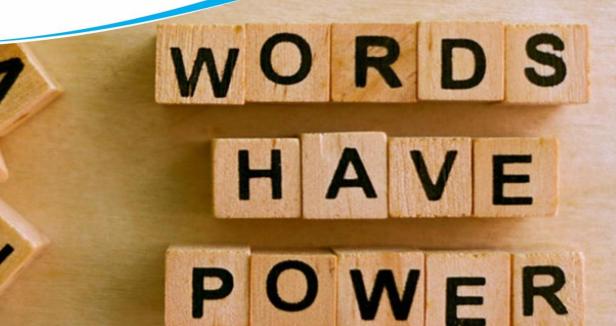






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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy Learning!!!

1. BELIE (verb) – झ्ठलाना

Pronunciation: bi-lai
Meaning: (of an appearance) fail to give a true impression of (something)
Synonyms: contradict, disprove, debunk, discredit
Antonym: reveal
Usage: Her energy and youthful good looks <u>belie</u> her 65 years.

2. ACCRUE (verb) – वृद्धि होना

Pronunciation: ukroo **Meaning:** to increase in number or amount over a period of time **Synonyms:** arise, ensue, emanate **Usage:** Interest will <u>accrue</u> until payment is made.

3. CONSTRUE (verb) – अर्थ निकालना

Pronunciation: kun-stroo **Meaning:** interpret (a word or action) in a particular way **Synonyms:** interpret, understand, read, see, take **Usage:** We are taught to <u>construe</u> these terms in a particular way.

4. ACCLAIM (verb, noun) - प्रशंसा

Pronunciation: uk-leim
Meaning: praise enthusiastically and publicly; enthusiastic and public praise
Synonyms: praise, applaud, cheer, commend; ovation, tribute, accolade, acclamation, salutes, plaudits, approval, admiration
Antonyms: criticize, unsung, obscure
Usage:

- He was welcomed with great <u>acclaim</u>. (noun)
- The work was <u>acclaimed</u> as a masterpiece. (verb)

5. BEDECK (verb) - सजाना

Pronunciation: bi-dek Meaning: decorate Synonyms: decorate, adorn, beautify Antonyms: deface, deform, disfigure, mar, spoil Usage: The hall was <u>bedecked</u> with flowers.





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6. STANDPOINT (noun) – दृष्टिकोण

Pronunciation: stand-point **Meaning:** an attitude to a particular issue **Synonyms:** point of view, viewpoint, vantage point, attitude, stance, stand **Usage:** We should try to adopt a more positive <u>standpoint</u>.

7. TREPIDATION (noun) - घबराहट

Pronunciation: trepi-deish(u)n **Meaning:** a feeling of fear or anxiety about something that may happen **Synonyms:** fear, apprehension, dread, agitation, anxiety, worry **Antonyms:** calm, equanimity, composure **Usage:** We view future developments with some <u>trepidation</u>.

8. SMOULDER (verb) - सुलगना

Pronunciation: smol-duh **Meaning:** burn slowly with smoke but no flame **Synonyms:** burn slowly, smoke, glow, reek **Usage:** The campfire <u>smouldered</u> for hours.

9. SPASMODIC (adjective) – अनिरंतर

Pronunciation: spaz-modik **Meaning:** happening suddenly for short periods of time and not in a regular way **Synonyms:** intermittent, fitful, irregular, sporadic, erratic, occasional, infrequent **Antonyms:** regular, consistent, continuous **Usage:** He made <u>spasmodic</u> attempts to clean up the house.

10. ODIUM (noun) – घृणा

Pronunciation: o-di-um **Meaning:** general or widespread hatred or disgust incurred by someone as a result of their actions **Synonyms:** disgust, abhorrence, repugnance, revulsion, repulsion, loathing, detestation, hatred, hate **Antonyms:** approval, delight **Usage:** Because of my odium for the politician's views, I have no plans to vote for him.



