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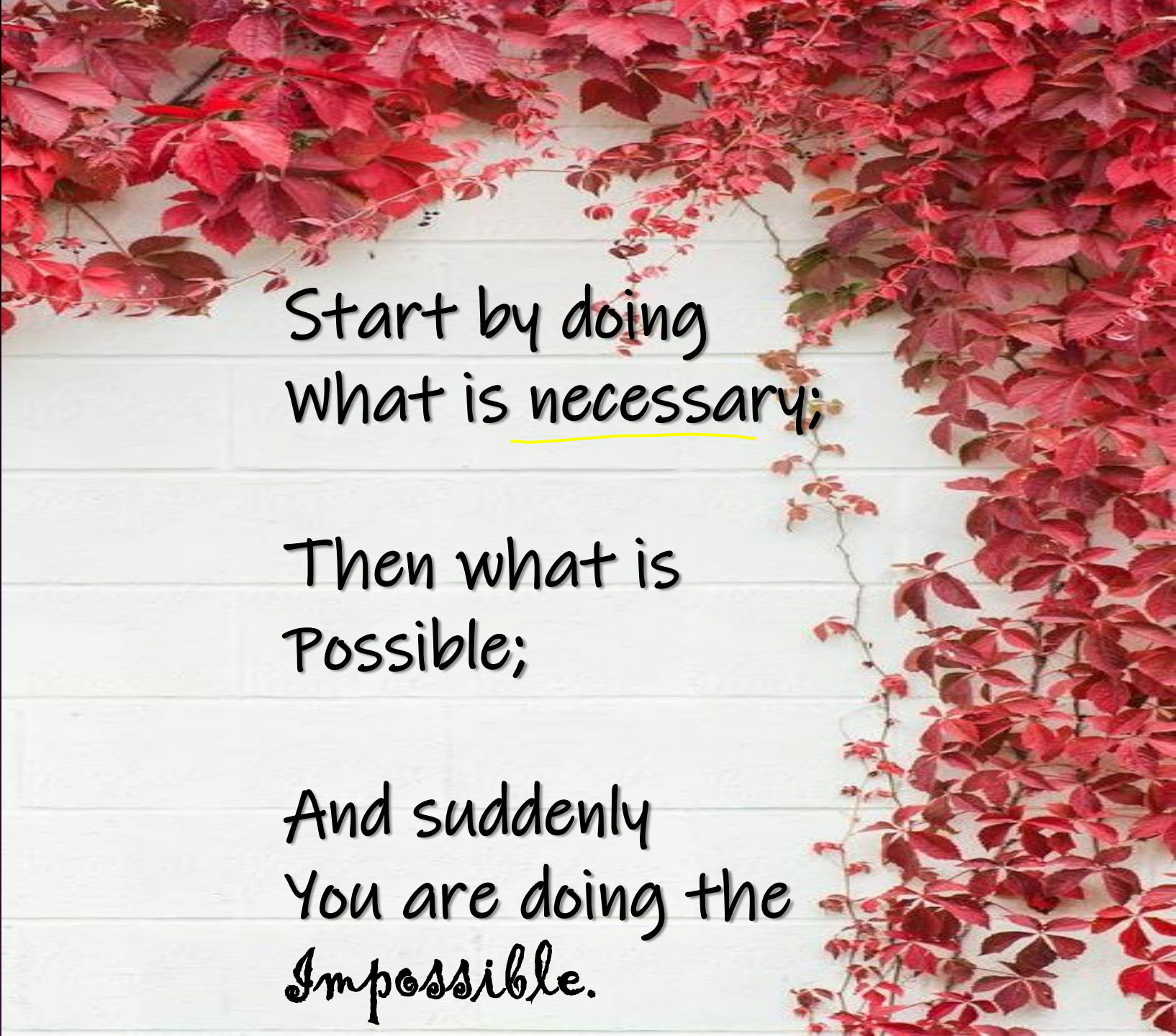
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A photograph of a white brick wall partially covered by vibrant red ivy leaves. The ivy is most dense on the right side and top, with some leaves hanging down. The background on the left is a solid dark purple.

Start by doing
What is necessary;

Then what is
Possible;

And suddenly
You are doing the
Impossible.



Surbhi Sinha 47 minutes ago

Mellow=smooth or soft not too sharp bright new rough=====
punishment in bad situation 👍👍

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Anshi Chaturvedi 3 hours ago

Mellow = dulcet, smooth

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Ekta Tiwari 4 hours ago

1 Mellow

Meaning- Smooth or soft

Synonymous: dulcet, melodious, lyric

Antonyms: harsh, rough ...

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yash kumar 9 hours ago

Mellow- especially of a sound favour or color pleasantly.

Synonym- dulcet, smooth, pleasant.

Antonym- Harsh.

Sentence- she was hypnotized by the mellow tone of his voice

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Chandrika Gore 10 hours ago

1. Mellow: (adj) smooth and soft, or not too sharp, bright, new, or rough; relaxed; severe; (verb) to become softer and more developed in a pleasing way; to become sweeten...
Synonyms: ripe, mature, softened, delicate, savory, soft, soothing, sweet; ripe, sweeten...

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Muskan Rai 11 hours ago

MELLOW =SOFT AND PLEASANT

SYNONYMS= DELICATE , SOFT

ANTONYMS= HARSH , STRONG

SENTENCE= HE WAS IN A MELLOW MOOD...

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Vandana Chhatri 11 hours ago

MELLOW= relaxed and pleasant or not severe (synonyms)=dulcet,sweet-sour

REPRIEVE=absolution. condonation. dispensation. forgiveness.

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EDITORIAL

VOCABULARY



Mahendra's



1. Vainglorious (Adjective) : गुमानी

Meaning: **excessively proud of oneself or one's achievements; overly vain.**

Synonyms: egotistic, proud, arrogant, bigheaded

Antonyms: **egoless, humble, selfless**

Sentence: **The vainglorious trainer spent more flexing his muscles than he did helping build his client's..**

2. Humbug (Noun) : पाखण्ड

Meaning: **deceptive or false talk or behavior.**

Synonyms: hypocrisy, insincerity, dishonesty

Antonyms: **original, genuine**

Sentence: **Because the voters were not fooled by the politician's humbug, they gave their support to his opponent.**

3. Sacked (Verb): बर्खास्त

Sack

Noun

Meaning: to let go from office, service, or employment

Synonyms: dismissed, fired, discharged

Antonyms: employed, engaged, hired

Sentence: He was sacked for computer misuse.

THE HINDU VOCABULARY

4. Linger (Verb) : दीर्घ काल तक रहना

Meaning: stay in a place longer than necessary because of a reluctance to leave; to take a long time to leave or disappear

Synonyms: delay, loiter, stroll, stay, remain

Sentence: It's impossible to forget such horrific events - they linger (on) in the memory forever.

5. Dodgy (Adjective)

Meaning: **dishonest or unreliable; likely to fail or cause problems**

Synonyms: deceitful, dubious, risky

Antonyms: **honest, safe**

Sentence: **I don't want to get involved in anything dodgy.**

6. Befitting (Adjective) : उचित

Meaning: **appropriate to the occasion**

Synonyms: **proper, acceptable, satisfactory, correct, decorous**

Antonyms: **improper, wrong, unfitting, inappropriate**

Sentence: **They offered him a post befitting his seniority and experience.**

7. Medley (Noun) : मिश्रण

Meaning: **a varied mixture of people or things**

Synonyms: **variety, assortment, blend, amalgam**

Sentence: **The menu described the dessert as 'a medley of exotic fruits'.**

8. Intransigence (Noun) : हठ

Meaning: refusing to change your opinions or behavior

Synonyms: stubbornness, obduracy, obstinacy, persistence

Antonyms: complaint, flexible

Sentence: He often appeared angry and frustrated by the intransigence of both sides.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?



Antonym of **ENIGMATIC**

- 1. healthy
- 2. watchful
- 3. disastrous
- 4. obvious

aware

Meaning: enigmatic means mysterious or obscure, therefore
obvious is the opposite

Solution: 4. obvious

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **LUGUBRIOUS**

1. quick
2. cheerful
3. odd
4. dry

Meaning: lugubrious means mournful, or dismal, therefore cheerful is the opposite

Solution: 2. cheerful

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **PERSPICACIOUS**

1. calm
2. easy
3. dull
4. winsome

Meaning: perspicacious means keen or astute, therefore dull is the opposite

Solution: 3.dull

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **ECLAT**

1. apathy

2. dullness

3. silence

4. disinterest

gloomy, dark

Meaning: eclat means a dazzling effect, or brilliance,
therefore dullness is the opposite

Solution : 2. dullness

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **MELD**

1. character
2. distinction
3. blend
4. firmness

Meaning: to meld means to merge or to blend

Solution: 3. blend

Find the correct one?

Synonym of **IMPETUOUS**

1. Impious
2. Impressive
3. Hasty
4. Disturbing

fast (without thinking)

Meaning: impetuous means rash; impulsive; acting or done quickly and without thinking carefully about the results; hasty

Solution: 3. Hasty

Find the correct one?

Synonym of **NEGLIGIBLE**

1. insignificant
2. arguable
3. careless
4. dark

Meaning: negligible means so small or insignificant as to deserve little attention

Solution: 1. insignificant



Find the correct one?

Synonym of **IMPECCABLE**

1. remarkable
2. unbelievable
3. flawless
4. displeasing

Meaning: impeccable means without mistakes or faults; perfect; flawless

Solution: 3. flawless

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Ruffle somebody's feather

1. gamble
2. escape responsibility
3. annoy somebody
4. show contempt for

irritate

Solution : 3. annoy somebody

IDIOMS & PHRASES



To shoot the breeze

1. to do random acts hoping one will be successful
2. to have a casual conversation
3. to release someone
4. to brag about some mild achievement

Solution : 2. to have a casual conversation

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Get one's feet wet

1. to become serious
2. to understand correctly
3. to criticize
4. to begin doing a new job, activity

Solution: 4. to begin doing a new job, activity

IDIOMS & PHRASES



Turn over a new leaf

1. change one's behavior for the better.
2. read between the pages of a book.
3. do a somersault
4. do a new job.

Solution: 1. change one's behavior for the better.

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. A person who lays too much stress on bookish learning—
Pedant
2. One who helps people by giving them money or other aid.—
Benefactor
3. Speak in a very low tone—
Whisper
4. That which cannot be reached—
Inaccessible

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

House matters: On the logjam in Parliament

The government should not avoid a debate on issues of governance

The second leg of the Budget session of Parliament is in a deadlock. The ruling Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) wants Congress leader Rahul Gandhi to apologise for remarks that he made in London recently about democratic backsliding in India; the Congress is insisting on the constitution of a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) to probe allegations of dubious financial transactions and dishonest business practices against the Adani Group of companies. Available evidence suggests that Mr. Gandhi had categorically stated that the challenges to Indian democracy had to be sorted out domestically, and ruled out any role for foreign forces.

With the Indian diaspora expanding, the ripple effects of politics in India are inevitable beyond the country's geographical boundaries. In fact, the BJP has for long believed in cultural nationalism which is not contained within the geography of India. Mr. Modi has discussed national politics before audiences around the world. A democracy that does not allow criticism, including of democracy itself, is a contradiction in terms. Mr. Gandhi has not been able to speak in Parliament and explain his remarks; meanwhile, a BJP Member has initiated a process to terminate Mr. Gandhi's Lok Sabha membership. It is an ill-advised move, and if carried out, will further amplify the fears of a democratic deficit in India.

In their clamour for an apology by Mr. Gandhi, BJP Ministers are also evading questions regarding government patronage of the Adani Group. The Congress has been seeking answers from the government on the links between the public sector Life Insurance Corporation of India and the State Bank of India with the Adani Group. The BJP and the government have been silent on this serious issue of governance that spans the government and the public and private sectors. Arbitrariness in decision making, followed by a lack of accountability, amounts to governance failure, if not collusion.

The government, the Rajya Sabha chairman and the Lok Sabha Speaker should work with the Opposition for a discussion on the issues arising out of the Adani controversy. Coming clean is essential in maintaining the government's credibility, the regulatory environment and the private sector. There have been precedents of a JPC in cases of financial scandals. The BJP has the numbers to get away with any disregard for parliamentary norms, but it should rise above that temptation and evolve as a true party of governance. Parliament has a role to play in fixing accountability, and the BJP should not avoid it and betray a new level of executive impunity.



1. GLUM

2. ANGUISH

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