


# DAILY VOCAB DOSE

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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. EXTRICATE (verb) – मुक्त करना

**Pronunciation:** ek·struh·keit

**Meaning:** to free or remove something or someone

**Synonyms:** extract, free, release, disentangle, remove, withdraw, loosen

**Antonyms:** entangle, involve, confine

**Usage:** The soldiers used a detailed plan to extricate their commanding officer from the terrorists.

### 2. HALCYON (adjective) – शान्तिपूर्ण, खुशगवार

**Pronunciation:** hal·see·uhn

**Meaning:** calm and undisturbed

**Synonyms:** serene, calm, pleasant, balmy, tranquil, peaceful, temperate

**Antonyms:** stormy, troubled, agitated

**Usage:** I was very content during the halcyon days of my childhood.

### 3. DETEST (verb) – नफ़रत करना

**Pronunciation:** duh·test

**Meaning:** dislike intensely

**Synonyms:** abhor, hate, dislike, loathe, despise, abominate, execrate

**Antonyms:** love, admire, like

**Usage:** I detest any kind of cruelty.

### 4. PROMINENCE (noun) – प्रसिद्धि

**Pronunciation:** pro·muh·nuhns

**Meaning:** the state of being famous or important

**Synonyms:** fame, celebrity, eminence, importance, distinction, influence, prestige

**Antonyms:** insignificance, obscurity, inferiority

**Usage:** J.K. Rowling achieved national prominence when her Harry Potter series became a household name.

### 5. ORIENT (verb) – दिशानिर्दिष्ट करना

**Pronunciation:** aw·ree·uhnt

**Meaning:** to push in the direction of a goal

**Synonyms:** align, direct, place, position, dispose, situate, set

**Antonyms:** disarrange, miss, disorient

**Usage:** The merger will not be successful if the two firms can't orient to the goals of one.



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### 6. BRISK (adjective) – तेज़

**Pronunciation:** brisk

**Meaning:** very active and quick

**Synonyms:** quick, rapid, fast, swift, speedy, energetic, lively

**Antonyms:** sluggish, slow, quiet

**Usage:** A brisk jog helped to clear my mind.

### 7. PROSPECT (noun) – अपेक्षा, संभावना

**Pronunciation:** pruh·spekt

**Meaning:** the possibility or likelihood of some future event

**Synonyms:** likelihood, hope, expectation, anticipation, chances, odds, probability

**Antonyms:** hopelessness, impossibility, unlikelihood

**Usage:** There was no prospect of any reconciliation.

### 8. SURMOUNT (verb) – विजय पाना

**Pronunciation:** suh·mawnt

**Meaning:** to conquer a problem or obstacle

**Synonyms:** overcome, conquer, overpower, subdue, surpass, vanquish

**Antonyms:** lose, fail, surrender

**Usage:** One of Janet's goals is to surmount her fear of flying.

### 9. PURSUIT (noun) – तलाश

**Pronunciation:** puh·syoot

**Meaning:** the action of going after something or someone

**Synonyms:** chase, search, hunt, inquiry, quest

**Antonyms:** retreat

**Usage:** The police officer is in pursuit of the escaped prisoner.

### 10. PHANTASM (noun) – आभास

**Pronunciation:** fan·ta·zm

**Meaning:** something existing in perception only

**Synonyms:** illusion, apparition, fancy, dream, fantasy

**Antonyms:** actuality, certainty, fact

**Usage:** The boy thought he saw a figure in the dark room, but when he turned on the light, he realized it was a phantasm.



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