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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. WINSOME (adjective) – मनोहर

**Pronunciation:** win-s(u)m

**Meaning:** attractive or appealing in a fresh, innocent way

**Synonyms:** appealing, engaging, charming, winning, pretty, sweet, cute, endearing, adorable, lovely

**Usage:** She gave him a winsome smile.

### 2. ENCOMIUM (noun) – गुणानुवाद, स्तुतिवाक्य

**Pronunciation:** enko-mi-um

**Meaning:** a speech or piece of writing that praises someone or something highly

**Synonyms:** eulogy, panegyric, accolade, tribute

**Usage:** Of the many statesmen who have written an encomium, Abraham Lincoln wrote one in praise of "The Great Invention of Writing."

### 3. CHURLISH (adjective) – अक्खड़, अशिष्ट

**Pronunciation:** chur-lish

**Meaning:** rude, unfriendly, and unpleasant

**Synonyms:** rude, ill-mannered, discourteous, impolite, ungracious, unmannerly, uncivil

**Antonym:** polite

**Usage:** It would be churlish to refuse you.

### 4. SNICKER (verb, noun) – मक्कारी से हंसना

**Pronunciation:** snik-ur

**Meaning:** give a half-suppressed laugh in an unkind way

**Synonyms:** snigger, sneer, smirk, simper, titter, giggle, chortle

**Usage:**

- The other students snickered at Steve. (verb)
- She almost smiled, but it turned into a snicker. (noun)

### 5. DEFINITIVE (adjective) – निश्चयात्मक, निर्णयात्मक

**Pronunciation:** difinitiv

**Meaning:** (of a conclusion or agreement) done or reached decisively and with authority

**Synonyms:** conclusive, final, ultimate, decisive, unconditional

**Antonym:** provisional

**Usage:** It is too soon to reach any definitive judgement.

### 6. VITRIOLIC (adjective) – कटु, रूखा

**Pronunciation:** vitri-olik

**Meaning:** filled with bitter criticism; full of violent hate and anger; intentionally unkind or causing hurt

**Synonyms:** acrimonious, rancorous, bitter, caustic, mordant, acerbic

**Antonyms:** pleasant, kind

**Usage:** We are not ignorant to his vitriolic attacks on the politicians.

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### 7. FROLICSOME (adjective) – जीवंत और चंचल

**Pronunciation:** frolic-s(u)m

**Meaning:** lively and playful

**Synonyms:** playful, frisky, fun-loving, jolly, merry, gleeful, sportive

**Antonyms:** listless, lifeless, apathetic

**Usage:** Frolicsome students celebrated their win with parties.

### 8. INSOLVENT (adjective) – दिवालिया

**Pronunciation:** in-sol-vent

**Meaning:** unable to pay debts

**Synonyms:** bankrupt, ruined, collapsed, defaulting, liquidated

**Antonym:** solvent

**Usage:** The company became insolvent.

### 9. CHUCK (verb) – फेंक देना, छोड़ देना

**Pronunciation:** chuck

**Meaning:** throw (something) carelessly or casually; end a relationship with (a partner); give up (a job or activity)

**Synonyms:** throw, toss, fling, hurl, pitch; leave, throw over, drop, finish with, desert, abandon

**Antonyms:** keep, retain

**Usage:**

- Someone chucked a stone through the window.
- Mary chucked him for another guy.
- Richard chucked in his course.

### 10. PUCKER (verb, noun) – मुँह सिकोड़ना

**Pronunciation:** puk-ur

**Meaning:** (especially with reference to a person's face) tightly gather or contract into wrinkles or small folds; a tightly gathered wrinkle or small fold

**Synonyms:** wrinkle, crinkle, cockle, crumple, rumple

**Usage:**

- The child's face puckered, ready to cry. (verb)
- She has a pucker between her eyebrows. (noun).




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