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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

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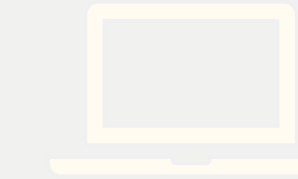
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3 things you cannot
recover in life: the
WORD after its
said, the
MOMENT after its
missed, and the
TIME after its
gone.



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

- I. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
- II. ARTICLE ANALYSIS**
- III. THE HINDU VOCABULARY**
- IV. CHECK YOUR PROGRESS**
- V. LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES**

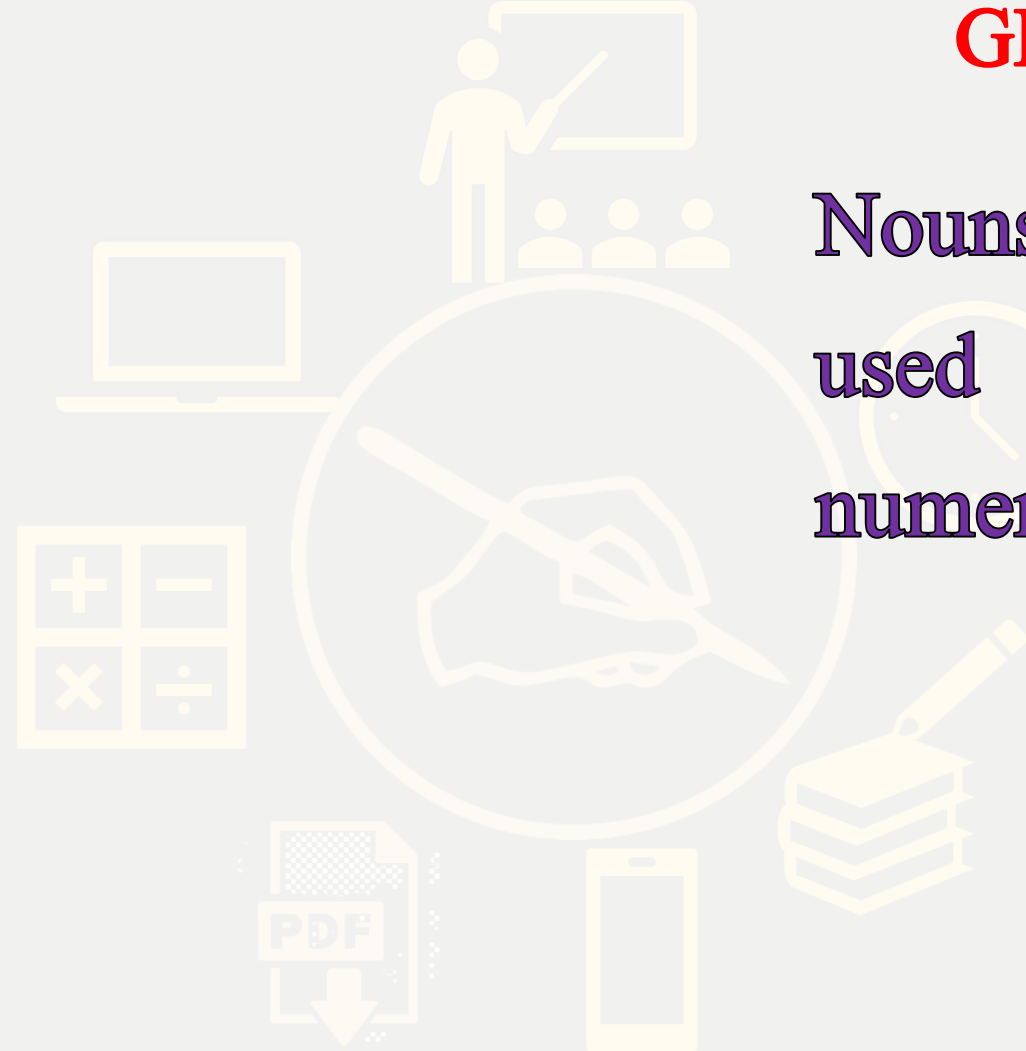
GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Nouns expressing numbers are used in the singular form with numeral adjectives.



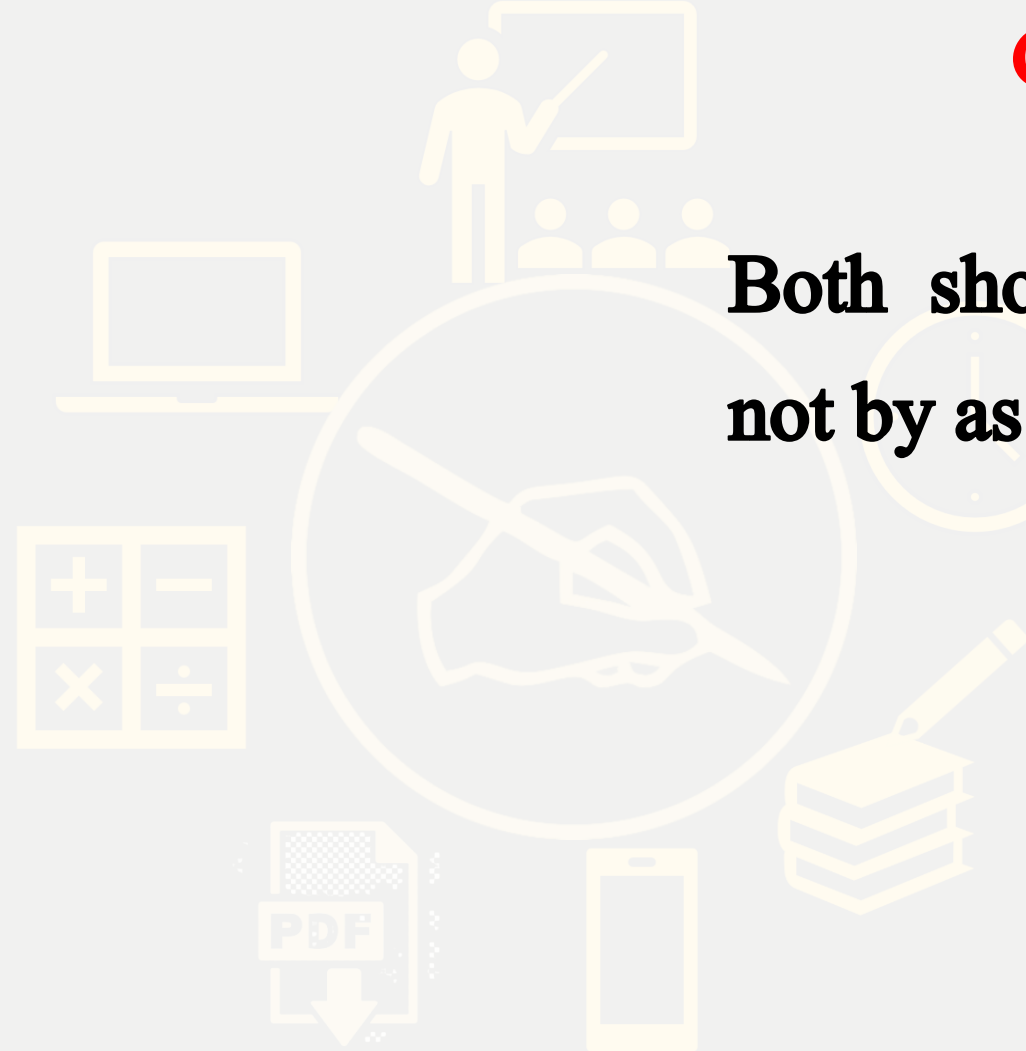
(a) Sheetal gave me five dozens pens.

(b) Two lakhs people attended the ceremony.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**Both should be followed by 'and',
not by as well as**



**A. Both you as well as (a) /my brother
are going to(b) / attend the party
tomorrow(c) /No error**



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Signs of peace



ARTICLE

Russia's announcement that it is **pulling back** some troops from Ukraine's borders is the strongest signal of **de-escalation** from Moscow. Russia has always maintained that it had no plans to attack Ukraine. But the massive troop mobilisation on the three **flanks** of Ukraine, which included **combat** aircraft, **warships** and S400 missile defence systems, had raised fears of war. Besides, the U.S.'s warning that a Russian **invasion** could come "any day" and its decision to shut the American embassy in Kiev **added to the frenzy**. The Russian **approach** appeared to have been rooted in building military pressure around Ukraine to gain **diplomatic leverage** in talks with the West.

ARTICLE

In the last few weeks, European leaders, Hungary's Viktor Orbán, France's Emmanuel Macron and Germany's Olaf Scholz, have visited Moscow. Of these, the diplomatic **interventions** by Mr. Macron, who called for respecting Russian security **concerns** and sought to **revive** the Minsk agreement on Ukraine's **civil strife**, and Mr. Scholz, who said in Kiev that Ukraine's entry into NATO was "not on the agenda right now", were significant. Their talks with Russian President Vladimir Putin opened a diplomatic path towards de-escalation.

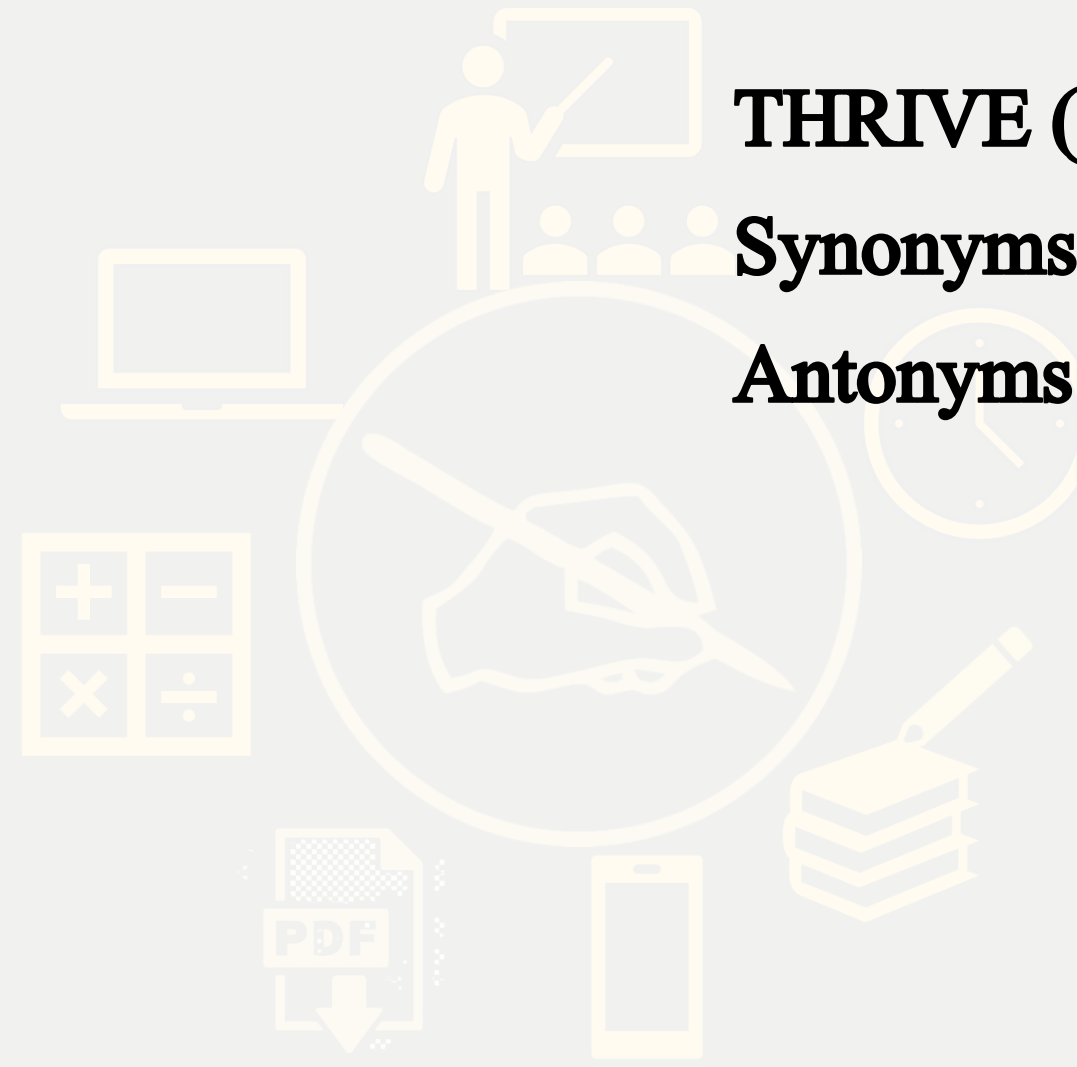
It is too early to say that the **crisis** is over. The complex issue is rooted in Russia's security concerns and NATO's **expansionary** open-door policy with no quick solutions.

ARTICLE

But the suggestions from the talks Russia and the West have had point to a formula for peace. Russia's three concerns are: one, it does not want neighbours Georgia and Ukraine to be members of NATO. Two, it wants NATO (read the U.S.) to **roll back** its military presence and **drills** from Eastern Europe and the Black Sea. Three, it wants the Ukraine crisis — the civil conflict between Kiev and the **Russia-backed separatists** in Donbas to be resolved through the Minsk process. In talks with Mr. Putin, U.S. President Joe Biden has already said the U.S. does not have any plan to **deploy offensive** weapons or permanent combat troops to Ukraine and that Washington was open to reducing drills and missiles in Eastern Europe on a **reciprocal** basis.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY



THRIVE (VERB): (फलना-फूलना): flourish

Synonyms: prosper, burgeon

Antonyms: decline

MORIBUND (ADJECTIVE): (मरणासन्न):

dying

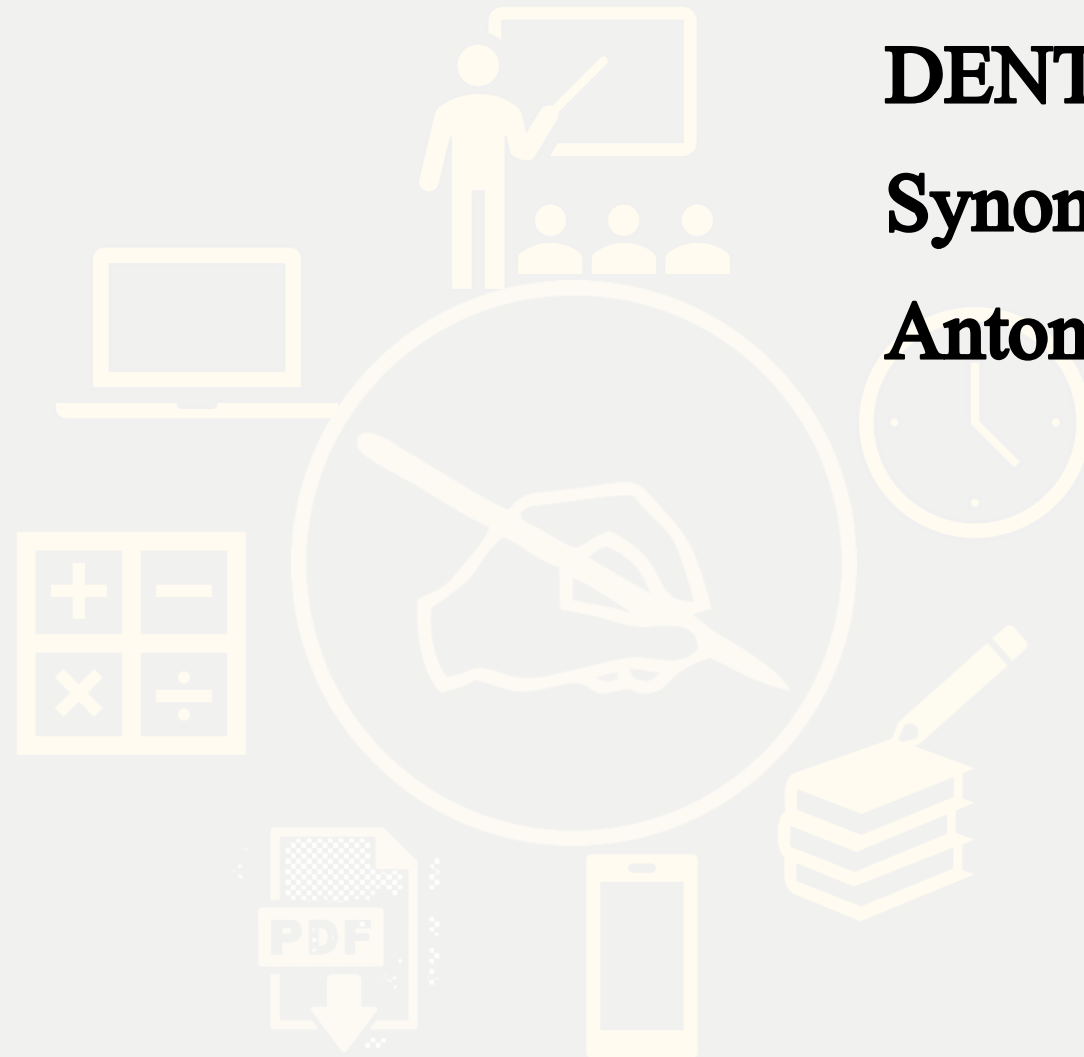
Synonyms: expiring, at death's door

Antonyms: thriving

DENT (VERB): (घटाना): diminish

Synonyms: reduce, lessen

Antonyms: increase

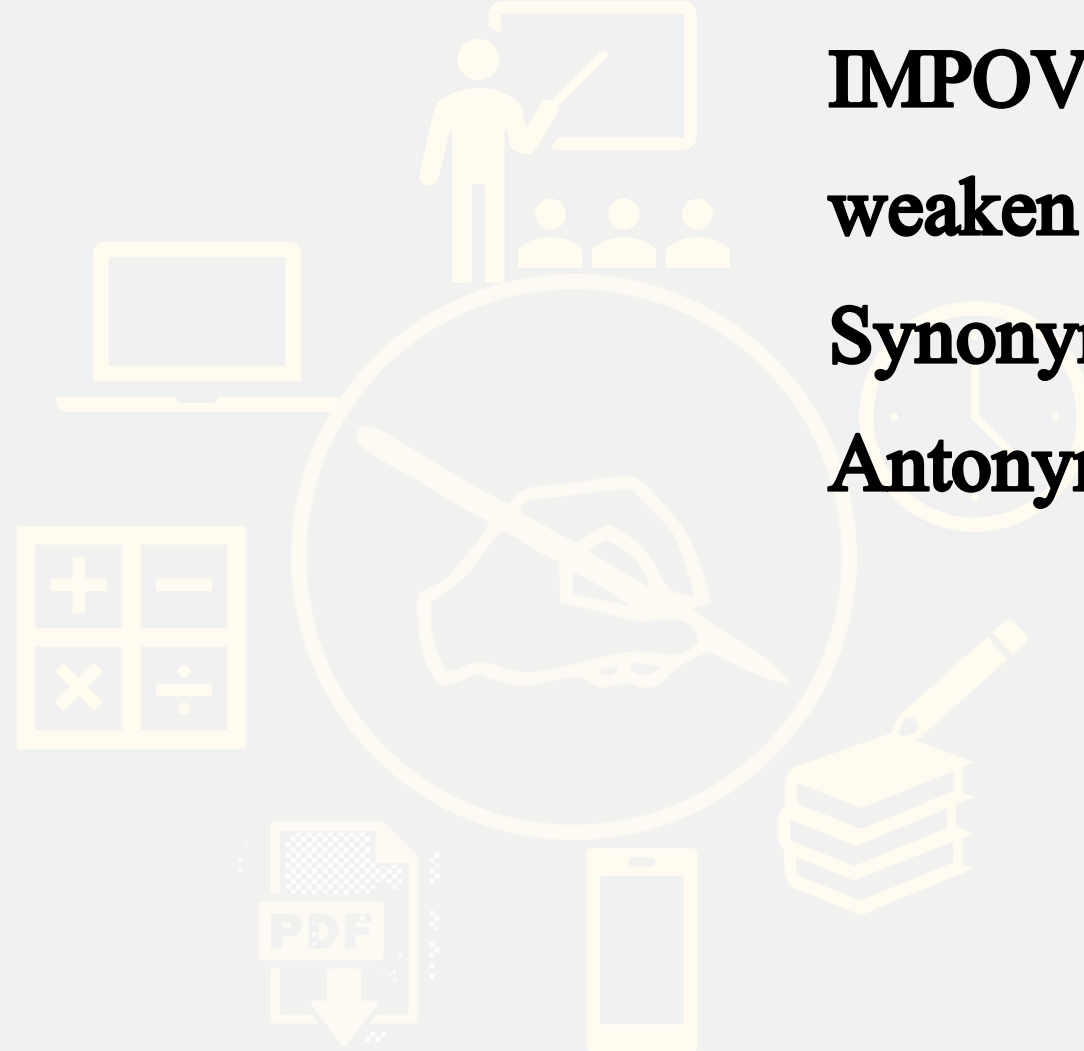


IMPOVERISH (VERB): (शक्तिहीन करना):

weaken

Synonyms: sap, exhaust

Antonyms: strengthen



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Spelling Errors

1. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer.

- A. Pessenger
- B. Passenger
- C. Pasanger
- D. Pessanger



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B. Passenger

2. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer.

- A. Benefitted
- B. Benifited
- C. Benefited
- D. Benefieted



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C. Benefited

3. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer.

- A. Gaurantee
- B. Guarantee
- C. Garuntee
- D. Guaruntee



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B. Guarantee

4. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer.

A. Lckadaisicle

B. Lackdaisical

C. Lackadisical

D. Lackadaisical



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D. Lackadaisical

5. Find the correctly spelt word and mark your answer.

- A. Occasion
- B. Occassion
- C. Ocasion
- D. Ocassion



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A. Occasion



Time for Synonyms

6. Gaol

A. destination

B. garden

C. jail

D. bird



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C. jail

7. Loathing

A. warmth

B. affectation

C. hatred

D. affection



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C. hatred

8. Pragmatic

A. intelligent

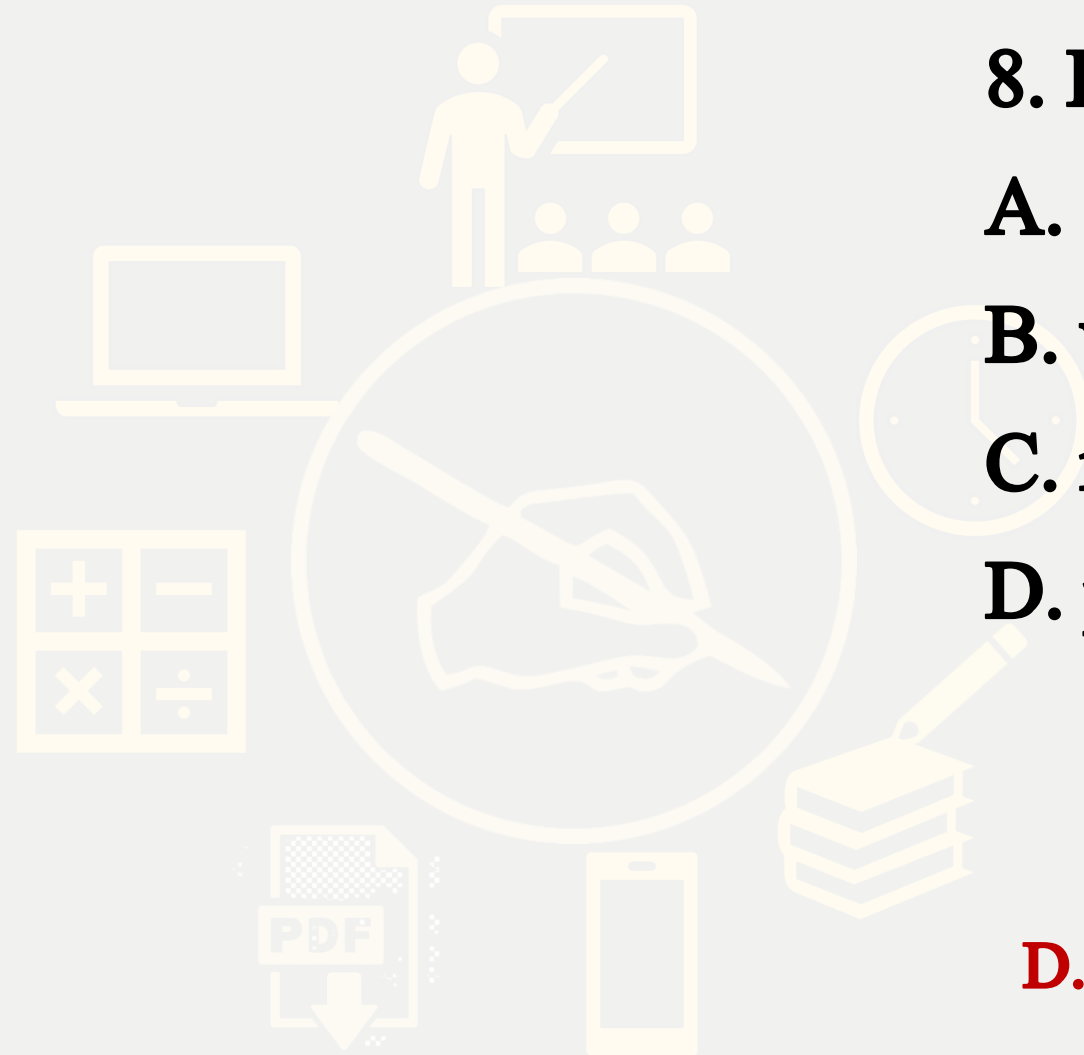
B. wise

C. religious

D. practical

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D. practical



9. Notion

A. thought

B. fact

C. truth

D. hypothesis



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A. thought

10. Vivacious

A. poisonous

B. energetic

C. tricky

D. slow



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B. energetic

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Pour oil on troubled waters



To try to make people feel better and become friendly again after an argument.

Go with the flow



To relax and go along with whatever's happening.

Lost at sea



To be confused about something or to feel unsure about what to do.



Homework



Home Work

Find the antonym of **Hasten**

01. Dash

02. Dawdle

03. Hurry

04. Scurry

Home Work Answer

Find the correctly spelt words.

- A. **Foreign**
- B. **Foreine**
- C. **Fariegn**
- D. **Forein**

