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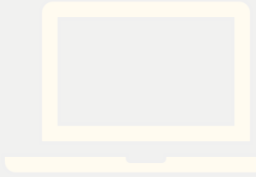





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Wake up, Smile and Tell Yourself:

"Today is my Day."



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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- i. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
 - ii. ARTICLE ANALYSIS**
 - iii. THE HINDU VOCABULARY**
 - iv. LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES**
 - v. CHECK YOUR PROGRESS**

GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE
YOU
READY??

GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Adjectives like 'unique', ideal, perfect, complete, universal, entire, extreme, chief, full square and round, which do not admit different degrees of comparison should not be compared

(a) It is the most unique thing.

(b) He is the most perfect student in the class.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

All the Adjectives which refer to the same Noun should be in the same degree of comparison.



He is the wisest and honest worker in the office.



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Mahinda for clipping President's powers

He moots restoring 19th Amendment empowering PM



ARTICLE

Sri Lanka's Prime Minister Mahinda Rajapaksa proposed **restoring** a **legislation** that **clips** the President's **executive** powers, and in turn **empowers** the Prime Minister and Parliament, as a "short-term" solution to the country's **crippling** economic crisis. The move comes at a time when President Gotabaya Rajapaksa and PM Mahinda face **unprecedented** public anger and **criticism**, seen in the **incessant** citizens' protests in the capital Colombo and across the country. The **demonstrators** want the ruling brothers to resign, taking responsibility for the **meltdown** that has resulted in a severe shortage of essentials and **steep** price rise. While the pressure led to mass Cabinet resignations earlier this month, the President and Prime Minister remain in office.

ARTICLE

Addressing the Parliament's first session after the New Year break in Sri Lanka, Mr. Mahinda **sought** implementation of the 19th Amendment with "necessary and timely amendments", as part of a solution based on a "solid economic, political, and social foundation." His proposal signals a **potential shift** in the power centre within the ruling camp, with Mr. Mahinda attempting to regain control by **overturning** the 20th Amendment. The 2020 legislation passed by the Gotabaya administration reduced the Prime Minister's role to a **ceremonial one**, while granting **sweeping** powers and **heightened immunity** to the President's office.

ARTICLE

The development also **coincides** with the Opposition's call to **abolish** the country's Executive Presidency. Government sources told The Hindu that Mr. Mahinda is expected to **put forward** a Cabinet paper on restoring the 19th Amendment early next week, when the newly appointed Cabinet meets for the first time. He would need a Cabinet **nod to table** the relevant Bill in Parliament.

Protester shot dead

As protests continued, Sri Lankan police shot dead one man and wounded around a dozen other protesters in what the police termed a **clash** in Rambukkana, about 50 km northeast of Colombo, officials said. Kegalle district hospital authorities told the media that one injured man had died of bullet injuries.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

HOSTILITY (NOUN): (शत्रुता):

Antagonism

Synonyms: Bitterness, Malevolence

Antonyms: Friendliness

EQUITABLE (ADJECTIVE): (न्यायसंगत):

Fair

Synonyms: Just, Impartial

Antonyms: Unequitable





ENDORSE (VERB): (समर्थन करना):

Support

Synonyms: Favour

Antonyms: Oppose

COERCE (VERB): (मजबूर करना):

Pressure

Synonyms: Pressurize, Persuade

Antonyms: Dissuade

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Ethos



Definition: The characteristic spirit of a culture, era, or community as manifested in its attitudes and aspirations

Usage: The company made environmental awareness part of its business ethos.

Lament



Definition: to express sorrow, regret, or unhappiness about something

Usage: She lamented over the loss of her best friend.

Escalate



Definition: to become or make something greater, worse, more serious, etc.

LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Idioms & Phrases



1. Herculean task

- A. very easy
- B. very difficult
- C. not willing to do
- D. need to be done



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Solution: B. very difficult

2. Halcyon days

A. Peaceful days

B. Tragic days

C. Days spent at picnic

D. Days spent out of country



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A) Peaceful days

3. Have feet of clay

- A. Very innocent
- B. No noise of walking
- C. Hiding something
- D. Full of faults



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D) Full of faults

4. Hold and corner

- A. a secret**
- B. a joke**
- C. a lesson**
- D. a preach**



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A) a secret

5. Helter Skelter

- A. to be in touch
- B. here and there
- C. to go away
- D. to come back



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Answer: Option C

6. Hold in abeyance

A. to break trust

B. to make smile

C. to tell a story

D. to postpone



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D) to postpone

7. Ill at ease

A. Very comfortable

B. Uncomfortable

C. Trust worthy

D. Cruel



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B) Uncomfortable

8. In a red

A. to be very angry

B. to be in a loss

C. to be in profit

D. just a reference to colour



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Answer: Option B

9. In a flutter

- A. to be depressed
- B. in low spirits
- C. excited
- D. prominent



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Answer: Option C

10. In a tight corner

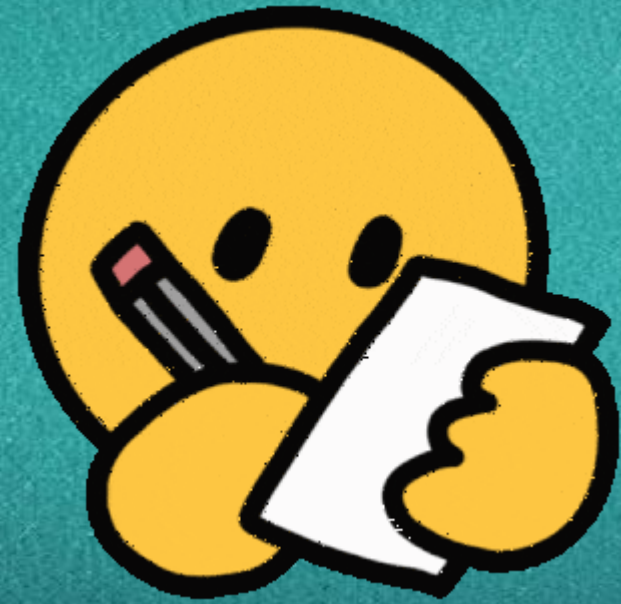
- A. Very secret**
- B. Very urgent**
- C. In absence of**
- D. In difficult situation**



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Answer: Option D

Homework



Home Work

Hard nosed attitude

A. quality to forgive

B. protective

C. calm

D. aggressive

Home Work Answer

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

