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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.FROLIC (verb) – उछल-कूद करना

Pronunciation: fro·luhk

Meaning: to move about playfully and energetically

Synonyms: frisk, gambol, cavort, caper, carouse, lark, play

Antonym: work

Usage: It's fun to watch the playful goats frolic around the meadow in the afternoon.

2.FIDGETY (adjective) – बेचैन

Pronunciation: fi·juh·tee

Meaning: restless or uneasy

Synonyms: apprehensive, impatient, agitated, jittery, jumpy, restless, uneasy

Antonyms: calm, still, composed

Usage: The children get fidgety if they have nothing to do.

3.RASPY (adjective) – कर्कश

Pronunciation: raa·spee

Meaning: hoarse or harsh sounding

Synonyms: rough, hoarse, gruff, gravelly, scratchy, throaty

Antonym: soft

Usage: His voice was raspy from days of non-stop campaigning.

4.BIDDABLE (adjective) – आज्ञाकारी

Pronunciation: bi·duh·bl

Meaning: ready to accept and follow instructions

Synonyms: obedient, tractable, amenable, pliable, pliant, complaisant, cooperative

Antonyms: disobedient, uncooperative, rebellious

Usage: He was a biddable boy, and went on without further question.

5.ABSURDITY (noun) – मूर्खता

Pronunciation: uhb·suh·duh·tee

Meaning: ridiculous situation or behavior

Synonyms: ridiculousness, idiocy, stupidity, foolishness, folly, silliness, inanity

Antonyms: reasonableness, wisdom

Usage: The absurdity of the situation made everyone laugh.

6.CRAGGY (adjective) – पथरीला

Pronunciation: kra·gee

Meaning: rough and uneven

Synonyms: rocky, rough, ragged, uneven, bumpy, stony, irregular

Antonyms: flat, smooth, even

Usage: The craggy peaks of the mountains are so uneven that no hiker could ever stand on them.

7.UMBRAGE (noun) – रोष

Pronunciation: uhm·bruhj

Meaning: offence or annoyance

Synonyms: grudge, anger, annoyance, offense, fury, huff, rage

Antonyms: calmness, cheer, delight

Usage: I certainly took umbrage for not being invited to my best friend's wedding.

8.GAUCHERIE (noun) – अशिष्टता

Pronunciation: gow·shuh·ree

Meaning: awkward or unsophisticated ways

Synonyms: barbarism, indecency, rudeness, immodesty, vulgarism, indecorum, solecism

Antonyms: decency, decorum, modesty

Usage: I cannot stand his gaucherie any more.

9.VOID (adjective) – खाली, रिक्त

Pronunciation: voyd

Meaning: completely empty

Synonyms: empty, emptied, vacant, blank, unfilled, unoccupied

Antonyms: full, filled, valid

Usage: The void spaces between the atoms count for nothing.

10.PEACEABLE (adjective) – शांतिप्रिय

Pronunciation: pee·suh·bl

Meaning: inclined to avoid conflict or dissent

Synonyms: peaceful, friendly, serene, amiable, calm, complacent, nonviolent

Antonyms: aggressive, unfriendly

Usage: He has lived a peaceable and honest life.

11.STRIVE (verb) – प्रयास करना

Pronunciation: straiiv

Meaning: to struggle or try something very hard

Synonyms: try, attempt, aim, aspire, venture, undertake

Antonyms: relax, rest, laze

Usage: We have to strive for what we want.

12.CONCISE (adjective) – संक्षिप्त

Pronunciation: kuhn·sais

Meaning: expressing much in few words

Synonyms: short, brief, compact, pithy, incisive, crisp, compressed

Antonyms: lengthy, wordy

Usage: Since I get bored easily, I only read concise stories under fifty pages.

13.MODERATION (noun) – संयम

Pronunciation: mo·duh·rei·shn

Meaning: the avoidance of excess or extremes

Synonyms: restraint, fairness, patience, temperance, constraint, balance

Antonyms: extremism, intemperance

Usage: Eating fatty foods is acceptable as long as you do it in moderation without overdoing it.

14.TRIFLING (adjective) – तुच्छ

Pronunciation: trai·fuh·luhng

Meaning: unimportant or trivial

Synonyms: trivial, unimportant, insignificant, minor, inconsiderable, nominal, negligible

Antonyms: important, serious, considerable

Usage: My time is too valuable to spend on trifling matters that have little worth.

15.CHOKE (verb) – दम घुटना

Pronunciation: chowk

Meaning: to have issue in breathing

Synonyms: suffocate, asphyxiate, smother, stifle, strangle, throttle

Antonyms: free, loose, release

Usage: Peanuts can choke a small child.

16.UNFATHOMABLE (adjective) – अथाह

Pronunciation: uhn·fa·thuh·muh·bl

Meaning: incapable of being fully explored or understood

Synonyms: inscrutable, incomprehensible, enigmatic, incalculable, indecipherable, obscure, esoteric

Antonyms: comprehensible, intelligible, understandable

Usage: After five hours, we still could not figure out the unfathomable riddle.

17.DETONATE (verb) – विस्फोट करना

Pronunciation: deh·tuh·neit

Meaning: to ignite or blow up

Synonyms: blast, burst, explode, bang, ignite, trigger, spark

Antonyms: dismantle

Usage: A remote control device was used to detonate the bomb.



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18.MINDSET (noun) – मानसिकता

Pronunciation: maind·set

Meaning: the established set of attitudes held by someone

Synonyms: attitude, psychology, ethos, mentality, psyche

Antonym: physicality

Usage: I am of the mindset that there's no reason to put off things I can do now to instead do later.

19.TRACTABLE (adjective) – शिक्षणीय

Pronunciation: trak·tuh·bl

Meaning: easy to control or influence

Synonyms: controllable, manageable, malleable, yielding, amenable, complaisant, compliant

Antonyms: obstinate, defiant, recalcitrant

Usage: The dog was more tractable when he wore the vibrating collar.

20.PROSPERITY (noun) – समृद्धि

Pronunciation: pro·speh·ruh·tee

Meaning: the state of being prosperous

Synonyms: wealth, success, profitability, affluence, riches, opulence, growth

Antonyms: hardship, failure, poverty

Usage: The growth of tourism brought prosperity to the island.

21.PROSPECT (noun) – अपेक्षा, संभावना

Pronunciation: pruh·spekt

Meaning: the possibility or likelihood of some future event

Synonyms: likelihood, hope, expectation, anticipation, chances, odds, probability

Antonyms: hopelessness, impossibility, unlikelihood

Usage: There was no prospect of any reconciliation.

22.SURMOUNT (verb) – विजय पाना

Pronunciation: suh·mawnt

Meaning: to conquer a problem or obstacle

Synonyms: overcome, conquer, overpower, subdue, surpass, vanquish

Antonyms: lose, fail, surrender

Usage: One of Janet's goals is to surmount her fear of flying.

23.MAVERICK (noun) – अपरंपरागत, विद्रोही

Pronunciation: ma·vuh·ruhk

Meaning: tending to choose a different path from everyone else

Synonyms: individualist, nonconformist, radical, extremist, trendsetter

Antonyms: conformist, conservative, moderate

Usage: The maverick boy made his fortune by using a selling strategy different from that of his competitors.

24.INDEFATIGABLE (adjective) – अथक

Pronunciation: in·duh·fa·tuh·guh·bl

Meaning: persisting tirelessly

Synonyms: tireless, untiring, unwearied, unflagging, energetic, dynamic

Antonyms: feeble, tired

Usage: The director of the homeless shelter is an indefatigable woman who works almost eighteen hours every day.

25.AMALGAMATE (verb) – मिश्रित करनाना

Pronunciation: uh·mal·guh·meit

Meaning: to join or combine

Synonyms: blend, alloy, ally, coalesce, combine, fuse, mingle

Antonyms: divide, part

Usage: Because of budget cuts, the two schools were forced to amalgamate into one building.

26.AVID (adjective) – उत्सुक

Pronunciation: a·vuhd

Meaning: having or showing a keen interest in or enthusiasm for something

Synonyms: keen, eager, enthusiastic, ardent, passionate, fervent

Antonyms: indifferent, disinterested

Usage: He took an avid interest in the project.

27.CONSPICUOUS (adjective) – सुस्पष्ट, सहजदृश्य

Pronunciation: kuhn·spi·kyoo·uhs

Meaning: clearly visible

Synonyms: noticeable, observable, discernible, perceptible, clear, detectable, prominent

Antonyms: hidden, unnoticeable, indistinct

Usage: The notice must be displayed in a conspicuous place.

28.RECTIFY (verb) – सुधारना, ठीक करना

Pronunciation: rek·tuh·fai

Meaning: to correct an issue

Synonyms: correct, amend, fix, debug, repair, troubleshoot

Antonyms: ruin, worsen, damage

Usage: The software engineers worked quickly to rectify the bug that was deleting user accounts.

29.PRONE (adjective) – औंधा

Pronunciation: proun

Meaning: lying flat, especially face downwards

Synonyms: prostrate, procumbent, decumbent, flat, horizontal

Antonyms: upright, supine, straight

Usage: He was lying prone on a foam mattress.

30.ALLIANCE (noun) – संधि

Pronunciation: alai-uns

Meaning: a union or association formed for mutual benefit

Synonyms: association, union, league, treaty, affinity

Antonyms: distance, separation

Usage: In order to protect their borders, the two countries formed an alliance.

31.UNFETTERED (adjective) – निरंकुश

Pronunciation: uhn·feh·tuhd

Meaning: not confined or restricted

Synonyms: unrestrained, unrestricted, unconstrained, free, unbridled, untrammled, unchecked

Antonyms: restricted, confined

Usage: Illegal drug sales go unfettered under the ignorant eyes of the crooked sheriff.

32.RIGHTEOUSNESS (noun) – सच्चाई, निष्कपटता

Pronunciation: rai·chus·nus

Meaning: the quality of being morally right or justifiable

Synonyms: goodness, rectitude, virtuousness, uprightness, decency, integrity, worthiness

Antonyms: infamy, dishonesty

Usage: Both sides in the dispute have been adopting a tone of moral righteousness.

33.LIAISE (verb) - मिलकर काम करना

Pronunciation: li·eiz

Meaning: cooperate on a matter of mutual concern

Synonyms: cooperate, collaborate, coordinate, synchronize, assist

Antonym: counteract

Usage: Our head office will liaise with the suppliers to ensure delivery.

34.CONVINCE (verb) - मनाना

Pronunciation: kun·vins

Meaning: cause someone to do or believe something

Synonyms: persuade, induce, assure, satisfy, reassure

Antonyms: dissuade, confuse, dissatisfy

Usage: I was convinced by his explanation.

35.SPRUCE (verb) - स्वच्छ और सुंदर बनाना

Pronunciation: sproos

Meaning: to make something clean or neat

Synonyms: cleanse, wash, purify, neatens, refine

Antonyms: pollute, adulterate, worsen

Usage: The fund will be used to spruce up historic buildings.

36.IMPERATIVE (adjective) – अनिवार्य

Pronunciation: uhm·peh·ruh·tuhv

Meaning: of vital importance

Synonyms: vital, crucial, critical, essential, necessary, indispensable, exigent

Antonyms: unimportant, optional, inessential

Usage: It is imperative for your recovery to continue the treatment for at least two months.

37. VALOR (noun) – वीरता

Pronunciation: va·luh

Meaning: great courage in the face of danger, especially in battle

Synonyms: bravery, courage, fearlessness, pluck, nerve

Antonyms: cowardice, timidity, fear

Usage: He showed valor and skill on the battlefield.

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38. SPECTATOR (noun) – दर्शक, देखनेवाला

Pronunciation: spek-tei-ter

Meaning: a person who watches at a show, game, or other event

Synonyms: onlooker, watcher, viewer, observer, witness, sightseer

Antonyms: participant, player

Usage: About eighty thousand spectators packed into the stadium last night.

39. RELENT (verb) – नरम पड़ना, कोमल होना

Pronunciation: ri·lent

Meaning: become less severe or intense

Synonyms: acquiesce, soften, capitulate, quit, relax, slacken, subside

Antonyms: harden, strengthen, worsen

Usage: The rain did not relent, and even seemed to be enhanced at times.

40. ARISTOCRAT (noun) – रईस, कुलीन

Pronunciation: a·ruh·stuh·krat

Meaning: a member of the highest class in certain societies

Synonyms: nobleman, peer, patrician, grandee, swell

Antonyms: commoner, plebian, proletariat

Usage: Henry Cyril Paget was an aristocrat so wealthy that he built a dance theater so that he could perform for his royal family and friends.

41.BELITTLE (verb) – अपमान करना

Pronunciation: buh·li·tl

Meaning: dismiss as unimportant

Synonyms: deride, discredit, disparage, downplay, lower, undervalue, underrate

Antonyms: praise, flatter, overrate

Usage: To project himself as a very smart manager, Larry will often belittle his employees who come to him with questions.

42.DIVULGE (verb) – प्रकट करना

Pronunciation: dai·vuhlj

Meaning: make known

Synonyms: disclose, reveal, tell, impart, expose, uncover

Antonyms: conceal, hide

Usage: Doctors must be careful to not divulge confidential information about their patients.

43.GRANDILOQUENT (adjective) – शब्दाडंबरपूर्ण

Pronunciation: gran·di·luh·kwnt

Meaning: pompous or extravagant in language, style, or manner

Synonyms: pompous, bombastic, magniloquent, pretentious, ostentatious, rhetorical, orotund

Antonyms: unpretentious, concise, simple

Usage: Jack's use of grandiloquent terminology failed to impress the job interviewer.

44.ADVENT (noun) - आगमन

Pronunciation: ad·vent

Meaning: the arrival of a notable person or thing

Synonyms: arrival, appearance, emergence, entrance, visitation

Antonyms: departure, disappearance, retreat

Usage: The elder discussed the advent of the saint and how it would usher in a new world order.

45.CRYPTIC (adjective) - गुप्त

Pronunciation: krip·tuhk

Meaning: having a meaning that is mysterious or obscure

Synonyms: enigmatic, mysterious, confusing, mystifying, perplexing

Antonyms: straightforward, clear

Usage: I received a cryptic message through the post.

46.ALOFT (adverb) - ऊपर

Pronunciation: uh·loft

Meaning: upwards or into the air

Synonyms: upwards, overhead, above, high, skyward, up

Antonyms: down, below, under

Usage: The graduating class threw their caps aloft during commencement.

47.AFFLUENT (adjective) – धनी, संपन्न

Pronunciation: a·floo·uhnt

Meaning: having a great deal of money

Synonyms: wealthy, moneyed, prosperous, rich, upscale

Antonyms: poor, failing, destitute

Usage: He is an affluent man.

48.PUNCTILIOUS (adjective) – सूक्ष्मताप्रिय

Pronunciation: puhngk·ti·lee·uhs

Meaning: showing great attention to detail or correct behavior

Synonyms: meticulous, conscientious, careful, diligent, attentive, scrupulous, painstaking

Antonyms: careless, slapdash, uncaring

Usage: Margaret's tendency to be punctilious makes her a great accountant.

49.CRIMP (verb) – मोड़ना

Pronunciation: krimp

Meaning: compress something into small folds or ridges

Synonyms: coil, crease, crinkle, crisp, crumple, frizz, wrinkle

Antonym: straighten

Usage: Because she likes her hair to look wavy and creased, the stylist uses a special tool to crimp each strand.

50.NAIVETY (noun) – भोलापन, सादगी

Pronunciation: nai·ee·vuh·tee

Meaning: lack of experience, wisdom, or judgement

Synonyms: innocence, simplicity, naturalness, gullibility, immaturity

Antonym: sophistication

Usage: They laughed at the naivety of his suggestion.

51. TRANSGRESS (verb) – उल्लंघन करना

Pronunciation: tranz·gres

Meaning: go beyond the limits of what is morally, socially, or legally acceptable

Synonyms: misbehave, lapse, degenerate, trespass, disobey, defy

Antonyms: obey, heed

Usage: People who transgress the boundaries of social etiquette will be politely turned away at the door.

52. TREASON (noun) - राज-द्रोह

Pronunciation: tree·zn

Meaning: the offense of betraying a nation

Synonyms: disloyalty, crime, mutiny, sedition, subversion, treachery, deceit

Antonyms: loyalty, faithfulness

Usage: When the soldier sold military secrets to a foreign government, he was arrested for the crime of treason.

53. INCEPTION (noun) – आरंभ

Pronunciation: uhn·sep·shn

Meaning: the establishment or starting point of an institution or activity

Synonyms: initiation, establishment, institution, foundation, founding, formation, origination

Antonyms: conclusion, end, completion

Usage: Unfortunately, the inception of the Internet has made it easier for bullies to torment their victims.

54. DEBONAIR (adjective) – सुशील

Pronunciation: deh·buh·neuh

Meaning: confident, stylish, and charming

Synonyms: suave, urbane, sophisticated, cultured, confident, charming, gracious

Antonyms: unsophisticated, ignorant, clumsy

Usage: Onscreen and in person, the Hollywood actor always manages to look so debonair.

55. ELUCIDATE (verb) – स्पष्ट करना, समझाना

Pronunciation: il·yusi·deit

Meaning: make something clear

Synonyms: explain, illuminate, clarify, enlighten, unfold

Antonyms: confuse, obscure, complicate

Usage: Please elucidate the reasons for your action.

56.CONJECTURE (noun) – अनुमान

Pronunciation: kuhn·jek·chuh

Meaning: an opinion or conclusion formed on the basis of incomplete information

Synonyms: guess, speculation, surmise, fancy, hypothesis

Antonyms: proof, reality, truth

Usage: That was a conjecture, not a fact.



57.SNOOTY (adjective) - अकइनेवाला

Pronunciation: snoo·tee

Meaning: showing disapproval or contempt towards others

Synonyms: arrogant, haughty, conceited, condescending, egotistical, pompous, snobbish

Antonyms: friendly, modest, humble

Usage: Many people believe that those who are wealthier are snooty and conceited, which is not true for everyone of a higher social class.

58.EFFETE (adjective) – अशक्त

Pronunciation: uh·feet

Meaning: weak or effeminate

Synonyms: weak, effeminate, unmasculine, unmanly, soft, timid, fearful

Antonyms: manly, masculine, strong

Usage: The huge wrestler made fun of the effete man who entered the ring to challenge him.

59.MELODIOUS (adjective) – मधुर

Pronunciation: muh·low·dee·uhs

Meaning: having a pleasing sound

Synonyms: harmonious, tuneful, melodic, musical, dulcet, round, soothing

Antonyms: discordant, grating

Usage: Melodious flutes played throughout the auditorium.

60.ADVENTUROUS (adjective) – साहसी

Pronunciation: uhd·ven·chuh·ruhs

Meaning: willing to undertake or seeking out new and daring enterprises

Synonyms: daring, intrepid, venturesome, bold, audacious, fearless, brave

Antonyms: cowardly, fearful

Usage: John is an adventurous man, unafraid of risks.

61.IMPUDENT (adjective) – धृष्ट, गुस्ताख

Pronunciation: im·pyuh·dnt

Meaning: not showing due respect for another person

Synonyms: impertinent, insolent, cheeky, audacious, brazen, shameless, immodest

Antonyms: polite, respectful, modest

Usage: Even though Mary needed a new vacuum cleaner, the impudent attitude of the sales clerk made her decide to leave the store.

62.JUVENILE (adjective) – किशोर

Pronunciation: joo·vuh·nail

Meaning: for or relating to young people

Synonyms: young, teenage, adolescent, teenaged, junior, underage

Antonym: adult

Usage: He was shipped off to a juvenile detention center.

63.FANTASY (noun) – कल्पना

Pronunciation: fan·tuh·see

Meaning: a pleasant thought of an unlikely enjoyable situation

Synonyms: imagination, creativity, fancy, vision, speculation

Antonyms: truth, reality, actuality

Usage: Sometimes reality and fantasy are hard to distinguish.

64.SERMON (noun) – उपदेश

Pronunciation: suh·muhn

Meaning: a lecture

Synonyms: lecture, tirade, harangue, diatribe, speech, monologue, declamation

Antonym: commendation

Usage: The guest speaker preached a moving sermon about forgiveness.

65.HYPERBOLE (noun) – अतिशयोक्ति

Pronunciation: hai·puh·buh·lee

Meaning: exaggerated statements or claims not meant to be taken literally

Synonyms: exaggeration, overstatement, magnification, amplification, embellishment

Antonyms: understatement, lessening, compression

Usage: If the politician uses one more hyperbole in his speech, I will know he is exaggerating about all his claims.

66.UMPTEN (adjective) – अनेक

Pronunciation: uhmp·teen

Meaning: indefinitely many

Synonyms: countless, numerous, innumerable, untold, myriad, divers

Antonyms: few, limited

Usage: He has produced umpteen books, plays and television series.

67.HOLLER (verb) – चिल्लाना

Pronunciation: ho·luh

Meaning: give a loud shout or cry

Synonyms: shout, yell, cry, call, roar, howl, vociferate

Antonyms: whisper, mumble

Usage: Then they turn around and holler against federal regulation in the marketplace.

68.PHENOMENAL (adjective) – अद्भुत, असाधारण

Pronunciation: fuh·no·muh·nuhl

Meaning: extremely remarkable

Synonyms: astounding, remarkable, extraordinary, fantastic, marvelous, outstanding, prodigious

Antonyms: insignificant, ordinary, usual

Usage: After seeing the play, the critics praised the young actor on his phenomenal talent.

69.SALVATION (noun) – मुक्ति, रक्षा

Pronunciation: sal·vei·shn

Meaning: preservation or deliverance from harm, ruin, or loss

Synonyms: rescue, saving, escape, liberation, redemption

Antonyms: destruction, downfall, endangerment

Usage: Since the country has few natural resources to sell overseas, it sees tourism as its financial salvation.

70.LEGITIMATE (adjective) – वैध, कानूनी

Pronunciation: li·jit·uh·mit

Meaning: conforming to the law or to rules

Synonyms: authentic, legal, lawful, licit, valid, legit

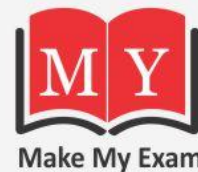
Antonyms: illegal, illegitimate, fraudulent

Usage: Because William did not think the terms of the contract were legitimate, he spoke to his lawyer before signing the agreement.

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