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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. STYMIED (verb) – बाधाएँ डालना

Pronunciation: stai-meed

**Meaning**: prevent or hinder the progress of

**Synonyms**: clog, cramp, embarrass, encumber, fetter, hamper, handicap, hinder, hobble, hold back, hold

up, impede, inhibit, manacle, obstruct, shackle, tie up, trammel

Antonyms: aid, assist, facilitate, help

**Usage**: His action without forethought has <u>stymied</u> the whole plan.

#### 2. AFFLICTION (noun) – दुःख, पीड़ा

Pronunciation: uh•flik•shn

Meaning: a cause of pain or harm

**Synonyms**: agony, anguish, distress, excruciation, hurt, misery, pain, rack, torment, torture, travail,

tribulation, woe

Antonyms: happiness, pleasure, delight

**Usage**: His deafness is a great <u>affliction</u> to him.

## 3. NOTORIETY (noun) - क्प्रसिद्धि

Pronunciation: now • tuh • rai • uh • tee

**Meaning**: the state of being famous or well known for some bad quality or deed

Synonyms: infamy, obloquy, opprobrium, flak, disrepute

**Antonyms**: obscurity, esteem, honor

Usage: Even though the politician was acquitted of all charges, his career was ended by the notoriety of

the trial.

## 4. ALTERCATION (noun) – झगड़ा, बहस, विवाद

Pronunciation: ol•tuh•kei•shn

**Meaning**: a noisy argument or disagreement, especially in public

**Synonyms**: brawl, contretemps, controversy, cross fire, disagreement, dispute, fight, hassle, imbroglio,

misunderstanding, quarrel, scrap, spat, squabble, tiff, wrangle

Antonyms: agreement, harmony, accord, peace

**Usage**: The boys had an <u>altercation</u> over the umpire's decision.

## 5. PERVASIVE (adjective) - व्यापक, फैलनेवाला

**Pronunciation**: puh•vei•suhv

**Meaning**: (especially of an unwelcome influence or physical effect) spreading widely throughout an area

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or a group of people

Synonyms: prevalent, universal, omnipresent, ubiquitous, common, widespread

Antonyms: uncommon, limited, scarce, narrow, rare

Usage: The filthy smell was pervasive.

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# 6. ADULATE (verb) – चापलूसी करना, तलवे चाटना, झूठी प्रशंसा करना

Pronunciation: a • juh • leit

Meaning: too much admiration or praise for someone

Synonyms: deification, idolatry, worship, fawn, gush, extol

Antonyms: abhor, belittle, detest, disdain

**Usage**: Fools <u>adulate</u> every decision of their leaders.

### 7. OBSTREPEROUS (adjective) - प्रचंड, काबू के परे

**Pronunciation**: uhb•streh•puh•ruhs **Meaning**: noisy and difficult to control

Synonyms: unmanageable, rowdy, blatant, caterwauling, clamant, clamorous, squawking, vociferant,

yowling

**Antonyms**: calm, quiet, restrained

**Usage**: Because my nephew is <u>obstreperous</u>, he often gets in trouble at school.

## 8. LACONIC (adjective) – छोटा, लघु, संक्षिप्त

**Pronunciation**: luh•ko•nuhk

**Meaning**: (of a person, speech, or style of writing) using very few words

Synonyms: aphoristic, apothegmatic, brief, capsule, compact, compendious, concise, crisp, curt,

epigrammatic, monosyllabic, sententious, succinct, summary

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**Antonyms**: circuitous, circumlocutory, diffuse, long-winded, prolix, rambling, verbose, windy, wordy **Usage**: He sent me a <u>laconic</u> private message.

#### 9. DESULTORY (adjective) – अनियमित, अव्यवस्थित

Pronunciation: deh-suhl-tuh-ree

Meaning: lacking a plan, purpose, or enthusiasm

Synonyms: aimless, arbitrary, erratic, haphazard, helter-skelter, random, scattered, slapdash, stray,

intermittent, capricious

**Antonyms**: orderly, organized, regular, systematic **Usage**: They talked briefly in a desultory manner.

### 10. DISHEVELLED (adjective) – अस्त-व्यस्त, गंदा

Pronunciation: duh-sheh-vld

Meaning: (of a person's hair, clothes, or appearance) untidy; disordered

Synonyms: confuse, derange, disarray, discompose, disjoint, dislocate, jumble, muddle, muss,

rumple, scramble, shuffle, tousle, tumble, upset

Antonyms: arrange, array, dispose, order, organize, range, regulate

**Usage**: The wind <u>dishevelled</u> her hair.

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