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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. BEHOLDEN (adjective) – आभारी, एहसानमंद

Pronunciation: bi-ho-liden

Meaning: owing thanks or having a duty to someone in return for help or a service

Synonyms: indebted, obligated, grateful, owing, obliged, bound

Antonym: ungrateful

Usage: When the actress accepted the award, she stated she was beholden to her parents for inspiring her to follow her dreams.

2. INCUR (verb) – झेलना, भुगतना

Pronunciation: uhng·kuh

Meaning: make oneself subject to

Synonyms: induce, suffer, sustain, experience, gain

Antonyms: avoid, forfeit, pass

Usage: Purchasing an older vehicle may save money initially but can cause the buyer to incur higher than average repair costs.

3. AFORESAID (adjective) – पूर्वकथित

Pronunciation: uh·faw·sed

Meaning: previously mentioned

Synonyms: aforementioned, preceding, previous, foregoing, preceding

Antonym: subsequent

Usage: Completion of the aforesaid project will require not only the tools that were listed in the memorandum but also the funding requested.

4. BLEARY (adjective) – धुँधला

Pronunciation: bleeh·ree

Meaning: looking or feeling dull and unfocused from sleep or tiredness

Synonyms: blurred, fogged, clouded, cloudy, dim, unfocused

Antonyms: clear, limpid, unclouded

Usage: She had bleary red eyes from lack of sleep.

5. WHITTLE (verb) – घटाना

Pronunciation: wi·tl

Meaning: reduce something in size, amount, or extent by a gradual series of steps

Synonyms: reduce, diminish, decrease, undermine, weaken, subvert, lessen

Antonyms: increase, augment

Usage: We need to whittle down the list of guests for the party.

6. DISCOURSE (noun) - औपचारिक चर्चा

Pronunciation: dis·kawrs

Meaning: a formal discussion of a topic in speech or writing

Synonyms: discussion, conversation, talk, dialogue, communication, conference

Antonyms: quiet, silence, refrain

Usage: This article contains the language of political discourse.

7. UNDERHAND (adjective) – गुप्त, कपटपूर्ण

Pronunciation: uhn·duh·hand

Meaning: done in a secret or dishonest way

Synonyms: deceitful, dishonest, unethical, unprincipled, illegal, unlawful, fishy

Antonyms: honest, fair, frank

Usage: He has been involved in some underhand dealings.

8. CONFISCATE (verb) – ज़ब्त करना

Pronunciation: kon·fuh·skeit

Meaning: take or seize someone's property with authority

Synonyms: impound, seize, commandeering, requisition, expropriate

Antonyms: return, release

Usage: The police have the right to confiscate any forbidden objects they find.

9. PREVARICATE (verb) – टालमटोल करना

Pronunciation: pruh·va·ruh·keit

Meaning: speak or act in a way tending to avoid commitment, especially by responding indirectly

Synonyms: dodge, hedge, fence, evade, shuffle

Antonyms: confront, face, meet

Usage: In hopes of avoiding questions about his recent car accident, the actor tried to prevaricate during his interview.

10. CELESTIAL (adjective) – आकाशीय

Pronunciation: suh·leh·stee·uhl

Meaning: positioned in or relating to the sky or outer space

Synonyms: heavenly, astronomical, extraterrestrial, stellar, planetary

Antonyms: terrestrial, earthly, geotic

Usage: Gravity governs the motions of celestial bodies.

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