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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. KALEIDOSCOPIC (adjective) – सर्वदा बदलनेवाला

Pronunciation: kuh·lai·duh·sko·puhk

Meaning: having complex patterns of colors

Synonyms: multicolored, psychedelic, variegated, motley, complex, intricate, complicated

Antonyms: monochrome, fixed, constant

Usage: The kaleidoscopic quality of the book is brilliantly realized on stage

2. RECLUSE (noun) – वैरागी

Pronunciation: ruh·kloos

Meaning: a person who lives a solitary life and tends to avoid other people

Synonyms: hermit, ascetic, monk, nun, introvert, eremite

Antonyms: extrovert

Usage: He was a natural recluse who found all human relationships difficult.

3. SLAPDASH (adjective) – उतावला

Pronunciation: slap·dash

Meaning: done too hurriedly and carelessly

Synonyms: careless, slipshod, hurried, lackadaisical, hasty, disorganized, haphazard

Antonyms: careful, meticulous, painstaking

Usage: The student's slapdash presentation looked like it had been put together on the school bus.

4. HYPOCRISY (noun) – पाखंड

Pronunciation: huh·po·kruh·see

Meaning: the practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case

Synonyms: sanctimony, pietism, falsity, humbug, pretence, posturing, insincerity

Antonyms: honesty, sincerity

Usage: When you agree to serve a cause and then back out, I would call that hypocrisy.

5. TUMULT (noun) – कोलाहल

Pronunciation: choo·muhlt

Meaning: a loud, confused noise, especially one caused by a large mass of people

Synonyms: din, racket, uproar, commotion, ruckus, rumpus, hubbub

Antonyms: silence, quiet, stillness

Usage: The tumult in the streets awakened everyone in the house.



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6. ASPERITY (noun) – तीक्ष्णता

Pronunciation: a·speh·ruh·tee

Meaning: harshness of tone or manner

Synonyms: harshness, sharpness, roughness, severity, acerbity, astringency, bitterness

Antonyms: mildness, gentleness, tenderness

Usage: Because the teacher was mad, she addressed the students with asperity as she gave them detention slips.

7. TRUCE (noun) – युद्धविराम

Pronunciation: troos

Meaning: a time period in which opposing sides agree to stop fighting

Synonyms: ceasefire, armistice, peace, break, respite, lull, moratorium

Antonyms: fighting, hostilities

Usage: When the truce ends at noon tomorrow, it will only be a matter of time before gunfire is heard again.

8. ENTHRALL (verb) – मंत्रमुग्ध करना

Pronunciation: uhn·thrawl

Meaning: capture the fascinated attention of

Synonyms: captivate, charm, enchant, bewitch, fascinate, beguile, entrance

Antonyms: bore, repel, dull

Usage: This book will enthrall readers of all ages.

9. INSCRUTABLE (adjective) – गूढ़

Pronunciation: uh·skroo·tuh·bl

Meaning: impossible to understand or interpret

Synonyms: enigmatic, mysterious, unreadable, impenetrable, cryptic, unexpressive

Antonyms: expressive, transparent

Usage: The riddle remains inscrutable to us.

10. EXTIRPATE (noun) – उखाड़ना, विनाश करना

Pronunciation: ek·stuh·peit

Meaning: eradicate or destroy completely

Synonyms: destroy, eradicate, eliminate, suppress, crush, abolish

Antonyms: found, support

Usage: The new police chief promises to extirpate corruption from the county.

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