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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**

**LIVE**  **8:00 AM**

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A person is standing on the edge of a dark, layered rock formation that juts out over a vast, hazy landscape. The sky is a warm, golden-orange color, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The person is small in the frame, emphasizing the scale of the natural environment. The overall mood is contemplative and inspiring.

**“CHALLENGE  
YOURSELF  
TO BE AN  
EXAMPLE  
OF CHANGE.”**

**– DEBASISH MRIDHA**

# TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

# GRAMMAR SKILLS

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## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

**The following words may be singular or plural, depending upon their use in a sentence:**  
**some , any, all, most.**



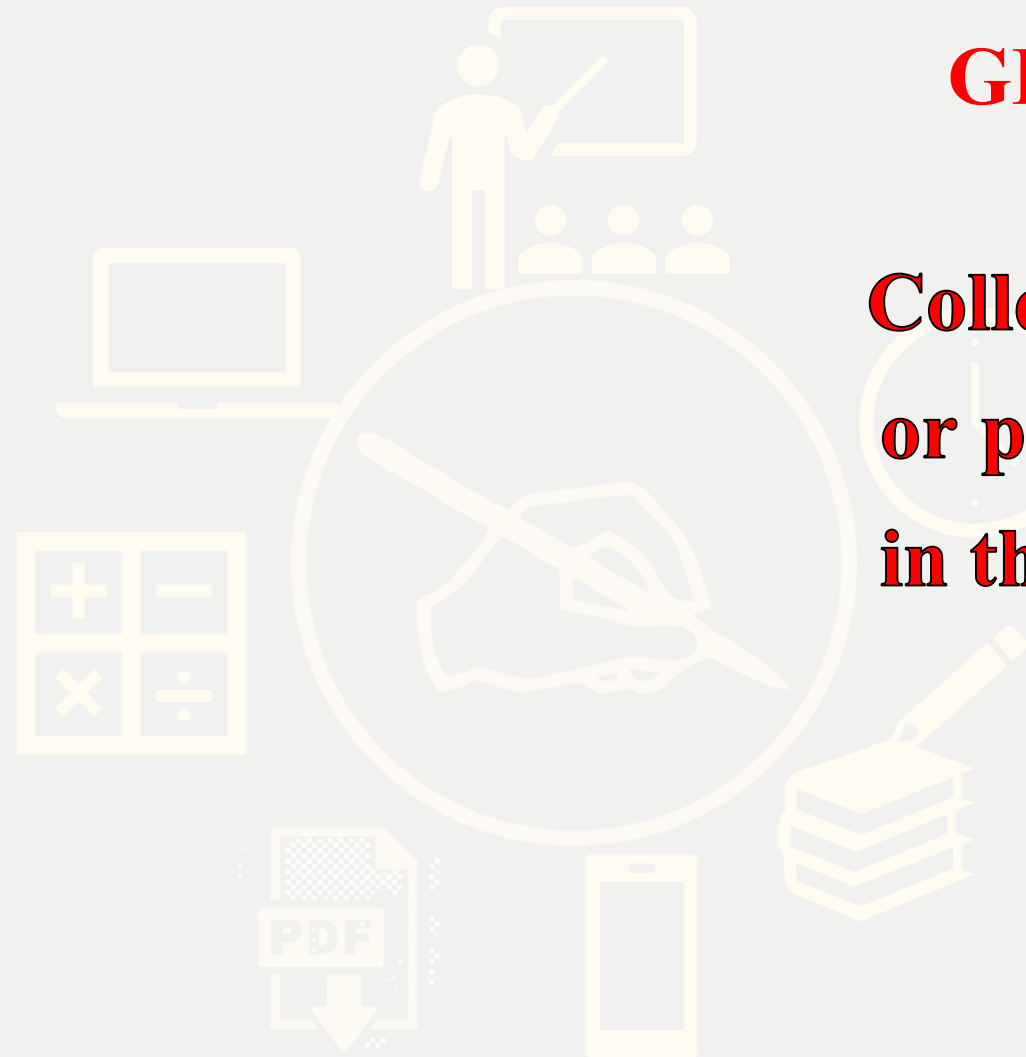
**(a) Most of the news are good.**

**(b) Most of the flowers was yellow.**



## **GRAMMAR SKILL - 2**

**Collective nouns may be singular or plural, depending on their use in the sentence.**





**A. The orchestra are playing a hit song.**

**B. The orchestra is divided into many groups.**





# SO IT'S TIME

**Let's start**




# ARTICLE

## Just what the doctor ordered for the livestock farmer



# ARTICLE

The twentieth **livestock census** indicated that India today has a livestock population of approximately 537 million; of this, 95.8% is **concentrated** in rural areas. Given the fact that most of the country's livestock is in rural and **remote areas**, access to **veterinary** services is a major challenge. Livestock farmers are often **compelled** to travel far from their villages whenever their animals need treatment — a **scenario** that **adversely impacts** the **longevity** and the productivity of their livestock.

To **mitigate** this problem, the Government has **identified a slew of measures** within the **revised** provisions of the Livestock Health and Disease Control (LH&DC) programme; here, a major focus has been on the 'Establishment and Strengthening of Veterinary Services – Mobile Veterinary Units (MVUs)'.  


# ARTICLE

The Parliamentary **Standing Committee** of the Union Ministry of Fisheries, **Animal Husbandry** and Dairying has observed that **inadequate** testing and treatment facilities for veterinary diseases pose a major challenge, especially now where there is a **drastic rise** in cases of **zoonotic diseases**. Most villages in the country lack testing facilities, and even when samples are collected, they need to be sent to blocks/districts nearby for test results. So, MVUs can play a major role in **plugging the gap** in this regard.

## Milk loss

As approximately 70% of India's milk supply is sourced from farmers who own less than five animals, losses due to diseases amount to a milk loss of approximately 10 litres per day per farm (this translates into approximately ₹800-₹850 per day).

# ARTICLE

So for most farmers, death of or disease in livestock could mean the difference between **sustenance and starvation**. The animal health issue is **compounded** by the growing presence of salesmen of drug distributors in rural communities. MVUs have been successfully running either on hire or on State ownership basis in several States (Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh, Odisha, Telangana, West Bengal, etc.) with positive results and increased **outreach**, especially in **geographically difficult terrains**. The **main thrust** for the near future will be on focused upgradation of veterinary healthcare services, disease **surveillance** and training (CVE), and disease reporting in real time.



**THE HINDU**  
**VOCABULARY**

**DISMAL (ADJECTIVE):**

**(शोकयुक्त): gloomy**

**Synonyms: glum**

**mournful**

**Antonyms: cheerful**



# **LABYRINTHINE**

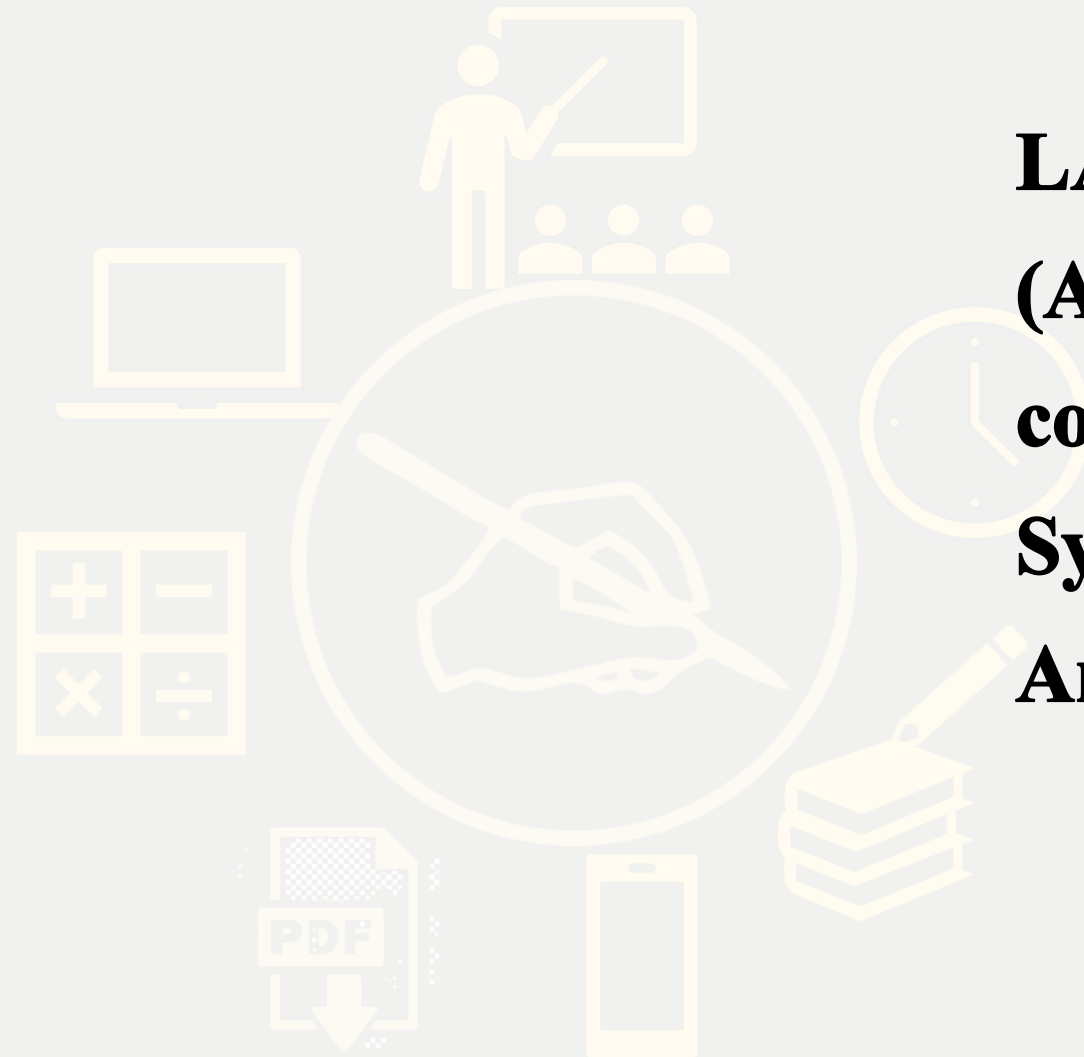
**(ADJECTIVE):**

**(जटिल):**

**complicated**

**Synonyms: intricate, complex**

**Antonyms: straightforward**



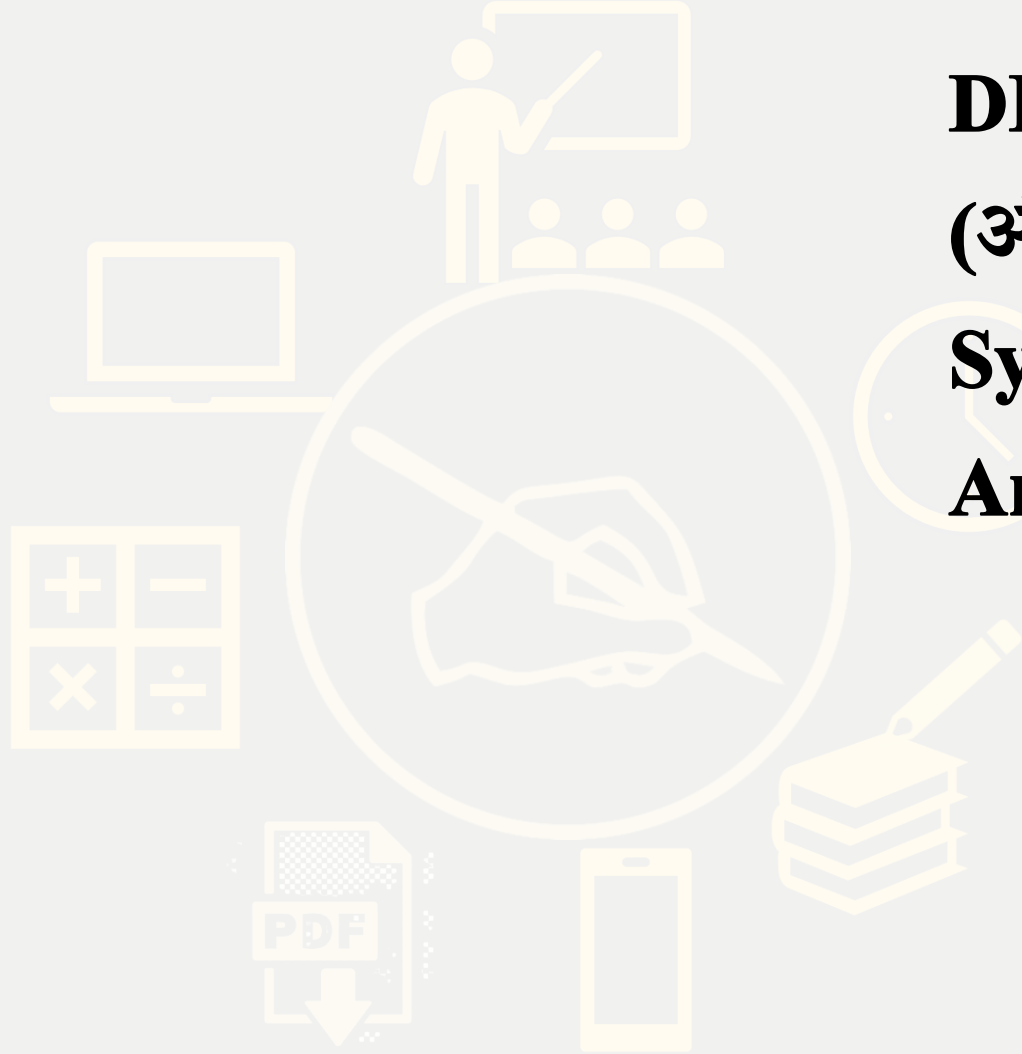


**DINGY (ADJECTIVE):**

**(अंधकारमय): gloomy**

**Synonyms: drab, dark**

**Antonyms: bright**

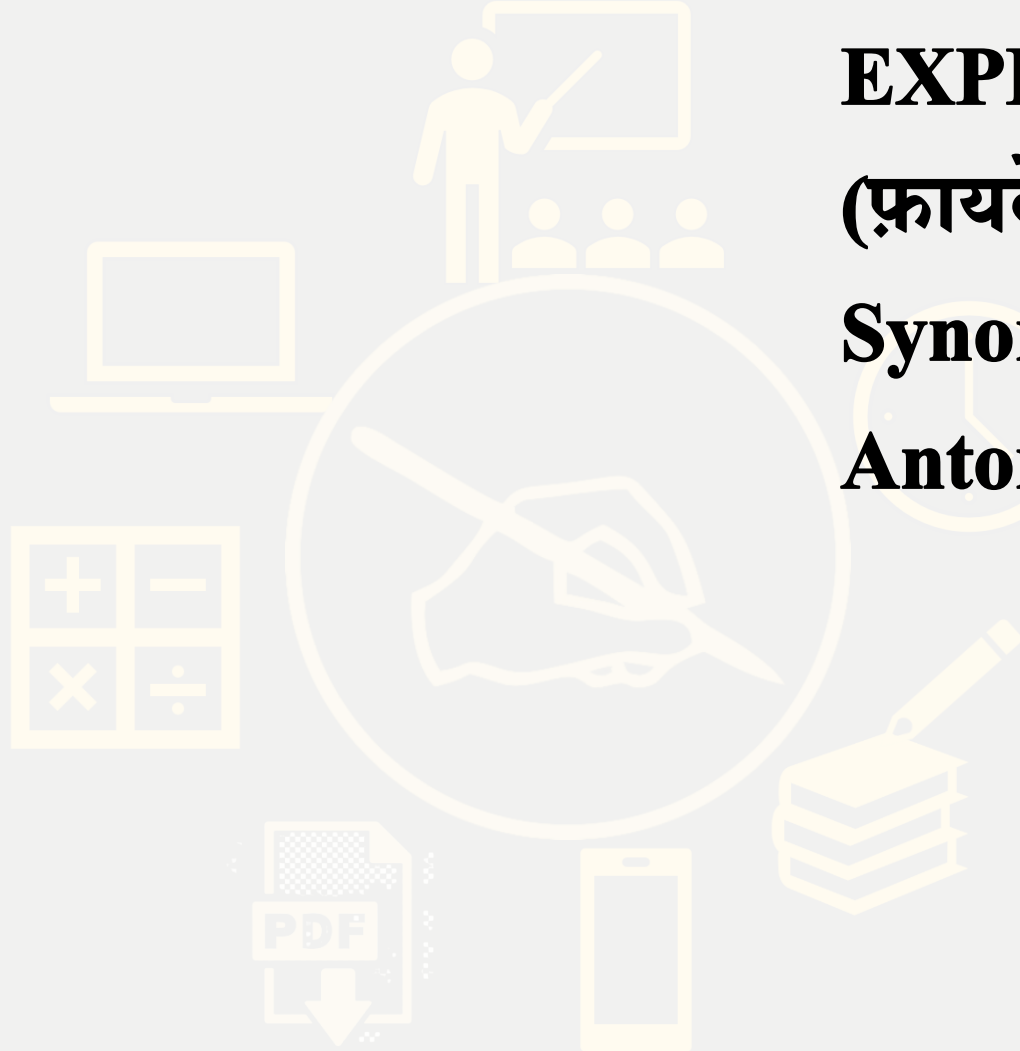


**EXPEDIENT (ADJECTIVE):**

**(फ़ायदेमंद): convenient**

**Synonyms: advantageous, useful**

**Antonyms: inexpedient**



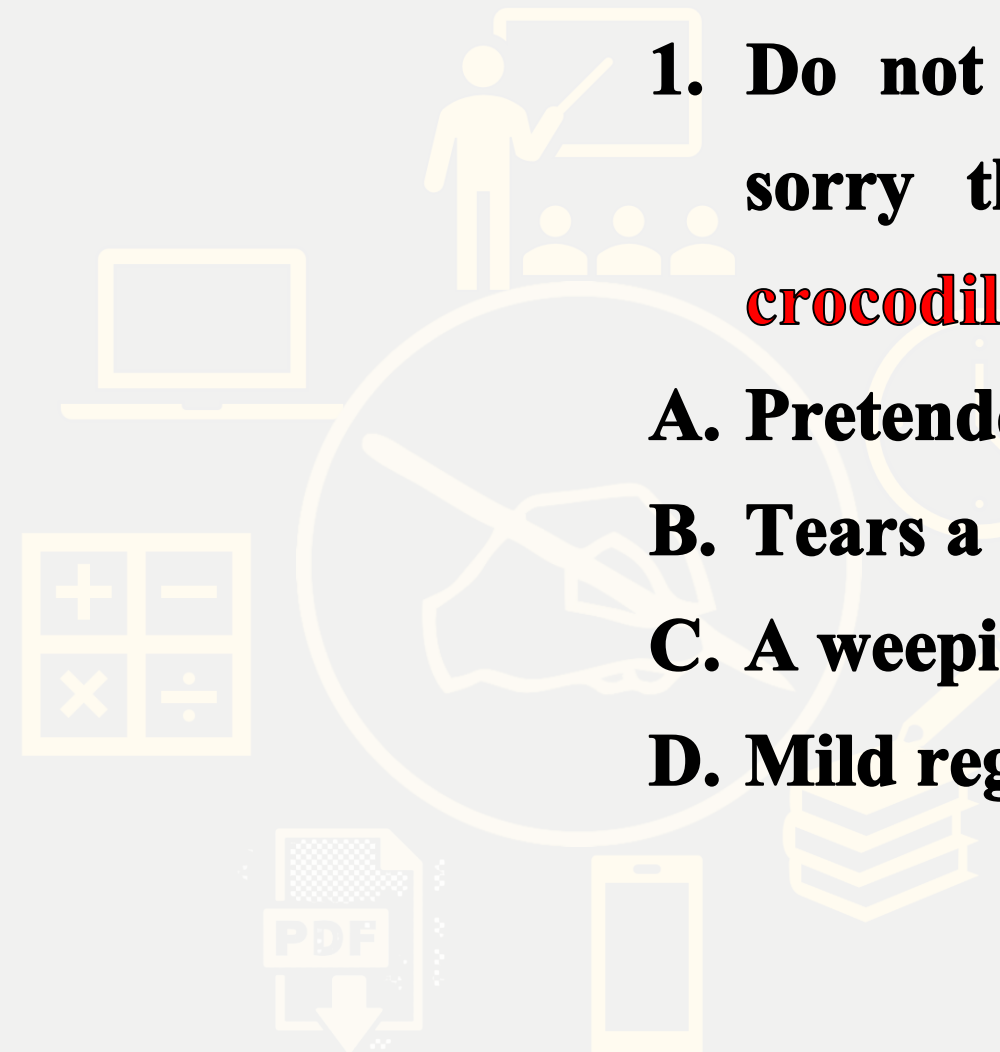
# LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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# Time for IDIOMS



**1. Do not imagine that Dharmendra is really sorry that his wife died. Those are only **crocodile tears**.**

- A. Pretended sorrow**
- B. Tears a crocodile**
- C. A weeping crocodile**
- D. Mild regret**



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**Answer: Option A**

2. The P.M has **pulled up** Orissa partymen.

- A. elevated
- B. rewarded
- C. punished
- D. reprimanded



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**Answer: Option D**

3. He **did me a good turn** by recommending me for the post of Vice Principal.

- A. returned my kindness
- B. did an act of kindness
- C. improved my prospects
- D. became suddenly good



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**Answer: Option B**

4. He believes in the policy of making hay while the sun shines.

- A. giving bribes to get his work done
- B. seeking advice from one and all
- C. helping those who help him
- D. making the best use of a favorable situation

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**Answer: Option D**



5. His friends advised him to be fair and square in his dealings.

- A. Careful
- B. Considerate
- C. Polite
- D. Upright



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**Answer: Option D**

6. We should give a wide berth to bad characters.

- A. give publicity to
- B. publicly condemn
- C. keep away from
- D. not sympathise with



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**Answer: Option C**

7. Turban is in vogue in some communities.

- A. in fashion
- B. out of use
- C. vaguely used
- D. never used



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**Answer: Option A**



# Time for Spelling Errors

**8. Find the correctly spelt words.**

- A. Vetarinary**
- B. Veteninary**
- C. Vetinary**
- D. Veterinary**

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**Answer: Option D**

**Explanation:**

**Veterinary - pertaining to the medical treatment of animals**

**9. Find the correctly spelt words.**

- A. Excessive**
- B. Exccessive**
- C. Exxcensive**
- D. Excesive**



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**Answer: Option A**

**10. Find the correctly spelt words.**

- A. Indipensable**
- B. Indipenseble**
- C. Indispansible**
- D. Indispensable**



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**Answer: Option D**

# LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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## Can't see the forest for the trees



**To be unable to see the whole situation clearly because you're looking too closely at small details.**

## Beat around the bush



**To spend a long time getting to the main point of what you're saying, especially because it's embarrassing.**

## Out of the woods



**The situation is still difficult but it's improved or gotten easier. The hardest part of something is over.**

# ENGLISH SPEAKING

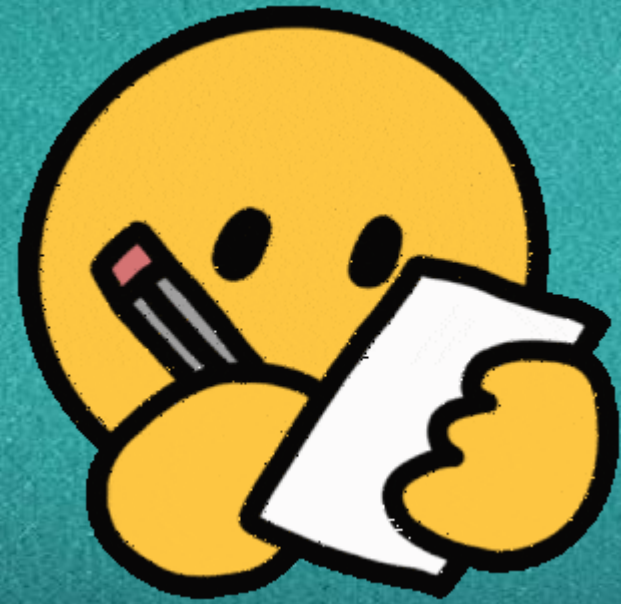
## TIPS

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## Use of after

- 1) **Do you believe in the life after death?**  
क्या मृत्यु के बाद के जीवन पर तुम्हारा विश्वास है?
- 2) **After marriage, he became poor.**  
विवाह के बाद वह निर्धन हो गया.
- 3) **Who was running after you?**  
तुम्हारे पीछे कौन दौड़ रहा था?
- 4) **He was asking after you.**  
वह तुम्हारे बारे में पूछ रहा था.

# Homework



# Home Work Answer

**Find the correctly spelt words.**

- A. Bouquete**
- B. Bouquette**
- C. Bouquet**
- D. Boqquet**

# Home Work

The old man was cut to the quick when his rich son refused to recognise him.

- A. surprised
- B. hurt intensely
- C. annoyed
- D. irritated



