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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. UNABASHED (adj.) : अचल

Pronunciation: uhn·uh·basht **Meaning:** not embarrassed, disconcerted or ashamed. **Synonyms:** unashamed, shameless, unembarrassed **Antonyms:** abashed, ashamed, embarrassed **Sentence:** He seems <u>unabashed</u> by his recent defeat.

2. BROWBEAT (verb) : धमकाना

Pronunciation: brau beet
Meaning: intimidate (someone), typically into doing something, with stern or abusive words.
Synonyms: bully, hector, intimidate
Antonyms: cheer, comfort, console
Sentence: They browbeat him into signing the document.

3. COGNATE (adj.) : सजाति

Pronunciation: kawg nayt
Meaning: having qualities in common
Synonyms: alike, analogous, comparable
Antonyms: different, dissimilar, unlike
Sentence: German and Dutch are <u>cognate</u> languages.

4. EXCRUCIATE (verb) : कष्ट पह्ंचाना

Pronunciation: uhk·skroo·shee·ayt **Meaning:** to cause persistent suffering to **Synonyms:** torment, torture, afflict **Antonyms:** abet, aid, assist **Sentence:** When I bend my arm, the pain is <u>excruciating</u>.

5. GRANDIOSE (adj.) : दिखावटी

Pronunciation: gran.dee.ose

Meaning: impressive and imposing in appearance or style, especially pretentiously so. **Synonyms:** magnificent, impressive, grand

Antonyms: modest, unpretentious

Sentence: He's always producing grandiose plans that never work.

6. PUNY (adj.) : छोटा

Vocabulary

Pronunciation: pyoo.nee **Meaning:** small and weak. **Synonyms:** diminutive, dinky, dwarfish **Antonyms:** large, massive, big **Sentence:** What a <u>puny</u> little creature!

7. CLEMENCY (adj.) : दया

Pronunciation: kleh·muhn·seeMeaning: mercy; lenience.Synonyms: mercy, mercifulness, leniencyAntonyms: atrocity, barbarity, brutalitySentence: He appealed to the judge for <u>clemency</u>.

8. REMORSE (noun) : पछतावा

Pronunciation: ruh maws
Meaning: deep regret or guilt for a wrong committed.
Synonyms: contrition, deep regret, repentance
Antonyms: impenitence, remorselessness
Sentence: His <u>remorse</u> is just an artifice to gain sympathy.

9. ECSTASY (noun) : परमानंद

Pronunciation: uhk·stuh·see **Meaning:** an overwhelming feeling of great happiness or joyful excitement. **Synonyms:** rapture, bliss, elation **Antonyms:** depression, misery, sadness **Sentence:** My father was in <u>ecstasy</u> when I won my scholarship.

10. TIRADE (noun) : भाषण

Pronunciation: tai rayd
Meaning: a long, angry speech of criticism or accusation.
Synonyms: diatribe, harangue, jeremiad
Antonyms: encomium, eulogy, panegyric
Sentence: She launched into a <u>tirade</u> against the policies that ruined her business.



