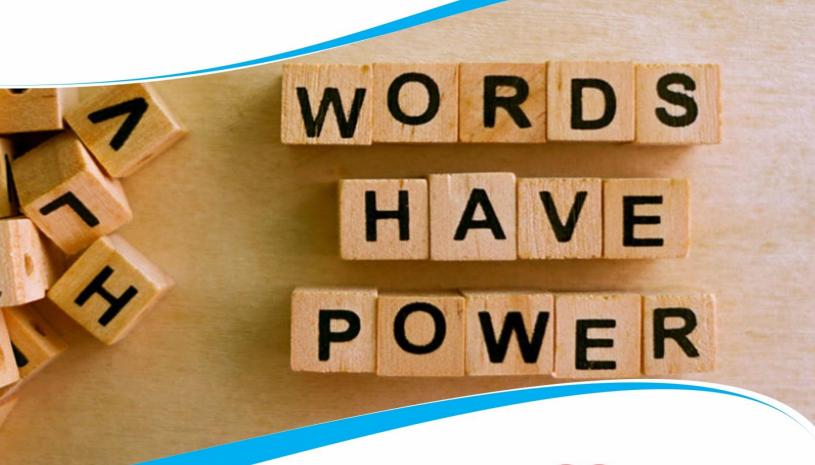




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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

### Happy Learning!!!

### 1. GALVANIZE (verb) – प्रेरित/उत्तेजित करना

**Pronunciation:** gal-vun-aiz

Meaning: shock or excite (someone) into taking action

Synonyms: jolt, shock, startle, impel

**Antonym:** demotivate

Usage: We have to galvanize people into action.

### 2. CATASTROPHIC (adjective) - विपत्तिपूर्ण, प्रलयंकर

**Pronunciation:** kat-us-trofik

Meaning: involving or causing sudden great damage or suffering; extremely unfortunate or unsuccessful

Synonyms: disastrous, calamitous, cataclysmic, ruinous

Antonyms: fortunate, beneficial

Usage: Damage to farmland was catastrophic.

### 3. LACONIC (adjective) – संक्षिप्त

Pronunciation: luk-onik

**Meaning:** (of a person, speech, or style of writing) using very few words

Synonyms: brief, concise, terse, succinct, short, elliptical

Antonyms: verbose, long-winded, loquacious

Usage: His <u>laconic</u> reply suggested a lack of interest in the topic.

### 4. WRANGLE (noun, verb) – तकरार

Pronunciation: ran-gul

Meaning: a dispute or argument, typically one that is long and complicated

Synonyms: argument, dispute, disagreement, row; argue, quarrel

Antonyms: agreement; agree

Usage: I don't want to get into a wrangle with the committee.

### 5. EGREGIOUS (adjective) - अत्यंत भयंकर

**Pronunciation:** igree-jus

Meaning: outstandingly bad; shocking

Synonyms: shocking, appalling, horrific, horrifying, horrible, terrible, awful, dreadful, grievous

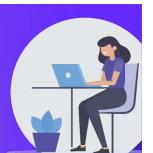
Antonym: marvellous

**Usage:** It was an <u>egregious</u> error for a statesman to show such ignorance.

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#### 6. AGONIZE (verb) – तड़पना

**Pronunciation:** agun-aiz

**Meaning:** undergo great mental pain through worrying about something **Synonyms:** agony, pain, torment, torture, suffering, distress, angst

Antonyms: relax, calm, tranquilize, chill

Usage: We agonized for hours about which wallpaper to buy.

### 7. ODIOUS (adjective) – अत्यंत अप्रिय

Pronunciation: o-di-us

Meaning: extremely unpleasant

Synonyms: revolting, repulsive, repellent, repugnant, disgusting, offensive, objectionable

Antonyms: delightful, pleasant, agreeable, charming

Usage: I find his flattery odious.

### 8. MENDACITY (noun) – স্কৃত

**Pronunciation:** men-das-iti **Meaning:** untruthfulness

Synonyms: lying, dishonesty, deceit

**Antonym:** truthfulness

Usage: Politicians are often accused of mendacity.

### 9. PERSPICACITY (noun) - स्क्ष्मदर्शिता

**Pronunciation:** per-spi-kasiti

**Meaning:** the quality of having a ready insight into things; shrewdness **Synonyms:** shrewdness, astuteness, discernment, perception, percipience

Usage: The detective's perspicacity allowed him to easily recognize the criminal in the crowd.

### 10. IMBIBE (verb) - पी लेना, सोख लेना

**Pronunciation:** im-baib

Meaning: drink; absorb; understand completely

Synonyms: drink, assimilate

Usage: These plants <u>imbibe</u> moisture through their roots.



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