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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. THEOLOGICAL (adjective) – आध्यात्मविद्या सम्बन्धी

Pronunciation: thi-u-lo-ji-k(u)l

Meaning: relating to the study of the nature of God and religious belief

Synonyms: religious, scriptural, ecclesiastical, doctrinal, divine, holy

Usage: Priests are trained at theological colleges.

2. THICKET (noun) – घना जंगल, झाड़ियों का झुंड

Pronunciation: thik-et

Meaning: a dense group of bushes or trees

Synonyms: copse, coppice, grove, clump, spinney

Usage: The fox hid itself in the thicket where the dogs could not reach it.

3. MUTILATE (verb) – विकृत करना

Pronunciation: myoo-ti-leit

Meaning: to damage something severely, especially by violently removing a part

Synonyms: mangle, maim, disfigure, cut up, butcher, dismember

Antonyms: adorn, aid, assist, beautify, cure, decorate, enable

Usage: Most of the prisoners had been mutilated.

4. EMANATE (verb) – निर्गत होना, निकालना

Pronunciation: emun-eit

Meaning: to express a quality or feeling through the way that you look and behave; spread out from (a source); give out or emit (a feeling, quality, or sensation)

Synonyms: emerge, pour, proceed, issue, ensue; exude, spread

Usage:

- Her face emanated sadness.
- These chemicals can emanate certain poisonous gases.

5. DETONATE (verb) – विस्फोट, विस्फोट करना

Pronunciation: detun-eit

Meaning: explode or cause to explode

Synonyms: explode, shatter, erupt, ignite, bang, blast, boom

Usage: France is expected to detonate its first nuclear device in the next few days.

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6. ASTRONOMICAL (adjective) – खगोलीय; विशाल

Pronunciation: astrun-umik(u)l

Meaning: relating to astronomy; (of an amount) extremely large

Synonyms: celestial, planetary, stellar, heavenly; huge, enormous, prodigious, tremendous, monumental, mammoth, colossal, vast, gigantic

Antonyms: insignificant, small

Usage:

- He explained his theory on his astronomical observations.
- He's been offered an astronomical salary.

7. QUEER (adjective, verb) – विचित्र; खराब या बर्बाद करना

Pronunciation: kwi-ur

Meaning: strange; odd; spoil or ruin (an agreement, event, or situation)

Synonyms: odd, strange, unusual, funny, peculiar; spoil, damage, impair, harm

Antonyms: ordinary, conventional, normal

Usage:

- Because of her straightforward attitude, she queered the deal at the last moment.
- She had a queer feeling that she was being watched.

8. LEERY (adjective) – चौकस, सावधान

Pronunciation: li-uri

Meaning: being cautious and suspicious about something and try to avoid it

Synonyms: wary, cautious, careful, guarded, chary, suspicious

Antonyms: heedless, trustful

Usage: Landlords are often leery of renting to large families.

9. MELEE (noun) – हाथापाई, लड़ाई-भिड़ाई

Pronunciation: mel-ei

Meaning: a confused hand-to-hand fight or struggle among several people

Synonyms: tumult, disturbance, rumpus, commotion, disorder, brawl

Antonyms: peace, tranquility

Usage: Several people were hurt in the melee.

10. MELLIFLUOUS (adjective) – मधुर, सुमधुर

Pronunciation: meli-flu-us

Meaning: (of a sound) pleasingly smooth and musical to hear

Synonyms: sweet-sounding, sweet-toned, dulcet, honeyed, mellow, soft

Antonym: cacophonous

Usage: Her voice was mellifluous and smooth.



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