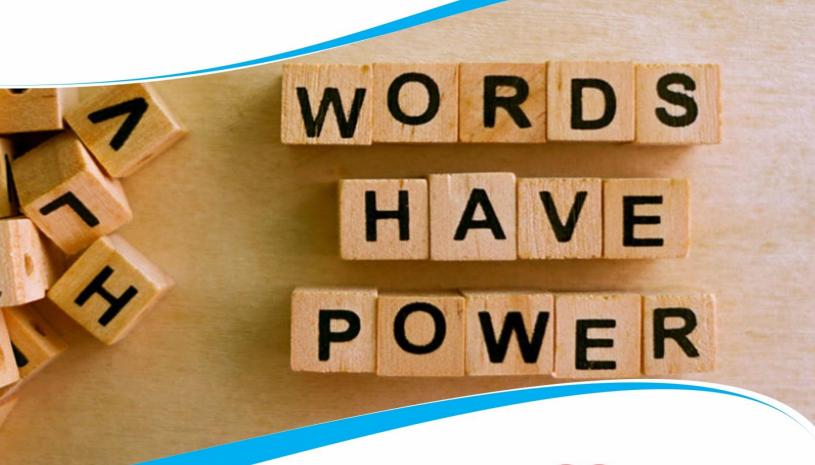




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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

#### Happy Learning!!!

#### 1. MUDDLE (verb) – अव्यवस्था, गडबडी

**Pronunciation:** mud(u)l

**Meaning:** bring into a disordered or confusing state; a mistake arising from or resulting in confusion **Synonyms:** mix up, jumble, disarrange, disorganize; bungle, mix-up, misunderstanding, hash

Antonym: orderly

Usage:

- I fear he may have <u>muddled</u> the message.
- I often muddle up Richard with his brother as they are twins and resemble one another.

#### 2. DILEMMA (noun) – द्विधा, कशमकश

Pronunciation: di-lema / dai-lema

Meaning: a situation in which a difficult choice has to be made between two or more alternatives

Synonyms: quandary, predicament, difficulty, problem, puzzle, conundrum

Usage: I am in a dilemma whether to do Math or English.

#### 3. FRAGILE (adjective) – नाज़्क

Pronunciation: fra-ja-il

Meaning: (of an object) easily broken or damaged; easily destroyed; (of a person) not strong

Synonyms: breakable, brittle, frangible; tenuous, vulnerable, perilous; weak, delicate, frail, debilitated

**Antonyms:** strong, sound, durable, robust **Usage:** Be careful with that vase, it's very <u>fragile</u>.

#### 4. UPTURN (noun) - चढ़ाव

Pronunciation: up-turn

**Meaning:** an improvement or upward trend, especially in economic conditions or someone's fortunes **Synonyms:** increase, rise, jump, leap, surge, upswing, upsurge, boost, acceleration, escalation, soaring

Antonyms: fall, slump, downturn

Usage: They do not expect an upturn in the economy until the end of the year.

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#### 5. PEP (noun, verb) – सजीवता

Pronunciation: pep

Meaning: energy and high spirits; make someone or something more lively or interesting

Synonyms: dynamism, energy, liveliness, animation; improve, enliven, animate

Antonym: subdue

Usage:

• He was an enthusiastic player, full of pep. (noun)

• The good news <u>pepped</u> her up. (verb)

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#### 6. BEFUDDLE (verb) - संभ्रमित

**Pronunciation:** bi-fud(u)l

**Meaning:** cause to become unable to think clearly **Synonyms:** addled, bewildered, disoriented

Antonym: clear

Usage: Even in a befuddled state, I could find my key.

#### 7. TREATY (noun) – संधि

Pronunciation: treeti

**Meaning:** a formally concluded and ratified agreement between states **Synonyms:** agreement, settlement, pact, deal, entente, concordat

Usage: Both sides have agreed to sign the treaty.

#### 8. SUNDRY (adjective) - विविध

**Pronunciation:** sun-dri **Meaning:** of various kinds

**Synonyms:** various, varied, miscellaneous, assorted, mixed **Usage:** This ointment can be used to treat <u>sundry</u> minor injuries.

#### 9. SOLACE (noun, verb) - सांत्वना

Pronunciation: so-lis

Meaning: comfort or consolation in a time of great distress or sadness; give solace to

Synonyms: comfort, consolation, cheer, support, relief, console, support

Antonym: dishearten

**Usage:** The prisoners find <u>solace</u> in prayer.

#### 10. RAPTURE (noun) - हर्षातिरेक

Pronunciation: rap-chur

Meaning: a feeling of intense pleasure or joy

Synonyms: ecstasy, bliss, euphoria, elation, exaltation, joy

Antonyms: boredom, indifference

Usage: The kids were in <u>rapture</u> after watching magic tricks.



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