





# Weekly English Vocab 18 to 23 March

## 1. Grim (adjective)

Meaning: rigid and unrelenting



**Synonyms:** harsh, forbidding **Antonyms:** soft, amiable

## 2. Dissonance (noun)

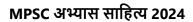
Meaning: state of disagreement or conflict.



**Synonyms:** disparity, discord **Antonyms:** agreement, Concord

3. Dispel (verb)

**Meaning:** To drive away









**Synonyms:** disperse **Antonyms:** gather

4. Stricture (noun)

Meaning: a rule restricting behaviour or action



**Synonyms:** restraint, constraint **Antonyms:** freedom, liberty

5. Cleaving (verb)

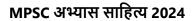
Meaning: The act of one who cleaves, splits, or severs.



Synonyms: split, divide Antonyms: combine, join

6. Team(verb)

**Meaning:** Any group of people involved in the same activity, especially sports or work.









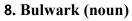
**Synonyms:** together, collaborate **Antonyms:** depart, partition

#### 7. Mandarin (noun)

Meaning: a senior civil servant



Synonyms: official Antonyms: non-official



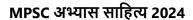
Meaning: A defensive wall or rampart.



**Synonyms:** restriction, barrier **Antonyms:** passage, gateway

9. Heckle (verb)

Meaning; To question harshly in an attempt to find or reveal









Synonyms: ridicule Antonyms: praise

10. Contour (noun)

Meaning; An outline, boundary or border



**Synonyms:** shape, lineation **Antonyms:** shapeless, damaged

11. Deflate (verb)

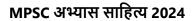
Meaning; To reduce the amount



**Synonyms:** devalue, decrease **Antonyms:** revalue, increase

## 12. Apotheosis (noun)

Meaning; A glorified example or ideal; the apex or pinnacle









Synonyms: peak, climax Antonyms: lowest, nadir

### 13. Brevity (noun)

Meaning; The quality of being brief in duration, short in size



Synonyms: shortness
Antonyms: lengthiness

# 14. Jeopardize (verb)

Meaning; To put in jeopardy, to threaten.



**Synonyms:** endanger, risk **Antonyms:** shelter, protection

## 15. Quaint (Adjective)

Meaning; Strange or odd; unusual.









- Synonyms: peculiar, strange
- Antonyms: common, ordinary
- Sentence Example: "What a quaint idea!" she said, laughing at him.
- **Adjective (Definition):** *Adjectives* describe or modify—that is, they limit or restrict the meaning of—nouns and pronouns. They may name qualities of all kinds: *huge*, *red*, *angry*, *tremendous*, *unique*, *rare*, etc.

#### 16. Menace (verb)

Meaning; A perceived threat or danger





- Synonyms: endanger
- Antonyms: guard
- **Sentence Example:** The intoxicated motorist is a **menace** to life and limb.
- Verb (Definition): Verbs are words that show an action (sing), occurrence (develop), or state of being (exist).

#### 17. Wager (noun)

Meaning; To bet something









- Synonyms: challenge, bet
- Antonyms: safeguard, protection
- Sentence Example: He has a *wager* on the game.
- **Noun (Definition):** Nouns make up the largest class of words in most languages, including English. A noun is a word that refers to a thing (book), a person (Noah Webster), an animal (cat), a place (Omaha), a quality (softness), an idea (justice), or an action (yodeling).

## 18. Hapless (adjective)

Meaning; Very unlucky; ill-fated.





- Synonyms: unfortunate, unlucky
- Antonyms: Fortunate, lucky
- Sentence Example: "What a quaint idea!" she said, laughing at him.

## 19. Morose (adjective)

Meaning; Sullen, gloomy; showing a brooding ill humour.





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- Synonyms: sullenAntonyms: cheerful
- Sentence Example: She thought of the bootlegger at home—a raddled, skinny old man, morose and suspicious.
- Adjective (Definition): Adjectives describe or modify—that is, they limit or restrict the meaning of—nouns and pronouns. They may name qualities of all kinds: huge, red, angry, tremendous, unique, rare, etc.

#### 20. Discreet (Adjective)

Meaning; Respectful of privacy or secrecy;

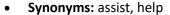


- Synonyms: careful, cautious
- Antonyms: careless, intrusion
- **Sentence Example:** Without the knowledge of the exiled African National Congress leadership, he entered into a **discreet** dialogue with the South African government—which was reaching a similar conclusion.

#### 21. Succour (noun)

Meaning; Aid, assistance, or relief





- Antonyms: hindrance, hurt
- Sentence Example: His organization gave succour and strength to those who had been emotionally damaged.
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#### 22. Dissuasive(adjective)

**Meaning**; Tending to dissuade, or divert from a measure or purpose



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- Synonyms: derail, distract
- Antonyms: stable, track
- Sentence Example: Instead of causing rebellion, those tactics have been largely *dissuasive* for teens.
- Adjective (Definition): Adjectives describe or modify—that is, they limit or restrict the meaning of—nouns and pronouns. They may name qualities of all kinds: huge, red, angry, tremendous, unique, rare, etc.

## 23. Dilatory (adjective)

Meaning; Intentionally delaying



- Synonyms: sluggish, slack
- Antonyms: fast, quick
- Sentence Example: The homeowner is claiming that local firefighters were dilatory in responding to the call.

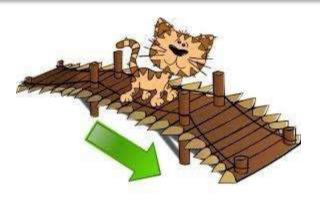
#### 24. Traverse (verb)

Meaning; To travel across, often under difficult conditions.



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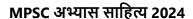
- Synonyms: span, crossAntonyms: hold, confine
- **Sentence Example:** The 2024 total solar eclipse will start over the South Pacific Ocean and *traverse* North America, spanning Mexico, the United States and Canada.
- Verb (Definition): Verbs are words that show an action (sing), occurrence (develop), or state of being (exist).



- Synonyms: investigate, search
- Antonyms: ignore, hide
- **Sentence Example:** His questions made it clear he was *probing* for information.

## 26. Rebuff (verb)

Meaning; To refuse









- Synonyms: dismiss, disregard
- Antonyms: admit, allow
- Sentence Example: She rebuffed him when he asked her for a date.
- Verb (Definition): Verbs are words that show an action (sing), occurrence (develop), or state of being (exist).

#### 27. Consternation (noun)

Meaning; Amazement or horror



- Synonyms: distress, anxiety
- Antonyms: satisfaction, pleasure
- Sentence Example: The candidate caused *consternation* among his supporters by changing positions on a key issue.
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#### 28. Bogey (noun)

Meaning; The Devil, A ghost









Synonyms: MonsterAntonyms: Human

• Sentence Example: She is a tricky *devil*, so be careful.

