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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and usage. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary. Happy Learning!!!

1. ESCAPADE (noun) – साहस भरा काम; शरारत

Pronunciation: eskuh-peid

Meaning: an act or incident involving excitement, daring, or adventure

Synonyms: stunt, caper, skylarking, mischief, romp

Usage: Frank was nervous about participating in the dangerous escapade.

2. ROOK (verb) – धोखेबाजी करना; ठगना

Pronunciation: ruk

Meaning: to cheat someone for money

Synonyms: swindle, defraud, trick, fleece, dupe, deceive

Usage: Police files are overflowing with complaints from people who've been rooked.

3. LAUDATION (noun) – प्रशंसा, स्तुति

Pronunciation: lo-dei-sh(u)n

Meaning: praise

Synonyms: honour, applause, acclaim, acclamation, adulation, commendation, admiration

Antonym: criticism

Usage: This album is really worthy of laudation.

4. HISTRIONIC (adjective, noun) – नाटकीय

Pronunciation: histri-onik

Meaning: excessively theatrical or dramatic in character or style; melodramatic behaviour designed to attract attention

Synonyms: melodramatic, theatrical, affected, dramatic, exaggerated, stagy, showy, artificial, overacted, overdone; dramatics, drama, theatrics, theatricality, tantrums, affectation, **artificiality**

Antonym: unaffected

Usage:

She put on a histrionic display of grief at her ex-husband's funeral. (adjective)

Anna was accustomed to her mother's histrionics. (noun)

5. REPREHENSIBLE (adjective) – निंदनीय

Pronunciation: repri-hensi-b(u)l

Meaning: deserving blame; recognized as bad

Synonyms: deplorable, disgraceful, discreditable, disreputable, despicable

Antonyms: creditable, praiseworthy, good

Usage: I find their behaviour morally reprehensible.

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6. GIBBERISH (adjective) – अस्पष्ट भाषण या लेखन

Pronunciation: jib(u)rish

Meaning: unintelligible or meaningless speech or writing

Synonyms: nonsense, rubbish, balderdash, blather, blether, drivel

Antonym: sense

Usage: You were talking gibberish in your sleep.

7. NOOK (noun) – नुक्कड़, कोना

Pronunciation: nuk

Meaning: a corner (offering seclusion or security)

Synonyms: recess, alcove, cranny, crevice, niche

Usage: We found a seat in a little nook, and had some lunch.

8. LUMBER (verb) – विचलता

Pronunciation: lum-buh

Meaning: move in a slow, heavy, awkward way

Synonyms: lurch, stumble, shamle, shuffle, reel, waddle, trudge

Antonyms: nimble, agile

Usage: The overloaded truck lumbered forward.

9. HULKING (adjective) – भीमकाय

Pronunciation: hul-king

Meaning: (of a person or object) very large, heavy, or clumsy

Synonyms: large, big, heavy, heavily built, well built

Antonyms: light, small

Usage: Two hulking figures guarded the entrance of the club.

10. INSouciant (adjective) – लापरवाह, अलबेला

Pronunciation: in-soo-si-unt

Meaning: showing a casual lack of concern

Synonyms: nonchalant, untroubled, unworried, unruffled, unconcerned

Antonyms: anxious, concerned

Usage: The insouciant waitress did not seem to care that Matt had to wait over an hour for his food.

Now, choose any 2 or 3 words and try to use them in your own sentences, this way you can retain the learnt words in your memory for long time. You can share your sentences in the comment section.



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