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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. What's more, take the test given at the last to check how much you learnt. This will really help you boost up your learning. Happy learning!!!

1. OMINOUS (adjective) – अमंगल, अशुभ

Pronunciation: o•muh•nuhs

Meaning: giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen

Synonyms: doomy, gloomy, unfavourable, threatening, menacing

Antonyms: promising, auspicious

Usage: The black clouds look ominous for our trip.

2. PREMEDITATE (verb) – पूर्वचिन्तित, सोचा-समझा, जान-बूझकर किया हुआ

Pronunciation: pree•meh•duh•tei•tuh

Meaning: think out or plan (an action, especially a crime) beforehand

Synonyms: willful, intentional, deliberate, aforethought, preplanned, calculated

Antonyms: accidental, unintentional, spontaneous

Usage: It is claimed that the Chinese attack on the Indian army was premeditated.

3. DECIMATE (verb) – तबाह करना, बरबाद करना, बड़ी संख्या में मारना

Pronunciation: deh•suh•meit

Meaning: kill, destroy, or remove a large proportion of

Synonyms: slaughter, wipe out, annihilate, execute, massacre

Antonyms: preserve, protect, save, mend

Usage: Hydrogen bomb will decimate most of the population.

4. INFRUCTUOUS (adjective) – निष्फल

Pronunciation: in•fruhk•choo•uhs

Meaning: pointless or unnecessary, fruitless

Synonyms: ineffective, unproductive, unfruitful

Antonyms: fruitful, profitable, productive

Usage: The attempt to solve the border issues through political talks seems to be infructuous.

5. LACKLUSTRE (adjective) – फीका, मंद

Pronunciation: lak•lu•stuh

Meaning: lacking in vitality, force, or conviction, uninspired or uninspiring

Synonyms: dull, uninspired, unimaginative, insipid, lifeless, mundane, boring

Antonyms: inspired, brilliant

Usage: Some bars say business is lacklustre because of corona.

6. FOLLY (noun) – अज्ञानता, नादानी, मूर्खता

Pronunciation: fo•lee

Meaning: lack of good sense, foolishness

Synonyms: madness, absurdity, craziness, stupidity

Antonym: seriousness, wisdom, intelligence, care

Usage: Destruction begins with folly.

7. PESTILENCE (noun) – महामारी, प्लेग

Pronunciation: peh•stuh•luhns

Meaning: a fatal epidemic disease

Synonyms: pandemic, contagion, infection, disease, plague

Antonyms: wellness, goodness

Usage: Corona has become a pestilence.

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8. EXPEDITIOUS (adjective) – शीघ्र, जल्द

Pronunciation: ek•spuh•di•shuhs.

Meaning: done with speed and efficiency.

Synonyms: busy, diligent, energetic, active, agile, alert, brisk, bustling, industrious, lively, mobile

Antonyms: dull, heavy, idle, inactive, indolent, inert, lazy, quiet, slow, sluggish, stupid

Usage: The bank was expeditious in replying to my letter.

9. OBNOXIOUS (adjective) – अप्रिय, आपत्तिजनक, घृणित, बुरा

Pronunciation: uhb•nok•shuhs

Meaning: extremely unpleasant

Synonyms: nasty, offensive, awful, terrible, horrible, obscene, gross, hideous

Antonyms: delightful, pleasant, charming

Usage: He is the most obnoxious person I have ever met.

10. DEFERENCE (noun) – श्रद्धा, सम्मान, इज्जत

Pronunciation: deh•fuh•ruhns

Meaning: polite submission and respect

Synonyms: respect, regard, esteem, consideration, obedience, courtesy

Antonym: disrespect

Usage: He treated her with deference.

Now take a test!!!

Fill up the Blanks:

1. Cyclone amphan will _____ flora and fauna.
2. _____ murder carries death sentence.
3. Man's _____ begins with anger.
4. Covid-19 is a _____.
5. He treated his relatives with extreme _____.

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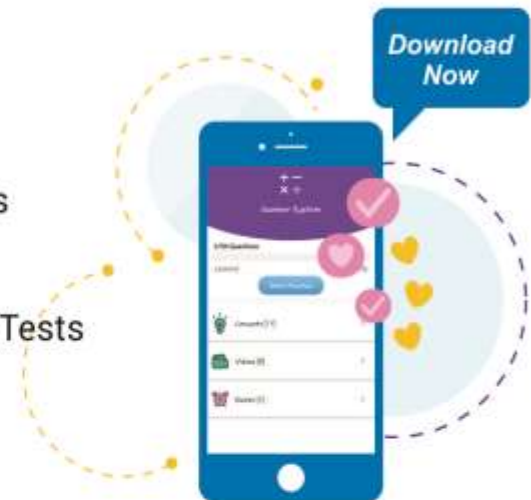
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