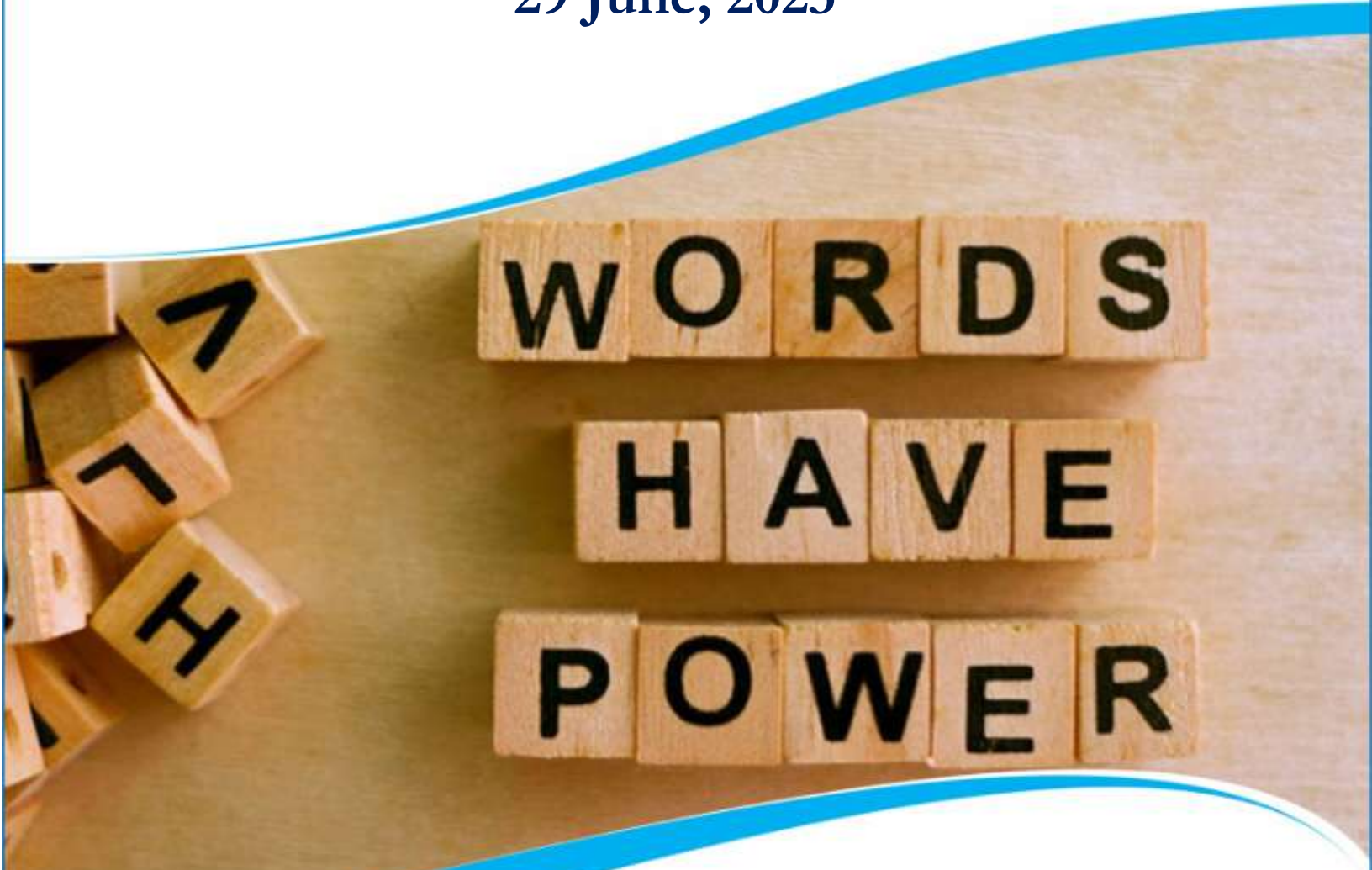


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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

Happy learning!!!

1. TAINING (verb) : दूषित

Pronunciation: taynt·uhng

Meaning: contaminate or pollute (something).

Synonyms: contaminate, pollute, befouling

Antonyms: decontaminating, purifying, filtering

Sentence: Smog has long tainted the air of the city, making it difficult to breathe.

2. BLIGHT (noun) : बिगाड़ देना

Pronunciation: blite

Meaning: something that spoils the appearance or completeness of a thing

Synonyms: blemish, blotch, defect

Antonyms: adornment, decoration, embellishment

Sentence: The expanding urban sprawl is a blight on the countryside.

3. CONFEDERACIES (noun) : संघ

Pronunciation: kuhn·feh·duh·ruh·seez

Meaning: a league or alliance, especially of confederate states.

Synonyms: federation, confederation, alliance

Antonyms: altercation, animosity, antagonism

Sentence: The Italian confederacy was known as the Lombard League.

4. LICIT (adj.) : जायज

Pronunciation: li·suht

Meaning: not forbidden; lawful.

Synonyms: legitimate, permissible, admissible

Antonyms: illegal, illegitimate, illicit

Sentence: She made some money by licit means.

5. PERSIFLAGE (noun) : ताना

Pronunciation: puh·suh·flaazh

Meaning: light and slightly contemptuous mockery or banter.

Synonyms: badinage, raillery, banter

Antonyms: calmness, coolness, earnest

Sentence: The persiflage is not appropriate when we are discussing such serious problems.

6. PROLIX (adj.) : अति विस्तृत

Pronunciation: proh·luhks

Meaning: (of speech or writing) using or containing too many words; tediously lengthy.

Synonyms: lengthy, long-winded, verbose

Antonyms: concise, compact, brief

Sentence: The author's prolix style has done nothing to encourage sales of the book.

7. FICKLE (adj.) : अस्थिर

Pronunciation: fi·kl

Meaning: changing frequently, especially as regards one's loyalties, interests, or affection.

Synonyms: capricious, changeable, variable

Antonyms: constant, certain, unchanging

Sentence: Fortune is fickle.

8. HELMSMANSHIP (noun) : कुशाग्रता

Pronunciation: helmz·muhn·ship

Meaning: the ability to make good judgments and quick decisions, typically in a particular domain.

Synonyms: astuteness, acumen, acuity

Antonyms: stupidity, foolishness, witlessness

Sentence: Clinton's helmsmanship for the past four years left a lot to be desired

9. NONENTITY (noun) : महत्वहीन व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: nawn·en·tuh·tee

Meaning: a person or thing with no special or interesting qualities; an unimportant person or thing.

Synonyms: unimportant person, person of no importance, nobody

Antonyms: personage, somebody, eminence

Sentence: How could such a nonentity become chairman of the company?

10. DISINGENUOUS (adj.) : कपटी

Pronunciation: di·sin·jeh·nyoo·uhs

Meaning: not candid or sincere, typically by pretending to know less about something than one really does.

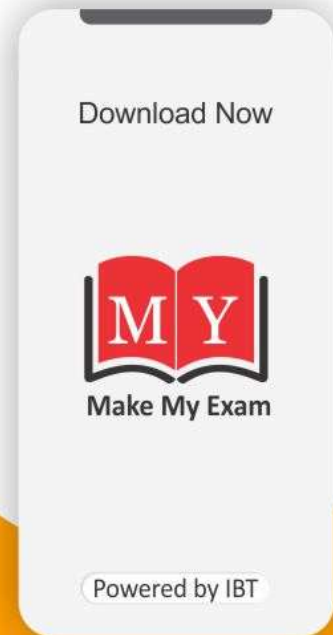
Synonyms: dishonest, deceitful, underhand

Antonyms: honest, sincere, genuine

Sentence: He was being somewhat disingenuous as well as cynical.

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