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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy Learning!!!

1. EAVESDROP (verb) – छिपकर बातें सुनना

Pronunciation: eevz-drop

Meaning: secretly listen to a conversation

Synonyms: listen in, spy, intrude, monitor, overhear

Usage: It is not polite to eavesdrop on the conversation of other people.

2. ESPIONAGE (noun) – जासूसी

Pronunciation: es-pi-un-aaj

Meaning: the practice of spying or of using spies, typically by governments to obtain political and military information

Synonyms: spying, surveillance, reconnaissance

Usage: Espionage is a capital offence in this country.

3. TRAVESTY (noun, verb) – उपहासात्मक निरूपण

Pronunciation: tra-visti

Meaning: a false, absurd, or distorted representation of something; represent in a false, absurd, or distorted way

Synonyms: misrepresentation, distortion, perversion; parody, caricature, burlesque, mock

Usage: It would be a travesty of justice to put an innocent man in jail.

4. RESPITE (noun) – स्थगन, विराम

Pronunciation: res-pit / res-pa-it

Meaning: a short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant; postpone (a sentence, obligation, etc.)

Synonyms: rest, break, breathing space, interval, intermission, interlude

Usage: We worked for hours without respite.

5. BARBARIC (adjective) – असभ्य

Pronunciation: baar-barik

Meaning: savagely cruel; unsophisticated; uncultured

Synonyms: cruel, brutal, barbarous, brutish, bestial; uncivilized, primitive, unsophisticated, barbarous, heathen

Antonyms: benevolent, civilized, sophisticated

Usage: The cruel animal owners were known to treat their dogs in a barbaric manner.

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6. INCUMBENT (adjective, noun) – अनिवार्य, पदधारी

Pronunciation: in-kum-b(u)nt

Meaning: necessary for (someone) as a duty or responsibility; the holder of an office or post

Synonyms: binding, obligatory, mandatory, necessary, compulsory; holder, bearer, occupant

Antonym: optional

Usage:

- It is incumbent upon parents to control what their children watch on TV. (adjective)
- The present incumbent will soon be retiring. (noun)

7. INAPT (adjective) – नामुनासिब, अनुपयुक्त

Pronunciation: in-apt

Meaning: not suitable or appropriate in the circumstances

Synonyms: unsuitable, unfitting, ill-suited, unseemly, unprofessional

Antonyms: appropriate, suitable

Usage: He always makes inapt remarks.

8. CARP (verb) – नुकताचीनी करना

Pronunciation: kaarp

Meaning: complain or find fault continually about trivial matters

Synonyms: complain, cavil, grumble, moan, grouse, grouch, whine

Antonyms: praise, forgiving, complimentary

Usage: He always finds something to carp about.

9. RESPLENDENT (adjective) – देदीप्यमान

Pronunciation: ri-splen-d(u)nt

Meaning: attractive and impressive through being richly colourful or sumptuous

Synonyms: splendid, magnificent, dazzling, glittering, radiant, gorgeous

Antonyms: dull, boring, repulsive

Usage: The queen was resplendent with jewels.

10. BEREAVE (verb) – वंचित करना

Pronunciation: bi-reev

Meaning: be deprived of a close relation or friend through their death

Synonyms: deprive, dispossess

Usage: He was bereaved of his wife last year.



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