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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. SHREDDED (adj.) : कटा

Pronunciation: shred·uhd Meaning: torn or cut into shreds. Synonyms: tear, cut, reduce Antonyms: mend, sew Sentence: She ran, crying out as glass <u>shredded</u> her feet.

# 2. CLAMOR (noun) : कोलाहल

Pronunciation: clam.or
Meaning: a loud and confused noise, especially that of people shouting vehemently.
Synonyms: babel, uproar, loud noise
Antonyms: quiet, silence, calm
Sentence: There was a <u>clamor</u> of voices outside the office.

# 3. CONSTRUE (verb) : टीका करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·strooMeaning: interpret (a word or action) in a particular way.Synonyms: interpret, understand, readAntonyms: obscure, confuse, befogSentence: His words could hardly be <u>construed</u> as an apology.

# 4. DIDACTIC (adj.) : शिक्षाप्रद

Pronunciation: duh·dak·tuhk
Meaning: intended to teach, particularly in having moral instruction as an ulterior motive.
Synonyms: instructive, instructional, educational
Antonyms: uninstructive, uninformative, unenlightening.
Sentence: A <u>didactic</u> novel that set out to expose social injustice.

# 5. FATUOUS (adj.) : बुद्धिहीन

**Pronunciation:** fa·choo·uhs **Meaning:** silly and pointless. **Synonyms:** silly, foolish, stupid **Antonyms:** brainy, prudent, sapient



Sentence: The Chief was left speechless by this <u>fatuous</u> remark.

#### 6. PEJORATIVE (adj.) : Эчमानजनक

Pronunciation: puh·jaw·ruh·tuhv
Meaning: expressing contempt or disapproval.
Synonyms: disparaging, derogatory, denigratory
Antonyms: commendatory, complimentary, laudative
Sentence: Permissiveness is used almost universally as a <u>pejorative</u> term

## 7. VOCIFEROUS (adj.) : मुखर

Pronunciation: vo·cif·er·ous
Meaning: (especially of a person or speech) vehement or clamorous.
Synonyms: vehement, outspoken, vocal
Antonyms: noiseless, quiet, silent
Sentence: He was a vociferous opponent of Conservatism.

#### 8. DIRGE (noun) : शोकगीत

Pronunciation: duhjMeaning: a lament for the dead, especially one forming part of a funeral rite.Synonyms: elegy, lament, funeral songAntonyms: encomium, eulogy, paeanSentence: Their song, or their <u>dirge</u>, remained unsung, or at any rate unheard.

## 9. GOURMAND (noun) : चटोरा

Pronunciation: gour mand
Meaning: a person who enjoys eating and often eats too much.
Synonyms: glutton, gourmandizer, overeater
Antonyms: dieter, nibbler, picker
Sentence: I think a gourmand is someone who eats an excessive amount of food.

### 10.BEGUILE (verb) : मोहना

Pronunciation: buh·gile
Meaning: charm or enchant (someone), sometimes in a deceptive way.
Synonyms: charm, attract, enchant
Antonyms: expose, undeceive, reveal
Sentence: The teacher used to <u>beguile</u> her pupils with fairy tales.



