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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.

Happy learning!!!

1. MEDIATE (VERB): मध्यस्थ

Pronunciation: me·di·ate

Meaning: To bring about a resolution or reconciliation.

Synonyms: Intervene, Intermediate, Intercede **Antonyms:** Aggravate, Provoke, Exacerbate

Sentence: The diplomat was called in to mediate peace talks between the two warring nations.

2. GLIMMER (VERB, NOUN): टिम टिमाना

Pronunciation: gli·muh

Meaning: A faint or wavering light, typically a reflection.

Synonyms: Sparkle, Twinkle, Gleam

Antonyms: Gloom, Dimness

Sentence: In the darkness of the forest, the fireflies provided a gentle glimmer of light.

3. VENGEFUL (ADJECTIVE): तामसिक

Pronunciation: venj·ful

Meaning: having a strong desire for revenge. **Synonyms:** Retaliatory, Vindictive, Retributive

Antonyms: Benevolent, Compassionate, Magnanimous

Sentence: His vengeful actions only perpetuated a cycle of animosity between the two

families.

4. REPUGNANT (ADJECTIVE): प्रतिकृल

Pronunciation: ruh·puhg·nuhnt

Meaning: extremely distasteful, offensive, or unacceptable, causing a feeling of strong

dislike or aversion.

Synonyms: Abhorrent, Detestable, Loathsome **Antonyms:** Pleasing, Acceptable, Delightful

Sentence: The idea of harming innocent animals for pleasure is repugnant to many people.

5. ALLEGE (VERB): आरोपित करना

Pronunciation: uh·lej

Meaning: to assert or declare without providing conclusive proof; to claim or state something

without necessarily proving it. **Synonyms:** Assert, Claim, Affirm

Antonyms: Disavow, Disclaim

Sentence: The company was alleged to have engaged in unethical business practices.

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6. PROPAGANDA (NOUN): प्रचार

Pronunciation: praw·puh·gan·duh

Meaning: information used to promote or publicize a particular political cause.

Synonyms: Manipulation, Persuasion, Publicity **Antonyms:** Unbiased information, Fair reporting

Sentence: The political party was accused Of spreading propaganda to influence voters.

7. SPIRALING (ADJECTIVE): सर्पिल गति से घूमना या नीचे जाना

Pronunciation: spy.rul.ing

Meaning: used metaphorically to describe a situation that is rapidly escalating or getting out

of control.

Synonyms: Soaring, Mounting, Surging Antonyms: Declining, Plummeting

Sentence: The controversy surrounding the decision is spiralling, with more people joining

the debate.

8. COGNIZANCE (NOUN): संज्ञान

Pronunciation: kawg·nuh·zns

Meaning: knowledge or awareness of something.

Synonyms: Understanding, Perception

Antonyms: ignorance, oblivion, unfamiliarity

Sentence: The police took cognizance of the complaint and started an investigation.

9. IMPUNITY (NOUN): दण्ड से मुक्ति

Pronunciation: uhm·pyoo·nuh·tee

Meaning: exemption from punishment or consequences of an action (something that

has been done that is wrong or illegal).

Synonyms: Immunity, exemption, amnesty **Antonyms:** Accountability, liability, penalty

Sentence: Corrupt politicians and bureaucrats often act with impunity, knowing that they will

not be held accountable for their actions.

10. TEPID (ADJECTIVE): उत्साहहीन, निरुत्साह

Pronunciation: teh puhd

Meaning: lacking enthusiasm or passion; indifferent.

Synonyms: Unenthusiastic, Halfhearted **Antonyms:** Passionate, Zealous, Fervent

Sentence: The audience gave a tepid response to the speaker's uninspiring presentation.

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