







Download India's No. 1 Competitive Exam Preparation App









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.SHUNNED(Verb): त्याग

Pronunciation: shuhnd

Meaning: To avoid or refuse to accept someone or something

Synonyms: Evaded, Adroitness, shy away from

Antonyms: Accept, Adopted, sought

Sentence: Historians of political thought have largely <u>shunned</u> the work.

2.ALLEVIATE (VERB): कम

Pronunciation:uh·lee·vee·ayt

Meaning: to make something less strong or bad.

Synonyms: ease, relieve, reduce **Antonyms:** aggravate, hurt, impair

Sentence:He was able to only alleviate her pain.

3 .DISENGAGE (VERB): छ्ड़ाना

Pronunciation:dis·uhn·gayj

Meaning: to release or separate somebody/something from the person or thing that is

holding them; to become free.

Synonyms: detach, disentangle, remove

Antonyms: attach, hinder, burden

Sentence: I disengaged his hand from mine.

4.REBUFF (VERB): अस्वीकार कर दिया

Pronunciation: ree · buhft

Meaning: to refuse to accept a helpful suggestion or offer from someone.

Synonyms: turn down, spurn, refuse **Antonyms:** accept, open arms, welcome

Sentence: I asked her to be my wife, and was rebuffed in no uncertain terms.

5.ENTRENCHED (ADJECTIVE): आरोपित

Pronunciation: uhn · trencht

Meaning: (of an attitude, habit, or belief) firmly established and difficult or unlikely to

change; ingrained.



Synonyms: established, well established, fixed

Antonyms: superficial, brief, fleeting

Sentence: I have an <u>entrenched</u> resistance to change.

6.VINDICTIVE (ADJECTIVE): प्रतिशोधात्मक

Pronunciation: vuhn·dik·tuhv

Meaning: wanting or trying to hurt somebody without good reason.

Synonyms: revengeful, avenging, unforgiving

Antonyms: forgiving, kindly, good

Sentence: The criticism was both <u>vindictive</u> and personalized.

7.TRIGGER (VERB): चालू कर देना

Pronunciation:tri-guh

Meaning: the part of a gun that you press to fire it.

Synonyms: stimulate, encourage, prompt

Antonyms: discourage, cut, check

Sentence:Stress or overwork can trigger an allergy.

8. EARMARK (VERB) : चिहिनत करना

Pronunciation:eeuh.maak

Meaning: to choose somebody/something to do something in the future.

Synonyms: set aside, keep, set apart **Antonyms:** ignore, neglect, misuse

Sentence: Billions of dollars were earmarked to develop the country's infrastructure.

9. ATTUNE (VERB) : लय में करना

Pronunciation:uh.tyoon

Meaning: make receptive or aware.

Synonyms: coordinated, aligned, keyed

Antonyms: confused, upset, skewed

Sentence: My ears are beginning to <u>attune</u> to the subtle differences in intonation.

10. CONSORT(NOUN): सहचारी

Pronunciation: Kuhn.sawt

Meaning: a wife, husband, or companion, in particular the spouse of a reigning monarch.

Synonyms: Partner, mate, spouse **Antonyms:** individual, single

Sentence: you chose to <u>consort</u> with the enemy.



11.MEEK (ADJECTIVE): नम

Pronunciation: meek

Meaning: (used about people) quiet, and doing what other people say without asking

questions.

Synonyms: long-suffering, forbearing, shy **Antonyms:** impatient, arrogant, superior

Sentence: He brought his meek little wife along.

12.ENDORSE (VERB): समर्थन करना

Pronunciation: uhn daws

Meaning: to say publicly that you give official support or agreement to a plan, statement,

decision, etc.

Synonyms: back, favour, countersign

Antonyms: oppose, thwart, fail

Sentence: He earns more money <u>endorsing</u> sports clothes than playing football.



13.COHERE (VERB): अनुकूल होना

Pronunciation: koh·heeuh

Meaning: form a unified whole.

Synonyms: hold together, together bind, fuse

Antonyms: fall apart, differ, dispute

Sentence: He made the series of fictions <u>cohere</u> into a convincing sequence.

14.COMPELLING (ADJECTIVE): सम्मोहक

Pronunciation: kuhm·peh·luhng

Meaning: that forces or persuades you to do or to believe something.

Synonyms: Enthralling, Captivating, gripping **Antonyms:** Boring, Unconvincing, shaky

Sentence: I would need a very <u>compelling</u> reason to leave my job.

15.REINFORCE (VERB) : सुदृढ बनाना



Pronunciation: ree·uhn·faws

Meaning:To make something stronger **Synonyms:** Strengthen, Fortify, shore up **Antonyms:** Weaken, Undermine, undercut

Sentence: The captain sent out another squad to <u>reinforce</u> the troops.

16.ENGULFED (VERB): परिग्रहण करना

Pronunciation: uhng · guhlft

Meaning: To cover or surround somebody/something completely

Synonyms: Consume, Inundate, bury **Antonyms:** drained, dried, parch

Sentence: Northern areas of the country were engulfed by/in a snowstorm last night.

17.PERPETUATE (VERB): यादगार बनाना

Pronunciation: puh·peh·chu·ayt

Meaning: To make perpetual or cause to last indefinitely.

Synonyms: Extend, Sustain, maintain **Antonyms:** Discontinue, Stop, extinguish.

Sentence: Increasing the supply of weapons will only perpetuate the violence and anarchy.

18.CLAMOR (VERB): जोरदार माँग करना

Pronunciation: clam·or

Meaning: To demand something in a loud or angry way

Synonyms: Brouhaha, Agitation, outcry **Antonyms:** Calm, Silence, murmur

Sentence: She <u>clamours</u> to go home as soon as she gets to school.

19.ENCROACHMENTS (NOUN) : अतिक्रमण

Pronunciation: uhn·kroche·muhnts

Meaning: Any entry into an area not previously occupied **Synonyms:** intrusion into , invansion of, trespass on

Antonyms: respecting, observance

Sentence: An adverse Judgment would have represented an encroachment on

press freedom to report on political matters.

20.PURPORTED (NOUN): कथित

Pronunciation: puh·poh·tuhd

Meaning: vto give the impression of being something or of having done something, when

this may not be true.



Synonyms: supposed, deductive, logical **Antonyms:** definite, explicit, absolute

Sentence: the statement <u>purported</u> to be from the exiled leader.

21. TAME (ADJECTIVE): साधारण

Pronunciation: taym

Meaning: boring; not interesting or exciting.

Synonyms: Docile , Gentle, broken **Antonyms:** Wild , Fierce, savage

Sentence: Some people were shocked by the movie, but I found the story pretty <u>tame</u>.

22. LAME (ADJECTIVE) : कमज़ोर

Pronunciation: laym

Meaning: (used mainly about animals) not able to walk properly because of an injury to

the leg or foot

Synonyms: Limping, hobbling, halt **Antonyms:** Graceful, admirable, noble

Sentence: Danish had to pull out of the Championships when his horse went <u>lame</u>.

23. GLIMMER (VERB) : झिलमिलाना

Pronunciation: gli·muh

Meaning: (of light) to shine without strength or not continuously

Synonyms: Gleam, Glow, shine **Antonyms:** losing, hiding, deal

Sentence: A candle <u>glimmered</u> faintly in the darkened room.

24. SEEKING (VERB) :ढूंढना

Pronunciation: see king

Meaning: To search for something or try to find or obtain something

Synonyms: Exploring , Searching, trail **Antonyms:** ignoring , hiding, losing

Sentence: Employers are <u>seeking</u> further clarification of the proposals.

25. PETITIONERS (NOUN) : प्रार्थी

Pronunciation: puh·ti·shuh·nuh

Meaning: A person who brings a legal case to a court of law

Synonyms: Appellant, Applicant, asker

Antonyms: suspect, defendant

Sentence: The judge awarded the costs of the case to the <u>petitioner</u>.



26. AMBIT (NOUN) : दायरा

Pronunciation: am·buht

Meaning: The range or limits of the influence of something

Synonyms: Bounds, Extent, limits

Antonyms: stand still

Sentence: They believe that all the outstanding issues should fall within the ambit of the

talks.

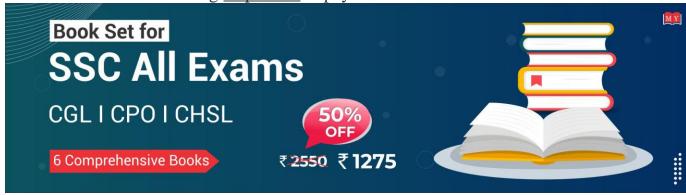
27. DISPARITY (NOUN) : असमानता

Pronunciation: duh-spae-ruh-tee

Meaning: A difference, especially one that is caused by unfair treatment

Synonyms: Distinction, inequality **Antonyms:** Parity, Similarity, analogy

Sentence: There are also big <u>disparities</u> in pay.



28. CLUTCH (VERB): पकड़ना

Pronunciation: kluhch

Meaning: To take or try to take hold of something tightly, usually in fear, worry, or pain

Synonyms: Clamp, Grasp, hold **Antonyms:** Loosen, Release, item

Sentence: The child <u>clutched</u> her mother's hand firmly.

29. CONTEND (VERB): संघर्ष करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·tend

Meaning: To struggle in opposition **Synonyms:** Struggle, Protest, fight **Antonyms:** Peaceful, Agreeable

Sentence: The team is expected to <u>contend</u> for the championship this year.

30. DECENNIAL (ADJECTIVE) : दस वर्ष का

Pronunciation: duh-seh-nee-uhl





Meaning: Recurring every ten years.

Synonyms: Decaversary

Antonyms: annual, octaeteris

Sentence: For the 2000 <u>decennial</u> census, that will no longer be the case.

31.PURPORTED(VERB): कथित

Pronunciation:puh·poh·tuhd

Meaning: (used about a situation, news, etc.) unpleasant or worrying.

Synonyms: supposed, theoretic, logical **Antonyms:** definite, inducible, illogical

Sentence: His face looked grim, and we knew his news wouldn't be good.

32.RIOT(VERB): दंगा

Pronunciation: rai·uht

Meaning: a situation in which a group of people behave in a violent way in a public place,

often as a protest.

Synonyms: Tumult, Uproar, melee **Antonyms:** Harmony, Peace, downer

Sentence: A lot of property was damaged in the recent riots.

33.CONCEDE(VERB): स्वीकार करना

Pronunciation: kuhn·seed

Meaning: To admit that something is true, or to allow something.

Synonyms: Accept, Grant, admit **Antonyms:** Deny, reject, refute

Sentence: They started to concede defeat in the war.

34.TRINITY(NOUN) : त्रिदेव

Pronunciation: tri·nuh·tee

Meaning: A group of three things or people.

Synonyms: Triad, Trio, triplet **Antonyms:**ordinal,divide,multiply

Sentence: He caught sight of the trinity of masters.

35.REMINISCENT(VERB): याद दिलाने वाला

Pronunciation: reh·muh·ni·snt

Meaning: Making you remember a particular person, event, or thing.

Synonyms: Evocative, Nostalgic, meaningful

Antonyms: Forgetful, unreminiscent





Sentence: The way he laughed was strongly reminiscent of his father.

36.FRINGES(NOUN): किनारे

Pronunciation:frinj·uhz

Meaning: a border for decoration on a piece of clothing, etc. that is made of lots of

hanging threads.

Synonyms: Brink, Edge, border **Antonyms:** Middle, center, core

Sentence: The party remained on the fringe of the political scene until last year.

37.DEPLOYED(VERB) : तैनात

Pronunciation: duh·ployd

Meaning: To arrange in a position of readiness, or to move strategically or appropriately.

Synonyms: Extend, Arrange, display **Antonyms:** conceal, displace, withhold

Sentence: Two scientists were deployed to study the problem.

38. PROBE(VERB): जांच

Pronunciation: probe

Meaning: To search into or examine something.

Synonyms: Investigation, Inquiry, study

Antonyms: overlook,unmind

Sentence: The newspapers are now probing into the President's past.

39.INSTIGATORS(NOUN): भडकानेवाला व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: in·stuh·gayt·uhz

Meaning: A person who causes something to happen, especially something bad.

Synonyms: Initiator, motivator, planner **Antonyms:** peacemaker,reconciler,uniter

Sentence: The instigators of the disturbance have not yet been identified.

40.UNSAVORY(ADJECTIVE) : बेस्वाद

Pronunciation:un·sa·vory

Meaning: Unpleasant; not morally acceptable. **Synonyms:** Distasteful, Unpalatable, ininviting

Antonyms: Appetizing, Delicious, tasty

Sentence: The club has an unsavoury reputation.

41.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 <u>reckless</u> disregard for the safety of others.

42.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.

43.EMBLEMATIC(ADJECTIVE) : प्रतीकात्मक

Pronunciation:em·bluhm·a·tuhk

Meaning: Serving as a symbol of a particular quality or concept; symbolic.

Synonyms: Exemplary, Representative, symbolic

Antonyms: literal, nonsymbolic, actual

Sentence: A sword is <u>emblematic</u> of power gained by violence.

44.SUBSIDENCE(NOUN): घटाव

Pronunciation:suhb·sai·dns

Meaning: The process by which land or buildings sink to a lower level

Synonyms: Sinking, Collapse, giving way

Antonyms: Rise, Increase, advance

Sentence: Under certain circumstances, land <u>subsidence</u> is covered under flood policies.

45.SAG(VERB): शिथिलता

Pronunciation: sag.uhng

Meaning: To bend or sink lower **Synonyms:** Slump, Hung, sinking **Antonyms:** Stiffen, rigid, raised

Sentence: The shelf <u>sagged</u> under the weight of so many books.

46.HEED(VERB): सावधानी

Pronunciation:heed

Meaning: To pay attention to advice, a warning, etc.

Synonyms: Caution, Carefulness, care





Antonyms: Disregard, Ignorance, neglect

Sentence: She does not pay their concerns any <u>heed</u>.

47.PLUNDER(VERB): लूट

Pronunciation:pluhn·duh

Meaning: To steal goods forcefully from a place, esp. during a war.

Synonyms: Pillage, Rob, strip

Antonyms: Preserved, real estate, immovables

Sentence: After the battle the soldiers began looting and <u>plundering</u>.

48.STRATA(NOUN): परतें

Pronunciation:straa·tuh

Meaning: A layer of material, naturally or artificially formed.

Synonyms: Layers, vein, sheet **Antonyms:** Laminae, angled

Sentence: I detest using these terms, but they do describe the different stratas of our

society.

49.ALLEGED(ADJECTIVE) : कथित

Pronunciation:uh·lejd

Meaning: Accused but not proven or convicted.

Synonyms: Supposed, Claimed, so.called

Antonyms: Actual, real, factual

Sentence: It was <u>alleged</u> that the policeman had accepted bribes.

50.AMBIGUITY(NOUN) : अस्पष्टता

Pronunciation:am·buh·gyoo·uh·tee

Meaning: Doubtfulness or uncertainty of meaning or intention.

Synonyms: Vagueness, Dubiety, mystery **Antonyms:** Clarity, Certainty, clearness

Sentence: The <u>ambiguity</u> begins to disappear as more explanations are made.



