

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. CRUX (NOUN): निचोड़

Pronunciation: kruhks

Meaning: the central or most important point

Synonyms: Core, essence, heart, nucleus, key point

Antonyms: Periphery, fringe, superficiality

Sentence: The crux of the matter was that effective communication was necessary for the success of the project.

2. TENET(NOUN): सिद्धांत

Pronunciation: teh·nuht

Meaning: a principle or belief, especially one of the main principles of a religion or philosophy.

Synonyms: Doctrine, dogma, principle, belief, creed

Antonyms: Heresy, disbelief, dissent

Sentence: The tenet of the organization is to promote equality and social justice for all members of the community.

3. RECONVENED(NOUN): फिर से इकट्ठा होना

Pronunciation: ree·kuhn·veend

Meaning: to convene or assemble again, especially after a break or adjournment.

Synonyms: reassembled, regathered

Antonyms: Adjourned, dispersed, disbanded

Sentence: After a short recess, the meeting reconvened to discuss the remaining agenda items.

4. PROROGUED(VERB): स्थगित किया गया

Pronunciation: pruh·rogued

Meaning: to discontinue a session of a legislative body without dissolving it; to temporarily suspend or postpone.

Synonyms: Postponed, suspended, deferred, adjourned

Antonyms: Convened, resumed, continued

Sentence: The parliament prorogued its session due to unforeseen circumstances, with plans to reconvene in a month.

5. DIVESTED (ADJECTIVE): छीनना

Pronunciation: dai·vest·uhd

Meaning: to strip or deprive someone or something of certain attributes, possessions, or characteristics.

Synonyms: dispossessed, unloaded, sold off

Antonyms: Endowed, invested, adorned, retained

Sentence: The company divested itself of noncore businesses in order to focus on its primary strengths and improve profitability.

6. TENDER (ADJECTIVE): दयालु

Pronunciation: ten·duh

Meaning: caring.

Synonyms: kind, kindly

Antonyms: hard-hearted

Sentence: He was unusually tender to me, and for a brief space the shadow lifted.

7. PLENARY (ADJECTIVE): विस्तृत

Pronunciation: plee·nuh·ree

Meaning: unconditional.

Synonyms: unlimited, unrestricted

Antonyms: conditional

Sentence: Crusaders were offered a plenary indulgence by the Pope.

8. LETHAL (ADJECTIVE): घातक

Pronunciation: lee·thl

Meaning: fatal.

Synonyms: deadly, mortal

Antonyms: harmless

Sentence: In addition, no antibiotic therapy was administered, as it was a lethal model.

9. INGENIOUS (ADJECTIVE): प्रतिभाशाली

Pronunciation: in·jee·nee·uhs

Meaning: inventive.

Synonyms: creative, imaginative

Antonyms: unimaginative

Sentence: He was ingenious enough to overcome the limited budget.

10. UNPRECEDENTED (ADJECTIVE): अभूतपूर्व

Pronunciation: uhn·preh·suh·duhn·tuhd

Meaning: unparalleled.

Synonyms: unequalled, unmatched

Antonyms: normal, common

Sentence: The preparations were made on an unprecedented scale.

11. REBELLIOUS (ADJECTIVE): अवज्ञापूर्ण

Pronunciation: ruh·bel·ee·uhhs

Meaning: defiant.

Synonyms: disobedient, insubordinate

Antonyms: conformist

Sentence: I became very rebellious and opted out.

12. MAGNIFICENCE (NOUN): भव्यता

Pronunciation: mag·ni·fuh·sns

Meaning: splendor.

Synonyms: grandeur, greatness

Antonyms: cheapness

Sentence: The magnificence of the surrounding countryside captured everyone's attention.

13. RUDDY (ADJECTIVE): लाल

Pronunciation: ruh·dee

Meaning: reddish.

Synonyms: red, rosy

Antonyms: pale

Sentence: He's got the classic ruddy cheeks and twinkle in his eye.

14. CONTEMPT (NOUN): तिरस्कार

Pronunciation: kuhn·tempt

Meaning: scorn.

Synonyms: disdain, disrespect

Antonyms: respect

Sentence: He stared at me with total contempt.

15. POPULIST (ADJECTIVE): जनवादी या लोकवादी

Pronunciation: paw·pyoo·luhst

Meaning: relating to or characteristic of a political approach or style that seeks to appeal to ordinary people.

Synonyms: Demagogue, people-oriented, grassroots.

Antonyms: Elitist, exclusive, establishment-friendly.

Sentence: The charismatic leader's populist rhetoric resonated with many voters, promising to address their concerns and challenges.

16. CROSSROADS (noun): चौराहा

Pronunciation: kraw·srodez

Meaning: a point where two or more roads intersect, typically with a choice of different routes to take.

Synonyms: Intersection, junction, turning point

Antonyms: Straight path, straightforward route, continuity.

Sentence: At the crossroads of his career, he faced a challenging decision about whether to pursue further education or enter the workforce immediately.

17. COALITION (NOUN): गठबंधन

Pronunciation: koh·uh·li·shn

Meaning: a temporary alliance or partnership formed by different groups, individuals or parties for a common purpose or goal, often in politics.

Synonyms: Alliance, union, partnership, federation, confederation.

Antonyms: Rivalry, opposition, discord, disunion.

Sentence: The two political parties formed a coalition to address the pressing economic issues facing the country.

18. RADICAL (ADJECTIVE): मौलिक

Pronunciation: ra·duh·kl

Meaning: favoring or making thorough or complete changes in political, economic, or social institutions.

Synonyms: extremist, drastic, thorough, sweeping.

Antonyms: Conservative, moderate, gradual.

Sentence: The activist advocated for radical reforms in the education system to address inequality.

19. INFLUX(NOUN): आगम

Pronunciation: in·fluhks

Meaning: the arrival or entry of a large number of people or things.

Synonyms: Inflow, arrival, incursion, incurrence, inundation.

Antonyms: Outflow, departure, exodus, egress.

Sentence: The city experienced a significant influx of tourists during the holiday season.

20. FASCIST (NOUN): तानाशाही

Pronunciation: fa·shuhst

Meaning: a person who supports or advocates for fascism, which is a political system characterized by dictatorial power, strong centralized government, often led by a single leader and suppression of opposition.

Synonyms: Authoritarian, totalitarian, autocratic

Antonyms: Democrat, liberal, egalitarian.

Sentence: The rise of a charismatic leader with authoritarian tendencies raised concerns among the citizens, who feared the country might be heading toward a fascist regime.

21. SLAPDASH(ADJECTIVE): जल्दबाज

Pronunciation: *slap·dash*

Meaning: something that is done hastily or in a careless and rushed manner, often resulting in a lack of attention to detail or quality.

Synonyms: Cursory, Shoddy

Antonyms: Diligent, Thorough, Meticulous

Sentence: The report was completed in a slapdash manner, with numerous errors and inconsistencies that could have been avoided with more careful consideration and attention to detail.

22. HINDSIGHT (NOUN): दीर्घदर्श

Pronunciation: *hined·site*

Meaning: the understanding or awareness of a situation, event, or decision after it has occurred.

Synonyms: Reflection, Retrospection

Antonyms: Foresight, Prescience

Sentence: In hindsight, she realized that her decision to change careers was the best choice she could have made, leading to greater happiness and fulfilment.

23. GASP (VERB): दम तोड़ देना

Pronunciation: *gaasp*

Meaning: shock, or a lack of breath.

Synonyms: Pant, Wheeze, Gulp

Antonyms: Exhale, Breathe out, Relax

Sentence: She couldn't help but gasp when she opened the door to find a room filled with balloons and confetti, a surprise birthday party awaiting her.

24. WISTFUL (ADJECTIVE): उदास

Pronunciation: *vist·ful*

Meaning: a feeling of melancholy or yearning, often accompanied by a sense of longing or nostalgia for something that may not be attainable.

Synonyms: Nostalgic, Dreamy, Yearning

Antonyms: Content, Satisfied

Sentence: As she looked at the old photographs, a wistful expression crossed her face, reminiscing about the carefree days of her youth.

25. CRABBED (ADJECTIVE): तीक्ष्ण

Pronunciation: krabbd

Meaning: something that is irritable, grumpy, or difficult to deal with.

Synonyms: Cross, Testy, Cranky

Antonyms: Cheerful, Pleasant , Affable

Sentence: His crabbed demeanor made it challenging for others to approach him with questions or concerns, creating a tense atmosphere in the office.

26. CLAMMY (ADJECTIVE): चिप चिपा

Pronunciation: kla·mee

Meaning: something that is damp, sticky.

Synonyms: Sweaty, Dank, Moist

Antonyms: Warm, Smooth, Comfortable

Sentence: After the intense workout, her skin felt clammy, and she welcomed the cool breeze to provide some relief.

27. PUERILE (ADJECTIVE): बचकाना

Pronunciation: pyu·rile

Meaning: something that is childish, immature, or silly in a way that is typical of a child or youth.

Synonyms: Immature, Juvenile, Infantile

Antonyms: Adult, Sophisticated, Grown.up.

Sentence: His puerile jokes during the important business meeting were not well.received, as the team expected a more professional and mature approach to the discussion.

28. CANDOR (NOUN): स्पष्टवादिता

Pronunciation: can·dor

Meaning: the quality of being open, honest, and straightforward in speech or expression.

Synonyms: Frankness, Openness

Antonyms: Deceit, Dishonesty, Concealment, Evasiveness

Sentence: Her candour in admitting her mistakes not only earned her the respect of her colleagues but also helped to build a culture of transparency in the workplace.

29. DERISIVE (ADJECTIVE): व्यंग्यात्मक

Pronunciation: di·rai·siv

Meaning: something that expresses contempt or ridicule, often in a mocking or scornful manner.

Synonyms: Mocking, Sneering, Ridiculing

Antonyms: Admiring, Appreciative, Complimentary

Sentence: The comedian's derisive comments about certain political figures drew laughter from the audience but also left some feeling uneasy about the level of sarcasm in his humour.

30. MENDACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): मिथ्या, गळत

Pronunciation: men·day·shuhs

Meaning: the quality of being untruthful or dishonest. It describes someone or something that tends to lie or deceive.

Synonyms: Deceptive, False

Antonyms: Sincere, Genuine, Honest

Sentence: The mendacious politician claimed to have accomplished numerous feats, but upon investigation, it was revealed that most of his statements were fabricated.

31. ROCOCO (ADJECTIVE): अलंकृत

Pronunciation: ruh·koh·koh

Meaning: ornate

Synonyms: fancy, curlicue

Antonyms: plain

Sentence: The present building, in florid rococo style, dates from 1744.1767.

32. FLOUNDER (VERB): संघर्ष करना

Pronunciation: flawn·duh

Meaning: struggle

Synonyms: thrash, thresh

Antonyms: prosper

Sentence: He was floundering about in the shallow offshore waters.

33. VIGNETTES (NOUN): लघु चित्र, चित्र या शब्द चित्र

Pronunciation: vuh·nyets

Meaning: a short, descriptive literary sketch or scene that captures a moment, character, or impression in a concise and vivid manner.

Synonyms: Glimpse, Portrayal

Antonyms: Detailed, Comprehensive

Sentence: Her travel journal was filled with vignettes of the people she met and the places she visited.

34. EXILED (ADJECTIVE): निर्वासित

Pronunciation: ek·siled

Meaning: having been sent away from one's home country or place of residence, typically as a punishment or as a result of political, social, or personal reasons.

Synonyms: Expelled, Banished

Antonyms: Embraced, Reinstated

Sentence: The artist felt like an outcast in the art community, leading to a self-imposed exile from the art scene.

35. SCRUPULOUS (ADJECTIVE): सावधान

Pronunciation: skroo·pyoo·luhs

Meaning: careful

Synonyms: meticulous, painstaking

Antonyms: careless

Sentence: The research has been carried out with scrupulous attention to detail.

36. INSCRUTABLE (ADJECTIVE): रहस्यपूर्ण

Pronunciation: uhn·skroo·tuh·bl

Meaning: enigmatic

Synonyms: unreadable, impenetrable

Antonyms: expressive

Sentence: Guy looked blankly inscrutable.

37. WANTON (ADJECTIVE): अकारण

Pronunciation: vawn·tn

Meaning: showing no care or concern for others; reckless.

Synonyms: Reckless, malicious, cruel, irresponsible

Antonyms: Careful, responsible, conscientious, considerate

Sentence: The wanton destruction of the property angered the community.

38. DISMANTLE (VERB): अलग करना

Pronunciation: duhs·man·tl

Meaning: to take apart or pull down; to strip furniture, equipment, or fittings; to disassemble.

Synonyms: Deconstruct, demolish, take apart

Antonyms: Assemble, construct, build, put together

Sentence: The workers were instructed to dismantle the old machinery before installing the new one.

39. KERFUFFLE (ADJECTIVE): शोर शराबा, हंगामा

Pronunciation: kuh.fuf.ful

Meaning: a commotion or fuss, especially one caused by conflicting views (noise, excitement, and argument).

Synonyms: commotion, stir, fuss, disturbance, turmoil

Antonyms: hush, peace, quiet, calm, tranquility, stillness

Sentence: There was a kerfuffle at the party when two guests got into a heated argument.

40. MENACE (VERB): खतरा

Pronunciation: meh·nuhs

Meaning: danger, or someone or something that is likely to cause harm.

Synonyms: threat, danger, peril, risk, hazard

Antonyms: guard, protect, save

Sentence: Reckless driving on the road is a menace to other drivers and pedestrians.

41. BLUSTER (NOUN): धमकी

Pronunciation: bluh·stuh

Meaning: loud, aggressive, or indignant talk with little effect.

Synonyms: ranting, hectoring, thundering

Antonyms: tranquillity, quietude

Sentence: I believe deeply in persuasion, not bluster.

42. POMPOUS (ADJECTIVE): गर्वित

Pronunciation: pawmp·uhs

Meaning: affectedly and irritatingly grand, solemn, or self-important.

Synonyms: self-important, imperious, overbearing

Antonyms: egoless, humble, modest

Sentence: He appears pompous but is a good man underneath.

43. INOPPORTUNE (ADJECTIVE): बेवक्फ़त

Pronunciation: i·naw·puh·choon

Meaning: occurring at an inconvenient or inappropriate time.

Synonyms: untimely, ill-timed, badly timed

Antonyms: timely, expected

Sentence: They arrived at an inopportune moment.

44. ENNOBLE (VERB): उदात्त बनाना

Pronunciation: uh·noh·bl

Meaning: give (someone) a noble rank or title.

Synonyms: aggrandize, canonize, elevate

Antonyms: abase, degrade, demean

Sentence: The heroic actions of firefighters during the terrorist attack did much to ennoble the profession of fire fighting in the public mind.

45. MASCULINITY (NOUN): बहादुरता

Pronunciation: ma·skyoo·lin·uh·tee

Meaning: qualities or attributes regarded as characteristic of men.

Synonyms: virility, manliness, maleness

Antonyms: muliebriety, effeminacy

Sentence: Handsome, muscled, and driven, he's a prime example of masculinity.

46. QUELL (VERB): शांत करना

Pronunciation: Kvel

Meaning: put an end to (a rebellion or other disorder), typically by the use of force.

Synonyms: end, finish, get rid of

Antonyms: support, foment, incite

Sentence: Soldiers were sent in to quell the riots.

47. BLARNEY (NOUN): चापलूसी

Pronunciation: blaa·nee

Meaning: talk that aims to charm, pleasantly flatter, or persuade.

Synonyms: blandishments, honeyed word, flattery

Antonyms: disparagement, coerce,

Sentence: Only a fool will believe your blarney.

48. PENCHANT (NOUN): लगन

Pronunciation: pawn·shawn

Meaning: a strong or habitual liking for something or tendency to do something.

Synonyms: liking, fondness, preference

Antonyms: apathy, dislike, distaste

Sentence: She has a penchant for Indian food.

49. FOMENTED (VERB): भड़काना

Pronunciation: fuh·ment·uhd

Meaning: instigate or stir up (an undesirable or violent sentiment or course of action).

Synonyms: instigate, incite, provoke

Antonyms: allay, calm, settle

Sentence: They accused him of fomenting political unrest.

50. RAUCOUS (ADJECTIVE): कर्कश

Pronunciation: raw·kuhs

Meaning: making or constituting a disturbingly harsh and loud noise.

Synonyms: harsh, strident, screeching

Antonyms: sedate, sober, quiet

Sentence: I heard the raucous call of the crows.

51. REPOSE (NOUN): विश्राम

Pronunciation: ruh·poze

Meaning: a state of rest, sleep, or tranquility.

Synonyms: rest, relaxation, inactivity

Antonyms: exertion, labor, toil

Sentence: The doctor ordered a period of repose for the patient recovering from pneumonia.

52. TUMBLE (VERB): लुढ़क

Pronunciation: tuhm·bl

Meaning: (typically of a person) fall suddenly, clumsily, or headlong.

Synonyms: fall (over), fall down, topple over

Antonyms: get up, rise, stand (up)

Sentence: Children tumble over each other in play.

53. JEOPARDIZED (VERB): खतरे में डालना

Pronunciation: jep-er-dized

Meaning: put into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure.

Synonyms: threaten, endanger, imperil

Antonyms: guarded, protected, sheltered

Sentence: He jeopardized his life to save the drowning child.

54. CULPABILITY (NOUN): दोषी

Pronunciation: kuhl·puh·bil·uh·tee

Meaning: responsibility for a fault or wrong; blame.

Synonyms: guilt, blame, fault

Antonyms: blamelessness, guiltlessness, innocence

Sentence: After the accident, the company refused to accept culpability.

55. FLOUNDERING (VERB): लड़खड़ाना

Pronunciation: flawn·duh·ruhng

Meaning: struggle or stagger helplessly or clumsily in water or mud.

Synonyms: barging, clumping, flogging

Antonyms: coasting, gliding, sliding

Sentence: People were floundering about in the water, shouting and screaming.

56. SUBVERSIVE (ADJECTIVE): विनाशक

Pronunciation: suhb·vuhs·uhv

Meaning: seeking or intended to subvert an established system or institution.

Synonyms: disruptive, troublemaking, inflammatory

Antonyms: liberal, progressive

Sentence: A subversive organization determined to unseat a leader who they believed operated outside the law.

57. ENTWINE (VERB): गुथना

Pronunciation: uhn·tvine

Meaning: wind or twist together; interweave.

Synonyms: wind around, twist around, coil around

Antonyms: disentangle, uncoil, entwine

Sentence: All these threads, and more, entwine in the lines of longitude.

58. QUEASY (ADJECTIVE): रोगी

Pronunciation: kvee·zee

Meaning: nauseated; feeling sick.

Synonyms: nauseous, nauseated, bilious

Antonyms: healthy, well

Sentence: The youngster felt a little queasy after eating too much Easter candy.

59. DEPRAVED (ADJECTIVE): भष्ट

Pronunciation: duh·prayvd

Meaning: morally corrupt; wicked.

Synonyms: corrupted, perverted, deviant

Antonyms: virtuous, uncorrupted, honest

Sentence: He thought we were all depraved gamblers.

60. FLAGGED (VERB): कमज़ोर होना

Pronunciation: flagd

Meaning: becoming smaller or weaker.

Synonyms: Abate, Deteriorate

Antonyms: Enhance, Revive

Sentence: The conversation flagged, and the soldiers began settling down to sleep.