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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Always have a unique
character like SALT,
Its presence is not
felt but its ABSENCE
makes everything
TASTELESS.





Surbhi Sinha 1 hour ago

Litigate= to Tak legal action in front in a court of l:

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Amit Sharma 2 hours ago

Ant :agree defens

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Synonyms :action process sue

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livanshi gautam 12 hours ago

1. Litigate : to take legal actions in a court of law

Synonyms : action, process, sue

Antonyms : agree, defense, inaction

2. Retaliation : to take revenge...

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yash kumar 13 hours ago

Litigate- resort to legal action to settle a matter.

Synonym- action, sue.

Antonym- inactivity,defense.

Sentence- They had to litigate for the case.

Retaliation- counterattack, the action of returning a military

Synonym- revenge, retribution.

Sentence- Retaliation by the soldier.

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Chandrika Gore 14 hours ago

1. Litigate: (verb) to ask for or cause a disagreement to be
must be accepted by both sides in the argument

Synonyms: prosecute, sue, appeal, contest, go to court, pro

Antonyms: agree, inaction, defense...

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ASHISH RANJAN 15 hours ago

Litigate;

To decide ,dispute,litigate a claim...

Retaliation;
revenge,quits...

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VOCABULARY



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SALEM UNIT ON STREAM



RACE IN CHINA FOR SURVIVORS



Oil leak stops as sinking ship starts to rise off Mumbai

Come to the dialogue table Mamata tells Maoists

Games: 'guilty will be punished'

1. Disconcert (Verb): चिंताजनक

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.**

2. Dilation (Noun): फैलाव

Meaning: the action or condition of becoming or being made wider, larger, or more open

Synonyms: increase, expand, swell, enlarge, accelerate

Antonyms: contraction, decrease, lessening, shrinkage, reduction, compression, shortening

Sentence: The doctor will repair the narrowed vessels by inserting a tube to dilate them.

3. Solitary (Adjective): अकेला

Meaning: **done or existing alone; single; only**

Synonyms: **lone, only, one, unique, single, singular, sole, alone**

Antonyms: **multifarious, myriad, miscellaneous, mixed, varied**

Sentence: **If the seat next to me on the airplane is solitary, I will take advantage of the extra space to spread out my legs.**

4. Tamp down (Phrasal Verb)

Meaning: **to reduce the amount, level, size, or importance of something**

Synonyms: **press, compress**

Sentence: **The party retained power by boosting the economy and tamping down corruption.**

(+) 5. Jocund (Adjective): प्रफुल्ल

Meaning: cheerful and lighthearted, in a happy mood

(+) Synonyms: merry, jolly, festive, cheerful, mirthful, jovial, jocose

(-) Antonyms: melancholy, sorrowful, sad, unhappy, glum, forlorn

Sentence: As soon as I walked towards the front door of the luxury hotel, a jocund doorman greeted me with a smile.

(-) 6. Impediment (Noun): बाधा

Meaning: **a hindrance or obstruction in doing something**

(-) Synonyms: **obstacle, hurdle, obstruction, barrier, hinder, thwart**

(+) Antonyms: **benefit, aid, assistance, encouragement, relief, support**

Sentence: **My broken wrist is the impediment preventing me from finishing my new novel.**

7. Tranche (Noun): अंश

Meaning: **a portion of something, especially money**

Synonyms: **segment, piece, chunk, section, lump, portion, fragment**

Antonyms: **whole**

Sentence: **At the end of the month, a tranche of the worker's settlement will be sent from one account to a savings account.**

8. Folly (Noun): मूर्खता

Meaning: **lack of good sense; foolishness**

Synonyms: **insanity, idiocy, absurdity, stupidity, madness**

Antonyms: **wisdom, prudence, discretion, sagacity**

Sentence: **Too much cleverness is folly.**

9. Catharsis (Noun): विरेचन

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: purgation, purification

Antonyms: repression

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

10. Addled (Adjective): व्याकुल

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.**

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?

Antonym of **DENOUNCE**

1. praise
2. condemn
3. blame
4. deplore



Meaning: denounce means to criticize something or someone strongly and publicly so praise is the exact opposite

Solution: 1. praise



Find the correct one?



Antonym of **CONTRARY**

1. urbane
2. agreeable ✓
3. unpleasant
4. despicable

Meaning: contrary means unwilling to accept control or advice;
agreeable means ready or willing to agree

Solution: 2. agreeable

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **GLOWER**

1. prairie
2. smile ✓
3. raise
4. throw

Meaning: glower means a sullen brooding look, therefore smile
is the most dissimilar

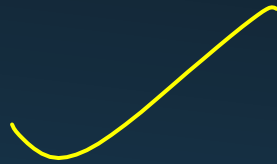
Solution: 2. smile

Find the correct one?



Antonym of CURTAIL

1. remain
2. detain
3. placate
4. prolong



Meaning: to curtail means to cut short; to prolong means to lengthen or extend

Solution: 4. prolong

Find the correct one?

Antonym of **EMINENT**

1. imminent
2. obscure ✓
3. retire
4. unsure

Meaning: eminent means prominent, or famous;
obscure means not prominent, or unknown

Solution: 2. obscure



Find the correct one?



Synonym of **MUNDANE**

1. dirty
2. commonplace
3. confused
4. Extraordinary

Meaning: mundane means ordinary, or commonplace

Solution: 2. commonplace

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **VOCATION**

1. stress
2. ambition ✓
3. waste
4. Strive

Meaning: vocation means an effort to establish, or ambition

Solution: 2. ambition

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **AFFECT**

1. outcome
2. share
3. pompous
4. influence ✓

Affect —
Effect —

Meaning: to have an influence on someone or something,
or to cause a change

Solution: 4. influence

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **HERALD**

1. insignia
2. postpone
3. hail
4. regal

Meaning: to herald means to **greet with enthusiasm** or to hail

Solution: 3. hail

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **MIRTH**

1. anger
2. glee ✓
3. sarcasm
4. mistrust

Meaning: mirth means gladness expressed with laughter, or glee

Solution: 2. glee



A sea change

1. A change in tides
2. A very slow change
3. A sudden death
4. Complete transformation.

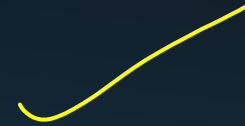
Solution: 4. Complete transformation.

IDIOMS & PHRASES



A safe pair of hands

1. An ambidextrous person
2. A reliable and trustworthy person
3. A person who works surreptitiously
4. An irritable person



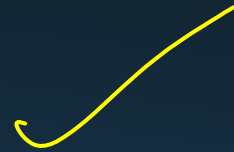
Solution: 2. A reliable and trustworthy person

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Look down upon

1. Consider trustworthy
2. Respect someone
3. Consider inferior
4. Fail to succeed



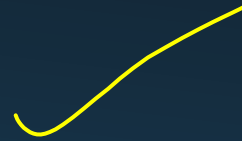
Solution: 3. Consider inferior

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Come off with flying colors

1. See a rainbow
2. Be irritated easily
3. Be highly suspicious
4. Be highly successful



Solution: 4. Be highly successful

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. A nation engaged in war –
Belligerent
2. Cure for all diseases –
Panacea
3. Fear of speaking –
Lalophobia
4. Giving up the throne by the king -
Abdication

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

Disconcerting dilation

Untamed inflation risks hurting domestic consumption

Just five days after Reserve Bank of India Governor Shaktikanta Das asserted that inflation 'has shown signs of moderation and the worst is behind us', Monday's release of Consumer Price Index (CPI) estimates for January revealed a disconcerting reversal in price gains trend. Headline retail inflation, which had steadily eased over the last quarter of 2022 from September's five-month high of 7.4%, quickened by 80 basis points last month to 6.5%. Propelling the acceleration was a 175 basis-points jump in food prices, with inflation measured by the Consumer Food Price Index, quickening to 5.94%, from December's 4.19%. Adding to the disquiet is the fact that inflation had already been at an elevated 6% in January 2022, implying that the year-on-year increase was sans a favourable base effect and entirely due to an upsurge in the momentum of price gains.

Food prices climbed across the board, with vegetables being the solitary item in the CPI's 12-member food and beverages sub-group to post a year-on-year deflation of 11.7% as winter supply outstripped demand. Cereals, which include rice and wheat and carries the heaviest weight of almost 10% in the sub-group, logged a 16.1% jump in prices, and milk and dairy products, the second-heaviest, saw prices gain by 8.79%. Policymakers must be particularly worried about the 2.6% month-on-month dilation in cereal prices, more so because this disproportionately impacts rural households, which spend a larger share of their income on food. With a 12.4% weight in the rural consumption basket, cereal prices fuelled January's overall rural headline inflation at an even quicker 6.85% pace.

The surprise reversal in price trends suggests inflationary expectations in the economy are nowhere near anchored and will necessitate further policy action both from the RBI and fiscal authorities. To be sure, Mr. Das last week not only announced a 25 basis-points interest rate increase but also committed the RBI to enacting policy that ensures a durable disinflation. With core inflation, or price gains that strip out the impact of food and fuel prices, remaining stubbornly stuck above 6% and in fact inching up last month to 6.23%, from December's 6.22%, policymakers face the challenge of targeting the components of the inflationary trend that can be addressed by raising credit costs and tamping down on demand.

Given that inflation in several key services categories including health and personal care is running well above the RBI's upper bound of 6%, with prices continuing to harden, the Centre and States must mull measures including rationalisation of GST rates to help ease the inflationary burden on the economy. With overseas demand set to stay weak this year, untamed inflation risks hurting domestic consumption and thereby overall economic growth.



1. INIMICAL

2. NASCENT

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