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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. FEUD (noun, verb) – झगड़ा, चिरस्थायी कलह

Pronunciation: fyoo•d

Meaning: a prolonged and bitter quarrel or dispute; be engaged in a prolonged and bitter quarrel or dispute

Synonyms: quarrel, fight, argue, bicker, dispute, clash

Antonyms: friendliness, clanship

Usage:

- They had a long-running feud over money. (noun)
- He feuded with his ex-wife. (verb)

2. PARAMOUNT (adjective) – प्रमुख महत्त्व का, सर्व-श्रेष्ठ

Pronunciation: pa•ruh•mawnt

Meaning: more important than anything else; supreme

Synonyms: uppermost, supreme, chief, predominant, cardinal, foremost, prime

Antonyms: minor, inferior

Usage: In our work, quality is paramount.

3. CONSPICUOUS (adjective) – सुस्पष्ट

Pronunciation: kuh•spi•kyoo•uhs

Meaning: clearly visible

Synonyms: noticeable, observable, discernible, perceptible, clear, detectable, prominent

Antonyms: inconspicuous, unnoticeable

Usage: The notice must be displayed in a conspicuous place.

4. SACKED (verb) – बर्खास्त

Pronunciation: sakt

Meaning: dismiss from employment

Synonyms: dismiss, get rid of, lay off, let go, discharge

Antonyms: hire, take on

Usage: The minister was sacked for abusing power for his personal gain.

5. BEHEST (noun) – आज्ञा

Pronunciation: buh•hest

Meaning: a person's orders or command

Synonyms: mandate, command, order, instruction, injunction, edict

Antonyms: permit, allow

Usage: They arrested him at the King's behest.

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6. MIFF (verb, noun) – सताना; मनमुटाव

Pronunciation: mif

Meaning: annoy; a petty quarrel or fit of pique

Synonyms: annoy, displease, offend, aggrieve, pique, rile, nettle, vex

Antonym: please

Usage:

- He is miffed at so much noise outside. (verb)
- His criminal plan didn't carry through, that drove him in a miff. (noun)

7. RAVAGE (verb) – विनाश, विध्वंस

Pronunciation: ra•vuh•juhng

Meaning: causing severe and extensive damage to

Synonyms: devastate, ruin, destroy, raze, demolish, wipe out, damage

Antonyms: assemble, raise

Usage: The forest was ravaged by fire.

8. EVADE (verb) – बचना

Pronunciation: uh•veid

Meaning: escape or avoid (someone or something), especially by guile or trickery

Synonyms: elude, avoid, dodge, trick, duck, break away

Antonyms: confront, run into, face

Usage: If you try to evade paying your taxes you risk going to prison.

9. TINSEL (noun) – झिलमिल, दिखावटी

Pronunciation: tin•sl

Meaning: showy or superficial attractiveness or glamour

Synonyms: ostentatious, pretentious, showy, obtrusive, flamboyant, gaudy, extravagant, fancy

Antonyms: dullness

Usage: A tinsel car may look nice on the outside but have a terrible engine.

10. VISCOUS (adjective) – चिपचिपा

Pronunciation: vi•skuhs

Meaning: having a thick, sticky consistency between solid and liquid; having a high viscosity

Synonyms: sticky, gummy, gluey, adhesive, tacky, adhering, viscid

Antonyms: watery, non-adhesive

Usage: Because honey is a viscous substance, it takes a great deal of work to remove it from a jar.

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