

# **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. DOUR (adj.) : कठोर

**Pronunciation:** doh•uh

**Meaning:** relentlessly severe, stern, or gloomy in manner or appearance.

**Synonyms:** stern, unsmiling, unfriendly

**Antonyms:** benign, friendly, gentle

**Sentence:** No wonder he looked so dour.

### 2. TREPIDATION (noun) : घबराहट

**Pronunciation:** treh•puhd•ay•shn

**Meaning:** a feeling of fear or agitation about something that may happen.

**Synonyms:** fear, apprehension, worry

**Antonyms:** boldness, confidence, courage

**Sentence:** Shaking with trepidation, I stepped into the old abandoned house.

### 3. OCCLUDE (verb) : रोक देना

**Pronunciation:** uh•klood

**Meaning:** stop, close up, or obstruct (an opening, orifice, or passage).

**Synonyms:** block, obstruct, stop

**Antonyms:** clear, free, unblock

**Sentence:** A blood clot had occluded a major artery in his body.

### 4. SCURRILOUS (adj.) : मिथ्या

**Pronunciation:** skuh•ruh•luhs

**Meaning:** making or spreading scandalous claims about someone with the intention of damaging their reputation.

**Synonyms:** abusive, vituperative, derogatory

**Antonyms:** respectful, polite, gracious

**Sentence:** He wrote a scurrilous piece about me in the local press.

### 5. ENTENTE (noun) : अंतत

**Pronunciation:** awn•tawnt

**Meaning:** a friendly understanding or informal alliance between states or factions.

**Synonyms:** understanding, agreement, alliance

**Antonyms:** disagreement, misunderstanding.

**Sentence:** The two leaders signed a treaty of entente and cooperation.

### 6. SCRIMMAGE (noun) : धक्का मुक्की

**Pronunciation:** skri•muhj

**Meaning:** a confused struggle or fight.

**Synonyms:** fight, battle, struggle

**Antonyms:** truce, accord, peace

**Sentence:** There was a considerable scrimmage, with people anxious to obtain cabs.

### 7. INSOUCIANCE (noun) : लापरवाही

**Pronunciation:** uhn•soo•see•uhns

**Meaning:** casual lack of concern; indifference.

**Synonyms:** nonchalance, unconcern, lack of concern

**Antonyms:** concern, interest, regard

**Sentence:** For all her apparent insouciance, she was desperately unhappy.

### 8. ABASH (verb) : लज्जित करना

**Pronunciation:** uh•bash

**Meaning:** make (someone) feel embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed.

**Synonyms:** embarrassed, ashamed, shamefaced

**Antonyms:** comfort, console, relieve

**Sentence:** The girl was abashed by the laughter of her classmates.

### 9. VIRTUOSO (noun) : कलाप्रवीण व्यक्ति

**Pronunciation:** vuh•tyoo•oh•soh

**Meaning:** a person highly skilled in music or another artistic pursuit.

**Synonyms:** genius, expert, prodigy

**Antonyms:** amateur, amateurish, inexperienced

**Sentence:** He was gaining a reputation as a remarkable virtuoso.

### 10. STAID (adj.) : शांत

**Pronunciation:** stayd

**Meaning:** sedate, respectable, and unadventurous.

**Synonyms:** sedate, respectable, quiet

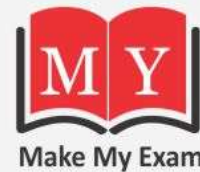
**Antonyms:** joking, kittenish, ludic

**Sentence:** He had grown staid and dull.

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