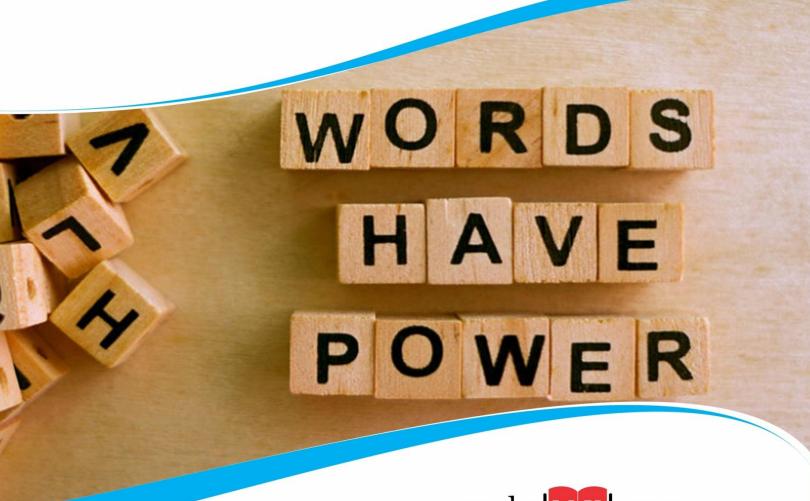




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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

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1. METAMORPHOSIS (noun) - रूपांतरण

Pronunciation: metuh-mo-phusis / metuh-mo-pho-sis

Meaning: a change of the form or nature of a thing or person into a completely different one

Synonyms: transformation, mutation, transmutation, transfiguration, change

Usage: She had undergone an amazing metamorphosis from an awkward schoolgirl to a beautiful woman.

2. CONSTERNATION (noun) - संत्रास

Pronunciation: kon-stur-nei-sh(u)n

Meaning: a feeling of anxiety or dismay, typically at something unexpected **Synonyms:** dismay, perturbation, anxiety, distress, disquiet, disquietude

Antonym: satisfaction

Usage: He was filled with consternation to hear that his friend was ill.

3. MODUS OPERANDI (noun) - अंदाज़, कार्य शैली

Pronunciation: modus-op-ran-di / modus-op-ran-dai **Meaning:** a particular way or method of doing something

Synonyms: method, way, manner, technique, style, procedure, approach

Usage: Every killer has his own special modus operandi.

4. EXTERMINATE (verb) - मिटा देना, तहस-नहस करना

Pronunciation: iks-tuh-mi-neit / eks-tuh-mi-neit

Meaning: destroy completely

Synonyms: kill, do away with, put an end to, get rid of, dispatch, slaughter, butcher, massacre, wipe out

Antonyms: create, establish

Usage: Some people exterminate garden insects by spraying poison on the plants.

5. AMORPHOUS (adjective) – आकारहीन, आकृतिहीन

Pronunciation: umo-fus

Meaning: without a clearly defined shape or form **Synonyms:** shapeless, formless, unformed, unshaped

Antonyms: shaped, definite

Usage: A dark, strangely <u>amorphous</u> shadow filled the room.

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6. RUMINATE (verb) - चिंतन करना

Pronunciation: roomi-neit

Meaning: think deeply about something **Synonyms:** contemplate, consider

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Antonym: shrug

Usage: She <u>ruminated</u> for weeks about whether to tell him or not.

7. PLIABILITY (adjective) – लचीलापन

Pronunciation: plai-ub-iliti

Meaning: the quality of being easily bent

Synonyms: flexibility, elasticity, plasticity, bendability

Antonym: rigidity

Usage: He was valued for his reliability and <u>pliability</u>.

8. ORATION (noun) – भाषण

Pronunciation: o-rei-sh(u)n

Meaning: a formal speech, especially one given on a ceremonial occasion **Synonyms:** speech, address, lecture, talk, homily, sermon, discourse

Antonyms: gossip, tittle-tattle, tattle

Usage: He was asked to deliver an oration at the meeting.

9. IFFY (adjective) – अनिश्चितता

Pronunciation: ifi

Meaning: full of uncertainty

Synonyms: tentative, undecided, unsettled

Antonyms: settled

Usage: The chances of passing the exam are iffy.

10. OUTDISTANCE (verb) – पीछे छोड़ना

Pronunciation: aut-dis-tuns

Meaning: leave (a competitor) far behind **Synonyms:** outrun, outstrip, outpace

Usage: His wife has <u>outdistanced</u> him in her career.



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