

# **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. OBFUSCATE (VERB): अंधेरा करना

**Pronunciation:** awb•fuh•skayt

**Meaning:** to make something less clear and harder to understand, especially intentionally.

**Synonyms:** obscure, confuse, complicate

**Antonyms:** clarify, clear (up), simplify

**Sentence:** She was criticized for using arguments that obfuscated the main issue.

### 2. DURESS (NOUN): दबाव

**Pronunciation:** dyoo•res

**Meaning:** threats, violence, to force someone into doing something against their will.

**Synonyms:** pressure, constraint, compulsion

**Antonyms:** freedom, independence, liberation

**Sentence:** I think Claire was under duress when she signed the agreement; she never would have voluntarily accepted those conditions.

### 3. CEREBRATION (NOUN): बुद्धि वक्क

**Pronunciation:** seh•ruh•bray•shn

**Meaning:** the process of thinking, using the brain to consider something.

**Synonyms:** contemplation, pondering, thinking

**Antonyms:** thoughtlessness, negligence, ignorance

**Sentence:** His intense cerebration and focus made him a successful scientist.

### 4. PERFIDIOUS (ADJECTIVE): धोखेबाज

**Pronunciation:** puh•fi•dee•uhs

**Meaning:** deceitful and untrustworthy.

**Synonyms:** Treacherous, deceptive, disloyal

**Antonyms:** Loyal, honest, true

**Sentence:** She described the new criminal bill as a perfidious attack on democracy.

### 5. CONTRAVENE (VERB): उल्लंघन करना

**Pronunciation:** kawn•truh•veen

**Meaning:** to do something that a law or rule does not allow, or to break a law or rule.

**Synonyms:** Breach, Violate, Infringe

**Antonyms:** uphold, obey, observe

**Sentence:** Because your actions contravene the policy, you're being suspended for ten days.

**6. SMEAR (VERB):** बदनाम करना

**Pronunciation:** smeeuh

**Meaning:** damage the reputation of (someone) by false accusations.

**Synonyms:** libel, slander, defame

**Antonyms:** honor, exalt, glorify

**Sentence:** The politician's opponents launched a smear campaign to tarnish his reputation.

**7. SPILLOVER(NOUN) :** छलकना

**Pronunciation:** spil·oh·vuh

**Meaning:** a quantity of something overflow.

**Synonyms:** tell, leak, reveal

**Antonyms:** veil, disguise, shade

**Sentence:** She felt her own tears spill over at the depth of his pain.

**8. PERTINENT (ADJECTIVE):** संगत

**Pronunciation:** puh·ti·nent

**Meaning:** relevant to something.

**Synonyms:** Connected, Apposite, relevant

**Antonyms:** Improper, Unfitting, minor

**Sentence:** He asked me a lot of very pertinent questions .

**9. THRESHOLD(NOUN):** चौखट

**Pronunciation:** thresh·holed

**Meaning:** the ground at the entrance to a room or building.

**Synonyms:** Commencement, Baseline, Onset

**Antonyms:** Conclusion, Closure, ending

**Sentence:** You know when you cross that threshold, there's no going back.

**10. UPEND (VERB):** समाप्त कर देना

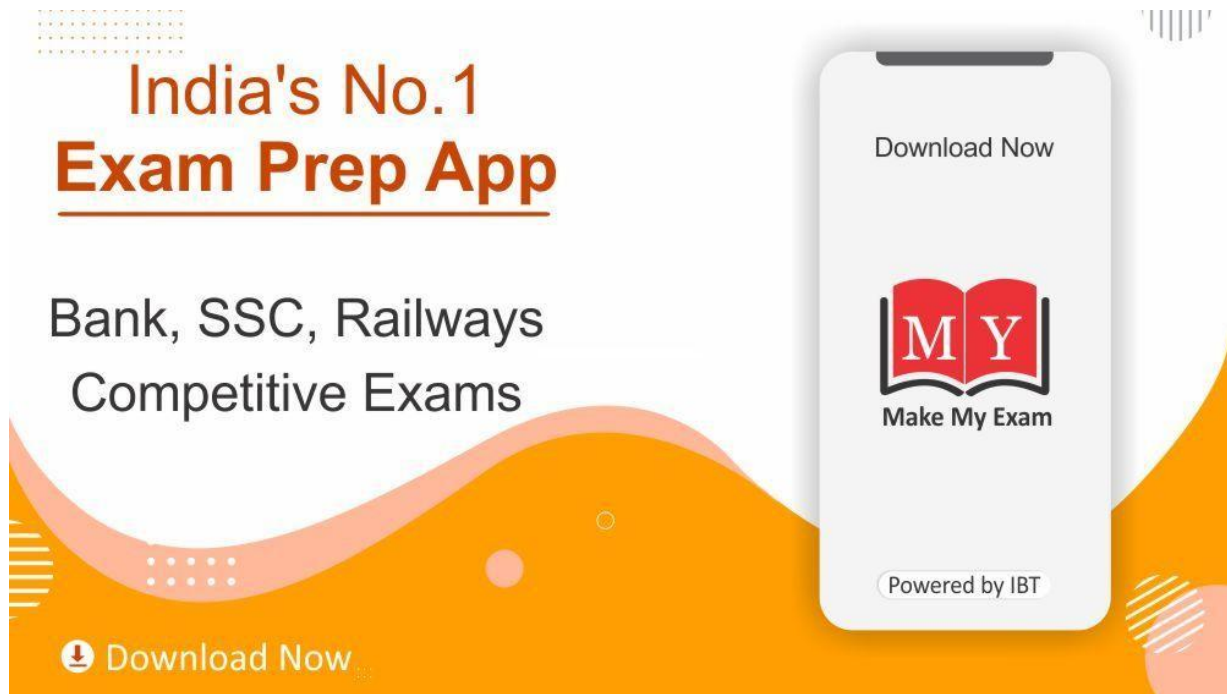
**Pronunciation:** uhp·end

**Meaning:** set or turn (something) on its end or upside down.

**Synonyms:** Flipped, Overturned, overcome

**Antonyms:** Give up, Collapse, fold

**Sentence:** I upended the bucket to use as a stool.



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