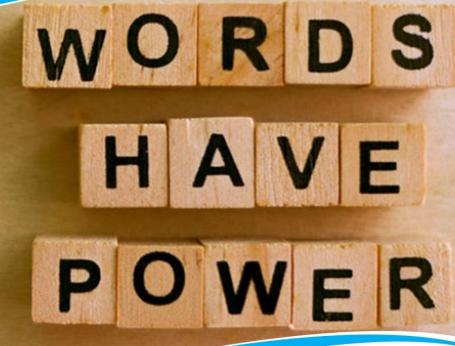






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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper '**The Hindu**' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. INTENT (NOUN/ADJECTIVE): इरादा

Pronunciation: uhn·tent

Meaning: having the mind or attention firmly fixed on something; (n) intention or purpose.

Synonyms: aim, goal, objective

Antonyms: aimless, unfocused, distracted

Sentence: The athlete had an intent look on his face as he prepared for the race.

2. CANARD (NOUN): अफवाह

Pronunciation: ka·naad

Meaning: false or baseless, usually a derogatory story, report, or rumor, misleading statement (intended to deceive people).

Synonyms: rumor, myth, lie

Antonyms: truth, fact, reality

Sentence The politician was known for spreading <u>canards</u> about his opponents to gain an advantage in the election.

3. TACITURN (ADJECTIVE): अल्पभाषी

Pronunciation: ta·suh·tuhn

Meaning: reserved or uncommunicative in speech; tending not to speak much. Synonyms: untalkative, uncommunicative, reticent Antonyms: blabby, chatty, talkative Sentence: John is a taciturn man who rarely speaks more than a few words at a time.

4. LEVY (VERB): जुर्माना लगाना

Pronunciation: leh·vee

Meaning: to impose or collect a tax, fee or fine (that you have to pay to a government or organization).

Synonyms: tax, charge, impose

Antonyms: exempt, waive, abolish

Sentence: The government decided to <u>levy</u> an additional tax on luxury goods.

5. GAUGE (VERB): मापना



Pronunciation: gayj

Meaning: to calculate an amount, especially by using a measuring device; to make a judgment about something, usually people's feelings.

Synonyms: measure, calculate, figure

Antonyms: estimation, guess, speculate

Sentence: We need to <u>gauge</u> the amount of work required before committing to the project.

6. BATTERED (ADJECTIVE): क्षतिग्रस्त

Pronunciation: ba·tuhd

Meaning: hurt by being repeatedly hit; damaged, especially by being used a lot. Synonyms: beaten up, damaged, worn out Antonyms: undamaged, unspoiled, new Sentence: The old, <u>battered</u> car was still running, but it was clearly on its last legs.

7. STRANDED (ADJECTIVE): फंसा हुआ

Pronunciation: strand·uhd Meaning: left in a place that you cannot get away from Synonyms: marooned, stuck, abandoned Antonyms: rescued, assisted, aided Sentence: The travelers were <u>stranded</u> in the desert when their car broke down.

8. VIRULENCE (NOUN): विषैलापन

Pronunciation: vi·ruh·luhns
Meaning: the severity or harmfulness of a disease or poison.
Synonyms: toxicity, malignancy, bitterness
Antonyms: harmlessness, benignity, courtesy
Sentence: The <u>virulence</u> of the virus made the disease very dangerous and deadly.

9. PERIPHERY (NOUN): परिधि

Pronunciation: puh·ri·fuh·ree

Meaning: the outer limit or edge of an area or object. Synonyms: edge, boundary, margin Antonyms: center, core, middle Sentence: The new factory will be located on the <u>periphery</u> of the city.

10. PROXIMITY (NOUN): निकटता

Pronunciation: prawk·suh·muh·tee

Meaning: nearness; the state of being close to something in space, time, or a relationship.



Synonyms: Closeness, Propinquity, ApproximityAntonyms: Distance, Remoteness, FarawaySentence: The <u>proximity</u> of the beach to our hotel was a major selling point.

