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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Challenges
are what make life
interesting;
overcoming them
is what makes life
meaningful.



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Reena Kumari Kumari 19 hours ago

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THE HINDU VOCABULARY

1. Embolden (Verb) : साहसी बनाना

Meaning: **give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something**

(+) Synonyms: **inspire, encourage, inspirit, stimulate**

(-) Antonyms: **discourage, dishearten, dispirit, depress**

Sentence: If we **give in** to the terrorists, our actions will **embolden other terrorist groups to commit the same criminal acts.**

2. Insurgency (Noun) : विद्रोह, उग्रवाद

Meaning: **an active revolt or uprising**

Synonyms: **uprising, revolt, rebellion, mutiny**

Antonyms: **counterinsurgency, counterrevolution**

Sentence: **Despite the enormity of the war's casualties, the Iraqi insurgency continues to grow stronger with every passing day.** ^{deaths}

3. Fortify (Verb) : मजबूत

Meaning : to make something stronger, especially in order to protect it; strengthen (someone) mentally or physically

Synonyms: brace, strengthen

(-) Antonyms: shake, discourage, undermine, demoralize

Sentence: The stone wall was the first step, but they needed more to properly fortify the city.

4. Faction (Noun) : गुट

Meaning: a group within a larger group, especially one with slightly different ideas from the main group

Synonyms: wing, coalition, team

Sentence: The ensuing rift created the faction known as the Paucatuck Easterns.

THE HINDU VOCABULARY

5. Truce (Noun) : युद्ध-विराम

Meaning: a short interruption in a war or argument, or an agreement to stop fighting or arguing for a period of time

Synonyms: armistice, cease-fire

Antonyms: war, hostilities, conflict

Sentence: Hopefully the truce will last long enough for the leaders to agree to a peace treaty.

6. Paradigm (Noun) : मिसाल, प्रतिमान

Meaning: a model of something, or a very clear and typical example of something

Synonyms: example, archetype, blueprint, prototype

Sentence: Sister Mary Catherine is considered a paradigm of virtue by everyone in the church.

7. Rejuvenate (Verb) : कायाकल्प

Meaning: to make someone look or feel young and energetic again; to make an organization or system more effective by introducing new methods, ideas, or people

(+) **Synonyms:** revive, recreate, revitalize, renew, replenish

(-) **Antonyms:** damage, destroy, miss, ruin

Sentence: The football players consume sports drinks to rejuvenate themselves during the game.

8. Delinquency (Noun): अपराध

Meaning: minor crime, especially that committed by young people

Synonyms: crime, wrongdoing, criminality

Antonyms: compliance, goodness, morality

Sentence: The whole of the miners in this country suffer because of the delinquencies of a few.

9. Stoical (Adjective) : अडिग

Meaning: enduring pain and hardship without showing one's feelings or complaining.

Synonyms: uncomplaining, patient, forbearing

Antonyms: complaining, fed up, impatient

Sentence: His great-grandfather had been a dedicated and stoical traveler.

10. Aridity () : सूखेपन

Meaning: as in dehydration, dryness

Synonyms: dehumidification, dehydration, dryness

Antonyms: dampness, humidity, moisture

Sentence: Due to the high elevation and aridity, temperatures drop sharply after sunset.

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

Policy folly: On the terror attack on a mosque
in Pakistan's Peshawar

Pakistan needs a paradigm shift in its approach to
terrorism

When the Taliban captured Kabul in August 2021, Imran Khan, then Prime Minister of Pakistan, said Afghanistan had “broken the shackles of slavery”. Pakistan, which had harboured the Taliban leadership, was largely seen as one of the victors of the Afghan civil war. But the celebratory mood faded as the Taliban’s triumph also emboldened the Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan (TTP), the Pakistani version of the Sunni Islamist insurgency. Since then, Pakistan has witnessed a rise in terrorist attacks, especially in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa bordering Afghanistan.

Monday's blast in a mosque in Peshawar's highly fortified Police Line area, claiming at least 100 lives, was the deadliest in Pakistan in years and a sharp reminder of how its strategy of backing the "good Taliban" and fighting the "bad Taliban" has backfired. A TTP faction initially claimed responsibility, but a spokesperson denied any role. This demonstrates the divisions within the group rather than raising doubts about its involvement. The blast bears the hallmarks of a TTP attack — it took place in its stronghold and was targeted at security personnel. And no other group has claimed responsibility.

The TTP and the Afghan Taliban may be organisationally different, but they are ideologically brothers. What the TTP wants to do in Pakistan is what the Taliban have managed to do in Afghanistan. After the 2014 Peshawar school bombing, which killed over 150 people, mostly children, the Pakistani Army had cracked down on the group. But the Afghan Taliban's return to power changed the dynamics of insurgency in the border region. Mr. Khan adopted a policy of engagement towards the TTP. The Afghan Taliban hosted talks between the TTP and Pakistan which led to a ceasefire. But the year-long truce collapsed in November last year.

Many believe that the TTP, which used the ceasefire to rearm and reorganize itself, is now spreading terror with greater firepower. The Peshawar blast has come at a time of continuing political instability, with Mr. Khan leading a relentless campaign against the government, Pakistan's currency tanking, its foreign reserves falling, inflation soaring, and the power situation remaining grim. Unable to pay its debts, the government is in talks with the IMF for a bailout package. And now, there is a security challenge. Pakistan should realise that its policy of selectively fighting and selectively harbouring terrorism and extremism has done it more harm than good. It needs a paradigm shift in its approach towards terrorism, while, more urgently, amassing its resources and going after the TTP, which is posing the biggest internal security threat to the Pakistani state.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?



Antonym of **DROLL**

1. forget
2. charm
3. sedate ✓
4. absurd

Meaning: droll means to have a humorous or odd quality;
sedate means unruffled or serious

Solution: 3. sedate

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **TRUCULENT**

1. faltering
2. gentle
3. facile
4. submissive

Meaning: truculent means **cruel** or savage, therefore gentle is the opposite

Solution: 2. gentle

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **SPURIOUS**

1. disingenuous
2. thoughtless
3. placid
4. genuine ✓

Meaning: spurious means lacking genuine qualities, or false, therefore genuine is the opposite

Solution: 4. genuine

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **GRACIOUS**

1. cordial
2. rude ✓
3. furious
4. tactile

Meaning: gracious means to be pleasant in a social situation, or cordial; rude means to be unpleasant

Solution 2. rude

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **VALOR**

1. cowardice

2. false

3. drop

4. heavy

Meaning: valor means strength of mind or spirit, or courage; cowardice means lack of courage

Solution: 1. cowardice

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **ABJECT**

1. indigent
2. desire
3. despondent ✓
4. extreme

Meaning: abject means cast down in spirit, or utterly hopeless; despondent means having lost all hope

Solution: 3. despondent

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **BESPOKE**

1. gentle
2. quiet
3. tailored ✓
4. handsome

Meaning: bespoke means custom-made; tailored also means custom made

Solution : 3.tailored

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **DIFFIDENT**

1. apathetic
2. shy ✓
3. arrogant
4. quarrelsome

Meaning: diffident means shy or lacking in confidence

Solution: 2. shy

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **CHURLISH** (←)

1. childish
2. boorish ✓
3. tempestuous
4. disorderly

Meaning: churlish means resembling an ill-bred or vulgar person, or boorish

Solution: 2. boorish

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **PICAYUNE**

1. petty
2. spicy
3. paltry ✓
4. southern

Meaning: picayune means trivial or of little value;

paltry means trivial or meager

Solution: 3. paltry

IDIOMS & PHRASES

Talk through one's hat

1. talk good points
2. to talk secretly
3. talk positively
4. talk nonsense



Solution: 4. talk nonsense



IDIOMS & PHRASES



Head Over Heels

1. Study Hard
2. Living in luxury
3. Very excited ✓
4. Conflict

Solution : 3. very excited



Keep your eyes peeled

1. To watch carefully
2. Searching someone
3. Looking forward
4. Running away

Solution: 1. To watch carefully

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Blue blood

1. Belonging to low-class society
2. Give complaints in written
3. Members of a high-class society
4. Complain give verbally



Solution: 3. Members of a high-class society

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. One who is in charge of the Museum –
Curator
2. Belong to the same period –
Contemporary
3. The branch of philosophy concerned with the study of principles of beauty, especially in art –
Aesthetics
4. A rough, violent, troublesome person – –
Tartar



1. (A) To the undertaking (B) may very well be compared (C) of a journey (D) the process of learning.

a. DBAC

b. CBDA

c. ACDB

d. BDCA

2. (A) Half its beauty and useful- ness (B) knowledge would lose (C) without hard toil (D) if we could acquire it

a. BADC

b. DCAB

c. CBDA

d. CDBA

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