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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

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Thought of the day


“DON'T SEE OTHER'S AS DOING
BETTER THAN YOU. BEAT YOUR OWN
RECORDS EVERYDAY AND YOU WILL
SURELY FIND SUCCESS! REMEMBER
SUCCESS IS A FIGHT BETWEEN
YOU AND YOURSELF.”



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TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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- i. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
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 - iv. LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES**
 - v. CHECK YOUR PROGRESS**



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GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Some Nouns which are plural in form but singular in meaning, take a Singular Verb.

As- Mathematics, Physics, Politics, etc.





Mathematics are a branch of study in every school.

His Mathematics is not good and I don't think he can qualify the exam.





GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

If the Singular Subjects are preceded by each or every, the Verb is usually Singular.

Every boy, Every boy and girl, Every boy and every girl



Every boy and girl were ready to join the picnic.

Every mobile and every laptop has sold.





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SO IT'S TIME

Let's start





ARTICLE

Beijing's move, India's turn

If this moment provides for a reset of India's ties with China, it will alter New Delhi's relationship with the U.S.



ARTICLE

Looking at the long list of **diplomats**, officials, and ministers from across the globe rushing to New Delhi in the last few weeks, one would assume that India was playing an active role in **resolving** the crisis in Europe. Despite his ambitions to be **hailed** as a **global statesman**, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has **scrupulously** avoided engaging with the crisis. India has refused to **condemn** Russia's military **invasion**, continues to trade with Russia, and has **abstained** from voting on United Nations **resolutions**. India is the centerpiece of the Joe Biden administration's Indo-Pacific strategy. Indian Foreign and Defence Ministers recently held the '2+2' meeting with their American **counterparts**. The Japanese Prime Minister was in New Delhi last month. The Australian Prime Minister held a virtual summit with Mr. Modi days before the two countries signed an interim trade deal.

ARTICLE

He had to then explain that he had not **betrayed** Ukraine by signing the deal with India. Even as India's Quad partners (U.S., Japan, Australia) impose trade sanctions on Russia, condemn Russian President Vladimir Putin and provide military aid to Ukraine, India recently welcomed the Russian Foreign Minister to New Delhi. he was the only visiting foreign official among the many in New Delhi to get a personal meeting with Mr. Modi. India has chosen to increase, rather than reduce, **import** of its **meagre** crude oil supplies from Russia, being offered at a discount. Despite a warning by the U.S. Deputy National Security Adviser Daleep Singh in New Delhi that there will be "**consequences** to countries that actively attempt to **circumvent** or **backfill** the sanctions,"

ARTICLE

India and Russia are exploring ways of conducting **bilateral** trade by bypassing the dollar-based financial system. India's Quad partners have been exceptionally sympathetic towards New Delhi's case **so far**, but the **underlying stress** in their ties with India will come to the surface as the crisis **drags on**. These tensions have been noted in Beijing, which has praised India for pursuing an independent foreign policy. In recent years, Chinese officials had looked at Indian moves in the region through the prism of their U.S. policy, but India's **stance** on Ukraine has **triggered a rethink** in Beijing. Foreign Minister Wang Yi's visit to New Delhi in March was driven either by the need to **wean India away** from the Quad or as an **exploratory step** towards a larger strategic reset with New Delhi.



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY

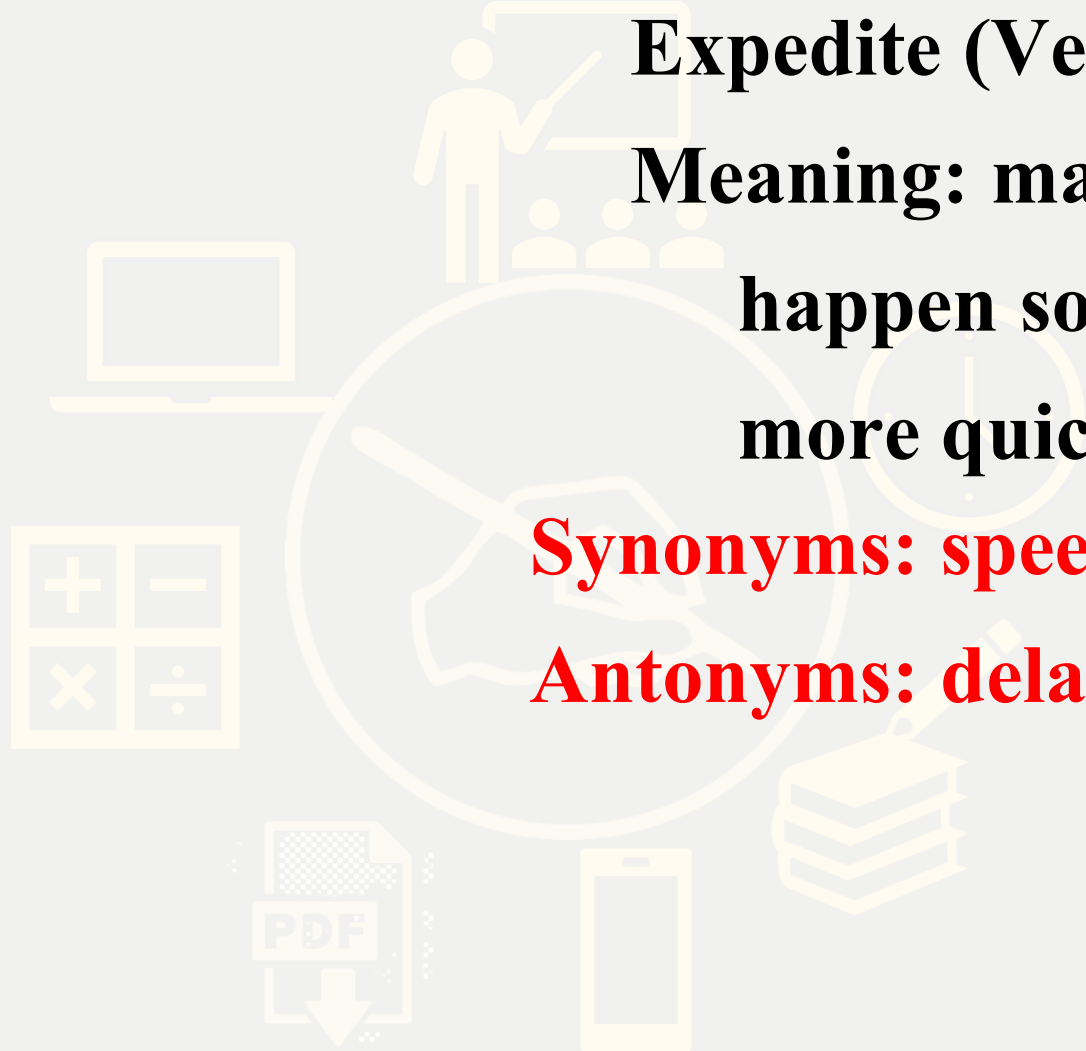


Expedite (Verb) – शीघ्रता करना

**Meaning: make (an action or process)
happen sooner or be accomplished
more quickly.**

Synonyms: speed up, accelerate, hurry

Antonyms: delay, hinder





Opacity (Noun) – अपारदर्शिता

Meaning: the quality of lacking transparency or translucence.

Synonyms: opaqueness, non-transparency, lack of transparency

Antonyms: transparency, translucence, clarity



Scrutiny (noun)

Meaning: critical observation or examination.

Synonyms: careful examination, inspection, survey

Antonyms: cursory look



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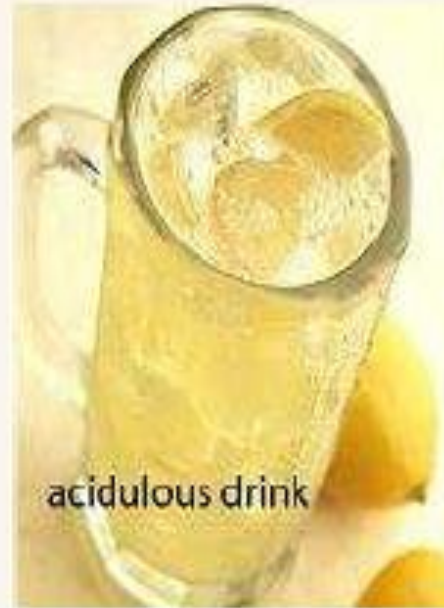
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LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Acidulous



Definition Faintly sour or acid-like

Usage She never had any complimentary comment to make; they were always acidulous and sarcastic



Addle



Definition Confuse, bewilder, rot

Usage It was the defense lawyer's strategy to addle the witness so that



Indict



Definition Accuse or charge one of fault, crime



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LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for
ONE WORD



Q.1. An instrument to measure temperature

- a) Thermometer**
- b) Barometer**
- c) Manometer**
- d) Microscope**

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a) Thermometer

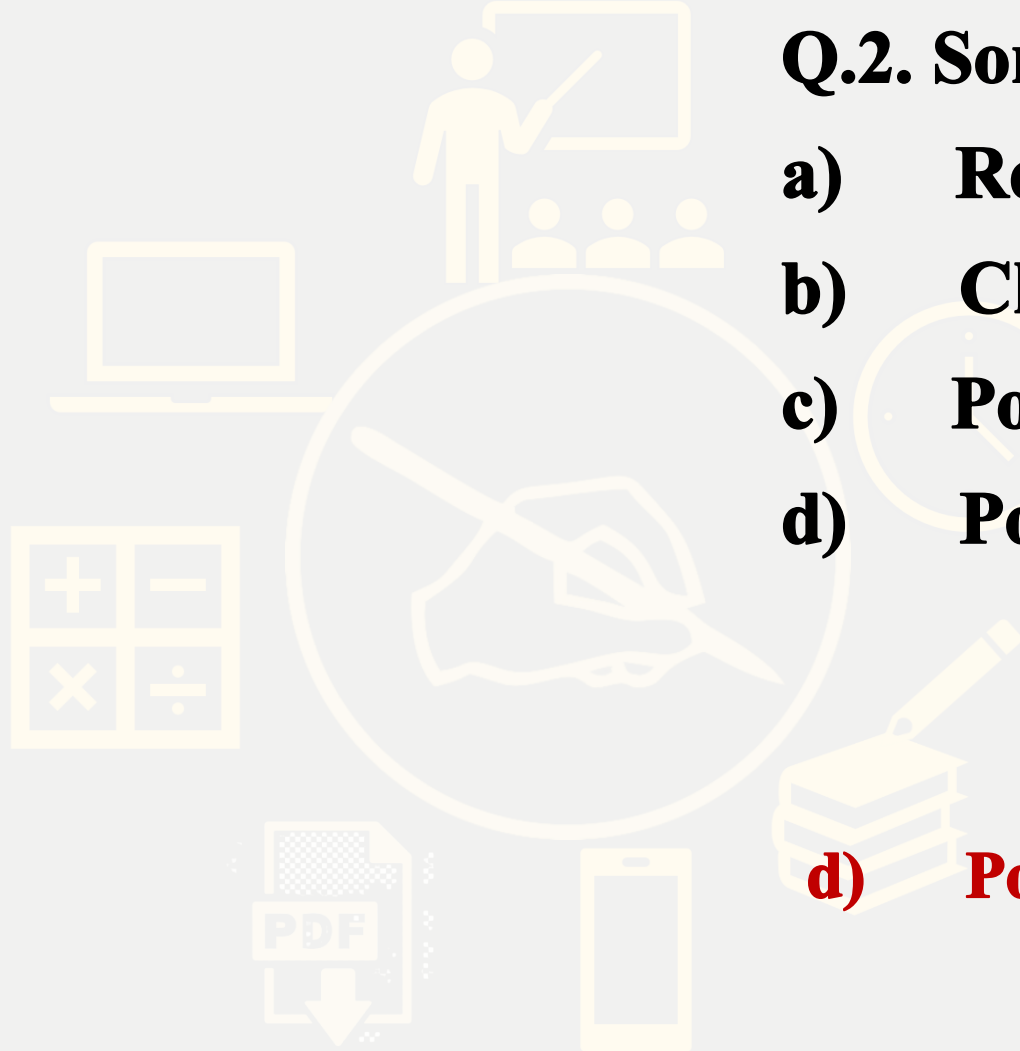


Q.2. Something that can be carried easily

- a) **Relatable**
- b) **Charitable**
- c) **Potable**
- d) **Portable**



d) Portable





Q.3. A person skilled in foreign languages

- a) **Foreigner**
- b) **Altruist**
- c) **Translator**
- d) **Linguist**

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d) Linguist



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Time for IDIOMS





Q.4. To put one's hand to plough

A. To take up agricultural farming

B. To take a difficult task

C. To get entangled into unnecessary things

D. Take interest in technical work

E. None of these

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B. To take a difficult task



Q.5. To pick holes

- A. To find some reason to quarrel**
- B. To destroy something**
- C. To criticise someone**
- D. To cut some part of an item**
- E. None of these**

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C. To criticise someone



Q.6. To play second fiddle

- A. To be happy, cheerful and healthy**
- B. To reduce importance of one's senior**
- C. To support the role and view of another person**
- D. To do back seat driving**
- E. None of these**

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C. To support the role and view of another person



Q.7. To beg the question

- A. To refer to**
- B. To take for granted**
- C. To raise objections**
- D. To be discussed**
- E. None of these**

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B. To take for granted



Q.8. A black sheep

- A. An unlucky person**
- B. A lucky person**
- C. An ugly person**
- D. A partner who takes no share of the profits**
- E. None of these**

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Answer: Option E In the English language, 'Black sheep' is an idiom used to describe an odd or disreputable member of a group, especially within a family.



Q.9. To set one's face against

- A. To oppose with determination**
- B. To judge by appearance**
- C. To get out of difficulty**
- D. To look at one steadily**
- E. None of these**

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A. To oppose with determination



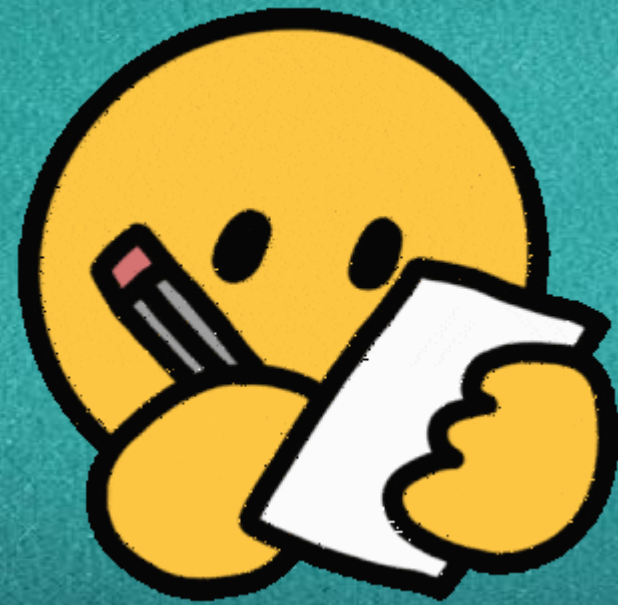
Q.10. To smell a rat

- A. To see signs of plague epidemic**
- B. To get bad smell of a bad dead rat**
- C. To suspect foul dealings**
- D. To be in a bad mood**
- E. None of these**

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C. To suspect foul dealings

Homework





Home Work ANSWER

**Today's candidates are dynamic,(1)/
career-oriented and (2)/ have their
futures (3)/ **chalked off**. (4)**

A) 1

B) 2

C) 3

D) 4

E) No Error

Chalked out means planned



Home Work

**There was a time (1)/ and generation
when people rejoiced (2)/ at the
slightest prospect (3)/ of achieved
employment. (4)**

A) 1

B) 2

C) 3

D) 4

E) No Error

