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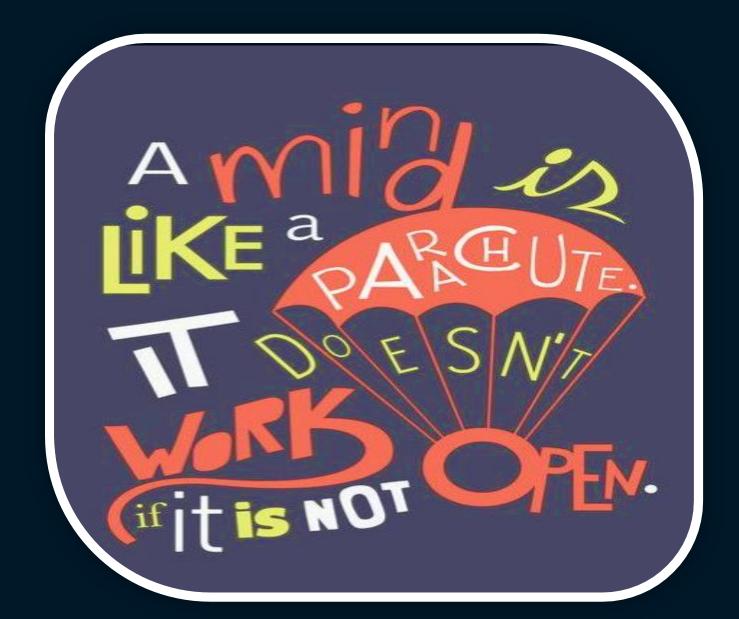
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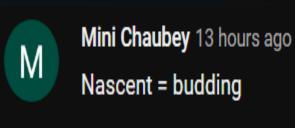


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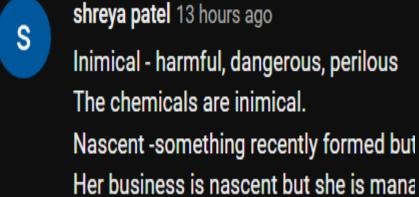
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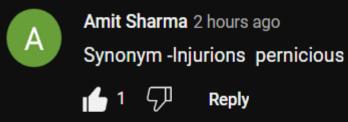
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Inimical = injurious, pernicious

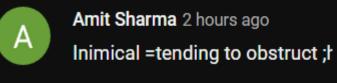


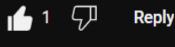
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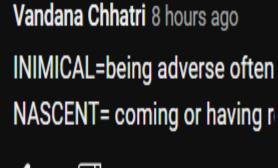




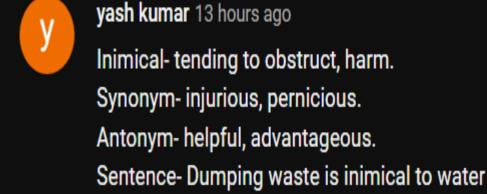




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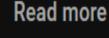
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1. Inimical: (adj) harmful or limiting
Synonyms: antagonistic, contrary, adverse, de
Antonyms: aiding, assisting, favourable, good,
Sentence: It is inimical to effective, fair and effective,

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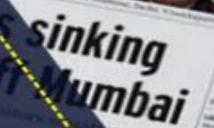






Oil leak stops as THE HINDU **EDITORIAL VOCABULARY**





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Come to the dialogue ta Mamata tells Maoists

FOR SURVIVORS

Games: 'guilty will be punished'



1. Delimitation (Noun): परिसीमन

Meaning: the action of fixing the boundary or limits of something

Synonyms: demarcation, delineation, delimiting, outlining, circumscribing

Sentence: Set the <u>delimitation</u> or boundaries of your proposed research in order to provide a clear focus.





2. Imprimatur (Noun): आजा

Meaning: official permission to do something that is given by a person or group in a position of power

Synonyms: approval, assent, approbation, endorsement

Antonyms: disapproval, refusal, disapprobation

Sentence: When he suspended the assembly and dissolved Congress, he had the imprimatur of the armed forces.





3. Contention (Adjective): विवाद

Meaning: the disagreement that results from opposing arguments

Synonyms: argument, dispute

Antonyms: agreement, harmony, peace, concord

Sentence: There's a lot of contention about that issue - for every person firmly in favor, there's someone fiercely against it.





4. Fait accompli (Noun)

Meaning: a thing that has already happened or been decided before those affected hear about it, leaving them with no option but to accept it

Sentence: The policy change was presented to us as a fait accompli, without consultation or discussion.



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(—) 5. Libel (Noun): निंदलेख

Meaning: a <u>published</u> false statement that is damaging to a person's reputation; a written defamation.

(—) Synonyms: defamation, misrepresentation, vilification

(+) Antonyms: praise, respect, commendation

Sentence: The governor's office issued a statement accusing the state's largest newspaper of libel.



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6. Pursuance (Noun): अनुसरण

Meaning: the carrying out of a plan or action

Synonyms: implementation, carrying out, fulfilment

Antonyms: non-performance, nonfulfillment

Sentence: They may need to borrow money in pursuance of their legal action.





7. Redundant (Adjective): बेकार

Meaning: the state of being not or no longer needed or useful.

Synonyms: futile, purposeless, useless

Sentence: The programmer deleted the redundant line of code that added no value to the software program.



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8. Frazzle (Noun): थकी हुई अवस्था

Meaning: the state of being completely exhausted

Synonyms: exhaustion, fatigue, lethargy

Antonyms: refreshment, energy, rejuvenation

Sentence: The meeting left me feeling completely frazzled.





9. Teed off (Verb): गुस्सा होना

Meaning: feeling or showing anger

Synonyms: ballistic, angry, infuriated

Antonyms: pleased, accepting, delighted

Sentence: There's no use getting teed off about something that's out of your control.



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10. Intuitive (Adjective): स्वाभाविक

Meaning: using or based on what one feels to be true even without conscious reasoning; instinctive.

Synonyms: instinctive, intuitional, instinctual

Sentence: The intuitive police officer could tell the woman was trying to hide something from him.

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Antonym of ABDICATE

- 1. deny
- 2. usurp
- 3. blame
- 4. renounce

Meaning: to abdicate means to renounce power or high office; to usurp means seize power or high office

Solution: 2. usurp





Antonym of **INDOLENT**



2. complimentary

1. industrious

- 3. native
- 4. smooth

Meaning: indolent means lazy: industrious means hardworking

Solution: 1. industrious





Antonym of FORTUITOUS

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- 1. undefended
- 2. gratuitous
- 3. deliberate
- 4. impoverished

Meaning: fortuitous means occurring by chance, or accidental; deliberate means resulting from careful consideration, or voluntary

Solution: 3. deliberate



Antonym of **DUBIOUS**

20)

- 1. reliable
- 2. pleasing
- 3. rhythmic
- 4. careful

Meaning: dubious means questionable or unreliable therefore reliable is the most dissimilar Solution: 1. reliable



Antonym of INTERDICT

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- 1. continue
- 2. abstain
- 3. wallow
- 4. sanction

Meaning: to interdict means to forbid; to sanction

means to approve

Solution: 4. sanction



Synonym of **PREREQUISITE**

- 1. stress
- 2. necessary
- 3. waste
- 4. strife



<u>function</u>

Solution: 2. necessary





Synonym of **DIRE**

- 1. questionable
- 2. forthright
- 3. traitor
- 4. urgent

Meaning: dire means desperately urgent

Solution: 4. urgent





Synonym of **GRAPPLE**

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- 1. fight
- 2. trap
- 3. laugh
- 4. intend

Meaning: to grapple means to engage in a close fight or struggle

Solution: 1. fight



Synonym of **SUNDRY**

- 1. aged
- 2. supply
- 3. several
- 4. tremendous

Meaning: sundry means of various kinds; several

Solution: 3. several





Synonym of **SUPPLANT**

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- 1. grow
- 2. replace
- 3. undo
- 4. question

Meaning: to supplant means take the place of, or to replace

Solution: 2. replace





Rank and File

- 1. Arrange in ascending order
- 2. Arrange in descending order
- 3. Top administration
- 4. Ordinary people

Solution: 4. Ordinary people



Call a spade a spade

- 1. Speak frankly and directly
- 2. Hide something intentionally
- 3. Use derogatory language
- 4. Excessive use of figures of speech

Solution: 1. Speak frankly and directly





In a tight corner

- 1. In a very difficult situation
- 2. In a strict manner
- 3. Have a secret plan in reserve
- 4. To keep at a distance

Solution: 1. In a very difficult situation





In the nick of time

- 1. Spread quickly
- 2. In a very long time
- 3. Just before the last moment
- 4. Be highly successful

Solution: 3. Just before the last moment





ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

- 1. The thing that can be easily broken—
 Brittle
- 2. Soldiers who fight on horseback Cavalry
- 3. Lasting for a very short time—

 Ephemeral
- 4. Science of heredity Genetics

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

Beyond limits: On the Supreme Court order upholding J&K Delimitation Commission

The real issues in J&K are statehood and special status, more than delimitation



The gulf between legality and political legitimacy can be quite substantial. The Supreme Court verdict upholding the constitution of a Delimitation Commission for Jammu and Kashmir and the subsequent delimitation exercise is indeed in line with the law, especially the constitutional provisions that empower Parliament to form new States, alter existing ones, and change their status and boundaries, as well as the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019. However, it will be wrong to see it as granting judicial imprimatur to the political import of the redrawing of constituencies in the Union Territory.



Most political parties in J&K, which was downgraded to Union Territory status in August 2019, have opposed the Commission's report that added six seats in Jammu division and one in Kashmir division to take the total number of seats to 90. The parties see in the exercise an attempt to weaken the Muslim majority region's political and electoral significance and boost the prospects of parties with a base in Jammu. They consider this as an extension of the project to strip J&K of its status and privileges and repurpose its politics to the advantage of the ruling party. This question of legitimacy can be answered by the outcome of an election, if and when one is held, to the territorial legislature. However, the readjustment of boundaries may by itself cast a shadow on that process too



petition that challenged the formation of the Delimitation Commission was a belated one, as it was filed after the panel published its draft order. The Court brushed aside its key contention that the delimitation has been frozen throughout the country until after the first Census held after 2026, noting that Article 170, which deals with this, applies only to States, and not Union Territories. It has also noted that J&K will be governed by its own reorganisation law, which allows the 2011 Census to be the basis for its delimitation, unlike the rest of the country, where the 2001 census was the basis for the last redrawing of constituency boundaries.



It also rejected arguments rooted in the idea that some provisions of the Reorganisation Act were not consistent with the Constitution, noting that these provisions had not been specifically challenged. While the Court may be right in upholding the formation of the delimitation panel, the extensions given to it, and its decision based on laws currently assumed to be valid, the impression is inescapable that the people of J&K are being presented with a fait accompli on matters concerning their political destiny, as long as the core question — the validity of the withdrawal of its statehood and special status in 2019 — remains undecided.



1. DEARTH

2. NONCHALANT

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