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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.

Happy Learning!!!

1. INADEQUACY (noun) – अपर्याप्तता

Pronunciation: in-adi-kwesi

Meaning: lack of the quantity or quality

Synonyms: insufficiency, deficiency, scantness, scarcity

Antonyms: abundance, surplus, competence, strong point

Usage: My grades reflect the shocking inadequacy of school system.

2. ACCOUNTABLE (adjective) – उत्तरदायी, जवाबदार

Pronunciation: uk-auntub(u)l

Meaning: required or expected to justify actions or decisions; able to be explained or understood

Synonyms: responsible, liable, answerable; explicable, understandable, comprehensible

Antonym: unaccountable

Usage: Politicians are ultimately accountable to the voters.

3. IRRESPECTIVE (adjective) – निरपेक्ष

Pronunciation: iri-spek-tiv

Meaning: not taking (something) into account

Synonyms: disregarding, ignoring, notwithstanding

Antonyms: according to

Usage: Every adult pays the same amount of tax, irrespective of income.

4. STRIKING (adjective) – विचित्र, अनोखा

Pronunciation: strai-king

Meaning: attracting attention by reason of being unusual, extreme, or prominent; dramatically good-looking or beautiful

Synonyms: noticeable, obvious, conspicuous, evident, salient, visible; impressive, imposing, grand, splendid, magnificent

Antonyms: inconspicuous, unremarkable; ordinary, unimpressive, unattractive, unremarkable

Usage: His eyes are his most striking feature.

5. INSURMOUNTABLE (adjective) – अजेय

Pronunciation: in-suh-maunt-ub(u)l

Meaning: too great to be overcome

Synonyms: insuperable, unconquerable, invincible, unassailable

Antonym: surmountable

Usage: The age barrier appeared insurmountable.

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6. SWATHE (verb) – लपेटना

Pronunciation: sweith

Meaning: wrap in several layers of fabric

Synonyms: wrap, envelop, bind, swaddle, bandage

Usage: His hands were swathed in bandages.

7. DOWNCAST (adj) – (उदास, मायूस)

Meaning: feeling hopeless or devoid of courage; (of a person's eyes) looking downwards

Synonyms: disheartened, discouraged, dispirited, downhearted, low-spirited

Antonym: elated

Usage:

- With downcast eyes, she continued eating and did not speak again.
- You must not be downcast.

8. CALUMNY (noun, verb) – चुगली, मिथ्यापवाद

Pronunciation: kal-umni

Meaning: the making of false and defamatory statements about someone in order to damage their reputation; slander someone

Synonyms: slander, libel, muckraking

Usage: Calumny is answered best with silence.

9. FLUMMOX (verb) – उलझाना

Pronunciation: flum(u)ks

Meaning: perplex (someone) greatly

Synonyms: baffle, bewilder, mystify, bemuse, perplex, puzzle, confuse

Usage: She was flummoxed by the question.

10. INADVERTENTLY (adverb) – अनजाने में

Pronunciation: inud-vuh-tuntli

Meaning: without intention

Synonyms: accidentally, by accident, unintentionally, unwittingly, unawares

Antonyms: deliberately

Usage: I inadvertently pressed the wrong button.



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