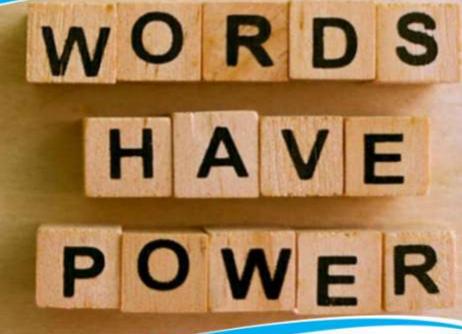






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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and usage. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary. Happy Learning!!!

1. TREPIDATION (noun) - घबराहट

Pronunciation: trepi-dei-sh(u)n
Meaning: a feeling of fear or anxiety about something that may happen
Synonyms: fear, apprehension, dread
Antonyms: calm, equanimity, composure
Usage: We view future developments with some trepidation.

2. SCRUPLE (noun, verb) – संदेह; संदेह करना

Pronunciation: skroo-p(u)I Meaning: a feeling of doubt or hesitation with regard to the morality or propriety of a course of action; hesitate or be reluctant to do something that one thinks may be wrong Synonyms: qualms, compunction, hesitation; hesitate Antonym: jump at the chance Usage: She tells lies without <u>scruple</u>. (noun) Don't <u>scruple</u> to ask for anything you want. (verb)

3. BROACH (verb) – विषय छेड़ना

Pronunciation: bro-ch
Meaning: raise (a difficult subject) for discussion
Synonyms: bring up, raise, introduce, talk about, mention, touch on
Usage: He decided not to broach the subject of divorce until his wife had recovered from her illness.

4. RECTITUDE (noun) – निष्कपटता, सत्यपरायणता

Pronunciation: rekti-tyood
Meaning: morally correct behaviour or thinking
Synonyms: righteousness, goodness, virtue, morality, honour
Antonyms: dishonesty
Usage: Never turn aside from the path of <u>rectitude</u>.

5. SLOG (verb, noun) – कड़ी मेहनत करना; थकानेवाला काम

Pronunciation: slog
Meaning: work hard over a period of time; a spell of difficult, tiring work or travelling
Synonyms: toil, labour; hard work, toiling, struggle, effort, exertion
Antonyms: skive, take it easy; leisure, relaxation
Usage:
There is no alternative to sitting down and slogging through long lists of vocabulary. (verb)

The exams were a real hard <u>slog</u>, but I'm glad I did well in them. (noun)





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6. BETROTHED (noun) – मंगेतर

Pronunciation: bit-ro-thd
Meaning: the person to whom one is engaged
Synonyms: promised, pledged, contracted, bound, affianced, plighted, espoused, handfast
Antonyms: unattached, single
Usage: He introduced us to his <u>betrothed</u>.

7. SCALD (verb, noun) – जलाना; जलने का दाग

Pronunciation: sko-ld
Meaning: injure with very hot liquid or steam; a burn or other injury caused by hot liquid or steam
Synonyms: burn, scorch, sear, cauterize
Usage:
The tea <u>scalded</u> his tongue. (verb)
This kind of ointment will heal the scald. (noun)

8. TROT (verb, noun) – दुलकी चाल

Pronunciation: trot
Meaning: (of a person) run at a moderate pace with short steps; an act or period of trotting; a trotting pace
Synonyms: run, jog, jogtrot, dogtrot, lope
Usage:
The child trotted obediently at the sight of candies. (verb)
You might like an early morning trot along the river. (noun)
Our horses slowed to a trot. (noun)

9. SCAM (noun, verb) – घोटाला; घोटाला करना

Pronunciation: skam
Meaning: a dishonest scheme; participate in a dishonest scheme
Synonyms: fraud, swindle, racket, trick, diddle
Usage:
He had no participation in the <u>scam</u>. (noun)
That man has been accused of scamming. (verb)

10. SERVITUDE (noun) – दासत्व, गुलामी

Pronunciation: suhvi-tyood
Meaning: the state of being a slave or completely subject to someone more powerful
Synonyms: slavery, enslavement, bondage, subjugation, domination
Antonyms: freedom, liberty
Usage: The maid spent her entire life in <u>servitude</u> so she could provide her daughter with quality education.

Now, choose any 2 or 3 words and try to use them in your own sentences, this way you can retain the learnt words in your memory for long time. You can share your sentences in the comment section.



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