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**A successful man is
one who can lay a firm
FOUNDATION
with the bricks others
have thrown at him**



Surbhi Sinha 5 hours ago

Cryptic= mysterious and straight forward having d perfect, sorrows 😊

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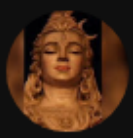


Kasturi Das 16 hours ago

Criptic:
Syn- mysterious, ambiguous, dubious
Anto- transparent, obvious, lucid
Bliss:...

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Ekta Tiwari 19 hours ago

Cryptic - not easy to understand
Synonymous - arcane mysterious
Antonyms- straightforward critical
Sentence- my father's notes are more cryptic here

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Chandrika Gore 19 hours ago

1. Cryptic: (adj) mysterious and difficult to understand
Synonyms: secret, obscure in meaning, ambiguous, arcane, enigmatic, equivocal, mysterious, strange, vague, veiled
Antonyms: certain, clear, common, definite, known, normal, obvious, plain, sur

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Sanchita Gupta 19 hours ago

Cryptic - Mysterious and Straightforward/ Bliss - Cheerfulness and Sorrow

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Khushboo Mandal 🔍 🔍 20 hours ago

Cryptic - having a hidden meaning that is not easy to understand
Synonym- mysterious, ambiguous, enigmatic, equivocal, emphatic
Antonym- clear ,cyber, straight forward , definite , plain , normal , obvious
BLISS- Perfect happiness...

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VOCABULARY



Mahendra's



SALEM UNIT ON STREAM



RACE IN CHINA FOR SURVIVORS



Oil leak stops as sinking ship stabilises off Mumbai

Come to the dialogue Mamata tells Maoists

Games: 'guilty will be punished'

1. Placate (Verb): शांत करना / मनाना

Meaning: **to stop someone from feeling angry**

Synonyms: **mollify, pacify, soothe, comfort, calm**

Antonyms: **infuriate, anger, inflame, annoy, enrage**

Sentence: **They attempted to placate the students with promises.**

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2. Embolden (Verb) : साहसी बनाना

Meaning: give (someone) the courage or confidence to do something

Synonyms: inspire, encourage, inspirit, stimulate

Antonyms: discourage, dishearten, dispirit, depress

Sentence: If we give in to the terrorists, our actions will embolden other terrorist groups to commit the same criminal acts.

3. Smear (Verb) : बढनाम करना

Meaning: damage the reputation of (someone) by false accusations

Synonyms: libel, slander, defame

Antonyms: honor, exalt, glorify

Sentence: He is willing to smear his opponent if doing so would win the election.

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4. Encumbrance (Noun) : बंध

Meaning: something that makes movement or progress difficult

Synonyms: obstacle, hurdle, hindrance, impediment

Antonyms: impetus, push, aid

Sentence: Maggie soon discovered that her broken foot was an encumbrance to everything from her work to her social life to her personal grooming.

5. Travail (Noun) : कड़ा परिश्रम

Meaning: **painful or laborious effort, a physical or mental exertion**

Synonyms: **toil, labor, effort**

Antonyms: **rest, leisure, relaxation**

Sentence: **He gained the medal through his painful travail.**

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6. Desiccated (Verb): सूखना

Meaning: remove the moisture from (something); cause it to become completely dry

Synonyms: dried up, dehydrated

Antonyms: hydrated, washed, moisturize

Sentence: The bricks were desiccated by the sun.

7. Riposte (Verb) : जवाबी हमल

Meaning: **make a quick, clever reply to an insult or criticism.**

Synonyms: **retort, counter, hurl back**

Sentence: **Full of quick comebacks, the comedian always has a riposte to any heckler in the crowd.**

8. A slap on the wrist (Idiom)

Meaning: a small punishment when a more severe punishment is deserved

Synonyms: nominal punishment, token punishment

Sentence: They rob someone on the street and they get a slap on the wrist – thirty days in jail.

TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE



Find the correct one?



Antonym of **BLESS**

1. Renounce
2. Curse
3. Insignificant
4. Transparent

Meaning: Bless is to tell someone you are grateful to them when they have been kind and the opposite is to curse which is not polite and shows that you are very angry.

Solution: 2. Curse

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **ABJURE**

1. Approve
2. Mock
3. Ill-will
4. Absurd

Meaning: abjure is to say formally or publicly that you no longer agree with a belief or way of behaving and its opposite is to approve or agree with something.

Solution: 1. Approve

Find the correct one?



Antonym of **INSIPID**

1. Repair
2. weak
3. praise
4. tasty

Meaning: insipid means lacking flavour; weak or tasteless so **tasty** is its opposite.

Solution: 4. tasty



Antonym of **DISSUADE**

1. Civilized
2. Benevolent
3. Opinionated
4. Encourage

Meaning: dissuade is to persuade (someone) not to take a particular course of action and encourage is its antonym.

Solution: 4. Encourage

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **WINSOME**

1. Applicable
2. Beautiful
3. Condition
4. Delight

Meaning: winsome means charming and attractive in a simple way or beautiful.

Solution: 2. Beautiful

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **MELANCHOLY**

1. Energetic
2. Gloomy
3. Hindrance
4. Strong

Meaning: melancholy is a feeling of pensive sadness, typically with no obvious cause, Gloomy is feeling depression or despondency.

Solution: 2. Gloomy

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **ADVERSITY**

1. Misfortune
2. Emphasis
3. Prejudiced
4. Sincere

Meaning: adversity is a difficult or unlucky situation or event or misfortune.

Solution: 1. Misfortune

Find the correct one?



Synonym of **OBSOLETE**

1. Enthusiasm
2. Firmness
3. Antiquated
4. Enchant

Meaning: obsolete means out of date or of no use,
Antiquated also means old and no longer in use.

Solution: 3. Antiquated



Put a brave face

1. To work hard and stay up very late night
2. To feel very sad
3. To act confident in a difficult situation
4. To commit a fraud

Solution: 3. To act confident in a difficult situation



Take a back seat

1. An agreement without conditions
2. Enjoy different opportunities at a single time
3. Take a subordinate position
4. Worried for frivolous things

Solution: 3. Take a subordinate position



To kick the bucket

1. To pass away
2. To keep people at a distance
3. To interfere in someone's affairs
4. To lose a sustained share/position

Solution: 1. To pass away



A long face

1. Something is better than nothing
2. To look disappointed for something
3. The only choice
4. To say something wrong

Solution : 2. To look disappointed for something

ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

1. Motion of head, hands, etc as a mode of expression indicating the idea.-

Gesture

2. A person who is successful in business/ industry and has become rich and powerful.-

Tycoon

3. A specialist in the branch of biology dealing with animals.-

Zoology

4. Continuing for a long period of time without interruption.-

Perpetual

TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

Disquiet down south: On the Karnataka
Assembly election

The stakes are high for all parties in the Karnataka
Assembly election

The Election Commission of India has cited urban voter apathy and the influence of money as key challenges in conducting a fair and robust election process in Karnataka while announcing the schedule of Assembly polls in the State. Voting will be on May 10 and the results are to be announced on May 13. The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) wants to retain the only southern State where it has ever won power. In 2018, a coalition of the Congress and Janata Dal (Secular) had formed the government which collapsed following defections, paving the way to power for the BJP under the leadership of B.S. Yediyurappa. He was later replaced with Basavaraj Bommai, as the BJP wanted to rework its terms of engagement with the powerful Lingayat community to which both belong.

Mr. Yediyurappa remains the force to reckon with, and the BJP central leadership is now trying to placate him, lest he ruin the pitch for the party's re-election bid. Politics in the State is traditionally driven by two dominant castes, the Lingayats and the Vokkaligas, and a subtext of linguistic subnationalism that surfaces occasionally. The BJP's attempt has been to alter the social dynamics of the States to create a Hindu identity politics that overwhelms caste identities and is antagonistic to religious minorities. Through propaganda and policy, the party has advanced Hindutva in the State, and this election will be a test of the extent of its success.

A mix of deeply divisive campaigns around the wearing of the hijab in schools, interfaith romance, religious conversions and distortion of history to paint the anti-British Tipu Sultan as an anti-Hindu despot have gained the BJP a strong position, but it has also created new tensions that could be counterproductive for the party. The rise of Islamist politics gives additional ammunition for BJP's politics in the State. The Congress has a robust ground game in Karnataka, as well as local leaders who have the capacity and the will to give the BJP a spirited challenge.

The outcome of the Karnataka elections will have ripples across the country, considering that two national parties, the BJP and the Congress, are face to face. The BJP hopes to neutralise the Janata Dal (S) and the political dominance of the two dominant caste groups. The Congress on the other hand has yet to demonstrate that it would leave no stone unturned to win this crucial battle. Considering the high stakes, the chances of a toxic campaign season are real. The Election Commission of India needs to keep the campaign civil and in adherence to the model code of conduct.



1. ESOTERIC

2. STOLID

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