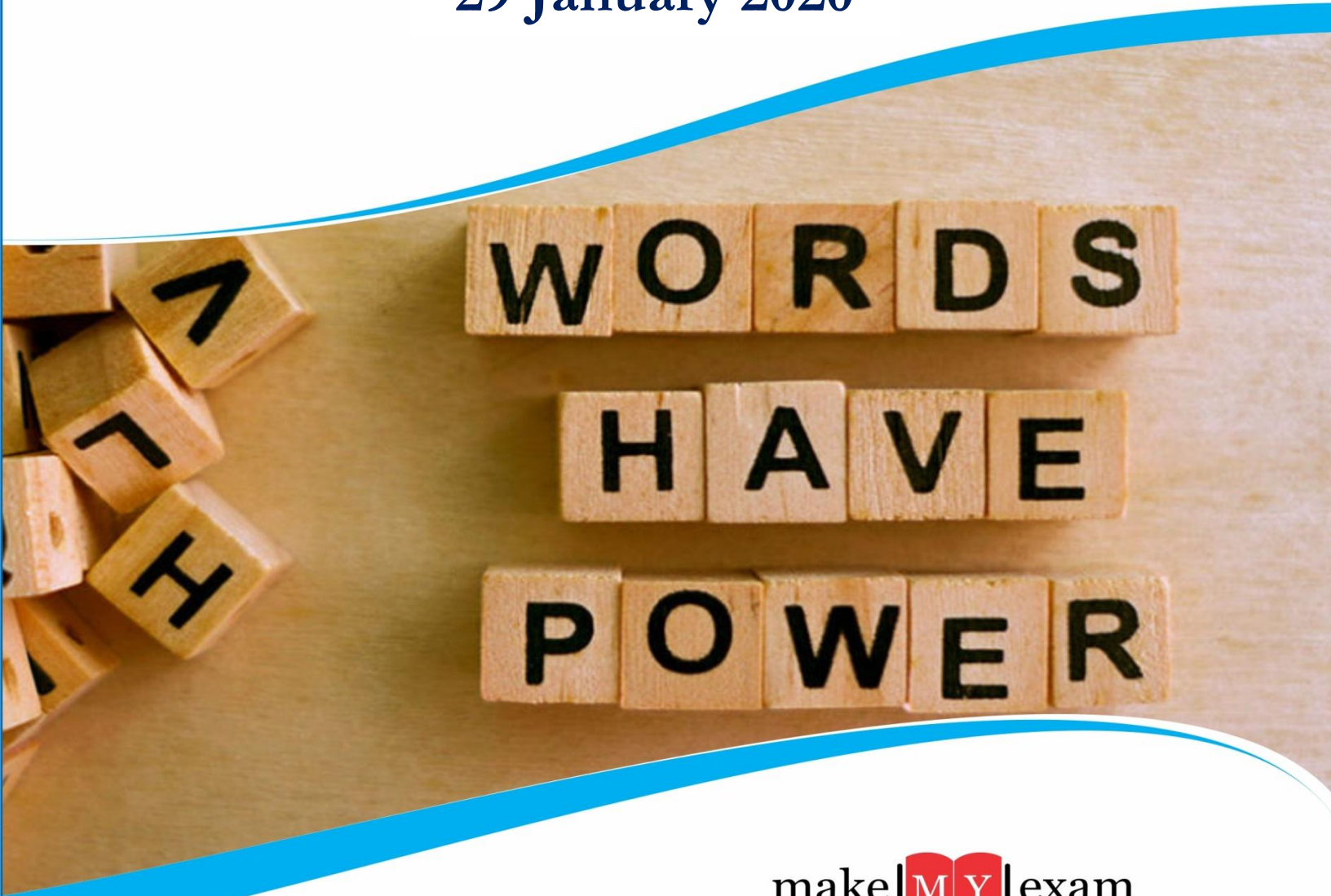


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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

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1. AMALGAMATE (verb) – मिश्रित करना

Pronunciation: um-al-gum-eit

Meaning: combine or unite to form one organization or structure

Synonyms: combine, merge, unite, integrate, fuse, blend, mingle

Antonym: separate

Usage: The editors will amalgamate all the information into one article.

2. DUMBFOUND (verb) – हक्का-बक्का करना

Pronunciation: dum-faund

Meaning: greatly astonish or amaze

Synonyms: astonish, astound, amaze, surprise, startle, stun, confound

Antonym: indifferent

Usage: She was completely dumbfounded by the news.

3. PHONEY (adjective, noun) – जाली; कपटी

Pronunciation: fo-ni

Meaning: not genuine; a fraudulent person or thing

Synonyms: bogus, sham, false, fake, fraudulent, forged, feigned; impostor, sham, fake, fraud, mountebank, quack, cheat, swindler, fraudster

Antonyms: authentic, genuine

Usage:

- All salesmen seem to have the same phoney smile. (adjective)
- This diamond is a phoney. (noun)

4. ABASEMENT (noun) – अपमान

Pronunciation: ub-eis-munt

Meaning: the action or fact of belittling or degrading someone

Synonyms: humiliation, degradation, humility

Antonym: pride

Usage: Constant abusement by abusive mother caused the mistreated girl to have very low self-esteem.

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5. ASSAIL (verb) – आक्रमण करना; कड़ी निंदा करना

Pronunciation: us-eil

Meaning: make a concerted or violent attack on; criticize strongly

Synonyms: attack, assault; criticize, censure, attack, condemn, castigate, chastise

Antonyms: praise, commend

Usage:

- The police were assailed with rocks.
- He was assailed with insults and abuse.

6. AILMENT (noun) – पीड़ा, रोग

Pronunciation: eil-munt

Meaning: an illness, typically a minor one

Synonyms: illness, disease, disorder, affliction, malady

Usage: He is always complaining of some ailment.

7. UNFATHOMABLE (adjective) – अपरिमेय, अथाह

Pronunciation: un-fathum-ub(u)l

Meaning: incapable of being fully explored or understood; of water or a natural feature) impossible to measure the extent of

Synonyms: inscrutable, incomprehensible, enigmatic, incalculable, indecipherable; deep, immeasurable, fathomless, unfathomed, unplumbed

Antonyms: comprehensible, penetrable; shallow

Usage:

- For some unfathomable reason, they built the toilet next to the kitchen.
- Under the unfathomable sea, life glows both audibly or mutely.

8. EXPOUND (verb) – व्याख्या करना

Pronunciation: eks-paund

Meaning: present and explain (a theory or idea) in detail

Synonyms: present, set forth, proffer, offer, advance, propose, propound

Usage: He was expounding a powerful argument.

9. PATHOS (noun) – दयनीयता

Pronunciation: pei-thos

Meaning: a quality that evokes pity or sadness

Synonyms: poignancy, tragedy, sadness, piteousness

Antonyms: fortune, joy

Usage: The pathos of the situation brought tears to our eyes.

10. PENALIZE (verb) – दंड देना

Pronunciation: pee-nul-aiz

Meaning: subject to a penalty or punishment; make or declare (an act or offence) legally punishable

Synonyms: punish, discipline; prohibit, forbid, ban, outlaw

Antonyms: reward; legalize

Usage: New laws will penalize firms that continue to pollute the environment.



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