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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. **EBB** (verb): अवनति

Pronunciation: 'eb

Meaning: (of an emotion or quality) gradually lessen or reduce.

Synonyms: diminish, dwindle, wane

Antonyms: ascent, rise, upswing

Sentence: Every tide has its ebb.

### 2. **HARBINGER** (noun) : अग्र-दूत

Pronunciation: haa•buhn•juh

Meaning: a person or thing that announces or signals the approach of another.

Synonyms: herald, sign, indicator

Antonyms: conceal, hide, secret

Sentence: The cuckoo is a harbinger of spring.

### 3. **MINGLING** (verb) : घुलना मिलना

Pronunciation: ming•guh•uhng

Meaning: mix or cause to mix together.

Synonyms: mix, blend, intermingle

Antonyms: breaking up, separating, unmixing

Sentence: The site where the river and the ocean mingle their waters to form a broad estuary.

### 4. **IMPOUNDING** (verb) : परिबंधन

Pronunciation: uhm•pawnd•uhng

Meaning: seize and take legal custody of (something, especially a vehicle, goods, or documents) because of an infringement of a law or regulation.

Synonyms: confiscate, appropriate, take possession of

Antonyms: emancipating, enfranchising, manumitting

Sentence: The vehicle was impounded as part of the police investigation.

### 5. **ARBITER** (noun) : मध्यस्थ

Pronunciation: aa•buh•tuh

Meaning: a person who settles a dispute or has ultimate authority in a matter.

Synonyms: adjudicator, arbitrator, judge

Antonyms: fighter, stakeholder

Sentence: He was the ultimate arbiter on both theological and political matters.

### 6. GAFFER (noun) : वृद्ध

Pronunciation: ga•fuh

Meaning: an old man.

Synonyms: old man, elderly man, senior citizen

Antonyms: youngster, youth, adolescent

Sentence: That gaffer going into the pub is 90 years old.

### 7. JURISPRUDENCE (noun) : विधिशास्त्र

Pronunciation: joo•ruh•sproo•dns

Meaning: the theory or philosophy of law.

Synonyms: judiciary, justice, law

Antonyms: disorganization, lawlessness, transgression.

Sentence: Codification is the highest contribution of jurisprudence.

### 8. GRATUITOUS (adj.) : ऐच्छिक

Pronunciation: gruh•tyoo•uh•tuhs

Meaning: uncalled for; lacking good reason; unwarranted.

Synonyms: unjustified, without reason, uncalled for

Antonyms: essential, indispensable, necessary

Sentence: There's too much crime and gratuitous violence on TV.

### 9. PIQUE (noun) : मनमुटाव

Pronunciation: 'pēk

Meaning: a feeling of irritation or resentment resulting from a slight, especially to one's pride.

Synonyms: irritation, annoyance, resentment

Antonyms: appeasement, mollification, pacification

Sentence: In a fit of pique, he posted embarrassing photos of his friend on the Internet.

### 10. GROTESQUE (adj.) : विचित्र

Pronunciation: groh•tesk

Meaning: comically or repulsively ugly or distorted.

Synonyms: malformed, deformed, strange

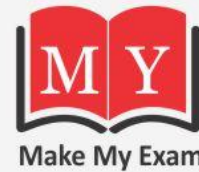
Antonyms: impressive, pretty, ravishing

Sentence: That bloody Halloween mask is grotesque.

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