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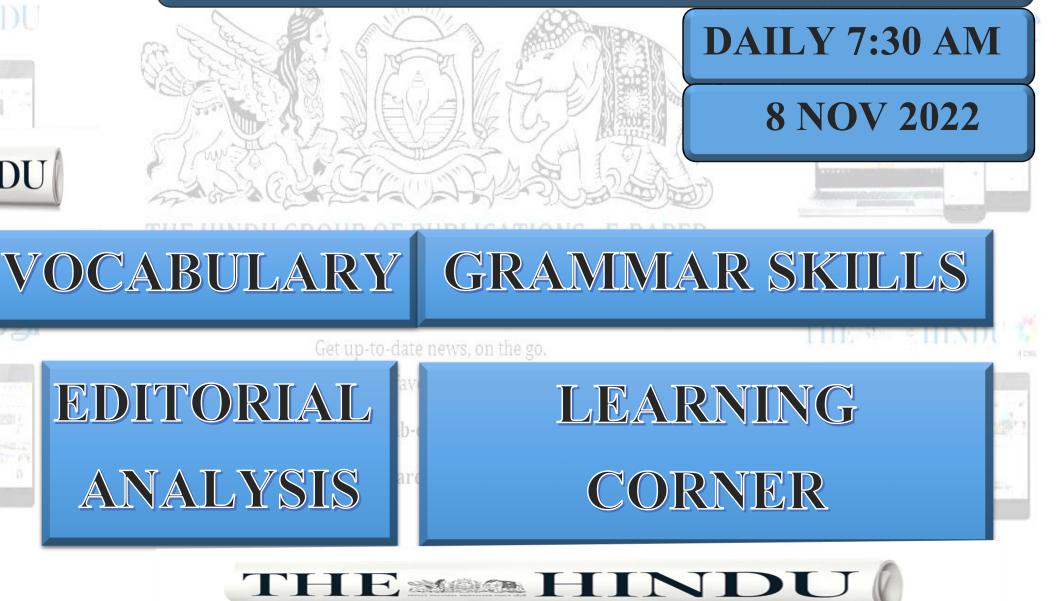
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## **TODAY'S QUOTE**

# **YOU ARE THE MOST INFLUENTIAL PERSON YOU WILL TALK TO ALL DAY**



#### Saheli Das 13 hours ago

Beleaguered - in a very difficult situation Synonyms - troubled, difficulties Antonyms - untroubled, unagitated Impugning - doubt one's validity, truth or honestly Synonyms - criticize, challenge Antonyms - defend, forgiving Show less

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Muskan Rai 13 hours ago

Beleaguered = closet , hidden , isolate Impugning = challenge , dispute , query thank u mam



Khushboo Mandal 13 hours ago

Beleaguered:- In a very difficult situation
Impugning:- call into question, challenge
Thank you mam



#### Zara 11 hours ago

Mam I'm confused.. the vocabulary you are teaching in live lecture is of today's newspaper?...or the vocabulary pdf provided in telegram group.. Because both are different Kindly clear my doubts!!!

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Varnika Aaradhya sharma 13 hours ago Good class 🙏 🙏 🙏

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Mini Chaubey 5 hours ago Impuging = criticize, challenge





Mini Chaubey 5 hours ago Beleaguered = blockaded, surrounded





### HOMEWORK

Impugning(Verb) :बहस करना Oppose or attack as false or lacking integrity

### Beleaguered :अवरोध करना Having a lot of problems or difficulties



## WORD POWER

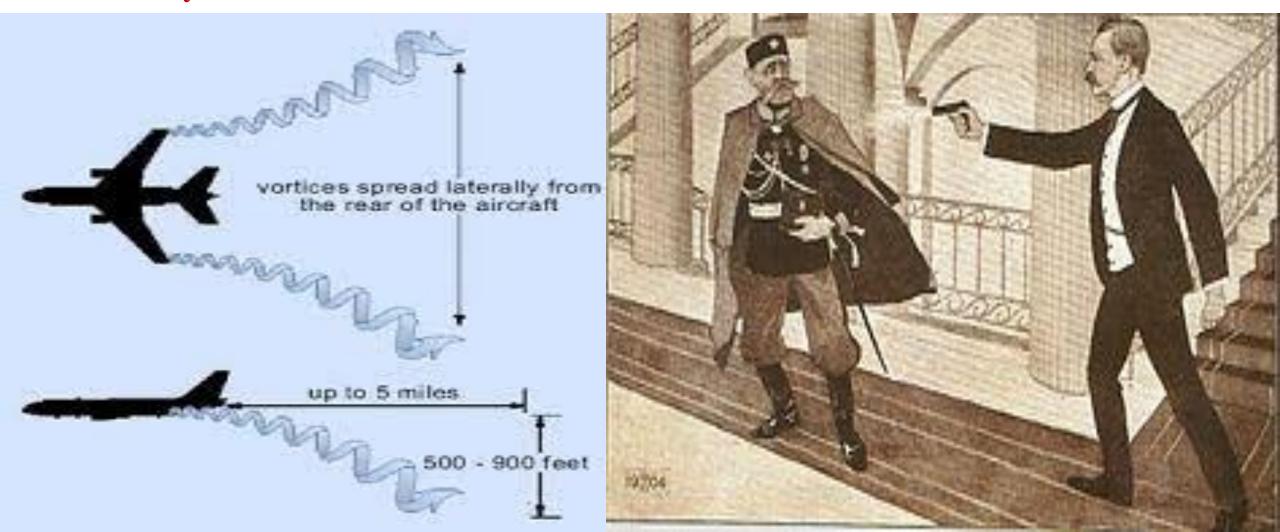






### Turbulence(Noun) : अशांति Instability

#### Assassination(Noun) : छलघात Killing





## WORD POWER

Citadel(Noun) : दुर्ग

Fortress



#### Stakes : दांव पर लगा होना

Stave







Replicated(Verb) : दोहराया

#### **Meaning : Copy or repeat something**

Antipathy(Noun) : घृणा

#### A strong feeling of dislike









### Stark(Adj.) : फीका Empty

#### Inexplicable(Adj.): अकथनीय

#### Unaccountable





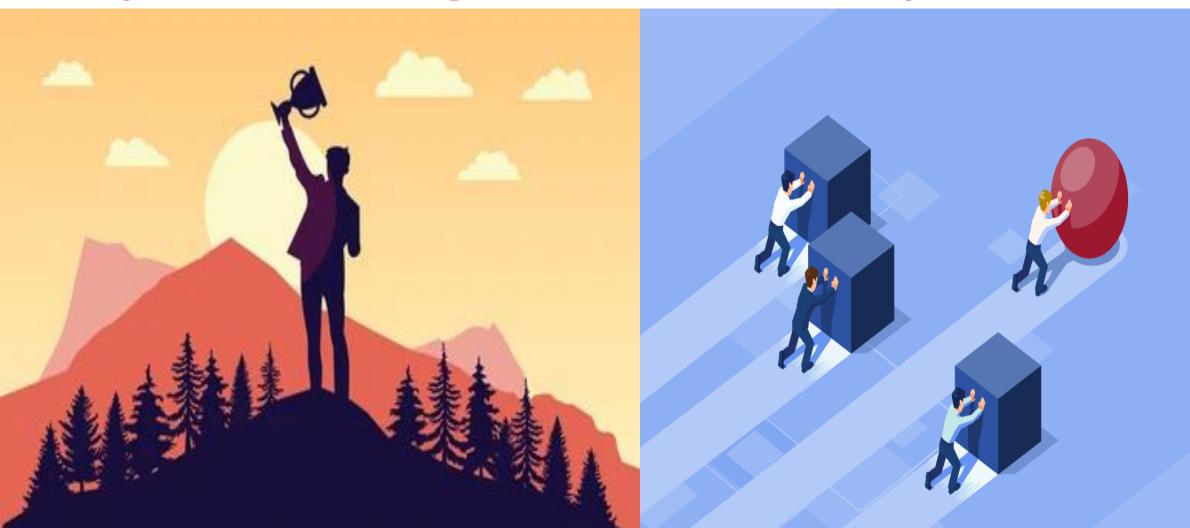
Prevailing(Adj.): प्रचलित



### Contender(Noun) : प्रतियोगी

**Existing or most common at a particular time** 

Challenger



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Alleviation(Noun) : निवारण

Meaning : Make pain or problems less severe

Synonyms: Comfort, Easement

Antonyms: Irritate, Worsen

Sentence : The medicine did nothing to alleviate her discomfort.

Dissenting(Adj.) : मतभेद करना Meaning : Strong difference of opinion Synonyms: Objection , Discord Antonyms: Agreement , Accord Sentence: There was no dissenting opinion on that point.

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Legitimacy(Noun) : वैधता , सच्चाई **Meaning : Something that is legal Synonyms: Validity**, Authority Antonyms: Nullify, Void **Sentence:** They determine the conditions of legitimacy of the authority and the limits of its rightful power. Emancipating(Verb) : स्वतंत्र करना

Meaning: To give people social or political freedom and rights

**Synonyms: Liberation , Releasing** 

Antonyms: Hold, Restraint

Sentence: Its great work was the act emancipating the slaves

in the British colonies (August 30)





Reparation(Noun): हानिपूर्ति **Meaning : Restoration to good condition Synonyms: Amends , Indemnity Antonyms: Extortion , Penalty** Sentence: She says she's sorry and wants to make reparations. Concurring(Verb): मेल खाना Meaning : To agree; be of the same mind

**Synonyms: Confirmative , Favorable** 

Antonyms: Dissenting, Negative

**Sentence: Each wrote a separate concurring opinion.** 

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#### Dislodging(Verb): हटाना

**Meaning : Remove from a position of power or authority.** 

Synonyms: Displace, Eject

Antonyms: Take in , Sow

Sentence: He kicked at the stone to dislodge it.

Purview(Noun) : कार्यक्षेत्र

**Meaning : Limit of someone's responsibility, interest** 

Synonyms: Acumen, Insight

Antonyms: Mistake, Misconception

Sentence: This case falls outside the purview of this particular court.





Hurdles(Noun): अवरोध

Meaning : A problem or difficulty that must be overcome Synonyms: Obstacle , Complication Antonyms: Advantage , Assistance Sentence: He won a medal in the high hurdles.

Violated(Verb): उल्लंघन Meaning : To break or act against something Synonyms: Contravene , Breach Antonyms: Unbroken , Uplifted Sentence: The company violated its customers' privacy.

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Use of sole income criterion for quotas is questionable, but it should be made to work in a non-exclusionary way





# Economics and exclusion: On SC upholding 10% EWS quota



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On the face of it, a new kind of reservation in education and jobs solely based on income or economic criteria was destined to face several constitutional hurdles. However, given that the special provision in favour of 'Economically Weaker Sections' (EWS) among those who are not eligible for community-based quotas meant for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, was introduced through an amendment to the Constitution, only a demonstration that the new quota violated the basic structure of the Constitution would have succeeded in dislodging it. By a majority of three to two, the Supreme Court of India has ruled that the amendment does not violate the basic structure. In the process, the Court has recorded a major paradigm shift in its conception of what constitutes valid affirmative action.

The logic behind this scheme of affirmative action was that reservation is a tool of reparation for groups excluded from mainstream avenues of advancement due to caste discrimination, while it should not become a benefit or reward for individual members of the same groups who may have made reasonable progress. This logic was wholly inverted in 2019 when the BJP-led regime amended the Constitution to provide reservation solely on economic criteria to sections other than those enjoying reservation under the categories of SCs, STs and OBCs. The resort to economic or income criterion as the sole marker for identifying a beneficiary is obviously unsustainable from the point of view of equality of opportunity. All five judges agree that the introduction of an economic criterion does not violate the Constitution. However, Justice S. Ravindra Bhat, with Chief Justice of India U.U. Lalit, concurring, has correctly found that the exclusion of groups that already enjoy reservation from

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Mahendra's accessing this new form of affirmative action violates the equality norm, which is a basic feature of the Constitution.

There was some merit in the argument that reservation cannot be used as a poverty alleviation measure, and that a collective remedy meant to be compensatory discrimination in favour of historically deprived classes cannot be converted into a scheme to identify individuals based on their low-income levels and confer the same benefit. The existing income criterion of ₹8 lakh a year has already been questioned by the Court in a separate case, as it is liable to result in excessive coverage of socially advanced classes. When those exempted from filing I-T returns are only those with taxable income below ₹2.5 lakh, it makes no sense to extend the reservation benefits to sections earning upto ₹8 lakh. Also, the majority view that the 50% ceiling is applicable only to caste-based

Mahendra's quotas and not for EWS reservation is constitutionally unsustainable, as it is a vertical compartment that is carved out of the open competition segment. The objective of economic emancipation could have been better achieved if the income-based reservation had been thrown open to all sections of society. The fear that some sections may corner a large share of the reservation cake had earlier been partially addressed by the 'creamy layer' norm for backward classes, but it also meant that the well-off among them will have to compete in open competition. The Government should consider both opening up the EWS quota to all communities and keeping the income criterion much lower than the ceiling, perhaps at the same level as the income tax slab, to identify the 'creamy layer' so that some poorer sections of communities, if they are crowded out on the OBC or SC/ST merit list, could still avail of some residual benefits under the EWS scheme.



# **GRAMMAR SKILLS**

- Select the phrase/connector from the given three options which can be used to form a single sentence from the two sentences given below, implying the same as expressed in the statement sentence.
- The weather forecast predicted heavy snowfall. The whole day was rather sunny and hot.
- 1. Consequently
- 2. However
- 3. Moreover
- 1. Only 2
- 2. Only 3
- 3. Only 1
- 4.1 and 2
- 5. 2 and 3



# **GRAMMAR SKILLS**

**Directions:** Choose the combination that completes the sentence.

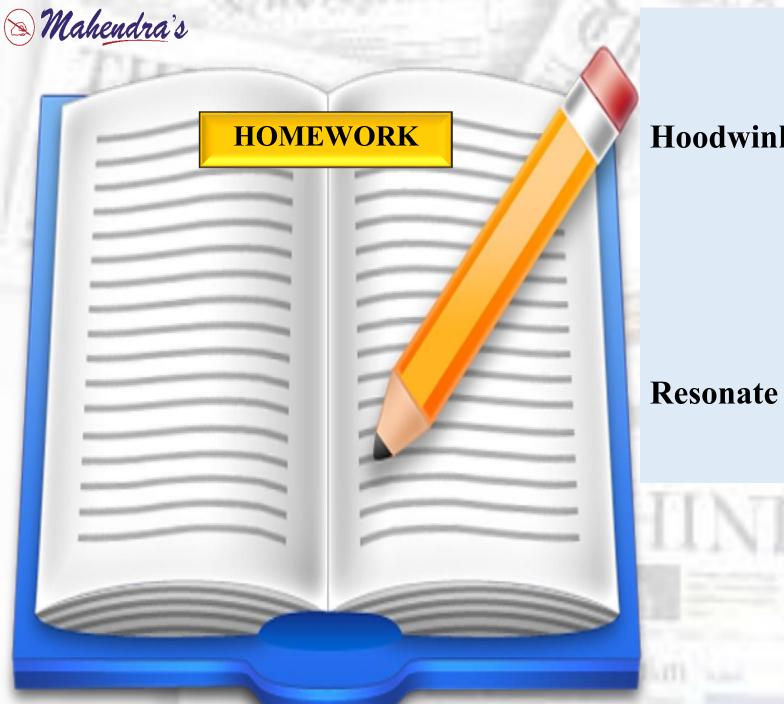
1.B-iii-G 2. C-i-G 3. A-ii-G

**4. C-iii-E** 

5. A-iii-G

**Option - 3** 

A. I didn't tell her that he was late	i. yet	E. a cat
<b>B. I will be going to the market</b>	ii. because	F. Not now, I still have time.
C. I have two goldfish	iii. for	G. I didn't want to cause her any alarm.



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