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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.ZESTFUL (ADJECTIVE): दिलचस्प

Pronunciation:zest·ful

Meaning: characterized by great enthusiasm and energy.

Synonyms: interesting, enthralling, spirited enjoyment

Antonyms: boring, drab, tedious

Sentence:The runners like to enter zestful competitions that will push their energy and make them work for the prize.

2. WEARISOME (ADJECTIVE): थकाऊ

Pronunciation:veeuh·ruh·sm

Meaning: causing one to feel tired or bored.

Synonyms: tiring, exhausting, boring

Antonyms: interesting, engrossing, involving

Sentence: Simple repetitive tasks can be very wearisome.

3. PERJURY (NOUN): झूठा साक्ष्य

Pronunciation:puh·juh·ree

Meaning: the crime of telling lies in court when you have promised to tell the truth.

Synonyms: lying under oath, violation of an oath, giving false evidence

Antonyms: fact, truism, veracity

Sentence:Two key witnesses at her trial committed perjury.

4. PROPEL (VERB): प्रेरित करना

Pronunciation:pruh·pel

Meaning: to move, drive or push somebody/something forward or in a particular direction

Synonyms: push, shove, thrust, drive

Antonyms: regulate, restrain, control

Sentence: In order to propel the ministry into commission, the church was accepting monetary donations.

5. LUCRATIVE (ADJECTIVE): लाभप्रद

Pronunciation:loo·kruh·tuhv

Meaning: producing much money or making a significant profit.

Synonyms: profitable, worthwhile, remunerative

Antonyms: unprofitable, poorly paid, loss-making, impotent

Sentence: Mr. Chen makes a lucrative income by selling fresh tuna at the market.

6. LENITY (NOUN): उदारता

Pronunciation: len·i·ty

Meaning: kind, gentle, or compassionate treatment especially toward someone.

Synonyms: mercy, clemency, empathy

Antonyms: vengeance, revenge, ruthlessness

Sentence: Michael was admired for his lenity and tolerance.

7. RENASCENCE (NOUN): नवयुग

Pronunciation: re·na·scence

Meaning: the revival of something that has been dormant.

Synonyms: revival, rebirth, resurgence

Antonyms: extinction, expiration, death

Sentence: The politician suggested there would be a renascence in the country's coal industry, but that type of revival seems unlikely.

8. PERSPICACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): कुशाग्र बुद्धि

Pronunciation: puh·spuh·kay·shuhs

Meaning: having a ready insight into and understanding of things.

Synonyms: discerning, shrewd, perceptive

Antonyms: foolish, idiotic, moronic

Sentence: He was perspicacious enough to realize that things were soon going to change.

9. DIVISIVE (ADJECTIVE): बांटनेवाला

Pronunciation: duh·vise·uhv

Meaning: tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people.

Synonyms: discordant, disharmonious

Antonyms: unifying, accordant

Sentence: The divisive proposal split the committee into two opposing sides.

10. EVANESCENT (ADJECTIVE): क्षणभंगुर

Pronunciation: eh·vuh·nes·uhnt

Meaning: soon passing out of sight, memory, or existence; quickly fading or disappearing.

Synonyms: vanishing, fading, fleeting

Antonyms: endless, eternal, everlasting

Sentence: Talk is evanescent but writing leaves footprints.

11. FARCE (NOUN): स्वांग

Pronunciation: faas

Meaning: a poor, insincere, or insulting imitation of something

Synonyms : parody, joke, caricature

Antonyms : tribute, homage, seriousness

Sentence : The whole procedure has become a complete farce.

12. DESIRABILITY (NOUN): इच्छा

Pronunciation: duh·zai·uh·ruh·bil·uh·tee

Meaning: suitability for bringing about a desired result under the circumstances.

Synonyms : feasibility, advisability, desirableness

Antonyms : imprudence, unwisdom, inadvisability

Sentence : No one questions the desirability of cheaper fares.

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13. INTERLUDE (NOUN): अन्तराल

Pronunciation: in·tuh·lood

Meaning: a period of time between two events or activities.

Synonyms : interval, interruption, hiatus

Antonyms : continuation, continuity, run

Sentence : There will now be a 15. minute interlude.

14. IMPROPRIETY (NOUN): अनौचित्य

Pronunciation: im·pruh·prai·uh·tee

Meaning: the quality or state of not being socially proper.

Synonyms: unfitness inappropriateness, disrespect

Antonyms: propriety, correctness, decorum

Sentence : The impropriety of the song that the campers sang for the visitors was embarrassing.

15. DABBLED (VERB): हाथ आजमाया**Pronunciation:** da·bld**Meaning:** to take part in an activity in a superficial way.**Synonyms:** delighted, entertained, played**Antonyms:** worked, struggled, labored**Sentence :** She dabbled in drawing and painting, but sculpture was her favorite medium.**16. CONSCRIPTION (NOUN): भरती****Pronunciation:** kuhn·skrip·shn**Meaning:** the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces.**Synonyms:** induction, recruitment, draft**Antonyms:** removal, discharge, dismissal**Sentence :** At the outbreak of war, young people knew they would soon face conscription into the army.**17. FAR. FLUNG (ADJECTIVE) : दूर दराज****Pronunciation:** far.flen**Meaning:** distant or remote.**Synonyms:** extensive, broad, wide**Antonyms:** narrow, limited, restricted**Sentence :** The news spread to all corners of our far. flung empire.**18. PRODIGAL (ADJECTIVE): उड़ाऊ****Pronunciation:** proh·di·gl**Meaning:** given to spending money freely or foolishly.**Synonyms:** wasteful, profligate, generous**Antonyms:** frugal, thrifty, economical**Sentence :** The prodigal child always spent her allowance the minute she got it**19. HITHERTO (ADVERB): अब तक****Pronunciation:** hi·dhuh·too**Meaning:** up to this or that time.**Synonyms:** yet, heretofore, so far**Antonyms:** henceforth, hereafter, thereafter**Sentence :** At the talent show Kyle revealed his hitherto unknown gift for doing impressions.**20. LUCENT (ADJECTIVE): प्रकाशमान****Pronunciation:** loo·snt

Meaning: glowing with or giving off light.

Synonyms : luminous, glowing, shining

Antonyms : dim, dusky, dark

Sentence : The moon was a lucent orb in the cloudless autumn sky.

21. NEGATE (VERB): इनकार करना

Pronunciation: nuh·gayt

Meaning: to stop something from having any effect.

Synonyms: annihilate, disallow, deny

Antonyms: allow, assist, confirm

Sentence: The criminal will negate all charges if you fail to prove him guilty.

22. QUEER (ADJECTIVE): विचित्र

Pronunciation: kveeuh

Meaning: strange or unusual.

Synonyms: erratic, weird

Antonyms: sensible, sound

Sentence: They are queer in behaviour and extremely uncultured in their lifestyle.

23. STIMULATE (VERB): उकसाना

Pronunciation: sti·myoo·layt

Meaning: to make something active or more active.

Synonyms: elate, arouse, provoke

Antonyms: neglect, dishearten, quell

Sentence: The teacher has to stimulate the students in order to create a hunger in them.

24. CORNUCOPIA (NOUN): प्रचुरता

Pronunciation: kaw.nyoo.koh.pee.uh

Meaning: a symbol of plenty consisting of a goat's horn overflowing with flowers, fruit, and corn.

Synonyms: bounty, fullness

Antonyms: need, lack

Sentence: I shall come from London Town with a cornucopia of presents.

25. FRET (VERB): झल्लाहट

Pronunciation: fret

Meaning: to be worried and unhappy about something.

Synonyms: be upset, be anxious, stress

Antonyms: please, delight, comfort

Sentence: She was always fretting about something or the other.

26. UNLETTERED (ADJECTIVE): निरक्षर

Pronunciation: uhn·leh·tuhd

Meaning: of a person) poorly educated or illiterate.

Synonyms: ignorant, illiterate, uneducated

Antonyms: educated, literate, lettered

Sentence: Such misconceptions have not been confined to the unlettered masses.

27. SPRIGHTLY (ADJECTIVE): प्रमुदित

Pronunciation: sprite·lee

Meaning: (especially used about older people) full of energy and life.

Synonyms: agile, active, perky

Antonyms: spiritless, lethargic, languid

Sentence: The sprightly old woman walks two miles every day.

28. MYRIAD (ADJECTIVE): असंख्य

Pronunciation: mi.ree.uhd

Meaning: a very large number of something.

Synonyms: countless, infinite, numberless

Antonyms: numerable, identical, individual

Sentence: He gazed at the myriad lights of the city.

29. REVEL (VERB): आनंद लेना

Pronunciation: reh·vl

Meaning: enjoy oneself in a lively and noisy way, especially with drinking and dancing.

Synonyms: make merry, party, bash

Antonyms: mourn, hate

Sentence: They spent the evening revelling with their guests.

30. VESTIGE(NOUN) : निशान

Pronunciation : veh.stuhj

Meaning : a small part of something that is left after the rest of it has gone

Synonyms : relic, trace, rest

Antonyms: information, lot

Sentence : For this flood, ministers have produced not a vestige of proof.

31.RELUCTANCE(NOUN): अनिच्छा

Pronunciation: ruh·luhk·tns

Meaning: an unwillingness to do something.

Synonyms: Disinclination , Trepidation, hesitation

Antonyms: willingness, inclination, surety

Sentence: I accepted his resignation with great reluctance.

32.TRAVESTY (NOUN): उपहासात्मक रचना

Pronunciation: tra·vuh·stee

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

Synonyms: Distortion , Perversion, corruption

Antonyms: Seriousness , Solemnity, homage

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

33.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.

34.DIABOLICAL(ADJECTIVE): शैतानी

Pronunciation: dai·uh·baw·luhk·uhl

Meaning: very bad or annoying.

Synonyms: demonic, evil, malicious

Antonyms: angelic, benign, holy

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

35.ACCENTUATE (VERB): बल देना

Pronunciation: uhk·sen·choo·ayt

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

Synonyms: Highlight , Spotlight, underline

Antonyms: Weaken, play down, disparage

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

36.CULPABLE (ADJECTIVE): अपराधिक

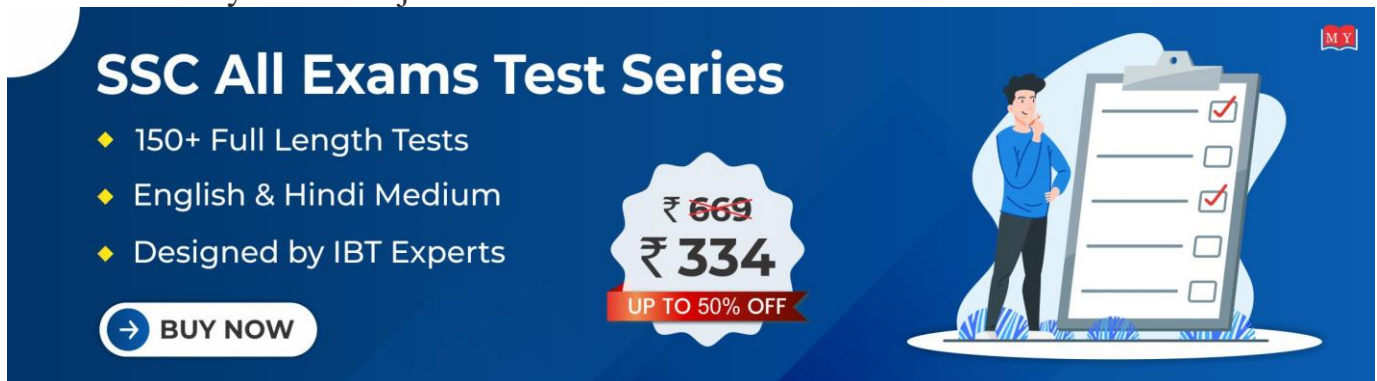
Pronunciation: kuhl·puh·bl

Meaning: responsible for something bad that has happened.

Synonyms: Guilty , Blameworthy, to blame

Antonyms: Innocent , Immune, perfect

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

37.DISINCENTIVE (NOUN): निस्साहित**Pronunciation:** dis·uhn·sen·tuhv**Meaning:** something that makes people not want to do something or not work hard.**Synonyms:** deterrent, discouragement, impediment**Antonyms:** incentive, motivation, encouragement**Sentence:** Punishments serve as a disincentive, attempting to deter people from doing things they shouldn't.**38.APPREHENSION (NOUN): आशंका****Pronunciation:** a·pruh·hen·shn**Meaning:** anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen.**Synonyms:** dread, fearfulness, anxiety**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.


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39.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.**40.DECRY (VERB): निंदा करना****Pronunciation:** duh·krai**Meaning:** publicly denounce; to criticize something as bad, without value, or unnecessary.**Synonyms:** criticize, denigrate, denounce**Antonyms:** applaud, laud, praise**Sentence:** Several religious organizations have chosen to decry the obscene cartoon about Jesus.

41. SALIENT (ADJECTIVE): महत्त्वपूर्ण**Pronunciation:** say·lee·uhnt**Meaning:** most noticeable or important**Synonyms:** remarkable, prominent, striking**Antonyms:** subtle, unremarkable, obscure**Sentence:** She began to summarize the salient features/points of the proposal.**42. INGENIOUS (ADJECTIVE): रचनात्मक****Pronunciation:** in·jee·nee·uhs**Meaning:** having the skill and imagination to create new things**Synonyms:** inventive, innovative, creative**Antonyms:** imitative, uninventive, unskilful**Sentence:** With how skilled my chess opponent was, it would take an ingenious strategy to defeat him, and a fair amount of luck.**43. DUNCE (NOUN) : मूर्ख****Pronunciation:** duhns**Meaning:** a person who is slow at learning; a stupid person.**Synonyms:** fool, idiot, simpleton**Antonyms:** brain, genius, intellectual**Sentence:** Because it takes me a long time to solve problems, I am a dunce at mathematics.**44. IMPETUS (NOUN): प्रोत्साहन****Pronunciation:** im·puh·tuhs**Meaning:** something that encourages a particular activity or makes that activity more energetic or effective**Synonyms:** encouragement, stimulus, momentum**Antonyms:** disincentive, discouragement, hindrance**Sentence:** The high crime rate was the impetus for the hiring of one hundred new police officers in our city.**45. SQUANDERED (VERB): गंवाना****Pronunciation:** skvawn·duhd**Meaning:** waste (something, especially money or time) in a reckless and foolish manner.**Synonyms:** waste, mispend, misuse**Antonyms:** conserved, preserved, save**Sentence:** Eddie has a tendency to squander his entire allowance on comic books and movies.

46. SUBJUGATE (VERB): अधीन करना**Pronunciation:** suhb·ju·gayt**Meaning:** to defeat somebody/something and make them obey you; to gain control over somebody/something.**Synonyms:** subdue, conquer, dominate**Antonyms:** liberate, emancipate, enfranchise**Sentence:** The manager tried to subjugate the employees into working late by threatening to fire them.**47. APARTHEID (NOUN): रंगभेद****Pronunciation:** uh·paat·ide**Meaning:** the former official government policy in South Africa of separating people of different races and making them live apart.**Synonyms:** segregation, discrimination, racism,**Antonyms:** antidiscrimination, antiracism, assimilationism**Sentence:** Nelson Mandela helped to end Apartheid, which was racial discrimination in South Africa.**48. PERTINENT (ADJECTIVE): उचित****Pronunciation:** puh·ti·nent**Meaning:** relevant or applicable to a particular matter; apposite**Synonyms:** relevant, applicable, important**Antonyms:** irrelevant, impertinent, inapplicable**Sentence:** To ensure a prompt reply, please include all pertinent details in your email.**49. PANDEMONIUM (NOUN): हंगामा****Pronunciation:** pan·duh·moh·nee·uhm**Meaning:** wild and noisy disorder or confusion; uproar.**Synonyms:** disturbance, turmoil, stir**Antonyms:** calm, rest, tranquility**Sentence:** There was pandemonium in court as the judge gave his summing up.**50. PROPITIATE (VERB): संतुष्ट करना****Pronunciation:** pruh·pi·shee·ayt**Meaning:** to make peace with somebody who is angry by trying to please them.**Synonyms:** appease, placate, conciliate**Antonyms:** anger, antagonize, infuriate**Sentence:** After Bill forgot his wife's birthday, he tried to propitiate the situation by purchasing her the pearl necklace she always wanted.

51. MAGNANIMOUS (ADJECTIVE): उदार**Pronunciation:** mag·na·nuh·muhs**Meaning:** generous or forgiving, especially towards a rival or less powerful person.**Synonym:** generous, Noble, great**Antonym:** mean-spirited, Selfish, vile**Sentence:** The magnanimous leader forgave his political opponents and even helped them in their times of need.**52. ROBUST (ADJECTIVE): मज़बूत****Pronunciation:** roh·buhst**Meaning:** strong and healthy; full of vigor; hardy.**Synonyms:** Sturdy , Rugged, Hale**Antonyms:** Insipid , Frail, Weak**Sentence:** His robust strength made him survive the disaster.**53. CURTAILING (VERB): कटौती****Pronunciation:** kuh·tayl·uhng**Meaning:** to reduce or limit something.**Synonyms:** Lesson , Decrease, Reduce**Antonyms:** Lengthen , Increase, Extend**Sentence:** In his inability to force this nameless woman to marry him, he faced a definite curtailment of his former power.**54. CATER (VERB): आवश्यकताओं का ध्यान रखना****Pronunciation:** kay·tuhz**Meaning:** to provide all the things that they need or want.**Synonyms:** Regale , Serve, Fill**Antonyms:** Disappoint**Sentence:** The awards ceremony will be a catered event.**55. TAPESTRY (NOUN): कपड़ा जिसमें चित्र बने हो****Pronunciation:** ta·puh·stree**Meaning:** a piece of heavy cloth with pictures or designs sewn on it in coloured thread**Synonyms:** Drapes, Curtains, Drapery**Antonyms:** Natural object**Sentence:** The interior contains tapestry of the 16th century and other works of art.**56. BEGUILING (ADJECTIVE): आकर्षक**

Pronunciation: buh·gile·uhng

Meaning: agreeably or charmingly attractive or pleasing.

Synonyms: Cunning, Cute, Slick

Antonyms: Bore , Repel, Plain

Sentence: They were beguiled into thinking they'd heard the whole story.

57.CLUTCH(VERB): पकड़

Pronunciation: kluhch

Meaning: to hold something tightly, especially because you are in pain, afraid or excited

Synonyms: Clasp , Grasp, Hold

Antonyms: Loosen , Release, Weakness

Sentence: The child clutched her mother's hand firmly.

58.CONTEND(VERB): संघर्ष करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·tend

Meaning: to struggle in opposition

Synonyms: Struggle , Protest, Fight

Antonyms: Peaceful , Agreeable, Deny

Sentence: The team is expected to contend for the championship this year.

59.LUSCIOUS (ADJECTIVE): सुस्वादु

Pronunciation: luh·shuhs

Meaning: having a pleasingly rich, sweet taste.

Synonyms: delicious, succulent, lush

Antonyms: distasteful, flavorless, insipid

Sentence: Since the bread smelled luscious, Tom decided to go into the bakery.

60. MARQUEE (NOUN) : एक प्रकार का बड़ा खेमा

Pronunciation: maa.kee

Meaning: a very large tent that is used for parties, shows, etc.

Synonyms: Pavilion, Dome, Canopy

Antonyms: Mansion

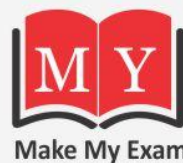
Sentence: The wedding will take place under a large white marquee to protect against aerial photographs.

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