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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. OSTRACISM (noun) – बहिष्कार**

**Pronunciation:** o·struh·si·zm

**Meaning:** exclusion from a society or group

**Synonyms:** exclusion, rejection, repudiation, shunning, spurning, boycotting

**Antonyms:** acceptance, welcome

**Usage:** His family suffered social ostracism.

### **2. CLERICAL (adjective) – लिपिक**

**Pronunciation:** kleh·ruh·kl

**Meaning:** relating to the clergy

**Synonyms:** ecclesiastical, church, priestly, pastoral, religious, spiritual

**Antonyms:** secular

**Usage:** The clerical part of his job was tedious, and he was glad to be rid of it.

### **3. SPONTANEOUS (adjective) – स्वाभाविक**

**Pronunciation:** spon·tei·nee·uhs

**Meaning:** natural without planning or thought

**Synonyms:** unforced, voluntary, unplanned, unconstrained, unprompted, unbidden, unsolicited

**Antonyms:** planned, forced, calculated

**Usage:** Without thinking, Maria made a spontaneous choice to join her boyfriend's gang.

### **4. DISCONCERT (verb) – व्याकुल करना**

**Pronunciation:** di·skuhn·suht

**Meaning:** disturb the composure of

**Synonyms:** unsettle, nonplus, discomfit, unnerve, disorient, perturb, disturb

**Antonyms:** reassure, encourage, comfort

**Usage:** He was sure that his suspension was likely to disconcert his parents.

### 5. SIMULTANEOUSLY (adverb) – एक साथ

**Pronunciation:** si·muhl·tei·nee·uh·slee

**Meaning:** at the same time

**Synonyms:** concurrently, concomitantly, together, synchronously

**Antonyms:** singly

**Usage:** When the office phones rang simultaneously, the inexperienced receptionist became anxious.



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### 6. UNRULY (adjective) – अनियंत्रित

**Pronunciation:** uhn·roo·lee

**Meaning:** disruptive behavior that is wild and out of control

**Synonyms:** disorderly, rowdy, wild, unmanageable, uncontrollable, disobedient, disruptive

**Antonyms:** disciplined, obedient

**Usage:** Police were sent to stop the unruly drunks from throwing bottles at cars passing by.

### 7. ACOLYTE (noun) – अनुचर

**Pronunciation:** a·kuh·lait

**Meaning:** an assistant or follower

**Synonyms:** assistant, helper, attendant, retainer, servant, minion, underling

**Antonyms:** leader, master, mistress

**Usage:** Because the politician's acolyte is always there to assist him on the campaign trail, you never see one without the other.

### 8. LATENT (adjective) – सुप्त, अप्रकट

**Pronunciation:** lei·tnt

**Meaning:** existing or present but concealed or inactive

**Synonyms:** dormant, quiescent, inactive, untapped, unused, undiscovered, hidden

**Antonyms:** manifest, obvious, active

**Usage:** The detective asked the lab technician to search the room for latent fingerprints.

### 9. CAPTIOUS (adjective) – अवगुण ढूँढ़नेवाला

**Pronunciation:** kap·shuhs

**Meaning:** always looking for faults

**Synonyms:** critical, quibbling, niggling, carping, criticizing, disapproving

**Antonyms:** forgiving, lenient

**Usage:** When my captious teacher grades my essays, she always finds a minor error in my work.

### 10. UPSHOT (noun) – परिणाम

**Pronunciation:** uhp·shot

**Meaning:** the final or end result of an event or situation

**Synonyms:** result, consequence, outcome, sequel, effect, reaction, repercussion

**Antonyms:** cause, origin

**Usage:** The upshot of the program is that several of the students were able to graduate on time.

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