

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. HAGGLE (VERB):** सौदे बाज़ी करना

**Pronunciation:** ha·gl

**Meaning:** dispute or bargain persistently, especially over the cost of something.

**Synonyms:** barter, bargain, negotiate

**Antonyms:** concur, acquiesce, comply

**Sentence:** Ella taught her how to haggle with used furniture dealers.

### **2. DEPRAVED (ADJECTIVE):** भ्रष्ट

**Pronunciation:** duh·prayvd

**Meaning:** morally corrupt; wicked.

**Synonyms:** corrupted, perverted, deviant

**Antonyms:** virtuous, uncorrupted, honest

**Sentence:** He thought we were all depraved gamblers.

### **3. BICKER (VERB):** झगड़ना

**Pronunciation:** bi·kuh

**Meaning:** argue about petty and trivial matters.

**Synonyms:** squabble, argue, quarrel

**Antonyms:** accept, agree, assent

**Sentence:** I wish you two would stop bickering.

### **4. REPOSE (NOUN):** वश्राम

**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.

### **5. 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.

### **6. JEOPARDIZED (VERB):** खतरे में डालना

**Pronunciation:** jeep·ar·dize

**Meaning:** put (someone or something) 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.

### **7. 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.

### **8. FLOUNDERING (VERB): लड़ खड़ाना**

**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.

### **9. SUBVERSIVE (ADJECTIVE): वनाशक**

**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.

### **10. 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.

### **11. DISCERNING (ADJECTIVE): समझदार**

**Pronunciation:** duh·suhn·uhng

**Meaning:** Having or showing deep understanding and intelligent application of knowledge.

**Synonyms:** wise, prudent, insightful

**Antonyms:** unwise, dense, obtuse

**Sentence:** A discerning critic can easily recognize good modern art.

**12. SLANDEROUS (ADJECTIVE): निंदात्मक****Pronunciation:** slaan·duh·ruhs**Meaning:** Causing or intended to cause unjust injury to a person's good name.**Synonyms:** libelous, libellous, erroneous**Antonyms:** favorable, complimentary, appreciative**Sentence:** Or you might plead that it was not slanderous because it was true.**13. ERUDITE (ADJECTIVE): वद्वान****Pronunciation:** eh·roo·dite**Meaning:** Having or displaying advanced knowledge or education.**Synonyms:** literate, educate, scholarly**Antonyms:** ignorant, uneducated, illiterate**Sentence:** The most erudite people in medical research attended the conference.**14. MELANCHOLY (ADJECTIVE): उदासी****Pronunciation:** meh·luhng·kuh·lee**Meaning:** Causing unhappiness.**Synonyms:** sad, depressing, mournful**Antonyms:** happy, cheery, glad**Sentence:** The music suited her melancholy mood.**15. DUBIOUS (ADJECTIVE): संदिग्ध****Pronunciation:** doo·bee·uhs**Meaning:** Giving good reason for being doubted, questioned, or challenged.**Synonyms:** questionable, disputable, problematical**Antonyms:** certain, indisputable, unquestionable**Sentence:** Any letter bearing the signature of Geronimo would be of dubious authenticity, to say the least.**16. CONVOLUTED (ADJECTIVE): जटिल****Pronunciation:** kaw·nuh·loot·uhd**Meaning:** Having many parts or aspects that are usually interrelated.**Synonyms:** complicated, intricate, complicate**Antonyms:** simple, plain, uncomplicated**Sentence:** A convoluted explanation that left the listeners even more confused than they were before.**17. AMPLE (ADJECTIVE): पर्याप्त****Pronunciation:** am·pl**Meaning:** Being more than enough without being excessive.**Synonyms:** plenty, plentiful, generous**Antonyms:** minimal, scant, insufficient

**Sentence:** You'll have ample time for questions later.

**18. ABERRANCE (ADJECTIVE): असामान्य**

**Pronunciation:** uh-BAIR-uhns

**Meaning:** Being out of the ordinary.

**Synonyms:** unusual, extraordinary, abnormal

**Antonyms:** normal, common, ordinary

**Sentence:** If there has been some aberrance, what it looks like today?

**19. LAXITY (NOUN): ढिलाई**

**Pronunciation:** laks·uh·tee

**Meaning:** Lack of strictness or care.

**Synonyms:** carelessness, inadvertence, inadvertency

**Antonyms:** compliance, discharge, fulfillment

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

**20. FRAZZLE (NOUN): थका हुआ**

**Pronunciation:** fra·zl

**Meaning:** A complete depletion of energy or strength.

**Synonyms:** exhaustion, fatigue, strain

**Antonyms:** refreshment, energy, rejuvenation

**Sentence:** Some parents say they feel frazzled most nights.

**21. VORACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): अत्य धक भूखा**

**Pronunciation:** vuh·ray·shuhs

**Meaning:** having a huge appetite

**Synonyms:** greedy, ravenous, hungry

**Antonyms:** satisfied, full, content

**Sentence:** It seemed like the voracious kitten was eating her weight in food every day.

**22. MUNDANE (ADJECTIVE): सांसारिक**

**Pronunciation:** muhn·dayn

**Meaning:** having to do with the practical details of regular life.

**Synonyms:** everyday, prosaic, usual

**Antonyms:** sublime, noble, lofty

**Sentence:** Be willing to do even mundane tasks.

**23. DAFFY (ADJECTIVE): पागल**

**Pronunciation:** da·fee

**Meaning:** having or showing a very abnormal or sick state of mind

**Synonyms:** psychotic, lunatic, mad

**Antonyms:** sensible, normal, uncrazy

**Sentence:** lurid newspaper reports that portrayed the serial killer as clearly daffy.

**24. BEREFT (ADJECTIVE): वं चत**

**Pronunciation:** buh·reft

**Meaning:** suffering the death of a loved one

**Synonyms:** bereaved, grieving, weeping

**Antonyms:** Fulfilled, satisfied

**Sentence:** his death in 1990 left her bereft.

**25. POIGNANCE (NOUN): मा र्मकता**

**Pronunciation:** poi·gnance

**Meaning:** a harsh or sharp quality.

**Synonyms:** bitterness, bite, poignancy

**Antonyms:** softness, gentleness, mildness

**Sentence:** Her presence in the completed project adds an unintentional poignance now.

**26. DISCARDED (VERB): बाहर कया हुआ**

**Pronunciation:** duh·skaad·uhd

**Meaning:** to get rid of as useless or unwanted.

**Synonyms:** unped, unloaded, ditched

**Antonyms:** adopted, used, employed

**Sentence:** He discarded an old hat and an old pair of shoes.

**27. VOLUNTARY (ADJECTIVE): स्वैच्छिक**

**Pronunciation:** vaw·luhn·tuh·ree

**Meaning:** done, made, or given with one's own free will.

**Synonyms:** volunteer, willing, spontaneous

**Antonyms:** involuntary, compelled, forced

**Sentence:** a voluntary contribution to the school's fund-raising drive.

**28. UNRAVELLED (VERB): सुलझाया**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·ra·vled

**Meaning:** to separate the various strands of

**Synonyms:** fray, untangle, disentangle

**Antonyms:** entangle, snarl, tie

**Sentence:** it took us forever to unravel the jumbled mass of Christmas tree lights.

**29. FELON (NOUN): अपराधी**

**Pronunciation:** feh·luhn

**Meaning:** a person who has committed a serious crime.

**Synonyms:** criminal, offender, perpetrator

**Antonyms:** innocent, hero, angel

**Sentence:** The convicted felon wanted to make amends after his release from jail.

**30. BRAZEN (ADJECTIVE):** बेशर्म

**Pronunciation:** bray·zn

**Meaning:** displaying or marked by rude boldness.

**Synonyms:** bold, impudent, wise

**Antonyms:** timid, meek, shy

**Sentence:** a brazen demand for special treatment just because she's rich.

**31. BUTTRESS (VERB):** समर्थन करना

**Pronunciation:** buh·truhs

**Meaning:** to give support to or strengthen something.

**Synonyms:** support, brace, reinforce, strengthen

**Antonyms:** undermine, weaken

**Sentence:** The new evidence served to buttress his argument for the defendant's innocence.

**32. RELINQUISH (VERB):** त्यागना

**Pronunciation:** ruh·ling·kvuhsh

**Meaning:** voluntarily cease to keep or claim; give up.

**Synonyms:** surrender, render, abandon

**Antonyms:** retain, keep, withhold

**Sentence:** He had to relinquish his position as CEO due to his health issues.

**33. CRYPTIC (ADJECTIVE):** गुप्त

**Pronunciation:** kript·uhk

**Meaning:** having a meaning that is mysterious or obscure.

**Synonyms:** enigmatic, mysterious, hard to understand

**Antonyms:** understandable, clear, plain, transparent

**Sentence:** The message was written in cryptic code that only a few people could decipher.

**34. GRASSROOTS (NOUN):** आधार

**Pronunciation:** graa·sroots

**Meaning:** the most basic level of an activity or organization.

**Synonyms:** central, constitutional, elemental

**Antonyms:** uncommon, incidental, incident

**Sentence:** He pointed out that grassroots local government gave communities the power to improve their lives materially in practical ways.

**35. TRUCULENT (ADJECTIVE):** उग्र, लड़ाकू

**Pronunciation:** truh·kyoo·luhnt

**Meaning:** eager or quick to argue or fight; aggressively defiant.

**Synonyms:** aggressive, barbarous

**Antonyms:** cooperative, gentle

**Sentence:** The truculent dog barked aggressively at anyone who dared to approach its territory.

### 36. BATTERED (ADJECTIVE): क्षतिग्रस्त

**Pronunciation:** ba·tuhd

**Meaning:** hurt by being repeatedly hit; damaged, especially by being used a lot.

**Synonyms:** beaten up, damaged, worn out, weathered, dilapidated

**Antonyms:** undamaged, unspoiled, new, pristine

**Sentence:** The old, battered car was still running, but it was clearly on its last legs.

### 37. BEFUDDLE (VERB): स्वयं को मूर्ख बनाना

**Pronunciation:** be·fud·dle

**Meaning:** unable to think clearly.

**Synonyms:** Baffle, bewilder

**Antonyms:** Clarify, clear up

**Sentence:** The complex instructions befuddled the new recruits, leaving them unsure of what to do next.

### 38. DOYEN (NOUN): अनुभवी व्यक्ति

**Pronunciation:** doh·yayng

**Meaning:** the most respected or prominent person in a particular field.

**Synonyms:** Chief, commander, Director, head

**Antonyms:** Employee, follower

**Sentence:** The professor was considered the doyen of the academic community due to his extensive knowledge and experience.

### 39. STIGMA (NOUN): कलंक

**Pronunciation:** stig·muh

**Meaning:** a mark of disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person

**Synonyms:** shame, disgrace, dishonour, stain

**Antonyms:** honour, credit

**Sentence:** Often people are afraid to admit they have a mental illness because of the stigma attached to psychiatric disorders.

### 40. DECRY (VERB): निंदा

**Pronunciation:** duh·krai

**Meaning:** publicly denounce; to criticize something as bad, without value, or unnecessary

**Synonyms:** criticize, denigrate, denounce, condemn

**Antonyms:** applaud, laud, praise, extol

**Sentence:** Several religious organizations have chosen to decry the obscene cartoon about Jesus.

### 41. DISSENSION (NOUN): मतभेद

**Pronunciation:** duh·sen·shn

**Meaning:** disagreement that leads to discord.

**Synonyms:** disagreement, difference of opinion, dispute

**Antonyms:** accord, agreement, concord

**Sentence:** You won't sow dissension between us.

**42. EXIGUOUS (ADJECTIVE):** अल्प

**Pronunciation:** uhg·zi·gyoo·uhs

**Meaning:** very small in size or amount.

**Synonyms:** meagre, inadequate, insufficient

**Antonyms:** abundant, ample, bountiful

**Sentence:** The rest of the old man's exiguous savings are donated to that boy.

**43. HARROWING (ADJECTIVE):** शोक जनक

**Pronunciation:** ha·roh·uhng

**Meaning:** acutely distressing.

**Synonyms:** agonizing, excruciating, racking

**Antonyms:** gratifying, pleasing, acceptable

**Sentence:** There was a harrowing portrayal of the ravages of war.

**44. QUASHING (VERB):** रद्द करना

**Pronunciation:** kwosh-ing

**Meaning:** reject or void, especially by legal procedure.

**Synonyms:** cancel, reverse, rescind

**Antonyms:** enact, establish, endorse

**Sentence:** His conviction was quashed on appeal.

**45. DISCOMFUTURE (NOUN):** पराभव

**Pronunciation:** duh·skuhm·fuh·chuh

**Meaning:** a feeling of unease or embarrassment; awkwardness.

**Synonyms:** embarrassment, unease, uneasiness

**Antonyms:** assurance, composure, confidence

**Sentence:** Without experiencing discomfiture and setbacks, one can never find truth.

**46. QUISLING (NOUN):** गद्दार

**Pronunciation:** kviz·luhng

**Meaning:** a traitor who collaborates with an enemy force occupying their country.

**Synonyms:** apostate, backstabber, betrayer

**Antonyms:** patriot, companion, loyalist.

**Sentence:** King warned that all quislings would be punished without mercy.

**47. WONT (NOUN):** स्वभाव

**Pronunciation:** vonet

**Meaning:** a usual manner of behaving or doing

**Synonyms:** habit, habitude, second nature

**Antonyms:** departure, digression, unused.

**Sentence:** He got up early, as is his wont.

**48. CON (VERB): ठगना**

**Pronunciation:** kawn

**Meaning:** persuade (someone) to do or believe something, typically by use of a deception.

**Synonyms:** swindle, defraud, cheat

**Antonyms:** undeceive, disclose

**Sentence:** Tried to con me into thinking that he had won the lottery.

**49. MINATORY (ADJECTIVE): धमकी**

**Pronunciation:** mi·na·to·ry

**Meaning:** expressing or conveying a threat.

**Synonyms:** menacing, threatening, baleful

**Antonyms:** unthreatening, propitious

**Sentence:** The novel's protagonist is haunted by a minatory black spectre.

**50. ATAVISTIC (ADJECTIVE): पैतृक**

**Pronunciation:** a·tuh·vi·stuhk

**Meaning:** relating to or characterized by reversion to something ancient or ancestral.

**Synonyms:** bygone, erstwhile, former

**Antonyms:** contemporary, current, modern

**Sentence:** It would be wrong to interpret them as atavistic remnants.

**51. SPARSE (ADJECTIVE): कम घना**

**Pronunciation:** spaas

**Meaning:** thinly dispersed or scattered.

**Synonyms:** scattered, thinly distributed, scarce

**Antonyms:** abundant, adequate, ample

**Sentence:** Vegetation becomes sparse higher up the mountains.

**52. INTEMPERATE (ADJECTIVE): असंयमी**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·tem·puh·ruht

**Meaning:** having or showing a lack of self-control; immoderate.

**Synonyms:** uncontrolled, rampant, unbridled

**Antonyms:** temperate, sober, abstinent

**Sentence:** The judge's intemperate outburst almost caused a retrial.

**53. BOTCH (VERB): ढिलाई से काम करना****Pronunciation:** bawch**Meaning:** carry out (a task) badly or carelessly**Synonyms:** bungle, do badly, do clumsily**Antonyms:** sort out, achieve, correct**Sentence:** Don't botch up my car this time.**54. VIRTUOSITY (NOUN): कलाप्रवीण****Pronunciation:** vuh·choo·aws·uh·tee**Meaning:** great skill in music or another artistic pursuit.**Synonyms:** mastery, expertise, proficiency**Antonyms:** incompetency, unfamiliarity**Sentence:** At that time, his virtuosity on the trumpet had no parallel in jazz.**55. STRATIFICATION (NOUN): श्रेणी विभाजन****Pronunciation:** stra·tuh·fuh·kay·shn**Meaning:** the arrangement or classification of something into different groups.**Synonyms:** categorization, categorizing, classifying**Antonyms:** disorganized, amorphous, non hierarchic**Sentence:** She was concerned about the stratification of American society.**56. THAW (VERB): पिघलना****Pronunciation:** thaw**Meaning:** (of ice, snow, or another frozen substance, such as food) become liquid or soft as a result of warming.**Synonyms:** liquefy, melt, fuse**Antonyms:** harden, set, solidify**Sentence:** The snow started to thaw as the temperature kept up.**57. CONTUMACY (NOUN): आज्ञा का उल्लंघन****Pronunciation:** kawn·choo·muh·see**Meaning:** stubborn refusal to obey or comply with authority, especially a court order or summons.**Synonyms:** contrariness, defiance, disobedience**Antonyms:** compliance, obedience, submission**Sentence:** Most of unsuccessful men have the characteristics of contumacy and haughty.**58. LAMPOON (VERB): निंदालेख****Pronunciation:** lam·poon

**Meaning:** publicly criticize (someone or something) by using ridicule, irony, or sarcasm.

**Synonyms:** satirize, mock, ridicule

**Antonyms:** support, applaud, flattery

**Sentence:** His cartoon mercilessly lampoon the leading politician of the day.

**59. MISCELLANY (NOUN): मिश्रण**

**Pronunciation:** muh·seh·luh·nee

**Meaning:** a group or collection of different items; a mixture.

**Synonyms:** assortment, mixture, mélange

**Antonyms:** single, uniformity singularity

**Sentence:** The museum houses a fascinating miscellany of nautical treasures.

**60. FINAGLE (VERB): छल से प्राप्त करना**

**Pronunciation:** fuh·nay·gl

**Meaning:** achieve something, by means of trickery or devious methods

**Synonyms:** wangle, manage, contrive

**Antonyms:** help, assist, neglect

**Sentence:** He finagled into the wedding by claiming he was a photographer.