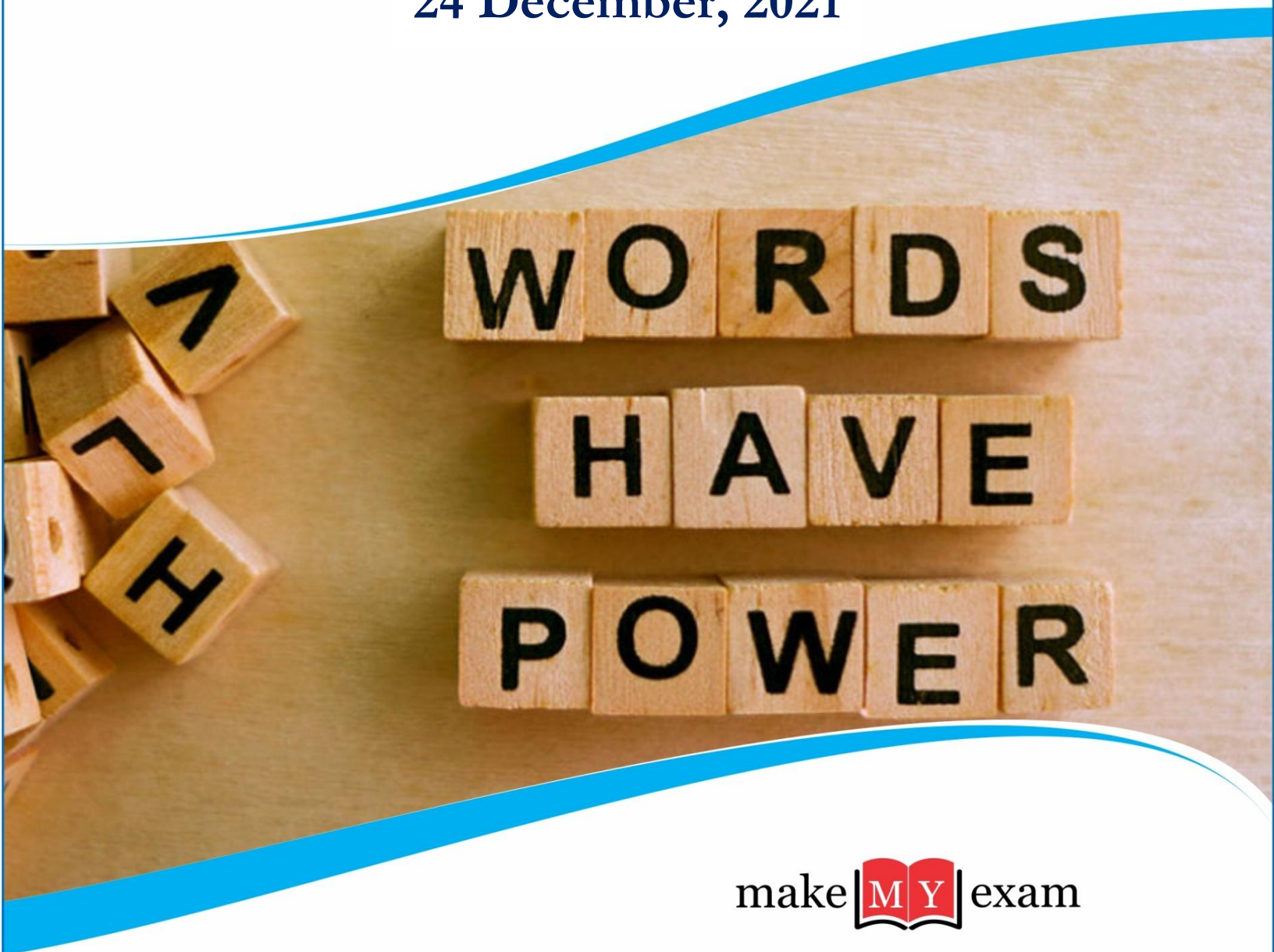


# **DAILY** **VOCAB DOSE**

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### **1. SECRECY (noun) – गुप्तता**

**Pronunciation:** see·kruh·see

**Meaning:** the action of keeping something secret or the state of being kept secret.

**Synonyms:** closeness, secretiveness, privacy

**Antonyms:** candor, frankness, openness

**Sentence:** The talks have been cloaked in secrecy.

### **2. EXERTION (noun) – तनाव**

**Pronunciation:** uhg·zuh·shn

**Meaning:** physical or mental effort.

**Synonyms:** strain, struggle, toil

**Antonyms:** entertainment, fun, happiness.

**Sentence:** A person with nephritis must avoid all exertion.

### **3. SEDULOUS (adj) – परिश्रमी**

**Pronunciation:** seh·joo·luhs

**Meaning:** (of a person or action) showing dedication and diligence.

**Synonyms:** diligent, careful, meticulous

**Antonyms:** idle, inactive, dull

**Sentence:** An impressively sedulous suitor, he was constantly sending her flowers and other tokens of his affection

### **4. EGREGIOUS (adj) – प्रबल**

**Pronunciation:** uh·gree·juhs

**Meaning:** outstandingly bad; shocking.

**Synonyms:** shocking, appalling, horrific

**Antonyms:** imperceptible, inconspicuous, unnoticeable

**Sentence:** It was an egregious error for a statesman to show such ignorance.

### **5. INSCRUTABLE (adj) – गूढ़**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·skroo·tuh·bl

**Meaning:** impossible to understand or interpret.

**Synonyms:** enigmatic, unreadable, impenetrable

**Antonyms:** fathomable, intelligible, understandable

**Sentence:** There are many inscrutable beliefs of that ancient religion.

### **6. PIQUE (noun) – मनमुटाव**

**Pronunciation:** pēk

**Meaning:** a feeling of irritation or resentment resulting from a slight, especially to one's pride.

**Synonyms:** irritation, annoyance, resentment

**Antonyms:** appeasement, mollification, pacification

**Sentence:** In a fit of pique, he posted embarrassing photos of his friend on the Internet.

### **7. SHEEPISH (adj) – शर्मीला**

**Pronunciation:** sheep·uhs

**Meaning:** (of a person or expression) showing embarrassment from shame or a lack of self-confidence.

**Synonyms:** embarrassed, uncomfortable, hangdog

**Antonyms:** extroverted, bold, dashing

**Sentence:** He came into the room looking distinctly sheepish.

### **8. GROTESQUE (adj) – विचित्र**

**Pronunciation:** groh·tesk

**Meaning:** comically or repulsively ugly or distorted.

**Synonyms:** malformed, deformed, strange

**Antonyms:** impressive, pretty, ravishing

**Sentence:** That bloody Halloween mask is grotesque.

### **9. PREDISPOSE (noun) – संभावना अधिक होती है**

**Pronunciation:** pree·duh·spoze

**Meaning:** make someone liable or inclined to a specified attitude, action, or condition.

**Synonyms:** make susceptible, make liable, make prone

**Antonyms:** Comply, consent, discourage

**Sentence:** His good manners predispose people to like him.

### **10. SALUBRIOUS (adj) – स्वास्थ्यप्रद**

**Pronunciation:** suh·loo·bree·uhs

**Meaning:** health-giving; healthy.

**Synonyms:** healthy, beneficial

**Antonyms:** insalubrious, noxious, unhealthful

**Sentence:** He doesn't live in a very salubrious part of town.



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