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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. PROPITIOUS (adjective) – अनुकूल**

**Pronunciation:** pruh·pi·shuhs

**Meaning:** giving or indicating a good chance of success

**Synonyms:** favorable, auspicious, promising, providential, advantageous, fortunate, lucky

**Antonyms:** inauspicious, unfortunate, unlucky

**Usage:** The wrestler waited for a propitious moment to attack his opponent.

### **2. SHELVE (verb) – टालना**

**Pronunciation:** shelv

**Meaning:** decide not to proceed with a project or plan, either temporarily or permanently

**Synonyms:** postpone, stay, suspend, , delay, defer, reschedule, adjourn

**Antonyms:** execute, implement, revive

**Usage:** They had to shelve their holiday plans because their son was ill.

### **3. ENLIGHTENMENT (noun) – प्रबोधन**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·lai·tuhn·muhnt

**Meaning:** the action of being informed

**Synonyms:** understanding, insight, education, learning, knowledge, awareness, information

**Antonyms:** ignorance, unenlightenment

**Usage:** The man's search for spiritual enlightenment led him to the monastery.

### **4. ANTECEDENT (noun) – पूर्वज**

**Pronunciation:** an·tuh·see·dnt

**Meaning:** a person's ancestors or family and social background

**Synonyms:** ancestor, forefather, forebear, predecessor, progenitor, family

**Antonyms:** descendant, successor

**Usage:** Her early life and antecedents have been traced.

### 5. BRIO (noun) – चुस्ती

**Pronunciation:** bree·ow

**Meaning:** vigor or vivacity of style or performance

**Synonyms:** vigor, vivacity, gusto, verve, zest, sparkle, dash

**Antonyms:** lethargy, inertia, inactivity

**Usage:** Michele is an elderly woman whose brio astounds everyone.



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### 6. INSURGENT (noun) – विद्रोही

**Pronunciation:** uhn·suh·jnt

**Meaning:** a person fighting against a government or invading force

**Synonyms:** rebel, revolutionary, mutineer, agitator, subversive, guerrilla, anarchist

**Antonyms:** loyalist

**Usage:** The soldiers were trained to shoot any enemy insurgent on sight.

### 7. REASSURE (verb) – आश्वस्त

**Pronunciation:** ree·uh·shuor

**Meaning:** say or do something to remove the doubts or fears of someone

**Synonyms:** encourage, hearten, comfort, soothe, inspirit

**Antonyms:** alarm, unnerve

**Usage:** The banker tried to reassure the wary customer that his funds would be secure in the safe.

## 8. KUDOS (noun) – यश

**Pronunciation:** kyoo·dos

**Meaning:** praise and honor received for an achievement

**Synonyms:** prestige, cachet, glory, honor, status, standing, distinction

**Antonyms:** obscurity, infamy

**Usage:** The person who wrote that wonderful speech is worthy of kudos.

## 9. TRANSLUCENT (adjective) – पारदर्शी

**Pronunciation:** tranz·loo·snt

**Meaning:** allowing light, but not detailed shapes, to pass through

**Synonyms:** pellucid, diaphanous, colorless, glassy, gossamer, clear, crystalline

**Antonyms:** opaque

**Usage:** The police officer could see the shapes of two figures as he gazed through the translucent window.

## 10. ILLUSION (noun) – भ्रम

**Pronunciation:** uh·loo·zhn

**Meaning:** a deceptive appearance or impression

**Synonyms:** appearance, impression, deception, imitation, semblance, pretence, sham,

**Antonyms:** reality, actuality

**Usage:** After stepping down the stairs, the bifocals created an illusion so that it looked like the step was closer than it really was.

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