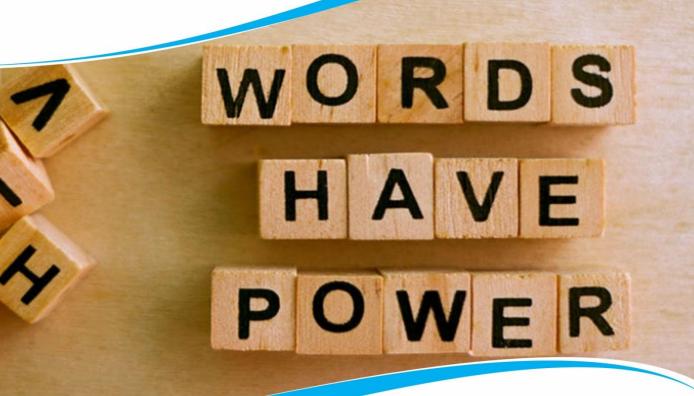






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. What's more, take the test given at the last to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

### 1. HUMANITARIAN (adjective) – मानवीय

Pronunciation: hyoo·ma·nuh·teuh·ree·uhn
Meaning: concerned with or seeking to promote human welfare
Synonyms: compassionate, humane, unselfish, altruistic, generous, magnanimous, benevolent
Antonyms: selfish, egocentric
Usage: He was a <u>humanitarian</u> whose focus was eliminating homelessness.

### 2. CLANDESTINE (adjective) – गुप्त

Pronunciation: klan·deh·stn
Meaning: kept secret or done secretively, especially because illicit
Synonyms: secret, covert, furtive, surreptitious, stealthy, concealed, hidden, private
Antonyms: open, unconcealed
Usage: At a <u>clandestine</u> meeting, the two spies exchanged secret information.

### 3. REPLICA (noun) – प्रतिकृति

**Pronunciation**: reh·pluh·kuh **Meaning**: an exact copy or model of something, especially one on a smaller scale **Synonyms**: copy, model, duplicate, reproduction, replication, dummy, imitation **Antonyms**: original, genuine

Usage: My mom bought me a replica of the Colosseum as a souvenir.

### 4. MALEDICTION (noun) – अभिशाप

Pronunciation: ma·luh·dik·shn
Meaning: a curse
Synonyms: curse, oath, imprecation, anathema, voodoo, spell
Antonyms: blessing, benediction
Usage: In the fairytale, the angry witch invoked a <u>malediction</u> that turned the vain prince into a beast.

### 5. IMPERTURABLE (adjective) – अविचलित

**Pronunciation**: im·puh·tuh·buh·bl



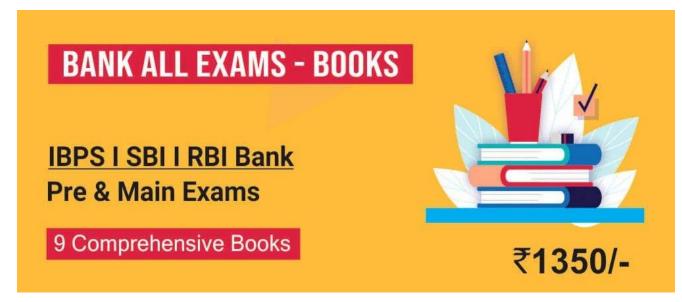
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Meaning: unable to be upset or excited; calm

Synonyms: composed, collected, calm, cool, poised, tranquil, serene

Antonyms: edgy, excitable

Usage: She was one of those imperturbable people who never get angry or upset.



#### 6. KUDOS (noun) – यश

Pronunciation: kyoo.dos
Meaning: praise and honour received for an achievement
Synonyms: prestige, cachet, glory, honour, status, standing, distinction
Antonyms: obscurity, infamy
Usage: After Jake won the race, we all gave him <u>kudos</u> for a job well done.

### 7. ENCUMBRANCE (noun) – बोझ

Pronunciation: uhn·kuhm·bruhns
Meaning: an impediment or burden
Synonyms: hindrance, obstruction, impediment, restraint, constraint, liability
Antonyms: help, asset
Usage: If she had known how much of an <u>encumbrance</u> her student debt would be, she would have found a different way to finance her education.

### 8. TACIT (adjective) - मौन

**Pronunciation**: ta·suht **Meaning**: understood or implied without being stated **Synonyms**: implicit, understood, implied, inferred, hinted, suggested, insinuated **Antonyms**: explicit, stated



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**Usage**: Although no words were spoken, our nods represented our <u>tacit</u> agreement to a cease fire.

### 9. ECCENTRIC (adjective) - सनकी

Pronunciation: uhk·sen·truhk
Meaning: unconventional and slightly strange
Synonyms: unconventional, uncommon, abnormal, irregular, aberrant, anomalous, odd
Antonyms: ordinary, conventional
Usage: Most geniuses come across as <u>eccentric</u> because they are very unique people.

#### 10. CRAVEN (adjective) - डरपोक

Pronunciation: krei·vn
Meaning: lacking in courage
Synonyms: cowardly, faint-hearted, spineless, timid, timorous, fearful, trembling
Antonyms: brave, courageous
Usage: While I was ready for the fistfight, my <u>craven</u> enemy started to scream for help.

