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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. TRANQUILIZE (verb) – शांत करना

Pronunciation: trang•kwuh•lahyz

Meaning: the act of drugging or incapacitating in order to calm

Synonyms: sedate, soothe, pacify, mollify, lull, relax, anaesthetize

Antonyms: agitate, disturb, ruffle

Usage: This powerful drug is used to tranquilize patients undergoing surgery.

2. CONCOCT (verb) – रचना, तैयार करना

Pronunciation: kuhng•kukt

Meaning: to make something using cleverness or ability

Synonyms: formulate, contrive, create, devise, discover, fabricate, design

Antonyms: demolish, destroy, ruin

Usage: Using only his cell phone, the talented filmmaker was able to concoct a wonderful film that won several awards.

3. UPSHOT (noun) – परिणाम

Pronunciation: uhp•shot

Meaning: the final or end result of an event or situation

Synonyms: result, consequence, outcome, sequel, effect, reaction, repercussion

Antonyms: cause, origin

Usage: The upshot of the program is that several of the students were able to graduate on time.

4. TORPOR (noun) – अकर्मण्यता, सुस्ती

Pronunciation: toh•puh

Meaning: a state of physical or mental inactivity

Synonyms: lethargy, inertia, inactivity, inaction, slowness

Antonyms: vigour, energy, animation

Usage: After overeating on Christmas, I fell into a satisfied torpor.

5. HOTHEAD (noun) – चिड़चिड़ा, अविवेकी

Pronunciation: hot-hed

Meaning: a quick-tempered or impetuous person

Synonyms: madcap, impulsive, nut, ardent, furious

Antonyms: careful, calm, unnerved

Usage: He is a hothead just like his dad.

6. ALIGHT (verb) – उतरना

Pronunciation: uh•lait

Meaning: descend from a train, bus or other form of transport

Synonyms: get off, dismount, disembark, descend, exit

Antonyms: board, mount

Usage: It was nice of my daughter to help the elderly man alight from the bus.

7. MELANCHOLY (noun) – उदासी

Pronunciation: meh•luhng•ko•lee

Meaning: a feeling of pensive sadness, typically with no obvious cause

Synonyms: desolation, sadness, woe, sorrow, dejection, gloom, misery

Antonyms: cheerfulness, happiness, gladness

Usage: He has a melancholy look.

8. CONFABULATE (verb) – वार्तालाप

Pronunciation: kuhn•fa•byoo•leit

Meaning: to chat or talk to someone in an informal way

Synonyms: converse, discuss, chat, chaffer, chatter, chitchat, confab

Antonym: listen

Usage: I tried to confabulate with my new neighbor outside of our apartment, but he doesn't seem like he enjoys chatting.

9. COVET (verb) – लालच करना

Pronunciation: kuh•vuht

Meaning: yearn to possess something, especially something belonging to another

Synonyms: desire, crave, want, fancy, long for, yearn for

Antonyms: abhor, despise, dislike

Usage: Mr. Bruce does not covet power.

10. OPINE (verb) – राय देना

Pronunciation: ow•pain

Meaning: hold and state as one's opinion

Synonyms: suggest, submit, advance, propose, comment, remark

Antonyms: know, ascertain, calculate

Usage: The headmistress opined that the trip would make a nice change.



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