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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.DEFYING (verb): अवहेलनाकरना

Pronunciation: duh.fai.uhng

Meaning: openly resist or refuse to obey

Synonym: Resisting, opposing,disobey

Antonym: Obeying, following,serving

Sentence: The activist was praised for defying the unjust laws.

2.GERIATRIC (adjective) : जराचिकित्सा

Pronunciation: jeh.ree.a.truhk

Meaning: relating to old people,especially with regard to their healthcare

Synonym: Elderly, aged,older

Antonym: Youthful, juvenile,ageless

Sentence: She specialized in geriatric medicine to better treat older patients.

3.BLOOMING (adjective): फलना-फूलना

Pronunciation: bloom.uhng

Meaning: in the process of opening or full of flowers; flourishing

Synonym: Flourishing, thriving ,flush

Antonym: Withering, fading, restricted

Sentence: The garden was blooming with colors in the spring.

4.CONCLUSIVE (adjective): निर्णयात्मक

Pronunciation: kuhn.kloo,suhv

Meaning: serving to prove something or end an argument; convincing

Synonym: Definitive, decisive,clear

Antonym: Inconclusive, uncertain , unclear

Sentence: The DNA evidence was conclusive in solving the case.

5.ANTICIPATE (verb): अंदाज़ा लगाना

Pronunciation: an.ti.suh.payt

Meaning: to expect or predict

Synonym: Expect, foresee , count on

Antonym: Disregard, ignore , dread

Sentence: She anticipated the challenges ahead and prepared accordingly.

6.IRRESISTIBLE (adjective): अथक

Pronunciation: i.ruh.zi.stuh.bl

Meaning: too attractive and tempting to be resisted

Synonym: Enticing, alluring , attractive

Antonym: Repellent, unattractive

Sentence: The offer was so good it was irresistible.

7.CARTILAGE (noun): उपास्थि

Pronunciation: kaa.tuh.luhj

Meaning: firm, flexible connectivetissue in the human body

Synonym: Gristle

Antonym: Bone (in terms of rigidity)

Sentence: The injury damaged the cartilage in his knee.

8.OPTIMAL (adjective): सर्वोत्तम

Pronunciation: awp.tuh.muhl

Meaning: best or most favorable; optimum

Synonym: Ideal, best , terrific

Antonym: Worst, poorest,fair

Sentence: She was seeking the optimal solution for the problem.

9.SPRUCE (noun/verb): सजाना

Pronunciation: sproos

Meanig: a widespread coniferous tree / make a person or place smarter or tidier

Synonym: Neaten, smarten , trig

Antonym: Disarrange, mess up , untidy

Sentence: He spruced up the room before the guests arrived.

10.CLINCH (verb): कड़ी

Pronunciation: klinch

Meaning: to finally manage to get what you want in an argument or business agreement

Synonym: Secure, finalize , pull off

Antonym: Lose, forfeit

Sentence: The team clinched the deal with the new sponsor.

11.DEMISE(noun) : निधन

Pronunciation:duh.mize

Meaning: the end or failure of something

Synonyms: death, dying, passing on

Antonyms: birth, life, creation

Sentence: the two Germanys merged after the demise of communism in 1989.

12.MALAISE(noun) : अस्वस्थता

Pronunciation: muh.layz

Meaning: a general feeling of being slightly ill or unhappy without any particular reason

Synonyms: unhappiness, trouble, unease

Antonyms: health, shape, fitness

Sentence: He had malaise, lethargy, and poor appetite but no history of night sweats.

13.BLEAK(adj): बेरंग

Pronunciation: bleek

Meaning: (used about a situation) bad; not encouraging or hopeful

Synonyms: bare, arid, open

Antonyms: bright, gay, cheery

Sentence: his mouth was set and his eyes were bleak.

14.MANIFESTATION(noun) : प्रदर्शन

Pronunciation: ma.nuh.fest.ay.shn

Meaning: a sign that something is happening

Synonyms: evident, visible, clear

Antonyms: unclear, obscure, dark

Sentence: We are looking not at an event but at a visual manifestation of thought.

15.INNOCUOUSLY(adj) : बिना हानि पहुँचाए

Pronunciation: uh.naw.kyoo.uhs

Meaning: not meant to cause harm or upset somebody

Synonyms: harmless, safe, white

Antonyms: dangerous, evil, bad

Sentence: When this picture was taken it couldn't have seemed more innocuous.

16.ONEROUS(adj) : कष्टदायक

Pronunciation: oh.nuh.ruhs

Meaning: difficult and needing a lot of effort

Synonyms: heavy, awkward, uphill

Antonyms: easy, light, soft

Sentence: she faces the onerous task of informing her parents of the truth.

17.COVETED(verb) : प्रतिष्ठित**Pronunciation:**kuh.vuht.uhd**Meaning:** to want to have something very much (especially something that belongs to somebody else)**Synonyms:**desire,want,crave**Antonyms:**hated,despised,declined**Sentence:** I gave up a coveted job, that of editor-in-chief.**18.ESCHEW(verb) : बचना****Pronunciation:**uhs.choo**Meaning:** deliberately avoid using; abstain from**Synonyms:**give up,shun,swear off**Antonyms:**seek,catch,incur**Sentence:** he appealed to the crowd to eschew violence.

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19.RESONATE(verb) : गूँजना**Pronunciation:**reh.zuh.nayt**Meaning:** (used about a voice, an instrument, etc.) to make a deep, clear sound that continues for a long time**Synonyms:**echo,sound,ring**Antonyms:**dull,damp,dampen**Sentence:** The central themes resonate through a network of related stories and characters.**20.ENTWINED(verb) : जुड़****Pronunciation:**uhn.tvined**Meaning:** wind or twist together; interweave.**Synonyms:**wind round,coil round,tangle**Antonyms:**linear,direct,right**Sentence:** hey were entwined in each other's arms.

21.REPERCUSSIONS (noun): पररणाम**Pronunciation:**ree.puh.kuh.shnz**Meaning:** unintended consequences occurring some time after an event or action, especially an unwelcome one**Synonym:** Consequences, aftermath,mark**Antonym:** Cause, source,weakness**Sentence:** The financial repercussions of the legal battle were felt years after the case was settled.**22.COALITION (adj): गठबंधन****Pronunciation:**koh.uh.li.shn**Meaning:** related to or formed by a coalition**Synonym:** Allied, cooperative**Antonym:** Independent, solitary**Sentence:** The coalitional government faced many challenges but managed to stay intact for a full term.**23.INCOHERENCE (noun): बेतरतीबी****Pronunciation:**in.koh.heeu.huh.ruhns**Meaning:** lack of clarity or organization in speech or thought**Synonym:** Confusion, disjointedness ,bizarre**Antonym:** Coherence, clarity ,sound**Sentence:** The speaker's incoherence during the presentation confused the audience.**24.STYMIE (verb): बाधाडालना****Pronunciation:**stai.mee**Meaning:** to prevent somebody from doing something that he/she has planned or wants to do; to prevent something from happening**Synonym:** Thwart, obstruct,check**Antonym:** Assist, facilitate,help**Sentence:** The new regulations might stymie our project's development unless we find a workaround.**25.ELABORATION (noun): विस्तार****Pronunciation:**uh.la.buh.ray.shn**Meaning:** the process of adding more details or information**Synonym:** Expansion, explanation,growth**Antonym:** Simplification, reduction ,regress**Sentence:** His elaboration on the topic provided much-needed clarity.

26. TEMPEST (noun): तूफान**Pronunciation:**tem.puhst**Meaning:** a violent windy storm**Synonym:** Gale, hurricane,tornado**Antonym:** Calm, tranquility**Sentence:** The sailors braced themselves as they headed into the tempest.**27. VINDICTIVE (adj): प्रतिशोधात्मक****Pronunciation:**vuhn.dik.tuhv**Meaning:** having or showing a strong desire for revenge**Synonym:** Vengeful, spiteful ,bitter**Antonym:** Forgiving, benevolent ,loving**Sentence:** His vindictive behavior stemmed from being wronged many years ago.**28. TRANSPIRE (verb): घटित होना****Pronunciation:**tran.spai.uh**Meaning:** occur; happen**Synonym:** get out,come to light,befall**Antonym:** Cease, halt**Sentence:** What transpired at the meeting remains a mystery to those not present.**29. COHESION (noun): संगठन****Pronunciation:**koh.hee.zhn**Meaning:** the action or fact of forming a united whole**Synonym:** Unity, solidarity,bond**Antonym:** Division, separation ,conflict**Sentence:** Team cohesion is crucial for the success of any project.**30. DISCONTENT (noun): असंतोष****Pronunciation:**dis.kuhn.tent**Meaning:** dissatisfaction with one's circumstances**Synonym:** Dissatisfaction, unrest,envy**Antonym:** Contentment, satisfaction ,happy**Sentence:** There is growing discontent among the employees over wage issues.**31. VAGUE (adj): अस्पष्ट****Pronunciation:**vayg**Meaning:**not clearly expressed,known, described, or decided

Synonym: Indistinct, unclear, hazy

Antonym: Clear, explicit, direct

Sentence: His directions were so vague that we got lost several times.

32.CONFERENCE (noun): सम्मेलन

Pronunciation: kawn.fuh.ruhns

Meaning: a formal meeting for discussion, especially among delegates to discuss issues

Synonym: Convocation, summit, seminar

Antonym: Dialogue, discussion (in less formal contexts)

Sentence: Industry experts gathered at the annual technology conference.

33.COMMUNALISM (noun) : साम्प्रदायिकता

Pronunciation: kaw.myoon.uhl.i.zm

Meaning: loyalty to a particular group which creates conflict between communities

Synonym: Sectarianism, divisiveness, joint

Antonym: Unity, integration, personal

Sentence: The country has seen a rise in communalism that threatens its social harmony.

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34.EXPLICITLY (adv): स्पष्ट रूप से

Pronunciation: uhk.spli.suht.lee

Meaning: in a clear and detailed manner, leaving no room for confusion or doubt

Synonym: Clearly, plainly

Antonym: Implicitly, vaguely

Sentence: The rules were explicitly stated at the beginning of the handbook.

35.COMPLEMENTARITY (noun): संपूरकता

Pronunciation: kawm.pluh.ment.a.ruh.tee

Meaning: the state or fact of completing or enhancing each other

Synonym: Compatibility, synergy, matched

Antonym: Opposition, conflict, diverse

Sentence: The complementarity of their skills made them a successful team.

36.FEASIBLE (adj): संभव**Pronunciation:**fee.zuh.bl**Meaning:** possible to do easily or conveniently**Synonym:** Practicable, viable, viable**Antonym:** Impractical, unworkable ,hopeless**Sentence:** The project seemed feasible within the allotted budget and timeframe.**37.CONCEDED (verb): स्वीकार किया****Pronunciation:**Kuhn.seed.uhd**Meaning:** admit that something is true or valid after first denying or resisting it**Synonym:** Admit, acknowledge ,accept**Antonym:** Deny, contest,dispute**Sentence:** After hours of negotiation,he finally conceded that their points were valid.**38.ADVERSARY (noun) : विरोधी****Pronunciation:**ad.vuhs.uh.ree**Meaning:** one's opponent in a contest, conflict, or dispute**Synonym:** Opponent, rival , foe**Antonym:** Ally, supporter ,social**Sentence:** She respected her adversary, even though they often competed for the same goals.**39.PITTED (adj): गड़ढेदार****Pronunciation:**pit.uhd**Meaning:** marked with small indentations or holes**Synonym:** Dotted, indented , pocky**Antonym:** Smooth, unmarked , flat**Sentence:** The road was badly pitted after years of neglect.**40.DUOPOLY (noun): द्वयधिकार****Pronunciation:**dyoo.aw.puh.lee**Meaning:** a situation in which two suppliers dominate the market for a commodity or service**Synonym:** Oligopoly**Antonym:** Monopoly (sole control),competition (many suppliers)**Sentence:** The telecommunications industry in the country is a duopoly,controlled by just two main companies.**41.PERMISSIVE (adj): अनुमोदक**

Pronunciation: puh.mis.uhv

Meaning: allowing or characterized by great or excessive freedom of behaviour

Synonym: Lenient, liberal , free

Antonym: Restrictive, strict , rigid

Sentence: The permissive parenting style often results in children who are self-reliant but sometimes lack discipline.

42.AMPLY (adv): पर्याप्त

Pronunciation: am.plee

Meaning: sufficiently or more than adequately

Synonym: Generously, abundantly

Antonym: Scarcely, barely

Sentence: The document was amply provided with references to support the arguments.

43.STATUTE (noun): कानून

Pronunciation: sta.choot

Meaning: a written law passed by a legislative body

Synonym: Legislation, act ,law

Antonym: Repeal, annulment,

Sentence: The new statute made it illegal to use mobile phones while driving.

44.BULWARK (noun): बांध

Pronunciation: bul.vuhk

Meaning: a defensive wall; something serving as a principal defence

Synonym: Barrier, protection , berm

Antonym: Weakness, hazard , cave

Sentence: Free speech is a bulwark against tyranny.

45.PERPETUATE (verb): यादगार बनाना

Pronunciation: puh.peh.chu.ayt

Meaning: make (something, typically an undesirable situation or an unfounded belief) continue indefinitely

Synonym: Sustain, maintain , continue

Antonym: End, abolish , erase

Sentence: The film helped to perpetuate the myth of the happy, suburban family.

46.NASCENT (adj): नवजात

Pronunciation: na.snt

Meaning: just coming into existence and beginning to display signs of future potential

Synonym: Emerging, budding , budding

Antonym: Dying, waning , mature

Sentence: The country's nascent economy shows promise of significant growth.

47.PATRONAGE (noun): संरक्षण

Pronunciation:pa.truhn.uhj

Meaning: the support given by a patron

Synonym: Sponsorship, backing ,help

Antonym: Opposition, antagonism

Sentence: The museum flourished under the patronage of its wealthy donors.

48.DEMOLITION (noun): तोड़फोड़

Pronunciation:de.maw.li.shn

Meaning: the action or process of demolishing or being demolished

Synonym: Destruction, razing , pulling down

Antonym: Construction, building , erection

Sentence: The old building is scheduled for demolition next week.

49.ACQUITTED (verb): अपराधमुक्त

Pronunciation:uh.kvi.tuhd

Meaning: free (someone) from a criminal charge by a verdict of not guilty

Synonym: Exonerate, absolve , release

Antonym: Convict, condemn , guilty

Sentence: She was acquitted of all charges at the trial.

50. TRIUMPHALISM (noun): जीत का अहंकार

Pronunciation:traɪ.uhmf.uhl.i.zm

Meaning: excessive exultation over one's success or achievements (used especially in a political context)

Synonym: Boasting, gloating

Antonym: Humility, modesty

Sentence: The party's triumphalism after the election victory alienated some of the public.

51.EXERTION (noun):तनाव**Pronunciation:**uhg.zuh.shn**Meaning:** To apply or put forth effort, influence, or pressure.**Synonyms:** Apply, exercise, wield**Antonyms:** Withdraw, relax, neglect**Example:** China exerts significant control over the global rare earth supply chain.**52.REINFORCE(verb) : शक्ति बढ़ाना****Pronunciation:**ree.uhn.faws**Meaning:** To strengthen or support.**Synonyms:** Fortify, bolster, enhance**Antonyms:** Weaken, undermine, diminish**Example:** China's ban on rare earth technologies reinforces its dominance in the sector.**53.ROBUST (adjective):मज़बूत****Pronunciation:**roh.buhst**Meaning:** Strong and effective in all or most situations.**Synonyms:** Sturdy, resilient, vigorous**Antonyms:** weak, delicate, feeble**Example:** Kazakhstan is building a robust rare earth extraction industry with international partnerships.**54. PROXIMITY (noun):निकटता****Pronunciation:**prawk.suh.muh.tee**Meaning:** Nearness, time, or relationship.**Synonyms:** Closeness, nearness, adjacency**Antonyms:** Distance, remoteness, separation**Example:** Kazakhstan's proximity to India makes it a favorable partner for rare earth imports.**55. DISSENT(noun):मतभेद****Pronunciation:**duh.sent**Meaning:** Holding or expressing an opinion different from the majority.**Synonyms:** Disagreement, opposition, objection**Antonyms:** Agreement, consensus, harmony**Example:** The judge's dissent highlighted an alternate perspective on the case.**56.EDIFICE(noun): भवन**

Pronunciation:eh.duh.fuhs

Meaning: A large and imposing structure; often metaphorically referring to a complex system.

Synonyms: Structure, building, framework

Antonyms: Ruin, dismantlement

Example: The edifice of modern education relies on both traditional and digital teaching methods.

57. INVINCIBLE (adjective): अजेय

Pronunciation:in.vin.suh.bl

Meaning: Too powerful to be defeated or overcome.

Synonyms: Unbeatable, invulnerable, indomitable

Antonyms: Vulnerable, weak, conquerable

Example: The team appeared invincible throughout the tournament, winning all their matches.

58. EXHIBIT (noun): दिखाना

Pronunciation:eg.zuh.bit

Meaning: To show or display something.

Synonyms: Display, reveal, demonstrate

Antonyms: Conceal, hide, withhold

Example: The museum exhibits various artifacts from ancient civilizations.

59. CAPITULATION (noun): संधिपत्र

Pronunciation:kuh.pi.choo.lay.shn

Meaning: The action of surrendering or ceasing to resist an opponent.

Synonyms: Surrender, submission, yield

Antonyms: Resistance, defiance, opposition

Example: The team's early capitulation in the game left the fans disappointed.

60. LEASH (noun): पट्टा

Pronunciation:leesh

Meaning: A restraint or control over something.

Synonyms: Control, restriction, tether

Antonyms: Freedom, release, liberation

Example: The company kept a tight leash on expenses to stay within budget.

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