







Competitive Exam Preparation App







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.FLAWED (adj.):- त्रुटिपूर्ण

**Pronunciation:** flawd

**Meaning:** blemished, damaged, or imperfect in some way.

**Synonyms:** unsound, defective, faulty **Antonyms:** faultless, flawless, impeccable **Sentence:** The material is flawed throughout.

### 2.PROBITY (noun) :- ईमानदारी

Pronunciation: proh buh tee

Meaning: the quality of having strong moral principles; honesty and decency.

**Synonyms:** integrity, honesty, uprightness

**Antonyms:** badness, evil, evildoing

**Sentence:** Her <u>probity</u> and integrity are beyond question.

### 3.IMPEDIMENT (noun) :- बाधा

Pronunciation: uhm · peh · duh · muhnt

Meaning: a hindrance or obstruction in doing something.

Synonyms: hindrance, obstruction, obstacle

Antonyms: catalyst, goad, impetus

**Sentence:** He was satisfied there was no legal <u>impediment</u> to the marriage.

### 4.DISPIRIT (verb) :- उदास करना

Pronunciation: duh.spi.ruht

**Meaning:** cause (someone) to lose enthusiasm or hope.

**Synonyms:** dishearten, discourage, demoralize **Antonyms:** emboldened, encouraged, heartened

**Sentence:** She refused to be <u>dispirited</u> by her long illness.

### 5.ENLIVEN (verb) :- सजीव करना

Pronunciation: en·liv·en

**Meaning:** make (something) more entertaining, interesting, or appealing. **Synonyms:** brighten up, make more interesting, make more exciting

**Antonyms:** detract from

**Sentence:** His presence enlivened the concert.



#### 6.EXONERATION (noun) :- छटकारा

**Pronunciation:** uhg·zaw·nuh·ray·shn

Meaning: the action of officially absolving someone from blame; vindication.

**Synonyms:** vindication, free from blame, absolution **Antonyms:** conviction, accusation, arraignment

**Sentence:** They expected complete exoneration for their clients.

### 7.FIDELITY (noun) :- सत्य के प्रति निष्ठा

Pronunciation: fuh-deh-luh-tee

Meaning: faithfulness to a person, cause, or belief, demonstrated by continuing loyalty and

support.

**Synonyms:** loyalty, allegiance, obedience **Antonyms:** disloyalty, faithlessness, falseness **Sentence:** I had to promise fidelity to the Queen.

### 8.PREFATORY (adj.):- प्रारंभिक

Pronunciation: preh fuh tuh ree

**Meaning:** serving as an introduction; introductory. **Synonyms:** introductory, preliminary, opening

Antonyms: after, behind, end

Sentence: The poet makes this clear in a prefatory note on the text

#### 9.PLACATE (verb) :- तसल्ली देना

Pronunciation: pluh-kayt

Meaning: make (someone) less angry or hostile.

Synonyms: pacify, calm, appease

Antonyms: anger, enrage

**Sentence:** They attempted to <u>placate</u> the students with promises.

# 10.EFFRONTERY (noun) :- गुस्ताख़ी

**Pronunciation:** uh fruhn tuh ree

**Meaning:** insolent or impertinent behavior. **Synonyms:** impudence, impertinence, audacity

Antonyms: civility, courtesy, gentility

**Sentence:** One juror had the <u>effrontery</u> to challenge the coroner's decision.

### 11.CLANDESTINE (adj.): गुप्त

**Pronunciation:** klan-deh-stn

Meaning: kept secret or done secretively, especially because illicit.

**Synonyms:** secret, covert, furtive **Antonyms:** open, overt, public



**Sentence:** The group held weekly clandestine meetings in a church.

#### 12.HOLLERING (verb): चिल्लाना

**Pronunciation:** haw·luh·ruhng

Meaning: (of a person) give a loud shout or cry.

Synonyms: shout, yell, cry

Antonyms: mumbling, murmuring, whispering

**Sentence:** Hollering at me isn't going to find us a parking place.

### 13.TEMPTING (adj.): मोहक

**Pronunciation:** tempt·uhng

Meaning: appealing to or attracting someone, even if wrong or inadvisable.

**Synonyms:** enticing, alluring, attractive **Antonyms:** boring, irksome, tedious

Sentence: And maybe, I don't want you tempting me to do something I shouldn't.



### 14.BONHOMIE (noun): खुशमिज़ाजी

**Pronunciation:** baw·naw·mee

Meaning: cheerful friendliness; geniality.

**Synonyms:** geniality, congeniality, conviviality **Antonyms:** animosity, antagonism, antipathy

**Sentence:** He was full of <u>bonhomie</u>.

### 15.EXUDED (verb) : बहाना

Pronunciation: uhg·zyoo·duhd

Meaning: to flow forth slowly through small openings

**Synonyms:** give off/out, discharge, release

Antonyms: gushed, poured, absorb

**Sentence:** A sticky resin <u>exudes</u> from the bark of the tree.

### 16.REVILE (verb) : बुरा-भला कहना

**Pronunciation:** ruh·vile

**Meaning:** criticize in an abusive or angrily insulting manner.



**Synonyms:** criticize, censure, condemn **Antonyms:** acclaim, applaud, commend

**Sentence:** They feared that he would <u>revile</u> them if they displeased him.

## 17.AMICABLE (adj.): सौहार्दपूर्ण

Pronunciation: a.muh.kuh.bl

Meaning: having or showing kindly feeling and sincere interest

Synonyms: cordial, collegial, sweet

Antonyms: antagonistic, hostile, unfriendly

**Sentence:** I hope that they will be able to reach an <u>amicable</u> agreement.

### 18.QUAINT (adj.) : विचित्र

**Pronunciation:** kvaynt

**Meaning:** attractively unusual or old-fashioned. **Synonyms:** picturesque, charming, old-fashioned

Antonyms: fashionable, modern, stylish

**Sentence:** A quaint general store on one of the back roads of Vermont.

### 19.PENSIVE (adj.): चिंताग्रस्त

Pronunciation: pen-suhv

Meaning: engaged in, involving, or reflecting on deep or serious thought.

Synonyms: thoughtful, thinking, reflective

**Antonyms:** unreflective, thoughtless

**Sentence:** She looked <u>pensive</u> when she heard the news.

### 20.PLUCK (noun): साहस

**Pronunciation:** pluhk

**Meaning:** spirited and determined courage.

**Synonyms:** courage, bravery, daring **Antonyms:** timidity, cowardice

**Sentence:** She showed a lot of <u>pluck</u> in dealing with the intruders.

### 21. WANTON (adj.): प्रचंड

Pronunciation: vawn tn

Meaning: (of a cruel or violent action) deliberate and unprovoked.

**Synonyms:** deliberate, wilful, malicious **Antonyms:** decent, priggish, non-obscene

Sentence: The community newspaper, describes it as wanton damage and wilful

vandalism.

### 22. LABYRINTH (noun): भूलभूलैया



Pronunciation: la buh ruhnth

**Meaning:** a complicated irregular network of passages or paths in which it is difficult to

find one's way; a maze.

**Synonyms:** maze, warren, complex, network

Antonyms: order, simple, simplified

**Sentence:** We lost our way in the <u>labyrinth</u> of streets.

#### 23. ASCETICISM (noun) : वैराग्य

**Pronunciation:** uh·seh·tuh·si·zm

**Meaning:** severe self-discipline and avoidance of all forms of indulgence, typically for

religious reasons.

**Synonyms:** austerity, self-denial, abstinence

**Antonyms:** sybaritism

**Sentence:** He exemplified the virtues of renunciation, <u>asceticism</u>, and restraint.

### 24. POSIT (verb): प्रस्तृत करना

**Pronunciation:** paw·zuht

**Meaning:** assume as a fact; put forward as a basis of argument.

Synonyms: postulate, put forward, propound

Antonyms: ignore, disregard

**Sentence:** The Confucian view posits a perfectible human nature.

#### 25. LOITER (verb) : देर करना

Pronunciation: loy tuh

**Meaning:** to move or act slowly **Synonyms:** dally, dawdle, delay **Antonyms:** hurry, fasten, speed up

**Sentence:** We'll be left behind if we <u>loiter</u>.

### 26. MARAUD (verb): लूटना

Pronunciation: muh-rawd

**Meaning:** roam in search of things to steal or people to attack.

Synonyms: plunder, go looting, go pillaging

Antonyms: guard, protect

Sentence: Marauding gangs of armed men have been looting food relief supplies.

# 27. DE FACTO (adj.) : वास्तव में

Pronunciation: de facto

**Meaning:** denoting someone or something that is such in fact.

Synonyms: actual, existing, existent

Antonyms: conjectural, hypothetical, nonexistent



**Sentence:** The island has been de facto divided into two countries.

#### 28. DIALECTIC (noun) : द्वंद्वात्मक

**Pronunciation:** dai·uh·lekt·uhk

**Meaning:** the art of investigating or discussing the truth of opinions.

**Synonyms:** argumentation, contention

Antonyms: illogical, irrational

**Sentence:** This situation created the inner dialectic of American history.

#### 29. VICISSITUDES (noun) : उलटफेर

**Pronunciation:** vuh·si·suh·choodz

**Meaning:** a change of circumstances or fortune, typically one that is unwelcome or

unpleasant.

Synonyms: change, alteration, switch

Antonyms: immutability, immutableness, changelessness

**Sentence:** He experienced several great social <u>vicissitudes</u> in his life.

#### 30. REPROBATE (noun) : अनैतिक

**Pronunciation**: reh pruh bayt

**Meaning:** an unprincipled person (often used humorously or affectionately).

**Synonyms:** rogue, scoundrel, brute **Antonyms:** ethical, moral, principled

**Sentence:** There was a <u>reprobate judge</u> who took bribes and often made wrong decisions.

### 31.CORUSCATE (verb): उज्जवल होना

**Pronunciation:** kaw·ruh·skayt

**Meaning:** (of light) flash or sparkle. **Synonyms:** flash, glance, gleam

Antonyms: dim, dull

**Sentence:** The light was coruscating from the walls.

### 32.DERANGE (verb) : उन्मत्त कर देना

Pronunciation: duh raynj

Meaning: cause (someone) to become insane.

**Synonyms:** demented, unhinge **Antonyms:** relax, soothe, tranquilize

**Sentence:** Being stranded at night on a lonely road would <u>derange</u> anyone.

33.IDYLL (noun): सुखद जीवन

**Pronunciation:** i.dl





Meaning: an extremely happy, peaceful, or picturesque episode or scene, typically an

idealized or unsustainable one.

**Synonyms:** wonderful time, moment of bliss, heaven

**Antonyms:** hell, dystopia

**Sentence:** His year as a vineyard worker in the south of France was not the idyll that he

had expected it to be.

### 34.CARDINAL (adj.): प्रमुख

**Pronunciation:** car·di·nal

Meaning: of the greatest importance; fundamental.

Synonyms: fundamental, basic, main

Antonyms: unimportant

**Sentence:** Two <u>cardinal</u> points must be borne in mind.

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### 35.ABRIDGE (verb): संक्षेप करना

Pronunciation: uh.brij

**Meaning:** shorten (a piece of writing) without losing the sense.

**Synonyms:** shorten, cut, cut short **Antonyms:** elongate, extend, lengthen

**Sentence:** The introduction is abridged from the author's afterword to the novel.

### 36.APOCRYPHAL (adj.): शंकायुक्त

**Pronunciation:** uh·paw·kruh·fl

Meaning: (of a story or statement) of doubtful authenticity, although widely circulated as

being true.

Synonyms: fictitious, made-up, untrue

Antonyms: real, factual, literal

**Sentence:** Most of the stories about him are <u>apocryphal</u>.

### 37.TOIL (noun): कठिन परिश्रम

**Pronunciation:** toyl

**Meaning:** work extremely hard or incessantly.

Synonyms: work hard, labor, drudgery



Antonyms: relax, repose, rest

**Sentence:** If you want knowledge, you must <u>toil</u> for it.

38.CONDUIT (noun) : पाइपलाइन

Pronunciation: kawn-dyoo-uht

**Meaning:** a channel for conveying water or other fluid.

Synonyms: channel, duct, pipe

Antonyms: closure

**Sentence:** This is the major <u>conduit</u> for carrying water to the military base.

39.KNAVERY (noun) : धूर्तता

**Pronunciation:** knavery

Meaning: a playful or mischievous act intended as a joke

Synonyms: roguery, waggery

Antonyms: gravity, seriousness, solemnity

**Sentence:** <u>Knavery</u> may serve for a turn, but honesty is in the long run.

40.EXIGENCY (noun): ज़रूरत

**Pronunciation:** ek·suh·juhns·ee

Meaning: an urgent need or demand.
Synonyms: need, demand, requirement
Antonyms: inessential, unimportant

Sentence: Women worked long hours when the exigencies of the family economy

demanded it.

41.EXCRUCIATING (ADJECTIVE): (कष्टदायी)

**Pronunciation:** ex·cru·ci·at·ing **Meaning:** intensely painful.

Synonyms: extremely painful, severe, acute

Antonyms: slight, mild

**Sentence:** She was in <u>excruciating</u> pain.

42. CRAFTY (ADJECTIVE): (चालाक)

**Pronunciation:** craft·y

Meaning: clever at achieving one's aims by indirect or deceitful methods.

Synonyms: cunning, guileful, wily

**Antonyms:** honest, naive

**Sentence:** A <u>crafty</u> crook faked an injury to escape from prison.

43. UNDERSCORE (VERB): (बल देना)

**Pronunciation:** un·der·score



**Meaning:** To highlight the importance of something. **Synonyms:** Emphasize, Accentuate, stress, Reinforce **Antonyms:** Minimize, Downplay, Diminish, ignore **Sentence:** We need to underscore in all subjects.

#### 44. HYPOCRISY (NOUN): (पाखंड)

**Pronunciation:** hy poc · ri · sy

**Meaning:** The practice of claiming to have moral beliefs to which one's own behaviour

does not conform.

**Synonyms:** Deceit, falseness, phoniness, pretense

**Antonyms:** Truthfulness, sincerity

**Sentence:** The leader's Hypocrisy angered many people.

### 45. BOLSTERED (Verb): (समर्थन)

**Pronunciation:** bolstered

Meaning: To strengthen something

**Synonyms:** Supported, fortified, backed, reinforced **Antonyms:** undermine, debilitated, hindered, weakened

**Sentence:** All party members <u>bolstered</u> the decision made by the leader.



### 46. PROXY (NOUN): (प्रतिनिधि)

**Pronunciation:** prox·y

**Meaning:** A person or thing that act on behalf of another person or entity.

Synonyms: intermediary, substitute, surrogate, representative

Antonyms: Primary, source, original

**Sentence:** He asked his brother to <u>proxy</u> his attendance in the class.

### 47. ACCUSATION (NOUN): (आरोप)

**Pronunciation:** ac·cu·sa·tion

Meaning: a charge or claim that someone has done something illegal or wrong.

Synonyms: Allegation, indictment

Antonyms: Exoneration, Vindication, Acquittal

**Sentence:** The <u>accusations</u> against him proved to be underground.



#### 48. ABUNDANT (ADJ.): (प्रचुर)

**Pronunciation:** a · bun · dant

**Meaning:** something that is present in large amount. **Synonyms:** Plentiful, Ample, Copious, Proflic **Antonyms:** Meager, sparse, deficient, limited

**Sentence:** The park was abundant with vibrant flowers.

### 49. COMPELLED (NOUN): (मजबूर)

**Pronunciation:** com·pel

**Meaning:** force or oblige (someone) to do something **Synonyms:** force, coerce into, pressurize into, pressure

**Antonyms:** willing, voluntary, volunteer **Sentence:** He was <u>compelled</u> to eat it.

#### 50. INTERPRETATION (Noun): (व्याख्या)

**Pronunciation:** in ter pre ta tion

Meaning: To explain the significance of something.

Synonyms: Elucidation, clarification, exposition

Antonyma: Ambiguity, chaquity, ignorance

Antonyms: Ambiguity, obscurity, ignorance

Sentence: The <u>interpretation</u> of the poem brought new insights into its meaning.

### 51.INTANGIBLE (ADJ.): (ना छूने योग्य)

Pronunciation: in tan gi ble

**Meaning:** something that cannot be perceived by touch. **Synonyms:** abstract, immaterial, ethereal, impalpable **Antonyms:** Tangible, physical, perceptible, concrete

**Sentence:** My companions do not care about cyberspace or anything else so <u>intangible</u>

### 52. UNLEASHED (VERB): (आजाद करना)

Pronunciation: un-leash

**Meaning:** To release or set free

**Synonyms:** unshackled, unbridled, unbound, unchained **Antonyms:** controlled, confined, constrained, regulate

**Sentence:** The failure of the talks could <u>unleash</u> more fighting.

### 53. DISCRETIONARY (ADJ.): (विवेकाधीन)

**Pronunciation:** dis-cre-tion-ar-y

Meaning: something that is subject to individual judgment choice

Synonyms: optional, voluntary, elective, arbitrary

Antonyms: compulsory, obligatory, involuntary, mandatory



**Sentence:** Rules are inevitably less flexible than a <u>discretionary</u> policy.

#### 54. RECKONED (VERB): (मानना)

**Pronunciation:** reck·on

**Meaning:** To consider something to be true or likely.

Synonyms: figured, assessed, gauged

Antonyms: disregarded, ignored, omitted, overlooked

**Sentence:** The Byzantine year was reckoned from September 1.

#### 55. IMPRUDENT (ADJ.): (लपरवाह)

**Pronunciation:** im·pru·dent

**Meaning:** Behaviour or actions that are not wise or sensible. **Synonyms:** reckless, lax, impulsive, foolhardy, careless **Antonyms:** Prudent, cautious, judicious, thoughtful

**Sentence:** Taking <u>important</u> decisions without considering the consequences is imprudent.

#### 56. ROILING (VERB): (खिजलाना)

Pronunciation: roil

**Meaning:** make (someone) annoyed or irritated.

Synonyms: churning, ruffling, upsetting

Antonyms: calming, placid, undisturbing, still

**Sentence:** The political scandal has been <u>roiling</u> the country for weeks.

### 57. MUNIFICENT (ADJ.): (उदार)

Pronunciation: mu·nif·i·cent

**Meaning:** someone who is extremely generous.

Synonyms: Benevolent, charitable, philanthropic, magnanimous

Antonyms: stingy, miserly, Niggardly, parsimonious

**Sentence:** His <u>munificent</u> gesture touched the hearts of everyone.

### 58. CONCOMITANT (ADJ.): (सहवर्ती)

Pronunciation: con·com·i·tant

Meaning: something that occurs simultaneously with another thing.

**Synonyms:** synchronous, concurrent, correlative

Antonyms: Disparate, disconnected, diverged, separate

**Sentence:** Increased stress levels <u>concomitant</u> factor for many other diseases.

### 59. CATACLYSMIC (ADJ.):प्रेलये संबंधी

**Pronunciation:** cat·a·clys·mic

Meaning: something extremely destructive

Synonyms: Disastrous, apocalyptic, calamitous, catastrophic



Antonyms: restorative, peaceful, beneficial, healing

**Sentence:** His decision to quit his job had been <u>cataclysmic</u> for his career.

### 60. NUANCED (ADJ.): सूक्षम

Pronunciation: nu anced

**Meaning:** Something that is subtle but important variations

**Synonyms:** detailed, sophisticated, refined

Antonyms: Uncomplicated, unrefined, Naive, innocent

**Sentence:** Her speech was nuanced.

### 61.POLARIZATION (NOUN): ध्रुवीकरण

**Pronunciation:** po·lar·i·za·tion

**Definition:** The process of dividing people or opinions into opposing groups or positions.

**Synonyms:** Segregation, Partisanization, Fragmentation, Factionalization.

**Antonyms:** Harmony, Cooperation, Integration, Consensus.

**sentence:** The country's <u>polarization</u> became evident during the heated election season.



### 62.SCURRY (VERB): जल्दी जल्दी चलना

Pronunciation: scur·ry

**Definition:** To move hurriedly with short and quick steps.

Synonyms: Hasten, Skitter, Dash, Rush, Dart.

Antonyms: Trudge, Linger, Stroll, Saunter, Amble.

**sentence:** The children watched the ants <u>scurry</u> across the sidewalk with fascination.

### 63.PERSIST (VERB): पक्का रहना

**Pronunciation:** per sist

**Definition:** To continue firmly in an opinion or a course of action.

**Synonyms:** Endure, Prevail, Carryon, Persevere.

Antonyms: Cease, Halt, Stop, Quit.

Sentence: She persisted, despite the odds stacked against her.

### 64. COMPLIANCE (VERB): अनुपालन

**Pronunciation:** com·pli·ance



**Definition:** The act of obeying a rule, request or demand. **Synonyms:** Conformity, Adherence, Accordance, Obedience. **Antonyms:** Defiance, Resistance, Non-conformity, Disobedience. **sentence:** The restaurant ensured compliance with health codes

#### 65. UNDERWHELMING (VERB): निराशाजनक

Pronunciation: un der whelm

**Definition:** Something that fails to impress or meet expectations. **Synonyms:** Disappointing, Subpar, Unsatisfactory, Lackluster. **Antonyms:** Impressive, Outstanding, Remarkable, Exceptional.

Used in a sentence: The presentation was <u>underwhelming</u>, lacking in both content and

delivery.

#### 66. VIRTUOUS (ADJ.): नेक

**Pronunciation:** vir·tu·ous

**Definition:** Someone who has high moral standards and behaves in a righteous manner.

**Synonyms:** Honorable, Ethical, Morally upright, Good. **Antonyms:** Immoral, Unethical, Corrupt, Wicked.

**Sentence:** His virtuous actions spoke volumes about his character.

#### 67. GALVANIZED (NOUN): उत्तजित करना

**Pronunciation:** galvanized

**Definition:** To excite someone into taking action. **Synonyms:** Energized, Motivated, Stirred, Ignited.

**Antonyms:** Deterred, Demotivated, Discouraged, Uninspired.

**Sentence:** The inspiring speech galvanized the crowd into taking action towards positive

change.

#### 68. MEAGRE (ADJ.): अल्प

Pronunciation: mea-ger

**Definition:** Lacking in quantity or quality.

**Synonyms:** Inadequate, Insufficient, Limited, Bare. **Antonyms:** Abundant, Plentiful, Ample, Generous.

Sentence: Despite her hard work, she received only a meagre salary

### 69. ARCHAIC (ADJ.): प्राचीन

Pronunciation: ar chaic

**Definition:** Something that is very old or ancient.

**Synonyms:** Antique, Outdated, Obsolete.

**Antonyms:** Modern, Contemporary, Innovative.

**Sentence:** The museum displayed a collection of <u>archaic</u> artifacts from centuries ago.



### 70. PROPONENT (NOUN): समर्थक

**Pronunciation:** pro po nent

**Definition:** Someone who supports a particular idea. **Synonyms:** Advocate, Champion, Defender, Promoter. **Antonyms:** Opponent, Critic, Adversary, Detractor.

**Sentence:** The environmentalist was a vocal proponent of renewable energy initiatives in

her community.

