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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. What's more, take the test given at the last to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

## 1. PERTAIN (verb) – संबंधित

Pronunciation: puh-tein

**Meaning**: be appropriate, related, or applicable to

**Synonyms**: concern, relate to, be related to, be connected with, be relevant to, have relevance to, apply to

**Antonyms**: dissociate, irrelevant

Usage: His remark did not pertain to the question.

### 2. HEADSTRONG (adjective) – हठी, जिद्दी

**Pronunciation**: hed • strong

Meaning: energetically wilful and determined

**Synonyms**: wilful, self-willed, strong-willed, contrary, stubborn, obstinate, obdurate, reckless

**Antonyms**: obedient, tractable

Usage: She was a <u>headstrong</u> child, always getting into trouble.

### 3. RETALIATE (verb) - प्रतिकार करना

Pronunciation: ruh•ta•lee•eit

**Meaning**: make an attack in return for a similar attack

Synonyms: fight back, strike back, hit back, respond, react, counterattack, return fire

**Antonyms**: pardon, forgive

Usage: If you strike me, I shall <u>retaliate</u>.

# 4. AVID (adjective) – उत्सुक

Pronunciation: a • vuhd

**Meaning**: having or showing a keen interest in or enthusiasm for something

Synonyms: keen, eager, enthusiastic, ardent, passionate, devoted, dedicated, fervent

Antonyms: apathetic, half-hearted

**Usage**: He took an <u>avid</u> interest in the project.

## 5. INSIGHTFUL (adjective) - व्यावहारिक

Pronunciation: uhn•sait•ful

**Meaning**: having or showing an accurate and deep understanding; perceptive.

Synonyms: intuitive, perceptive, discerning, percipient, sagacious, wise, judicious, thoughtful

Antonyms: unperceptive, unperceiving

**Usage**: She offered some really interesting, <u>insightful</u> observations.

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## 6. STIGMATIZE (adjective) - निन्दित करना

Pronunciation: stig • muh • tai • z

**Meaning**: describe or regard as worthy of disgrace or great disapproval **Synonyms**: condemn, denounce, defame, discredit, label, mark out

**Antonyms**: destigmatize, qualify

**Usage**: He was <u>stigmatized</u> as the violator of the agreement.

# 7. DELVE (verb) - खोदना, उलट-पुलटकर ढूंढ़ना, तल्लीन करना

**Pronunciation**: delv

**Meaning**: reach inside a receptacle and search for something

Synonyms: search through, hunt through, scrabble about, dig in, go through, scour, ransack

Antonyms: fuse, saddle, lodge, burden, dock

Usage: We need to <u>delve</u> more deeply into this matter.

# 8. EFFICASY (noun) - प्रभावकारिता, गुण-कारिता

Pronunciation: eh•fuh•kuh•see

**Meaning**: the ability to produce a desired or intended result

**Synonyms**: effectiveness, success, potency, power, benefit, value, virtue, usefulness

**Antonyms**: inefficaciousness, inefficacy

**Usage**: Recent medical studies confirm the <u>efficacy</u> of a healthier lifestyle.

## 9. AUTONOMOUS (adjective) – स्वराज्य के अधीन

Pronunciation: aw • to • nuh • muhs

Meaning: having the freedom to govern itself or control its own affairs.

Synonyms: self-governing, independent, sovereign, free, self-ruling, self-determining

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Antonyms: dependent, subservient

Usage: Galicia is an autonomous region of Spain.

#### 10. CURB (noun, verb) – नियंत्रण

**Pronunciation**: kuhb

Meaning: a check or restraint on something

Synonyms: restraint, restriction, check, control, limitation, limit, constraint, stricture, deterrent,

suppressant

Antonyms: release, liberate

**Usage**:

• She put a <u>curb</u> on her spending. (noun)

• I began to <u>curb</u> my appetite for food and drink. (verb)



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