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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. VEIL (VERB): घूँघट

Pronunciation: vayl

Meaning: envelop.

Synonyms: Surround, Swathe

Antonyms: Unveil

Sentence: She's got long fair hair, but she's got veils them.

2. CONSTERNATION (NOUN): आतंक

Pronunciation: kawn·stuh·nay·shn

Meaning: dismay.

Synonyms: Perturbation, Anxiety

Antonyms: Satisfaction

Sentence: To her consternation, her car didn't start.

3. DISENGAGE (VERB): छुड़ाना

Pronunciation: dis·uhn·gayj

Meaning: remove.

Synonyms: Detach, Disentangle

Antonyms: Attach

Sentence: I disengaged his hand from mine.

4. PLUMMETING (VERB): गिरावट

Pronunciation: pluh·muht·uhng

Meaning: to fall very quickly and suddenly.

Synonyms: Collapse, Decrease

Antonyms: Increase, Raise

Sentence: He didn't even look at her, and her hope plummeted again.

5. RECKON (VERB): अनुमान करना

Pronunciation: reh·kn

Meaning: to count, compute, or calculate, as in number or amount.

Synonyms: Compute, Quantify

Antonyms: Discard, Ignore

Sentence: I never met your mother, but if she was anything like you, I reckon he thought she'd do just that

6. DENT (VERB): कम करना

Pronunciation: dent

Meaning: diminish.

Synonyms: reduce, lessen

Antonyms: increase

Sentence: She didn't seem to dent the plate of food.

7. REINED (VERB): संयम करना

Pronunciation: raynd

Meaning: to limit or control (someone or something).

Synonyms: Restrained, Clogged

Antonyms: Release, Continue

Sentence: I gave him free rein to do what he needed to

8. INTERMINABLE (ADJECTIVE): अनंत

Pronunciation: uhn·tuh·muh·nuh·bl

Meaning: continuing for too long and therefore boring or annoying.

Synonyms: Incessant, Everlasting

Antonyms: Limited, Halting

Sentence: She cried for what seemed like an interminable time.

9. STREAK(NOUN): रेखा

Pronunciation: streak

Meaning: a period of time during which something continues to happen.

Synonyms: Line, Ray

Antonyms: Unbar, Detach

Sentence: Her hair is dyed blue, with streaks of bright green.

10. RELENTED (VERB): मान जाना

Pronunciation: ruh·lent·uhd

Meaning: to become less severe, harsh, or strict, usually from reasons of humanity.

Synonyms: Acquiesce, Capitulate

Antonyms: Resist, Accumulate

Sentence: I'm sure if he sees how important this is to you, he'll relent.

11. BUDGING (verb): हिलना

Pronunciation: buhj.uhng

Meaning: make or cause to make the slightest movement

Synonym: Shift, Move, stir

Antonym: Stagnate, Resist, facing

Sentence: The heavy table wouldn't budge, no matter how much they pushed.

12.PERPETRATE (verb): अपराध करना

Pronunciation: puh.puh.trayt

Meaning: carry out or commit(a harmful, illegal, or immoral action)

Synonym: Commit, Execute, effect

Antonym: Prevent, Halt, slur

Sentence: A crime was perpetrated in the quiet neighborhood last night.

13.ESCALATORY (adjective): वृद्धि कारक

Pronunciation: eh.skuh.lay.shn

Meaning: relating to or resulting in an increase or escalation

Synonym: Increasing, Heightening ,leap

Antonym: Reducing, De-escalating ,reduction

Sentence: The escalatory rhetoric from both sides could lead to a conflict.

14. PROTRACTED (adjective): लंबा

Pronunciation: pruh.trakt.uhd

Meaning: lasting for a long time or longer than expected or usual

Synonym: Extended, Lengthy ,spun out

Antonym: Brief, Short

Sentence: The meeting turned into a protracted discussion with no clear outcome.

15. EMBITTER (verb): कड़वाहट पैदा करना

Pronunciation: em.bi.tuhd

Meaning: cause someone to feel bitter or resentful

Synonym: Sour, Disaffect, poison

Antonym: Sweeten, Reconcile, loving

Sentence: The unfair decision embittered him more than he expected.

16. SWEEPING (Adjective): साफ़ करना

Pronunciation: sveen.puhng

Meaning: (used about statements, etc.) too general and not accurate enough

Synonyms: wide-ranging, global, broad

Antonyms: narrow, limited, restricted

Sentence: We cannot recommend any sweeping alterations.

17. MEAGRE (Adjective): अल्प

Pronunciation: mee.guh

Meaning: too small in amount

Synonyms: scanty, sparse, modest

Antonyms: abundant, abundant, copious

Sentence: His parents were poor and he received a meagre education.

18. EXHILARATION (Noun): आनंद

Pronunciation: uhg.zi.luh.ray.shn

Meaning: excitement and happiness

Synonyms: euphoria, exultation, joy

Antonyms: dejection, sadness, woe

Sentence: They felt the exhilaration of victory.

19. GREGARIOUS (Adjective): मिलनसार

Pronunciation: gruh.geuh.ree.uhs

Meaning: liking to be with other people

Synonyms: social, companionable, sociable

Antonyms: unsociable, distant, aloof

Sentence: He was a popular and gregarious man.

20. INTERIM (Adjective): अन्तरिम

Pronunciation: uhn.teh.ruhm

Meaning: not final or lasting; temporary until somebody/something more permanent is found

Synonyms: temporary, pro tem, fill-in

Antonyms: permanent, final, set

Sentence: An interim arrangement was made.

21. 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.

22. 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.

23. 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.

24. 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.

25. BEQUEATHED (VERB): वसीयत में देना

Pronunciation: buh·kveeth

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.

26. 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.

27. 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.**28. 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**29. 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**30. 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.**31. APPEND (VERB): जोड़ना****Pronunciation:** uh·pend**Meaning:** to join (something) to a mass, quantity, or number so as to bring about an overall increase.**Synonyms:** add, introduce, attach**Antonyms:** subtract, deduct, separate**Sentence:** I have appended a list of those guests.

32. APPROBATION (NOUN): अनुमोदन**Pronunciation:** a·proh·bay·shn**Meaning:** an acceptance of something as satisfactory.**Synonyms:** blessing, satisfaction, accession**Antonyms:** disapproval, refusal, rejection**Sentence:** He tasted the wine of audience approbation.**33. CALUMNY (NOUN): चुगली****Pronunciation:** ka·luhm·nee**Meaning:** the making of false statements that damage another's reputation.**Synonyms:** defaming, criticism**Antonyms:** praise, applause, commendation**Sentence:** He was the victim of calumny.**34. PLENITUDE (NOUN): प्रचुरता****Pronunciation:** pleh·nuh·hood**Meaning:** a considerable amount.**Synonyms:** loads, plenty, ton**Antonyms:** handful, spot**Sentence:** There's a plenitude of natural beauty in the state**35. FALLIBLE (ADJECTIVE): दोषक्षम****Pronunciation:** fa·luh·bl**Meaning:** capable of making mistakes or being wrong.**Synonyms:** imperfect, flawed, defective**Antonyms:** perfect, whole, intact**Sentence:** She was a perfectionist who failed to realize that humans are inherently fallible.**36. FORGO (VERB): त्यागना****Pronunciation:** faw·goh**Meaning:** to resist the temptation of.**Synonyms:** avoid, refuse, deny**Antonyms:** submit, surrender, accept**Sentence:** Do not, for one repulse, forgo the purpose that you resolved to effort.**37. ACCOLADES (NOUN): सराहना****Pronunciation:** a·kuh·laydz**Meaning:** a formal expression of praise.**Synonyms:** honours, tributes, applause

Antonyms: indictments, condemnations, denunciations

Sentence: Already, the program has won accolades for bringing investment to poor neighbourhoods of Knoxville.

38. REGALE (NOUN): दावत

Pronunciation: ruh·gayl

Meaning: a large fancy meal often accompanied by ceremony or entertainment.

Synonyms: dinner, banquet, feast

Sentence: He invited all his friends to a regale tonight.

39. MOLLYCODDLE (VERB): बोदाआदमी

Pronunciation: maw·lee·kaw·dl

Meaning: treat (someone) in an indulgent or overprotective way. **Synonyms:** coddle, pamper

Antonyms: discipline, restrain, control

Sentence: Refused to mollycoddle her malingering son and sent him off to school.

40. ENCUMBRANCE (NOUN): भार

Pronunciation: uhn·kuhm·bruhns

Meaning: something that makes movement or progress difficult.

Synonyms: obstacle, obstruction, hurdle

Antonyms: advantage, impetus, benefit

Sentence: I felt I was being an encumbrance to them.

41. MENDACITY (NOUN): झूठ

Pronunciation: men·da·suh·tee

Meaning: a statement is known by its maker to be untrue and made in order to deceive.

Synonyms: lie, untruth, falsity

Antonyms: truth, veracity, honesty

Sentence: We demand legal warfare on deliberate political mendacity and its dissemination in the press.

42. DITHER (VERB): घबराहट

Pronunciation: di·dhuh

Meaning: to be unable to make a decision about doing something; to be very nervous, excited, or confused.

Synonyms: hesitate, falter, panic, fuss

Antonyms: calm, peace, sense, order

Sentence: The politician began to dither and stutter when asked about his stance.

43. ABSTENTION (NOUN): मतदान न करना**Pronunciation:** uhb·sten·shn**Meaning:** an instance of declining to vote for or against a proposal or motion; restraint in one's consumption.**Synonyms:** abnegation, eschewal, avoidance, reject**Antonyms:** indulgence, unconstraint, decide**Sentence:** I decided to settle on an abstention when the family voted on where we should eat, as personally, I didn't care where we went.**44. DURESS (NOUN): दबाव****Pronunciation:** dyoo·res**Meaning:** threats, violence, to force someone into doing something against their will.**Synonyms:** pressure, constraint, compulsion, intimidation, coercion**Antonyms:** freedom, independence, liberation, persuasion**Sentence:** I think Claire was under duress when she signed the agreement; she never would have voluntarily accepted those conditions.**45. DIFFIDENT (ADJECTIVE): संकोच शील****Pronunciation:** di·fuh·dnt**Meaning:** modest or shy because of a lack of selfconfidence.**Synonyms:** shy, bashful, sheepish, introverted**Antonyms:** confident, extroverted, immodest, bold**Sentence:** Although he graduated in the top ten percent of his class, Jules is still diffident about his own intelligence.**46. EBULLIENT (ADJECTIVE): जोश****Pronunciation:** uh·buh·lee·uhnt**Meaning:** cheerful and full of energy.**Synonyms:** exuberant, buoyant, cheerful**Antonyms:** indolent, lazy, sluggish**Sentence:** Jack always felt ebullient after drinking his morning coffee.**47. EXCULPATE (VERB): निर्दोष सिद्ध करना****Pronunciation:** ek·skuhl·payt**Meaning:** show or declare that (someone) is not guilty of wrongdoing.**Synonyms:** absolve, acquit, clear, exonerate**Antonyms:** accuse, arraign, imprison**Sentence:** He exculpates himself from stealing the money.

48. RELEGATE (VERB): बाहर निकाल देना**Pronunciation:** reh·luh·gayt**Meaning:** consign or dismiss to an inferior rank or position.**Synonyms:** downgrade, lower in rank, put down**Antonyms:** ascent, rise, upswing**Sentence:** In spite of her strong commitment to her job, she vowed she would never relegate her maternal duties to a nanny.**49. VAUNT (VERB): बड़ाई करना****Pronunciation:** vawnt**Meaning:** boast about or praise (something), especially excessively.**Synonyms:** boast, brag, pride**Antonyms:** belittle, underrate**Sentence:** Even the noblest of fellows have been known to vaunt a bit.**50. HALE AND HEARTY (ADJECTIVE): चौकाना****Pronunciation:** hail and har-tee**Meaning:** of a person, especially an elderly one) strong and healthy**Synonyms:** healthy, well, fit**Antonyms:** ill, feeble, sick**Sentence:** She was still hale and hearty in her nineties.**51. REALM (NOUN): राज्य****Pronunciation:** relm**Meaning:** Sphere, Domain**Synonyms:** Kingdom, Empire**Antonyms:** Zenith, Nadir**Sentence:** Her interests are in the realm of practical politics.**52. FRICTION (ADJECTIVE): संघर्ष, मनमुटाव****Pronunciation:** frik·shn**Meaning:** disagreement between people or groups.**Synonyms:** Rasing, Rubbing**Antonyms:** Harmony, Concord**Sentence:** It was difficult to reach an agreement because of the friction between the two sides.**53. CURTAIL (VERB): घटाना****Pronunciation:** kuh·tayl

Meaning: to reduce.

Synonyms: Lessen, Diminish

Antonyms: Increase, Lengthen

Sentence: I had to curtail my answer as I was running out of time.

54. CONFRONTATION (NOUN): विरोध

Pronunciation: kaw·n·fruhnt·ay·shn

Meaning: a fight or an argument.

Synonyms: Conflict, Collision

Antonyms: Calm, Peace

Sentence: Confrontation with parents is a common reaction for adolescents.

55. RELUCTANCE (NOUN): अनिच्छा

Pronunciation: ruh·luhk·tns

Meaning: unwillingness.

Synonyms: Disinclination, Trepidation

Antonyms: Eagerness, Liking

Sentence: I accepted his resignation with great reluctance.

56. TRAVESTY (NOUN): उपहास रचना

Pronunciation: tra·vuh·stee

Meaning: a cheap mockery, usually of something or someone serious.

Synonyms: Distortion, Perversion

Antonyms: Seriousness, Solemnity

Sentence: This trial has proved to be a travesty of justice.

57. WHIMSY (NOUN): सनकीपन

Pronunciation: vim·zee

Meaning: playfully quaint or fanciful behavior or humor.

Synonyms: Fanciful, Playfulness

Antonyms: Boring, Serious

Sentence: The designer's new line showed a touch of whimsy

58. DIABOLICAL (ADJECTIVE): शैतानी

Pronunciation: dai·uh·baw·luhk·uhl

Meaning: very bad or annoying.

Synonyms: Devilish, Terrible

Antonyms: Excellent, Gentle

Sentence: The constant noise from the neighbour's party was diabolical.

59. ACCENTUATE (VERB): जोर देना

Pronunciation: uhk·sen·choo·ayt

Meaning: to emphasize something or make something easier to notice.

Synonyms: Highlight, Spotlight

Antonyms: Weaken

Sentence: She uses make-up to accentuate her beautiful eyes.

60. CULPABLE (ADJECTIVE): अपराधिक

Pronunciation: kuhl·puh·bl

Meaning: responsible for something bad that has happened.

Synonyms: Guilty, Blameworthy

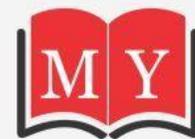
Antonyms: Innocent, Immune

Sentence: The prime minister is highly culpable in this affair.

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