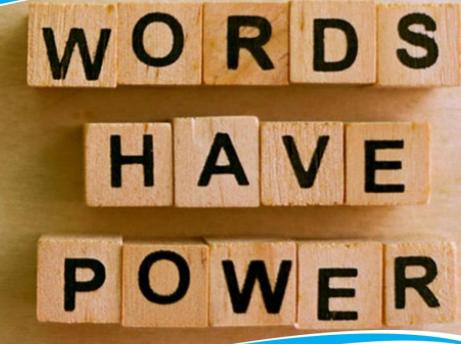






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt.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

Happy learning!!!

1. WANTON (adj.): प्रचंड

Pronunciation: vawn tn
Meaning: (of a cruel or violent action) deliberate and unprovoked.
Synonyms: deliberate, wilful, malicious
Antonyms: decent, priggish, non-obscene
Sentence: The community newspaper, describes it as <u>wanton</u> damage and wilful vandalism.

2. LABYRINTH (noun) : भूलभुलैया

Pronunciation: la buh ruhnth
Meaning: a complicated irregular network of passages or paths in which it is difficult to find one's way; a maze.
Synonyms: maze, warren, complex, network
Antonyms: order, simple, simplified
Sentence: We lost our way in the labyrinth of streets.

3. ASCETICISM (noun) : वैराग्य

Pronunciation: uh·seh·tuh·si·zm
Meaning: severe self-discipline and avoidance of all forms of indulgence, typically for religious reasons.
Synonyms: austerity, self-denial, abstinence
Antonyms: sybaritism
Sentence: He exemplified the virtues of renunciation, <u>asceticism</u>, and restraint.

4. POSIT (verb) : प्रस्तुत करना

Pronunciation: paw zuht
Meaning: assume as a fact; put forward as a basis of argument.
Synonyms: postulate, put forward, propound
Antonyms: ignore, disregard
Sentence: The Confucian view posits a perfectible human nature.

5. LOITER (verb) : देर करना

Pronunciation: loy tuh Meaning: to move or act slowly Synonyms: dally, dawdle, delay



Antonyms: hurry, fasten, speed up Sentence: We'll be left behind if we <u>loiter</u>.

6. MARAUD (verb) : लूटना

Pronunciation: muh rawd
Meaning: roam in search of things to steal or people to attack.
Synonyms: plunder, go looting, go pillaging
Antonyms: guard, protect
Sentence: Marauding gangs of armed men have been looting food relief supplies.

7. DE FACTO (adj.) : वास्तव में

Pronunciation: de factoMeaning: denoting someone or something that is such in fact.Synonyms: actual, existing, existentAntonyms: conjectural, hypothetical, nonexistentSentence: The island has been <u>de facto</u> divided into two countries.

8. DIALECTIC (noun) : द्वंद्वात्मक

Pronunciation: dai·uh·**lekt**·uhk **Meaning:** the art of investigating or discussing the truth of opinions. **Synonyms:** argumentation, contention **Antonyms:** illogical, irrational **Sentence:** This situation created the inner <u>dialectic</u> of American history.

9. VICISSITUDES (noun) : उलटफेर

Pronunciation: vuh·si·suh·choodz
Meaning: a change of circumstances or fortune, typically one that is unwelcome or unpleasant.
Synonyms: change, alteration, switch
Antonyms: immutability, immutableness, changelessness
Sentence: He experienced several great social <u>vicissitudes</u> in his life.

10. REPROBATE (noun) : अनैतिक

Pronunciation: **reh**·pruh·bayt **Meaning:** an unprincipled person (often used humorously or affectionately). **Synonyms:** rogue, scoundrel, brute **Antonyms:** ethical, moral, principled **Sentence:** There was a <u>reprobate</u> judge who took bribes and often made wrong decisions.



