



# 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. SEVER (verb) : अलग करना

**Pronunciation:** seh · vuh

Meaning: divide by cutting or slicing, especially suddenly and forcibly.

Synonyms: cut off, chop off, lop off

**Antonyms:** join, link, unite

**Sentence:** She wanted to <u>sever</u> all her connections with the firm.

#### 2. FINESSE (noun) : चालाकी

**Pronunciation:** fuh nes

**Meaning:** intricate and refined delicacy. **Synonyms:** skill, subtlety, expertise

**Antonyms:** inadequacy, incompetence, ineptitude **Sentence:** He is a true believer, but sadly lacks finesse.

## 3. OSTENTATIOUS (adj.) : दिखावटी

**Pronunciation:** aw·sten·tay·shuhs

Meaning: characterized by vulgar or pretentious display; designed to impress or attract

notice.

**Synonyms:** showy, pretentious, obtrusive **Antonyms:** quiet, understated, unflamboyant

Sentence: Actually, he has a lot of debt, he is just living an <u>ostentatious</u> life.

# 4. POIGNANCY (noun) : मार्मिकता

**Pronunciation:** poy·nyuhn·see

**Meaning:** the quality of evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret.

Synonyms: pathos, sadness, pitifulness

Antonyms: mildness, softness

**Sentence:** The film contains moments of almost unbearable <u>poignancy</u>.

# 5. DEFT (adj.) : निपुण

**Pronunciation:** deft

Meaning: accomplished with a trained ability

Synonyms: adroit, artful, dexterous

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Antonyms: amateur, unprofessional, unskillful

**Sentence:** He's very <u>deft</u> at handling awkward situations.

# 6. TOTTER (verb) : लड़खड़ाते हुए चलना

Pronunciation: taw-tuh

**Meaning:** move in a feeble or unsteady way. **Synonyms:** teeter, walk unsteadily, stagger

Antonyms: calm, continue, correct

**Sentence:** The drunkard <u>tottered</u> to the door.

### 7. EXTRANEOUS (adj.) : बाहरी

**Pronunciation:** uhk·stray·nee·uhs

**Meaning:** irrelevant or unrelated to the subject being dealt with.

**Synonyms:** irrelevant, immaterial, beside the point

Antonyms: applicable, apposite, apropos

**Sentence:** We shall ignore factors <u>extraneous</u> to the problem.

# 8. UNREMITTING (adj.) : निरंतर

**Pronunciation:** uhn·ruh·mit·uhng

**Meaning:** never relaxing or slackening; incessant. **Synonyms:** relentless, unrelenting, continual

Antonyms: discontinuous, noncontinuous, periodic

**Sentence:** The group faced unremitting hostility from the FBI.

## 9. APPOSITE (adj.): उचित

Pronunciation: a.puh.zuht

**Meaning:** apt in the circumstances or in relation to something.

Synonyms: appropriate, suitable, relevant

Antonyms: extraneous, immaterial, impertinent

**Sentence:** I found his speech wholly <u>apposite</u> to the current debate.

# 10. MORATORIUM (noun): रोक

**Pronunciation:** maw·ruh·taw·ree·uhm

Meaning: a temporary prohibition of an activity.

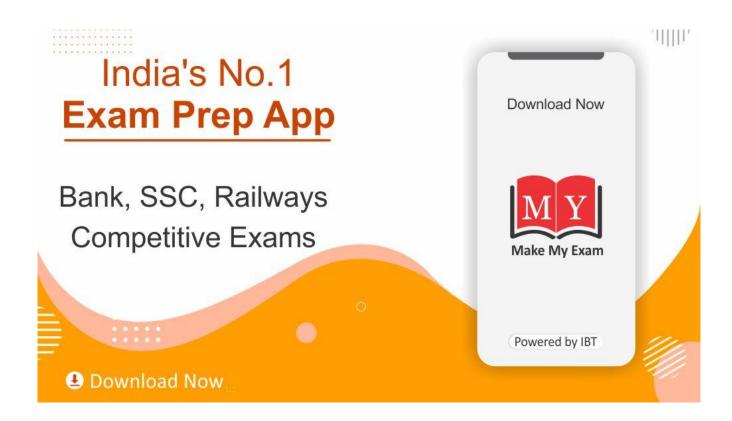
Synonyms: stop, ban

Antonyms: continuance, continuation

**Sentence:** The debt was to be subject to a five-year <u>moratorium</u>.

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