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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. SQUASH (verb) – कुचलना, पिचकाना

Pronunciation: skwosh

Meaning: to crush, press or mash

Synonyms: crush, squeeze, flatten, compress, press, smash, distort

Antonyms: release, pull, open

Usage: Wash and squash the cans before depositing them.

2. CHARY (adjective) – सावधान

Pronunciation: cheuh·ree

Meaning: characterized by great cautious and wariness

Synonyms: wary, careful, cautious, circumspect, heedful, careful, guarded

Antonym: careless, hasty, incautious

Usage: You should be chary of investing any money in such a risky venture.

3. PORTENT (noun) – चेतावनी, अपशकुन

Pronunciation: paw·tent

Meaning: a sign of something momentous or calamitous is about to happen

Synonyms: indication, forewarning, omen, sign, presage, augury, signal

Antonym: doom

Usage: To many people, a crow is a portent of death.

4. TAWDRY (adjective) – दिखलावटी

Pronunciation: taw·dree

Meaning: showy but cheap and of poor quality

Synonyms: gaudy, flashy, showy, garish, loud, tasteless, sleazy

Antonyms: tasteful, refined, sophisticated

Usage: Despite the fact Angelina plays a tawdry woman on television, she is actually very sophisticated in real life.

5. TURGID (adjective) – फूला हुआ

Pronunciation: tuh·juhld

Meaning: swollen and distended or congested

Synonyms: swollen, bloated, distended, inflated, puffy, tumescent, tumid

Antonyms: humble, reserved, simple

Usage: The movie's plot was so turgid that people left the theater completely confused.



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6. EXTEMPORE (adjective) – अचिंतित

Pronunciation: uh·stem·puh·ree

Meaning: spoken or done without preparation

Synonyms: impromptu, spontaneous, unscripted, extemporary, improvised

Antonyms: rehearsed, planned, scripted

Usage: Dr. King's extempore speech to the crowd was not memorized, but from the heart.

7. OCCLUDE (verb) – रोक देना

Pronunciation: uh·kloo·duhd

Meaning: stop, close up, or obstruct

Synonyms: block, prevent, choke, clog, close, congest, hinder

Antonyms: aid, assist, clear

Usage: It is quite dangerous when blood clots occlude the flow of oxygen in the human body.

8. FORGE (verb) – बनाना, विकसित करना

Pronunciation: fawj

Meaning: to form or create something new

Synonyms: build, construct, create, devise, form, shape, fabricate

Antonyms: break, demolish, destroy

Usage: Difficulties help to forge people into able folk.

9. FRAGILE (adjective) – कोमल

Pronunciation: fra·jail

Meaning: easily broken or damaged

Synonyms: breakable, delicate, feeble, frail, weak, shatterable

Antonyms: firm, strong, tough

Usage: This glass disc looks very fragile.

10. CHASTEN (verb) – दंड देना

Pronunciation: chei·sn

Meaning: to punish or reprimand in order to correct

Synonyms: penalize, punish, tame, abase, admonish, afflict, reprimand

Antonyms: compliment, encourage, forgive

Usage: When I was a child, my parents would chasten me by taking all of my toys.



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