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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and Sentence. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary. **Happy Learning!!**

1. SOPORIFIC (noun) – नींद लानेवाला

Pronunciation: so puh ri fuhk **Meaning:** a drug or other substance that induces drowsiness or sleep **Synonyms:** sedative, calmative, tranquillizer, narcotic, opiate, hypnotic **Antonyms:** stimulant, refresher

Usage: Because of the medicine's <u>soporific</u> properties, the doctor told me to only take it at bedtime.

2. QUIESCENT (adj) - मौन, स्थिर

Pronunciation: kwee·eh·snt
Meaning: in a state or period of inactivity or dormancy
Synonyms: inactive, inert, latent, fallow, passive, idle, inoperative
Antonym: active
Usage: While the bees are <u>quiescent</u> early in the morning and in the evening, they are overactive in the middle of the day.

3. SUMPTUOUS (adj) – वैभवशाली

Pronunciation: suhmp·tyoo·uhs
Meaning: splendid and expensive-looking
Synonyms: lavish, luxurious, splendid, deluxe, opulent, magnificent, resplendent
Antonyms: humble, plain, cheap
Usage: The restaurant's <u>sumptuous</u> buffet had some of the finest foods from all over the world.

4. ILLUSTRIOUS (adj) – प्रसिद्ध

Pronunciation: uh·luh·stree·uhs **Meaning:** well known, respected, and admired for past achievements **Synonyms:** eminent, distinguished, acclaimed, noted, notable, prominent **Antonyms:** unknown, obscure **Usage:** He enjoyed a long and <u>illustrious</u> career as a radio producer.

5. EXAGGERATE (verb) – अतिशयोक्ति करना

Pronunciation: uhg·za·juh·reit

Meaning: represent something as being larger, better, or worse than it really is **Synonyms:** overstate, overemphasize, overstress, overvalue, magnify, amplify



Antonyms: understate, downplay, underrate Usage: He tends to <u>exaggerate</u> the difficulties.

6. CODDLE (verb) – लाड़ प्यार करना

Pronunciation: ko·dl **Meaning:** treat someone in an indulgent or overprotective way **Synonyms:** pamper, cosset, mollycoddle, spoil, indulge, overparent **Antonyms:** neglect, abandon, forsake **Usage:** Many people <u>coddle</u> their children too much.

7. DESULTORY (adj) – अनियमित, असंबद्ध

Pronunciation: deh·suhl·tuh·ree
Meaning: lacking a plan, purpose, or enthusiasm
Synonyms: casual, lukewarm, cursory, superficial, token, perfunctory, passing
Antonyms: keen, systematic, lasting
Usage: The committee meetings are <u>desultory</u> in practice because they generally have no real purpose other than as a social gathering.

8. INCURSION (noun) – आक्रमण

Pronunciation: uhng·kuh·shn
Meaning: an invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one
Synonyms: attack, raid, foray, infiltration, inroad, intrusion, penetration
Antonyms: retreat, withdraw
Usage: When the troops made an <u>incursion</u> across the border, they ruined any chance for peace between the two countries.

9. FATUOUS (adj) – मूर्खतापूर्ण

Pronunciation: fa·choo·uhs
Meaning: silly and pointless
Synonyms: silly, foolish, stupid, inane, nonsensical, childish, puerile
Antonyms: intelligent, sensible
Usage: It was a <u>fatuous</u> choice to carry so many glass cups at once.

10. PARSIMONIOUS (adj) – कंजूस

Pronunciation: paa·suh·mow·nee·uhs
Meaning: very unwilling to spend money or use resources
Synonyms: mean, miserly, niggardly, ungenerous, penurious, illiberal, stinting
Antonyms: generous, extravagant, lavish
Usage: To save money, the parsimonious old man always bought used clothes.



