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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. MULLING (VERB): वचारकरना

#### **Pronunciation: muh·luhng**

Meaning: think about (a fact, proposal, or request) deeply and at length. Synonyms: contemplate, ponder, think over Antonyms: disregard, ignore, neglect Sentence: After mulling over the job offer for several days, she decided to accept it.

### 2. WANE (VERB): कम होना

Pronunciation: vaynMeaning: to decrease in strength, intensity.Synonyms: Dwindle , Diminish, DiminishAntonyms: Grow , Increase, RiseSentence: While his interest in these sports began to wane, a passion for rugby developed.

### 3. RAMIFICATIONS (NOUN): असर

Pronunciation: ra·muh·fuh·kay·shnz
Meaning: the possible result of a decision or action.
Synonyms: Consequence , Implication, Outcome
Antonyms: Cause , Juncture, Ground
Sentence: The long-term social ramifications of these Games remain to be seen.

### 4. SQUASHED(VERB): क्चलना

Pronunciation: skvawshtMeaning: to press or beat into a pulp or a flat mass.Synonyms: Squeeze , Flatten, CrushedAntonyms: Uncompress, Backed, StirredSentence: The fruit had got squashed under the weight of all the other food.

### 5. UNLEASH(VERB): शुरू करना

#### **Pronunciation: uhn·leesh**

**Meaning:** to let happen or begin something powerful that, once begun, cannot be controlled.

Synonyms: Unbridle, Release, Manumit



#### Antonyms: Constrain, Restrain, Smother

**Sentence:** The officers were still reluctant to unleash their troops in pursuit of a defeated enemy.

# 6. BELEAGUERED(ADJECTIVE): परेशान

Pronunciation: buh·lee·guhd
Meaning: having a lot of problems or difficulties.
Synonyms: Deserted , Blockade, Attacked
Antonyms: Extrovert , Soothe, Freed
Sentence: The babysitter is surrounded by a crowd of unmanageable brats who relentlessly beleaguer her.

# 7. FRAGILE (ADJECTIVE): टूटने-फूटने वाला

**Pronunciation: fra•jile Meaning:** easily damaged or broken. **Synonyms:** Délicate , Frail, Feeble **Antonyms:** Strong , Healthy, Sturdy **Sentence:** He is in an emotionally fragile state.

### 8. EMBODIES (VERB): प्रतीक

Pronunciation: em·baw·deez
Meaning: to have and show particular qualities or ideas; represent.
Synonyms: Personify , Exemplifies, Realize
Antonyms: Contradicts , Diverges
Sentence: His dedication and hard work embody the qualities of a true leader.

# 9. WITHERED (VERB): मुरझाया हुआ

Pronunciation: vi·dhuhd
Meaning: (used about plants) to become dry and die.
Synonyms: Wilted, Shriveled, Waned
Antonyms: Blooming, Flourishing, Grew
Sentence: The once lush garden now lay in a withered state, its flowers drooping and leaves brown.

### 10. GAMBIT (NOUN): पहला क़दम

#### **Pronunciation:** gam·buht

**Meaning:** an act or remark that is calculated to gain an advantage, especially at the outset of a situation.

Synonyms: Ploy, Tactic, Scheme



Antonyms: Passivity , Retreat

Sentence: The company's marketing team devised a new advertising gambit to attract more customers.

