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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and usage. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary. Happy Learning!!!

1. SETBACK (noun) – ৰাधা

Pronunciation: set-bak
Meaning: a reversal or check in progress
Synonyms: problem, difficulty, issue, hitch, complication
Antonyms: breakthrough, step forward
Usage: The December elections were a major <u>setback</u> for the party.

2. SLUSH (noun) – भावुकतापूर्ण

Pronunciation: slushMeaning: excessive sentimentSynonyms: sentimentality, sentimentalism, banalityUsage: Her novels are full of <u>slush</u>.

3. BLUSTER (verb, noun) – खोखली धमकी, डरावा

Pronunciation: blus-tuh
Meaning: talk in a loud, aggressive way with little effect
Synonyms: rant, thunder, boast, brag; ranting, hectoring, thundering, threatening, threats, bullying
Usage:
Angry and irritated, father began to <u>bluster</u> about all of the things the children weren't doing correctly. (verb)
He influenced no one by his <u>bluster</u>. (noun)

4. SUPPURATE (verb) – पीब पड़ना

Pronunciation: sup-yu-reitMeaning: undergo the formation of pusSynonyms: festerUsage: His skin was covered in <u>suppurating</u> sores.

5. INSPISSATE (verb) – जमने की क्रिया

Pronunciation: in-spi-seit
Meaning: become semi-solid
Synonyms: coagulate, clot, set, solidify, harden, thicken, stiffen
Antonyms: soften, liquefy
Usage: This batter will <u>inspissate</u> in the hot oil.

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6. DOLOUR (noun) – शोक, दुःख

Pronunciation: doluh
Meaning: a state of great sorrow or distress
Synonyms: sadness, sorrow, unhappiness, dejection, depression
Antonym: joy
Usage: The dolor the man felt after his son's passing was so much more than sorrow.

7. CRABBY (adjective) - चिड़चिड़ा

Pronunciation: krabi Meaning: irritable Synonyms: fractious, fretful, cross, petulant, pettish, crabbed Antonyms: easy-going, charming Usage: You're a bit <u>crabby</u> this morning.

8. MOTLEY (adjective) – बह्रंगा

Pronunciation: motli
Meaning: (of clothing) made up of a variety of colours
Synonyms: multicoloured, many-coloure, multicolour, colourful, particoloured
Antonym: monochrome
Usage: They wore the motley coats.

9. BEQUEATH (verb) – वसीयत में देना

Pronunciation: bi-kweethMeaning: leave (property) to a person or other beneficiary by a willSynonyms: will, pass onUsage: Most people bequeath their property to their spouses and children.

10. STARCHY (adjective) – कडा, रूखा; औपचारिक

Pronunciation: staa-chiMeaning: very stiff or formal in manner or characterSynonyms: staid, sedate, sober, reservedUsage: The manager is usually a bit <u>starchy</u>.

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