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THE HINDU

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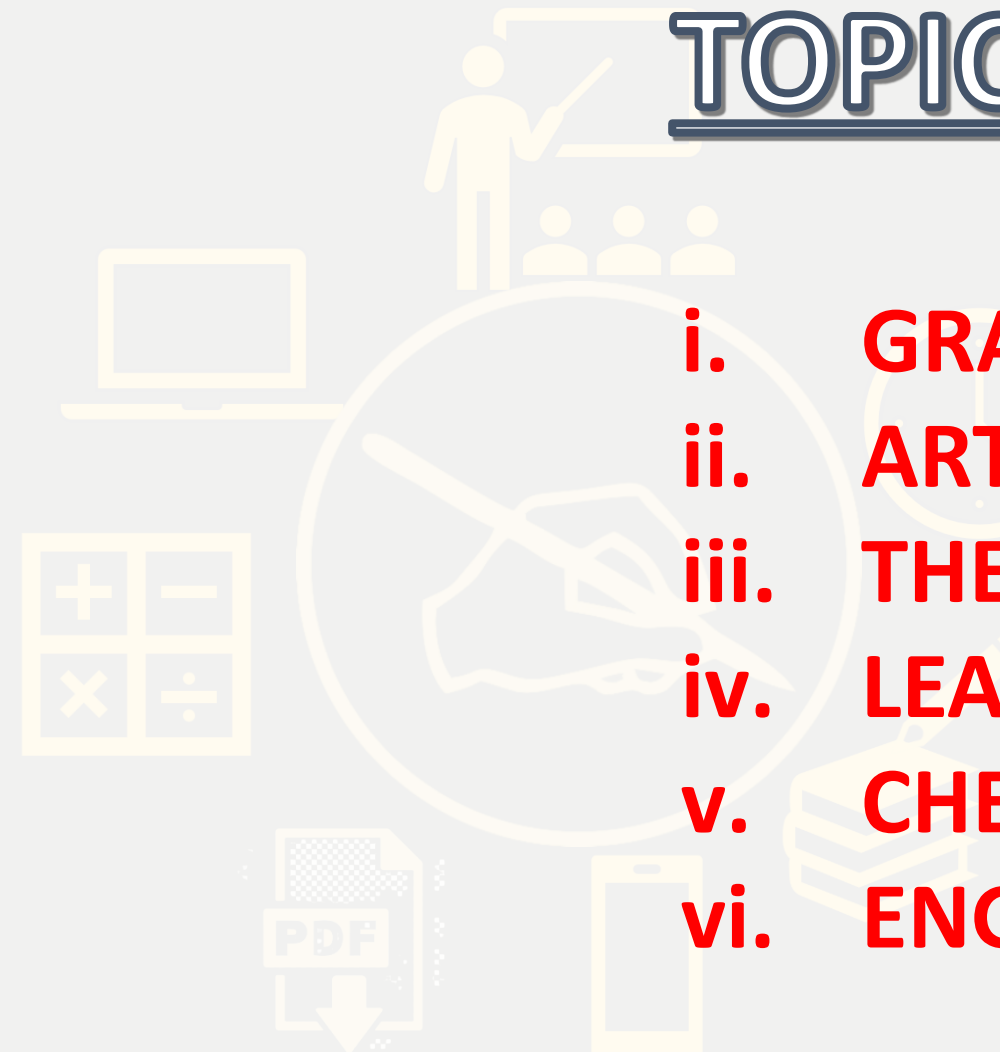




**Sometimes
we create
our own
heartbreaks
through
expectation.**



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

**Had better, had rather , had as soon ... as ... ,
had sooner etc. are followed by Bare Infinitive.**





(a) He had better to go now.

(b) I would rather to buy a scooter than cycle





GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

When but is used as a Preposition and preceded by any form of the Verb do, then but is followed with Bare Infinitive.





A. He did nothing but to wander.

B. Ramesh did nothing but to laugh.





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SO IT'S TIME

Let's start





ARTICLE

Chinese firms eye Afghanistan's lithium



ARTICLE

A number of Chinese companies have already begun “on-site inspections” of possible projects to tap lithium deposits in Afghanistan, having received the green light to do so from the Taliban **regime**, according to a report in the Chinese state media on Wednesday.

Lithium is one of many resources in Afghanistan present in large deposits but as yet **untapped**, largely because of years of political **instability** and the lack of infrastructure. A Chinese company secured the rights to mine one of the world’s biggest copper reserves in Afghanistan at Aynak more than a decade ago, but has not yet begun work on **extraction**.

ARTICLE

While Chinese firms are aware of the risks and **pitfalls**, they have not wasted time **scouting out potential** deposits of lithium, a valuable resource for a range of industries from electric cars to energy storage systems. A report in the Communist Party-run newspaper Global Times, **citing** Chinese businessmen, said, “Representatives of several Chinese companies have arrived in Afghanistan on special visas and are conducting on-site inspections of potential lithium projects, while others have made contacts about such projects.”

ARTICLE

Last month, Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi met with acting Deputy Prime Minister Mullah Abdul Ghani Baradar in Doha, who assured Beijing that “a friendly policy towards China” was “a firm choice” by the Taliban.

Mr. Wang “expressed China’s **willingness** to continue to provide **humanitarian** aid to Afghanistan within its capacity and work with the international community to help Afghanistan **alleviate** temporary difficulties and realise economic reconstruction as well as independent development”, the Chinese Foreign Ministry said then.



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY

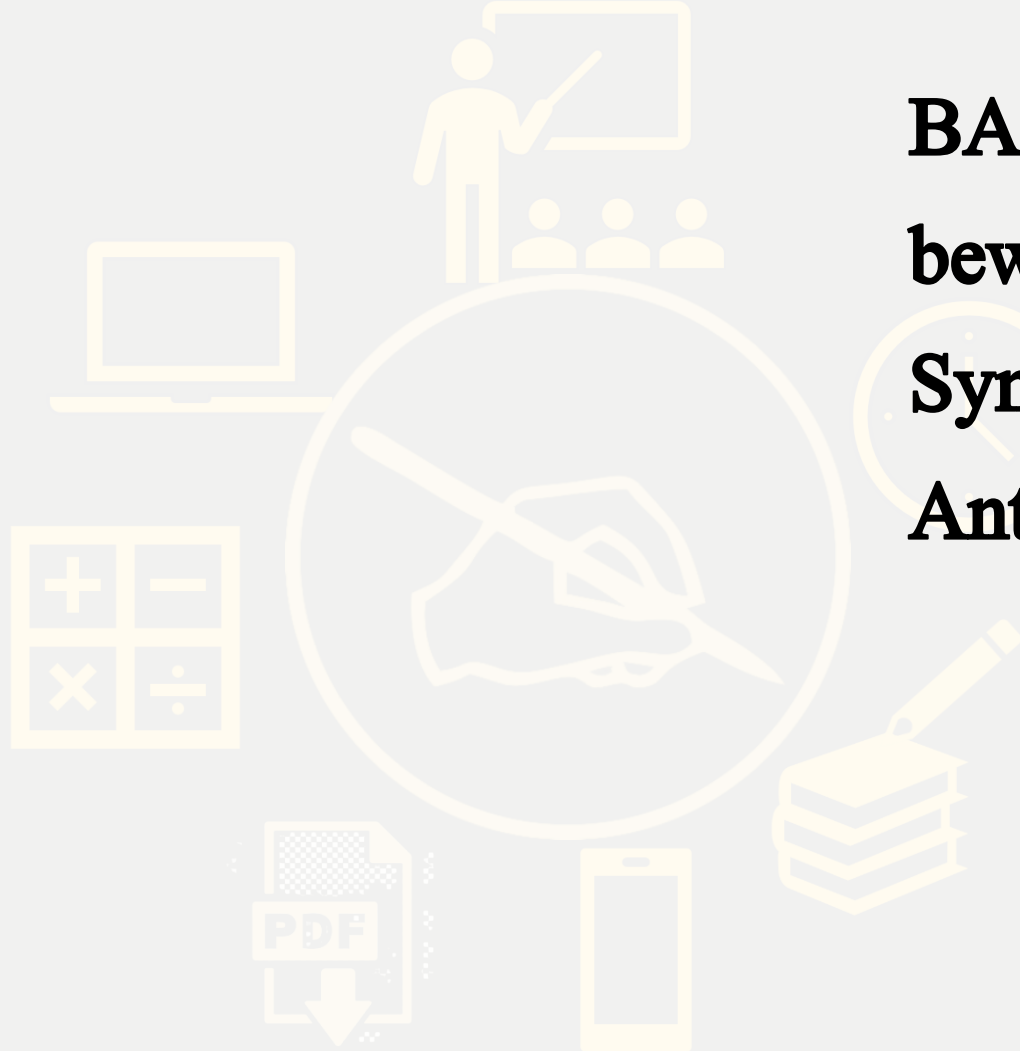


BAFFLE (VERB): (विस्मित करना):

bewilder

Synonyms: mystify, bemuse

Antonyms: enlighten



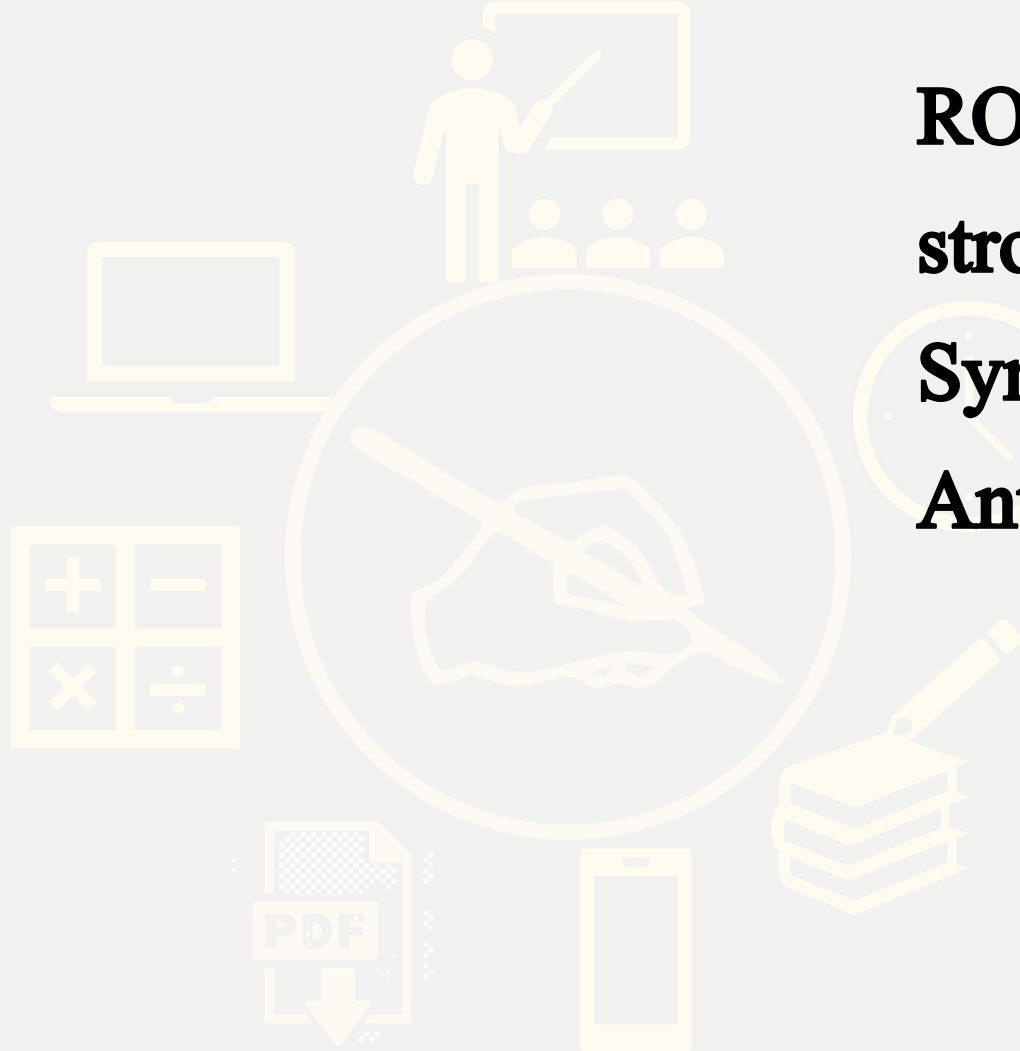


ROBUST (ADJECTIVE): (स्वादिष्ट):

strong

Synonyms: full-bodied, flavourful

Antonyms: insipid

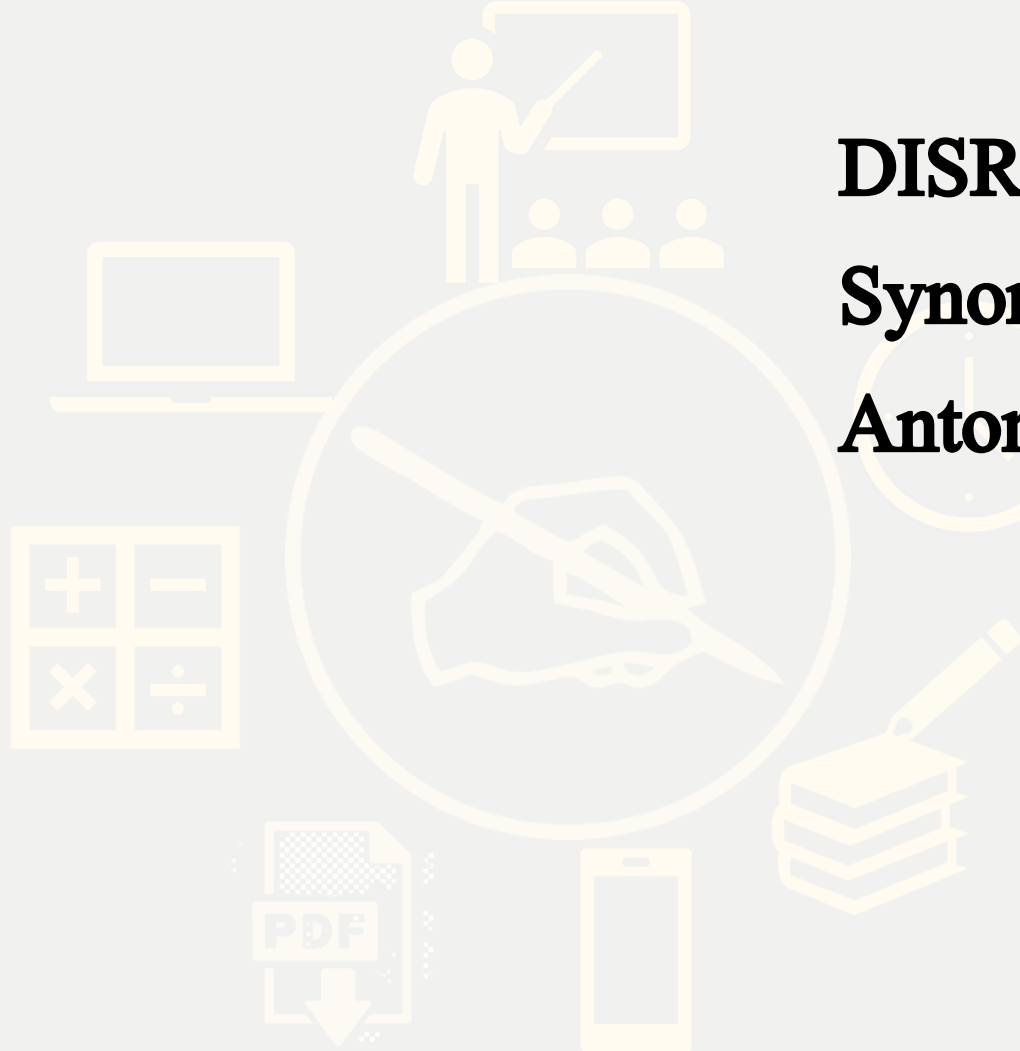




DISRUPT (VERB): (बिगाड़ना): distort

Synonyms: damage, buckle

Antonyms: organize



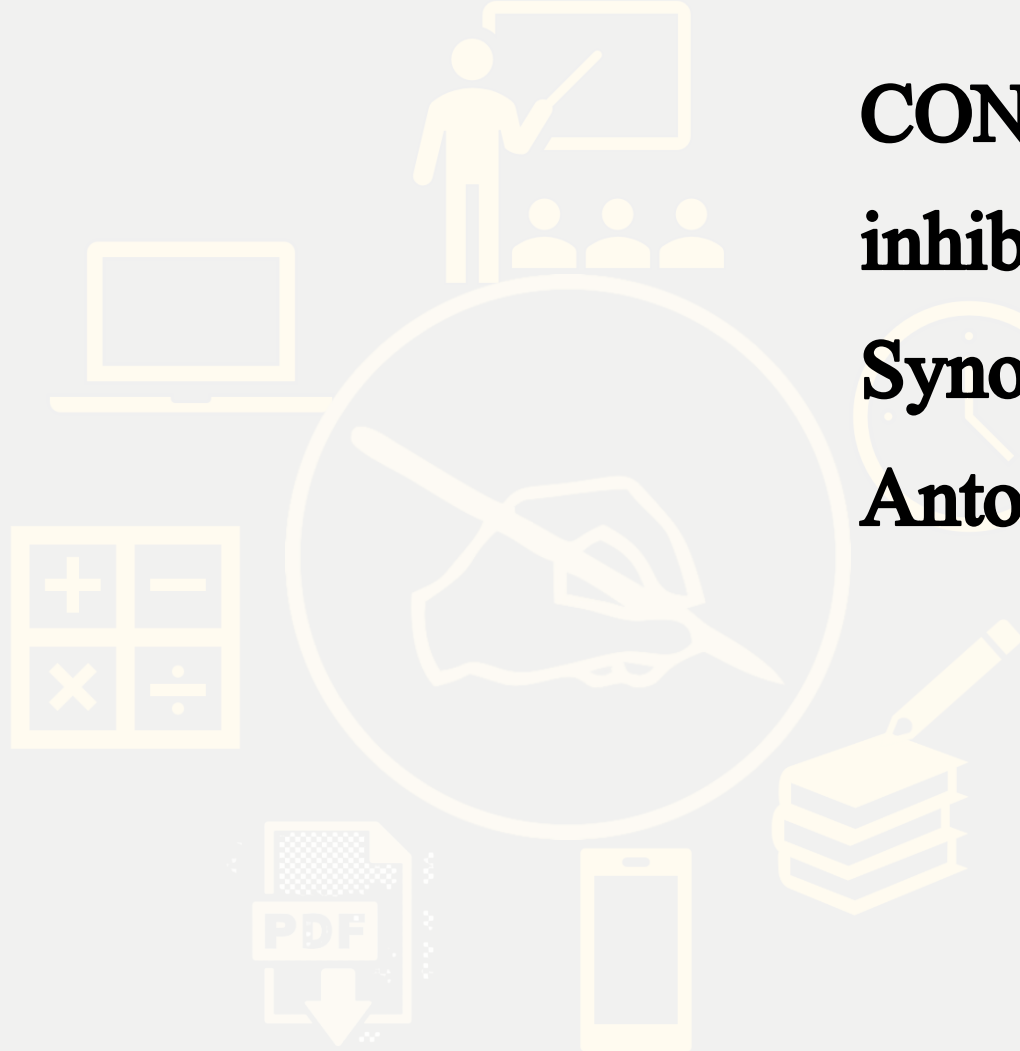


CONSTRAINT (NOUN): (प्रतिबंध):

inhibition

Synonyms: uneasiness, embarrassment

Antonyms: openness





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LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Obliterate



Definition: to remove all signs of something, either by destroying or covering it completely



Extravagant



Definition: spending a lot more money, or using a lot more of something, than you can afford or than is necessary



Relinquish



Definition: to stop having something, especially when this happens unwillingly



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LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Idioms & Phrases





1. The administration found it difficult to cope with the striking employees.

- a) handle**
- b) compromise**
- c) subdue**
- d) move**

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Solution: a) handle



2. Gopi works **by fits and starts**.

- a) in high spirits
- b) irregularly
- c) enthusiastically
- d) consistently

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Solution: b) irregularly



3. He has resigned his job and burnt his boats so far as government service is concerned.

- a) ruined himself**
- b) blasted his hopes**
- c) left no means of retreat**
- d) felt dejected**

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Solution: c) left no means of retreat



4. There is **no love lost** between any two neighboring countries in the world.

- a) forming a group
- b) not on good terms
- c) have good understanding
- d) stop loving

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Solution: b) not on good terms



5. When the Inspector entered the class some of the students **shook in their shoes**.

- a) trembled With fear
- b) showed signs of anger
- c) stood up to salute
- d) stamped the ground with their shoes

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Solution: a) trembled With fear



6. They have made many changes in the policy, but how many of these changes are going to affect **the man in the street**?

- a) the man who works on the street .
- b) the ordinary man
- c) the man who repairs roads
- d) the homeless man

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Solution: b) the ordinary man



7. The traffic **came to a standstill after the heavy downpour of rain.**

- a) diversion**
- b) accident spot**
- c) confused disorder**
- d) complete halt**

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Solution: d) complete halt



8. Unless you **grease his palms** he will not do your work.

- a) beat him
- b) flatter him
- c) bribe him
- d) talk to him

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Solution: c) bribe him



9. To add fuel to the fire

a) to bring matters to a conclusion

b) to cause additional anger

c) to start a revolt

d) to make matters bright

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Solution: b) to cause additional anger



10. A few days before his death, he **made**
a clean breast of everything.

- a) suffered
- b) took off his shirt
- c) spoke ill
- d) confessed

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Solution: d) confessed



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Some Important negative Sentences

पैसे पेड़ पर नहीं लगते.

Money doesn't grow on a tree.

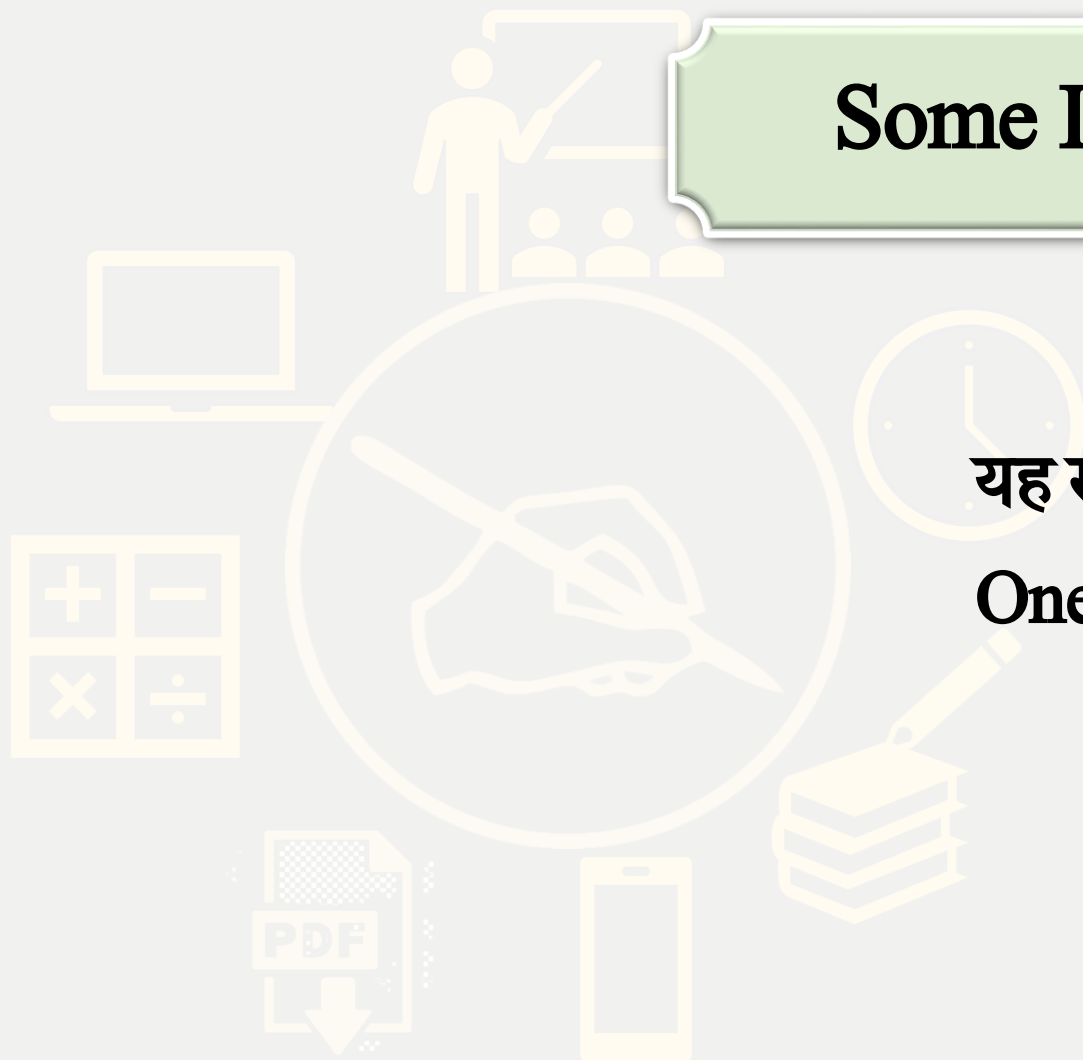




Some Important negative Sentences

यह सारी खरीद एक थैली में नहीं आएगी.

One bag won't hold all this shopping,





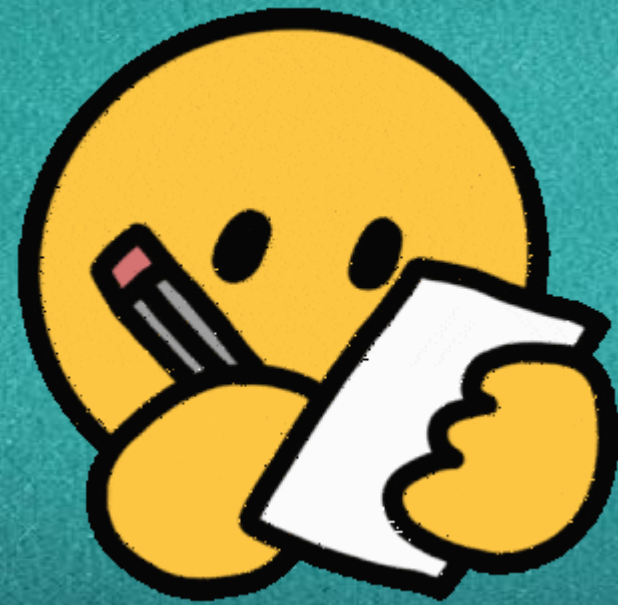
Some Important negative Sentences

हमारा नया घर अभी घर जैसा नहीं लगता.

Our new house doesn't feel like a home yet.



Homework





Home Work

A white elephant

- a) a costly but useless possession**
- b) an expensive gift**
- c) a worthless thing**
- d) a rare species of elephants**



Home Work Answer

To practise any art properly require
extraordinarily patience especially at the
beginning.

- (1) required extraordinarily patient
- (2) **requires extraordinary patience**
- (3) requiring extraordinary patience
- (4) requiring extraordinarily patient
- (5) No change required

