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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. CONCOCT (verb) – समवेत करना

Pronunciation: kun-kokt

Meaning: make (a dish or meal) by combining various ingredients

Synonyms: prepare, put together, assemble

Usage: He concocted the most amazing dish from all sorts of leftover food.

2. SLICK (adjective, noun, verb) – कुशल; चिकना, चमकदार

Pronunciation: slik

Meaning: done or operating in an impressively smooth and efficient way; (of skin or hair) smooth and glossy; amount of a glossy or oily substance; make (one's hair) flat, smooth, and glossy by applying water, oil, or gel to it

Synonyms: efficient, polished; shiny, glossy, shining; smooth, sleek, flatten, oil, gel

Antonyms: amateurish, clumsy, inexperienced

Usage:

- The dancers gave a very slick performance. (adjective)
- The oil slick seriously threatens marine life around the islands. (noun)
- Rain slicked the roads. (verb)

3. REVAMP (verb, noun) – सुधार

Pronunciation: ree-vamp

Meaning: give new and improved form, structure, or appearance to; an act of improving the form, structure, or appearance of something

Synonyms: renovate, redecorate, refurbish, recondition, rehabilitate, rebuild, reconstruct, overhaul, make over

Usage:

- The attempt to revamp the museum's image remained successful. (verb)
- The revamp includes replacing the old navy uniform with a crisp blue and white cotton outfit. (noun)

4. PREVARICATE (verb) – ढालमढोल करना

Pronunciation: pri-veri-keit

Meaning: to avoid telling the truth or saying exactly what you think

Synonyms: beat about the bush, hedge, fence, shilly-shally, shuffle

Antonyms: affirm, asseverate, maintain, reiterate

Usage: He seemed to prevaricate when journalists asked questions.

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5. AVARICIOUS (adjective) – लालची

Pronunciation: avur-ishus

Meaning: having or showing an extreme greed for wealth or material gain

Synonyms: grasping, acquisitive, covetous, greedy, rapacious, mercenary

Antonym: generous

Usage: He sacrificed his own career so that his avaricious brother could succeed.

6. OBVIATE (verb) – दूर करना

Pronunciation: ob-vi-eit

Meaning: remove (a need or difficulty)

Synonyms: preclude, prevent, remove, get rid of, do away with, get round, eliminate

Usage: The presence of Cellular phones obviated the need for televisions.

7. BREATHER (noun) – विश्राम

Pronunciation: bree-der

Meaning: a brief pause for rest

Synonyms: break, rest, pause, interval, respite

Usage: The weekend will give me a slight breather.

8. AFFIRM (verb) – दृढ़ता से कहना

Pronunciation: ufirm

Meaning: state emphatically or publicly

Synonyms: declare, state, assert, aver, proclaim, pronounce

Antonym: deny

Usage: I can affirm that no one will lose their job.

9. GAFFE (noun) – चूक

Pronunciation: gaf

Meaning: an unintentional act or remark causing embarrassment to its originator

Synonyms: blunder, mistake, error, slip, indiscretion, impropriety

Usage: He didn't realize what a gaffe he had made.

10. DEVISE (verb) – चिंतन करना, ईजाद करना

Pronunciation: di-vaiz

Meaning: plan or invent (a complex procedure, system, or mechanism) by careful thought

Synonyms: conceive, think up, work out, formulate

Usage: You must take time to devise a scheme that suits your own needs.



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