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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.ENFEEBLED (adj.): दुर्बल

Pronunciation: uhn•fee•bldMeaning: make weak or feeble.Synonyms: asthenic, debilitated, effeteAntonyms: mighty, powerful, ruggedSentence: That bout of pneumonia <u>enfeebled</u> her.

# 2.THUMPING (adv.) :अति

Pronunciation: thuhmp•uhngMeaning: to a great degreeSynonyms: achingly, almighty, archlyAntonyms: little, negligibly, nominallySentence: He wrote several thumping big books on World War II.

# 3.VACILLATE (verb) :संदेह करना

Pronunciation: va•suh•layt
Meaning: alternate or waver between different opinions or actions; be indecisive.
Snonyms: dither, be indecisive, be irresolute
Antonyms: decide, budge
Sentence: We cannot vacillate on the question of the party's leadership.

#### 4.WHIFF (noun) :एहसास

Pronunciation: vif
Meaning: an almost imperceptible sign of something
Synonyms: flicker, glimmer, hint
Antonyms: permeation, pervasion, saturation
Sentence: Even a whiff of appreciation for everything I've done for her would have been nice.

# 5.MALADY (noun) :रोग

**Pronunciation:** ma•luh•dee **Meaning:** a disease or ailment. **Synonyms:** illness, sickness, ailment



Antonyms: health, wellness, fitness Sentence: Malaria is a kind of serious <u>malady</u>.

### 6.SQUISHY (adj.) :मूलायम

Pronunciation: skvish•ee
Meaning: soft and moist.
Synonyms: soft, spongy, squashy
Antonyms: firm, hard, solid
Sentence: The ground was soft and <u>squishy</u>, and she felt mud oozing over the top of her shoes.

### 7.ENIGMATIC (adj.) :रहस्यपूर्ण

Pronunciation: eh•nuhg•ma•tuhk
Meaning: difficult to interpret or understand; mysterious.
Synonyms: mysterious, puzzling, inexplicable
Antonyms: fathomable, intelligible, understandable
Sentence: He left an <u>enigmatic</u> message on my answering machine.

#### 8.ALIBIS (noun) :बहाना

Pronunciation: a•luh•bize
Meaning: an explanation that frees one from fault or blame
Synonyms: apologies, reasons, excuses
Antonyms: sentence, truth
Sentence: Those students always have a very creative <u>alibi</u> for undone homework.

### 9.SAGGING (adj.) :लटकते

Pronunciation: sag•uhng
Meaning: sinking or bulging downward underweight or pressure or through lack of strength.
Synonyms: drooping, saggy, bowed
Antonyms: distending, stiffening
Sentence: Sagging branches that were weighted down with snow

### 10.ECSTATIC (adj.) :उन्मादपूर्ण

Pronunciation: uhk•sta•tuhk
Meaning: feeling or expressing overwhelming happiness or joyful excitement.
Synonyms: enraptured, elated, transported
Antonyms: depressed, dejected, despondent
Sentence: Sally was <u>ecstatic</u> about her new job.



