



# Weekly 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.DISPELLED(VERB) : दूर हो जाना**

**Pronunciation:**duh·speld

**Meaning:** To remove fears, doubts, or false ideas, usually by proving them wrong or unnecessary

**Synonyms:** Eliminate , Banish, dismiss

**Antonyms:** Collect , Gather, unite

**Sentence:** We need to dispel the myths and establish real facts.

### **2.BARBARITY(NOUN): बर्बता**

**Pronunciation:**baa·ba·ruh·tee

**Meaning:** Extremely cruel and violent behavior.

**Synonyms:** Brutality , Atrocity, savagery

**Antonyms:** Humanity, sympathy, compassion

**Sentence:** He is accused of inflicting unimaginable barbarities on his own people.

### **3.OUSTED (VERB) : बेदखल**

**Pronunciation:** awst·uhd

**Meaning:** To force someone to leave a position of power, job, place, or competition.

**Synonyms:** Fired , Expel, eject

**Antonyms:** Admitted, took, received

**Sentence:**The president was ousted (from power) in a military coup in January 1987.

### **4.UNSHACKLE (VERB) : स्थिर होना**

**Pronunciation:**uhn·sha·kl

**Meaning:** To set free from restrictions

**Synonyms:** Unfetter, Liberated, unchain

**Antonyms:** Restrain, govern, hold

**Sentence:** He can unshackle you from the love of money.

### **5.STAKE(VERB) : दांव**

**Pronunciation:**stayk

**Meaning:** A share or a financial involvement in something such as a business

**Synonyms:** Support, pole, pale

**Antonyms:** defund

**Sentence:** He holds a 40 percent stake in/of the company.

### **6.STRANGLEHOLD(NOUN) : बोलबाला**

**Pronunciation:**strang·guhl·holed

**Meaning:** A position of complete control that prevents something from developing

**Synonyms:** Grip, Suppress

**Antonyms:** Powerless

**Sentence:** The two major companies have been tightening their stranglehold on the beer market.

### **7.SUPREMACY(NOUN) : प्रभुत्व**

**Pronunciation:**soo·pruh·muh·see

**Meaning:** The highest authority or greatest power.

**Synonyms:** Dominance, Hegemony, authority

**Antonyms:** Inferiority, Weakness, impotence

**Sentence:** He approved the supremacy of a strong federal government over the demands of states.

### **8.VIOLATION(NOUN): उल्लंघन**

**Pronunciation:**vai·uh·lay·shn

**Meaning:** An action that breaks or acts against something.

**Synonyms:** Breach, Infringement, contravention

**Antonyms:** Honor, Obey, virtue

**Sentence:** The verdict was a gross violation of justice.

### **9.DEROGATION(NOUN) : मानमर्दन**

**Pronunciation:**deh·ruh·gay·shn

**Meaning:** Process of weakening, lessening, or taking away power or authority

**Synonyms:** Aspersion , Disparage, abuse

**Antonyms:** Approval , Praise, hype

**Sentence:**Such conduct will derogate from your reputation.

### **10.USURP(VERB) : हड़पना**

**Pronunciation:**yoo·zuhp

**Meaning:** To take power or control of something by force or without the right to do so

**Synonyms:** Annex , Arrogate, grab

**Antonyms:** Release

**Sentence:**This decision will usurp the powers of the committee.

**11. TRANSIENT (ADJECTIVE) : क्षणिक****Pronunciation:** tran·zee·uhnt**Meaning :** Lasting for only a short time; temporary**Synonyms:** Ephemeral , Short –term, brief**Antonyms:** Permanent , Constant, perpetual**Sentence:** The snow is transient and will melt as soon as the sun appears.**12. DEFER (VERB): आस्थगित करें****Pronunciation:** di·fuh**Meaning:** to leave something until a later time.**Synonyms:** postpone, delay, wait**Antonyms:** do, act, deal (with)**Sentence:** He was not a man to defer this kind of pressure.**13. DISRUPT (VERB): विघ्न डालना****Pronunciation:** duhs.ruhpt**Meaning:** to stop something happening as or when it should.**Synonyms:** destroy, shatter, bust**Antonyms:** Organize, fix, repair**Sentence:** Alcohol can disrupt the chromosomes of an unfertilized egg.**14. GLORIFY (VERB): महिमामंडन****Pronunciation:** glaw·ruh·fai**Meaning:** to make somebody/something appear better or more important than he/she/it really is.**Synonyms:** Exalt, Elevate, worship**Antonyms:** Dishonor, humble, decry**Sentence:** A football video went viral glorifying violence.**15. FASCINATING (ADJECTIVE): आकर्षक****Pronunciation:** fa·suh·nay·ting**Meaning:** extremely interesting.**Synonyms:** Captivating, Absorbing, interesting**Antonyms:** Boring, dull, revolting**Sentence:** He was also the most fascinating person she'd ever spoken to.**16. OVERSTATED (VERB) : अतिरंजित****Pronunciation:** oh·vuh·stayt·uhd**Meaning:** To state something too strongly

**Synonyms:** Emphasize, Exaggerate, overdo

**Antonyms:** Understated, reasonable, realistic

**Sentence:** The prospect of a trade war is vastly overstated.

### **17.DELIMITATION(NOUN) : परिसीमन**

**Pronunciation:**duh·li·muht·ay·shn

**Meaning:** Method of fixing the limits or boundaries of something.

**Synonyms :** Demarcate, define, limit

**Antonyms :** Liberation, let go

**Sentence :** The delimitation of the sea is the most pressing security issue affecting the region.

### **18.MARSHALLED(VERB) : ठीक करना**

**Pronunciation:**maa·shld

**Meaning:** To bring together or organize people or things in order to achieve a particular aim.

**Synonyms:** Mobilized , Organized, arranged

**Antonyms:** Disorder, dismissed, disrupted

**Sentence:** The company marshalled itself in the sad remains of the village.



### **19.SPAT(NOUN) : झगड़ा**

**Pronunciation:**spat

**Meaning:** A short argument usually about something that is not important.

**Synonyms:** Altercation, dispute, bicker

**Antonyms:** Harmony, accept, agree

**Sentence:** She was having a spat with her brother about who should do the washing up.

### **20. Stratagem (Noun) : युक्ति**

**Pronunciation :** stra.tuh.jm

**Meaning:** a trick or plan for deceiving an enemy.

**Synonyms:** ruse, scheme, trick

**Antonyms:** frankness, honesty, honor



**Sentence:** a cunning stratagem completely misled the opposition.

### **21.FOSTER(VERB) : प्रोत्साहन देना**

**Pronunciation:**faw•stuh

**Meaning:** To encourage the development or growth of ideas or feelings.

**Synonyms:** Stimulate , Strengthen, promote

**Antonyms:** Abandon, prevent, forbid

**Sentence:**Developed countries should foster global economic growth to help new democracies.

### **22.STAGGERING(ADJECTIVE) : चौंका देने वाला**

**Pronunciation:**sta•guh•ruhng

**Meaning:** very shocking and surprising.

**Synonyms:** Astonishing , Astounding, amazing

**Antonyms:** Ineffective, weary, normal

**Sentence:** Profits have shot up by a staggering 25 %.

### **23.INDIGENOUS(ADJECTIVE) : स्वदेशी**

**Pronunciation:**in•dee•juh•nuhs

**Meaning:** Produced, growing, living, or occurring natively or naturally in a particular region or environment.

**Synonyms:** Native , Domestic, ancient

**Antonyms:** Migrant, exotic, alien

**Sentence:**They were our indigenous peoples, our first peoples, our first speakers and our first hearers.

### **24.WELTER(VERB) : डूब जाना**

**Pronunciation:**vawl•thuh

**Meaning:** A large number of things in confusion or disorder.

**Synonyms:** Confusion , Jumble

**Antonyms:**Calm , peace ,tranquility

**Sentence:**The report was issued amid a welter of conflicting evidence.

### **25.FOREGONE(VERB) : पूर्व निश्चित**

**Pronunciation:**faw•gawn

**Meaning:** to decide not to have or do something that you want.

**Synonyms:** Previous , Past, former

**Antonyms:** Recent , Bygone, future

**Sentence:** It seems to be a foregone conclusion that I shall never hear a good performance of one of my operas.

**26.EXPEDITE(VERB) : शीघ्रता करना**

**Pronunciation:** ek·spuh·dite·uhng

**Meaning:** To make something happen more quickly.

**Synonyms:** Accelerate , Hasten, hurry

**Antonyms:** Delay , Restrain, stop

**Sentence:** Something needs to be done to expedite the process.

**27.FORGE(VERB) : जाली बनाना**

**Pronunciation:** fawj

**Meaning:** To make an illegal copy of something in order to deceive.

**Synonyms:** Falsify , Duplicate

**Antonyms:** Original, genuine

**Sentence:** The programme aims to forge links between higher education and small businesses.

**28.TRANSIENT(ADJECTIVE) : क्षणिक**

**Pronunciation:** tran·zee·uhnt

**Meaning:** Lasting for only a short time; temporary.

**Synonyms:** Ephemeral , Short –term, short

**Antonyms:** Permanent , Constant, lasting

**Sentence:** The snow is transient and will melt as soon as the sun appears.

**29.FORTUITOUS (ADJECTIVE) : आकस्मिक**

**Pronunciation:** faw·tyoo·uh·tuhs

**Meaning:** Happening by chance rather than intention.

**Synonyms:** Unexpected, Unanticipated, Coincidental

**Antonyms:** Predictable, hapless, luckless

**Sentence:** His success depended on a fortuitous combination of circumstances.

**30.INFLATION (NOUN): महंगाई**

**Pronunciation:** in·flay·shn

**Meaning:** A general, continuous increase in price.

**Synonyms:** Gain, Rise, Escalation

**Antonyms:** Depreciation, Decrease

**Sentence:** Because of inflation the bread that used to cost eighty cents now costs one dollar and fifty cents.

**31. AMIABLE (ADJECTIVE) : सुशील****Pronunciation:** ay·mee·uh·bl**Meaning:** Having or displaying a friendly and pleasant manner.**Synonyms:** Warm-Hearted, Likable, Cordial**Antonyms:** Unfriendly, Disagreeable**Sentence:** Behind that amiable facade, he's a deeply unpleasant man.**32. NADIR (NOUN) : बिल्कुल निम्न स्तर****Pronunciation:** naa·dir**Meaning:** The lowest or most unsuccessful point in a situation.**Synonyms:** Rock-Bottom, depth, zero**Antonyms:** Zenith, Acme, peak**Sentence:** After not being able to find a job after a year, Clint realized he'd reached his professional nadir.

**33. THRESHOLD (NOUN) : सीमा****Pronunciation:** thresh·holed**Meaning:** A point of entry or beginning; the magnitude or intensity that must be exceeded for a certain reaction, phenomenon, result, or condition.**Synonyms:** Verge, Edge, point**Antonyms:** conclusion, ending, period**Sentence:** I knew I had reached my threshold of pain when I had to take a pill for comfort.**34. HARBINGER (VERB) : अग्र-दूत****Pronunciation:** haa.buhn.juh**Meaning:** A person or thing that announces or signals the approach of another; to give a warning or prediction.**Synonyms:** Herald, Augury, signal**Antonyms:** Withhold, Conceal**Sentence:** I tremble at every sound, and every footstep seems to be the harbinger of some disaster.



**35. IDIOSYNCRASY (NOUN) : प्रवृत्ति की विशेषावस्था****Pronunciation:** i·dee·oh·sing·kruh·see**Meaning:** A mode of behavior or way of thought peculiar (unusual) to an individual.**Synonyms:** Quirk, Peculiarity, trait**Antonyms:** Conformity, Sameness**Sentence:** Her worst idiosyncrasy involved repeating back every word that was said to her.**36. UPTICK (NOUN) : तेजी****Pronunciation:** up·tick**Meaning:** A small increase or slight upward trend.**Synonyms:** Increase, Boost, Gain**Antonyms:** Reduction, Falloff, losses**Sentence:** People didn't notice the uptick in temperature from yesterday to today since it went from 32 to 34 degrees.**37. CLAMOUR (VERB): कोलाहल****Pronunciation:** clam·our**Meaning:** A loud and confused noise, especially that of people shouting.**Synonyms:** roar, howl, noise**Antonyms:** murmur, rumble, rumbling**Sentence:** As a ruler, he showed wisdom and courage, and disregarded any effort to influence his policy by clamour.**38. ELUSIVE (ADJECTIVE) : मायावी****Pronunciation:** uh·loo·suhv**Meaning:** difficult to find, catch, or achieve.**Synonyms:** evasive, transient, fleeting**Antonyms:** attainable, available, convenient**Sentence:** Since I am not very good at math, earning an "A" in geometry is an elusive goal for me.**39. STRINGENT (ADJECTIVE): कठोर****Pronunciation:** strin·jnt**Meaning:** strict, precise, and exacting (of regulations, requirements, or conditions).**Synonyms:** strict, rigorous, rigid**Antonyms:** lenient, flexible, loose**Sentence:** The quantity of exports has declined since the early 80s due to the stringent procedures by the government.

**40. IMPREGNABLE(ADJECTIVE) : अभेद्य****Pronunciation:** uhm·preg·nuh·bl**Meaning:** incapable of being overcome, challenged, or defeated.**Synonyms:** invincible, invulnerable, unconquerable**Antonyms:** susceptible, vulnerable, liable**Sentence:** The prison's impregnable security wall makes it impossible for inmates to leave the grounds.**41. IMPREGNABLE (ADJECTIVE) : अजेय****Pronunciation:** uhm·preg·nuh·bl**Meaning:** incapable of being overcome, challenged, or defeated.**Synonyms:** invincible, invulnerable, unconquerable**Antonyms:** susceptible, vulnerable, open**Sentence:** The prison's impregnable security wall makes it impossible for inmates to leave the grounds.**42. SALVO (NOUN) : धमाका****Pronunciation:** sal·voh**Meaning:** a simultaneous discharge of two or more guns in military action; a sudden, vigorous, or aggressive act.**Synonyms:** barrage, flurry, volleys**Antonyms:** drip, trickle, dribble**Sentence:** The soldier loaded his gun in order to complete the salvo.**43. FRUITION (NOUN) : सफलता****Pronunciation:** froo·i·shn**Meaning:** the realization or fulfilment of a plan or project.**Synonyms:** accomplishment, fulfillment, attainment**Antonyms:** nought, failure, inception**Sentence:** After much delay, the plan to build the new hospital finally came to fruition.**44. DELEGITIMISE(VERB): अमान्य ठहराना****Pronunciation:** dee-leh-jih-tih-mize.**Meaning:** withdraw legitimate status or authority ; to make something seem not valid or not acceptable.**Synonyms:** invalidate, nullify, proscribe**Antonyms:** legitimize, sanction, warrant**Sentence:** The government's tactics have been to delegitimize the voices of the poor.

**45. EUTHANASIA (NOUN) : इच्छामृत्यु****Pronunciation:** yoo·thuh·nay·zee·uh**Meaning:** the painless killing of a patient suffering from an incurable and painful disease or in an irreversible coma.**Synonyms:** killing, slaughter, murder**Antonyms:** animate, raise**Sentence:** He asked if we had considered euthanasia since the cat's care would require a considerable amount over \$100, and "he might end up with only three legs".**46. ERRONEOUS (ADJECTIVE) : ग़लती से****Pronunciation:** uh·roh·nee·uhs**Meaning:** in a way that is wrong or false.**Synonyms:** false, misleading, incorrect**Antonyms:** accurate, valid, true**Sentence:** Some people have the erroneous notion that one can contract AIDS by giving blood.


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**47. JUGGERNAUT (NOUN): रथ, वाहन****Pronunciation:** juh·guh·nawt**Meaning:** a huge, powerful, and overwhelming force or campaign; a large, heavy vehicle.**Synonyms:** campaign, power, steamroller**Antonyms:** powerlessness, unpersuasive**Sentence:** The Greeks would have to summon all their strength to stop the Persian Juggernaut.**48. COMPLACENT (ADJECTIVE): संतुष्ट****Pronunciation:** kuhm·play·snt**Meaning:** feeling so satisfied with your own abilities or situation that you feel you do not need to try any harder.**Synonyms:** nonchalant, casual, apathetic**Antonyms:** aware, interested, attentive

**Sentence:** With 66 deaths on our roads every week, none of us can afford to be complacent.

**49. RELENTLESS (ADJECTIVE) : दयाहीन**

**Pronunciation:** ruh·lent·luhs

**Meaning:** unceasingly intense; harsh or inflexible.

**Synonyms:** grim, persistent, ruthless

**Antonyms:** weak, slack, impotent

**Sentence:** The pandemic continues its relentless spread about 14,000 people are infected each day.

**50. COALITION (NOUN) : गठबंधन**

**Pronunciation:** koh·uh·li·shn

**Meaning:** a temporary alliance for combined action, especially of political parties forming a government.

**Synonyms:** alliance, association, union

**Antonyms:** disassociation, division

**Sentence:** At length, the contest was finally closed by a coalition of the three rivals.

**51. DISSEMINATE (VERB) : प्रचार करना**

**Pronunciation:** duh·seh·muh·nayt

**Meaning:** to spread information, knowledge, ideas etc. so that it reaches as many people as possible.

**Synonyms:** propagate, spread, circulate

**Antonyms:** conceal, hold, suppress

**Sentence:** They were created in order to better disseminate the key findings of this 3-year research project, covering 22 countries in 6 international regions.

**52. SURREPTITIOUS (ADJECTIVE) : गुप्त**

**Pronunciation:** suh·ruh·ti·shuhs

**Meaning:** kept secret, especially because it would not be approved of.

**Synonyms:** clandestine, sneak, furtive

**Antonyms:** open, blatant, overt

**Sentence:** After hitting the lottery, the private family hoped to keep their surreptitious winnings to themselves.

**53. INCURSION (NOUN) : घुसपैठ**

**Pronunciation:** uhng·kuh·shn

**Meaning:** an invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one.

**Synonyms:** raid on, attack on, foray into

**Antonyms:** retreat

**Sentence:** When the troops made an incursion across the border, they ruined any chance for peace between the two countries.

#### **54. PROBE (NOUN) : जांच**

**Pronunciation:** probe

**Meaning:** a thorough investigation into a crime or other matter.

**Synonyms:** inquest, scrutiny, study

**Antonyms:** neglect, disregard

**Sentence:** A robot is being sent inside the school to probe the building for explosive devices.

#### **55. FANFARE (NOUN): धूमधाम**

**Pronunciation:** fan·feuh

**Meaning:** media attention or elaborate ceremony; a short and lively sounding of trumpets.

**Synonyms:** pomp, pageantry, glitz

**Antonyms:** restraint, understatement, simplicity

**Sentence:** There is usually a great deal of fanfare involved when it comes to graduation for both high schoolers and college students.

#### **56. FALTER (VERB) : लड़खड़ाना**

**Pronunciation:** fawl·tuh

**Meaning:** lose strength or momentum; speak hesitantly.

**Synonyms:** waver, vacillate, stagger

**Antonyms:** decide, budge, plunge

**Sentence:** His voice began to falter at the mention of his sufferings in the old days.

#### **57. RECESSION (NOUN) : मंदी**

**Pronunciation:** ruh·seh·shn

**Meaning:** a period of temporary economic decline during which trade and industrial activity are reduced.

**Synonyms:** slump, stagnation, downswing

**Antonyms:** growth, boom, recovery

**Sentence:** At periods the country as a whole seemed fairly prosperous, but the broad agricultural recession remained constant.

#### **58. TRAJECTORY (NOUN) : पथ**



**Pronunciation:** truh·jek·tuh·ree

**Meaning:** the path followed by a projectile flying or an object moving under the action of given forces.

**Synonyms:** path, route, way

**Antonyms:** deviation

**Sentence:** The one thing we are incapable of learning by imitating our friends and peers and playmates is the life trajectory that has been prepared for us.

### **59. SLACK (NOUN/VERB) : ढीला**

**Pronunciation:** slak

**Meaning:** having or showing laziness or negligence, decrease or reduce in intensity, quantity, or speed.

**Synonyms:** careless, lax, negligent

**Antonyms:** careful, cautious, punctilious

**Sentence:** Those about him said that he became extraordinarily slack and physically feeble during his stay in that town.

### **60. QUOTIDIAN (ADJECTIVE) : दैनिक**

**Pronunciation:** kvoh·ti·dee·uhn

**Meaning:** of or occurring every day , daily.

**Synonyms:** usual, ubiquitous, ordinary

**Antonyms:** extraordinary, unusual, infrequent

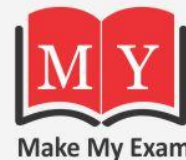
**Sentence:** Television has become part of our quotidian existence.

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