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# THE HINDU EDITORIAL VOCABULARY BOOSTER

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#### **Sample Questions:**

- Q. What is the meaning of adjudicate?
  - 1. Adjudge
  - 2. Fallout
  - 3. Confront
  - 4. Anticipate

Ans. (1)

- Q. Which of the following words is summarises "A person who informs on a person or organization regarded as engaging in an unlawful or immoral activity"?
  - 1. Diplomat
  - 2. Envoy
  - 3. Whistle-Blower
  - 4. Consul

Ans. (3)





#### **The Hindu Editorial Vocabulary Booster**

Sr. No.	Words	Meanings & Synonyms	Usage
1.	Abundant	Existing or available in large quantities; Plentiful	There was <b>abundant</b> evidence to support the theory.
2.	Acknowledgement	Acceptance of the truth or existence of something; Acceptance, Admission, Granting, Allowing, Concession, Confession; Recognition of the importance or quality of something	I have received neither an <b>acknowledgment</b> nor a reply.
3.	Acquiescent	Ready to accept something without protest, or to do what someone else wants; Compliant, Consenting, Cooperative, Willing, Obliging, Agreeable, Amenable	The peasants proved more <b>acquiescent</b> than had been expected.
4.	Ad hoc	When necessary or needed; Created or done for a particular purpose as necessary; Impromptu, Extempore, Expedient, Emergency, Improvised	The discussions in the meeting were on an <b>ad hoc</b> basis.
5.	Adequate	Satisfactory or acceptable in quality or quantity; Sufficient, Enough, Ample, Requisite, Apposite	This office is perfectly <b>adequate</b> for my needs.
6.	Adjudicate	Make a formal judgement on a disputed matter; Judge, Adjudge, Try, Hear, Examine, Arbitrate	The Committee was formed to adjudicate on all betting disputes.
7.	Admirable	Arousing or deserving respect and approval; Commendable, Worthy of admiration, Praiseworthy, Laudable	The colonel is an <b>admirable</b> man who has won numerous medals of valour.
8.	Admissibility	The quality of being acceptable or valid, especially as evidence in a court of law	The case was dropped after lawyers successfully challenged the admissibility of the documents.



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9.	Adverse	Preventing success or	Increase in the indirect taxes are
		development;	having an <b>adverse</b> effect on
4.5	A.C	Harmful, Unfavourable	production of the steel.
10.	Aftermath	The consequences or after-	Food prices soared in
		effects of a significant	the <b>aftermath</b> of the drought.
		unpleasant event;	
		Repercussions, After-effects, By-	
		product, Fallout, Backwash	
11.	Aggressively	In a determined and forceful	Foreign-owned banks
		way	are <b>aggressively</b> marketing credit
			cards.
12.	Alienate	Make someone feel isolated or	The latest tax proposals
		estranged;	will <b>alienate</b> many voters.
		Turn away, set apart, drive	
		apart, Isolate, Detach, Distance	
13.	Allegiance	Loyalty or commitment to a	He took an oath of allegiance to
		superior or to a group or cause;	his adopted country.
		Loyalty, Faithfulness, Fidelity,	
		Obedience, Fealty	
14.	Alliance	A union or association formed	Religious fanatics have formed an
		for mutual benefit, especially	unholy <b>alliance</b> with right wing
		between countries or	groups.
		organizations or political parties;	
		Association, Union, League	
15.	Ambush	A surprise attack by people lying	Seven members of the CRPF were
		in wait in a concealed position;	killed in an <b>ambush</b> .
		Confront someone suddenly and	
		unexpectedly with unwelcome	
		questions	
16.	Amicably	In a friendly and peaceable	They have <b>amicably</b> resolved
		manner	their outstanding dispute.
17.	Amplify	Increase the volume of sound,	If you already have a large
		especially using an amplifier;	amount of productivity,
		Expand, enlarge on, Elaborate	technology will <b>amplify</b> it.
		on	
18.	Anonymous	Unnamed, of unknown name,	The donor's wish to
		Nameless, Incognito,	remain anonymous was
		Unidentified	honoured by the hospital
			authorities.
19.	Anticipate	Regard as probable; expect or	The Intelligence failed
		predict;	to anticipate a full-scale invasion
		Expect, Foresee, Predict	on the army.
20.	Anti-secrecy	Serving or intended to prevent	These anti-secrecy trends and
		or restrict the concealment of	inclinations sometimes interact to
		information especially by	convince administrations,
		governments	Congresses, and intelligence
			agency heads that they must



			release various historical intelligence documents.
21.	Apartheid	It was a system of institutionalised racial segregation that existed in South Africa from 1948 until the early 1990s	<b>Apartheid</b> was the reason for much of the racial tension in South Africa.
22.	Appreciate	Recognize the full worth of; Value, Respect, Admire; Rise in value or price; Increase, Gain, Grow, Build up	The dollar <b>appreciated</b> against the euro by 15%.
23.	Archipelago	An extensive group of islands; A sea or stretch of water having many islands	The Indonesian <b>archipelago</b> has a very low population density.
24.	Asymmetry	Lack of equality or equivalence between parts or aspects of something; Lack of symmetry	I have <b>asymmetrical</b> eyes, with one eye bigger and lower than the other.
25.	Backlash	A strong negative reaction by a large number of people, especially to a social or political development; Adverse reaction/response, Counteraction, Counterblast, Comeback, Recoil	The government is facing an angry <b>backlash</b> from voters over the new tax.
26.	Belated	Coming or happening later than should have been the case; Late, Overdue, Behindhand	He had to extend a <b>belated</b> apology.
27.	Benign	Gentle and kind; Mild, favourable, temperate	The climate becomes more <b>benign</b> as we move nearer to the Sea.
28.	Blasphemy	The action or offence of speaking sacrilegiously about God or sacred things; Profane talk, Irreverence	He was detained on charges of <b>blasphemy</b> .
29.	Blatant	Bad behaviour done openly and unashamedly; Flagrant, Glaring, Undisguised, Unconcealed, Overt	When the judge heard the defendant's <b>blatant</b> lie, he became very angry.
30.	Brazenly	In a bold and shameless way	Youngsters these days <b>brazenly</b> defy the law.
31.	Catalogue	Make a systematic list of items of the same type; Classify, Categorize, Systematize, Index, List	The <b>catalogue</b> gives a full description of each product.



32.	Censure	Express severe disapproval of someone or something, especially in a formal statement; Condemn, Criticize, Castigate, Chastise	The company was heavily <b>censured</b> by inspectors from the Department of Trade.
33.	Clique	A small close-knit group of people who do not readily allow others to join them; Coterie, Circle, Inner circle, Crowd, In-crowd	His flat became a haven for a <b>clique</b> of young men of similar tastes.
34.	Coalition	A temporary alliance for combined action, especially of political parties forming a government; Alliance, Union, Partnership, Affiliation	There will be a <b>coalition</b> between Liberals and Conservatives this time for sure.
35.	Coherence	The quality of being logical and consistent; Consistency, Logicality, Good sense, Soundness, Organization	They have struggled to create <b>coherence</b> within the group.
36.	Conception	The forming or devising of a plan or idea; Inception, Genesis, Origination, Creation	The plan, brilliant in its <b>conception</b> , failed because of inadequate preparation.
37.	Conducive	Making a certain situation or outcome likely or possible; Favourable, Beneficial, Valuable, Advantageous, Opportune	The declining number of available positions are <b>conducive</b> for the highest unemployment rate in decades.
38.	Congregate	Gather into a crowd or mass; Assemble, Gather, Collect	Some 4,000 demonstrators had <b>congregated</b> at a border point.
39.	Contempt	The feeling that a person or a thing is worthless or beneath consideration; Scorn, Disdain, Disrespect	He is guilty of <b>contempt</b> of court.
40.	Conviction	A formal declaration by the verdict of a jury or the decision of a judge in a court of law that someone is guilty of a criminal offence; Sentence, Judgement;	She had a previous <b>conviction</b> for a similar offence. She takes pride in stating her political <b>convictions</b> .
44	Cup dibility	A firmly held belief or opinion	The managed control of the control o
41.	Credibility	The quality of being trusted and believed in;	The present government's loss of <b>credibility</b> cannot be



		Trustworthiness, Reliability, Dependability, Integrity, Character	compensated with these populist measures.
42.	Criticism	The expression of disapproval of someone or something on the basis of perceived faults or mistakes; Censure, Reproval, Condemnation; The analysis and judgement of the merits and faults of a literary or artistic work; Evaluation, Assessment, Examination, Appreciation	He received a lot of <b>criticism</b> after the release of his recent book.
43.	Cyclical	Occurring in cycles; Recurrent	The cement industry can be considered <b>cyclical</b> in nature.
44.	Cynicism	An inclination to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest; Scepticism, Doubt, Distrust, Mistrust	There was no trace of <b>cynicism</b> in his voice.
45.	De facto	In fact, whether by right or not; Really, Actually; Existing or holding a specified position in fact but not necessarily by legal right	The country was <b>de facto</b> divided between two states. Chine has a <b>de facto</b> one-party system.
46.	Defamatory	Damaging the good reputation of someone; Slanderous or libellous, Defaming, Calumnious	A <b>defamatory</b> allegation was put on the lady.
47.	Defection	The desertion of one's country or cause in favour of an opposing one; Desertion, Absconding, Decamping, Flight	<b>Defections</b> of key managers have also been a problem for the company.
48.	Defiance	Open resistance; Bold disobedience; Opposition, Confrontation	They organized a street demonstration in <b>defiance</b> of the government ban.
49.	Deficit	Shortfall, Deficiency, Shortage, Undersupply	The government is facing a <b>deficit</b> of \$3 billion.
50.	Defy	Openly resist or refuse to obey; Disobey, refuse to obey, Go against, Rebel against	I wouldn't have dared to <b>defy</b> my teachers
51.	De-legitimise	Withdraw legitimate status or authority from something or someone	Our goal is to destroy and <b>delegitimise</b> terrorism the way slavery and piracy were delegitimised.



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Deliberate	intentionally; Intentional, Calculated,	It was a <b>deliberate</b> attempt to provoke conflict on the basis of caste by some fringe elements.
	Completely unacceptable; Disgraceful, Shameful, Dishonourable, Disreputable	Children living in <b>deplorable</b> conditions in the slums.
Depreciation	A reduction in the value of an asset over time, due in particular to wear and tear; Devaluation, Devaluing, decrease in value, Lowering in value	A provision should be made for <b>depreciation</b> of fixed assets.
Desertion	The action of deserting a person, cause, or organization; Abandonment, Leaving, Forsaking	I resented what I saw as my parents' <b>desertion</b> .
Deteriorate	Become progressively worse; Worsen, Decline, Degenerate, Decay	Relations between the countries had <b>deteriorated</b> sharply after the imposition of import duties.
Deterrence	The action of discouraging an action or event through instilling doubt or fear of the consequences	Nuclear missiles remain the main <b>deterrence</b> against possible aggression between the two countries.
Disappointment	Sadness or displeasure caused by the non-fulfilment of one's hopes or expectations; Regret, Dismay, Sorrow	Sometimes it was easier to accept his <b>disappointment</b> than sympathy.
Disavowed	Deny any responsibility or support for; Disclaim, Disown	She now seems to be trying to <b>disavow</b> her earlier statements.
Discourse	Written or spoken communication or debate; Discussion, Conversation, Talk, Dialogue	She could <b>discourse</b> at great length on the history of Europe.
Dismay	Concern and distress caused by something unexpected; Distress, Upset, Anxiety	To his <b>dismay</b> , she left him when he most needed her.
Dispensation	Exemption from a rule or usual requirement; Immunity, Exception, Exclusion, Exoneration;  The action of distributing or supplying something;	Although she was too young, she was given special <b>dispensation</b> to play before her birthday.  There are regulations controlling <b>dispensation</b> of medications to the victim of floods in the valley.
	Deteriorate  Deterrence  Disappointment  Disavowed  Discourse	intentionally; Intentional, Calculated, Conscious  Deplorable  Deserving strong condemnation; Completely unacceptable; Disgraceful, Shameful, Dishonourable, Disreputable  A reduction in the value of an asset over time, due in particular to wear and tear; Devaluation, Devaluing, decrease in value, Lowering in value  Desertion  The action of deserting a person, cause, or organization; Abandonment, Leaving, Forsaking  Become progressively worse; Worsen, Decline, Degenerate, Decay  Deterrence  The action of discouraging an action or event through instilling doubt or fear of the consequences  Disappointment  Sadness or displeasure caused by the non-fulfilment of one's hopes or expectations; Regret, Dismay, Sorrow  Disavowed  Disavowed  Disavowed  Discourse  Written or spoken communication or debate; Discussion, Conversation, Talk, Dialogue  Concern and distress caused by something unexpected; Distress, Upset, Anxiety  Dispensation  Exemption from a rule or usual requirement; Immunity, Exception, Exclusion, Exoneration;  The action of distributing or



		Distribution, Provision	
63.	Disproportionately	To an extent that is too large or	A tax cut
		too small in comparison with	would disproportionately benefit
		something else	the rich.
64.	Disruptive	Causing or tending to cause disruption; Troublesome, Unruly, Rowdy, Disorderly, Undisciplined; Innovative or Ground-breaking	Breaking a <b>disruptive</b> technology into the market is never an easy task.
65.	Disseminate	Spread something, especially information widely; Spread, Circulate, Distribute, Disperse	Health authorities should foster good practice by disseminating information.
66.	Dissent	The holding or expression of opinions at variance with those commonly or officially held; Disagreement, Lack of agreement, Difference of opinion	Only two members <b>dissented</b> from the majority.
67.	Divergent	Tending to be different or develop in different directions; Differing, Varying, Different, Dissimilar	This discussion can have <b>divergent</b> interpretations.
68.	Diversify	Make or become more diverse or varied; Vary, Expand	Many publishing companies have diversified into online services.
69.	Divisive	Tending to cause disagreement or hostility between people; Alienating, Estranging, Isolating, Schismatic	The Vietnam war was an extremely <b>divisive</b> issue in the US.
70.	Downturn	A decline in economic, business, or other activity;	A <b>downturn</b> in the housing market is clearly visible.
71.	Elude	Escape from or avoid a danger, enemy, or pursuer, typically in a skilful or cunning way; Evade, Avoid, Get away from	He tried to <b>elude</b> the security men by sneaking through a back door.
72.	Endeavour	Try hard to do or achieve something; Attempt, Venture, Undertake, Aspire	We wish her every success in this <b>endeavour</b> .
73.	Equitable	Fair and impartial, just	The <b>equitable</b> distribution of resources is very important in a just society.
74.	Erratic	Not even or regular in pattern or movement; Unpredictable	His <b>erratic</b> moods had grown more volatile the past couple of days.



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75.	Exception	A person or thing that is excluded from a general statement or does not follow a rule; Anomaly, Irregularity, Deviation, Special case, Departure	He always plays top tunes, and tonight was no <b>exception</b> .
76.	Exonerate	To show that someone is not guilty of something; Absolve, Clear, Acquit	An inquiry <b>exonerated</b> those involved in the case of bribery.
77.	Externality	An externality is an outside factor or condition that can affect something else	A snowstorm is an <b>externality</b> that can cause delays at the airport.
78.	Extradition	The action of extraditing a person accused or convicted of a crime; Deportation, Handover, Repatriation	They fought to prevent his <b>extradition</b> to the US.
79.	Ferment	Incite or stir up trouble or disorder; Generate, Engender, Spawn, Instigate, Prompt	The media tried to <b>ferment</b> public unrest by repeatedly publishing articles about the crooked police officer.
80.	Fiery	Burning, Blazing, Flaming, Raging; Having a passionate and quick- tempered nature; Passionate, Impassioned, Ardent, Fervent	The sun was a <b>fiery</b> ball low on the hills.
81.	Fine-tune	Make small adjustments to something in order to achieve the best or a desired performance	The success of the multi-billion-dollar video game industry has opened the education market to a lot of resources where you can <b>fine-tune</b> your talent.
82.	Flimsy	Insubstantial and easily damaged; Weak and unconvincing; Feeble, Poor, Inadequate, Insufficient	She tried to give a pretty <b>flimsy</b> excuse for being late to the office.
83.	Flurry	A sudden short period of activity or excitement; Burst, Outbreak; A number of things arriving or happening suddenly and during the same period; Spate, Wave, Flood, Deluge, Torrent,	The newspaper published a <b>flurry</b> of editorials hostile to the government.



84.	Forefront	The leading or most important position or place; Spearhead, Head, Lead, Fore, Front, front line	The issue has moved to the <b>forefront</b> of the political agenda.
85.	Fortitude	Courage in pain or adversity; Courage, Bravery, Strength of mind	She endured her illness with great <b>fortitude</b> .
86.	Foster	Encourage the development of something, especially something desirable; Encourage, Promote, Further, Stimulate	The teacher's task is to <b>foster</b> learning.
87.	Fraught	Filled with or likely to result in something undesirable; Full of	A soldier's world is <b>fraught</b> with danger.
88.	Furnish	Be a source of; Provide, Supply, Equip, Provide, Provision, Issue	The travel company <b>furnished</b> us with all the details of the tour.
89.	Galvanised	Shock or excite someone into acting; Jolt, Shock, Startle, Impel, Stir	The urgency of Boss's voice galvanised them into action.
90.	Gauntlet	The part of a glove covering the wrist; Go through an intimidating or dangerous crowd or experience in order to reach a goal	She had to run the <b>gauntlet</b> of male autograph seekers.
91.	Grapple	Engage in a close fight or struggle without weapons; Wrestle, Struggle, Tussle; Struggle to deal with or overcome a difficulty or challenge; Tackle, Confront	The new government has yet to <b>grapple</b> with the problem of air pollution.
92.	Halt	Bring or come to an abrupt stop; Cease, Stop, Finish, Discontinue, Terminate, Conclude	The car came to a <b>halt</b> and then started to roll forward.
93.	Harassment	Aggressive pressure or intimidation; Persecution, Harrying, Pestering, Badgering, Bother, Annoyance	They face daily <b>harassment</b> and assault on the streets.
94.	Hassle-free	Without problems or bother	Travelling by coach is the hassle- free way of discovering cities from Vienna to Vancouver, Moscow to Rome.
95.	Hobble	Walk in an awkward way, typically because of pain from an injury;	He was <b>hobbling</b> around on his crutches.



		Walk with difficulty, Move unsteadily;	
96.	Impartiality	Equal treatment of all rivals or disputants; Fairness	Entries to the competition had to be submitted under a pseudonym to ensure <b>impartiality</b> in the judging process.
97.	Impeachment	The action of calling into question the integrity or validity of something; Challenge, Question; A charge of misconduct made against the holder of a public office	The president is facing <b>impeachment</b> over the scandal.
98.	Impressive	Evoking admiration through size, quality, or skill; Grand, Imposing, or Awesome	An <b>impressive</b> view of the mountains was visible through the windows.
99.	Inaction	Lack of action where something is expected or appropriate; Inactivity, Passivity, Non-intervention	Future generations will condemn us for our <b>inaction</b> towards preserving the environment.
100.	Inadequate	Lacking the quality or quantity required; Insufficient for a purpose; Not enough, Deficient, Poor, Scant	These supplies are <b>inadequate</b> to meet our needs.
101.	Incumbent	An official or regime currently holding office; Current, Existing, Present	The <b>incumbent</b> President was defeated by the candidate of the opposition party.
102.	Indict	Formally accused of or charged with a crime	His former manager was <b>indicted</b> for fraud.
103.	Indictment	A formal charge or accusation of a serious crime; Charge, Accusation, Arraignment;	The <b>indictment</b> of twelve people who had imported cocaine caused happiness among the locals.
104.	Inexcusable	Too bad to be justified or tolerated; Indefensible, Unjustifiable, Unjustified	Matt's behaviour in the party was <b>inexcusable</b> .
105.	Inflammatory	Relating to or causing inflammation of a part of the body; Speech or writing arousing or intended to arouse angry or violent feelings; Provocative, Provoking, Inflaming, Incendiary	The party candidate incited the mob with an <b>inflammatory</b> speech.



106.	Inflationary	Characterized by or tending to cause monetary inflation	He blames the bad economy on the government's <b>inflationary</b> policie s.
107.	Injunction	An authoritative warning or order; Order, Ruling, Direction, Directive, Command, Instruction	An anti-smoke <b>injunction</b> should be issued by the court.
108.	Insurgency	An active revolt or uprising	Naxalites are waging an armed <b>insurgency</b> to create unrest in the state.
109.	Interrogation	Questioning, Cross-questioning, Cross-examination	Would he keep his mouth shut under <b>interrogation</b> ?
110.	Intimidate	Frighten or overawe someone, especially in order to make them do what one wants; Frighten, Terrify, Scare, Alarm, T errorize	She refused to back down, unwilling to let his attempt to intimidate her work.
111.	Intransigence	Refusal to change one's views or to agree about something;	He accused the government of intransigence.
112.	Intransigent	Unwilling or refusing to change one's views or to agree about something; Uncompromising, Inflexible, Unbending, Unyielding, Unwavering	Her father had tried persuasion, but she was <b>intransigent</b> in her decision.
113.	Intrigue	Arouse the curiosity or interest of; Fascinate	I was <b>intrigued</b> by your question.
114.	Invalidate	Make or prove an argument, statement, or theory unsound or erroneous; Disprove, Refute, Contradict, Rebut, Negate	A technical flaw in her papers <b>invalidated</b> her nomination.
115.	Invoke	Cite or appeal to someone or something as an authority for an action or in support of an argument; Cite, refer to, Adduce, Instance	His incompetent leadership made it necessary for the rebels to <b>invoke</b> the help of France.
116.	Irreversible	Not able to be undone or altered; Irreparable, Unrepairable	She suffered <b>irreversible</b> damage to her health after the fatal accident.
117.	Itinerant	Travelling from place to place; A person who travels from place to place	The documentary follows the life of an <b>itinerant</b> homeless man who never sleeps in a location more than once.



		Travelling, Peripatetic,	
		Wandering	
118.	Jeopardise	Put someone or something into a situation in which there is a danger of loss, harm, or failure; Threaten, Endanger, Imperil, Menace, Risk	A devaluation of the dollar would <b>jeopardise</b> New York's position as a financial centre.
119.	Knight	A man who served his sovereign or lord as a mounted soldier in armour; Chevalier, Cavalier, Cavalryman, Horseman, Equestrian	After he saved her life, Alex was her <b>knight</b> in shining armour.
120.	Leeway	Freedom, Scope; Margin of safety	There is a very little <b>leeway</b> if anything goes wrong in the project.
121.	Litigation	The process of taking legal action; Legal action, Lawsuit, Legal dispute	More and more victims have turned to <b>litigation</b> to redress wrongs done to them.
122.	Lucrative	Producing a great deal of profit; Profitable, Gainful, Remunerative	He is enjoying a <b>lucrative</b> career as a stand-up comedian.
123.	Mammoth	Huge, Enormous, Gigantic, Giant	A <b>mammoth</b> corporation was declared bankrupt by the government.
124.	Manifestation	The action or fact of showing something; Display, Demonstration, Exhibition	These latest riots are a clear <b>manifestation</b> of growing discontent.
125.	Manifesto	A public declaration of policy and aims, especially one issued before an election by a political party or candidate; Policy statement, Declaration	The <b>manifesto</b> is long-winded, repetitive and often ambiguous or poorly drafted.
126.	Manipulation	The action of manipulating something in a skilful manner	He wasn't interested in marriage and he didn't want her trying to manipulate him into it.
127.	Manoeuvre	A movement or series of moves requiring skill and care; Stratagem, Tactic, Gambit, Ploy, Trick	The company employed shady financial manoeuvres.
128.	Mobilise	Make something movable or capable of movement	The physiotherapist might be able to <b>mobilise</b> the patient's shoulder girdle in a few days.



129.	Nexus	A connected group or series	There is a <b>nexus</b> between industry and political power in almost all countries.
130.	Nonetheless	In spite of that; Nevertheless; However, But, Still, Yet, Though	The rally, which the government had declared illegal, was <b>nonetheless</b> attended by some 6,000 people.
131.	Obligation	An act or course of action to which a person is morally or legally bound; A duty or commitment;  Duty, Commitment, Responsibility	I have an <b>obligation</b> to look after her children.
132.	Obstruct	Prevent or hinder movement or someone or something in motion; Stop, Halt, Block	Police took him into custody on a charge of <b>obstructing</b> the traffic.
133.	Omnibus	A volume containing several books previously published separately	An <b>omnibus</b> of her first trilogy was published recently.
134.	Onslaught	A fierce or destructive attack; Assault, Attack, Offensive, Aggression, Advance	Photographers are divided in their opinions on the swift technological <b>onslaught</b> .
135.	Opacity	The quality of lacking transparency or translucence; Opaqueness, Non-transparency, Lack of transparency	Thinner paints need black colour added to them to increase <b>opacity</b> .
136.	Opponent	Someone who competes with or opposes another in a contest, game, or argument; Rival, Adversary	He knocked out his <b>opponent</b> in the third round.
137.	Oppressive	Inflicting harsh and authoritarian treatment; Harsh, Cruel, Brutal, Repressive, Crushing, Tyrannical	The country is ruled by an <b>oppressive</b> regime.
138.	Overtone	A subtle or subsidiary quality, implication, or connotation; Connotation, Hidden meaning, Secondary meaning, Implication, Association	The decision will definitely have political <b>overtones</b> .
139.	Paradox	Contradiction, Self- contradiction, Inconsistency, Incongruity	The <b>paradox</b> of science is that its success in understanding nature has created problems for its understanding of human nature.



140.	Parity	The state or condition of being equal, especially as regards status or pay; Equality, Equivalence, Uniformity, Sameness,	Parity of incomes need to be ensured between rural workers and those in industrial occupations.
141.	Partisan	Consistency, Correspondence A strong supporter of a party, cause, or person; Supporter, Follower, Adherent, Devotee, Champion, Backer,	<b>Partisan</b> fighters fought in secret against the enemy.
142.	Peculiarity	A characteristic that is distinctive of a particular person or place; Characteristic, Feature	For all his <b>peculiarities</b> , she finds him quite endearing.
143.	Perfunctory	Of an action carried out without real interest, feeling, or effort	He completed the act in a <b>perfunctory</b> manner.
144.	Peril	Serious and immediate danger; Danger, Jeopardy, Risk	Rihanna first witnessed the <b>perils</b> of pop stardom a decade ago.
145.	Perishable	Likely to decay or go bad quickly; Liable to rot, easily spoilt, Decomposable, Biodegradable	Fish is a <b>perishable</b> food.
146.	Perplex	Make someone feel completely baffled; Puzzle, Baffle, Mystify, Bewilder	The students looked <b>perplexed</b> , so the teacher tried to explain once again.
147.	Persecution	Hostility and ill-treatment, especially because of race or political or religious beliefs; Oppression; Victimization, Maltreatment	Her family fled religious <b>persecution</b> at the hands of the people.
148.	Petition	A formal written request, typically one signed by many people, appealing to authority in respect of a particular cause; Appeal, Request, Ask	She was asked to sign a <b>petition</b> against plans to build on the local playing fields.
149.	Plaintiff	A person who brings a case against another in a court of law	The <b>plaintiff</b> having made his demand and waited for a certain time without result, went and sat without food before the door of the defendant.
150.	Plight	A dangerous, difficult, or otherwise unfortunate situation	We must direct our efforts towards relieving the <b>plight</b> of children living in poverty.
151.	Pluralistic	Relating to or advocating a system in which two or more states, groups, principles, sources of authority;	An ideal country should be a multicultural <b>pluralistic</b> society where people's values are respected.



		Coexist	
152.	Pogrom	An organized massacre of a particular ethnic group; Massacre, Slaughter	The Nazis conducted a <b>pogrom</b> against Jewish people in Germany.
153.	Poised	Having a composed and self- assured manner; Self-possessed, Self-assured, Composed, Assured	She had learnt from the girls at the salon how to appear perfectly <b>poised.</b>
154.	Potency	The power of something to influence or make an impression; Power, Powerfulness, Vigour, Strength	It's a mix of high- potency vitamins, electrolytes, and herbs.
155.	Pragmatic	Dealing with things sensibly and realistically in a way that is based on practical rather than theoretical considerations; Practical, Matter-of-fact, Realistic, Sensible	A sensible, <b>pragmatic</b> approach was taken to public sector reform.
156.	Pragmatic	Practical, Matter-of-fact, Realistic, Sensible, Down-to- earth, Commonsensical	This issue needs a <b>pragmatic</b> approach.
157.	Preceding	Come before something in time; Foregoing, Previous, Prior, Former	He <b>preceded</b> the book with a collection of poems.
158.	Precondition	A condition that must be fulfilled before other things can happen or be done; Prerequisite	Respecting the cultural and religious diversity is a <b>precondition</b> for peace.
159.	Predecessor	A thing that has been followed or replaced by another; Forerunner, Precursor, Antecedent	The new President's foreign policy is very similar to that of his <b>predecessor</b> .
160.	Predictable	Able to be predicted; Foreseeable	The market is volatile and never <b>predictable</b> .
161.	Presumably	Used to convey that what is asserted and is very likely though not known for certain	It was not yet ten o'clock, so <b>presumably</b> the boys were still at the pub.
162.	Prima Facie	Based on the first impression; Accepted as correct until proved otherwise	That was a <b>prima facie</b> case of professional misconduct.
163.	Proactive	Creating or controlling a situation rather than just responding to it after it has happened; Enterprising, Take-charge, Energetic, Driven, Bold, Dynamic	Employers must take a <b>proactive</b> approach to equal pay.



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164.	Probe	Investigation, Inquiry, Examination, Scrutiny, Inquest	The court ordered a <b>probe</b> into alleged financial irregularities at the club.
165.	Proclaim	Declare, Announce, Pronounce, state, Make known	The government's chief scientific adviser <b>proclaimed</b> that the epidemic was under control.
166.	Prodding	An act of stimulating or reminding someone to do something; Stimulus, Push, Prompt, Reminder	We need a gentle <b>prod</b> to remind ourselves that life is only what you make it.
167.	Proliferation	Rapid increase in the number or amount of something; Growth, Multiplication, Spread, Escalation	There is a continuing threat of nuclear <b>proliferation</b> from the leader of North Korea.
168.	Prominent	Important, Famous	The <b>prominent</b> buildings in the city are the court house, the post office and the city hall.
169.	Promulgate	Promote or make widely known an idea or cause; Publicize, Spread, Communicate, Propagate	These objectives have to be <b>promulgated</b> within the organization.
170.	Proposition	A statement or assertion that expresses a judgement or opinion; Theory, Hypothesis, Thesis, Argument, Premise; Proposal, Scheme, Plan, Project	I was <b>propositioned</b> by the editor about becoming film critic of the paper.
171.	Prospect	The possibility or likelihood of some future event occurring; Likelihood, Hope, Expectation, Anticipation	There was no <b>prospect</b> of a reconciliation between the two parties.
172.	Prospective	Expected or expecting to be the specified thing in the future; Potential, Possible, Probable, Likely, Future, Eventual	She showed a <b>prospective</b> buyer around the house.
173.	Protocol	The official procedure or system of rules governing affairs of state or diplomatic occasions; Etiquette, Formalities, Customs; Agreement, Treaty	<b>Protocol</b> forbids the prince from making any public statement in his defence.
174.	Provenance	The place of origin or earliest known history of something;	Scientists try to understand the whole universe, its <b>provenance</b> and fate.
175.	Quadrennial	Recurring every four years	The U.S. presidential election is a <b>quadrennial</b> event.



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176.	Questionable	Doubtful as regards truth or validity; Controversial, Contentious, Doubtful, Dubious	It is <b>questionable</b> whether any of these allegations is true.
177.	Radical	Advocating or based on thorough or complete political or social change; Revolutionary, Progressive, Reforming, Reformist	There is a need of a <b>radical</b> overhaul of the existing regulatory framework.
178.	Reassurance	The action of removing someone's doubts or fears; A statement that removes someone's doubts or fears	Children need <b>reassurance</b> and praise.
179.	Rebound	An increase in value, amount, or strength after a previous decline; Have an unexpected adverse consequence for someone; Backfire on	They revealed a big <b>rebound</b> in profits for last year.
180.	Rebuff	Reject someone or something in an abrupt or ungracious manner; Turn down, Spurn, Refuse, Decline	He asked her to be his wife and was <b>rebuffed</b> immediately.
181.	Recompense	Make amends to someone for loss or harm suffered; Compensate, Indemnify, Repay, Reimburse	Offenders of crimes should be made to <b>recompense</b> their victims.
182.	Redeem	Gain or regain possession of something in exchange for payment; Retrieve, Regain, Recover	Work is the way that people seek to <b>redeem</b> their lives from futility.
183.	Rediscover	Discover something forgotten or ignored again	And in the process, they tend to <b>rediscover</b> themselves.
184.	Regularise	Make something regular	Immigrants are applying to <b>regularise</b> their status as residents in the US.
185.	Reiteration	The action of repeating something, typically for emphasis or clarity	The <b>reiteration</b> of his campaign promises to cut taxes made people to vote for him.
186.	Relegate	Assign an inferior rank or position to; Downgrade, Lower	They aim to prevent women from being <b>relegated</b> to a secondary role
187.	Reluctance	Unwillingness or disinclination to do something; Unwillingness, Disinclination	The boss sensed his <b>reluctance</b> to continue in the company.





188.	Remedial	Giving or intended as a remedy	Officials have
		or cure	pledged <b>remedial</b> action to repair damaged bridges.
189.	Reprieve	A cancellation or postponement	Under the new regime, prisoners
		of a punishment;	under sentence of death
		Respite, Pardon, Amnesty, Acquittal	were <b>reprieved</b> .
190.	Rescind	Revoke, Cancel, or Repeal	The government
			eventually <b>rescinded</b> the directive that it issued last year.
191.	Resilience	The capacity to recover quickly	She showed
131.	Resilience	from difficulties;	remarkable <b>resilience</b> after her
		Toughness;	mother's death.
		Flexibility, Pliability, Suppleness,	
		Plasticity, Elasticity	
192.	Restrain	Prevent someone or something	The central government needs
		from doing something;	to <b>restrain</b> public expenditure.
		Keep under control or within limits;	
		Prevent, Stop, Keep, Hold back	
193.	Revivify	Give new life or vigour to	The owners tried to <b>revivify</b> the
	,		wine industry.
194.	Revoke	Officially cancel a decree,	The judge <b>revoked</b> her driver's
		decision, or promise;	license.
		Cancel, Repeal, Rescind,	
		Reverse, Abrogate, Annul, Nullify	
195.	Rhetoric	Oratory, Eloquence, Power of	All we have from the Opposition
		speech, Command of language;	is an empty <b>rhetoric</b> .
		Boastfulness, Boasting, Bragging	
196.	Roster	List, Listing, Register, Schedule,	There is a cluster of outstanding
4.5-		Agenda, Calendar	players on the club's <b>roster</b> .
197.	Run-off	A further competition, election,	He won only 49 per cent of the
		race, etc., after a tie or inconclusive result	vote, so a <b>run-off</b> will be held.
198.	Rupture	Break, Fracture, Crack	Once trust and confidence has
150.	Haptaic	Break, Fracture, Crack	been <b>ruptured</b> it can be difficult
			to regain.
199.	Sanction	A threatened penalty for	The scheme was <b>sanctioned</b> by
		disobeying a law or rule;	the court.
		Penalty, Punishment, Deterrent;	
		Give official permission or	
		approval for an action;	
		Authorize, Consent to, Permit,	
		Allow	



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200.	Savagery	The quality of being fierce or cruel;	A crime of the utmost <b>savagery</b> was committed
		Brutality, Ferocity	on the people during the war.
201.	Sceptical	Not easily convinced;	The public were
201.	Sceptical	Having doubts or reservations;	deeply <b>sceptical</b> about some of
		Dubious, Doubtful	the proposals made by the
		Dublous, Doubtful	political party.
202	Communication	In a year careful and thereugh	. ,
202.	Scrupulously	In a very careful and thorough	The director is making a film
		way	on <b>scrupulously</b> researched
200		0	biography.
203.	Scrutiny	Critical observation or	Every aspect of local government
		examination;	was placed under scrutiny.
		Inspection, Survey, Scan	
204.	Segregate	Set apart from the rest or from	The civil rights movement fought
		each other;	against practices
		Isolate or divide	that <b>segregated</b> blacks and
			whites.
205.	Setback	A reversal or check in progress;	The retaliatory attack on the
		Problem, Difficulty, Issue, Hitch,	army is a serious <b>setback</b> for the
		Complication, Upset	peace process.
206.	Shrill	High-pitched, Piercing, High,	A piercing whistle <b>shrilled</b>
		Sharp, Ear-piercing	through the night air.
207.	Slack	Not taut or held tightly in	They were working at
		position;	a <b>slack</b> pace.
		Loose;	
		Sluggish, Slow, Quiet, Slow-	
		moving	
208.	Solely	Not involving anyone or	He is <b>solely</b> responsible for any
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		Stalemate, Impasse, Standstill, Dead end	
213.	Status quo	The existing state of affairs, especially regarding social or political issues	There is no desire to change the current <b>status quo</b> .
214.	Stifle	Make someone unable to breathe properly; Suffocate	Those in the forest were <b>stifled</b> by the fumes from the wild fire.
215.	Stimulus	A thing or event that evokes a specific functional reaction in an organ or tissue; Spur, Stimulant, Encouragement, Impetus	If the tax were abolished, it would act as a <b>stimulus</b> to exports.
216.	Strife	Angry or bitter disagreement over fundamental issues; Conflict, Friction, Discord, Disagreement	A tactical team was sent in to end the <b>strife</b> between the two gangs.
217.	Stronghold	A place that has been fortified so as to protect it against attack; Fortress, Tower	The <b>stronghold</b> was guarded by hundreds of highly trained soldiers and fortified with reinforced steel.
218.	Structural	Relating to or forming part of the structure of a building or other item; Constructional, Organizational, Systemic, Constitutional	There have been <b>structural</b> changes in the cottage industry.
219.	Supposedly	According to what is generally assumed or believed (often used to indicate that the speaker doubts the truth of the statement)	There were rumours of a rift between him and his colleagues, <b>supposedly</b> because they were jealous of his relationship with the higher government authorities.
220.	Suppression	The action of suppressing something such as an activity or publication; Repression, Crushing	The <b>suppression</b> of the revolt by the peasants took a mere two days.
221.	Swathe	A broad strip or area of something	Vast <b>swathes</b> of countryside were covered with fields of paddy.
222.	Symptomatic	Serving as a symptom or sign, especially of something undesirable; Indicative, Signalling, Warning, Characteristics	These difficulties are <b>symptomatic</b> of fundamental problems in the project.
223.	Tactics	An action or strategy carefully planned to achieve a specific end;	Jenny knew a simple <b>tactic</b> for us to follow as we solved the murder-mystery game.



		Strategy, Scheme, Stratagem, Plan	
224.	Trajectory	Course, Route, Path, Track, Line, Orbit	The missile's <b>trajectory</b> was preset.
225.	Transformation	A marked change in form, nature, or appearance; Change, Alteration, Modification, Variation	The way we work has undergone a radical <b>transformation</b> in the past decade.
226.	Transgression	An act that goes against a law, rule, or code of conduct; an offence; Offence, Crime, Sin, Wrong, Wrongdoing	When the banker stole funds from the vault, he made a huge <b>transgression</b> .
227.	Travails	Engage in painful or laborious effort	Creation may <b>travail</b> in pain, but it cannot escape its destiny.
228.	Travesty	A false, absurd, or distorted representation of something; Misrepresentation, Distortion, Perversion, Corruption	Michael has betrayed the family by <b>travestying</b> them in his plays.
229.	Trespass	Enter someone's land or property without permission; Make unfair claims on or take advantage of something	The fishing boat was seized for its <b>trespass</b> into restricted waters.
230.	Triumph	A great victory or achievement; Victory, Win, Conquest, Success	A garden was built specially to celebrate Napoleon's many <b>triumphs</b> .
231.	Triumvirate	A group of three powerful or notable people or things	The company is run by a <b>triumvirate</b> of three executive vice presidents.
232.	Turbulence	A state of conflict or confusion; Turmoil, Instability, Conflict, Upheaval, Tumult	The plane shuddered as it entered some <b>turbulence</b> .
233.	Turnaround	An abrupt or unexpected change, especially one that results in a more favourable situation	It was a remarkable <b>turnaround</b> in his fortunes.
234.	Ultimatum	A final demand or statement of terms, the rejection of which will result in retaliation or a breakdown in relations;	His employers issued an <b>ultimatum</b> demanding an immediate return to work.
235.	Unabashed	Not embarrassed, disconcerted, or ashamed; Unashamed, Unembarrassed, Brazen	She was <b>unabashed</b> by the furore his words provoked.
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237.	Unambiguous	Not open to more than one	Instructions should be succinct
		interpretation	and <b>unambiguous.</b>
238.	Unanimous	Fully in agreement; United, In complete agreement	The doctors were <b>unanimous</b> in their diagnoses.
239.	Uncertainty	The state of being uncertain; Unpredictability, Unreliability, Riskiness	These are times of <b>uncertainty</b> and danger.
240.	Undermine	Erode, Wear away; Lessen the effectiveness, power, or ability, especially gradually; Sabotage, Threaten, Weaken	This action of his could <b>undermine</b> years of hard work.
241.	Unexceptionable	Not open to objection, but not particularly new or exciting	Society should be governed by law should be an <b>unexceptionable</b> belief.
242.	Unfailingly	In a reliabl <mark>e o</mark> r unchanging way; Always	Individuals who unfailingly obey his orders will be promoted.
243.	Unfetter	Release from restraint or inhibition	His imagination is <b>unfettered</b> by the laws of logic.
244.	Unforgiving	Not willing to forgive or excuse people's faults or wrongdoings	He was always a proud and <b>unforgiving</b> man.
245.	Unilateral	Action or decision performed by or affecting only one person, group, or country involved in a situation, without the agreement of another or the others	They had campaigned vigorously for <b>unilateral</b> nuclear disarmament.
246.	Unleash	Let loose, Release, Free, Set free	The failure of the talks between the two countries could <b>unleash</b> more fighting.
247.	Unprecedented	Never done or known before; Unparalleled, Unequalled, Unmatched, Unrivalled	The government took the <b>unprecedented</b> step of releasing confidential correspondence.
248.	Untenable	Not able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection; Indefensible, Undefendable, Unarguable, Insupportable	This argument is clearly <b>untenable</b> .
249.	Uptick	A small increase or slight upward trend	There has been an <b>uptick</b> in medical tourism in our country.
250.	Viability	Ability to survive or live successfully	The project is no longer commercially <b>viable</b> .
251.	Vital	Absolutely necessary; Essential, Indispensable, Crucial, Key, Necessary	Secrecy is of <b>vital</b> importance.



252.	Vulnerable	In danger, in peril, in jeopardy, at risk, Endangered, Unsafe, Unprotected	The latest scheme will help charities working with <b>vulnerable</b> adults and young people.
253.	Weaponisation	The act of making something into a weapon or making more effective as a weapon	India must take up more forcefully the case against <b>weaponisation</b> of outer space.
254.	Wherewithal	The money or other means needed for a particular purpose; Money, Cash, Capital	A project as big as this requires a lot of financial <b>wherewithal</b> .
255.	Whistle-blower	A person who informs on a person or organization regarded as engaging in an unlawful or immoral activity.	There should be a provision in the law to protect the persecution of <b>whistle-blowers</b> .
256.	Woeful	Characterized by, expressive of, or causing sorrow or misery; Sad, Unhappy, Miserable	Her face was <b>woeful</b> after the final results.



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