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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. MAGNITUDE (noun) – परिमाण

Pronunciation: mag·nuh·chood

Meaning: the great size or extent of something

Synonyms: immensity, vastness, enormity, expanse, size, extent, greatness

Antonyms: smallness

Usage: Because of the magnitude of the project, I need to hire some additional workers.

2. MISGIVING (noun) – शक

Pronunciation: mis·giv·uhng

Meaning: a feeling of doubt about the consequences of something

Synonyms: qualm, doubt, reservation, scruple, suspicion, distrust, mistrust

Antonyms: confidence

Usage: My only misgiving is that we might not have enough time to do the job properly.

3. SEMINAL (adjective) – लाभदायक, प्रभावशाली

Pronunciation: seh·muh·nuhl

Meaning: strongly influencing later developments

Synonyms: influential, formative, pioneering, original, creative, innovative, imaginative

Antonyms: irrelevant, unimportant

Usage: Newton's laws are seminal in the field of physics.

4. EFFETE (adjective) – अशक्त

Pronunciation: uh·feet

Meaning: weak or effeminate

Synonyms: effeminate, unmasculine, unmanly, weak, soft, timid, fearful

Antonyms: manly, masculine, strong

Usage: The huge wrestler made fun of the effete man who entered the ring to challenge him.

5. HARROW (verb) – परेशान करना

Pronunciation: ha·row

Meaning: cause distress to

Synonyms: distress, trouble, afflict, grieve, torment, torture, crucify


Antonyms: calm, comfort, heartening

Usage: Todd could take it, whereas I'm harrowed by it.

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6. HARDINESS (noun) – साहस, सहन-शक्ति

Pronunciation: haa·dee·nuhs

Meaning: the ability to endure difficult conditions

Synonyms: robustness, strength, toughness, vigour, resilience

Antonyms: frailty

Usage: The people here are known for their hardiness and courage.

7. MAUDLIN (adjective) – भावुक

Pronunciation: mawd·luhn

Meaning: self-pityingly or tearfully sentimental

Synonyms: sentimental, emotional, overemotional, tearful, lachrymose, weepy

Antonyms: austere, undemonstrative

Usage: We saw a maudlin movie about an orphan who lost his parents in the war.

8. ABYSMAL (adjective) – भयानक

Pronunciation: uh·biz·muhl

Meaning: extremely bad; appalling

Synonyms: dreadful, awful, terrible, frightful, atrocious, disgraceful, deplorable

Antonyms: superb, magnificent

Usage: Tomorrow's weather forecast is so abysmal I plan on staying indoors all day.

9. DENOUEMENT (noun) – नतीजा

Pronunciation: dei·noo·mon

Meaning: the outcome of a situation, when something is decided or made clear

Synonyms: outcome, result, consequence, upshot, ending, culmination, climax

Antonyms: origin, beginning

Usage: After being in the jury room for weeks, we were anxious for the denouement of the trial.

10. EXTEMPORE (adverb) – अविचारित

Pronunciation: uhk·stem·puh·ree

Meaning: spoken or done without preparation

Synonyms: impromptu, spontaneous, unscripted, extemporary, improvised, unrehearsed

Antonyms: rehearsed, planned

Usage: Dr. King's extempore speech to the crowd was not memorized, but from the heart.

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