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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. COLOSSAL (adj.) : प्रचंड

Pronunciation: kuh·law·sl

Meaning: extremely large.

Synonyms: huge, massive, enormous

Antonyms: little, tiny, small

Sentence: There is a colossal statue of the town's founder

2. APPALLING (adj.) : भय उत्पन्न करनेवाला

Pronunciation: uh·pawl·uhng

Meaning: causing shock or dismay; horrific.

Synonyms: shocking, horrific, horrifying

Antonyms: cheering, comforting, soothing

Sentence: The cat suffered appalling injuries during the attack.

3. MISHAP (noun) : दुर्घटना

Pronunciation: mis·hap

Meaning: an unlucky accident.

Synonyms: accident, trouble, problem

Antonyms: fortune, luck, boon

Sentence: They met with a slight mishap on the way.

4. VIRULENT (adj.) : विषैला

Pronunciation: vi·ru·luhnt

Meaning: (of a disease or poison) extremely severe or harmful in its effects.

Synonyms: poisonous, toxic, venomous

Antonyms: benevolent, benign, nice

Sentence: The worst feature was a virulent outbreak of cholera in Gujarat, especially in the native states.

5. MAULED (verb) : घिसा हुआ

Pronunciation: mawld

Meaning: (of an animal) wound (a person or animal) by scratching and tearing.

Synonyms: lacerate, claw, scratch

Antonyms: fostered, nurtured

Sentence: The herdsmen were mauled by lions.

6. ENSCONCE (verb) : स्थापित करना

Pronunciation: uhn-skawns

Meaning: establish or settle (someone) in a comfortable, safe or secret place.

Synonyms: settle, install, establish

Antonyms: confuse, depart, destroy.

Sentence: Agnes ensconced herself in their bedroom.

7. DISAVOW (verb) : अस्वीकृति

Pronunciation: dis-uh-vau

Meaning: deny any responsibility or support for.

Synonyms: deny, disclaim, disown

Antonyms: admit, allow, avow

Sentence: He appears to be in denial of his own past, which he continually disavows.

8. SORDID (adj.) : धिनौना

Pronunciation: saw-duhd

Meaning: involving ignoble actions and motives; arousing moral distaste and contempt.

Synonyms: sleazy, seedy, seamy

Antonyms: clean, unstained, tidy

Sentence: The story paints a sordid picture of bribes and scams.

9. EXIGENCY (noun) : ज़रूरत

Pronunciation: ek-suh-juhns-ee

Meaning: an urgent need or demand.

Synonyms: need, demand, requirement

Antonyms: advantage, benefit, blessing.

Sentence: Women worked long hours when the exigencies of the family economy demanded it.

10. DENIGRATE (verb) : बदनाम करना

Pronunciation: deh-nuh-grayt

Meaning: criticize unfairly; disparage.

Synonyms: disparage, belittle, decry

Antonyms: acclaim, applaud, exalt

Sentence: Theatre critics have been denigrating her acting ability for years.



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