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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

Spoken English

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***Work while they
sleep. Learn while
they party. Save
while they spend.
Live like they
dream.***



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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- i. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
 - ii. ARTICLE ANALYSIS**
 - iii. THE HINDU VOCABULARY**
 - iv. CHECK YOUR PROGRESS**
 - v. LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES**
 - vi. ENGLISH SPEAKING TIPS**

GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

The inverted form of Verb is used in the following cases

- 1) When the sentence is introduced by an adverb.
- 2) When the verb is meant to express a wish or prayer.

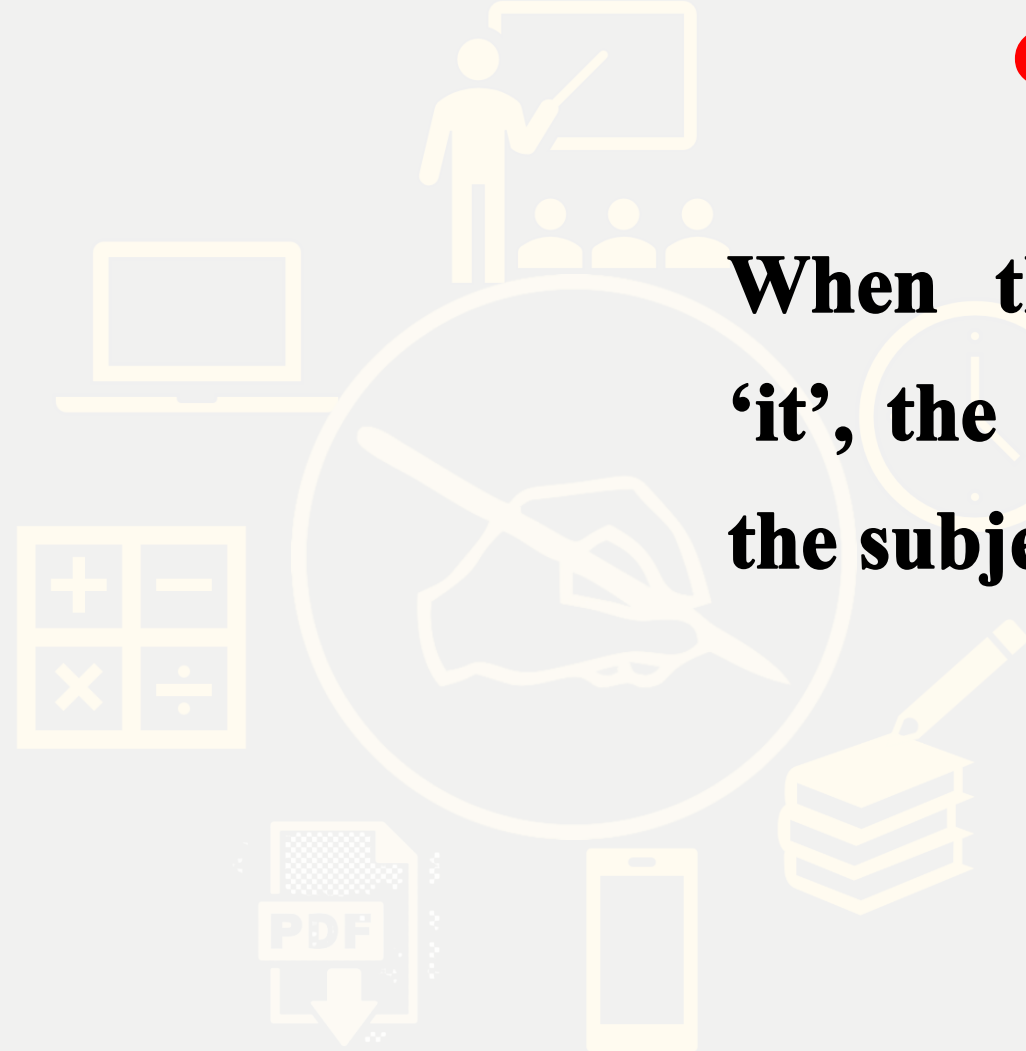
(a) Hardly I had reached the station when the train arrived.

(b) You may get great success in life.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

When the sentence begins with 'it', the verb is used according to the subject.



- A. It is I who is to attend the party.**
- B. It is the apple that are full of antioxidants.**



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Releasing the booster shots: What are we waiting for?



ARTICLE

The Omicron variant of SARS-CoV-2 clearly appears to be **taking over** as the **dominant strain** of the virus, reflecting its increased **transmissibility**, and ability to escape the immunity conferred by the standard vaccination schedule or past infection. There is evidence to suggest that such immunity, which **wanes** with time **elapsed** from the second dose, can be boosted with a third dose of the vaccine. There are several arguments which are being made against boosters, which seem to be **oversimplifying** the **discourse**.

ARTICLE

The first of these arguments is that two doses protect against severe disease, **irrespective** of the waning protection against infection with the passage of time. We now know this is not true. A study analyzing data from medical databases in Brazil and Scotland (with close to 2 million adults from Scotland, and 42 million from Brazil) found protection from the vaccine against hospitalisations and death beginning to wane within three months after the second dose. This was before the Omicron variant was reported. A more transmissible variant would mean a **potentially** larger denominator of those infected, and even if a small proportion of these individuals need hospitalisation, we could **overwhelm** the healthcare system. A shorter doubling time which is being reported for Omicron would also mean that infections are likely to be clustered in time, making “**flattening the curve**” more challenging.

ARTICLE

Our vaccination programme, combined with the high background **seroprevalence** from past infection, has likely protected us for the last few months. However, it was always known that if there was a new variant which caused vaccine **breakthrough** infections and reinfections, we could face another big wave. In addition to strictly preventing crowds and superspreader events, we need to act fast, using the available scientific evidence, to prevent such a wave with the Omicron variant. **Rolling out** booster doses to the elderly, and frontline workers immediately could be **valuable**.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY



INCURSION (NOUN): (आक्रमण): attack

on

Synonyms: assault on, raid on

Antonyms: retreat

Example Sentence:

Government forces were able to halt the rebel incursion.

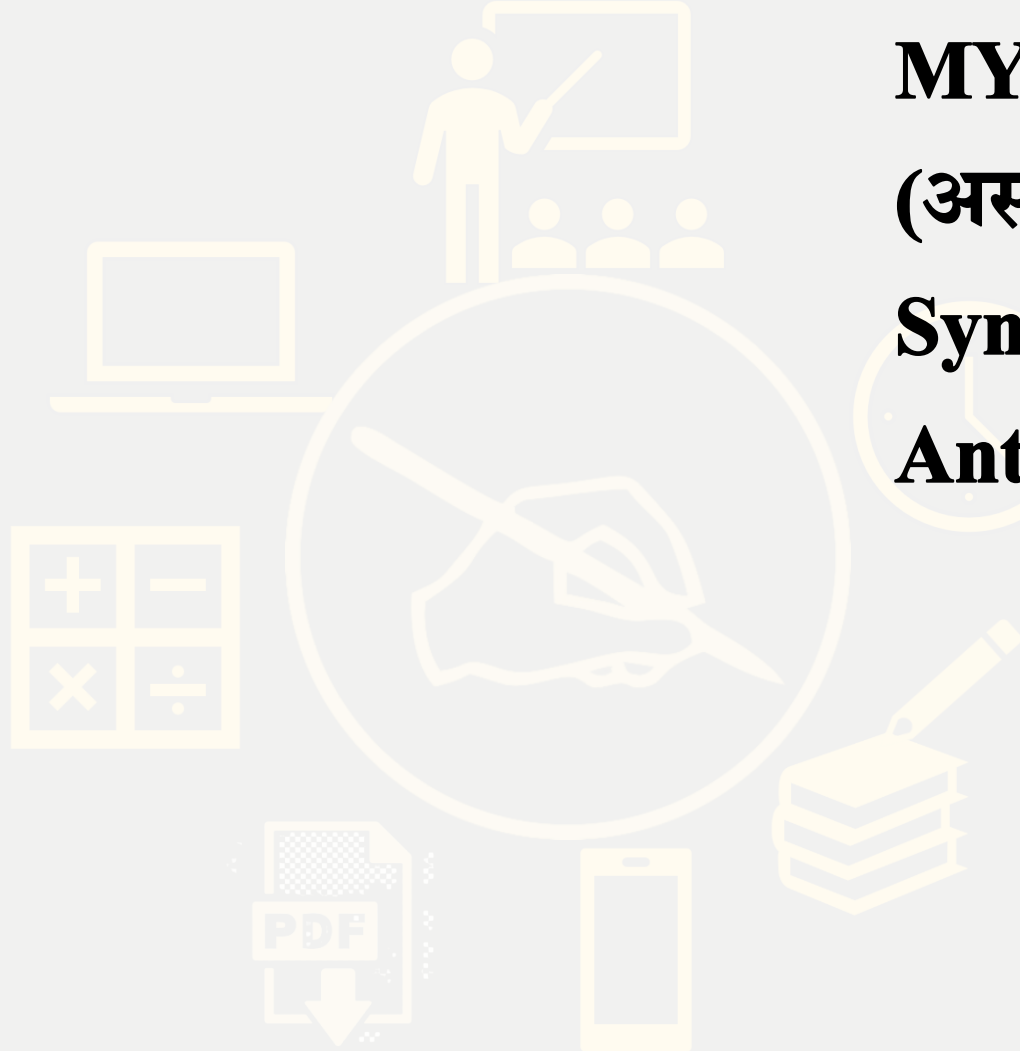


MYRIAD (ADJECTIVE):

(असंख्य): innumerable

Synonyms: countless infinite

Antonyms: countable



EXORBITANT (ADJECTIVE):

(अत्यधिक): extortionate

Synonyms: extremely, high

Antonyms: reasonable

Example Sentence:

Some hotels charge exorbitant rates for rooms.

FLOUT (VERB): (अवज्ञा करना): defy

Synonyms: go against, scorn

Antonyms: observe, obey

Example Sentence:

He flouted all the rules and regulations.



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Sentence Improvement

Q1. We sat on the floor to eat dinner and he (**appreciate**) the fresh food my mother served.

- 1) had appreciated
- 2) appreciated
- 3) will appreciate
- 4) no improvement



Solution : 2

Use 'appreciated' in place of 'appreciate'.

Q2. We sat there (enjoy**) the view.**

- 1) enjoyed**
- 2) enjoying**
- 3) enjoys**
- 4) no improvement**



Solution : enjoying

use participle 'enjoying' instead of verb 'enjoy' to connect the sentence.

Example – There was a beautiful girl sitting next to him.

Q3. What seeds you (has sow**) in the garden of your mind determine the quality of life you shall have.**

- 1) sowing**
- 2) sow**
- 3) had sow**
- 4) no improvement**

Solution : sow

Explanation: – general / common / universal truth should be expressed in simple present tense.



Q4. My daughter (**comes running**) as fast as her little feet can take her while her eyes sparkle vivaciously.

- 1) comes run
- 2) come running
- 3) came run
- 4) no improvement



Solution : 4) no improvement

Q5. We (**is influenced**) by what we see, what we hear.

- 1) was influenced
- 2) are influence
- 3) are influenced
- 4) no improvement

Solution : are influenced



Q6. The trick is in (**keep**) the flavours simple and fresh.

- 1) keeping
- 2) keeps
- 3) to keep
- 4) no improvement



Solution : 1) keeping

Explanation – Preposition should be followed by 'V+ing' except 'to'. Use 'keeping' instead of 'keep'.

Q7. It is nothing less than magic which (**will transformed**) tiny teeny seeds into fruits of life.

- 1) transform
- 2) transforms
- 3) transforming
- 4) no improvement

Solution : 2) transforms

General statement / truth should be written in simple present tense.





Time for Synonyms

Q8. **Impoverished**

1. spendthrift

2. generous

3. wealthy

4. penniless



Solution: 4 Impoverished- reduced to poverty

Spendthrift- extravagant

Q9. Stoical

1.ruffled

2.apathetic

3.panicky

4.equivocal



Solution: 2

Stoical - enduring pain and hardship

Ruffle – agitation , disturbance

Panicky - in a state of panic

Equivocal- an ambiguous term

Q10. STERN

1. Mellow
2. Proud
3. Shrewd
4. Strict

**Solution: 4****Stern - strict****Mellow - soft, tender****Shrewd - cunning,
tricky**

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Meek



Definition quiet, gentle, and always ready to do what other people want without expressing your own opinion

Stupendous



Definition extremely large or impressive, especially greater or better than you expect

Contrast



- Definition** 1) something that is different from another thing
2) a difference between people or things that are being compared

ENGLISH SPEAKING

TIPS

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SOME IMPORTANT ADVERB FOR SPEAKING

✓ सतही तौर पर वह एक अच्छा आदमी दिखाई देता है

✓ Superficially, he seems to be a good man

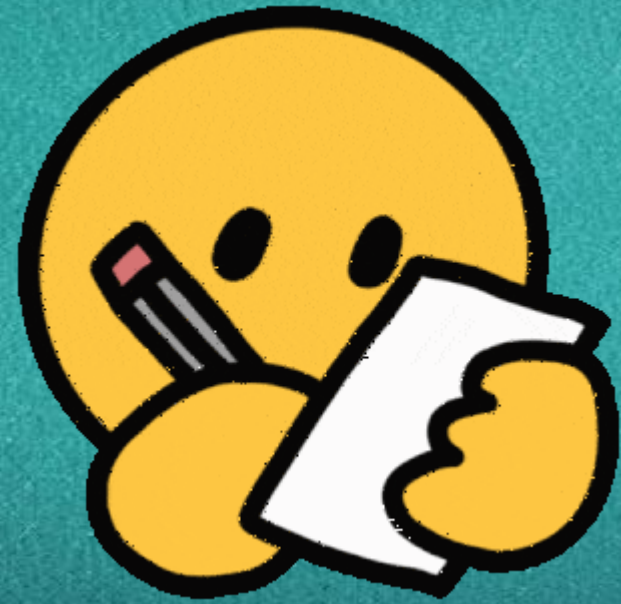
SOME IMPORTANT ADVERB FOR SPEAKING

- ✓ दुर्भाग्य से बुद्धि और सौंदर्य अक्सर एक जगह नहीं रहते
- ✓ **Unfortunately, brains and good looks don't usually go together.**

SOME IMPORTANT ADVERB FOR SPEAKING

- ✓ सामान्य रूप से पुरुष महिलाओ से ज़्यादा लंबे होते है
- ✓ **Broadly speaking/Generally speaking men are taller than women.**

Homework



Home Work

**Five summons have been (1)/
issued by the district court (2)/ but
he has not turned up yet. (3)/ No
Error (4)**

Home Work Answer

Find the correctly spelt words.

- A. Foreign**
- B. Foreine**
- C. Fariegn**
- D. Forein**



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