists.

#### 5. BARREN (adjective) – बंजर

Pronunciation: ba·ruhn

Meaning: unable to produce or grow something

Synonyms: unproductive, infertile, unfruitful, sterile, arid, desert, waste

Antonyms: fertile, productive

**Usage**: The land is <u>barren</u> on the east coast.



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#### 6. TERMINATE (verb) – अंत करना

**Pronunciation**: tuh·muh·neit **Meaning**: bring to an end

Synonyms: end, close, conclude, finish, stop, discontinue, cease, abort

Antonyms: begin, start, commence

Usage: Either party has the right to terminate the agreement.

#### 7. SLAPDASH (adjective) – ਤਗਰਗ

 $\textbf{Pronunciation: } slap \cdot dash$ 

Meaning: done too hurriedly and carelessly



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Synonyms: careless, slipshod, hurried, lackadaisical, hasty, disorganized, haphazard

Antonyms: careful, meticulous, painstaking

Usage: The student's slapdash presentation looked like it had been put together on the

school bus.

#### 8. PROVIDENT (adjective) – दूरदर्शी

**Pronunciation**: pro·vuh·dnt

Meaning: making or indicative of timely preparation for the future

Synonyms: prudent, judicious, shrewd, circumspect, forearmed, wise, sagacious

**Antonyms**: improvident, spendthrift, thoughtless

Usage: The provident man set aside money to buy a car with cash.

#### 9. HYPOCRISY (noun) – पाउंड

Pronunciation: huh·po·kruh·see

Meaning: the practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than is

the case

Synonyms: sanctimony, pietism, falsity, humbug, pretence, posturing, insincerity

**Antonyms**: honesty, sincerity

Usage: When you agree to serve a cause and then back out, I would call that <u>hypocrisy</u>.

#### 10. COMPETENCE (noun) – क्षमता

**Pronunciation**: kom·puh·tns

Meaning: the ability to do something successfully or efficiently

Synonyms: capability, ability, competency, capacity, proficiency, adroitness, knowledge

Antonyms: incompetence

**Usage**: Her <u>competence</u> as a teacher is unquestionable.



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