

Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here.

Happy learning!!!

1. REPUGNANT (ADJECTIVE): प्रतिकूल

Pronunciation: ruh-PUG-nuhnt

Meaning: Causing intense displeasure, disgust.

Synonyms: awful, disgusting, ugly

Antonyms: acceptable, innocuous, desirable

Sentence: I find his political ideas totally *repugnant*.

2. AGONY (NOUN): व्यथा

Pronunciation: AG-uh-nee

Meaning: A situation or state that causes great suffering and unhappiness.

Synonyms: nightmare, misery, torture

Antonyms: heaven, joy, pleasure

Sentence: Mother kissed his *agony* away.

3. ROLLICK (VERB): मौज उड़ाना

Pronunciation: RAH-lick

Meaning: To engage in activity for amusement.

Synonyms: play, frolic, entertain

Antonyms: work, slave, struggle

Sentence: An educator who realized that children need to *rollick* as well as to study and learn.

4. FABRICATION (NOUN): मन्गदंत

Pronunciation: fab-ruh-KAY-shuhn

Meaning: A statement known by its maker to be untrue and made in order to deceive.

Synonyms: fairy tale, falsehood, prevarication

Antonyms: truth, fact, verification

Sentence: His story was a complete *fabrication*.

5. EMBELLISHMENT (NOUN): अलंकार

Pronunciation: ihm-BEL-ish-muhnt

Meaning: Something that decorates or beautifies.

Synonyms: ornamentation, decoration

Antonyms: scar, blemish

Sentence: The only *embellishment* was a small bunch of fresh flowers placed in a vase at her feet.

6. HYPERBOLE (NOUN): अतिशयोक्ति

Pronunciation: HY-pur-buh-lee

Meaning: The representation of something in terms that go beyond the facts.

Synonyms: exaggeration, overstatement

Antonyms: understatement, belittlement, disparagement

Sentence: He's not usually given to *hyperbole*.

7. DENOUNCING (VERB): निंदा करना

Pronunciation: dih-NOUN-sing

Meaning: To express one's unfavorable opinion of the worth or quality of.

Synonyms: criticizing, blaming, condemning

Antonyms: praising, extolling, approving

Sentence: The church council *denounced* the bishop's teachings, officially declaring them to be heresy.

8. CARICATURE (NOUN): व्यंग्य चित्र

Pronunciation: ka-ruh-kuh-chur

Meaning: A poor, insincere, or insulting imitation of something.

Synonyms: parody, joke

Antonyms: tribute, homage

Sentence: She drew a wickedly funny *caricature* of the teacher.

9. DODGING (VERB): बचना

Pronunciation: DAH-jing

Meaning: The act or a means of getting or keeping away from something undesirable.

Synonyms: escape, evasion, avoidance

Antonyms: submission, endurance, toleration

Sentence: The governor's repeated *dodging* of tough questions at the press conference.

10. APATHY (NOUN): उदासीनता

Pronunciation: AP-uh-thee

Meaning: A lack of emotion or emotional expressiveness.

Synonyms: numbness, impassivity, impassiveness

Antonyms: emotion, feeling, sympathy

Sentence: The *apathy* of the people of that war-torn country comes from their having seen too many horrors.

11. WOEBEGONE (ADJECTIVE): दुखी

Pronunciation: voh·buh·gawn

Meaning: Feeling unhappiness.

Synonyms: sad, unhappy, depressed

Antonyms: cheerful, joyous, joyful

Sentence: She sniffed and looked *woebegone*.

12. ELABORATION (NOUN): वस्तार

Pronunciation: uh·la·buh·ray·shn

Meaning: The act or process of going from the simple or basic to the complex or advanced.

Synonyms: evolution, development, progress

Antonyms: regression, reversion, retrogression

Sentence: His work led to the *elaboration* of a theory of evolution.

13. OBSCURING (VERB): अस्पष्ट

Pronunciation: uh·skyoh·ruhng

Meaning: to keep secret or shut off from view.

Synonyms: concealing, hiding, covering

Antonyms: showing, revealing, exposing

Sentence: The investigative reporters *obscured* their real motives for visiting the company by pretending the story was about something else.

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Pronunciation: KLEEV

Meaning: To hold to something firmly as if by adhesion.

Synonyms: adhere, cling, stick

Antonyms: fall, loosen, drop

Sentence: Rose's mouth was dry, her tongue *cleaving* to the roof of her mouth.

19. ASTHENIA (NOUN): शक्तिहीनता

Pronunciation: uh·THEE·nee·uh

Meaning: The quality or state of lacking physical strength or vigor.

Synonyms: weakness, fatigue, exhaustion

Antonyms: strength, vigor, hardiness

Sentence: Headache, nausea, fever, and *asthenia* are side effects of the drug.

20. LASSITUDE (NOUN): थकान

Pronunciation: LASS·ih·tood

Meaning: A complete depletion of energy or strength.

Synonyms: exhaustion, fatigue, weariness

Antonyms: vigor, refreshment, energy

Sentence: Symptoms of anaemia include general fatigue and *lassitude*.

21. PRESENTIMENT (NOUN): पूर्वाभाव

Pronunciation: pruh·zen·tuh·muht

Meaning: a feeling that something bad will happen.

Synonyms: feel, fear, suspicion

Antonyms: confidence, sureness, calmness

Sentence: He had a *presentiment* of disaster.

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Pronunciation: faas

Meaning: a poor, insincere, or insulting imitation.

Synonyms: parody, joke, caricature

Antonyms: tribute, homage, seriousness

Sentence: The whole procedure has become a complete *farce*.

23. DESIRABILITY (NOUN): वांछनीयता

Pronunciation: duh·zai·uh·ruh·bil·uh·tee

Meaning: suitability for bringing about a desired result under the circumstances.

Synonyms: feasibility, advisability, desirableness

Antonyms: imprudence, unwisdom, inadvisability

Sentence: No one questions the *desirability* of cheaper fares.

24. INTERLUDE (NOUN): अन्तराल

Pronunciation: in·tuh·lood

Meaning: a break in continuity.

Synonyms: interval, interruption, hiatus

Antonyms: continuation, continuity, run

Sentence: There will now be a 15 minutes *interlude*.

25. IMPROPRIETY (NOUN): अनौ चत्य

Pronunciation: im·pruh·prai·uh·tee

Meaning: the quality or state of not being socially proper.

Synonyms: unfitness inappropriateness, disrespect

Antonyms: propriety, correctness, decorum

Sentence: The *impropriety* of the song that the campers sang for the visitors was embarrassing.

26. DABBLED (VERB): भगोना

Pronunciation: da·bld

Meaning: to wet, splash, or immerse partially in water.

Synonyms: delighted, entertained, played

Antonyms: worked, struggled, labored

Sentence: "The children sat by the calm stream, *dabbled* their bare toes in the cool water, and watched the fish."

27. CONSCRIPTION (NOUN): भरती

Pronunciation: kuhn·skrip·shn

Meaning: the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces.

Synonyms: induction, recruitment, draft

Antonyms: removal, discharge, dismissal

Sentence: At the outbreak of war, young people knew they would soon face *conscription* into the army.

28. FAR-FLUNG (ADJECTIVE): लंबा चौड़ा

Pronunciation: fuh·flung

Meaning: having considerable extent.

Synonyms: extensive, broad, wide

Antonyms: narrow, limited, restricted

Sentence: The news spread to all corners of our *far-flung* empire.

29. PRODIGAL (ADJECTIVE): उड़ाऊ

Pronunciation: proh·di·gl

Meaning: given to spending money freely or foolishly.

Synonyms: wasteful, profligate, generous

Antonyms: frugal, thrifty, economical

Sentence: The *prodigal* child always spent her allowance the minute she got it.

30. PERUSED (VERB): सोचना

Pronunciation: puh·roozd

Meaning: read, typically in a thorough or careful way.

Synonyms: read, reviewed, studied

Antonyms: glance, peek

Sentence: After breakfast, he *perused* the newspapers.

31. LAXITY (NOUN): बेपरवाही

Pronunciation: laks·uh·tee

Meaning: lack of strictness or care.

Synonyms: carelessness, heedlessness, inadvertence

Antonyms: tightness, compliance, care

Sentence: The newspapers accused local police of laxity in dealing with gamblers.

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34. SHREWDNESS (NOUN): चतुराई

Pronunciation: shrood·nuhs

Meaning: the quality of having or showing good powers of judgement.

Synonyms: sharpness, acuteness, acuity

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Sentence: The coach showed considerable tactical shrewdness.

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Pronunciation: pruh·fyoo·zhn

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Meaning: lack of good sense; foolishness.

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Sentence: Learn wisdom by the follies of others.

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Pronunciation: in·fuh·mee

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Sentence: Traitors are held in infamy.

38. LETUP (NOUN): कम होना

Pronunciation: let·uhp

Meaning: a usually gradual decrease in the pace or level of activity of something.

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Sentence: The downpour continued for hours without letup.

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Pronunciation: fai·stee

Meaning: feeling or displaying eagerness to fight.

Synonyms: aggressive, militant, hostile

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Pronunciation: uh·feh·muh·ruhl

Meaning: lasting for a very short time.

Synonyms: brief, short, little

Antonyms: eternal, lasting, enduring

Sentence: Fashion is by nature *ephemeral*.

52. CONTRAVENTION (NOUN): उल्लंघन

Pronunciation: kaw·n·truh·ven·shn

Meaning: a failure to uphold the requirements of law, duty, or obligation.

Synonyms: violation, breach, offence

Antonyms: observance, respecting, upholding

Sentence: Sending the troops was a *contravention* of the treaty.

53. VERTIGINOUS (ADJ.): चक्कर आना

Pronunciation: vur·tij·ih·nus

Meaning: having or causing a whirling sensation; liable to failing.

Synonyms: giddy, dizzy, woozy

Antonyms: steady, stable, clearheaded

Sentence: 3-D effect is likely to leave some audience members feeling *vertiginous*.

54. CONGRUITY (NOUN): समानता

Pronunciation: kuhng-groo-i-tee.

Meaning: a point which two or more things share in common.

Synonyms: similarity, resemblance, commonality

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Sentence: The book alleges certain *congruities* between several political assassinations that were thought to be unrelated.

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Meaning: A lack of activity or development and especially economic development.

Synonyms: recession, slump, depression

Antonyms: development, growth, progress

Sentence: After years of economic *stagnation*, employment numbers began to rise.