

# **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. SHALLOW (adjective) – उथला**

**Pronunciation:** sha·low

**Meaning:** not exhibiting, requiring, or capable of serious thought

**Synonyms:** superficial, facile, glib, simplistic, oversimplified, schematic, slight

**Antonyms:** profound, serious

**Usage:** Because Jim is a shallow person, he tends to judge people by the amount of money they spend on their cars.

### **2. IGNITE (verb) – आग पकड़ना**

**Pronunciation:** uhg·nait

**Meaning:** catch fire or cause to catch fire

**Synonyms:** inflame, erupt, explode, burn, kindle, light, fire

**Antonyms:** extinguish, douse, quench

**Usage:** The gunpowder sometimes fails to ignite.

### **3. CORDIAL (adjective) – हार्दिक, मैत्रीपूर्ण**

**Pronunciation:** kaw·dee·uhl

**Meaning:** warm and friendly

**Synonyms:** friendly, warm, genial, affable, amiable, pleasant, fond

**Antonyms:** unfriendly, hostile

**Usage:** If you treat people in a cordial manner, they will treat you well also.

### **4. ANTITHETICAL (adjective) – विरोधात्मक**

**Pronunciation:** an·tuh·theh·tuh·kl

**Meaning:** directly opposed or contrasted

**Synonyms:** unlike, opposing, polar, obverse, oppugnant

**Antonyms:** same, identical, like

**Usage:** Their priorities are antithetical to those of environmentalists.

### 5. BARREN (adjective) – बंजर

**Pronunciation:** ba·ruhn

**Meaning:** unable to produce or grow something

**Synonyms:** unproductive, infertile, unfruitful, sterile, arid, desert, waste

**Antonyms:** fertile, productive

**Usage:** The land is barren on the east coast.



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### 6. TERMINATE (verb) – अंत करना

**Pronunciation:** tuh·muh·neit

**Meaning:** bring to an end

**Synonyms:** end, close, conclude, finish, stop, discontinue, cease, abort

**Antonyms:** begin, start, commence

**Usage:** Either party has the right to terminate the agreement.

### 7. SLAPDASH (adjective) – उतावला

**Pronunciation:** slap·dash

**Meaning:** done too hurriedly and carelessly

**Synonyms:** careless, slipshod, hurried, lackadaisical, hasty, disorganized, haphazard

**Antonyms:** careful, meticulous, painstaking

**Usage:** The student's slapdash presentation looked like it had been put together on the school bus.

## **8. PROVIDENT (adjective) – दूरदर्शी**

**Pronunciation:** pro·vuh·dnt

**Meaning:** making or indicative of timely preparation for the future

**Synonyms:** prudent, judicious, shrewd, circumspect, forearmed, wise, sagacious

**Antonyms:** improvident, spendthrift, thoughtless

**Usage:** The provident man set aside money to buy a car with cash.

## **9. HYPOCRISY (noun) – पाखंड**

**Pronunciation:** huh·po·kruh·see

**Meaning:** the practice of claiming to have higher standards or more noble beliefs than is the case

**Synonyms:** sanctimony, pietism, falsity, humbug, pretence, posturing, insincerity

**Antonyms:** honesty, sincerity

**Usage:** When you agree to serve a cause and then back out, I would call that hypocrisy.

## **10. COMPETENCE (noun) – क्षमता**

**Pronunciation:** kom·puh·tns

**Meaning:** the ability to do something successfully or efficiently

**Synonyms:** capability, ability, competency, capacity, proficiency, adroitness, knowledge

**Antonyms:** incompetence

**Usage:** Her competence as a teacher is unquestionable.

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