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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. IMMACULATE (ADJECTIVE): बेदाग

Pronunciation: uh·ma·kyoo·luht

Meaning: perfectly clean, neat, or tidy; free from flaws or mistakes.

Synonyms: Spotless, Pure, Pristine

Antonyms: Dirty, Stained, Sullied

Sentence: She kept her house immaculate, with everything in its place and not a speck of dust to be seen.

2. BALDERDASH (NOUN): बकवास

Pronunciation: bawl·duh·dash

Meaning: something that is stupid or not true; senseless talk or writing.

Synonyms: nonsense, rubbish, hogwash

Antonyms: sense, logic, reason

Sentence: The book was filled with balderdash, lacking any factual or substantial information.

3. CHRONIC (ADJECTIVE): चिरकालिक

Pronunciation: kraw·nuhk

Meaning: (used about a disease or a problem) that continues for a long time.

Synonyms: persistent, serial, inveterate

Antonyms: occasional, intermittent, unaccustomed

Sentence: Because my aunt has untreatable cancer, she has been dealing with chronic pain for several months.

4. EXHORTATION (NOUN): उपदेश

Pronunciation: eg·zawt·ay·shn

Meaning: the act of strongly encouraging or trying to persuade someone to do something.

Synonyms: recommendation, suggestion, warning,

Antonyms: discouragement, restrain

Sentence: In the 3rd quatrain there is a change of tone, with the speaker making a direct exhortation to his beloved.

5. FORTUITOUS (ADJECTIVE): आकस्मिक

Pronunciation: faw·tyoo·uh·tuhs

Meaning: happening by chance rather than intention.

Synonyms: chance, unexpected, unanticipated

Antonyms: calculated, deliberate, intentional

Sentence: Mark proved to be fortuitous by selecting all six winning lotto numbers.

6. SANCTUARY (NOUN): अभयारण्य

Pronunciation: sangk·chuh·ree

Meaning: protection or a safe place, especially for someone or something being chased or hunted.

Synonyms: shrine, refuge, shelter

Antonyms: Pitfall, trap, snare

Sentence: When the convict escaped from prison, he used one of his safe houses as a sanctuary.

7. QUIBBLE (NOUN): आपत्ति

Pronunciation: kvi·bl

Meaning: the action of raising objections about a trivial matter.

Synonyms: criticism, niggle, carp

Antonyms: approval, support, indorse

Sentence: The only quibble about this book is the price.

8. BEFUDDLED (ADJECTIVE): उलझना

Pronunciation: buh·fuh·dld

Meaning: unable to think clearly; confused or perplexed.

Synonyms: bewildered, confused, dazed

Antonyms: clearheaded, conscious, alert

Sentence: Even with my professor's help, I was still befuddled by the complicated chemistry formula.

9. KERFUFFLE (ADJECTIVE): शोरशराबा

Pronunciation: kuh·fuf·ful

Meaning: a commotion or fuss, especially one caused by conflicting views (noise, excitement, and argument).

Synonyms: commotion, stir, fuss

Antonyms: hush, peace, quiet

Sentence: There was a kerfuffle at the party when two guests got into a heated argument.

10. MENACE (VERB): खतरा**Pronunciation:** meh·nuhs**Meaning:** danger, or someone or something that is likely to cause harm.**Synonyms:** danger, peril, risk**Antonyms:** guard, protect, save**Sentence:** Reckless driving on the road is a menace to other drivers and pedestrians.