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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. PROPONENT (noun) : समर्थक

Pronunciation: pruh·poh·nuhnt

Meaning: a person who actively supports or favors a cause

Synonyms: advocate, supporter, upholder

Antonyms: adversary, antagonist, opponent

Sentence: She has always been a strong proponent of women's rights.

2. PIFFLE (noun) : बकवास

Pronunciation: pi·fl

Meaning: language, behavior, or idea that is absurd and contrary to good sense

Synonyms: nonsense, blather, claptrap

Antonyms: sense, discernment, reasonable

Sentence: Joe really does talk a lot of prifle sometimes.

3. BUMPTIOUS (adj.) : खुद-एतमाद

Pronunciation: buhmp·shuhs

Meaning: self-assertive or proud to an irritating degree.

Synonyms: self-important, conceited, arrogant

Antonyms: humble, modest, unarrogant

Sentence: She was clearly embarrassed at times by Durkin's bumptious behavior.

4. SECESSIONISM (noun) : अलगाव

Pronunciation: suh.seh.shn

Meaning: the act or process of a whole separating into two or more parts

Synonyms: bifurcation, division, partition

Antonyms: association, aggregation, unification

Sentence: Fundamentalism and secessionism are of course a direct result of poor governance.

5. CONFUTING (verb) : झूठा ठहराना

Pronunciation: kawm·takt·uhng

Meaning: prove (a person or an assertion) to be wrong.

Synonyms: disprove, show/prove to be false, contradict

Antonyms: proving, validating, verifying

Sentence: Theories that will eventually be confirmed or confuted by experience.

6.GLOSSARY (noun): शब्दकोष

Pronunciation: glaw·suh·ree

Meaning: an alphabetical list of terms or words found in or relating to a specific subject, text, or dialect, with explanations; a brief dictionary.

Synonyms: dictionaries, wordbooks, catalogues

Antonyms: Conciseness, gibberish, individual word.

Sentence: The book includes a glossary of financial terms.

7.DISPARAGED (verb) : अपमानित करना

Pronunciation: duh·spae·ruhjd

Meaning: regard or represent as being of little worth.

Synonyms: denigrate, deprecate, depreciate

Antonyms: acclaimed, applauded, exalted

Sentence: Her bad behavior has disparaged her whole family.

8.DERELICT (adj.) : त्याग किया हुआ

Pronunciation: deh·ruh·luhkt

Meaning: in a very poor condition as a result of disuse and neglect.

Synonyms: dilapidated, ramshackle, neglecting

Antonyms: conscientious, non-negligent

Sentence: He purchased an old derelict mansion that was rumored to be haunted.

9.BALK (verb) : बाधा डालना

Pronunciation: bawk

Meaning: to prevent from achieving a goal

Synonyms: block, hinder, thwart

Antonyms: facilitate, assist, encourage

Sentence: Their strategies to balk at the enemy had failed.

10.DAZE (verb): मति-मंद करना

Pronunciation: dayz

Meaning: make (someone) unable to think or react properly; stupefy; bewilder.

Synonyms: stun, stupefy, dumbfound

Antonyms: bore, calm, clarify

Sentence: The fall daze him for a moment, causing him to become disoriented.

11.DELECTABLE (adj.): स्वादिष्ट**Pronunciation:** duh·lek·tuh·bl**Meaning:** (of food or drink) delicious.**Synonyms:** delicious, mouthwatering, appetizing**Antonyms:** distasteful, tasteless, flavorless,**Sentence:** Delectable smells rose from the kitchen.**12.DOVETAILING (verb) : सहमत होना****Pronunciation:** duhv·tayl·uhng**Meaning:** to be in agreement on every point**Synonyms:** according, agreeing**Antonyms:** differing, disagreeing, mismatching**Sentence:** The Union and the Confederate accounts of the battle don't dovetail at all.**13.HETERODOX (adj.) : विधर्मिक****Pronunciation:** heh·tuh·ruh·dawks**Meaning:** not conforming with accepted or orthodox standards or beliefs.**Synonyms:** unorthodox, heretical, dissenting**Antonyms:** conformist, conventional, orthodox**Sentence:** His opinions have always been distinctly heterodox.

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14.TEMERITY (noun) : उतावलापन**Pronunciation:** tuh·meh·ruh·tee**Meaning:** excessive confidence or boldness; audacity.**Synonyms:** audacity, boldness, audaciousness**Antonyms:** bashfulness, diffidence, hesitancy**Sentence:** He had the temerity to ask for higher wages after only a day's work.**15.PRESAGE (noun) : पूर्व-सूचना****Pronunciation:** preh·suhj

Meaning: a sign or warning that something, typically something bad, will happen; an omen or portent.

Synonyms: sign, indication, portent

Antonyms: fulfilment, event, occurrence

Sentence: Those black clouds presage a storm.

16.NAGGING (adj.) : छिद्रान्वेषी

Pronunciation: nag·uhng

Meaning: (of a person) constantly harassing someone to do something.

Synonyms: grumbling, hounding, scolding

Antonyms: acclaiming, applauding

Sentence: He wanted to get away from his nagging parents.

17.EDICT (noun) : अध्यादेश

Pronunciation: ee·duhkt

Meaning: an official order or proclamation issued by a person in authority.

Synonyms: decree, order, command

Antonyms: permit, decriminalize, legalize.

Sentence: The festival was banned by royal edict.

18.BAITING (verb) : उत्पीड़न

Pronunciation: bayt·uhng

Meaning: deliberately annoy or taunt (someone).

Synonyms: taunt, goad, provoke

Antonyms: appease, conciliate, mollify

Sentence: I wished the candidates would stop baiting each other and instead address the real issues.

19.ANOMALY (noun) : विसंगति

Pronunciation: uh·naw·muh·lee

Meaning: something that deviates from what is standard, normal, or expected.

Synonyms: oddity, peculiarity, abnormality

Antonyms: norm, ordinary, usual

Sentence: Snow in July is an anomaly in most of the northern hemisphere.

20.PARLEY (noun) : बातचीत

Pronunciation: paa·lee

Meaning: a conference between opposing sides in a dispute, especially a discussion of terms for an armistice.

Synonyms: negotiation, talk, meeting

Antonyms: quiet, silence, calm

Sentence: The governor was forced to parley with the rebels.

21.PERDITION (noun) : विनाश

Pronunciation: puh·di·shn

Meaning: (in Christian theology) a state of eternal punishment and damnation into which a sinful and unrepentant person passes after death.

Synonyms: damnation, destruction, downfall

Antonyms: bliss, paradise

Sentence: Simple stupidity is not enough to doom one to perdition.

22.FOOLHARDY (adj.) : असावधान

Pronunciation: fool·haad·ee

Meaning: recklessly bold or rash.

Synonyms: reckless, careless, incautious

Antonyms: careful, cautious, heedful

Sentence: It would be foolhardy to go into the scheme without support.

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23.CLUTTER (noun) : भाग-दौड़

Pronunciation: kluh·tuh

Meaning: an unorganized collection or mixture of various things

Synonyms: agglomerate, agglomeration, mixed bag

Antonyms: order, organization, singularity

Sentence: Sorry about the clutter in the kitchen

24.EXCULPATE (verb) : निर्दोष सिद्ध करना

Pronunciation: ek·skuhl·payt

Meaning: show or declare that (someone) is not guilty of wrongdoing.

Synonyms: absolve, acquit, clear

Antonyms: accuse, arraign

Sentence: He exculpates himself from stealing the money.

25.CONVENE (verb) : आमन्त्रित करना**Pronunciation:** kuhn·veen**Meaning:** come or bring together for a meeting or activity; assemble.**Synonyms:** assemble, call, convoke**Antonyms:** disperse, divide, scatter, separate**Sentence:** He had convened a secret meeting of military personnel.**26.SUPINE (adj.) : कमज़ोर****Pronunciation:** soo·pine**Meaning:** lacking the ability or will to act on one's own**Synonyms:** weak, feeble, yielding**Antonyms:** powerful, puissant, strong**Sentence:** They blamed the disaster on supine politicians who allowed large corporations to flout regulations.**27.DEMARCATE (verb) : निर्धारित करना****Pronunciation:** dee·maa·kayt.uhd**Meaning:** to mark the limits of**Synonyms:** bound, circumscribe, delimit**Antonyms:** attach, combine, connect**Sentence:** A bright yellow line demarcated the county on the road map.**28.MOIETY (noun) : आधा भाग****Pronunciation:** moy·uh·tee**Meaning:** each of two parts into which a thing is or can be divided.**Synonyms:** half, moiety, part**Antonyms:** entirety, whole, full**Sentence:** The tax was to be delivered in two moieties.**29.MEEKLY (adv.) : नर्मी से****Pronunciation:** meek·lee**Meaning:** in a quiet, gentle, and submissive manner.**Synonyms:** abjectly, deferentially, modestly**Antonyms:** arrogantly, audaciously, boldly**Sentence:** Most have meekly accepted such advice.**30.RUMMAGE (verb): चप्पा चप्पा छान मारना****Pronunciation:** ruh·muhj

Meaning: search unsystematically and untidily through a mass or receptacle.

Synonyms: search, explore

Antonyms: hide, abandon

Sentence: Have a rummage around in the drawer and see if you can find a pen.

31.CONTEMPORANEOUS (adj.): समसामयिक

Pronunciation: kuhn·tem·puh·ray·nee·uhs

Meaning: existing or occurring in the same period of time.

Synonyms: coetaneous, coeval, coexistent

Antonyms: asynchronous, non contemporary

Sentence: The two events were more or less contemporaneous, with only months between them.

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32.HUBRISTIC (adj.): आत्मसंतुष्ट

Pronunciation: hyoo'-brīs'-tik

Meaning: excessively proud or self-confident.

Synonyms: complacent, conceited, egocentric

Antonyms: humble, lowly, modest

Sentence: The administration's hubristic foreign policy has been efficiently exposed.

33.SUBURB (noun): उपनगर

Pronunciation: suh·buhb

Meaning: an outlying district of a city, especially a residential one.

Synonyms: outlying district, residential area, dormitory area

Antonyms: center, metropolis, heart

Sentence: Box Hill is a suburb of Melbourne.

34.TROTH (noun): विश्वास

Pronunciation: trothe

Meaning: faith or loyalty when pledged in a solemn agreement or undertaking.

Synonyms: commitment, agreement, faith

Antonyms: disloyalty, faithlessness, falseness

Sentence: This troth seems to be self-evident.

35.PREPONDERANCE (noun): प्रधानता

Pronunciation: pruh·pawn·duh·ruhns

Meaning: the quality or fact of being greater in number, quantity, or importance.

Synonyms: prevalence, predominance, dominance

Antonyms: insignificance, inferiority, mediocrity

Sentence: The preponderance of evidence suggests that he's guilty.

36.FLABBERGAST (verb): हैरत में डालना

Pronunciation: fla·buh·gaast

Meaning: surprise (someone) greatly; astonish.

Synonyms: astonish, astound, amaze

Antonyms: aware, clear, oriented

Sentence: He was flabbergasted when we told him how cheap it was.

37.CATAclysmic (adj.): दुर्घटना

Pronunciation: ka·tuh·kliz·muhk

Meaning: relating to or denoting a violent natural event.

Synonyms: disastrous, catastrophic, calamitous

Antonyms: non-destructive, protective

Sentence: These countries are on the brink of cataclysmic famine.

38.HUMDRUM (adj.): नीरस

Pronunciation: huhm·druhm

Meaning: lacking excitement or variety; dull; monotonous.

Synonyms: mundane, dull, dreary

Antonyms: interesting, engrossing, gripping

Sentence: We lead such a humdrum life/existence.

39.CONCOCTED (verb): मनगढ़ंत

Pronunciation: kuhng·kawkt·uhd

Meaning: existing only in the imagination.

Synonyms: artificial, fabricated, imaginary

Antonyms: genuine, natural, real

Sentence: John concocted an elaborate excuse for being late.

40.LINGER (verb): दीर्घ काल तक रहना

Pronunciation: ling·guh

Meaning: stay in a place longer than necessary because of a reluctance to leave.

Synonyms: wait around, stay, remain

Antonyms: bowl, breeze, dart, hump

Sentence: Unfortunately, the tax will linger until April.

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