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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. SUBJUGATE (VERB): अधीन करना

Pronunciation: suhb·ju·gayt

Meaning: bring under domination or control, especially by conquest.

Synonyms: subdue, conquer, dominate

Antonyms: liberate, emancipate, enfranchise

Sentence: The manager tried to subjugate the employees into working late by threatening to fire them.

2. DISINCENTIVE (NOUN): निस्त्साहित

Pronunciation: dis·uhn·sen·tuhv

Meaning: a factor, especially a financial disadvantage, that discourages a particular action.

Synonyms: deterrent, discouragement, impediment

Antonyms: incentive, motivation, impetus

Sentence: Punishments serve as a disincentive, attempting to deter people from doing things they shouldn't.

3. APPREHENSION (NOUN): आशंका

Pronunciation: a·pruh·hen·shn

Meaning: anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen.

Synonyms: dread, anxiety, worry

Antonyms: confidence, calmness, certainty

Sentence: I am feeling a great deal of apprehension after learning that we have a test tomorrow in my worst subject.

4. STIGMA (NOUN): कलंक

Pronunciation: stig·muh

Meaning: a mark of disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person.

Synonyms: shame, disgrace, dishonour

Antonyms: honour, credit, award

Sentence: Often people are afraid to admit they have a mental illness because of the stigma attached to psychiatric disorders.

5. DECRY (VERB): निंदा करना**Pronunciation:** duh·krai**Meaning:** publicly denounce; to criticize something as bad, without value, or unnecessary.**Synonyms:** criticize, denigrate, denounce, condemn**Antonyms:** applaud, laud, praise, extol**Sentence:** Several religious organizations have chosen to decry the obscene cartoon about Jesus.**6. SALIENT (ADJECTIVE): महत्त्वपूर्ण****Pronunciation:** say·lee·uhnt**Meaning:** noticeable or important.**Synonyms:** remarkable, prominent, striking**Antonyms:** subtle, unremarkable, obscure**Sentence:** She began to summarize the salient features/points of the proposal.**7. SEAMLESS (ADJECTIVE): निरंतरतायुक्त****Pronunciation:** seem·luhs**Meaning:** smooth and continuous, with no apparent gaps or spaces between one part and the next.**Synonyms:** perfect, flawless, impeccable**Antonyms:** imperfect, bad, defective**Sentence:** Although there were some hiccups along the way, the project seemed seamless on the outside.**8. CALLOUS (ADJECTIVE): कठोर****Pronunciation:** ka·luhs**Meaning:** not caring about the feelings or suffering of other people.**Synonyms:** ruthless, merciless, heartless**Antonyms:** sympathetic, compassionate, merciful**Sentence:** The professor was callous and cold, and no one wanted to remain in the class**9. STARTLE (VERB): चौंकाना****Pronunciation:** staa·tl**Meaning:** cause to feel sudden shock or alarm.**Synonyms:** shock, stun, astonish**Antonyms:** assure, soothe, comfort**Sentence:** If the music is too loud, it will startle the sleeping baby.

10. APLOMB (NOUN): अभिमान**Pronunciation:** uh.plawm**Meaning:** self-confidence or assurance, especially when in a demanding situation.**Synonyms:** poise, composure, coolness**Antonyms:** agitation, concern, care**Sentence :** Despite the heartache James must be feeling, he's still dancing with aplomb.

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