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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. PEER (verb) - ताकना

Pronunciation: peeuh

Meaning: look with difficulty or concentration at someone or something

Synonyms: scan, gaze, stare, glare, squint, gawk, scrutinize

Antonyms: glance, glimpse, browse

Usage: He watched the Customs official peer into the driver's window.

2. ALLIANCE (noun) - गठबंधन

Pronunciation: uh·lai·uhns

Meaning: a union or association formed for mutual benefit

Synonyms: association, union, collaboration, combination, partnership

Antonyms: separation, detachment, antagonism

Usage: The organization is a broad alliance of many different groups.

3. TRACE (verb) – पता लगाना

Pronunciation: treis

Meaning: find or discover by investigation

Synonyms: find, discover, detect, unearth, uncover

Antonyms: overlook, miss, lose

Usage: Police are trying to trace a white van seen in the area.

4. TORPID (adjective) – सुस्त

Pronunciation: taw·puhd

Meaning: mentally or physically inactive

Synonyms: lethargic, sluggish, lazy, inert, inactive, slow, lifeless

Antonyms: energetic, active, attentive

Usage: My torpid brother rests on the couch all day.

5. TORTOUS (adjective) – टेढ़ा-मेढ़ा

Pronunciation: taw·choo·uhs

Meaning: full of twists and turns

Synonyms: twisting, winding, curving, curvy, bending, sinuous, undulating

Antonyms: straight, direct, simple

Usage: We have travelled a tortuous road.

6. REFRACTORY (adjective) – हठी

Pronunciation: ruh·frak·tuh·ree

Meaning: stubborn or unmanageable

Synonyms: obstinate, stubborn, mulish, obdurate, headstrong, wayward, wilful

Antonyms: obedient, manageable

Usage: The refractory students spend a great deal of time in the detention room.

7. LAPSE (noun) – चूक

Pronunciation: laps

Meaning: a brief or temporary failure of concentration, memory, or judgment

Synonyms: failure, failing, slip, error, mistake, blunder, fault

Antonyms: accuracy, correction, continuity

Usage: His lapse in judgment led him to fall behind in his studies.

8. BLITHE (adjective) – ज़िंदादिल

Pronunciation: blaith

Meaning: happy or carefree

Synonyms: happy, cheerful, jolly, cheery, merry, sunny, joyous

Antonyms: sad, unhappy, sorrowful

Usage: A blithe heart makes a blooming look.

9. DIVINE (adjective) – दिव्य

Pronunciation: duh·vain

Meaning: being or having the nature of a god

Synonyms: godly, godlike, angelic, seraphic, saintly, beatific, spiritual

Antonyms: mortal, earthly, ordinary

Usage: These events were seen as a divine revelation.

10. APOTHEOSIS (noun) – पराकाष्ठा

Pronunciation: uh·po·thee·ow·suhs

Meaning: the highest point in the development of something

Synonyms: culmination, climax, peak, pinnacle, summit, zenith, apex

Antonym: nadir

Usage: When she walked down the aisle in her wedding gown, everyone thought she was the apotheosis of beauty.

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