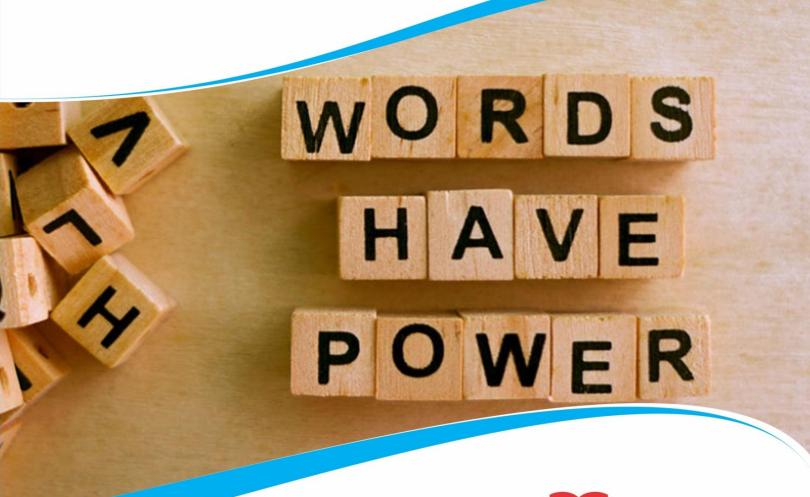




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Exceptional words of English vocabulary from the newspaper 'The Hindu' are listed here. Go through these words and read the usages to learn how to use them in sentences. After this, take the quiz based on the vocabulary to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning.

Happy learning!!!

1. CERTAINTY (noun): यक़ीन

Pronunciation: suh-tuhn-tee

Meaning: firm conviction that something is the case.

Synonyms: confidence, sureness, positiveness **Antonyms:** doubt, incertitude, nonconfidence

Sentence: She knew with absolute certainty that he'd say no.

2. RECIDIVIST (noun) : मुजरिम

Pronunciation: ruh·si·duh·vuhst

Meaning: formal a person who continues to commit crimes even after being caught and

punished.

Synonyms: criminal, culprit, lawbreaker **Antonyms:** lawman, lawful, gangbuster

Sentence: Six prisoners are still at large along with four dangerous <u>recidivists</u>.

3. VOLUBLE (adj.) : बातूनी

Pronunciation: vaw·lyoo·bl

Meaning: (of a person) talking fluently, readily or incessantly.

Synonyms: talkative, verbose, garrulous **Antonyms:** silent, speechless, quiet

Sentence: Clarissa was extremely voluble on the subject of good manners.

4. CONTUMACY (noun) : आजा का उल्लंघन

Pronunciation: kawn·choo·muh·see

Meaning: a stubborn refusal to obey or comply with authority, especially a court order or

summons.

Synonyms: contrariness, defiance, disobedience **Antonyms:** compliance, obedience, submission

Sentence: Most of the unsuccessful men have the characteristics of contumacy and

haughty.

5. ROGUE (adj.) : दुष्ट

Pronunciation: roge

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Meaning: a dishonest or unprincipled man. **Synonyms:** scoundrel, evil, reprobate **Antonyms:** honest, decent, ethical

Sentence: Mr. Ward wasn't a rogue at all.

6. EMBEZZLE (verb) : हड़प लेना

Pronunciation: uhm·beh·zl

Meaning: steal or misappropriate (money placed in one's trust or belonging to the

organization for which one works).

Synonyms: steal, rob, pilfer **Antonyms:** square, balance, clear

Sentence: He embezzled thousands of dollars from the charity.

7. DILETTANTE (noun) : शौक़ीन

Pronunciation: di·luh·tan·tee

Meaning: a person who cultivates an area of interest, such as the arts, without real

commitment or knowledge.

Synonyms: dabbler, trifler, tinkerer

Antonyms: authority, expert, professional

Sentence: I'm too serious to be a <u>dilettante</u> and too much a dabbler to be a professional.

8. SQUALID (adj.) : मैला

Pronunciation: skvaw·luhd

Meaning: (of a place) extremely dirty and unpleasant, especially as a result of poverty or

neglect.

Synonyms: dirty, filthy, grubby **Antonyms:** cleaned, cleansed, tidy

Sentence: They lived in a <u>squalid</u> hovel for the next five years.

9. BELLICOSE (adj.) : लड़ाकू

Pronunciation: beh·luh·kose

Meaning: demonstrating aggression and willingness to fight.

Synonyms: belligerent, aggressive, hostile

Antonyms: nonaggressive, nonbelligerent, pacific

Sentence: The general made some <u>bellicose</u> statements about his country's military

strength.

10. VEXATIOUS (adj.): अफ़सोसनाक

Pronunciation: veks·ay·shuhs

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Meaning: causing or tending to cause annoyance, frustration or worry.

Synonyms: annoying, vexing, irritating **Antonyms:** delightful, pleasing, soothing

Sentence: Those <u>vexatious</u> phone calls from telemarketers during the dinner hour.



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