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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Why?

IF AN EGG IS BROKEN BY OUTSIDE
FORCE, LIFE ENDS.

IF BROKEN BY INSIDE FORCE, LIFE
BEGINS.

GREAT THINGS ALWAYS BEGIN
FROM THE INSIDE.



Khushboo Mandal 15 hours ago

Raucous- (adj) - loud and unpleasant

Synonyms- hard - line, harsh

Antonym- soft , peaceful

Desultory-(adj) - lacking of plan purpose or enthusiasm ...

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Riya Mandaokar 7 hours ago

Raucous= extremely loud and unpleasant

Desultory= lack of proper planning

Thank you ma'am for the session 😊

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Mimansha 🐱 21 hours ago

RAUCOUS - LOUD & UNPLEASANT

DESULTORY - ENTHUSIASM 👍👍

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Rajorshi Acharjee 8 hours ago

Raucous = loud and unpleasant

Synonym = harsh. Loud.

Antonym = calm. Quite. Mild.

I heard the raucous call of crow. ...

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Chandrika Gore 20 hours ago

1. Raucous: (adj) loud and unpleasant

Synonyms: noisy, rough, discordant, harsh, strident, rowdy, boisterous, unruly, turbulent, rambunctious

Antonyms: calm, quiet, obedient, low, mild, soft, subdued

Sentence: The party was becoming rather raucous. ...

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Mini Chaubey 14 hours ago

Desultory = inthusuasm

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Surbhi Sinha 19 hours ago

Desultory= without a clear plan or purpose,,, raucous= loud and unpleasant/unclear voice ,, thank you mam 👍👍

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Zikra Yasmeen 19 hours ago

Raucous= (used about people's voices) loud and unpleasant

(लोगों की आवाज़) ऊँची और कर्णकटु; कर्कश

Desultory=lacking a plan, purpose, or enthusiasm.

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VOCABULARY



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY

1. Juggernaut (Noun) : रथ, वाहन

Meaning: a huge, powerful, and overwhelming force or campaign; a large, heavy vehicle

Synonyms: campaign, power, steamroller

Antonyms: powerlessness, unpersuasive

Sentence: The Greeks would have to summon all their strength to stop the Persian Juggernaut

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2. Complacent (Adjective): आत्मसंतुष्ट

Meaning: feeling so satisfied with your own abilities or situation that you feel you do not need to try any harder

Synonyms: nonchalant, casual, apathetic

Antonyms: aware, interested, attentive

Sentence: With 66 deaths on our roads every week, none of us can afford to be complacent.

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3. Cadre (Noun)

Meaning: a small group of people specially trained for a particular purpose or profession; a member of an activist group

Synonyms: group, framework

Sentence: The chief cadre in charge should bear greater responsibility.

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4. Coalition (Noun) : गठबंधन

Meaning: a temporary alliance for combined action, especially of political parties forming a government

Synonyms: alliance, association, union

Antonyms: disassociation, division

Sentence: At length, the contest was finally closed by a coalition of the three rivals.

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5. Saturation (Noun) : संतुष्टि

Meaning: to a very full extent, especially beyond the point regarded as necessary or desirable

Sentence: After filling the entire city with posters and billboards, the candidate felt his saturation marketing plan was complete

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6. Relentless (Adjective) : निर्दयी

Meaning: **unceasingly intense; harsh or inflexible**

Synonyms: grim, **persistent**, ruthless, implacable

Antonyms: irresolute, merciful

Sentence: The pandemic continues its relentless spread about 14 000 people are infected each day.

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7. Disseminate (Verb) : फैलाना

Meaning: spread (something, especially information)
widely

Synonyms: propagate, spread, circulate

Antonyms: conceal, hold, suppress

Sentence: They were created in order to better disseminate the key findings of this 3-year research project, covering 22 countries in 6 international regions.

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8. Probe (Noun) : जाँच

Meaning: a thorough investigation into a crime or other matter

Synonyms: inquest, scrutiny

Antonyms: neglect, disregard

Sentence: A robot is being sent inside the school to probe the building for explosive devices.

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9. Surreptitious (Adjective) : गुप्त

Meaning: kept secret, especially because it would not be approved of

Synonyms: clandestine, sneak, furtive

Antonyms: open, blatant, overt, frank

Sentence: After hitting the lottery, the private family hoped to keep their surreptitious winnings to themselves.

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10. Incursion (Noun) : घुसपैठ

Meaning: an invasion or attack, especially a sudden or brief one

Synonyms: raid, inroad, foray, irruption

Antonyms: retreat

Sentence: When the troops made an incursion across the border, they ruined any chance for peace between the two countries.

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

CLARITY AND PURPOSE: ON THE BJP'S ELECTORAL JUGGERNAUT

SUCCESS HAS NOT MADE THE BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY
COMPLACENT ABOUT POLITICAL STRATEGY AND ELECTORAL
TACTICS

The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has unveiled its road map for the next general election at its national executive which also extended the term of party president J.P. Nadda to June 2024. Under his presidency, the party's electoral performance has been impressive, notwithstanding the recent loss in Himachal Pradesh, his home State. Mr. Nadda has termed the extension of his tenure a 'privilege and honour' and an 'immense responsibility'. The power commanded by the president is dependent on the occupant in the BJP. Mr. Nadda draws his authority from the confidence he enjoys of Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah who are the ultimate decision makers.

This is not unprecedented for the party — A.B. Vajpayee and L.K. Advani were more powerful than party presidents. The party has called upon its cadres to work towards winning all nine Assembly elections due in 2023. The BJP is in power, singlehandedly in Tripura and as part of coalitions in Nagaland and Meghalaya, three States for which elections were announced on Wednesday. The party is also trying to emerge as a serious contender for power in Telangana for the first time, retain power in the key States of Karnataka and Madhya Pradesh, and recapture Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh. The Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir is also likely to have its first election in 2023, where the BJP is experimenting with a new brand of politics

The BJP has said it practises “a politics of saturation and governance of saturation” — possibly alluding to the relentless campaigns around government schemes that target various constituencies. At the national executive, the party noted with ^{joy} glee that a series of controversies and missteps, from demonetisation to Goods and Services Tax, and the Rafale defence deal to Pegasus snooping, did not damage the party. It said all these were failed attempts by the Opposition to discredit the Modi government. Congress leader Rahul Gandhi is trying to build a new politics against the BJP through his Bharat Jodo Yatra, but Opposition politics is caught in confusion and rivalries.

The BJP is clearly counting on the continuing popularity of Mr. Modi into yet another season of victories to be capped with a third consecutive Lok Sabha win in 2024. The party also has a clear strategy for mobilisation. Mr. Nadda emphasised the persistent outreach of the party towards the Other Backward Classes, Scheduled Tribes and Dalit communities. Traditionally an upper caste dominated party, the BJP has made deep inroads among other segments. The party is also focusing on new regions such as West Bengal and Telangana for expansion. Success has not made the BJP complacent.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?

Synonym of REMOTE

1. automatic
2. distant ✓
3. savage
4. Mean

Meaning: remote means far, or distant ✓

Solution: 2. distant



Find the correct one?

Synonym of DETEST

1. argue
2. hate
3. discover
4. Reveal



Meaning: detest means to feel intense or violent dislike or hate

Solution: 2. hate



Find the correct one?

Antonym of AWE

1. borrow
2. shallow
3. low
4. Contempt ✓

Meaning: awe means a sense of deep respect
contempt means a lack of respect or disdain

Solution : 4. Contempt



Find the correct one?

Antonym of ROTUND

1. round
2. unimportant
3. thin ✓
4. Dull

Meaning : rotund means rounded or plump, therefore thin is the opposite

Solution : 3. thin



Find the correct one?

Antonym of BRAZEN

1. bashful ✓
2. boisterous
3. noisy
4. Heated

Meaning : brazen means to be defiant or bold; bashful means to be shy or timid

Solution : 1. Bashful



Find the correct one?

Antonym of MALODOROUS

1. acrid
2. pungent
3. fragrant ✓
4. delicious

Meaning : malodorous means to have a bad smell;
fragrant means smelling sweet or delicate

Solution : 3. fragrant



Find the correct one?

Antonym of EXPOUND

1. besmirch
2. confuse ✓
3. confine
4. Condemn

Meaning : to expound means to explain clearly; to confuse, or confound, is the opposite of expound

Solution : 2. confuse



Find the correct one?

Antonym of PIQUE

1. value
2. gully
3. smooth
4. Soothe ✓

Meaning: to pique means to excite or irritate; to soothe means to calm

Solution: 4. Soothe



Find the correct one?

Synonym of PENSIVE

1. oppressed
2. caged
3. thoughtful ✓
4. Happy

Meaning : pensive means moodily or dreamily

Solution : 3. thoughtful



Find the correct one?

Synonym of CHARISMA

1. ghost
2. force
3. charm
4. courage

Meaning : charisma is charm or appeal to attract

Solution : 3. Charm



IDIOMS & PHRASES

Information and technology has developed
by **leaps and bounds**.

- (a) in far-off places
- (b) through unfair means
- (c) at a rapid pace
- (d) very gradually

Solution : **(c) At a rapid pace.**

IDIOMS & PHRASES

Her success as a singer was a **nine days'**
wonder.

(a) a short-lived sensation

(b) an impossible feat

(c) eternal fame

(d) a proud achievement

Solution : **(a) A short-lived sensation**

IDIOMS & PHRASES

She felt like **a fish out of water** at her new job.

(a) uncomfortable and restless

(b) angry and hurt

(c) comfortable and relaxed

(d) happy and free

Solution : **(a) Uncomfortable and restless.**

IDIOMS & PHRASES

The investigation of the serious case of bribery by the concerned authority is an **eye-wash**.

(a) A deception

(b) An inspiration

(c) An operation

(d) A consideration

Solution: **(a) A deception.**

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. Equally skillful with each hand –
Ambidextrous ✓
2. Large-scale destruction by fire –
Holocaust ✓
3. A place where dead bodies are kept –
Mortuary ✓
4. Just punishment for wrongdoing –
Nemesis ✓

H O M E W O R K

1. ENVOY

2. INSCRUTABLE



**THANK
YOU**

