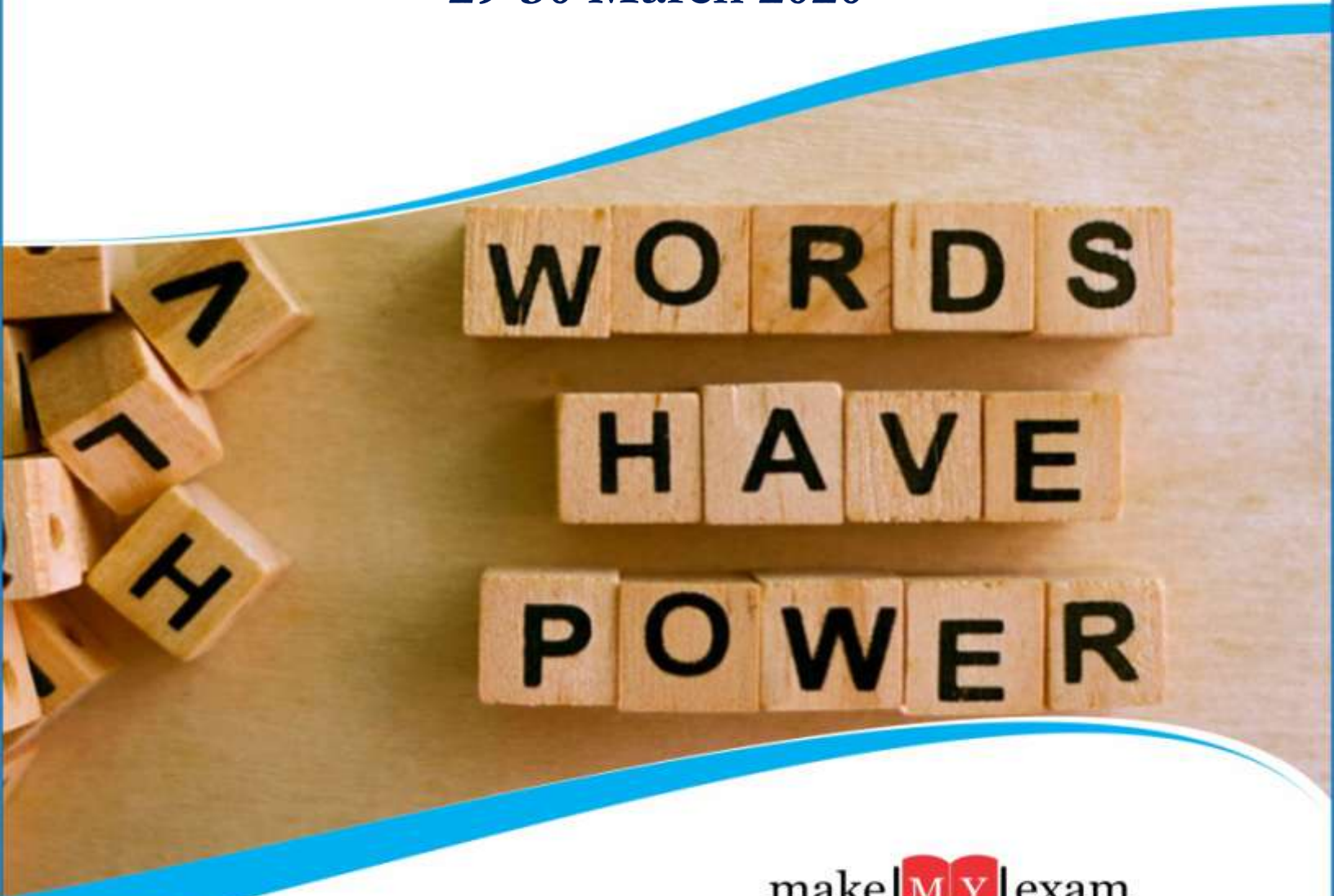


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Here some exceptional English words from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are given with their synonyms/antonyms and usage. Hopefully, this will help you improve your vocabulary.

Happy Learning!!!

1. STANCE (noun) – मुद्रा; दृष्टिकोण

Pronunciation: stans / staans

Meaning: the way in which someone stands, especially when deliberately adopted (as in cricket, golf, and other sports); a person's posture; the attitude of a person or organization towards something

Synonyms: posture, pose, attitude, bearing; attitude, stand, point of view, viewpoint, opinion, outlook, standpoint

Usage:

- She changed her stance, resting all her weight on one leg.
- What is your stance on environmental issues?

2. PEANUTS (noun) – अपर्याप्त धन

Pronunciation: pee-nuts

Meaning: a very small or inadequate sum of money

Synonyms: next to nothing, very little, chicken feed, chump change

Usage: The hotel workers get paid peanuts.

3. OUTSIZE (adjective) – असाधारण रूप से बड़ा

Pronunciation: aut-saiz

Meaning: exceptionally large

Synonyms: huge, oversized, enormous, gigantic

Usage: This is an amazing outsize bed.

4. HUM AND HAW (verb) – हिचकिचाना; अनिर्णायक

Pronunciation: hum and haw

Meaning: hesitate; be indecisive

Synonyms: dither, vacillate

Antonym: be decisive

Usage: I was humming and hawing over buying dresses.

5. RAPTURE (noun) – अत्यन्त हर्ष

Pronunciation: rap-chuh

Meaning: a feeling of intense pleasure or joy

Synonyms: ecstasy, bliss, euphoria, elation, exaltation

Antonyms: boredom, indifference

Usage: The prime minister's supporters greeted her speech with rapture.

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6. REPOSE (noun) – विश्राम; समवृत्ति

Pronunciation: ri-po-z

Meaning: a state of rest, sleep, or tranquility; the state of being calm and composed

Synonyms: rest, relaxation, inactivity, stillness, idleness; composure, calmness, serenity, equanimity

Antonyms: work, activity, stress, strain; agitation

Usage:

- The first rays of morning sun disturbed their repose.
- His lectures caused him deep repose or inner peace.

7. GORGE (noun; verb) – एक संकीर्ण घाटी; बहुत खाना

Pronunciation: go-j

Meaning: a narrow valley between hills or mountains, typically with steep rocky walls and a stream running through it; eat a large amount greedily; fill oneself with food

Synonyms: ravine, canyon, gully, pass, defile, couloir; stuff, cram, fill, glut, satiate, sate

Antonym: nibble

Usage:

- A deep gorge separates the two halves of the city. (noun)
- I could spend each day gorging on chocolate. (verb)

8. CORUSCATING (adjective) – चमकती

Pronunciation: korus-kei-ting

Meaning: flashing; sparkling

Synonyms: shining, bright, brilliant, gleaming, glittering

Antonyms: dull, matte

Usage: She bought a coruscating ring.

9. DANDY (noun) – आडंबरप्रिय; बांका

Pronunciation: dandi

Meaning: a man unduly concerned with looking stylish and fashionable

Synonyms: fop, beau, rake

Usage: Design of his suit gave him the look of a dandy.

10. DANK (adjective) – नम और ठंडा

Pronunciation: dank

Meaning: unpleasantly damp and cold

Synonyms: damp, musty, chilly, clammy, wet, moist, unaired

Antonym: dry

Usage: After the flooding, our house was so dank that we moved into a hotel for a few weeks.

Now, choose any 2 or 3 words and try to use them in your own sentences, this way you can retain the learnt words in your memory for long time. You can share your sentences in the comment section.




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