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THE HINDU

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Life

is full of **FAKE** people.

Before you decide to judge them,

Make sure you're not

ONE OF THEM.



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GRAMMAR SKILLS

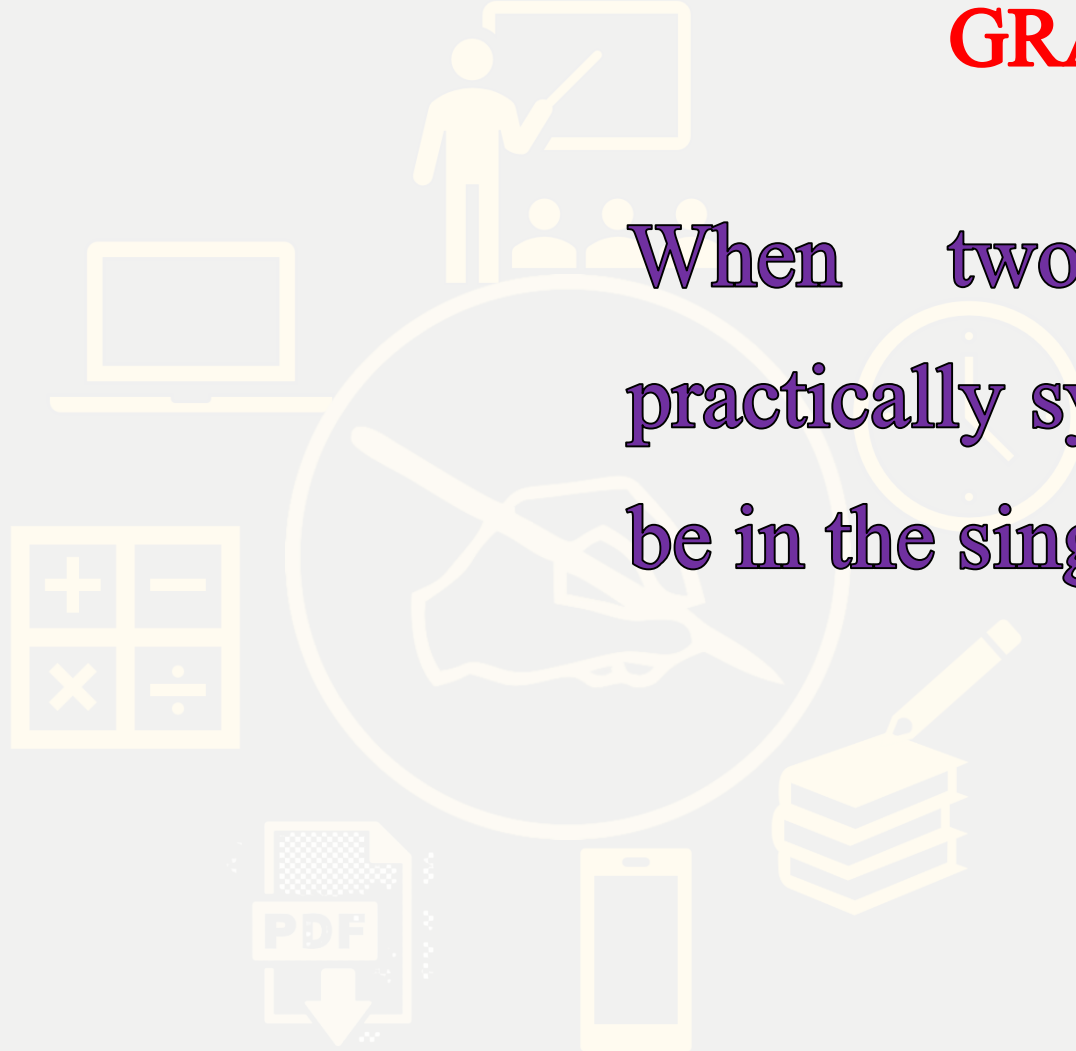
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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

When two singular subjects are practically synonymous, the verb should be in the singular form.





- (a) The law and order situation in the state is under control.**
- (b) His power and influence is on the decline.**
- (c) Power and position has no charm for my friend.**





GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

Use of None

“None can take either a singular or a plural verb depending on the noun which follows it.”

Structure [None + of the + (non-count noun) + singular verb]

Structure [None + of the + (plural count. noun) + plural verb]



A. None of the counterfeit money has been found.

B. None of the students have finished the exam yet.





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SO IT'S TIME

Let's start





ARTICLE

The politics of a Minimum Support Price



ARTICLE

A new election season is around. Five States (Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, Manipur, Goa and Punjab) will elect new Assemblies and Chief Ministers in the coming weeks. Parties are **wooing** voters with **dazzling** new promises. The Aam Aadmi Party leader, Arvind Kejriwal, is offering ₹1, 000 a month to all adult women (above age 18); the Shiromani Akali Dal's offer is ₹2,000 for poor women, which is matched by the Congress, in Punjab. The Samajwadi Party is promising 300 units of free electricity in Uttar Pradesh, and the Centre has **extended** its free foodgrain programme (the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana, or PMGKAY), across the country, until March 2022

ARTICLE

In fact, the current wave of competitive **welfarism** disconnects Indian politics from the middle class that believed in, and cheerfully **ushered in**, a **majoritarianism market compact**. A section of them may be frustrated over stunted material progress as they were during the last years of the United Progressive Alliance government. But politics is now being **litigated lower down** in the social and economic ladder by those who are **desperate to get by**. The slew of welfare schemes, which often includes a few hundred rupees in cash doles, creates a massive political constituency. Politics seems less about **aspiration** and more about **desperation**.



ARTICLE

The current generation of welfare schemes do not come as a right of citizens but as the **generosity** of the individual leader. Similarly, while promotion of entrepreneurship by the government is **laudable**, turning it into a call to the people to create jobs rather than seek them, redefines aspiration as an individual burden and responsibility. Facilitating a bargain between wealth accumulators and welfare seekers appears to have become the primary function of politics.

But it is unclear whether this will remain an infinitely **sustainable** lubricant that **mitigates** the fundamental friction, and whether the state might fall **back on coercion**. For now, there will be free lunches, and suppers for a song. Or a vote.



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY



PURSUE (VERB): (संचालित करना): conduct

Synonyms: undertake, follow

Antonyms: give up

Example Sentence:

We shall not pursue the matter any further.



MENACE (VERB): (खतरे में डालना):

threaten

Synonyms: jeopardize, imperil

Antonyms: friendly

Example Sentence:

**Africa's elephants are still menaced
by poaching.**



DREADFUL (ADJECTIVE): (भयानक):

terrible

Synonyms: frightful, horrible

Antonyms: mild

Example Sentence:

He survived a dreadful accident.



SPORADIC (ADJECTIVE): (छिटपुट):

occasional

Synonyms: infrequent, irregular

Antonyms: frequent

Example Sentence:

Sporadic fighting broke out.



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LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Q1. Now that the actual criminal had been caught, Kunal was happy that he was finally let **of the hook**.

- A. off the hook
- B. of the hookings
- C. off the hooks
- D. of the hooks



Correct Option: A

The idiom 'off the hook' means 'having avoided a difficult situation'.

Q2. The little boy appeared all of a sudden out of nowhere and **take everyone by surprise**.

A took everyone as surprised

B take everyone with surprise

C took everyone by surprises

D took everyone by surprise



Correct Option: D The underlined part must be replaced with 'took everyone by surprise' to match the tense in the sentence. The idiom 'to take someone by surprise' means to do something not expected



Q3. A young and successful executive was travelling down a neighbourhood street, going **a bit to fast** in his new car.

- A. a bit too fastly
- B. a bit as fast
- C. a bit to fastly
- D. a bit too fast

Correct Option: D

The underlined part must be replaced with 'a bit too fast' 'Too' is an adverb, one of the meanings of which is 'more than enough'



Q4. He told his employer of his plans to leave the business to lead a **more leisure life**.

- A. more leisurely life
- B. many leisurely
- C. many leisured life
- D. more leisurely live



Correct Option: A The underlined part must be replaced with 'more leisurely life' to make it a grammatically correct sentence. 'Life' is a noun and 'leisurely' is an adjective

Q5. **Being as I am a realist**, I could not accept his statement that supernatural beings have caused the disturbance.

- A. That I am a realist
- B. Being a realist
- C. Being that I am a realist
- D. Realist that I am



Correct Option: B

The underlined part must be replaced with 'Being a realist'

Q6. Although he is **able to** make political enemies with this decision, the Prime Minister does not mind doing it for the sake of public welfare.

- A. liable form
- B. of a mind to
- C. acknowledging his liability to
- D. liable to



Correct Option: D

The adjective 'liable' means 'at risk of or subject to experiencing or suffering something unpleasant.' and the word is used with 'to'.

Q7. **Anyone of these two** ideas will be used to execute the project.

- A. Anyone of those two
- B. Either two of these
- C. Two of any of these
- D. Either of these two



Correct Option: D

The underlined part must be replaced with 'either of these two' to make it a grammatically correct sentence.



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Time for Antonyms



Q8. **AMASS**

1 collect

2 horde

3 heap

4 distribute



Solution: 4

Amass - to collect, heap, to horde

Q9. **VIRULENT**

1 dangerous

2 amicable

3 lethal

4 powerful



Solution: 2

Virulent - highly poisonous ,lethal

Amicable- friendly

Q10. **DEFICIT**

- 1.adhere
- 2.credit
- 3.surplus
- 4.remove



Solution: 3

Deficit - deficiency in amount or quality

Adhere -to be attached or devoted.

Surplus - excess



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LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES


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She's
Obnoxious

Obnoxious (extremely unpleasant, अप्रिय)

OBNOXIOUS





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I am company's top saleswomen who is as **sly** as a fox

Sly (showing or having a cunning and deceitful nature, शातिर)

SLY



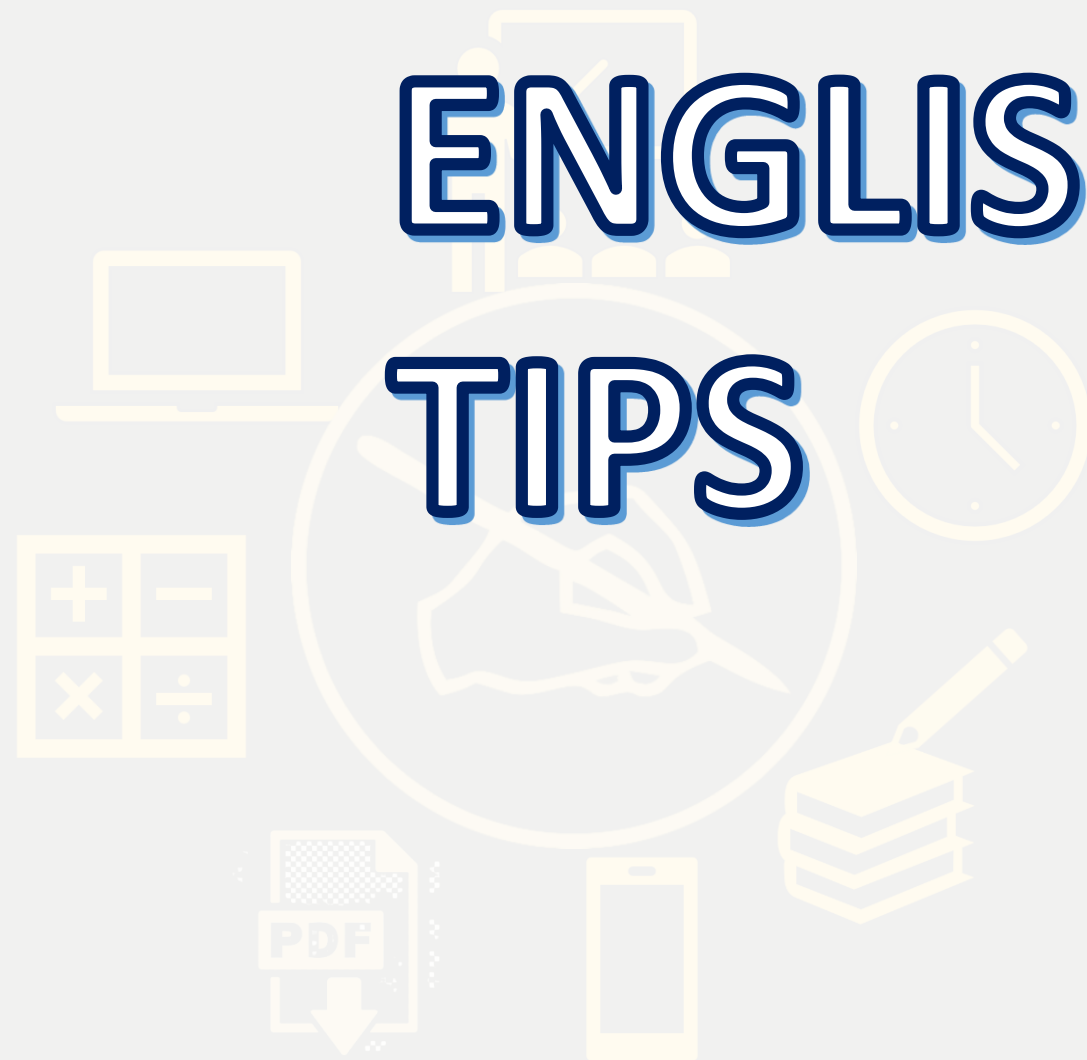


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ENGLISH SPEAKING TIPS

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USE OF GERUND

1. वह किताब पढ़ता हुआ कुर्सी पर बैठा था,
He was sitting on a chair, reading a book.



USE OF GERUND

2. मेरे पास हर बार दौड़ते हुए मत आना.
Don't come running to me every time.

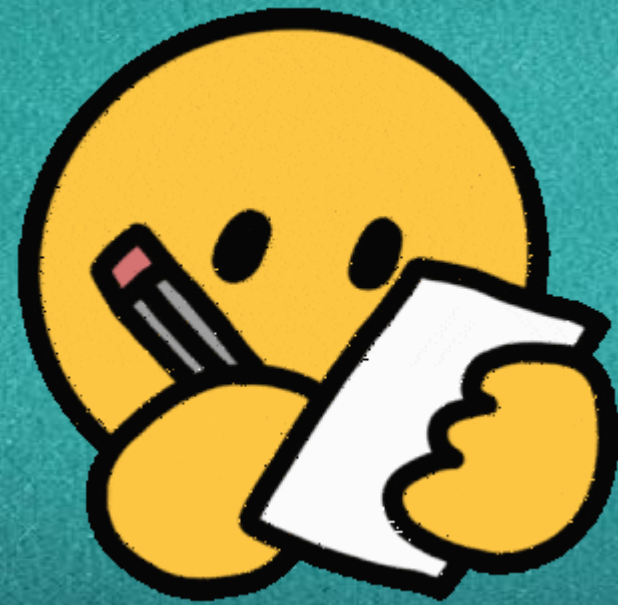


USE OF GERUND

3. यह दवा एक महीना लेते रहो.

Keep (on) taking this medicine for a month.

Homework





Home Work

Antonym of **PROLONG**

1.prevent

2.shorten

3.allow

4.increase



Home Work Answer

a) For the past one week, / b) **people had stop working** / c) out of their houses, / d) fearing a sudden attack. / e) No error

