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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. TRIUMPH (NOUN): वजयोल्लास

Pronunciation: trai·uhmf

Meaning: a great victory or achievement.

Synonyms: Achievement, Mastery

Antonyms: Defeat, Lose

Sentence: They were able to achieve an important triumph against their chief rivals.

2. ABEYANCE (NOUN): निलम्बन

Pronunciation: uh·bay·uhns

Meaning: a state of temporary disuse or suspension.

Synonyms: Suspension, Dormancy, Hiatus

Antonyms: Continuation, Resumption

Sentence: The development of the new software was put in abeyance until the funding was secured.

3. TOPPLE (VERB): गरपड़ना

Pronunciation: taw·pl

Meaning: to become less steady and fall down.

Synonyms: Overturn, Tumble, Collapse

Antonyms: Stabilize, Secure, Support

Sentence: The earthquake caused several buildings to topple.

4. NOTORIETY (NOUN): बदनामी

Pronunciation: noh·tuh·rai·uh·tee

Meaning: a negative or unfavorable reputation or fame.

Synonyms: Infamy, Disrepute, Ill fame

Antonyms: Obscurity, Anonymity, Respectability

Sentence: The criminal gained notoriety after committing a series of high-profile robberies.

5. SLEUTHS (NOUN): जासूस

Pronunciation: slooths

Meaning: individuals who engage in detective work or investigations.

Synonyms: Gumshoes, Private eyes, Sherlocks

Antonyms: Culprits, Suspects, Perpetrators

Sentence: The team of sleuths was called in to solve the complex murder case.

6. IMPECCABLE (ADJECTIVE): निर्दोष

Pronunciation: uhm·peh·kuh·bl

Meaning: a high standard of excellence, precision, or correctness.

Synonyms: Faultless, Exemplary Immaculate

Antonyms: Flawed, Imperfect, Faulty

Sentence: The pianist's performance was impeccable, every note played with precision and grace.

7. THRASHES (VERB): पीटना

Pronunciation: thrash·uhz

Meaning: the action of repeatedly hitting or striking someone or something with force, often resulting in a violent or aggressive manner.

Synonyms: Beat, Strike, Pummel

Antonyms: Stroke, Soothe, Calm

Sentence: The boxer thrashes his opponent with a series of powerful punches.

8. BLASPHEMY (NOUN): ईश-निंदा

Pronunciation: blas·fuhm·ee

Meaning: the act of showing disrespect, irreverence, or contempt.

Synonyms: Sacrilege, Profanity, Irreverence

Antonyms: Adoratio, Respect, Piety

Sentence: He was charged with blasphemy for mocking the religious rituals.

9. EVANGELIZATION (NOUN): ईसाई धर्म प्रचार

Pronunciation: evan·ge·lize·zn

Meaning: to convert to Christianity.

Synonyms: Proselytization, Preaching

Antonyms: Secularism

Sentence: The church organized a series of evangelization campaigns to reach out to the local community.

10. EXTRADITION (NOUN): प्रत्यर्पण

Pronunciation: ek·struh·di·shn

Meaning: the return of someone accused of a crime to the country where the crime was committed.

Synonyms: Rendition, Surrender

Antonyms: Asylum, Sanctuary

Sentence: The extradition treaty between the two countries allows for the transfer of suspected criminals.

11. TEDIOUS (ADJECTIVE): थकाऊ

Pronunciation: tee·dee·uhs

Meaning: boring and lasting for a long time

Synonyms: Monotonous, Repetitive, Dreary

Antonyms: Engaging, Stimulating, Interesting

Sentence: The long and tedious meeting left everyone feeling exhausted and unproductive.

12. GRIEVANCE (NOUN): शिकायत

Pronunciation: greev·uhns

Meaning: a real or imagined cause for complaint, especially unfair treatment.

Synonyms: Complaint, grumble

Antonyms: Contentment, satisfaction

Sentence: She filed a grievance with the company regarding her unfair treatment.

13. PUTREFY (VERB): बदबूदार होना

Pronunciation: pyoo·truh·fai

Meaning: (of a body or other organic matter) decay or rot and produce a fetid smell.

Synonyms: Decay, rot, decompose, spoil

Antonyms: Preserve, freshen, revive

Sentence: The neglected food began to putrefy and emit a foul odor.

14. DREARY (ADJECTIVE): उदास, सुनसान

Pronunciation: dreeuh·ree

Meaning: depressingly dull and bleak or repetitive.

Synonyms: Gloomy, dismal

Antonyms: Bright, cheerful

Sentences: She couldn't help but feel dreary after receiving the disappointing news.

15. COERCIVE (ADJECTIVE): बलपूर्वक

Pronunciation: koh·uhs·uhv

Meaning: relating to or using force or threats.

Synonyms: Insistent, Pressing

Antonyms: Powerless

Sentence: The governor has a hereditary army for coercive purposes.

16. SOMBER (ADJECTIVE): म लन**Pronunciation:** som•ber**Meaning:** dark or dull in colour or tone.**Synonyms:** earnest, serious**Antonyms:** cheerful**Sentence:** He looks at her with a somber expression.**17. DELETERIOUS (ADJECTIVE):** हानिकारक**Pronunciation:** deh•luh•teeuh•ree•uhs**Meaning:** causing harm or damage.**Synonyms:** Damaging, Detrimental**Antonyms:** Beneficial**Sentence:** Divorce is assumed to have deleterious effects on children.**18. BRAZEN (ADJECTIVE):** निर्लज**Pronunciation:** bray•zn**Meaning:** bold and without shame.**Synonyms:** Shameless, As bold as brass**Antonyms:** Timid**Sentence:** He was brazen about his illegal business.**19. UNSETTLE (VERB):** अस्थिर करना**Pronunciation:** uhn•seh•tl**Meaning:** cause to feel anxious or uneasy; disturb.**Synonyms:** unnerve, upset**Antonyms:** reassure**Sentence:** The crisis has unsettled financial markets.**20. INTERIM (ADJECTIVE):** अन्तरिम**Pronunciation:** uhn•teh•ruhm**Meaning:** the intervening time.**Synonyms:** temporary, protem**Antonyms:** permanent**Sentence:** An interim arrangement was made at the end.**21. ENGENDERED (VERB):** उत्पन्न**Pronunciation:** uhn•jen•duhd**Meaning:** to cause something to come into existence.**Synonyms:** Provoke, Kindle

Antonyms: Cease, End

Sentence: The restaurant hoped the act of giving out free ice cream would engender customer loyalty.

22. OMNIBUS (NOUN): सर्वग्राही कार्यक्रम

Pronunciation: awm·nuh·buhs

Meaning: dealing with numerous objects or items at once.

Synonyms: Panoramic, Comprehensive

Antonyms: Specific, Incomplete

Sentence: In our neighborhood, most of the children ride an omnibus to school each day.

23. CONTRACTIONS (NOUN): सकुड़न

Pronunciation: kuhn·trak·shnz

Meaning: the process of becoming smaller.

Synonyms: Recession, Shrinkage

Antonyms: Expansion, Growth

Sentence: The contraction of the ship's metal fastenings and consequent snapping of the wood caused cracking sounds during the cold night.

24. DECELERATED (VERB): गरावट

Pronunciation: dee·seh·luh·rayt·uhd

Meaning: to reduce the speed or slow down.

Synonyms: Brak, Apprehend

Antonyms: Hasten, Hurry

Sentence: The government has made every effort to decelerate inflation.

25. SUBVERSIVE (ADJECTIVE): वनाशक

Pronunciation: suhb·vuhs·uhv

Meaning: disruptive.

Synonyms: inflammatory, insurgent

Antonyms: loyal

Sentence: He is a subversive creature.

26. DISCREPANCIES (NOUN): अंतर

Pronunciation: di·skruh·puhn·seez

Meaning: a difference between two things that should be the same.

Synonyms: Disparity, Variance

Antonyms: Similarity, Accord

Sentence: The police were confused by the discrepancy between the testimonies of the two witnesses who saw the same event.

27. SAPPING (VERB): कमजोर करना

Pronunciation: sap·uhng

Meaning: making someone or something weaker over a period of time.

Synonyms: Deplete, Debilitating

Antonyms: Energized, Active

Sentence: The two cooks who arrived before us are both ill with something that is sapping their strength

28. REIN (NOUN): नियंत्रण

Pronunciation: rayn

Meaning: to control or direct.

Synonyms: Curb, Restrict

Antonyms: Continue, Release

Sentence: He returned from that work and came back to his desk and his business, and took up again the reins of his many affairs.

29. REBOUND (VERB): पलटाव

Pronunciation: re·bound

Meaning: to return to an earlier and better condition; improve.

Synonyms: Boomerang, Overcome

Antonyms: Ruin, Destroy

Sentence: Older athletes find it harder to rebound from injuries.

30. FLAGGED (VERB): कमजोर होना

Pronunciation: flagd

Meaning: to become tired or less strong.

Synonyms: Abate, Deteriorate

Antonyms: Enhance, Revive

Sentence: The conversation flagged, and the soldiers began settling down to sleep.

31. ENVISION (VERB): कल्पना करना

Pronunciation: uhn·vi·zhn

Meaning: imagine as a future possibility.

Synonyms: visualize, imagine, envisage

Antonyms: disregard, ignore, look away

Sentence: Envision a future where you can live and work anywhere in the world.

32. PAUCITY (NOUN): अभाव**Pronunciation:** paw·suh·tee**Meaning:** scarcity or a lack of something.**Synonyms:** shortage, dearth, insufficiency, inadequacy**Antonyms:** abundance, surplus, plenty**Sentence:** The paucity of resources made it difficult to complete the project on time.**33. BUOYANCY (NOUN):** उत्तेजना / उछाल**Pronunciation:** boy·uhns·ee**Meaning:** the ability of a fluid or gas to exert an upward force; a cheerful and optimistic attitude; a high level of activity in an economy.**Synonyms:** Floatability, cheerfulness, optimism, liveliness**Antonyms:** Heaviness, despondency, depression, gloominess, lethargy**Sentence:** The economy showed signs of buoyancy as consumer spending increased.**34. RESILIENCE (NOUN):** लचीलापन**Pronunciation:** reh·zuh·lee·uhns**Meaning:** the ability to recover quickly from difficulties; toughness, adaptability.**Synonyms:** Flexibility, adaptability, toughness, strength, durability**Antonyms:** Fragility, weakness, inflexibility, vulnerability, sensitivity**Sentence:** The team showed great resilience in overcoming a series of challenges to win the championship.**35. ACCLIMATE (VERB):** जलवायु के अनुकूल बनाना**Pronunciation:** ac·cli·ma·tize**Meaning:** to adjust or adapt to a new environment or conditions.**Synonyms:** acclimate, accommodate, adapt, adjustment**Antonyms:** misadjust**Sentence:** Runners had to acclimatize to the humid tropical conditions.**36. VEXED (ADJECTIVE):** परेशान**Pronunciation:** vekst**Meaning:** causing difficulty, worry, and a lot of discussion**Synonyms:** annoyed, irritated, exasperated, bothered, upset, angry, displeased, aggravated**Antonyms:** pleased, satisfied, happy, delighted, content**Sentence:** The inability to find a cure for the fatal disease has vexed the team of doctors for many years.**37. ANOMALOUS (ADJECTIVE):** नियम वरुद्ध

Pronunciation: uh·naw·muh·luhs

Meaning: deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected.

Synonyms: abnormal, atypical, nontypical

Antonyms: natural, normal, regular

Sentence: An anomalous storm was hanging over the city that no one could explain, as it had seemingly appeared out of nowhere on a sunny day.

38. PERSPICACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): कुशाग्रबुद्ध

Pronunciation: puh·spuh·kay·shuhs

Meaning: having a ready insight into and understanding of things.

Synonyms: Insightful, Discerning, Perceptive, Sharp

Antonyms: Dull, Stupid, Ignorant, Naïve

Sentence: He was perspicacious enough to realize that things were soon going to change.

39. ASTOUNDING (ADJECTIVE): चकित करने वाला

Pronunciation: uh·stawnd·uhng

Meaning: extremely surprising or shocking.

Synonyms: incredible, Stunning

Antonyms: mundane, Expected

Sentence: The transformation of the old, dilapidated building into a luxurious hotel was nothing short of astounding.

40. SIPHONED (VERB): निकाल लिया

Pronunciation: sai·fnd

Meaning: the unauthorized or secret transfer of funds or resources.

Synonyms: funneled, Extracted

Antonyms: replenished, Poured

Sentence: The hackers managed to siphon confidential data from the company's database, leading to a major security breach.

41. ADOLESCENT (NOUN/ADJECTIVE): कशोर

Pronunciation: a·duhl·eh·snt

Meaning: (of a young person) in the process of developing from a child into an adult.

Synonyms: Teenager, Youth

Antonyms: Adult, Elderly

Sentence: (Noun) The adolescent struggled with the challenges of adolescence.
(Adj.) She had an adolescent enthusiasm for adventure.

42. BESIEGED (VERB): घेराबंदी

Pronunciation: buh·seejd

Meaning: (of a place) surrounded by armed forces aiming to capture it or force surrender.

Synonyms: Surrounded, Trapped

Antonyms: Liberated, Released

Sentence: The town was besieged by enemy forces for months, causing a shortage of food and supplies.

43. DISINTEGRATION (NOUN): वघटन

Pronunciation: duhs·in·tuh·gray·shn

Meaning: the process of losing cohesion or strength.

Synonyms: Decay, Deterioration

Antonyms: Integration, Unity

Sentence: The disintegration of the old empire led to political instability.

44. IMITATE (VERB): अनुकरण करना

Pronunciation: i·muh·tayt

Meaning: take or follow as a model.

Synonyms: Mimic, Copy

Antonyms: Innovate, Create

Sentences: She can imitate different accents and voices with incredible accuracy.

45. DENOUNCE (VERB): निन्दा करना

Pronunciation: duh·nawns

Meaning: publicly declare to be wrong or evil.

Synonyms: criticize, attack

Antonyms: praise

Sentence: The Assembly denounced the use of violence.

46. CRITICAL (ADJECTIVE): गंभीर

Pronunciation: kri·tuh·kl

Meaning: expressing adverse or disapproving comments or judgements.

Synonyms: serious, dangerous

Antonyms: safe

Sentence: The floodwaters had not receded and the situation was still critical.

47. ABSOLUTE (ADJECTIVE): पूर्ण

Pronunciation: ab·suh·lyoot

Meaning: not qualified or diminished in any way; total.

Synonyms: total, utter

Antonyms: partial

Sentence: We needed to ensure absolute secrecy.

48. ACCELERATE (VERB): गति बढ़ाना

Pronunciation: ak·suh·luh·rayt

Meaning: (especially of a vehicle) begin to move more quickly.

Synonyms: hurry up, get a move on

Antonyms: decelerate

Sentence: Inflation started to accelerate.

49. IMBECILE (ADJECTIVE): मूर्ख

Pronunciation: im·buh·seel

Meaning: a stupid person.

Synonyms: foolish, idiotic

Antonyms: intelligent

Sentence: Try not to make imbecile remarks.

50. SHUN (VERB): बचना

Pronunciation: Shuhn

Meaning: persistently avoid, ignore, or reject (someone or something) through antipathy or caution.

Synonyms: evade, eschew

Antonyms: accept

Sentence: I shunned his ideas completely.

51. SLUMPED (Verb): अचानक भारी गरावट आ जाना

Pronunciation: sluhmpt

Meaning: to fall suddenly and by a large amount.

Synonyms: Droop, Slump Down

Antonyms: Sit Upright, Perk Up, Erect, Perky

Sentence: Exhausted from a long day of work, he slumped into the chair and closed his eyes.

52. OSTENTATIOUS (ADJECTIVE): दिखावटी

Pronunciation: aw·sten·tay·shuhs

Meaning: a desire to flaunt wealth, status, or extravagance in a conspicuous manner.

Synonyms: Flashy, Flamboyant, Extravagant

Antonyms: Modest, Simple, Unassuming

Sentence: Her ostentatious jewelry and designer clothes made it clear that she had a taste for luxury.

53. LIMPING (VERB): लँगड़ाना

Pronunciation: limp·uhng

Meaning: to walk with difficulty because you have hurt your leg or Foot.

Synonyms: Lamé, Lurching

Antonyms: Striding, Marching

Sentence: After spraining his ankle, he was limping heavily as he walked.

54. IMPLAUSIBLE (ADJECTIVE): अ वश्वसनीय

Pronunciation: uhm·plaw·zuh·bl

Meaning: something that is not believable.

Synonyms: Unlikely, Improbable

Antonyms: Probable, Credible

Sentence: The movie's plot twist was so implausible that it took away from the overall enjoyment of the film.

55. PLUNDER (NOUN , VERB): लूट का सामान, लूटना

Pronunciation: pluhn·duh

Meaning: to steal goods or valuables forcefully.

Synonyms: Loot, Pillage, Ransack

Antonyms: Protect, Preserve, Guard

Sentence:(V) The pianist's performance was impeccable, every note played with precision and grace.

(N) The soldiers were accused of taking part in the plunder of a war-torn city.

56. STAB (VERB, NOUN): छूरा भोंकना

Pronunciation: stab

Meaning: to thrust or pierce with a pointed object, such as a knife or a sharp instrument.

Synonyms: Impale, Jab, Wound

Antonyms: Withdraw, Retract, Healing

Sentence:(V)The victim was stabbed in the back during the altercation.

57. DELUGE (VERB & NOUN): बाढ़

Pronunciation: deh·lyooj

Meaning: a severe flood or overwhelming amount of something.

Synonyms: Flood, Torrent, Inundation

Antonyms: Trickle, Drought, Parch

Sentence: (N)The heavy rain turned into a deluge, causing widespread flooding in the city.
(V) The email server was deluged with spam messages.

58. FORAGE (NOUN): चारा

Pronunciation: faw·ruhj

Meaning: to search or rummage for food, provisions, or supplies.

Synonyms: Food, Fodder, Provender

Antonyms: Scarcity, Shortage

Sentence: (N)The farmer gathered fresh forage to feed the livestock.

(V)The birds forage for worms and insects in the garden.

59. SOJOURN (NOUN): अस्थायी निवास

Pronunciation: soh·juhn

Meaning: a temporary stay or visit in a place, often implying a period of rest or leisure.

Synonyms: Stopover, Vacation

Antonyms: Permanent Stay, Settlement

Sentence: We had a delightful sojourn in the quaint village, enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.

60. PALANQUINS (NOUN): पालकी

Pronunciation: pa·lan·quin

Meaning: portable seats or enclosed boxes that are carried by several people on their shoulders.

Synonyms: Litter, Sedan Chair

Antonyms: Carriage, Automobile

Sentence: The bride made a grand entrance, sitting regally in a palanquin carried by strong men.

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