

Weekly English Vocab 25 to 30 March

1. Spook (verb)

Meaning; To frighten



- **Synonyms:** terrify, horrify
- **Antonyms:** calm, please
- **Sentence Example:** Russia recalled its *spooks* after the collapse of the Soviet Union.
- **Verb (Definition):** *Verbs* are words that show an action (*sing*), occurrence (*develop*), or state of being (*exist*).

2. Supine (adjective)

Meaning; Reluctant to take action due to indifference



- **Synonyms:** inactive
- **Antonyms:** proactive
- **Sentence Example:** He was lying *supine* on the couch.
- **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.

3. Scupper (verb)

Meaning; Thwart or destroy



- **Synonyms:** devastate, destroy
- **Antonyms:** promote, safeguard
- **Sentence Example:** The latest information could *scupper* the peace talks.

4. Revere (verb)

Meaning; to regard someone or something with great awe or devotion.



- **Synonyms:** respect
- **Antonyms:** criticise
- **Sentence Example:** A professor *revered* by her students
- **Verb (Definition):** *Verbs* are words that show an action (*sing*), occurrence (*develop*), or state of being (*exist*).

5. Corpus (noun)

Meaning; A collection of writings, a body, a collection.



- **Synonyms:** compilation, collection
- **Antonyms:** sole, individual
- **Sentence Example:** His *corpus* is modest in number but magnificent in achievement.
- **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*).

6. Enconce (verb)

Meaning; To place in a secure environment.



- **Synonyms:** establish, install
- **Antonyms:** displace, abolish
- **Sentence Example:** *Enconced* the spare house key in a place where no intruder would think to look.

7. Tally (noun)

Meaning; To count something.



- **Synonyms:** calculate
- **Antonyms:** miscalculate
- **Sentence Example:** Our team *tallied* four touchdowns and gained a total of 435 yards last game.

8. Interminable (adjective)

Meaning; Existing or occurring without interruption



- **Synonyms:** endless, boundless
- **Antonyms:** brief, interrupted
- **Sentence Example:** After what seem to be *interminable* discussions and meetings, my colleagues and I go out to lunch, this time to Taj Hotel.
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9. Incentive (noun)

Meaning; Something that motivates, rouses, or encourages.



- **Synonyms:** encouragement, boost
- **Antonyms:** discouragement, disincentive
- **Sentence Example:** The rising cost of electricity provides a strong *incentive* to conserve energy.
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10. Upend (verb)

Meaning; To destroy, invalidate



- **Synonyms:** tangled, disorganized
- **Antonyms:** organized, ordered
- **Sentence Example:** I *upended* the bucket to use as a stool.
- **Verb (Definition):** *Verbs* are words that show an action (*sing*), occurrence (*develop*), or state of being (*exist*).

11. Parry (verb)

Meaning; To avoid, deflect



- **Synonyms:** avoid, evade
- **Antonyms:** confront, encounter
- **Sentence Example:** He *parried* the thrust of his opponent's sword.
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14. Dodge (verb)

Meaning; To avoid (something) by moving suddenly out of the way.



- **Synonyms:** trick
- **Antonyms:** confront
- **Sentence Example:** It was just another *dodge* to get out of working.

15. Amicable (adjective)

Meaning; Showing friendliness or goodwill



- **Synonyms:** amiable, friendly
- **Antonyms:** hostile, unfriendly
- **Sentence Example:** They reached an *amicable* agreement.
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16. Dampen (verb)

Meaning; To depress; to check; to make dull; to lessen



- **Synonyms:** lessen, reduce
- **Antonyms:** increase, enhance
- **Sentence Example:** *Dampen* the spot with a wet cloth.
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17. Splurge (verb)

Meaning; To spend lavishly or extravagantly, especially money



- **Synonyms:** fling, disburse
- **Antonyms:** preserve, hoard
- **Sentence Example:** You should let yourself *splurge* once in a while.
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18. Guttled (verb)

Meaning; With the most important parts destroyed



- **Synonyms:** empty, ransacked
- **Antonyms:** filled, prosperous
- **Sentence Example:** The salmon is already *guttled* and filleted.
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19. Underpin (verb)

Meaning; To give support to; to corroborate.



- **Synonyms:** aid, assist
- **Antonyms:** destroy, dismantle
- **Sentence Example:** The central beliefs that *underpin* a free society.
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20. Malapert (Adjective)

Meaning; Cheeky, impudent, saucy.



- **Synonyms:** rude
- **Antonyms:** modest
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21. Riposte (noun)

Meaning; a counter-attack in any combat or any sport



- **Synonyms:** retaliation
- **Antonyms:** bidding
- **Sentence Example:** He's known for having a brilliant *riposte* to nearly any insult.

