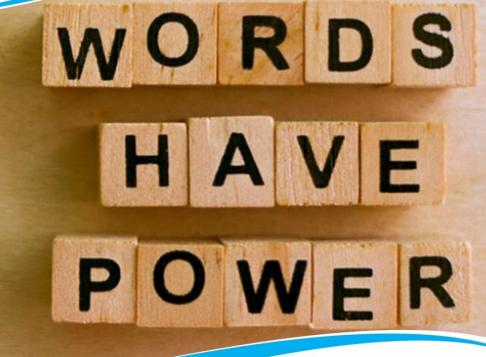






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

## 1.BULWARK (noun): बांध

Pronunciation: bul•vuhk
Meaning: a defensive wall.
Synonyms: wall, rampart, fortification
Antonyms: harm, hurt, injury
Sentence: Our people's support is a <u>bulwark</u> against the enemy.

## 2.LANGUISHED (verb) : दुर्बल होना

Pronunciation: lang•gvuhsht
Meaning: (of a person or other living thing) lose or lack vitality; grow weak or feeble.
Synonyms: weaken, grow weak, deteriorate
Antonyms: recovered, recuperated, thrive, flourish
Sentence: He languished in poverty for years.

## 3.DISMAL (adj.) : निराशाजनक

Pronunciation: diz•muhl Meaning: depressing; dreary. Synonyms: dingy, dim, dark Antonyms: cheering, cheery, glad Sentence: Christmas will be <u>dismal</u> without the children.

## 4.EXPLICABLE (adj.) : समझाने के योग्य

**Pronunciation:** uhk•spli•kuh•bl **Meaning:** able to be accounted for or understood. **Synonyms:** explainable, interpretable, definable **Antonyms:** inexplicable, insoluble, insolvable **Sentence:** The sudden increase in sales is easily <u>explicable</u>.

## 5.GIST (noun) : सार

**Pronunciation:** jist **Meaning:** the substance or essence of a speech or text. **Synonyms:** essence, substance, quintessence **Antonyms:** exterior, exteriority, insignificance **Sentence:** she noted the <u>gist</u> of each message

## 6.DECIMATION (noun) : बर्बादी



Pronunciation: deh•suh•may•shn
Meaning: the state or fact of being rendered non-existent.
Synonyms: annihilation, demolishment, demolition
Antonyms: building, construction, protection
Sentence: The virtual <u>decimation</u> of the coastal town was caused by the hurricane.

## 7.ASCENDANCY (noun) : प्रभुत्व

Pronunciation: uh•send•uhns•ee
Meaning: occupation of a position of dominant power or influence.
Synonyms: dominance, domination, supremacy
Antonyms: impotence, impotency, powerlessness
Sentence: He slowly gained <u>ascendancy</u> in the group.

#### 8.VACATE (verb) : खाली

Pronunciation: vuh•kayt
Meaning: leave (a place that one previously occupied).
Synonyms: leave, get out of, move out of
Antonyms: fill, load
Sentence: Rooms must be vacated by noon on the last day of your vacation.

#### 9.GRAPPLE (verb) : मुठभेड

Pronunciation: gra•pl
Meaning: engage in a close fight or struggle without weapons; wrestle.
Synonyms: wrestle, struggle, tussle
Antonyms: concord, harmony, peace
Sentence: Two sumo wrestlers were grappling like a pair of mammoth bears.

## 10.RABID (adj.) : विक्षिप्त

Pronunciation: ra•buhd
Meaning: having or proceeding from extreme or fanatical support of or belief in something.
Synonyms: extreme, fanatical, overzealous
Antonyms: moderate, liberal, halfhearted
Sentence: Even the survey's most <u>rabid critics</u> acknowledge the utility of this kind of data.





