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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. SEVER (verb) : अलग करना

Pronunciation: seh·vuh

Meaning: divide by cutting or slicing, especially suddenly and forcibly.

Synonyms: cut off, chop off, lop off

Antonyms: join, link, unite

Sentence: She wanted to sever all her connections with the firm.

2. FINESSE (noun) : चालाकी

Pronunciation: fuh·nes

Meaning: intricate and refined delicacy.

Synonyms: skill, subtlety, expertise

Antonyms: inadequacy, incompetence, ineptitude

Sentence: He is a true believer, but sadly lacks finesse.

3. OSTENTATIOUS (adj.) : दिखावटी

Pronunciation: aw·sten·tay·shuhs

Meaning: characterized by vulgar or pretentious display; designed to impress or attract notice.

Synonyms: showy, pretentious, obtrusive

Antonyms: quiet, understated, unflamboyant

Sentence: Actually, he has a lot of debt, he is just living an ostentatious life.

4. POIGNANCY (noun) : मार्मिकता

Pronunciation: poy·nyuhn·see

Meaning: the quality of evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret.

Synonyms: pathos, sadness, pitifulness

Antonyms: mildness, softness

Sentence: The film contains moments of almost unbearable poignancy.

5. DEFT (adj.) : निपुण

Pronunciation: deft

Meaning: accomplished with a trained ability

Synonyms: adroit, artful, dexterous

Antonyms: amateur, unprofessional, unskillful

Sentence: He's very deft at handling awkward situations.

6. TOTTER (verb) : लड़खड़ाते हुए चलना

Pronunciation: taw·tuh

Meaning: move in a feeble or unsteady way.

Synonyms: teeter, walk unsteadily, stagger

Antonyms: calm, continue, correct

Sentence: The drunkard tottered to the door.

7. EXTRANEOUS (adj.) : बाहरी

Pronunciation: uhk·stray·nee·uhs

Meaning: irrelevant or unrelated to the subject being dealt with.

Synonyms: irrelevant, immaterial, beside the point

Antonyms: applicable, apposite, apropos

Sentence: We shall ignore factors extraneous to the problem.

8. UNREMITTING (adj.) : निरंतर

Pronunciation: uhn·ruh·mit·uhng

Meaning: never relaxing or slackening; incessant.

Synonyms: relentless, unrelenting, continual

Antonyms: discontinuous, noncontinuous, periodic

Sentence: The group faced unremitting hostility from the FBI.

9. APPOSITE (adj.) : उचित

Pronunciation: a·puh·zuht

Meaning: apt in the circumstances or in relation to something.

Synonyms: appropriate, suitable, relevant

Antonyms: extraneous, immaterial, impertinent

Sentence: I found his speech wholly apposite to the current debate.

10. MORATORIUM (noun) : रोक

Pronunciation: maw·ruh·taw·ree·uhm

Meaning: a temporary prohibition of an activity.

Synonyms: stop, ban

Antonyms: continuance, continuation

Sentence: The debt was to be subject to a five-year moratorium.

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