

# **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. BUTTRESS (VERB): समर्थन करना

**Pronunciation:** buh•truhs

**Meaning:** to give support to or strengthen something.

**Synonyms:** support, brace, reinforce

**Antonyms:** undermine, weaken, undercut

**Sentence:** The new evidence served to buttress his argument for the defendant's innocence.

### 2. 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:** He had to relinquish his position as CEO due to his health issues.

### 3. CRYPTIC (ADJECTIVE): गुप्त

**Pronunciation:** kript•uhk

**Meaning:** having a meaning that is mysterious or obscure.

**Synonyms:** enigmatic, mysterious, confusing

**Antonyms:** understandable, clear, plain

**Sentence:** The message was written in cryptic code that only a few people could decipher.

### 4. GRASSROOTS (NOUN): आधार

**Pronunciation:** graa•sroots

**Meaning:** the most basic level of an activity or organization.

**Synonyms:** central, constitutional, elemental

**Antonyms:** uncommon, incidental, incident

**Sentence:** trying to improve the sport's image at the **grassroots** level.

### 5. WATCHDOG (NOUN): निगरानी

**Pronunciation:** vawch•dawg

**Meaning:** a person or group whose job is to make sure that large companies respect people's rights.

**Synonyms:** Guardian, custodian, overseer

**Antonyms:** Offender, wrongdoer, culprit

**Sentence:** The media serves as a watchdog to hold the government accountable for its actions.

## 6. FRACAS (NOUN): कोलाहल

**Pronunciation:** frak·aaz

**Meaning:** a noisy disturbance or quarrel.

**Synonyms:** quarrel, scuffle, brawl

**Antonyms:** truce

**Sentence:** Eight people were injured in the fracas.

## 7. JAMBOREE (NOUN): उत्सव

**Pronunciation:** jam·buh·ree

**Meaning:** a large celebration or party, typically a lavish and boisterous one.

**Synonyms:** rally, gathering, get-together

**Antonyms:** misery, feud

**Sentence:** The film industry's annual jamboree was in Cannes.

## 8. GRAPPLE (VERB): पकड़ना

**Pronunciation:** gra·pl

**Meaning:** to get hold of somebody/something and fight with or try to control him/her/it.

**Synonyms:** Wrestle, fight, struggle

**Antonyms:** release, relinquishment

**Sentence:** The athlete had to grapple with his opponent for nearly ten minutes before finally winning the wrestling match.

## 9. KUDOS(NOUN): प्रशंसा

**Pronunciation:** kyoo·daws

**Meaning:** Praise and recognition for an achievement or accomplishment.

**Synonyms:** Acclaim, applause, recognition

**Antonyms:** Criticism, condemnation, disapproval

**Sentence:** The singer received kudos from the audience for his outstanding performance at the concert.

## 10. COVENANT (NOUN): नियम

**Pronunciation:** kuh·vuh·nuhnt

**Meaning:** a formal and binding agreement or contract between two or more parties.

**Synonyms:** agreement, contract, treaty

**Antonyms:** disagreement, discord, denial

**Sentence:** They signed a covenant agreeing to share the profits equally.



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