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Grammar

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Always
believe
something amazing is
about to happen!



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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- i. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
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 - iii. CHECK YOUR PROGRESS**
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GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

- a) Uncountable Nouns are used in the singular form only.
- b) Indefinite article is not used before them.
- c) They are not used with plural verbs
- d) **Much** or **Some** are used in place of **Many** for denoting plurality Some of the important Nouns of this kind are **Advice, information, hair, luggage, business, work, mischief, bread, scenery, abuse, vacation, evidence, employment, alphabet, poetry, food, furniture, baggage. fuel, paper, equipment, machinery, material etc.**

He gave me an information.

**He was punished for committing many
mischiefs**



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

There are some of the collective nouns which are used with plural verbs. For example

(a) 'cattle, gentry, clergy, people, majority, folk.

(b) The nouns 'committee, jury, house, ministry, family, mob, crowd audience, police, team, number, board, staff, public are used with singular verbs when they are used as a body or group and not as members.

(c) When these nouns denote members or individuals, the verb is used in Plural

Cattles are grazing in the field.

**The committee is divided and there is
bitterness among the members.**





**The peoples of all the countries should work
for peace.**

**The average Hindu family in India consist of
four members.**



LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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गतिरोध

बंद गली

SYNONYMS

Deadlock, dilemma

Standstill

ANTONYMS

Solution, agreement



REACHED
AN
IMPASSE
ON THE
NEGOTIATION

Negotiating.

impasse (a situation in which no progress is possible, especially because of disagreement; a deadlock; गतिरोध)

IMPASSE



स्वयं को मूर्ख बनाना
संभ्रमित

SYNONYMS


Baffle, bewilder

Distract

ANTONYMS

Clarify, clear up


enlighten



**THE LOGIC
USED TO
ARRIVE AT THIS
CONCLUSION
BEFUDDLES ME**

Befuddle (confused, cause to become
unable to think clearly, मदहोश हो जाना)

BEFUDDLE



वरिष्ठ एवं प्रतिष्ठित सदस्य

SYNONYMS

Chief, commander

Director, head

ANTONYMS

Employee, follower

SACHIN, A **DOYEN** OF INDIAN SPORTS



*Sachin Tendulkar,
what a wonderful player!*

Doyen (the most respected or prominent person
in a particular field; वरिष्ठ एवं प्रतिष्ठित सदस्य)

DOYEN



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

ARE
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1. Tagore was **a man of letters**.

(1) of wide contacts

(2) an excellent letter dictator

(3) a great writer of letters

(4) proficient in literary art



1. (4) a man of letters: a scholar and a writer .

He was a distinguished states man and a man of letters.

The best option is proficient in literary art.

2. His friends beat the boy **to pay off old scores.**

(1) to refund old dues

(2) to take revenge

(3) to force him to be a scorer in a match

(4) because he had not scored well earlier



2. (2) to pay off old scores: get revenge
on someone for some grievance

3. Chintan is so innocent that he **wears his heart on his sleeve.**

(1) wears dress that does not match

(2) expresses his feelings openly

(3) wears colourful dresses

(4) expresses his feelings with the shape of a heart printed on its sleeve



3. (2) wears his heart on his sleeve: to allow your feelings to be seen by other people .

4. **A cuckoo in the nest**

(1) one who likes to stay at home

(2) a view from a high place

(3) an unwelcome intruder

(4) one who is chosen as the leader of the group



4.(3) an unwelcome intruder a cuckoo in the nest : an unwelcome intruder in a place or situation.

5. The poor subordinates are made **scapegoats** by their superiors.

- (1) punished for others misdeeds
- (2) developed poor relations
- (3) treated humbly and respectfully
- (4) scolded with arrogant reactions

5. (1) **scapegoats: a person blamed for something bad that somebody else has done or for some failure**



6. The Manager **doctored the accounts** of the company

(1) to make changes in account books

(2) to clear the doctors bill

(3) to verify the accounts in detail

(4) to manipulate the accounts



6. (4) doctored the accounts : to change the accounts in order to trick somebody: falsify •

7. She could never **measure up** to her parent expectations.

- (1) reach the level
- (2) work as hard
- (3) assess the amount
- (4) increase her height



7. (1) measure up: to be as good, successful, etc. as expected or needed;

The best option is reach the level.

8. The little girl with her flawless performance **stole the show.**

- (1) stole something from the show
- (2) crept into the show
- (3) won everybody's praise
- (4) disappeared from the show



8. (3) stole the show : to attract more attention and praise than other people in a particular situation . The best option is won every body's praise.

9. The thief was **on good terms** with the police.

(1) kept terms and conditions

(2) was friendly

(3) followed the rules

(4) agreed with them



9. (2) **on good terms** : to have a good, friendly, etc. relationship with somebody

10. John's offer of help was **turned down** by the police.

- (1) sent back
- (2) twisted around
- (3) refused
- (4) handed over



10. (3) turned down : to reject/ refuse to consider an offer, a proposal, etc.

SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Diesel price crosses ₹100 a litre in city



ARTICLE

Shocking thousands of motorists, diesel prices crossed ₹100 a litre in the city on Saturday after public sector oil marketing companies revised the fuel price by 33 paise a litre.

Diesel in several parts of the State had crossed the ₹100 mark a few days ago due to difference in transport charges. The OMCs attribute the increase to international crude prices. This month alone, there has been an increase of around ₹5 a litre.

At a fuel outlet in West Mambalam, diesel was sold at ₹100.25 a litre, at Velachery it was ₹100.33 a litre, at Medavakkam at ₹100.44 a litre and at Kelambakkam ₹100.50 a litre.

Diesel used to be the go-to fuel for the common man as it cost less. Now its price is almost on a par with petrol, which costs around ₹104 a litre.

ARTICLE

“When I filled my tank this morning, I had to pay ₹5,000, it came as a shock. Though it was costlier, I had purchased a diesel vehicle a couple of years ago since diesel was then cheaper by at least ₹15 a litre,” said Raja, a resident of Anna Nagar.

Cab operators have been forced to increase their rates to match diesel prices, despite objections from customers. P. Nandagopal of Freedom Travels said that several of his regular customers had been objecting to the increase in car rents. “The per km rate of cars has gone up by ₹3 - ₹4 since our previous rates were fixed when diesel cost about ₹70 a litre. We did not hike rates last year due to COVID-19 and the lack of trips. But we cannot bear the hike any longer,” he said.

Padmapriya Baskaran, whose work involves travelling 15 days a month, said she had cut down on travel since she was finding it difficult to hire a taxi.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

1. Weighty (Adjective) – प्रभावपूर्ण

Meaning: of great seriousness and importance

Synonyms: Influential, heavy, thick, bulky

Antonyms: light, unserious

Usage: He threw off all weighty considerations of state

2. Revelation (Noun) – रहस्योद्घाटन

Meaning: a surprising and previously unknown fact that has been disclosed to others.

Synonyms: disclosure, surprising fact, divulgence

Antonyms: keeping, concealment, covers

Usage: “revelations about his personal life”

3. Expeditious (Adjective) – शीघ्र

Meaning: done with speed and efficiency.

Synonyms: speedy, swift, quick

Antonyms: slow

Usage: “an expeditious investigation”

4. Unequivocal (Adjective) – असंदिग्ध

Meaning: leaving no doubt; unambiguous.

Synonyms: unambiguous, unmistakable,
indisputable

Antonyms: equivocal, ambiguous, vague

Usage: “an unequivocal answer””

5. Abolition (Noun) – उन्मूलन, समाप्ति

Meaning: The act of officially ending or stopping something.

Synonyms: eradication, ending, elimination

Antonyms: approval, restoration, validation

Usage: Calls for the abolition of the death penalty

1) prioritise (noun)

प्राथमिकता देना—to put in order based on importance

2) chugs(verb) –

consume (a drink) in large gulps without pausing.

3) sporadic (adj)

अनियमित—occasional/infrequent/irregular/periodical

4) frenetic (adj)

प्रचंड– frantic/ hectic/fraught/feverish

5) inoculation(noun)

टीका-immunization/ vaccination

6) administering (noun)

चलाना-manage/ direct/ control/operate

7) plasmid (noun)

a small cellular inclusion consisting of a ring of DNA that is not in a chromosome but is capable of autonomous replication

8) efficacy (adj)

क्षमता-effectiveness/productiveness/potency/virtue



9) cohort (noun)

दल- unit/ group



10) undergirds (adj)

पुष्टि करना- brace/stay/support/ sustain/uphold



11) unprecedented (adj)

अद्वितीय- not known or experienced before



12) scandalous (adjective)

अपमानपूर्ण- discreditable/disreputable/dishonourable

13) retrograde (adjective)

प्रतिगामी- regressive/negative/downhill

14) devious (adjective)

कपटी- deceitful/ duplicitous/ insidious

15) resumption (noun)

पुनरारंभ- restart/restarting/ reopening

16) rig (verb)

वस्त्र पहनना- dress/ equip/ furnish

ENGLISH SPEAKING

TIPS

ARE
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1) At once

we shouted at once.

2) In a while

I will come in a while.

3) For a while

Give me your mobile for a while.

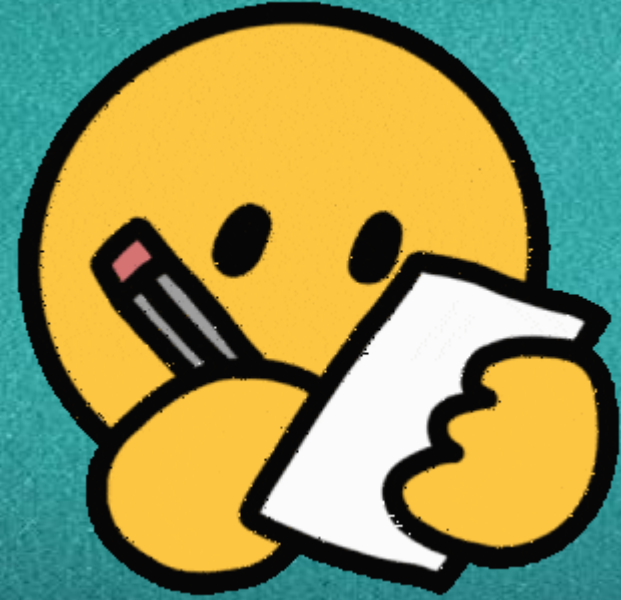
4) Quite often

I go there quite often.

5) Quite

I am quite well now.

Homework



Home Work

Today's candidates are dynamic,(1)/
career-oriented and (2)/ have their
futures (3)/ chalked off. (4)

A) 1

B) 2

C) 3

D) 4

E) No Error

