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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. HEADY (adjective) – नशीला

Pronunciation: heh dee
Meaning: potent and intoxicating
Synonyms: potent, intoxicating, inebriating, strong, alcoholic, spirituous, vinous
Antonym: non-alcoholic
Usage: The wine was making her <u>heady</u>, but she let him refill her glass.

2. HISTRIONIC (adjective) – नाटकीय

Pronunciation: hi·stree·o·nuhk **Meaning:** excessively theatrical or dramatic in character or style **Synonyms:** melodramatic, theatrical, affected, dramatic, exaggerated, stagy **Antonyms:** unaffected, unaltered **Usage:** The widow's <u>histrionic</u> screaming made the detectives suspicious.

3. EXHILARATE (verb) – आनन्दित करना

Pronunciation: uhg·zi·luh·reit
Meaning: make someone feel very happy, animated, or elated
Synonyms: thrill, excite, intoxicate, elate, delight, gladden, brighten
Antonyms: depress, boring
Usage: Because Ellen loves chocolate, your gift of a chocolate cake will <u>exhilarate</u> her.

4. DETERIORATE (verb) – बिगड़ना

Pronunciation: duh·teeuh·ree·uh·reit
Meaning: become progressively worse
Synonyms: worsen, decline, degenerate, decay, collapse, fail, fall, drop, sink
Antonyms: improve, enhance
Usage: The value of your car begins to <u>deteriorate</u> as soon as you drive the vehicle off the lot.

5. ANNULMENT (noun) – रद्द करना

Pronunciation: uh·nuhl·muhnt **Meaning:** the act of annulling something **Synonyms:** voiding, repeal, cancellation, rescinding, reversal, revocation, abolition



Antonyms: restoration, enactment

Usage: He may appeal to the Pope for an <u>annulment</u> of his 24-year marriage.

6. SCREECH (verb) – चीख

Pronunciation: skreechMeaning: give a loud, harsh, piercing crySynonyms: shriek, squeal, squawk, howl, shout, yell, bellowAntonyms: whisper, mumbleUsage: Maria hit her brother, causing him to <u>screech</u> with pain.

7. RANCOROUS (adjective) – द्वेषपूर्ण

Pronunciation: rang·kuh·ruhs
Meaning: characterized by bitterness or resentment
Synonyms: bitter, spiteful, hateful, resentful, acrimonious, malicious, malevolent
Antonyms: amicable, friendly
Usage: The debate in America over health care reform turned <u>rancorous</u>.

8. TOLERABLE (adjective) – सहनीय

Pronunciation: to·luh·ruh·bl
Meaning: able to be endured
Synonyms: bearable, endurable, admissible, manageable, pardonable, excusable, forgivable
Antonyms: intolerable, unbearable
Usage: The heat was tolerable at night but suffocating during the day.

9. AFFLICT (verb) – कष्ट देना

Pronunciation: uh flikt **Meaning:** cause pain or trouble to **Synonyms:** trouble, bother, burden, distress, beset, harass, worry **Antonyms:** comfort, ease **Usage:** I don't want to <u>afflict</u> you with my troubles.

10. INVIGORATE (verb) – जान डालना

Pronunciation: uhn·vi·guh·reit
Meaning: give strength or energy to
Synonyms: revitalize, energize, refresh, revive, vivify, brace, rejuvenate
Antonyms: tire, tiring
Usage: As soon as the water hits the roots of the dehydrated plant, it will <u>invigorate</u> it.



