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# THOUGHT OF THE DAY

If you have a dream or Ambition,

Every single day ask yourself

Was this my best,

And don't rest till it becomes your best,

Till you have given it all it may be time, it may be effort, it May be knowledge, it may be skills don't stop anywhere.



S\_U\_F\_I \_ 7 hours ago (edited)

1.) Cognisant :- having knowledge or awareness

Synonyms:- abreast, apprised, conversant, acquainted

Antonyms:- oblivious, undiscerning, unenlightened, unwitting...

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Surbhi Sinha 9 hours ago

Forbearance=the quality of being patient== cognisant== understan





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Daulat Rajput 12 hours ago

Cognisant (adj)

(Syno)- awere, congnizant

(Anto)- unwere, ignogant

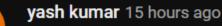
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Cognisant-understanble person

Synonym-consent

Antonym-thoughtless

Sentence-he is a cognisant person....

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shreya patel 16 hours ago

1. Cognisant: (adj) understanding or realising something

Synonyms: aware, conscious

Antonyms: ignorant, unfamiliar

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Chandrika Gore 18 hours ago

1. Cognisant: (adj) understanding or realising something

Synonyms: aware, conscious, apprehensive, knowledgeable, informed Antonyms: ignorant, unaware, indifferent, uninformed, senseless, un

Sentence: The investors are not fully cognisant of all the benefits the

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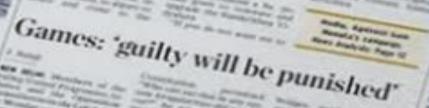
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1. Portentous (Adjective) : अमंगल

Meaning: too serious and trying to be very important; giving a sign or warning that something usually bad or unpleasant is going to happen

- Synonyms: ominous, sinister, menacing, bleak, somber
- Antonyms: favorable, promising, propitious

Sentence: Mark's portentous voice made him the perfect narrator for the horror movie.



2. Streisand effect : गंभीर प्रभाव

Meaning: The Streisand effect is the way attempts to hide, remove, or censor information can lead to the unintended consequence of increasing awareness of that information.

Sentence: Looks like his complaint against the thesis is an example of the Streisand effect.



3. Overkill (Noun): अत्यधिक विनाशकारी क्षमता

Meaning: much more of something than is needed, resulting in less effectiveness

Synonyms: surplus, excess, overflow, surplusage

Antonyms: Deficiency, deficit, insufficiency

Sentence: Some die-hard Sonic fans have been disappointed with some of the annoying characters and overkill of unnecessary video clips.



4. Disseminate (Verb) : फैलाना

Meaning: <u>spread</u> (something, especially information) widely

Synonyms: propagate, spread, circulate, transmit

Antonyms: repress, suppress, stifle, discountenance

Sentence: One of the organization's aims is to disseminate information about the disease.



# 5. Pogrom (Noun)

Meaning: an act of organized cruel behavior or killing that is done to a large group of people because of their race or religion

Synonyms: genocide, massacre, holocaust, slaughter, carnage

Antonyms: help, refuge, relief, rescue

Sentence: The famines and pogroms in 19th-century eastern Europe forced many Jewish refugees to emigrate.



6. Callous (Adjective) : कठोर

Meaning: showing or having an insensitive and cruel disregard for others

Synonyms: ruthless, merciless, heartless, cruel, unfeeling

Antonyms: sympathetic, compassionate, merciful

Sentence: The professor was callous and cold, and no one wanted to remain the class.



# 7. Propaganda (Noun) : प्रचार/ दुष्प्रचार

Meaning: information, especially of a biased or misleading nature, used to promote a political cause or point of view

Synonyms: campaign, advertisement, publicity

Sentence: Voters should listen to facts and not to the propaganda distributed by the media.



# ( > ) 8. Trafficking (Verb) : तस्करी

Meaning: deal or trade in something illegal

Synonyms: trading, smuggling, selling

Antonyms: boycotting, blacking

Sentence: The abduction and trafficking of babies has been a problem in China for decades





## 9. Straw Purchases (Noun)

Meaning: a criminal act in which something, especially a firearm, is bought by one person on behalf of another who is legally unable to make the purchase themselves.

Sentence: Across the gun industry, there is concern about straw purchases thus the bill will prohibit all straw purchases.



10. Stalled (Verb) : रोकना

Meaning: stop or cause to stop making progress

Synonyms: halted, stopped, ended

Sentence: Our car stalled and wouldn't restart.



# TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

No control: On the wave of mass shootings in the U.S.

The United States seems unable to bring tight controls on assault weapons



Mahendra's Two mass shootings in 48 hours earlier this month in the U.S. State of California, claiming 18 lives, have been yet another grave reminder of the plague of gun violence confronting the world's most powerful country. On January 21, in California's Monterey Park, a gunman massacred 11 people in the country's deadliest mass shooting so far this year. Two days later, seven people were killed in Half Moon Bay, in northern California. A few hours later, a shooting in Oakland resulted in one person being killed and seven others injured. "Tragedy upon tragedy," was California Governor Gavin Newsom's lament about the shootings.



U.S. President Joe Biden, once again, called for a ban on assault weapons. Besides these statements, it is doubtful whether the U.S. Congress would pass any meaningful gun control laws. In January alone, there have been 38 shooting incidents in 17 different U.S. States. In the U.S., where the Second Amendment assures citizens of the right to bear arms, there are about 120 firearms for every 100 residents. Yet, despite repeated mass shootings, the U.S. still does not have strong national-level gun control laws. Every time a mass shooting takes place, Presidents issue strong statements and calls for legislative action, which fall on deaf ears.



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Last year, after an 18-year-old former student shot down 19 elementary schoolchildren in Uvalde, Texas, Congress passed the widest firearms legislation, the first in three decades, which expanded background checks for gun purchasers under 21 and imposed penalties on gun trafficking and straw purchases. Though widely welcomed, it was not enough to control gun violence in a country with the world's largest per capita guns. The Supreme Court's decision last year to strike down a New York State law that placed restrictions on carrying guns outside the home by reaffirming the Second Amendment was a setback for attempts to bring in strict State-wise legislation.



House Democrats passed an assault weapons ban last year, but it never reached Mr. Biden's desk as the Bill was stalled in the Senate. Republicans have often invoked constitutional rights to stall legislation. The deep-pocketed and influential National Rifle Association and the powerful gun manufacturing industry have consistently opposed gun control measures, despite polls showing a vast desire for stricter controls. Everyone knows what needs to be done tougher gun controls. But it is surprising and tragic that a democracy that takes pride in its values and a superpower that has gone to wars in the name of protecting its citizens, seems helpless when it comes to doing what has to be done even when hundreds of Americans get killed every year due to gun violence.

# WEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





#### Synonym of INSCRUTABLE

- 1. difficult
- 2. mysterious
- 3. inflexible
- 4. wary

Meaning: inscrutable means not easily interpreted or understood, or mysterious

**Solution: 2. mysterious** 





## Synonym of LOUCHE

- 1. gauche
- 2. fine
- 3. brilliant
- 4. indecent

Meaning: louche means not reputable, or indecent

**Solution: 4. indecent** 





#### Antonym of **FLAUNT**

- 1. regard
- 2. sink
- 3. hide
- 4. propose

Meaning: to flaunt means to display showily, or to show off, therefore hide is the opposite

Solution: 3. hide





#### Antonym of **PACIFY**

- 1. excite
- 2. land
- 3. coddle
- 4. unhand

Meaning: to pacify means to soothe, or calm, therefore excite is the opposite

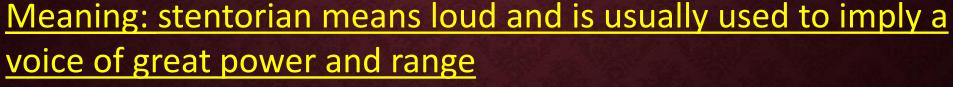
Solution: 1. excite





## Synonym of **STENTORIAN**

- 1. violent
- 2. misbegotten
- 3. loud
- 4. stealthy



**Solution: 3. loud** 





#### Antonym of **SULLEN**

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- 1. dirty
- 2. cheerful
- 3. clean
- 4. risen

Meaning: sullen means showing a disagreeable mood, or lacking cheer, therefore cheerful is the opposite

Solution: 2. cheerful



### Antonym of ASSURE

- 1. alarm
- 2. reassure
- 3. quiet
- 4. unsure

Meaning: to assure means to make sure by removing doubt or worry; alarm means to give warning or to arouse fear

**Solution: 1. alarm** 

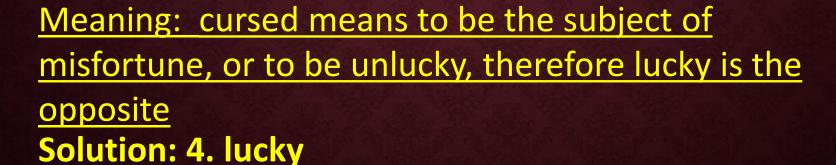




#### Antonym of **CURSED**

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- 1. swore
- 2. pious
- 3. unfortunate
- 4. lucky







#### Synonym of SACROSANCT

- 1. prayer
- 2. sanctuary
- 3. pious
- 4. sacred

Meaning: sacrosanct means the most sacred, or holy
Solution 4. sacred





### Synonym of PALL

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- 1. light
- 2. satiate
- 3. carry
- 4. horror

Meaning: to pall can mean to deprive of pleasure in something by satiating

**Solution: 2. satiate** 





#### To cross swords with someone

- 1. to nurture vengeance against someone
- 2. to make secret plans to harm someone
- 3. to end a long standing enemity with someone
- 4. to have a verbal contest with someone

Solution: 4. to have a verbal contest with someone



#### To separate the sheep from the goats

- 1. to become less shy and more confident
- 2. to annoy someone very much
- 3. to distinguish good people from bad people
- 4. To cross swords with someone



Solution: 4. To cross swords with someone

3. To distinguish good people from bad people







#### To sleep with the fishes

- 1. always be in a dream world
- 2. to make absurd excuses
- 3. to sleep peacefully
- 4. to be murdered







#### To take the cake

- 1. to have something unexpectedly good to eat
- 2. to get a lovely gift
- 3. to grab the prize before others
- 4. to be especially good; outstanding



Solution: 4. to be especially good; outstanding





# **ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION**

- 1. A place where weapons and ammunition are stored. Arsenal
- 2. A story in which ideas are symbolized as people.—
  Allegory
- 3. Large cage or building for keeping birds.—
  Aviary
- 4. Loss of ability to feel pain while still conscious—

  Analgesia





- 1. A person who thinks unselfishly for others
- 2. A place where soldiers live
- 3. Act of stealing something in small quantities
- 4. A person or animal that lives in groups
- 5. A person who is working in the same institution

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