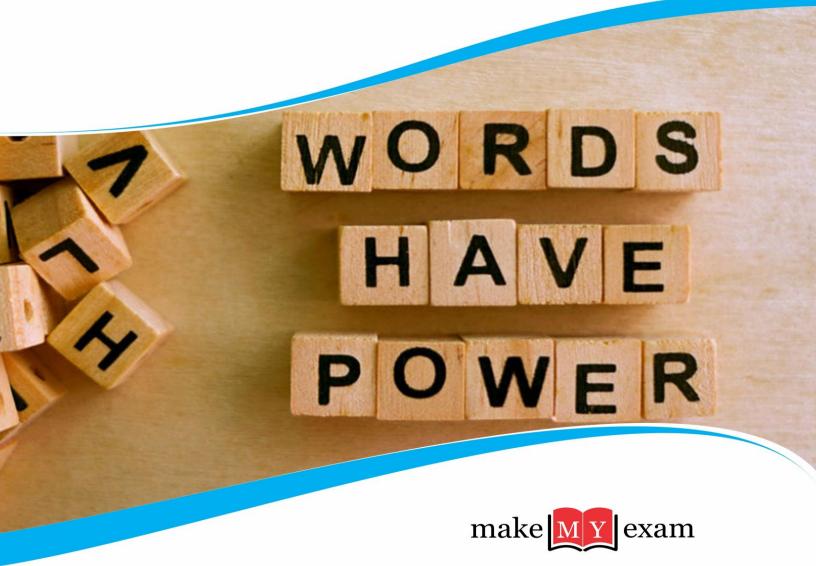




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Some exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read their usages to learn how to use them in sentences. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy Learning!!!

1. INCARCERATION (noun) - क़ैद होना

Pronunciation: in-kaar-sur-eishun

Meaning: the state of being confined in prison

Synonyms: imprisonment, internment, confinement, detention

Antonym: freedom

Usage: The public would not be served by her incarceration.

2. BLOCKADE (noun) - नाकाबंदी; संरोध

Pronunciation: blok-eid

Meaning: an act or means of sealing off a place to prevent goods or people from entering or leaving; seal off (a place) to

prevent goods or people from entering or leaving

Synonyms: siege, encirclement, besiegement, barricade, barrier; close up, block off, shut off, seal

Usage: The elderly man used a mask as a blockade against the flu virus.

3. ABDUCT (verb) - अपहरण करना

Pronunciation: ub-dukt

Meaning: take (someone) away illegally by force or deception

Synonyms: kidnap, seize, capture

Usage: The kidnappers planned to abduct the millionaire's daughter.

4. OPINE (verb) – राय होना

Pronunciation: o-pa-in

Meaning: hold and state as one's opinion

Synonyms: suggest, submit, advance, propose, venture, volunteer

Usage: I opine that it will rain before night.

5. ABDICATE (verb) - सत्ता त्यागना

Pronunciation: ab-di-keit

Meaning: renounce one's throne; fail to fulfil or undertake (a responsibility or duty)

Synonyms: resign, retire, quit; disown, turn down, spurn, reject, renounce

Antonyms: be crowned, accede to; accept, take on **Usage:** The king was forced to <u>abdicate</u> the throne.

6. NASCENT (adjective) – नई उत्पत्ति

Pronunciation: nas-unt / neis-unt

Meaning: (especially of a process or organization) just coming into existence and beginning to display signs of future potential

Synonyms: budding, developing, growing, embryonic, incipient

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Usage: Each of these subsystems has two <u>nascent</u> technologies in common.

7. CONTRACTION (noun) - सिक्डन

Pronunciation: kun-trak-shun

Meaning: the process of becoming smaller; the process in which a muscle becomes or is made shorter and tighter; a word or group of words resulting from shortening an original form

Synonyms: shrinking, shrinkage, decrease, diminution, dwindling; tightening, tensing, flexing, constricting; abbreviation, short

form, elision

Antonyms: expansion, growth; relaxation **Usage:** Cold causes <u>contraction</u> of the metal.

8. CORE (noun) - अन्तर्भाग

Pronunciation: ko-r

Meaning: the tough central part of various fruits, containing the seeds; the part of something that is central to its existence or

character; the dense central region of a planet

Synonyms: central, key, basic, fundamental; centre, interior, middle, nucleus

Antonyms: peripheral, minor

Usage:

• The pear is rotten to the <u>core</u>.

• The neutrons and protons form the <u>core</u> of the atom.

9. MIDST (preposition, noun) - बीच, मध्य

Pronunciation: midst

Meaning: in the middle of; the middle part or point **Synonyms:** middle, centre, midpoint, kernel

Usage:

- She left <u>midst</u> the function. (preposition)
- The hut is in the <u>midst</u> of the forest. (noun)

10. PROLONG (verb) - लंबा करना

Pronunciation: pro-long **Meaning:** extend the duration of **Synonyms:** lengthen, extend, protract

Antonym: shorten

Usage: He offered her a drink to try to prolong her visit.



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