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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. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. PURPORTED (adj.) : कथित

Pronunciation: puh poh tuhd

Meaning: appearing or stated to be true, though not necessarily so; alleged.

Synonyms: conjectural, hypothetical, supposed

Antonyms: inducible, inductive

Sentence: The document is <u>purported</u> to be 300 years old.

2. ICONOCLAST (noun) : संप्रदायवादी

Pronunciation: ai·kaw·nuh·klast

Meaning: a person who does not conform to generally accepted standards or customs

Synonyms: counterculturist, deviant, nonconformist

Antonyms: conformer, conformist

Sentence: But he shows little sign of being an <u>iconoclast</u>.

3. PROMONTORY (noun) : चोटी

Pronunciation: praw·muhn·tree

Meaning: a point of high land that juts out into a large body of water; a headland.

Synonyms: headland, ness, point **Antonyms:** antinode, node, middle

Sentence: Yet another fortress stands on a <u>promontory</u> only half a mile away.

4. LUMINARY (noun) : प्रभावशाली व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: loo·muh·nuh·ree

Meaning: a person who inspires or influences others, especially one prominent in a

particular sphere.

Synonyms: guiding light, inspiration, leader

Antonyms: nobody, pleb

Sentence: Luminaries from the worlds of sports, entertainment, and politics were at the

gala.

5. PILFERAGE (noun) : चोरी

Pronunciation: pil·fuh·ruhj

Meaning: the action of stealing things of little value.

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Synonyms: filching, pilfering, purloining

Antonyms: grand larceny, honest

Sentence: Surveillance practices reduce theft and pilferage in the workplace.

6. ANTITHESIS (noun): विलोम

Pronunciation: an·ti·thuh·suhs

Meaning: a thing that is the direct opposite of something else

Synonyms: (direct) opposite, converse, reverse

Antonyms: synonym, replica, duplicate

Sentence: Slavery is the <u>antithesis</u> of freedom.

7. QUERULOUS (adj.): विलापी

Pronunciation: kveh·ru·luhs

Meaning: Complaining in a petulant or whining manner.

Synonyms: petulant, complaining, fretful

Antonyms: forbearing, tolerant, uncomplaining

Sentence: He became increasingly dissatisfied and <u>querulous</u> in his old age.

8. POLTROONERY (noun) : कायरता

Pronunciation: poltroonery'

Meaning: a shameful lack of courage in the face of danger.

Synonyms: cowardice, cowardliness, cravenness

Antonyms: bravery, courage, daring

Sentence: He was disgraced with <u>Poltroonery</u>.

9. MIRE (noun) : मुसीबत में फसना

Pronunciation: mai·uh

Meaning: a situation or state of difficulty, distress, or embarrassment from which it is hard

to extricate oneself.

Synonyms: rattrap, difficult situation **Antonyms:** cleanness, dirtiness, tidy.

Sentence: We must not be drawn into the <u>mire</u> of civil war.

10. HANKER (verb): लालायित होना

Pronunciation: hang·kuh

Meaning: feel a strong desire for or to do something.

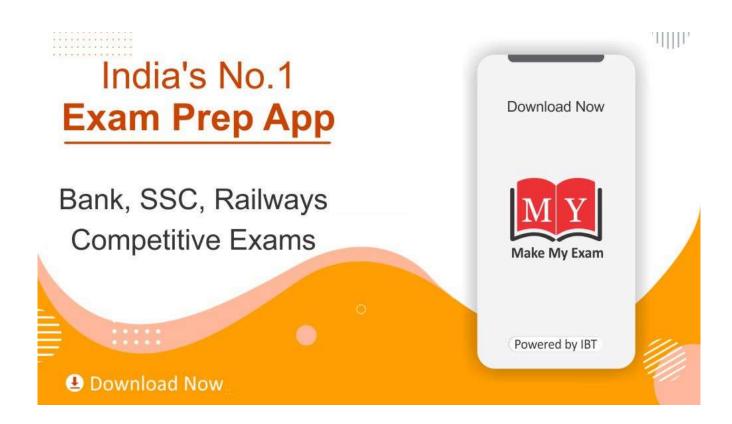
Synonyms: yearn, crave, desire

Antonyms: abhor, abominate, despise

Sentence: What did you <u>hanker</u> after most when you were in prison?

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