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THE HINDU

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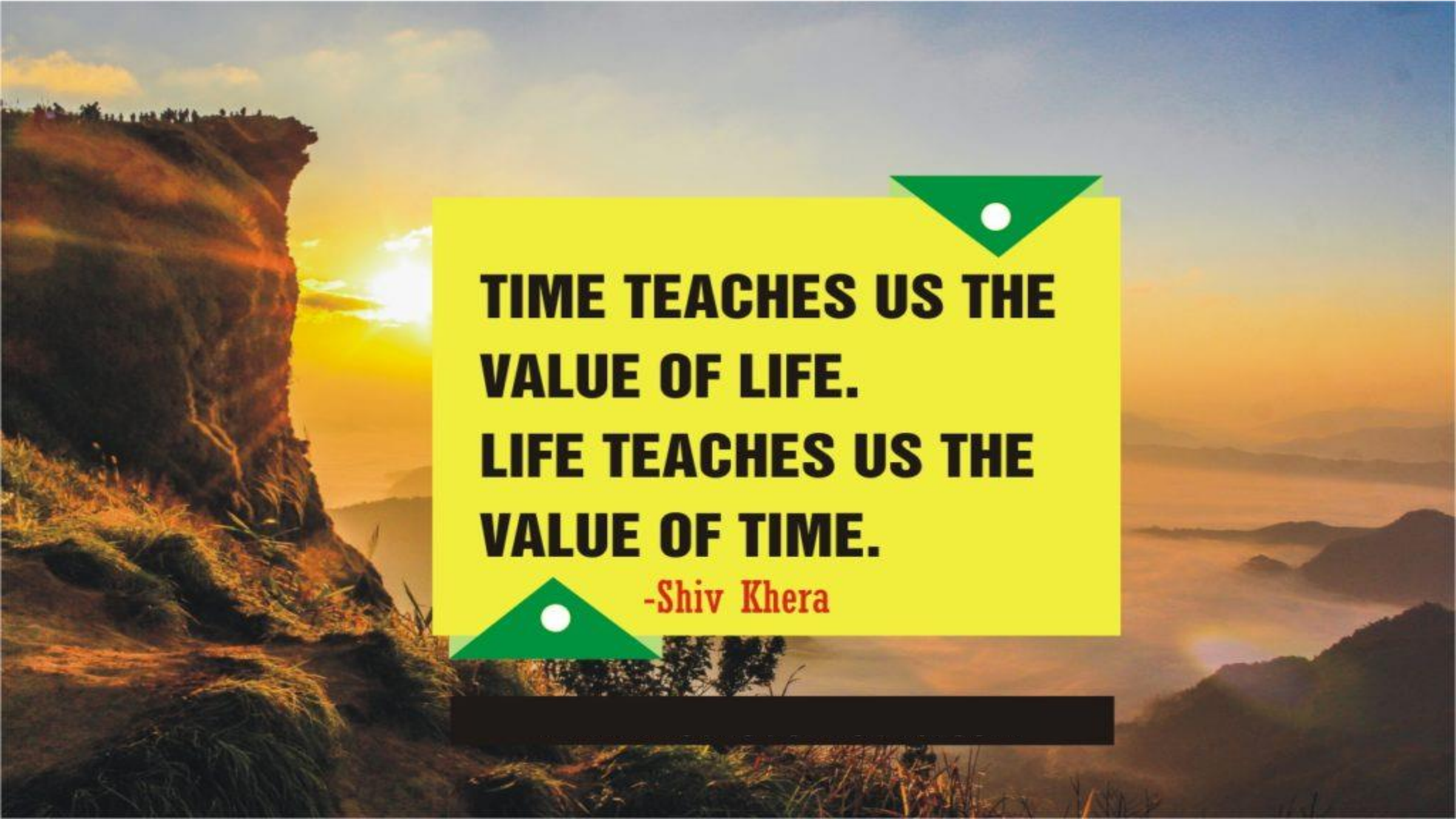
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**TIME TEACHES US THE
VALUE OF LIFE.
LIFE TEACHES US THE
VALUE OF TIME.**

-Shiv Khera

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

ARE
YOU
READY??

GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

With the following verbs/adjective/phrases, (V1 +ing) is used after 'to'.

(Verb +used to) , accustomed to, averse to, with a view to, addicted to, devoted to, in addition to, look forward to, object to, owing to, given to, taken to , etc



(a) I am looking forward to meet my friend.

(b) Sheetal is used to wake up early morning.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**Every Participle must have a suitable
Subject of Reference.**



A. Being a rainy day Vijay decided to stay at home.



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start

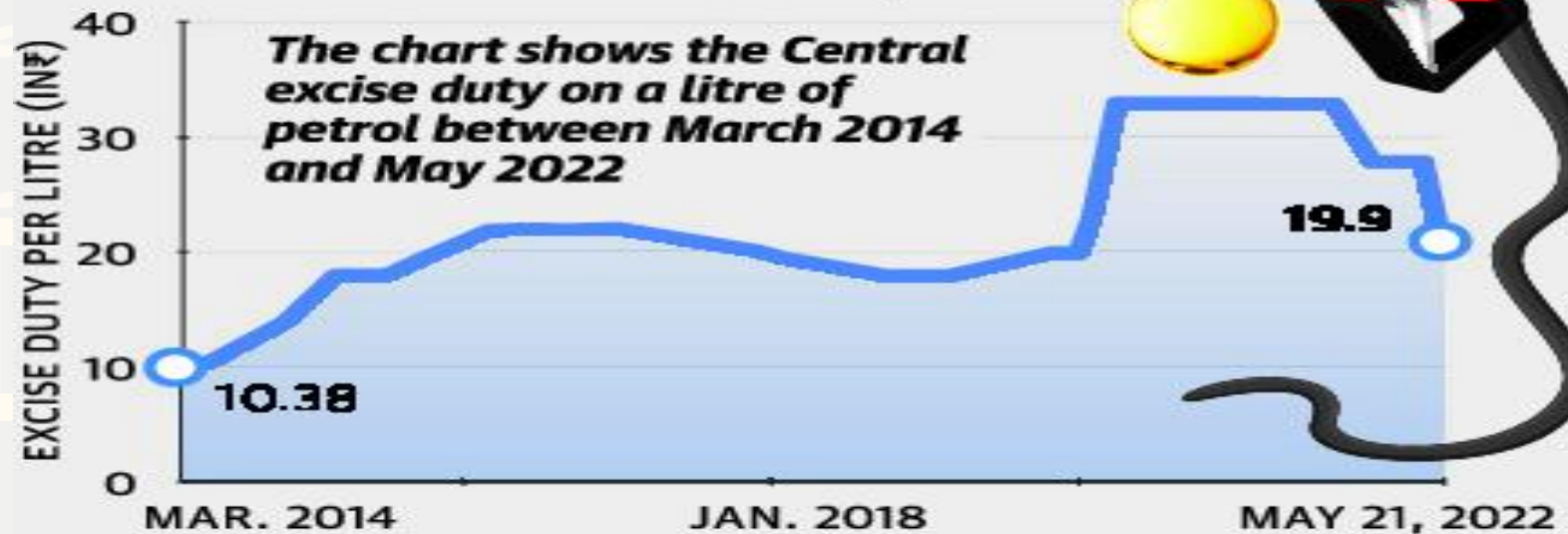


ARTICLE

Centre slashes fuel taxes, sets ₹200 subsidy on LPG cylinders

Central excise duty on petrol cut by ₹8 a litre, diesel by ₹6: Finance Minister

Duty cut | Excise duty levied on petrol had hovered at ₹32.9 per litre from May 2020 to October 2021. Following the latest cut, it will reduce to ₹19.9 per litre



ARTICLE

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman **unveiled a slew of measures to rein in runaway inflation**, including duty cuts on petroleum products, a ₹200 subsidy on LPG cylinders for the poor and a **rejig** of import duties on plastic and steel products. A **reduction** in central excise duty per litre of petrol by ₹8, and of diesel by ₹6, will translate into **retail prices** on these fuels **dropping** by ₹9.5 per litre and ₹7 per litre, Ms. Sitharaman said. The steps to check rising prices assume **significance** with retail inflation **spiraling** to 7.8% in April, the highest since the NDA government **assumed office** in 2014, and **wholesale** inflation hitting a multi-decade high of 15.1%. Economists expect the measures to help cool off inflation in May to somewhere between 6.5% to 7%.

ARTICLE

Reiterating the Prime Minister's recent **plea** to nonNDA ruled States to cut State-level duties on fuel products, Ms. Sitharaman **exhorted** all States, 'especially those that had not cut State levies when central taxes on fuel products were cut the last time, to implement a similar cut and give relief to the common man'. The latest round of fuel tax cuts, following the ₹5 and ₹10 per litre for petrol and diesel, respectively, in November 2021, will cost the government about ₹1 lakh crore a year in terms of **foregone revenue**.

Ms. Sitharaman **invoked** Prime Minister Narendra Modi's commitment to help the poor and common man and said the number of steps taken to help these sections had **ensured** that the average inflation had remained lower than during previous governments.

ARTICLE

“It is always people first for us!” Prime Minister Modi said in a tweet about the measures. “Today’s decisions... will positively **impact** various sectors, provide relief to our citizens and further ‘Ease of Living,” he said. Responding to the Prime Minister’s call to the States to cut taxes for fuel products, the Kerala government **announced** a reduction in the State’s tax on petrol and diesel by ₹2.41 and ₹4.36 per litre respectively, **in the wake of** the excise duty cut by the Centre. A subsidy of ₹200 per gas cylinder for up to 12 cylinders a year will be granted to over nine crore **beneficiaries** of the PM Ujjwala Yojana. “This will help our mothers and sisters and have a revenue implication of around ₹6,100 crore a year,” she said.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

The Hindu Vocabulary

DYNAMIC (ADJECTIVE): (ऊर्जावान):

energetic

Synonyms: spirited, active

Antonyms: half-hearted

The Hindu Vocabulary

INDUCE (VERB): (मनाना): persuade

Synonyms: convince, get

Antonyms: dissuade

The Hindu Vocabulary

ENERVATE (VERB): (क्षीण करना):

exhaust

Synonyms: tire, fatigue

Antonyms: invigorate

The Hindu Vocabulary

SCURRY (NOUN): (हड़बड़ी): rush

Synonyms: race, dash

Antonyms: stroll

LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Sentence improvement

1. The Director will **agree with the proposal** if we do not exceed the budget.

1. agreed by the proposal

2. agree on a proposal

3. agree to the proposal

4. No Improvement



Solution : 3

Agree with (someone)

Agree to (something)

2. The captain as well the players were responsible for winning the trophy.

1. The captain also the players were

2. No Improvement

3. The captain as well as the players was

4. As The captain with the players were



Solution : 3 RULE – when two or more subjects are joined by as well as, like, unlike, besides, in addition to, and not , with, together with, along with, rather than, no less than, except, nothing but, the verb is used according to the first subject.

3. The animal **resembled with** a cat.

1. resembled to

2. No improvement

3. resembled

4. resembled by



Solution : 3

Omit 'with'. Resemble(v)' is generally used without a preposition.



Time for Fillers

4. I like both tea and coffee but prefer the....

1. least

2. latter

3. last

4. later



Solution : 2

Latter which means 'being the second of two items' fits in the context appropriately.

5. All students should express their _____ views in the group discussion without any fear.

1. candid
2. outspoken
3. secluded
4. guarded

Solution : 1

Candid which means 'impartial and free from prejudice ' fits in the context appropriately.



6. A colour blind person is not able to.....
between colours.

1. glance
2. distinguish
3. define
4. observe



Solution : 2

Distinguish fits in the context appropriately.



Time for Antonyms

7). **FRAIL**

1. elaborate

2. fancy

3. weak

4. robust



Solution : 4

Frail – easily broken

Robust – Strong

8). **ENDURANCE**

1. indolence
2. patience
3. tolerance
4. persistance



Solution : 1

Endurance- ability to endure hardship , persistence, tolerance

Indolence – laziness , slowness in the mindset

9). **LAMENT**

1. bleed
2. bemoan
3. appeal
4. celebrate



Solution : 4

Lament – to express grief



Time for One Word

10). A person very reserved in speech

1. Confident

2. Adamant

3. Reticent

4. Eloquent

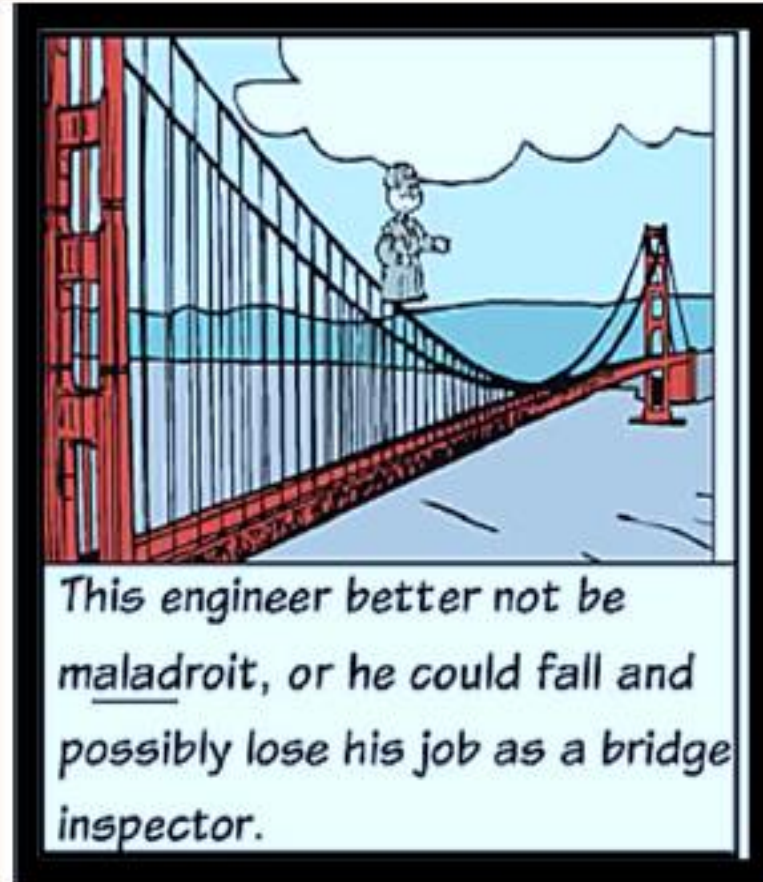


Ans. 3. Reticent

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Maladroit



Definition done without skill, especially in a way that annoys or offends people

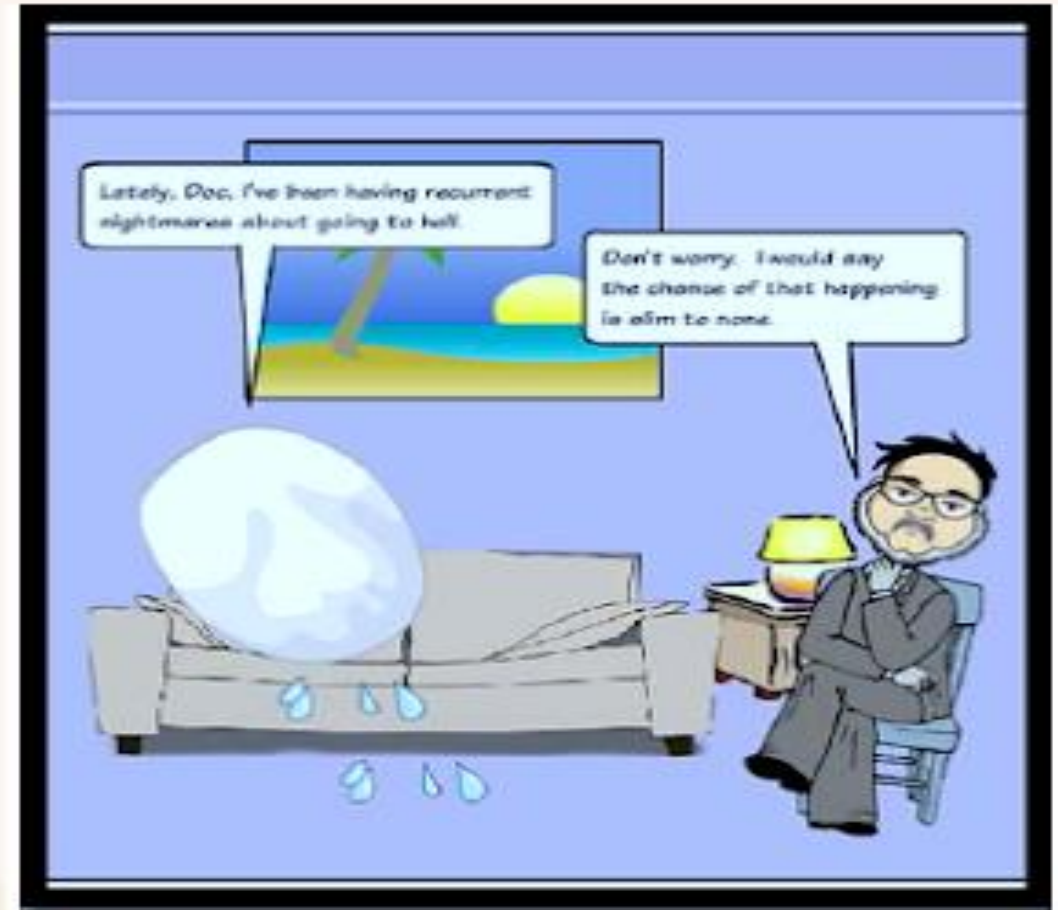
Delectable



Definition extremely pleasant to taste, smell, or look at | very attractive

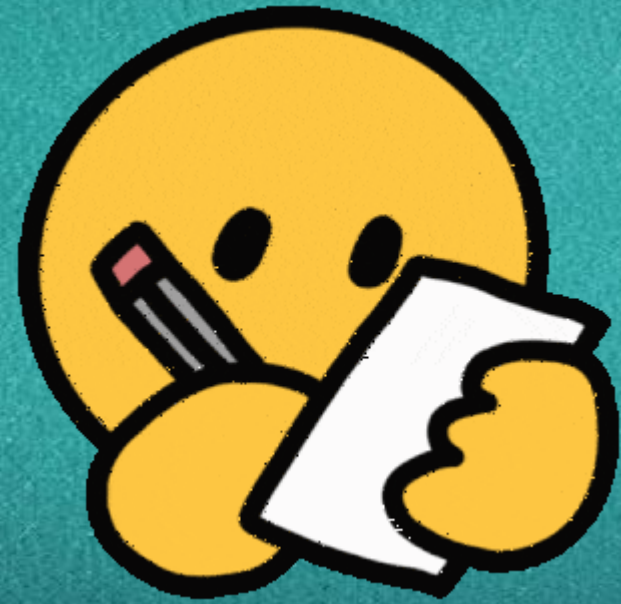
Usage " delectable Miss Marple "

Recurrent



Definition that happens again and again

Homework



Home Work Answer

Select the one which is opposite in meaning of the given word.

Turbulence

- 1) **Disorder**
- 2) **Agitation**
- 3) **Peace**
- 4) **Fight**

Home Work

**They did nothing (1)/ that was down
the (2)/dignity of princes. (3)/No
Error (4).**

