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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. THRESHOLD (NOUN): सीमा

Pronunciation: thresh·holed

Meaning: an amount, level, or limit on a scale.

Synonyms: Brink, Verge

Antonyms: End, Finish

Sentence: You know, when you cross that threshold, there's no going back.

2. SURGE (VERB): उमड़ पड़ना

Pronunciation: suhj

Meaning: to increase suddenly and by a large amount.

Synonyms: Burst, Deluge

Antonyms: Descend, Decline

Sentence: The party's electoral support surged from just under 10 per cent to nearly 17 per cent.

3. DESIST (VERB): बंद कर देना

Pronunciation: duh·zist

Meaning: to stop or cease from doing something, particularly when it refers to discontinuing an action or behaviour.

Synonyms: Abstain, refrain

Antonyms: Proceed, Persist

Sentence: The company had to desist from using unethical business practices to maintain their reputation.

4. MINNOWS (NOUN): तुच्छ या महत्वहीन व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: mi·noze

Meaning: a small and unimportant person or organization

Synonyms: Nobody, Nonentity

Antonyms: Giants, celebrity

Sentence: Despite being considered minnows in the industry, the local businesses formed a strong network to support each other.

5. BEQUEATHED (VERB): वसीयत में देना

Pronunciation: buh·kveetht

Meaning: to leave or give something, typically property, assets, or a personal possession, to someone through a will or legal document after one's death.

Synonyms: Entrusted, Bestowed

Antonyms: Confiscated, Deprived

Sentence: In his will, the wealthy philanthropist bequeathed a substantial portion of his fortune to various charities.

6. RAMSHACKLE (ADJECTIVE): जीर्ण

Pronunciation: ram·sha·kl

Meaning: a state of disrepair, dilapidation, or severe disorder.

Synonyms: Derelict, Decrepit

Antonyms: Sturdy, Robust

Sentence: The neighborhood playground had become ramshackle over the years, with rusty swings and broken slides.

7. BRISTLE (VERB, NOUN): बाल खड़े करना

Pronunciation: bri·sl

Meaning: to react with anger, irritation, or strong emotion a short, stiff hair similar to a bristle on a brush, or the stiff hairs on the back of certain animals that can stand on end when they are agitated or alarmed.

Synonyms: Recoil, Quill

Antonyms: Unclench, Softness

Sentence: The shaving brush had long, thick bristles that helped create a rich lather. The cat bristled at the sight of the unfamiliar dog, arching its back and hissing.

8. PARLOUS (ADJECTIVE): जोखिमी

Pronunciation: paa·luhs

Meaning: involving potential loss or injury.

Synonyms: risky, serious, dangerous

Antonyms: beneficial, harmless, safe

Sentence: Window washing can indeed be a parlous occupation on a skyscraper

9. SLUMBERED (VERB): झपकी लेना

Pronunciation: sluhm·buhd

Meaning: to be in a state of sleep.

Synonyms: napped, snoozed, slept

Antonyms: rose, waked, aroused.

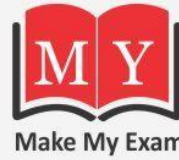
Sentence: she slumbered for hours while the train rolled on

10. TRAMMEL (NOUN): जाला**Pronunciation:** tra·muhl**Meaning:** something that makes movement or progress difficult.**Synonyms:** obstacle, obstruction, hurdle**Antonyms:** incentive, spur, stimulus**Sentence:** Students and parents who want to throw off the trammels of outdated school policies.

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