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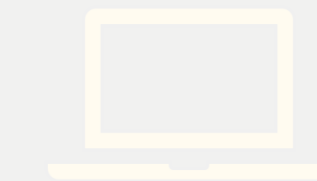
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FORGET
the day's troubles
REMEMBER
the day's blessings.





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GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

**Farther means more distant or
advanced; further means
additional.**





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a) He insisted on farther improvement.

b) Your house is further from hers.





GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

When two qualities of the same person or thing are compared , the Comparative in- er is not used. 'More' is used for this purpose.



a) He is wiser than brave.

**b) Ramesh is taller than
handsome.**





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SO IT'S TIME

Let's start





ARTICLE

India can criticise Russia's Ukraine invasion

It is possible for the Government to express its criticism while maintaining an independent stand on unilateral sanctions



ARTICLE

Just four years ago, in June 2018, then United States President Donald Trump sent his **Ambassador** to the United Nations, Nikki Haley, on a **sensitive** mission to New Delhi. Ms. Haley, who was to meet Prime Minister Narendra Modi to convince the Government to drop its oil imports from Iran or face U.S. **sanctions**, and said that India must “**rethink its ties**”, was probably chosen because she was a **diplomat** and also an Indian-American which had a certain appeal in India. A day later, India’s petroleum ministry asked refiners to cut imports from Iran. Within a few months, when the American **deadline** expired, the Government announced that it had “zeroed out” its imports of oil from Iran, once India’s preferred choice and its third biggest supplier of crude.



ARTICLE

‘Appeals’ and India’s reaction

Now, in 2022, the U.S. pressure on India to cut its oil imports from Russia has been much less **subtle**. The appeal to “zero out” oil purchases from Russia, and not **accelerate** them, has come from the highest quarters: these include U.S. President Joe Biden to Mr. Modi during a virtual summit; U.S. Secretary of State Antony Blinken during the “2+2” ministerial meeting in Washington last week, and from another Indian-American **emissary**, Deputy National Security Adviser for International Economics Daleep Singh, who, while he was on a visit to Delhi, spoke of “**consequences**” for **creating payment mechanisms** around sanctions against Russia.



ARTICLE

The pressure is likely to increase in the coming weeks, with more **engagements** planned by Mr. Modi with European leaders — the British Prime Minister Boris Johnson will arrive in India this week, and Mr. Modi is expected to travel to Germany and France for bilateral meetings and to Denmark for a summit with Nordic countries. Thus far, nearly two months into Russia's war with Ukraine, New Delhi's position has been to **push back**: External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar said in February that India does not **recognise unilateral** sanctions (only the ones **mandated** by the United Nations), followed by some **tough talking** in Washington last week.

ARTICLE

This includes the fact that after 12 **occasions** of votes at the UN, India continues to **abstain** on **resolutions** critical of Russia's invasion and the daily **bombardment** of civilians. Despite talks with leaders from the U.S., Japan and Australia, each of whom criticised Russia in their summit remarks, India's Ministry of External Affairs has not allowed any direct mention of Russia in the respective joint statements. In March and April, India has bought more Russian oil, at a discount, than it did in all of 2021, and is now accelerating coal imports as well. While deliveries of the Russian S-400 missile defence system may be delayed by the war, New Delhi is not putting its defence deals with Moscow on hold. Russian bank officials have held meetings with the Reserve Bank of India in Mumbai for technical talks on the rupee-rouble payment mechanism to be used for purchases that **circumvent sanctions**.



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY



Bedeck (verb) : सजाना

Meaning: to decorate or cover

Synonyms: adorn, bedizen

Antonyms: denude, blemish



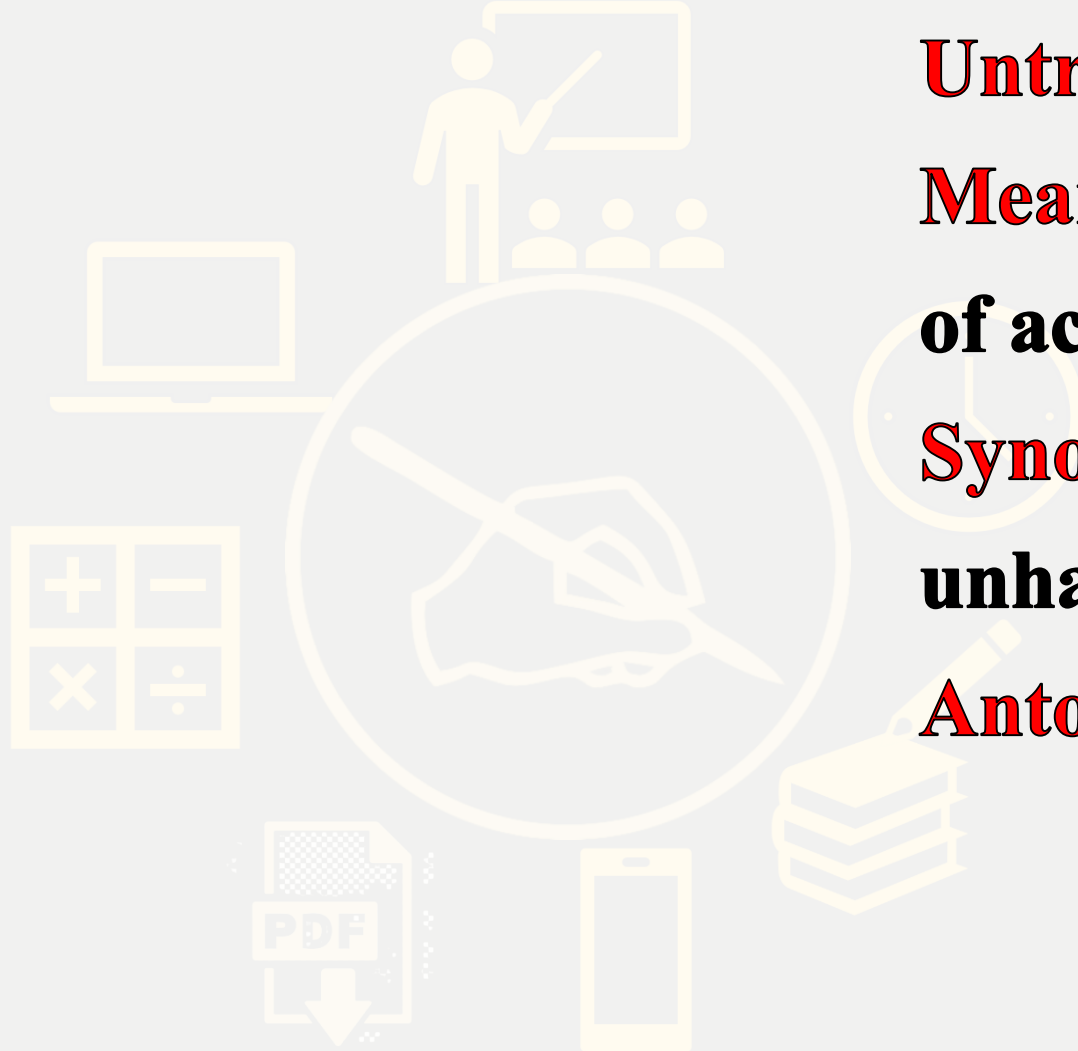


Untrammelled (adjective) : बेरोक

**Meaning: not deprived of freedom
of action or expression**

**Synonyms: unobstructed,
unhampered**

Antonyms: limited, restrained



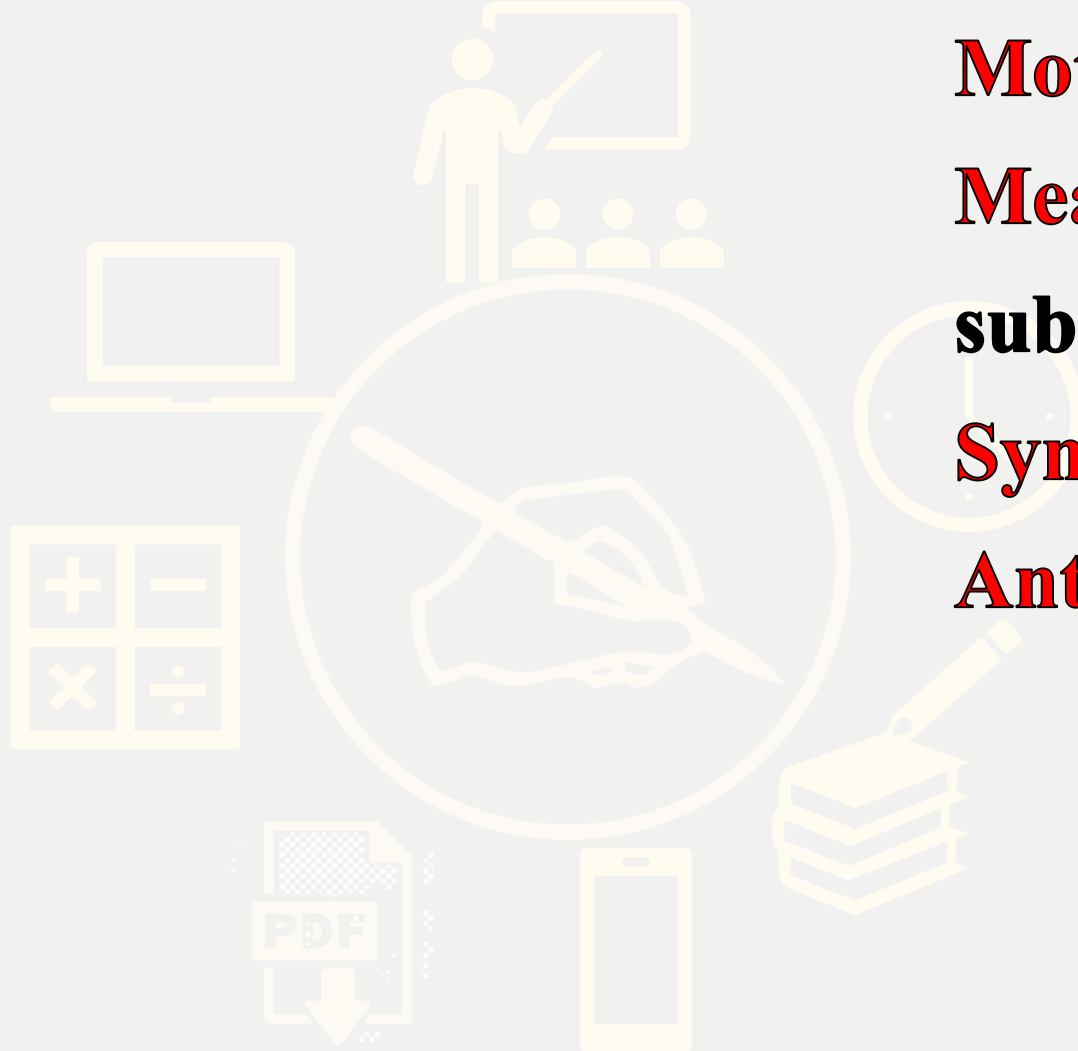


Mote (noun) : कण

Meaning: a tiny piece of a substance; a speck

Synonyms: bit, dribble

Antonyms: lump, abundance





Exigent (adjective) : अत्यावश्यक

Meaning: pressing; demanding

Synonyms: urgent, crucial

Antonyms: unpressured, facile





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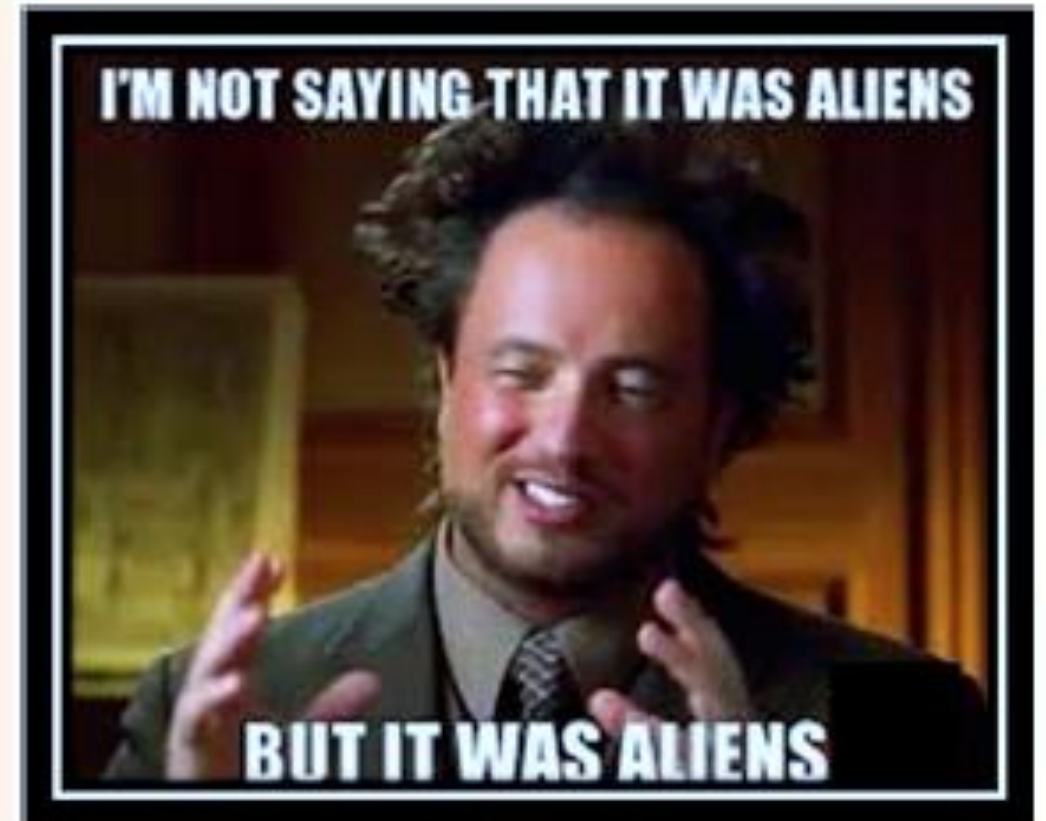
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LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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controvert



Definition to say or prove that something is not true



Blasé



Definition unimpressed with or indifferent to something because one has experienced or seen it so often before



Swathe



SWATHE

Definition wrap in several layers of fabric



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LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for SYNONYMS





Q1. ZENITH

(A) pinnacle

(B) reality

(C) hope

(D) ideal

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Correct Answer : A



Q2. CORDIAL

(A) friendly

(B) kind

(C) affectionate

(D) generous

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Answer: A



Q3. **DILIGENT**

(A) **hard working**

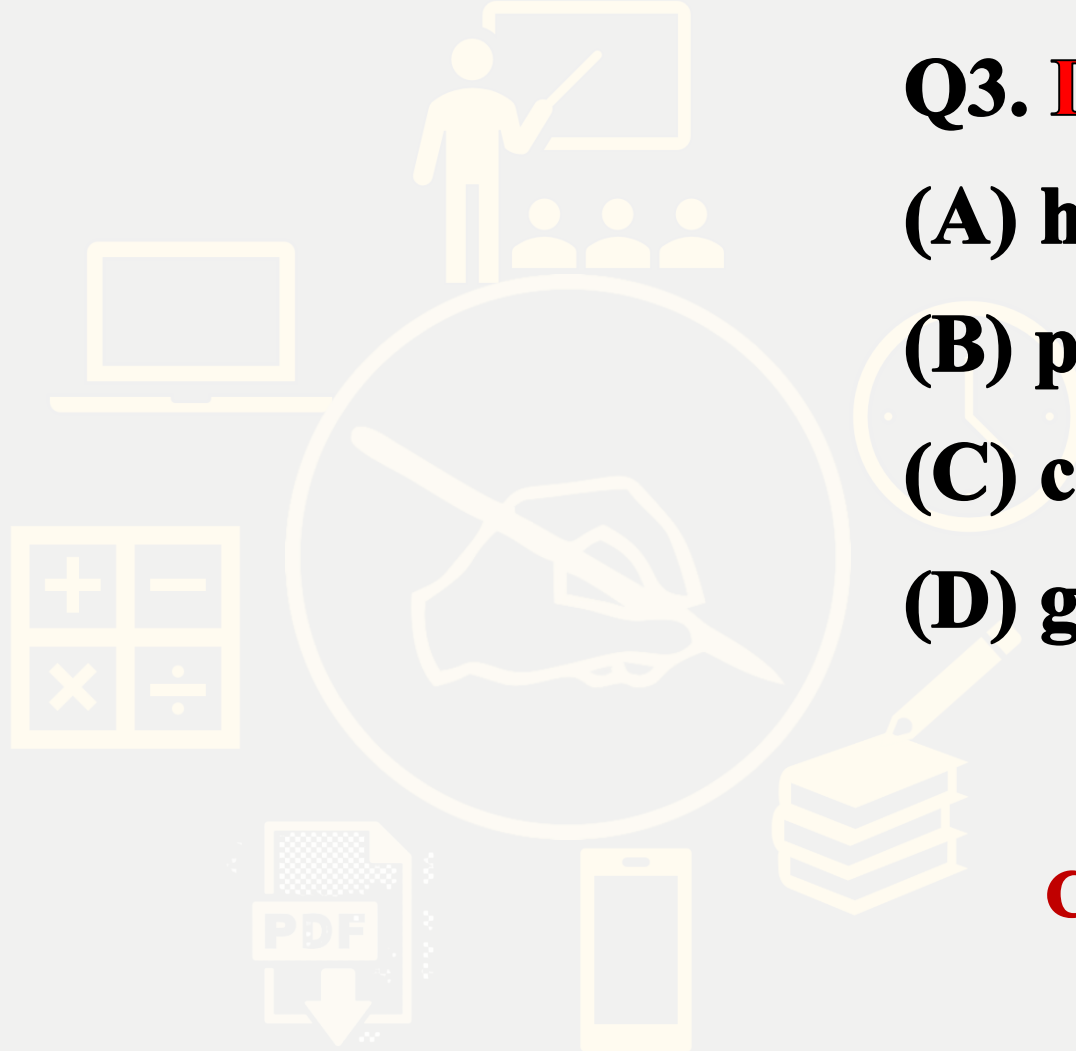
(B) **proud**

(C) **conceited**

(D) **great**

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Correct Answer : A





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Time for IDIOMS



Q4. He passed himself off as a noble man.

- 1. Pretended to be**
- 2. Was looked upon**
- 3. Was regarded as**
- 4. Was thought to be**

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Answer: Option (1)



5Q. Since he knew what would happen, he should be left to stew in his own juice.

- 1. Make a stew**
- 2. Boil**
- 3. Suffer for his own act**
- 4. Suffer in his own juice**

Answer: Option (3)

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6Q. In the organised society of today no individual or nation can plough a lonely furrow.

- 1. remain unaffected**
- 2. do without the help of others**
- 3. survive in isolation**
- 4. remain non-aligned**

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Answer: Option (2)



7Q. Do no trust a man who blows his own trumpet.

- 1. flatters**
- 2. praises others**
- 3. praises himself**
- 4. admonishes others**

Answer: Option (3)

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8Q. This matter has been hanging fire for the last many months and must therefore be decided one way or the other.

- 1. hotly debated**
- 2. going on slowly**
- 3. stuck up**
- 4. ignored**

Answer: 2. going on slowly



9Q. I am afraid he is burning the candle at both ends.

- 1. wasting his money**
- 2. becoming overgenerous**
- 3. losing his objectives**
- 4. overtaxing his energies**

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Answer: Option 1



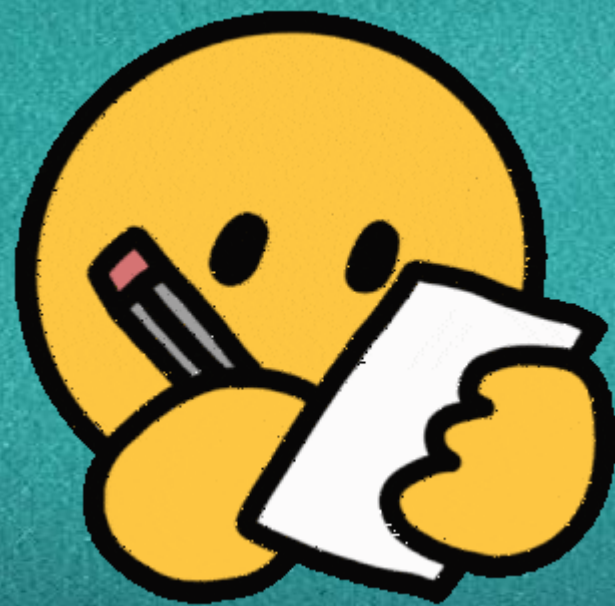
10Q. It was he who put a spoke in my wheel.

- 1. tried to cause an accident**
- 2. helped in the execution of the plan**
- 3. destroyed the plan**
- 4. thwarted in the execution of the plan**

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Answer: Option 4

Homework





Home Work

Sobhraj could be easily arrested because the police were **tipped off in a advance.**

- 1. Toppled over**
- 2. Bribed**
- 3. Given advance information**
- 4. Threatened**



Home Work Answer

Bolt from the blue

1.Thundering

2.A complete surprise

3.Inform something bad

4.No idea

