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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.Succumb (verb) - शिकार

**Pronunciation:** suh-kuhm

**Meaning:** to stop fighting against something

Synonyms: bow, budge, surrender, quit, relent, submit

**Antonyms:** battle, confront, repel, defy, object

Usage: Although Jerry gave up smoking, there is always a chance he might succumb to his

old habit.

## 2.Unassailable (adjective) - अभेद्य

Pronunciation: uh • nuh • sei • luh • bl

Meaning: unable to be attacked, questioned or defeated

Synonyms: impregnable, invulnerable, inviolable, priviledged, shielded

**Antonyms:** questionable, uncertain, profane, irreverent

Usage: India has an <u>unassailable</u> position at the head of the world's poverty league.

### 3.Obfuscate (verb) - अंधेरा करना

Pronunciation: aab•fuh•skeit

**Meaning:** make obscure, unclear, or unintelligible.

Synonyms: shade, obscure, bedim, pall, darken, cloud, befog, perplex, tangled

Antonyms: clarify, elucidate, simplify, decifer, decode, illuminate

Usage: Remember that every parameter may be changed, no matter how much you hide or

obfuscate it.

# 4.Fend (verb) - रोकना

Pronunciation: fend

**Meaning:** look after and provide for oneself, without any help from others.

Synonyms: clog, inhibit, prevent, intercept, defend, bulwark, avert, conserve

Antonyms: assail, assault, attack, beset, beseige

**Usage:** The kids had to <u>fend</u> for themselves while their parents were away.

### 5.Stark (adjective) - कठोर

**Pronunciation:** staark

Meaning: severe or bare in appearance or outline.

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Synonyms: Austere, severe, bleak, harsh, unsympathetic, stubborn, steadfast, resolute

**Antonyms:** mild, gentle, moderate, goofy, tranquil, dubious

**Usage:** These issues have created a <u>stark</u> fault line within the Peace Process.

### 6.Bleak (adjective) - बेरंग

**Pronunciation:** bleek

**Meaning:** charmless and inhospitable;

**Synonyms:** unpromising, unfavourable, depressing, miserable, melancholic,

inconsoleable

Antonyms: encouraging, hopeful, promising, propitious, blithesome.

**Usage:** The house stood in a <u>bleak</u> and desolate landscape.

### 7.Exult (verb) - मग्न होना, हर्षित होना

Pronunciation: uhg•zuhlt

Meaning: eel or show triumphant elation or jubilation.

Synonyms: rejoice, triumph, be delighted, exuberate, jubilate, flaunt

**Antonyms:** grieve, lament, mourn, bewail, regret

**Usage:** The people all over the country exulted in the success in launching a new satellite.

## 8.Decrepit (adjective) - पुराना

Pronunciation: duh•kreh•puht

Meaning: worn out or ruined because of age or neglect.

Synonyms: raucous, disreputable, decrepit, wrecked, delicate, prostated

Antonyms: maintained, hard, sturdy, mighty, robust

Usage: He moved fiercely among the decrepit houses in his white pyjamas like an angry

prophet.

### 9.Capricious (adjective) - मनमौजी

**Pronunciation:** kuh•pri•shuhs

Meaning: given to sudden and unaccountable changes of mood or behaviour.

**Synonyms:** changeable, fickle, unpredictable, fluctuating, unreliable **Antonyms:** uniform, abiding, uniform, reliable, persistence, invariable **Usage:** Since he started taking the medication, Henry has been less capricious.

#### 10.Horrendous (adjective) - खराब

Pronunciation: hur en eduhs

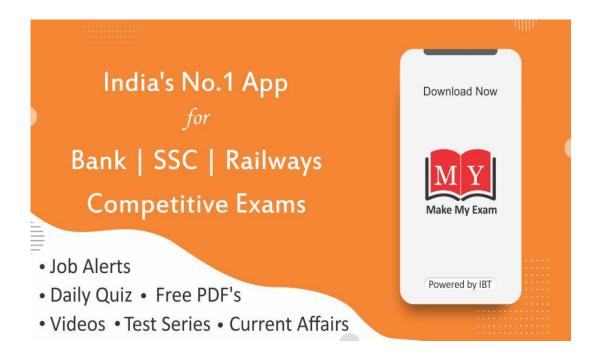
**Meaning:** extremely unpleasant, horrifying, or terrible.

Synonyms: fearful, scary, daunting, awful, gruesome, formidable

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**Antonyms:** comforting, consoling, soothing, tranquilizing, attractive **Usage:** He described it as the most <u>horrendous</u> experience of his life.



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