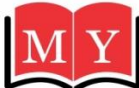


# DAILY VOCAB DOSE

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**Happy learning!!!**

### 1.PRESUMPTUOUS (adjective) – धृष्ट, बेअदब

**Pronunciation:** pruh•zuhmp•tyoo•uhs

**Meaning:** failing to observe the limits of what is permitted or appropriate

**Synonyms:** brazen, overconfident, arrogant, egotistical, bold, audacious

**Antonyms:** timid, unassuming, humble, modest

**Usage:** Despite the fact my uncle believed he was entitled to everything, he was not a presumptuous man.

### 2.FOE (noun) – शत्रु, दुश्मन

**Pronunciation:** foh

**Meaning:** an enemy or opponent

**Synonyms:** enemy, adversary, opponent, rival, nemesis, challenger, competitor

**Antonym:** ally, friend, supporter

**Usage:** The two countries have united against their common foe.

### 3.RELENT (verb) – नरम पड़ना, कोमल होना

**Pronunciation:** ri•lent

**Meaning:** become less severe or intense

**Synonyms:** acquiesce, soften, capitulate, quit, relax, slacken, subside

**Antonyms:** harden, strengthen, worsen

**Usage:** The rain did not relent, and even seemed to be enhanced at times.

### 4.ALOOF (adjective) – अलग, पृथक

**Pronunciation:** uh•loof

**Meaning:** cool and distant

**Synonyms:** detached, distant, haughty, indifferent, standoffish, unresponsive

**Antonyms:** familiar, friendly, sympathetic

**Usage:** The aloof princess stood in a corner alone.

### 5.MAGNATE (noun) - धनाढ्य, प्रभावशाली व्यक्ति

**Pronunciation:** mag•neit

**Meaning:** a wealthy and influential business person

**Synonyms:** aristocrat, capitalist, financier, merchant, mogul, tycoon

**Antonym:** nonentity, unknown, nobody

**Usage:** My grandfather was considered a very influential and wealthy oil magnate.

### 6.SURLY (adjective) – असभ्य

**Pronunciation:** suh•lee

**Meaning:** bad-tempered and unfriendly

**Synonyms:** ill-natured, grumpy, glum, crotchety, prickly, irascible, testy

**Antonyms:** kind, nice, polite

**Usage:** He became surly and rude towards me.



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### 7.SWAY (noun) – बोलबाला

**Pronunciation:** swei

**Meaning:** strong influence or control

**Synonyms:** influence, authority, control, command, dominion, power, domination

**Antonyms:** inability, inefficiency, powerlessness

**Usage:** Many countries have held sway over others through occupation.

### 8.TEMPORAL (adjective) – लौकिक

**Pronunciation:** tem•puh•ruhl

**Meaning:** associated with the real world and not the spiritual world

**Synonyms:** earthly, materialistic, physical, mortal, secular, worldly, profane

**Antonyms:** spiritual, immaterial, mental

**Usage:** The monk's commitment requires him to ignore the temporal pleasures of the world.

### 9.CONSTRUE (verb) – समझाना

**Pronunciation:** kuhn•stroo

**Meaning:** to clarify what something means

**Synonyms:** interpret, understand, parse, render, analyse, explain, elucidate

**Antonyms:** misunderstand, cloud, confuse

**Usage:** We were all amazed by the detective's ability to construe logic out of the killer's strange riddle.

### 10.FOPPISH (adjective) – आडंबरप्रिय

**Pronunciation:** fo•puhsh

**Meaning:** affecting extreme elegance in dress and manner

**Synonyms:** dandified, dapper, dressy, spruce, affected, preening

**Antonyms:** modest, dowdy, unaffected

**Usage:** He is foppish and vain.



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