

# **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.POLYGLOT (adj.) : बहुभाषी

**Pronunciation:** paw·lee·glawt

**Meaning:** knowing or using several languages.

**Synonyms:** diglot, linguist, multilingual

**Antonyms:** monolingual, unilingual, monoglot.

**Sentence:** She was reading a polyglot Bible, with the text in English, Latin, and Greek.

### 2.PONTIFICATING (verb) : व्याख्या करना

**Pronunciation:** pawn·tif·uhk·ayt·uhng

**Meaning:** express one's opinions in a way considered annoyingly pompous and dogmatic.

**Synonyms:** expound, declaim, preach

**Antonyms:** humble, lowly, modest

**Sentence:** Politicians like to pontificate about falling standards.

### 3.BRUSQUE (adj.) : अशिष्ट

**Pronunciation:** broosk

**Meaning:** abrupt or offhand in speech or manner.

**Synonyms:** abrupt, blunt, terse

**Antonyms:** circuitous, mealy-mouthed, civil

**Sentence:** Madison's brusque style tends to irritate colleagues.

### 4.QUIBBLE (noun) : वक्रोक्ति

**Pronunciation:** kvi·bl

**Meaning:** a slight objection or criticism about a trivial matter.

**Synonyms:** minor criticism, trivial objection, trivial complaint

**Antonyms:** applaud, commend, compliment

**Sentence:** The only quibble about this book is the lack of color illustrations.

### 5.SCANTILY (adv.) : थोड़े में

**Pronunciation:** skant·uh·lee

**Meaning:** in a way that is small or insufficient in quantity or amount.

**Synonyms:** barely, hardly, slightly

**Antonyms:** abundantly, plentifully, entirely

**Sentence:** The bedroom was scantily furnished.

**6.HEDONISTIC (adj.) : सुखवादी**

**Pronunciation:** heh·duh·ni·stuhk

**Meaning:** engaged in the pursuit of pleasure; sensually self-indulgent.

**Synonyms:** self-indulgent, indulgent, pleasure-seeking

**Antonyms:** self-abnegating, self-denying

**Sentence:** New York, a city known for its hedonistic nightlife

**7.INSALUBRIOUS (adj.) : अस्वस्थ**

**Pronunciation:** in·suh·loo·bree·uhs

**Meaning:** (especially of a climate or locality) not salubrious; unhealthy.

**Synonyms:** seedy, unsavory, sordid

**Antonyms:** healthful, healthy

**Sentence:** After inhaling the insalubrious city smog for a month, I was happy to once again breathe in the fresh air of the country.

**8.WOEBEGONE (adj.) : शोकग्रस्त**

**Pronunciation:** voh·buh·gawn

**Meaning:** sad or miserable in appearance.

**Synonyms:** sad, unhappy, miserable

**Antonyms:** blissful, joyful, delighted

**Sentence:** There's no need to look so woebegone – we can get it fixed.

**9.DECIMATION (noun) : बरबादी**

**Pronunciation:** deh·suh·may·shn

**Meaning:** the killing or destruction of a large proportion of a group or species

**Synonyms:** annihilation, demolishment, demolition

**Antonyms:** building, construction, protection

**Sentence:** The virtual decimation of the coastal town was caused by the hurricane.

**10.ARBITER (noun) : मध्यस्थ**

**Pronunciation:** aa·buh·tuh

**Meaning:** a person who settles a dispute or has ultimate authority in a matter.

**Synonyms:** adjudicator, arbitrator, judge

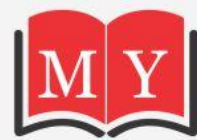
**Antonyms:** fighter, stakeholder, rowdy

**Sentence:** He was the ultimate arbiter on both theological and political matters.

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