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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

Spoken English

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*“To **succeed** . . . you
need to find something
to hold on to, something
to **motivate** you,
something to **inspire**
you.”*





TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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



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GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

If an article is placed before two nouns, it means the person/ thing is the same for which two nouns are used.

But if an article is used before every noun. Then the nouns refer to different persons.



- A. Mr. Sharma, The chairman and Managing Director of the company have arrived.**
- B. The director and the producer has come.**





GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

'All' can be used in both 'countable' and 'uncountable'. When used as uncountable, we use singular verb and when used as countable, it takes plural verb.





- A. All is good now a days.**
- B. All are well.**
- C. All the students has gone to Mumbai.**





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SO IT'S TIME

Let's start





ARTICLE

The era of an unemployed India

There are many indices of proof that seriously contradict the tall claims of employment generation in India



ARTICLE

Reports on and the **visuals** of the recent **agitations** by railway job applicants reveal a **widespread** problem of massive job insecurity among India's youth. **Alarming** figures of unemployment have been recurrent even before **the huge dislocation unleashed** by lockdowns imposed in 2020-21 **in the wake of** the COVID-19 pandemic. Much before the pandemic, the National Sample Survey Office (NSSO) reported a 6.1% unemployment rate in 2017-18, the **worst** in over four decades. The picture has proved more **dismal** in the **ensuing** months since April-May of 2020. For instance, in December 2021, the Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE) estimated that nearly 53 million Indians were unemployed, a large proportion of whom were women.

ARTICLE

The unemployment rate was **hovering** at 7.91% in December 2021, and though there has been some talk of a dip in unemployment in January 2022, the figure still stands at a worrying 6.57%. Percentages and data **spun out** by governmental agencies and policy think-tanks are open to **contestation**, but there are other indices of proof that seriously contradict the tall claims of employment generation. Overqualified youth aspiring for middle and lower **rung** government jobs, which, despite their **modest** pay, are highly **coveted** given the greater job security **ascribed** to them. **Expectedly** then, having advertised over 35,000 posts, the Railway Recruitment Board was **swamped** with over 1.25 crore applications; a significant proportion of which were postgraduate degree holders.



ARTICLE

This created massive insecurity among a section of candidates who met the minimum eligibility but were being forced to **compete** with candidates having higher educational credentials. With government jobs being limited, and reducing in number due to the **contractualisation** and outsourcing of several **substantative posts**, **intense** competition persists across various categories of jobs; a point **brought to light** yet again by the recent Railways' recruitment controversy.



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THE HINDU VOCABULARY



TORTUOUS (ADJECTIVE):

(मोड़ से भरा): twisting

Synonyms: winding, curving

Antonyms: straight





CALAMITOUS (ADJECTIVE): (आपदाग्रस्त):

disastrous

Synonyms: catastrophic, cataclysmic

Antonyms: good, advantageous

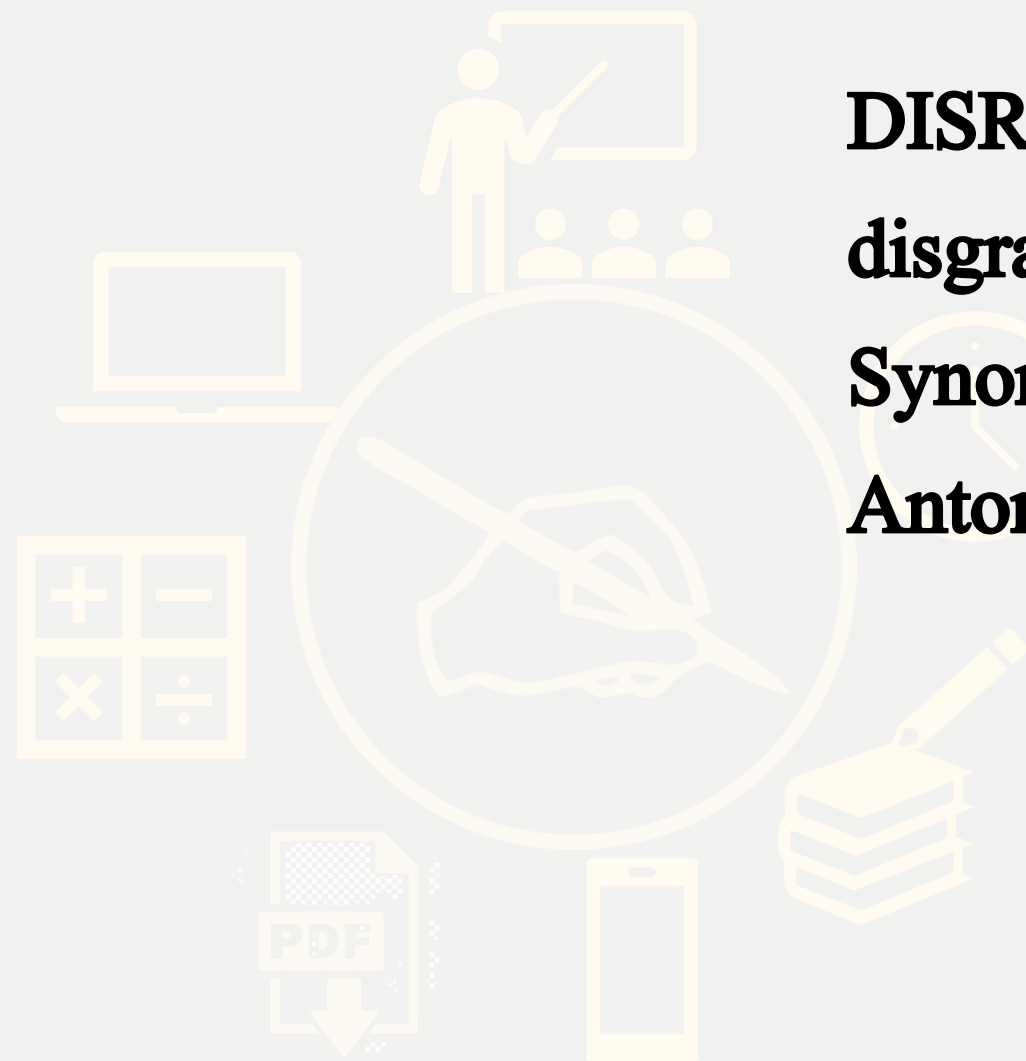


DISREPUTE (NOUN): (अपमान):

disgrace

Synonyms: shame, dishonour

Antonyms: honour



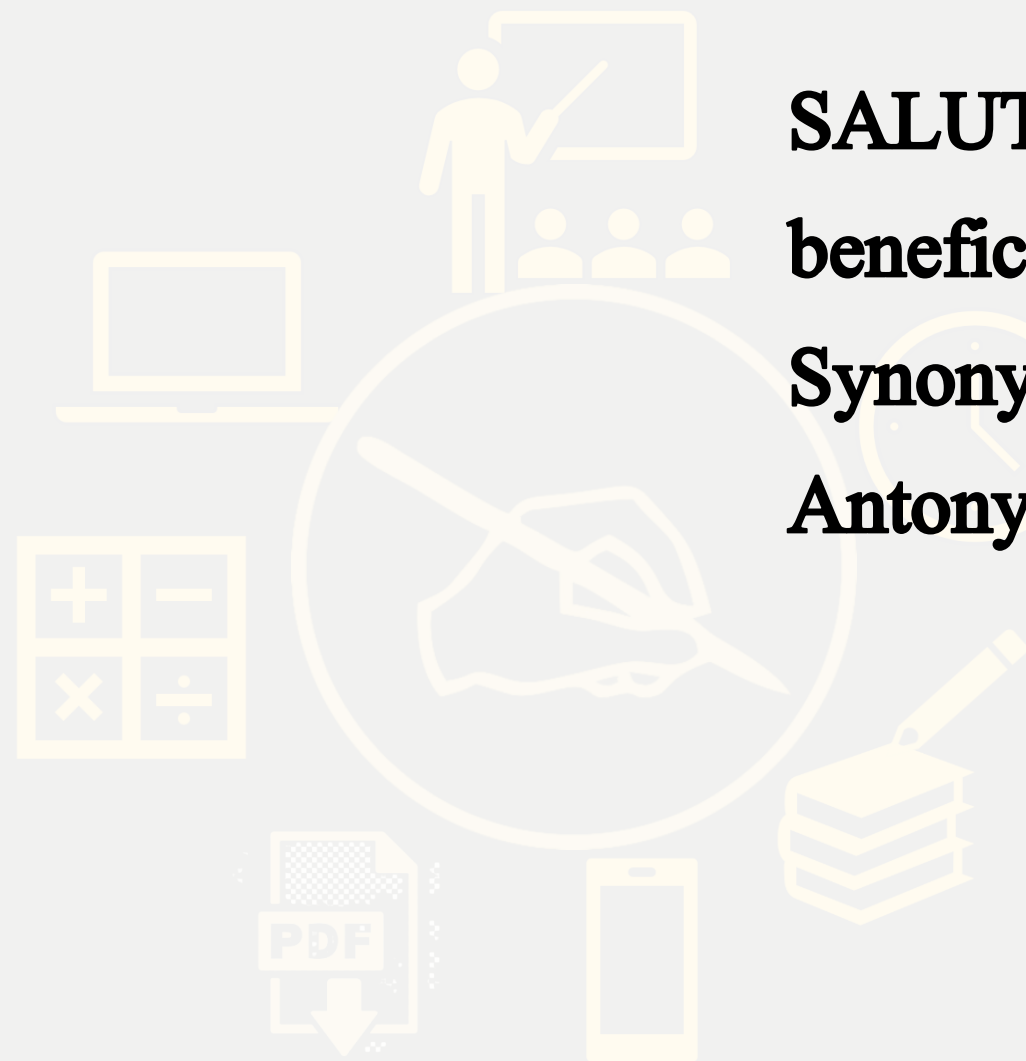


SALUTARY (ADJECTIVE): (फायदेमंद):

beneficial

Synonyms: good, advantageous

Antonyms: unwelcome





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LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Decelerate



Definition 1) to reduce the speed at which something, especially a vehicle, is traveling



Amplification



Definition to increase something in strength, especially sound
2) to add details to a story, statement, etc.



Jovial



Definition very cheerful and friendly



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LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for SYNONYMS





1. CONTAMINATE

1. sanctify
2. cleanse
3. purify
4. pollute

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Answer: (D)



2. Pertinent

a) relevant

b) uneducated

c) rude

d) thoughtful

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Answer: (A)



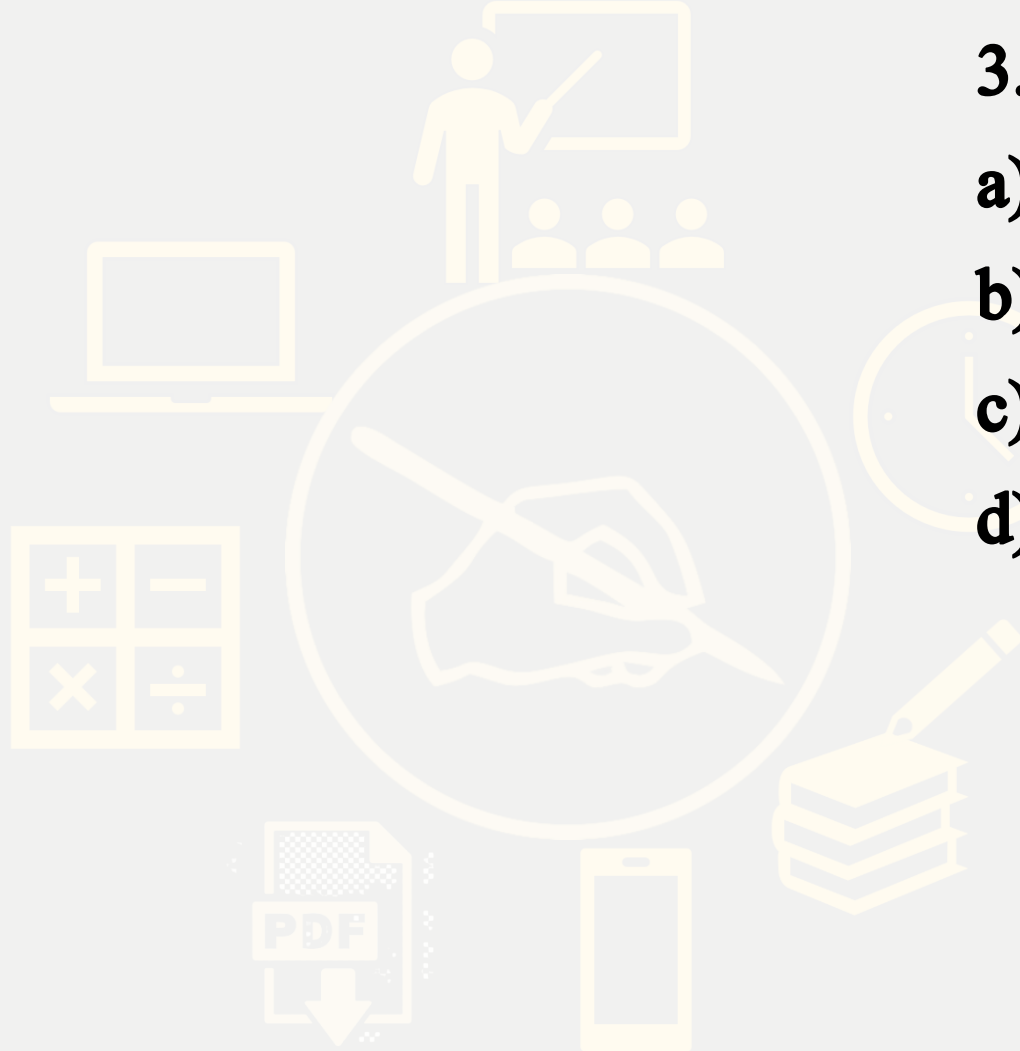


3. Buttress

- a) support
- b) intruder
- c) unimportant person
- d) unpublished work

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Answer: (A)





4. Treacherous

a) involving betrayal

b) dramatic

c) tame

d) controllable

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Answer: (A)





5. SUBSEQUENT

1. consecutive
2. preceding
3. antecedent
4. prior

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Solution : 1

**Antecedent/Preceding –
occurring before**



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Time for IDIOMS



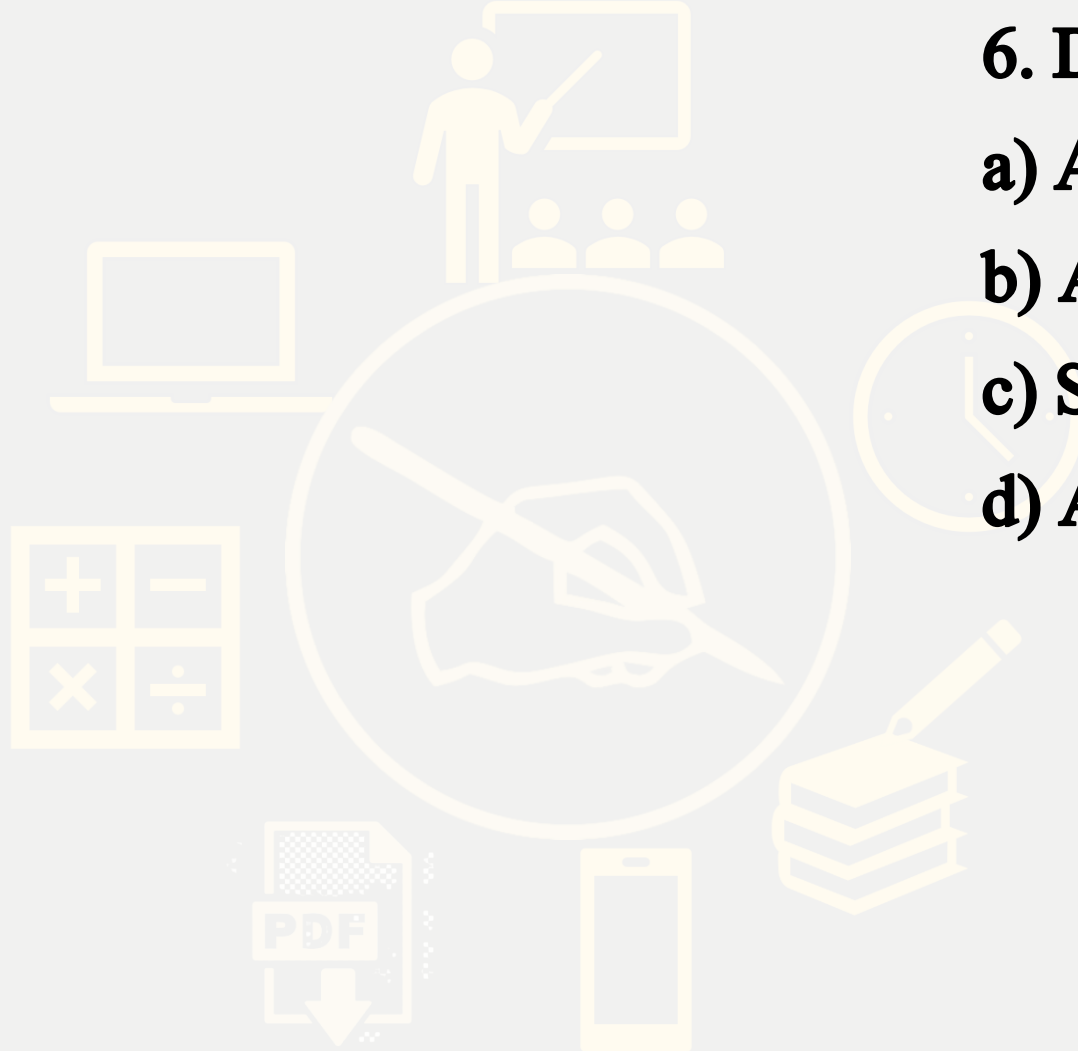


6. Donkey's years

- a) A long time**
- b) A century**
- c) Since school days**
- d) A decade**

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Answer: (A)



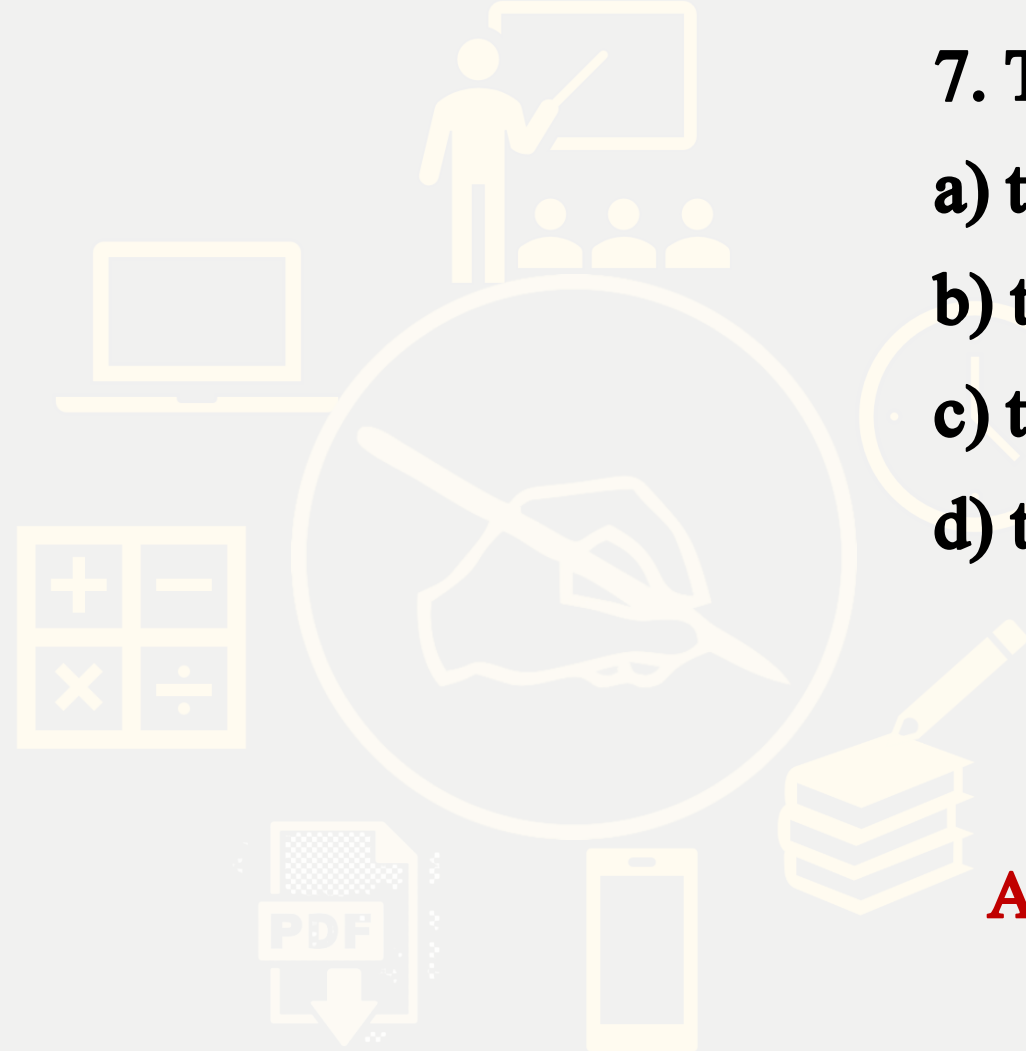


7. Throw caution to the winds

- a) to warn others not to travel**
- b) to behave recklessly**
- c) to behave with care and caution**
- d) to be fearful**

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Answer: (B)





8. Mend your ways

- a) sad with one's behaviour
- b) destroy one's behaviour
- c) improve one's behaviour
- d) happy with one's behaviour

Answer: (C)

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9. Null and void

a) observant

b) uncontrolled

c) homeless

d) invalid



Answer: (D)





10. Pull a fast one

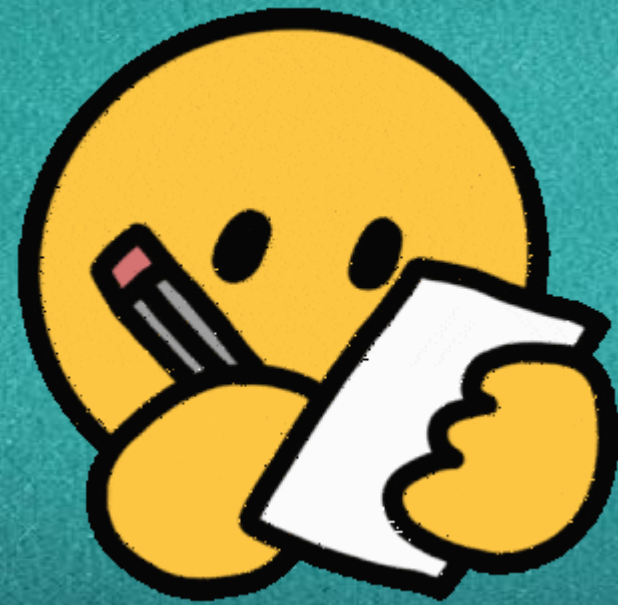
- a) play a trick**
- b) carry a heavy burden**
- c) take a deep breath**
- d) as fast as lightning**

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Answer: (a) play a trick

Pull a fast one = to successfully deceive someone.

Homework





Home Work

He has all his ducks in a row, he is complacent.

- (A) always scores a zero
- (B) never gets confused
- (C) has everything ready
- (D) is well organized



Home Work Answer

Flesh and blood

- A. Non vegetarian**
- B. Animals which eat non veg**
- C. Human nature**
- D. Animal nature**

