



# Weekly 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. MISDEMEANOURS (NOUN): अपराध

**Pronunciation:** mis·de·mean·or

**Meaning:** an action that is slightly bad or breaks a rule but is not a crime.

**Synonyms:** violation, misconduct, minor offense

**Antonyms:** innocence, obedience, goodness

**Sentence:** He is charged with several misdemeanors, including driving without a valid license and creating a disturbance.

### 2. PLURALISM (NOUN): बहुतांत्रिकता

**Pronunciation:** ploo·ruh·li·zm

**Meaning:** the existence of different types of people, who have different beliefs and opinions, within the same society.

**Synonyms:** loads, majority, scads

**Antonyms:** minority, few, least

**Sentence:** We know it's not easy to maintain pluralism.

### 3. PRUDENCE (NOUN): सावधानी

**Pronunciation:** proo·dns

**Meaning:** behavior that is careful and avoids risks.

**Synonyms:** caution, circumspection, care

**Antonyms:** recklessness, brashness, carelessness

**Sentence:** The captain said we ought to shorten sail anyway, out of common prudence.

### 4. GYRATIONS (NOUN): चक्कर

**Pronunciation:** jai·ray·shnz

**Meaning:** the act of turning around and around on a fixed point.

**Synonyms:** revolution, rotations, spin

**Antonyms:** unbolt, calm, inaction

**Sentence:** The dancer's graceful gyrations on stage captivated the audience.

### 5. RHETORIC (NOUN): वाग्मिता

**Pronunciation:** ruh·taw·rik

**Meaning:** the art of effective or persuasive speaking or writing, especially the use of figures of speech and other compositional techniques.

**Synonyms:** oratory, eloquence, persuasion

**Antonyms:** silence, inarticulateness, conciseness

**Sentence:** He employed persuasive rhetoric to convince the audience of her point of view.

## **6. DEVOUT (ADJECTIVE): धार्मिक**

**Pronunciation:** duh·vawt

**Meaning:** having or showing deep religious feeling or commitment.

**Synonyms:** religious, reverent, holy

**Antonyms:** faithless, godless, impious

**Sentence:** Louis became an extremely devout and ascetic man.

## **7. MACABRE (ADJECTIVE): भयंकर**

**Pronunciation:** muh·kaa·bruh

**Meaning:** unpleasant and frightening because it is connected with death.

**Synonyms:** gruesome, grisly, ghastly

**Antonyms:** delightful, pleasant, appealing

**Sentence:** Even the police were horrified at the macabre nature of the killings.

## **8. OBLIVION (NOUN): विस्मरण**

**Pronunciation:** uh·bli·vee·uhn

**Meaning:** the state of being unaware or unconscious of what is happening.

**Synonyms:** unconsciousness, insensibility, stupor

**Antonyms:** consciousness, recollection, awareness

**Sentence:** The old photographs brought back memories that had long been buried in the depths of oblivion.

## **9. PROLIX (ADJECTIVE): अति विस्तृत**

**Pronunciation:** proh·luhks

**Meaning:** (of speech or writing) using or containing too many words; tediously lengthy.

**Synonyms:** lengthy, long-winded, verbose

**Antonyms:** concise, compact, brief

**Sentence:** The author's prolix style has done nothing to encourage sales of the book.

## **10. CONSTERNATION (NOUN): आतंक**

**Pronunciation:** kawn·stuh·nay·shn

**Meaning:** a feeling of shock or worry.

**Synonyms:** dismay, perturbation, anxiety

**Antonyms:** comfort, consolation, relief

**Sentence:** The government's plans have caused considerable consternation among many Americans.

### **11. IMPLICATE (NOUN): दोषी ठहराना**

**Pronunciation:** im·pluh.kayt.uhd

**Meaning:** to show that somebody is involved in something unpleasant, especially a crime.

**Synonyms:** compromise, involve, connect

**Antonyms:** absolve, unwound, uncoiled

**Sentence:** He was implicated in a price-fixing scandal.

### **12. ABROGATE (VERB): अभिनिषेध करना**

**Pronunciation:** a·bruh·gayt

**Meaning:** repeal or do away with (a law, right, or formal agreement).

**Synonyms:** revoke, repeal, overrule

**Antonyms:** institute, enact, founds

**entence:** The ministry proposed to abrogate the dated electoral law.

### **13. EMPATHY (NOUN) :समानुभूति**

**Pronunciation:** em·puh·thee

**Meaning:** the ability to understand and share the feelings of another

**Synonyms:** sympathy, pity, compassion

**Antonyms:** ruthlessness, mercilessness, apathy

**Sentence:** Doctors should develop empathy between themselves and patients.

### **14. RELINQUISH (VERB) :त्यागना**

**Pronunciation:** ruh·ling·kvuhsh

**Meaning:** voluntarily cease to keep or claim; give up

**Synonyms:** surrender, render, abandon

**Antonyms:** retain, keep, withhold

**Sentence:** When you relinquish the desire to control your future, you can have more happiness.

### **15. UNANIMOUS (ADJECTIVE) : एकमत**

**Pronunciation:** yoo·na·nuh·muhs

**Meaning:** (used about a group of people) all agreeing about something.

**Synonyms:** like-minded, at one, united

**Antonyms:** divided, discordant, opposite

**Sentence:** The doctors were unanimous in their diagnoses.

**16. CATASTROPHIC (ADJECTIVE) : आपत्तिजनक****Pronunciation:** ka·tuh·straw·fuhk**Meaning:** causing sudden and very great harm or destruction.**Synonyms:** Calamitous , Cataclysmic, fateful**Antonyms:** Fortunate , Blessed, lucky**Sentence:** His mother's untimely death had a catastrophic effect on him.**17. DETERIORATING (VERB) : खराब होना****Pronunciation:** duh·teeuh·ree·uh·rayt·uhng**Meaning:** To become worse.**Synonyms:** Collapse , Degenerate, unkept**Antonyms:** Improvement , Heighten, New**Sentence:** The weather conditions are deteriorating.**18. ANNEXATION (NOUN) : राज्य-हरण****Pronunciation:** a·neks·ay·shn**Meaning:** possession taken of a piece of land or a country.**Synonyms:** Seizure , Invasion, takeover**Antonyms:** Detachment , Loss**Sentence:** Annexations of suburban territory in 1888 and 1890 greatly increased the area of the city.**19. HANKER (VERB) : लालायित होना****Pronunciation:** hang·kuh**Meaning:** to have a strong desire or longing for something.**Synonyms:** Crave, Yearn, Long**Antonyms:** Dislike, Abhor**Sentence:** I have always hankered for adventure and travel, so I decided to take a year off and backpack across Europe.**20. DEPRAVED (ADJECTIVE) : भ्रष्ट****Pronunciation:** duh·prayvd**Meaning:** morally corrupt, wicked.**Synonyms:** Corrupt, immoral, vicious**Antonyms:** Virtuous, moral, ethical**Sentence:** The depraved individual was found guilty of committing heinous crimes.**21. DISINGENUOUS (ADJECTIVE) : कपटी****Pronunciation:** di·sin·jeh·nyoo·uhs

**Meaning:** dishonest, or not speaking the complete truth.

**Synonyms:** dishonest, deceitful, underhand

**Antonyms:** honest, sincere, genuine

**Sentence:** he was being somewhat disingenuous as well as cynical.

## **22. EXPUNGE (VERB): मिटाना**

**Pronunciation:** uhk·spuhnj

**Meaning:** to rub off or remove information from a piece of writing.

**Synonyms:** erase, delete, abolish

**Antonyms:** add, construct, insert

**Sentence:** His name has been expunged from the list of members.

## **23. OBFUSCATE (VERB): अस्पष्ट बनाना**

**Pronunciation:** awb·fuh·skayt

**Meaning:** to make something unclear, confusing, or difficult to understand.

**Synonyms:** confuse, complicate, blur

**Antonyms:** clarify, simplify, illuminate

**Sentence:** The loan contract was filled with legal words meant to obfuscate trusting borrowers.

## **24. UNREMITTING (ADJECTIVE): निरंतर**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·ruh·mit·uhng

**Meaning:** going on and on without any interruptions.

**Synonyms:** continuous, relentless, incessant

**Antonyms:** recurrent, intermittent, discontinuous

**Sentence:** As long as continuous efforts, and unremitting struggle, there are no things that cannot be conquered.

## **25. CORROBORATE (VERB): पुष्टि करना**

**Pronunciation:** kuh·raw·buh·rayt

**Meaning:** confirm or give support to (a statement, theory, or finding).

**Synonyms:** confirm, verify, endorse

**Antonyms:** refute, disprove, rebut

**Sentence:** Recent research seems to corroborate his theory.

## **26. UNFURL (VERB): खोलना**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·fuhl

**Meaning:** make or become spread out from a rolled or folded state, especially in order to be open to the wind.



**Synonyms:** unfold, expand, extend

**Antonyms:** fold, close, reduce

**Sentence:** During the spring, the sprouting leaves begin to unfurl, and each petal that opens will sprout a colorful bloom.

### **27. INVERSION (NOUN): विपरीतता**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·vuh·zhn

**Meaning:** a situation in which something is changed so that it is the opposite of what it was before, or in which something is turned upside down.

**Synonyms:** reversal, reverse, contrary

**Antonyms:** verticality, erectness, stability

**Sentence:** Her account of the case was an inversion of the facts ( it said the opposite of what really happened).

### **28. COGNOSCENTE (NOUN): विशेषज्ञ**

**Pronunciation:** co·gno·scen·te

**Meaning:** a connoisseur; a discerning expert (a person who has expert knowledge in a subject).

**Synonyms:** expert, authority, specialist

**Antonyms:** novice, amateur, neophyte

**Sentence:** Michael Meredith, a French cognoscente and librarian at Eton College in England, is less supportive.

### **29. INGENIOUS (ADJECTIVE): रचनात्मक**

**Pronunciation:** in·jee·nee·uhs

**Meaning:** having the skill and imagination to create new things.

**Synonyms:** inventive, innovative, creative

**Antonyms:** imitative, uninventive, unskillful

**Sentence:** With how skilled my chess opponent was, it would take an ingenious strategy to defeat him, and a fair amount of luck.

### **30. SQUANDERED (VERB): गंवाना**

**Pronunciation:** skvawn·duhd

**Meaning:** waste (something, especially money or time) in a reckless and foolish manner.

**Synonyms:** waste, misspend, misuse

**Antonyms:** conserved, preserved, preserve

**Sentence:** Eddie has a tendency to squander his entire allowance on comic books and movies.

**31. SUBJUGATE (VERB): अधीन करना****Pronunciation:** suhb·ju·gayt**Meaning:** bring under domination or control, especially by conquest.**Synonyms:** subdue, conquer, dominate**Antonyms:** liberate, emancipate, enfranchise**Sentence:** The manager tried to subjugate the employees into working late by threatening to fire them.**32. DISINCENTIVE (NOUN): निस्तसाहित****Pronunciation:** dis·uhn·sen·tuhv**Meaning:** a factor, especially a financial disadvantage, that discourages a particular action.**Synonyms:** deterrent, discouragement, impediment**Antonyms:** incentive, motivation, impetus**Sentence:** Punishments serve as a disincentive, attempting to deter people from doing things they shouldn't.**33. APPREHENSION (NOUN): आशंका****Pronunciation:** a·pruh·hen·shn**Meaning:** anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen.**Synonyms:** dread, anxiety, worry**Antonyms:** confidence, calmness, certainty**Sentence:** I am feeling a great deal of apprehension after learning that we have a test tomorrow in my worst subject.**34. STIGMA (NOUN): कलंक****Pronunciation:** stig·muh**Meaning:** a mark of disgrace associated with a particular circumstance, quality, or person.**Synonyms:** shame, disgrace, dishonour**Antonyms:** honour, credit, award**Sentence:** Often people are afraid to admit they have a mental illness because of the stigma attached to psychiatric disorders.**35. DECRY (VERB): निंदा करना****Pronunciation:** duh·krai**Meaning:** publicly denounce; to criticize something as bad, without value, or unnecessary.**Synonyms:** criticize, denigrate, denounce, condemn**Antonyms:** applaud, laud, praise, extol



**Sentence:** Several religious organizations have chosen to decry the obscene cartoon about Jesus.

**36. SALIENT (ADJECTIVE): महत्त्वपूर्ण**

**Pronunciation:** say·lee·uhnt

**Meaning:** noticeable or important.

**Synonyms:** remarkable, prominent, striking

**Antonyms:** subtle, unremarkable, obscure

**Sentence:** She began to summarize the salient features/points of the proposal.

**37. SEAMLESS (ADJECTIVE): निरंतरतायुक्त**

**Pronunciation:** seem·luhs

**Meaning:** smooth and continuous, with no apparent gaps or spaces between one part and the next.

**Synonyms:** perfect, flawless, impeccable

**Antonyms:** imperfect, bad, defective

**Sentence:** Although there were some hiccups along the way, the project seemed seamless on the outside.

**38. CALLOUS (ADJECTIVE): कठोर**

**Pronunciation:** ka·luhs

**Meaning:** not caring about the feelings or suffering of other people.

**Synonyms:** ruthless, merciless, heartless

**Antonyms:** sympathetic, compassionate, merciful

**Sentence:** The professor was callous and cold, and no one wanted to remain in the class

**39. STARTLE (VERB): चौंकाना**

**Pronunciation:** staa·tl

**Meaning:** cause to feel sudden shock or alarm.

**Synonyms:** shock, stun, astonish

**Antonyms:** assure, soothe, comfort

**Sentence:** If the music is too loud, it will startle the sleeping baby.

**40. APLOMB (NOUN): अभिमान**

**Pronunciation:** uh.plawm

**Meaning:** self-confidence or assurance, especially when in a demanding situation.

**Synonyms:** poise, composure, coolness

**Antonyms:** agitation, concern, care

**Sentence :** Despite the heartache James must be feeling, he's still dancing with aplomb.

**41. EMBOLDEN (VERB): साहसी बनाना****Pronunciation:** uhm.boled.uhn**Meaning:** give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something.**Synonyms:** encourage, hearten, rouse**Antonyms:** discourage, daunt, weaken**Sentence:** The party has been emboldened by recent local election successes.**42. BREAKTHROUGH (NOUN): उन्नत****Pronunciation:** brayk.throo**Meaning:** an important discovery or development.**Synonyms:** advance, step forward, find**Antonyms:** set back**Sentence:** Detectives think they have made a breakthrough in their search.**43. ABATEMENT (NOUN): कमी****Pronunciation:** uh.bayt,muhnt**Meaning:** the action of abating or being abated; ending or subsiding.**Synonyms:** subsiding, fade, decrease**Antonyms:** addition, increase, rise**Sentence:** Colchester Council slapped a noise abatement notice on the site.**44. AMELIORATE (VERB): सुधारना****Pronunciation:** uh.mee.lee.uh.rayt**Meaning:** to make something better.**Synonyms:** improve, better, enhance**Antonyms:** worsen, impair, harm**Sentence:** She wanted to ameliorate the situation.**45. BLEAK (ADJECTIVE): सर्द****Pronunciation:** bleek**Meaning:** (used about a place) cold, empty and grey.**Synonyms:** keen, raw**Antonyms:** warm**Sentence:** the forecast looks bleak for the next week.**46. EXQUISITE (ADJECTIVE): अति सुंदर****Pronunciation:** ek.skvuh.zuht**Meaning:** extremely beautiful and pleasing.

**Synonyms:** lovely, elegant, superb

**Antonyms:** soft, light, weak

**Sentence:** the gallery houses some exquisite works of art.

#### **47. TANGLE (NOUN): उलझन**

**Pronunciation:** tang.gl

**Meaning:** a confused mass, especially of threads, hair, branches, etc. that cannot easily be separated from each other.

**Synonyms:** entangle, catch, twist

**Antonyms:** conviction, certainty, sureness

**Sentence:** She fought through the tangle of brushwood trying to catch up with her fleeing friend.

#### **48. ASSERTIVE (ADJECTIVE): निश्चयात्मक**

**Pronunciation:** uh.suh.tiv

**Meaning:** expressing your opinion clearly and firmly so that people listen to you or do what you want.

**Synonyms:** confident, positive, bold

**Antonyms:** unassertive, submissive, docile

**Sentence:** The country is playing a more assertive role on the world stage.

#### **49. INFIRM (ADJECTIVE): कमजोर**

**Pronunciation:** uhn.fuhm

**Meaning:** not physically or mentally strong, especially through age or illness.

**Synonyms:** frail, weak, weakly

**Antonyms:** powerful, stout, strong

**Sentence:** Care for the infirm.

#### **50. UNLEASH (VERB) : खोलना**

**Pronunciation:** uhn.leesh

**Meaning:** to suddenly let a strong force, emotion, etc. be felt or have an effect.

**Synonyms:** release, free, untie

**Antonyms:** contain, restrain, control

**Sentence :** The editorial unleashed a torrent of angry responses.

#### **51. AUGMENT (VERB): बढ़ती करना**

**Pronunciation:** augh-ment

**Meaning:** to increase the amount, value, size, etc. of something.

**Synonyms:** add to, supplement, increase

**Antonyms:** decrease, reduce, lessen

**Sentence:** He augmented his summer income by painting houses.

**52. AMIABLE (ADJECTIVE): मित्रतापूर्ण**

**Pronunciation:** ay·mee·uh·bl

**Meaning:** friendly and pleasant.

**Synonyms:** affable, amicable, warm

**Antonyms:** unfriendly, unpleasant, rude

**Sentence:** The amiable young man greeted me enthusiastically.

**53. RECKLESS (ADJECTIVE) : लापरवाह**

**Pronunciation:** rek·luhs

**Meaning:** not thinking about possible bad or dangerous results that could come from your actions.

**Synonyms:** Rash , Heedless, careless

**Antonyms :** Cautious , Careful, responsible

**Sentence:** He showed a reckless disregard for the safety of others.

**54. SPREE (NOUN): आनंद का उत्सव**

**Pronunciation:** spree

**Meaning:** A short period of doing a particular, usually enjoyable, activity much more than is usual.

**Synonyms:** Binge , Orgy, splurge

**Antonyms:** temperance, restraint

**Sentence:** I went on a shopping/spending spree on Saturday.

**55. FLIMSY (ADJECTIVE): कमजोर**

**Pronunciation:** flim·zee

**Meaning:** comparatively light and insubstantial; easily damaged.

**Synonyms:** fragile, insubstantial, feeble

**Antonyms:** sturdy, substantial, strong

**Sentence:** The storm flattened the flimsy wooden huts that the villagers lived in.

**56. PENITENT (ADJECTIVE): अनुतापी**

**Pronunciation:** peh·nuh·tnt

**Meaning:** feeling or showing sorrow and regret for having done wrong; repentant.

**Synonyms:** repentant, remorseful, ashamed

**Antonyms:** impenitent, unrepentant, unapologetic

**Sentence:** “I’m sorry, ” she said with penitent smile.

**57. APARTHEID (NOUN): रंगभेद****Pronunciation:** uh·paat·ide**Meaning:** the former official government policy in South Africa of separating people of different races and making them live apart.**Synonyms:** segregation, discrimination, racism,**Antonyms:** integration, union, impartial**Sentence:** Nelson Mandela helped to end Apartheid, which was racial discrimination in South Africa.**58. PERSPICACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): कुशाग्र बुद्धि****Pronunciation:** puh·spuh·kay·shuhs**Meaning:** having a ready insight into and understanding of things.**Synonyms:** discerning, shrewd, perceptive**Antonyms:** foolish, idiotic, moronic**Sentence:** He was perspicacious enough to realize that things were soon going to change.**59. BLANDSMITH (NOUN) : चिकनी चुपड़ी बातें****Pronunciation:** blan.duhsh.muhnt**Meaning:** a flattering or pleasing statement or action used as a means of gently persuading someone to do something.**Synonyms:** flattery, coaxing, cajolery**Antonyms:** disparagement, put-down**Sentence:** He remained impervious to all Nell's sulks and blandishments.**60. NEBULOUS (ADJECTIVE) : अस्पष्ट****Pronunciation:** neh.byoo.luhs**Meaning:** (used about a shape, idea, etc.) not clear or exact; without any definite edges.**Synonyms:** cryptic, dark, murky**Antonyms:** clear, plain, obvious**Sentence:** Smudges like this are called nebulae, because they look nebulous - like hazy clouds.

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