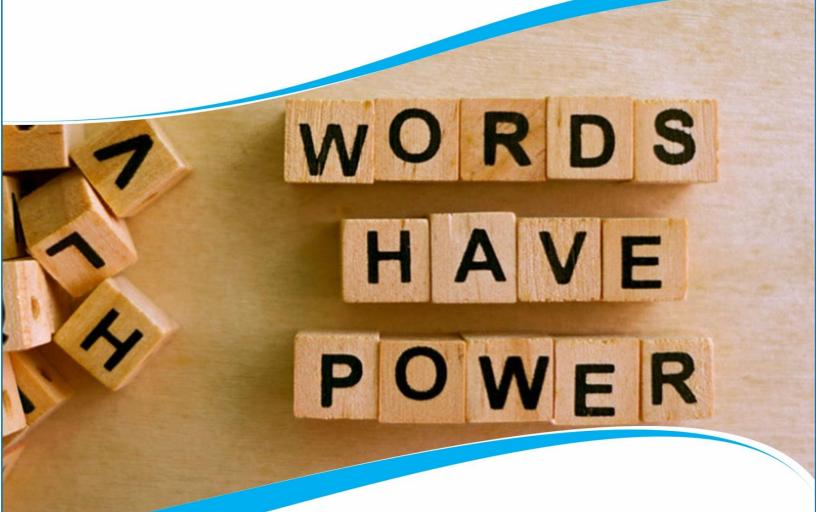




# DAILY VOCAB DOSE

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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. DRUDGERY (noun): कठिन परिश्रम

Pronunciation: druhj·uh·ree

**Meaning:** hard menial or dull work.

Synonyms: hard work, menial work, labor

**Antonyms:** fun, play, relaxation

**Sentence:** He spent his life in pointlessly tiresome <u>drudgery</u>.

#### 2. ANATHEMA (noun) : अभिशाप

Pronunciation: uh·na·thuh·muh

**Meaning:** Something or someone that one vehemently dislikes.

**Synonyms:** abhorrent, hateful, odious

**Antonyms:** joy, pleasure

**Sentence:** His political views were <u>anathema</u> to me.

# 3. STAUNCHLY (adv.) : इढता से

**Pronunciation:** stawnch·lee

Meaning: in a very loyal and committed manner.

**Synonyms:** dedicated, devoted, devout **Antonyms:** disloyal, faithless, perfidious

**Sentence:** She <u>staunchly</u> defended the new policy.

# 4. LOCUTION (noun) : मुहावरा

**Pronunciation:** luh·kyoo·shn

Meaning: a word or phrase, especially with regard to style or idiom.

Synonyms: denotation, expression, idiom

**Antonyms:** euphemism, misconstruction, monosemy

**Sentence:** His <u>locution</u> puzzled me, disturbed me, but I was a guest at his table so I said

nothing.

# 5. EMBEZZLEMENT (noun) : ग्बन

Pronunciation: uhm·beh·zuhl·muhnt

Meaning: theft or misappropriation of funds placed in one's trust or belonging to one's

employer.

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**Synonyms:** theft, stealing, robbing **Antonyms:** give, receive, compensate.

**Sentence:** They were arrested for <u>embezzlement</u> of company funds.

#### 6. RABBLE-ROUSER (noun) : हंगामा करने वाला

**Pronunciation:** rab·ble-rous·er

Meaning: a person who speaks with the intention of inflaming the emotions of a crowd of

people, typically for political reasons.

**Synonyms:** agitator, troublemaker, instigator **Antonyms:** peacemaker, reconciler, uniter

**Sentence:** Rabble-rousers inciting hungry people on breadlines to demand social justice.

# 7. FEISTY (adj.) : आक्रमणशील

Pronunciation: fai-stee

Meaning: feeling or displaying an eagerness to fight

Synonyms: aggressive, agonistic, bellicose

Antonyms: nonaggressive, nonbelligerent, pacific

**Sentence:** He launched a <u>feisty</u> attack on the government.

# 8. FORFEITURE (noun) : ज़ब्ती

Pronunciation: faw-fuh-chuh

**Meaning:** the loss or giving up of something as a penalty for wrongdoing.

Synonyms: confiscation, sequestration, loss

Antonyms: award, reward, gain

**Sentence:** Refusal to sign meant <u>forfeiture</u> of property and exile.

# 9. SCUFFLE (noun) : हाथापाई

Pronunciation: skuh-fl

**Meaning:** a short, confused fight or struggle at close quarters.

**Synonyms:** fight, struggle, tussle **Antonyms:** truce, peace, harmony

**Sentence:** He was involved in a <u>scuffle</u> with a photographer.

# 10. PICKETS (noun) : पहरेदार

Pronunciation: pi·kuhts

**Meaning:** a person or group that watches over someone or something

**Synonyms:** guards, keepers, lookouts **Antonyms:** oppose, resist, withstand.

Sentence: The pickets persuaded some drivers not to enter the factory.

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