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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.DISTRESS (noun) – परेशानी

Pronunciation: duh•stres

Meaning: physical or mental anguish

Synonyms: anguish, suffering, pain, agony, affliction, discomfort, misery

Antonyms: happiness, comfort, delight

Usage: Geri's mental distress was so intense it gave her a migraine headache.

2.FELICITATE (verb) – बधाई देना

Pronunciation: fuh•li•suh•teit

Meaning: to congratulate

Synonyms: commend, compliment, praise, recommend, salute

Antonyms: criticize, blame, reject

Usage: The ornate shawl was given by the tribe to felicitate the woman on the birth of her new baby.

3.PRIMORDIAL (adjective) – आदिकालीन

Pronunciation: prai•maw•dee•uhl

Meaning: existing at or from the beginning of time

Synonyms: ancient, earliest, prehistoric, antique, primitive, primal, pristine

Antonyms: modern, new, latest

Usage: Researchers are still trying to determine the number of planets that originally existed in the primordial galaxy.

4.CHEEKY (adjective) – मुखर

Pronunciation: chee•kee

Meaning: impudent or unapologetic but in a generally charming way

Synonyms: impudent, impertinent, insolent, presumptuous, forward, pert, bold

Antonyms: respectful, polite

Usage: My son can be a little cheeky at times, but I don't get too mad unless he flat out disobeys me on something important.

5.LIVID (adjective) – अति क्रुद्ध

Pronunciation: livid

Meaning: furiously angry

Synonyms: furious, angry, infuriated, irate, fuming, raging, seething

Antonyms: cool, calm, tranquil

Usage: The police officer was livid when the drunk driver drove directly into his vehicle.



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6. PROTRUDE (verb) – बहर निकलना

Pronunciation: prutrood

Meaning: extend beyond or above a surface

Synonyms: jut, project, extend, obtrude, protuberant, bulging

Antonym: sunken

Usage: A handkerchief protruded from his shirt pocket.

7. LUNACY (noun) – बावलापन

Pronunciation: loo•nuh•see

Meaning: foolish or senseless behavior

Synonyms: absurdity, folly, foolishness, idiocy, insanity, mania, stupidity

Antonyms: intelligence, judgment, sanity

Usage: It would be lunacy to try to climb the mountain in this weather.

8. PARTAKE (verb) – हिस्सा लेना, भाग लेना

Pronunciation: paa•teik

Meaning: join in an activity

Synonyms: participate, share, contribute, enter, engage

Antonyms: forfeit, forego

Usage: They preferred not to partake in the social life of the town.

9. STENCH (noun) - बदबू

Pronunciation: stench

Meaning: a strong and very unpleasant smell

Synonyms: stink, reek, malodor, miasma, effluvium, fetor

Antonyms: aroma, fragrance

Usage: Because the water from the lake has a foul stench, you shouldn't drink it.

10. DEFIANT (adjective) – उपेक्षापूर्ण

Pronunciation: duh•fai•uhnt

Meaning: boldly resisting authority or an opposing force

Synonyms: intransigent, resistant, obstinate, uncooperative, recalcitrant, confrontational, challenging

Antonyms: apologetic, cooperative, submissive

Usage: The terrorists sent a defiant message to the government.

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