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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. MEMOIR (noun) – संस्मरण, वृत्तान्त

Pronunciation: memwaa

Meaning: a historical account or biography written from personal knowledge

Synonyms: account, history, chronicle, commentary, narrative

Usage: She wrote a memoir of her stay in France.

2. PROPONENT (noun) – समर्थक, प्रस्तावक

Pronunciation: propo-nunt

Meaning: a person who advocates a theory, proposal, or course of action

Synonyms: advocate, supporter, upholder, exponent, promoter, adherent

Usage: Marie is such a proponent of water conservation that she only takes shower only once a week.

3. DISCRETION (noun) – विवेक, स्वनिर्णय

Pronunciation: dis-kresh(u)n

Meaning: the quality of behaving or speaking in such a way as to avoid causing offence or revealing confidential information; the freedom to decide what should be done in a particular situation

Synonyms: circumspection, care, caution, wariness, tact

Antonym: indiscretion

Usage:

- She knew she could rely on his discretion.
- The committee has the absolute discretion to refuse applications.

4. TAINT (verb) – दूषित करना

Pronunciation: teint

Meaning: contaminate or pollute (something); affect with a bad or undesirable quality

Synonyms: contaminate, pollute, adulterate, infect, blight, befoul, spoil; tarnish, sully, stain, besmirch

Antonyms: clean, improve

Usage:

- The air was tainted by fumes from the cars.
- The warm weather will taint the food.

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5. CONDONE (verb) – माफ करना

Pronunciation: kun-do-n

Meaning: accept (behaviour that is considered morally wrong or offensive)

Synonyms: accept, allow, pardon, excuse, forgive

Antonyms: condemn, punish

Usage: I cannot condone the use of violence.

6. LAGGARD (noun, adjective) – निस्तेज, आलसी

Pronunciation: lag-ud

Meaning: a person who makes slow progress and falls behind others; slower than desired or expected

Synonyms: straggler, sluggard, slug

Usage: There is always one laggard who comes in the theater after the movie has started.

7. STIPULATION (noun) – शर्त

Pronunciation: sti-pyu-lei-sh(u)n

Meaning: a condition or requirement that is specified or demanded as part of an agreement

Synonyms: condition, precondition, proviso, provision

Usage: If I lend you my car, my only stipulation is that you fill up the gas tank before returning it.

8. SLICK (adjective) – कुशल, निपुण

Pronunciation: slik

Meaning: done or operating in an impressively smooth and efficient way

Synonyms: efficient, smooth, smooth-running, polished, well organized

Antonyms: amateurish, clumsy, inexperienced

Usage: The dancers gave a very slick performance.

9. PREVAIL (verb) – जीतना; समझाना

Pronunciation: pri-veil

Meaning: prove more powerful or superior; persuade (someone) to do something

Synonyms: win, triumph, conquer; persuade, induce, coax, convince

Usage:

- Truth will prevail.
- She was prevailed upon to give an account of her work.

10. COLLOQUIAL (adjective) – बोलचाल की भाषा

Pronunciation: kulo-kwi-ul

Meaning: (of language) used in ordinary or familiar conversation

Synonyms: informal, conversational, casual, natural, unofficial, unpretentious

Antonyms: literary, formal

Usage: The best way of improving your colloquial English is by listening to native speakers.

Now choose any 2-3 words that you liked out of these ten words and try to make sentences on your own. This will make you familiar with these words. Let others know your usage of words by sharing them in the comment section.



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