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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. PLEA (verb) – दलील

Pronunciation: plee

Meaning: a request made in an urgent and emotional manner

Synonyms: appeal, entreaty, supplication, petition, payer, request

Usage: They made a desperate plea for help.

2. CUMBERSOME (adjective) – बोझिल

Pronunciation: kum-bur-sum

Meaning: large or heavy and therefore difficult to carry or use

Synonyms: unwieldy, unmanageable, awkward, clumsy

Antonyms: manageable, convenient

Usage: It was difficult to wear cumbersome diving suits.

3. BLIGHT (noun, verb) – नुकसानदेह

Pronunciation: blait

Meaning: a thing that spoils or damages something; have a severely harmful effect on

Synonyms: affliction, scourge, bane, curse; ruin, wreck, spoil, disrupt

Antonym: blessing

Usage:

- Her guilty secret was a blight on her happiness. (noun)
- The scandal blighted the careers of several leading politicians. (verb)

4. PROBE (noun, verb) – तहकीकात, छानबीन

Pronunciation: pro-b

Meaning: a thorough investigation into a crime or other matter; physically explore or examine (something) with the hands or an instrument; seek to uncover information about someone or something

Synonyms: investigation, inquiry, examination, scrutiny, inquest; examine, explore, investigate, scrutinize

Usage:

- Fire investigators were expected to launch a probe into the cause of the blaze later today. (noun)
- A robot is being sent inside the school to probe the building for explosive devices. (verb)
- She tried to probe his mind to find out what he was thinking. (verb)

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5. TOADY (adjective, verb) – चापलूस

Pronunciation: to-di

Meaning: a person who praises and is artificially pleasant to people in authority, usually in order to get some advantage from them

Synonyms: sycophant, obsequious, creep, crawler, fawner, flatterer, flunkey

Antonyms: independent; defy

Usage:

- The boss doesn't like toady employees. (adjective)
- She was always toadying to the boss, but she didn't get a promotion out of it. (verb)

6. PROACTIVE (adjective) – सक्रिय

Pronunciation: pro-ak-tiv

Meaning: (of a person or action) creating or controlling a situation rather than just responding to it after it has happened

Synonyms: enterprising, energetic, motivated

Usage: Managers must be proactive in identifying and preventing potential problems.

7. DIDACTIC (adjective) – शिक्षाप्रद

Pronunciation: did-ak-tik / dai-dak-tik

Meaning: intended to teach

Synonyms: instructive, instructional, educational, educative, informative, informational

Usage: His novel has a didactic tone.

8. CONCEDE (verb) – मान लेना

Pronunciation: kun-seed

Meaning: admit or agree that something is true after first denying or resisting it

Synonyms: admit, acknowledge, accept

Antonym: deny

Usage: I had to concede that I'd overreacted.

9. ALIGHT (verb) – उतरना, नीचे आना

Pronunciation: alait

Meaning: to come down from a train, bus, or other form of transport

Synonyms: get off, get down, dismount, disembark, descend

Antonyms: get on, board

Usage: They alighted from the bus.

10. QUIP (verb) – वाक्य-वाण, परिहास

Pronunciation: kwip

Meaning: a humorous and clever remark

Synonyms: joke, jest, pun, sally, banter, gag

Usage: He ended his speech with a merry quip.



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