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# **THE HINDU**

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## **Editorial Analysis**

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**Grammar**

**Reading Skills**

**Vocab**

**Spoken English**

**BANK / SSC / UPSC / STATE EXAMS**

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“Education is the ability to  
listen to almost anything without  
losing your temper or your  
**self confidence**”

- Robert Frost



# TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

# GRAMMAR SKILLS

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## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

When two or more Singular Nouns joined by 'and' refer to the same person or thing, a Pronoun used for them must be in the singular.



**(a) The collector and District Magistrate is not negligent in their duty.**

**(b) The Chairman and Principal are not present during their duty.**

## GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**With Superlative Degree Adjective,  
only, none, all etc., as Relative Pronoun  
we use that and not which or who.**

**A. All which glitters is not gold.**

**B. She is the same girl whom I saw in the market.**







# LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for  
**FILLERS**

1. Corporate India has -----  
concern over the budget 2022-23.

- A. lamented
- B. expected
- C. grief
- D. expressed



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**D. expressed**

2. India's fight against poverty and child mortality, among other areas, ----- to be intensified.

- A. needs
- B. wants
- C. look
- D. important

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**A. needs**

**3. The Chinese Government has pledged to launch reforms to ----- its economy and boost domestic demand.**

- A. confront**
- B. convert**
- C. transform**
- D. revolve**



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**C. transform**

4. In recent years, the state has ably demonstrated ----- development at the grassroots is indeed achievable.

- A. for
- B. that
- C. in
- D. to



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**B. that**

5. The ----- crowd gave the victorious team a tumultuous welcome.

- A. jubilant
- B. troublesome
- C. noisy
- D. arrogant



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**A. jubilant**

# Time for Idioms & Phrases





**6. Take with a pinch of salt**

- A. related to food**
- B. to be a little sad**
- C. to be a little happy**
- D. to accept with a doubt**



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**Answer: Option D**

## 7. Throw up the sponge

- A. to love
- B. to hate
- C. to surrender
- D. to attack



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**Answer: Option C**

## 8. Take to heels

- A. to wait
- B. to run away
- C. to dance
- D. to follow



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**B) to run away**

## 9. Throw a spanner

- A. to execute a plan
- B. to sabotage a plan
- C. to do something evil
- D. to make feel good



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**B) to sabotage a plan**

## 10. Under the rose

- A. something beautiful
- B. someone bold
- C. like a corn
- D. secretly



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**Answer: Option D**

**Example : He married Alka under the rose, even  
I was not aware of this.**

# SO IT'S TIME

**Let's start**



# ARTICLE

## Local job laws that raise constitutional questions

State laws that limit the rights of out-of-State citizens go against the idea of India being one nation



# ARTICLE

The Supreme Court of India will soon hear a **petition** to remove the **stay on** the Haryana State Employment of Local Candidates Act, or the Haryana Act, that reserves 75% of jobs in the private sector in the State for local residents. The Act applies to jobs that pay up to ₹80,000 per month, and employers have to register all such employees on a designated portal. The Government may also **exempt** certain industries by notification, and has **so far** exempted new start-ups and new Information Technology Enabled Services (ITES) companies, as well as short-term employment, farm labour, domestic work, and promotions and transfers within the State. The Act was **enacted** in February 2021, and **brought into effect** in January 2022.



# ARTICLE

Last week, the Punjab and Haryana High Court **admitted** a petition **challenging** the **constitutionality** of the Act, and **stayed the implementation** until it heard the case. The petition in the Supreme Court is by the Haryana government to remove the stay.

Other States such as Andhra Pradesh and Jharkhand have passed similar Bills. The Andhra Pradesh **legislation** has been challenged in the Andhra Pradesh High Court.

These Acts raise several constitutional questions. The Supreme Court will first have to decide whether it will wait for the High Courts to decide the respective cases (and then hear any appeal), or whether it will **draw the cases** to itself as similar **substantial** constitutional issues are pending across High Courts

# ARTICLE

There are important constitutional questions that arise from this Act. First, Article 19 (1)(g) of the Constitution guarantees freedom to **carry out** any occupation, trade or business. There may be **reasonable restrictions** “in the interests of the general public”, and in particular related to specifying any professional or technical qualifications, or to reserve a sector for government **monopoly**. This Act, by requiring private businesses to reserve 75% of lower end jobs for locals, **encroaches upon** their right to carry out any occupation.

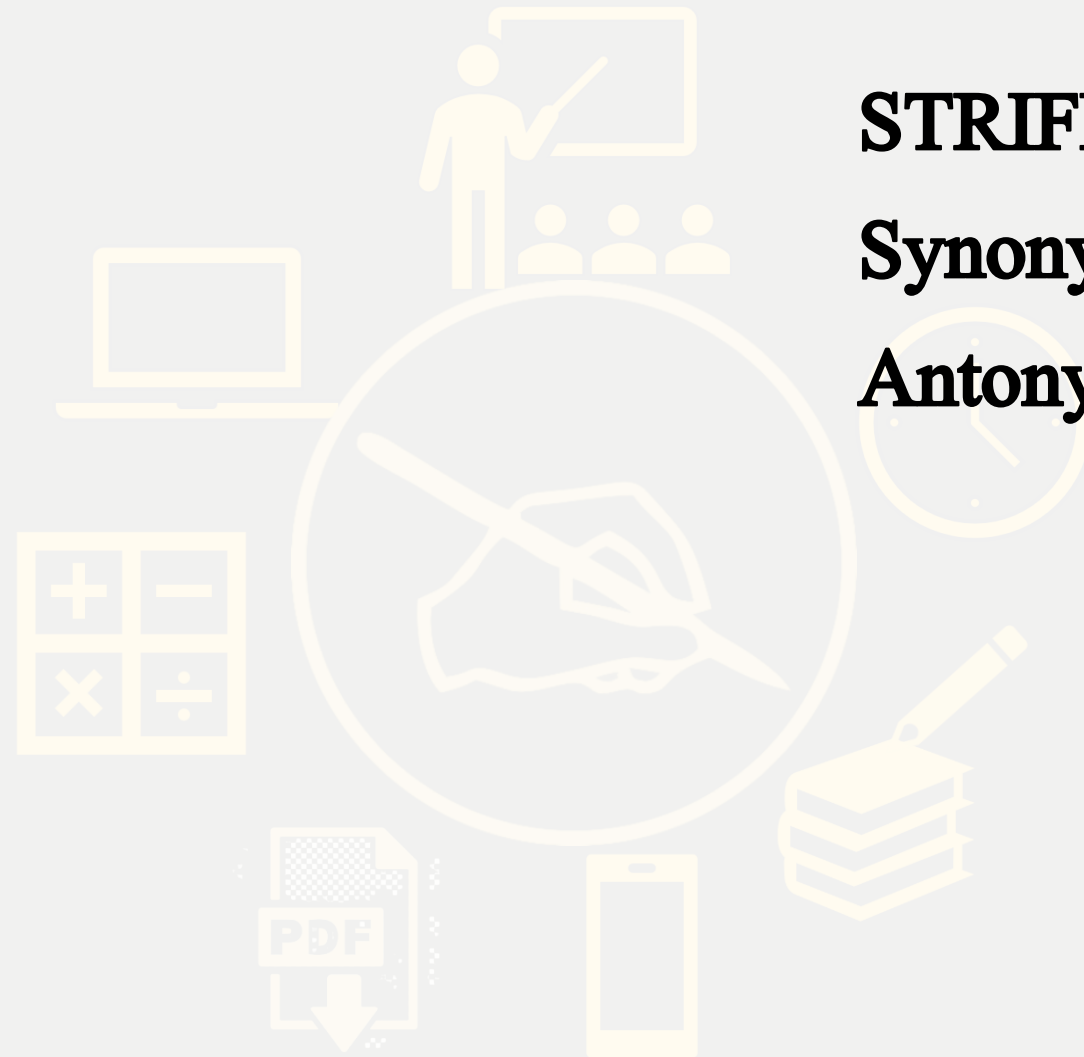


**THE HINDU**  
**VOCABULARY**

**STRIFE (NOUN): (कलह): conflict**

**Synonyms: friction, discord**

**Antonyms: harmony, peace**





**OBLIVIOUS (ADJECTIVE): (अनभिज्ञ):**

**unaware**

**Synonyms: unconscious, heedless**

**Antonyms: aware**

**AMITY (NOUN): (मित्रता): friendship**

**Synonyms: friendliness, peace**

**Antonyms: animosity**





**OPULENT (ADJECTIVE): (धनी): wealthy**

**Synonyms: rich, affluent**

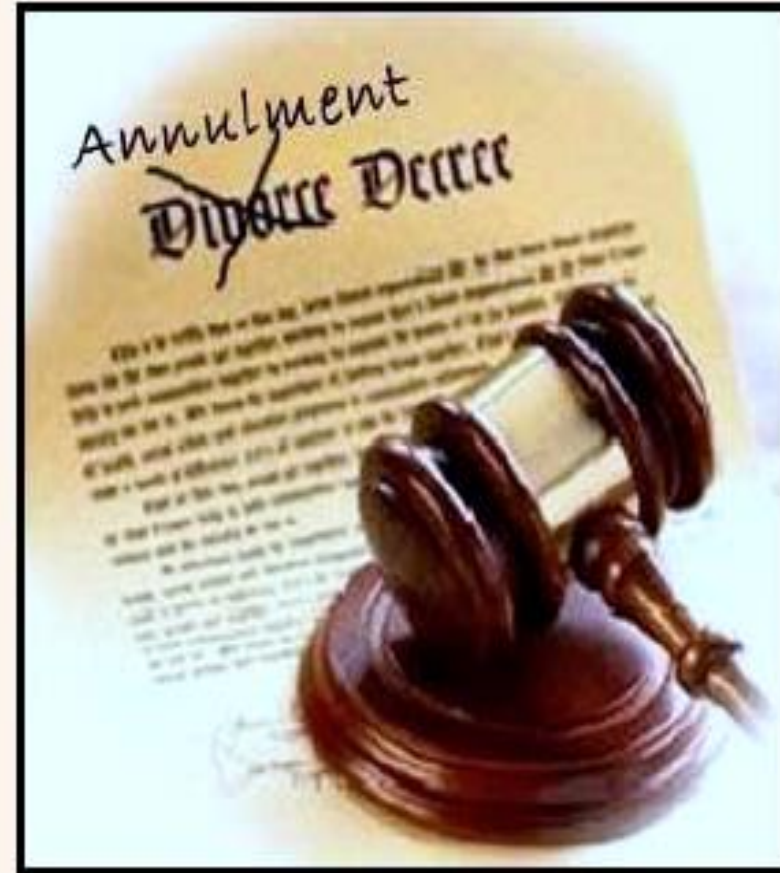
**Antonyms: poor**

# LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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## Annul



**Definition** to state officially that something is no longer legally valid

## Rabid



**Definition** having very strong feelings about something and acting in an unacceptable way violent or extreme

## Regressive



**Definition** becoming or making something less advanced | having less effect on the rich than on the poor

# ENGLISH SPEAKING

## TIPS

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उलटी खोपड़ी का आदमी |

**A man with brain topsy turvy.**

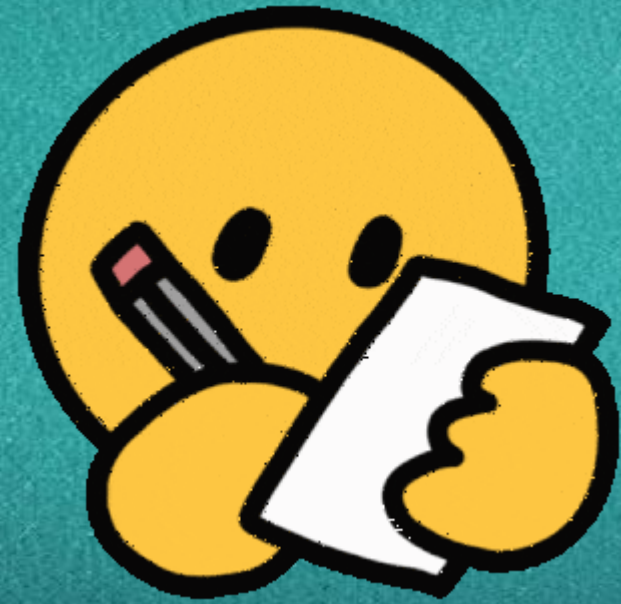
तुम्हें मेरी कसम |

**You swear me.**

इससे फर्क नहीं पड़ता |

**It doesn't matter.**

# Homework



## Home Work

**Wrangle over an ass shadow**

- A. to quarrel over the trifles**
- B. to be happy together**
- C. to play**
- D. to watch something together**

# Home Work

## Answer

**Somebody introduced me to Dr. Martin yesterday.**

**A. I was introduced to Dr. Martin yesterday.**

**B. Dr. Martin was introduced by me yesterday.**

**C. Yesterday Dr. Martin was introduced by somebody.**

**D. Somebody was introduced to Dr. Martin yesterday.**



