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THOUGHT OF THE DAY

**YOUR MIND IS A MAGNET...
IF YOU THINK OF BLESSINGS,
YOU ATTRACT BLESSINGS,
AND IF YOU THINK OF PROBLEMS,
YOU ATTRACT PROBLEMS.
ALWAYS CULTIVATE GOOD
THOUGHTS &
ALWAYS REMAIN POSITIVE AND
OPTIMISTIC...!!**



Surbhi Sinha 3 hours ago

Sedulous====careful and using a lot of effort
showing no fear of dangerous situation thank



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Mini Chaubey 8 hours ago

Sedulouse = assiduous, active



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Rakesh Prasad 10 hours ago

H.W.sedulous=adj.syno=diligent careful metic
undaunted ..Anto=fearful cowardly



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shreya patel 12 hours ago

Intrepid- Fearless, courageous, brave , strong
Ant-coward Freatful
Sedulous - careful , active, Hard working
Ant- inactive



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yash kumar 14 hours ago

Sedulous- showing dedication and diligence.
Synonym-diligence,meticulous.
Antonym- nonchalant.
Sentence- He is a sedulous worker...

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Chandrika Gore 15 hours ago

1. Sedulous: (adj) careful and using a lot of effort
Synonyms: assiduous, active, diligent, thorough, busy, h
industrious, labourious, meticulous
Antonyms: nonchalant, inactive, idle, negligent, careles

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VOCABULARY



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RACE IN CHINA FOR SURVIVORS



Oil leak stops as sinking ship starts to rise off Mumbai

Come to the dialogue table Mamata tells Maoists

Games: 'guilty will be punished'

1. Rhetoric (Noun)

Meaning: speech or writing intended to be effective and influence people but which is often regarded as lacking in sincerity or meaningful content

Synonyms: bombastic, high-sounding, pompous, pretentious, magniloquent

Antonyms: eloquent, unrheterical, direct

Sentence: How far the president will be able to translate his campaign rhetoric into action remains to be seen.

THE HINDU VOCABULARY

2. Guardrail (Noun): रेलिंग

Meaning: a railing guarding usually against danger especially: a barrier placed along the edge of a highway at dangerous points

Synonyms: railing, rail, balustrade, banister, handrail

Sentence: Later that evening, the bus broke through a guard rail on a mountain pass, plunged down a hill, and crashed.

3. Devout (Adjective): धार्मिक

Meaning: **having or showing deep religious feeling or commitment.**

Synonyms: **religious, reverent, holy**

Antonyms: **faithless, godless, impious**

Sentence: **Louis became an extremely devout and ascetic man.**

(—)4. Macabre (Adjective) : भयंकर

Meaning: **disturbing and horrifying because of involvement with or depiction of death and injury.**

(—) Synonyms: **gruesome, grisly, ghastly**

(+) Antonyms: **delightful, pleasant, appealing**

Sentence: **Even the police were horrified at the macabre nature of the killings.**

5. Oblivion (Noun): विस्मरण

Meaning: **the state of being unaware or unconscious of what is happening.**

Synonyms: **unconsciousness, insensibility, stupor**

Antonyms: **consciousness, recollection, awareness**

Sentence: **Alcoholics often suffer from periods of oblivion.**

6. Prolix (Adjective): अति विस्तृत

Meaning: (of speech or writing) using or containing too many words; tediously lengthy.

Synonyms: lengthy, long-winded, verbose

✓ Antonyms: concise, compact, brief

Sentence: The author's prolix style has done nothing to encourage sales of the book.

7. Dossier (Noun): फ़ाइल

Meaning: a collection of documents about a particular person, event, or subject.

Synonyms: file, report, data

Sentence: As the agent looked through the dossier for the case, she was surprised at how little information there was

8. Consternation (Noun): चिंता

Meaning: feelings of anxiety or dismay, typically at something unexpected.

Synonyms: dismay, perturbation, anxiety

Antonyms: comfort, consolation, relief

Sentence: The government's plans have caused considerable consternation among many Americans.

(→) 9. Disingenuous (Adjective) : कपटी

Meaning: **dishonest, or not speaking the complete truth**

(→) Synonyms: **dishonest, deceitful, underhand**

(+) Antonyms: **honest, sincere, genuine**

Sentence: **While Catherine pretended to be trustworthy, she was in reality a disingenuous woman who would do whatever it took to get her way.**

10. Peregrination (Noun): सफ़र

Meaning: a long journey in which you travel to various different places, especially on foot

Synonyms: travel, voyages, journey

Sentence: Because Peter wanted to explore the world, he chose a life of peregrination and never slept in one city for longer than three days.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?

Antonym of **KINETIC**

- 1. cold
- b. static ✓
- c. strange
- d. foolish

Meaning: kinetic means relating to motion, or dynamic; static means at rest, or stationary

Solution: 2. static



Find the correct one?



Antonym of SUCCOR

1. genius
2. abet
3. injure ✓
4. Deciduous

Meaning: to succor means go to the aid of, or relieve; to injure means to harm

Solution: 3. injure

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **LARGESSE**

1. greatness
2. generosity ✓
3. minute
4. clumsiness

Meaning: largesse means liberal giving or generosity

Solution: 2. generosity

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **PROBITY**

1. honesty ✓
2. decency ✓
3. mendacity
4. decide

Meaning: Probity means the quality of having strong moral principles, honesty, and decency

Solution 1,2 honesty and decency

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **RECONNOITER**

1. disarm
2. disassemble
3. distance
4. disregard ✓

Meaning: reconnoiter means to gain information or to explore; disregard means to pay no attention to

Solution: 4. disregard

Find the correct one?



Antonym of ENJOIN

1. sever
2. dislike
3. permit ✓
4. divorce

Meaning: enjoin means to forbid or prohibit, therefore permit is the opposite

Solution: 3. permit

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **CASTIGATE**

1. neuter
2. punish ✓
3. banish
4. celebrate

Meaning: to castigate means to subject to severe punishment

Solution: 2. punish

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **TUMID**

1. swollen ✓
2. fetid
3. aggressive
4. despondent

Meaning: tumid means puffy or swollen

Solution: 1. swollen

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **DECORUM**

1. etiquette ✓
2. merit
3. parliament
4. slipshod

Meaning: decorum means conduct required in social life, or etiquette

Solution: 1. etiquette

Find the correct one?



Synonym of JEJUNE

1. habit
2. insipid ✓
3. capacity
4. tendency

Meaning: jejune means lacking in substance or interest;
insipid means lacking in qualities to excite or interest

Solution: 2. insipid

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Back against the wall

1. Leaning against a wall
2. Dependent on someone or something
3. In a good condition
4. Be in a difficult situation from where escape is difficult

Solution: 4. Be in a difficult situation from where escape is difficult

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Bite off more than you can chew

1. Demanding more than what is required
2. Greedy for more
3. To try to do something that is too difficult for you
4. Famished

Solution: 3. To try to do something that is too difficult for you

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Keep the wolf from the door

1. To avoid a dangerous situation
2. To not let the wolves get in
3. ✓ have enough money to avert hunger or starvation
4. Do something that causes trouble

Solution: 3. have enough money to avert hunger or starvation

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Keep someone at arm's length

1. To maintain a decorum
2. To act distant
3. To avoid becoming friendly
4. To be hostile to someone



Solution: 3. To avoid becoming friendly

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. Word formed from initial letters of a name.–

Acronym

2. That which can catch fire and burn easily –

Combustible

3. The art of cultivating and managing gardens–

Horticulture

4. The scientific study of weather conditions.–

Meteorology

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

State of affairs: On Joe Biden's second
State of the Union address

United States President Joe Biden knows he must
focus on both the U.S. economy and global challenges

In his second State of the Union address, U.S. President Joe Biden tried to articulate several messages under one big theme — his administration was committed to rebuilding America's economy while standing up to its challenges abroad. Much of the 72-minute speech was on the domestic agenda, particularly his economic optimism. The speech saw self-appreciation, ideas and rhetoric — he took pride in his economic policies, emphasising the low unemployment rate and easing inflation, repeated the calls for taxing the super rich and bringing down prices of essential drugs, promised not to cut Social Security and Medicare and declared that democracies have become stronger and autocracies weaker.

While there was no major policy shift, the 80-year-old President repeated the phrase “finish the job”, indicating that he needed more time to build on what he has already done — seen as a pitch for his re-election campaign. Mr. Biden also referred to Russia and China as key foreign policy challenges — the Ukraine invasion as “a test for America”, and that America “will act to protect our country” if its sovereignty is threatened, an indirect reference to the balloon incident.

If Mr. Biden used the speech to defend his legacy and lay his vision, it also laid bare his administration's critical challenges. To be sure, the unemployment rate fell to the lowest level since 1969 — to 3.4% in January 2023 — and inflation continued to ease in the month. Still, most Americans (58% as in a recent survey), burdened by high energy prices and slow growth in wages, remain unhappy with his handling of the economy. The President may have plans for re-election, but only 37% Democrats back him. Mr. Biden will also face growing resistance to his policies from Congress in a Republican-controlled House.

On foreign policy, the U.S. has so far stood resolutely behind Ukraine, but, as the war grinds on, there are rising questions about a possible endgame. A bigger challenge for Mr. Biden is how to handle ties with China at a time when the two superpowers compete for global influence. The balloon incident suggests that it is not an easy task. Half of Mr. Biden's first term is over. As the election season is heating up, time is running short and his task is cut out — he has to act more decisively on the economic front if he wants to build a fair order of competition and opportunities, work towards ending the war in Ukraine without compromising on America's standing in Europe, and put in place stronger guardrails in U.S.-China relations to check an escalation in tensions and deterioration in ties.



1. COGNISANCE

2. INIQUITOUS

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