



# 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. AMBIVALENCE (NOUN): उभयवृत्तिता

**Pronunciation:** am·bi·vuh·luhns

**Meaning:** the state of having mixed feelings or contradictory ideas about something or someone.

**Synonyms:** equivocation, uncertainty, unsureness

**Antonyms:** certainty, decisiveness

**Sentence:** The document expressed some ambivalence over the doctrine of predestination.

### 2. ENUNCIATED (ADJECTIVE): स्पष्ट रूप से कहना

**Pronunciation:** uh·nuhn·see·ayt·uhd

**Meaning:** say or pronounce clearly.

**Synonyms:** pronounce, articulate, say

**Antonyms:** inarticulate, mute, quiet

**Sentence:** He enunciated his theory to his colleagues.

### 3. MASQUERADE (NOUN): बहाना

**Pronunciation:** ma·skuh·rayd

**Meaning:** a false show or pretence.

**Synonyms:** facade, deception, pose.

**Antonyms:** candidness, candour directness

**Sentence:** Her sorrow is just a masquerade.

### 4. DELETERIOUS (ADJECTIVE): हानिकारक

**Pronunciation:** deh·luh·teeuh·ree·uhs

**Meaning:** causing harm or damage.

**Synonyms:** harmful, damaging, detrimental

**Antonyms:** anodyne, benign, harmless

**Sentence:** These drugs have a proven deleterious effect on the nervous system.

### 5. ENMESHED (VERB): जाल में फंसना

**Pronunciation:** uhn·mesht

**Meaning:** cause to become entangled in something.

**Synonyms:** entangle, ensnare, snare

**Antonyms:** disentangled, untangled, liberated

**Sentence:** The whales are caught by being enmeshed in nets.

## 6. APLOMB (NOUN): अभिमान

**Pronunciation:** uh·plawm

**Meaning:** self.confidence or assurance, especially when in a demanding situation.

**Synonyms:** poise, self.assurance, self.possession

**Antonyms:** self.distrust, self.doubt, apprehension

**Sentence:** He delivered the speech with his usual aplomb.

## 7. DENIZEN (NOUN): निवासी

**Pronunciation:** deh·nuh·zn

**Meaning:** an inhabitant or occupant of a particular place.

**Synonyms:** inhabitant, resident, townsman

**Antonyms:** guest, tourist, visitor

**Sentence:** The denizens of Shantytown live in a natural way.

## 8. CONSCRIPTION (NOUN): भरती

**Pronunciation:** kuhn·skrip·shn

**Meaning:** the practice of ordering people by law to serve in the armed forces.

**Synonyms:** induction, recruitment, draft

**Antonyms:** removal, discharge, dismissal

**Sentence:** At the outbreak of war, young people knew they would soon face conscription into the army.

## 9. SULKING (VERB): मचलना

**Pronunciation:** suhlk·uhng

**Meaning:** be silent, morose, and bad.tempered out of annoyance or disappointment.

**Synonyms:** grumping, moping, pouting

**Antonyms:** gaiety, cheerfulness

**Sentence:** He's been sulking for days about being left out of the team.

## 10. MULTIHUED (ADJECTIVE): बहुरंगी

**Pronunciation:** mul.tee.hyood

**Meaning:** marked by a variety of usually vivid colors.

**Synonyms:** chromatic, coloured, colourful

**Antonyms:** colourless, monochromatic, monochromatic

**Sentence:** This magnificent view shows the multihued beauty of the Adirondacks, a mountain range located in the northeastern part of New York.

**11. ATYPICAL (ADJECTIVE):** विचित्र**Pronunciation:** ay·tip·uhk·uhl**Meaning:** unusual.**Synonyms:** Untypical, Non-typical**Antonyms:** Typical**Sentence:** I belong to the sample of people who are rather atypical of the target audience.**12. FLAUNT (VERB):** शान दिखाना**Pronunciation:** flawnt**Meaning:** show off.**Synonyms:** Parade, Exhibit**Antonyms:** Hide**Sentence:** Newly rich consumers eager to flaunt their prosperity.**13. SLENDER (ADJECTIVE):** अल्प**Pronunciation:** slen·duh**Meaning:** meager.**Synonyms:** Limited, Slight**Antonyms:** Considerable**Sentence:** He helped people of slender means.**14. EXASPERATION (NOUN):** खीज**Pronunciation:** uhg·zaa·spuh·ray·shn**Meaning:** irritation.**Synonyms:** Annoyance, Chagrin**Antonyms:** Pleasure**Sentence:** She rolled her eyes in exasperation.**15. PRECISION (NOUN):** शुद्धता**Pronunciation:** pruh·si·zhn**Meaning:** exactness.**Synonyms:** Accuracy, Correctness**Antonyms:** Inaccuracy**Sentence:** The deal was planned and executed with military precision.**16. HUDDLE (VERB):** भीड़ लगाना**Pronunciation:** huh·dl**Meaning:** crowd.**Synonyms:** gather, throng**Antonyms:** disperse

**Sentence:** They huddled together to ensure warmth.

**17. SPLENDOUR (NOUN): वैभव**

**Pronunciation:** splen·der

**Meaning:** magnificence.

**Synonyms:** grandeur, opulence

**Antonyms:** modesty

**Sentence:** The barren splendour of the Lake District looked stunning.

**18. INDICT (VERB): अभियोग लगाना**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·dite

**Meaning:** charge with.

**Synonyms:** summon, cite

**Antonyms:** acquit

**Sentence:** His former manager was indicted for fraud.

**19. INSURGENT (NOUN): विद्रोही**

**Pronunciation:** uhn·suh·jnt

**Meaning:** rebel.

**Synonyms:** revolutionary, mutineer

**Antonyms:** loyalist

**Sentence:** He signaled to the other insurgent, who obeyed and moved forward.

**20. CONSENSUS (NOUN): सर्वसम्मति**

**Pronunciation:** kuhn·sen·suhs

**Meaning:** agreement.

**Synonyms:** harmony, concord

**Antonyms:** disagreement

**Sentence:** There is a growing consensus that the current regime has failed.

**21. ABSOLVE (VERB): दोष मुक्त करना**

**Pronunciation:** uhb·zawl·v

**Meaning:** exonerate.

**Synonyms:** discharge, acquit

**Antonyms:** blame

**Sentence:** The pardon absolved them of all the crimes.

**22. PREJUDICIAL (ADJECTIVE): हानिकारक**

**Pronunciation:** preh·ju·di·shl

**Meaning:** detrimental.

**Synonyms:** damaging, injurious

**Antonyms:** beneficial

**Sentence:** The proposals were considered prejudicial to the city centre.

### 23. IMPOVERISH (VERB): शक्ति हीन करना

**Pronunciation:** uhm·paw·vuh·ruhsh

**Meaning:** weaken.

**Synonyms:** sap, exhaust

**Antonyms:** strengthen

**Sentence:** The soil was impoverished by annual burning.

### 24. DASTARDLY (ADJECTIVE): दुष्ट

**Pronunciation:** daa·stuhd·lee

**Meaning:** wicked.

**Synonyms:** evil, iniquitous

**Antonyms:** noble

**Sentence:** We all know the pirates and their dastardly deeds.

### 25. EVADE (VERB): बचना

**Pronunciation:** uh·vayd

**Meaning:** elude.

**Synonyms:** avoid, dodge

**Antonyms:** confront

**Sentence:** Friends helped him to evade my woes.

### 26. APPREHEND (VERB): पकड़ना

**Pronunciation:** a·pruh·hend

**Meaning:** arrest.

**Synonyms:** catch, capture

**Antonyms:** let go

**Sentence:** A warrant was issued but he has not been apprehended.

### 27. BLATANT (ADJECTIVE): ज्वलंत

**Pronunciation:** blay·tnt

**Meaning:** flagrant.

**Synonyms:** glaring, obvious

**Antonyms:** inconspicuous

**Sentence:** She turned her back on him in blatant disregard he wasn't likely to misinterpret.



**28. DOMINANCE (NOUN): प्रभुत्व****Pronunciation:** daw·muh·nuhns**Meaning:** supremacy.**Synonyms:** superiority, ascendancy**Antonyms:** subservience**Sentence:** There is worldwide dominance of Hollywood.**29. REDEMPTION (NOUN): मोचन****Pronunciation:** ruh·demp·shn**Meaning:** retrieval.**Synonyms:** recovery, reclamation**Antonyms:** deprivation**Sentence:** The peasants found the terms of redemption unattractive.**30. ESCALATION (NOUN): वृद्धि****Pronunciation:** eh·skuh·lay·shn**Meaning:** rise.**Synonyms:** hike, advance**Antonyms:** plunge**Sentence:** A convincing argument backed by a slow policy may limit the escalation of a crisis.**31. CONSERVATISM (NOUN): रूढ़िवाद****Pronunciation:** kuhn·suhv·uh·ti·zm**Meaning:** commitment to traditional values and ideas with opposition to change or innovation.**Synonyms:** Traditionalism, right-wing, orthodoxy, traditional conservatism**Antonyms:** Liberalism, progressivism, radicalism**Sentence:** His views on social issues reflect his deep conservatism and resistance to change.**32. DISCONCERT (VERB): चिंता जनक****Pronunciation:** dis·kuhn·suht**Meaning:** disturb the composure of; unsettle.**Synonyms:** confuse, fluster, rattle, unsettle, discomfit, disturb**Antonyms:** relieve, soothe, comfort, calm**Sentence:** John would disconcert his parents by not coming home after school.**33. ADDLED (ADJECTIVE): व्याकुल**

**Pronunciation:** a·dld

**Meaning:** unable to think clearly; confused.

**Synonyms:** dazed, bewildered, confused

**Antonyms:** conscious, clearheaded

**Sentence:** Because my grandmother is in her mid-nineties, she is a bit addled at times and requires the aid of a personal caregiver.

### 34. CATHARSIS (NOUN): विरेचन

**Pronunciation:** kuh·thaa·suhs

**Meaning:** the process of releasing strong emotions through a particular activity or experience, such as writing or theatre, in a way that helps you to understand those emotions.

**Synonyms:** Emotional release, purgation

**Antonyms:** Suppression, inhibition, repression

**Sentence:** Crying is a great catharsis for releasing pain and anger.

### 35. CLOUT (NOUN): अधिकार

**Pronunciation:** klawt

**Meaning:** power, influence, or authority, especially in politics or business.

**Synonyms:** influence, authority, power, domination, supremacy, command

**Antonyms:** powerlessness, weakness, subordination

**Sentence:** The CEO of the company has a lot of clout in the business world.

### 36. STYMIE (VERB): रुकावट डालना

**Pronunciation:** stai·mee

**Meaning:** to hinder, block, or thwart someone or something from making progress or achieving a goal.

**Synonyms:** impede, obstruct, block, hamper, sabotage

**Antonyms:** aid, assist, help, facilitate, promote, support

**Sentence:** The lack of funds has stymied the progress of the project.

### 37. CORROBORATE (VERB): सत्यापन करना

**Pronunciation:** kuh·raw·buh·rayt

**Meaning:** to confirm or give support to a statement or theory.

**Synonyms:** Confirm, Verify, Substantiate, Authenticate, Validate

**Antonyms:** Refute, Contradict, Disprove, Deny, Invalidate

**Sentence:** The research paper included data to corroborate the author's conclusions.

### 38. CONVALESCE (VERB): स्वस्थ होना



**Pronunciation:** kawn·vuh·les

**Meaning:** to recover health and strength after illness; to recuperate.

**Synonyms:** recuperate, recover, heal, improve, rejuvenate.

**Antonyms:** deteriorate, worsen, relapse, regress.

**Sentence:** After being hospitalized for a week, she finally began to convalesce and regain her strength.

### 39. HOSTILITY (NOUN): कड़वापन

**Pronunciation:** uhn·bleh·muhsht

**Meaning:** antagonism

**Synonyms:** bitterness, malevolence

**Antonyms:** friendliness

**Sentence:** They have hostility towards all outsiders.

### 40. ERSTWHILE (ADJECTIVE): भूतपूर्व

**Pronunciation:** uhs·tvile

**Meaning:** former

**Synonyms:** old, past

**Antonyms:** present

**Sentence:** The erstwhile president of the company was loved by all.

### 41. IMPREGNABLE (ADJECTIVE): अजेय

**Pronunciation:** uhm·preg·nuh·bl

**Meaning:** incapable of being overcome, challenged, or defeated

**Synonyms:** invincible, invulnerable, unconquerable

**Antonyms:** susceptible, vulnerable

**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

**Antonyms:** drip, tricle, 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:** failure, inception

**Sentence:** After much delay, the plan to build the new hospital finally came to fruition.

#### 44. DELEGITIMISE (VERB): अमान्य

**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

**Sentence:** The government's tactics have been to delegitimize the voices of the poor.

#### 45. SCUFFLING (VERB): हाथा पाई करना

**Pronunciation:** skuh-fuhl-uhng

**Meaning:** engage in a short, confused fight or struggle at close quarters.

**Synonyms:** fight, struggle, tussle

**Antonyms:** sliding, coasting

**Sentence:** The teacher noticed two students scuffling in the corridor.

#### 46. INDIGENT (ADJECTIVE): दरिद्र

**Pronunciation:** in-duh-jnt

**Meaning:** poor, needy.

**Synonyms:** poor, impecunious, destitute

**Antonyms:** prosperous, opulent, rich

**Sentence:** Because he was indigent, the court-appointed a lawyer to represent him.

#### 47. AVER (VERB): दृढ़ता से कहना

**Pronunciation:** uh-vuh

**Meaning:** state or assert to be the case.

**Synonyms:** declare, assert, state

**Antonyms:** deny, gainsay

**Sentence:** I aver that I have spoken the truth.

#### 48. ANOMALOUS (ADJECTIVE): नियम विरुद्ध

**Pronunciation:** uh-naw-muh-luhs

**Meaning:** deviating from what is standard, normal, or expected.

**Synonyms:** abnormal, atypical, nontypical

**Antonyms:** natural, normal, regular

**Sentence:** There was an anomalous storm hanging over the city that no one could explain, as it had seemingly appeared out of nowhere on a sunny day.

#### 49. EVANGELIZATION (NOUN): ईसाई धर्म प्रचार

**Pronunciation:** evan·ge·lize·zn

**Meaning:** to convert to Christianity.

**Synonyms:** Proselytization, Preaching

**Antonyms:** Secularism

**Sentence:** The church organized a series of evangelization campaigns to reach out to the local community.

#### 50. EXTRADITION (NOUN): प्रत्यर्पण

**Pronunciation:** ek·struh·di·shn

**Meaning:** the return of someone accused of a crime to the country where the crime was committed.

**Synonyms:** Rendition, Surrender

**Antonyms:** Asylum, Sanctuary

**Sentence:** The extradition treaty between the two countries allows for the transfer of suspected criminals.

#### 51. SUPERVENE (VERB): पीछे आना

**Pronunciation:** soo·puh·veen

**Meaning:** follow

**Synonyms:** pursue, supersede

**Antonyms:** retreat, precede

**Sentence:** Team members supervene their leaders.

#### 52. DRACONIAN (ADJECTIVE): कठोर

**Pronunciation:** druh·koh·nee·uhn

**Meaning:** harsh

**Synonyms:** cruel, oppressive

**Antonyms:** easy, gentle

**Sentence:** Your master is a draconian man.

#### 53. DAWDLE (VERB): समय नष्ट करना

**Pronunciation:** daw·dl

**Meaning:** waste time

**Synonyms:** loiter, procrastinate

**Antonyms:** hasten, hurry

**Sentence:** The teacher warned the student that he will be punished if he dawdled again.

**54. PILLAGE (VERB): लूटना**

**Pronunciation:** pi·luhj

**Meaning:** plunder, destroy

**Synonyms:** ravage, ransack

**Antonyms:** protect, construct

**Sentence:** The terrorists pillaged the city.

**55. PERSPICACIOUS (ADJECTIVE): बुद्धि**

**Pronunciation:** puh·spuh·kay·shuhs

**Meaning:** observant, perceptive.

**Synonyms:** alert, aware

**Antonyms:** ignorant, unobservant

**Sentence:** The CDI officers are always perspicacious with their case.

**56. NOXIOUS (ADJECTIVE): हानिकारक**

**Pronunciation:** nawk·shuhs

**Meaning:** deadly, injurious.

**Synonyms:** destructive, harmful

**Antonyms:** helpful, kind

**Sentence:** This is a noxious chemical.

**57. FERVENT (ADJECTIVE): उत्साही**

**Pronunciation:** fuh·vnt

**Meaning:** enthusiastic.

**Synonyms:** zealous, ardent

**Antonyms:** apathetic, dull

**Sentence:** He is a fervent child.

**58. FITFUL (ADJECTIVE): चंचल**

**Pronunciation:** fit·ful

**Meaning:** spasmodic.

**Synonyms:** intermittent, fluctuating

**Antonyms:** continuous, perpetual

**Sentence:** As long as his breathing is fitful, he will continue to need an oxygen machine.

**59. FLOUT (VERB): अनादर करना**

**Pronunciation:** flawt

**Meaning:** show contempt for.

**Synonyms:** defy, disregard

**Antonyms:** honour, praise

**Sentence:** One should not flout the traffic rules.

### 60. FEASIBLE (ADJECTIVE): व्यवहार्य

**Pronunciation:** fee·zuh·bl

**Meaning:** practicable.

**Synonyms:** possible, doable

**Antonyms:** impossible, implausible

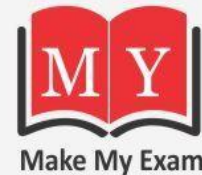
**Sentence:** This seems to be a feasible solution.

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