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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

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**“ It is during
our darkest
moments
that we
must focus
to see the
light. ”**

TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE
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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

'Seldom or never', 'seldom if ever', 'little or nothing', 'little if anything' are correct but it is wrong to say 'seldom or ever' or 'little or anything.'



(a) He seldom or ever goes to see movies.

(b) I have taken little or anything in the party.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

'But' as a Relative Pronoun

Sometimes But is used as a Relative Pronoun, in which case it means who not/which not. As—

1. There is none but admires you.

(but admires = who does not admire)

A. There is no problem but can not be solved.

B. There is none but does not love his country.



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Game for the throne



ARTICLE

It was **certain** that Imran Khan, Pakistan's Prime Minister, would be **ousted** in the **no-trust vote**. The Opposition had **put up** a **united** face. His **allies** had **jumped ship**, reducing the ruling **coalition** to a **minority**. His party lawmakers had **revolted** against him. The cricketer-turned-PM's defeat was a **matter of formality** in a country where no Prime Minister has completed their **term**. On Sunday, the Deputy Speaker dismissed the no-trust **motion**, calling it against the Constitution, which was followed by Mr. Khan's **formal** request to the President to **dissolve** the National Assembly. Pakistan will have to hold elections in three months, provided there is no **judicial intervention**. There were three bad options before Mr. Khan: resignation, no-trust vote or early elections.

ARTICLE

By choosing elections, he avoided a **humiliating** defeat and also **sought** to **torpedo** the Opposition's bid to form a government for the remainder of the current Parliament's term. Before the National Assembly **convened**, Mr. Khan had set the campaign pitch by accusing the Opposition of **conspiring** with a foreign power (an indirect reference to the U.S.) to unseat him. The current crisis would also allow him to **play the victim** of some foreign conspiracy and seek a fresh **mandate**. But the question is what price does Pakistan pay for his political **maneuvering**? The conspiracy theories, the dismissal of the no-trust motion and the call for early elections all suggest Mr. Khan's **contempt** for parliamentary **procedures** and basic democratic **decency**.

ARTICLE

For the **labyrinth** he is in today, Mr. Khan has to blame nobody but himself. Having been a political **underdog** for years, he **broke into** Pakistan's two-party political order in 2018 with the direct support of the military. His cocktail of religious **conservatism**, nationalism and anti-corruption **crusade** promised to build a 'Naya Pakistan'. But while in power, he made three critical mistakes: mismanagement of the economy, mismanagement of his ties with the military, and full-spectrum hostility with the Opposition. His **vindictive** approach towards the Opposition brought together all the major Opposition parties, which tried to cash in on the growing public **resentment** amid **economic woes**.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

ALLIANCE (NOUN): (संबंध):

relationship

Synonyms: affinity, association

Antonyms: distance



RENUNCIATION (NOUN):

(निवृत्ति): abandonment

Synonyms: resignation, abdication

Antonyms: assertion





STRATEGIC

(ADJECTIVE):

(योजनाबद्ध): planned

Synonyms: calculated, deliberate

Antonyms: random

SWIFTLY (ADVERB): (तेजी से): fast

Synonyms: quickly, rapidly

Antonyms: slowly



LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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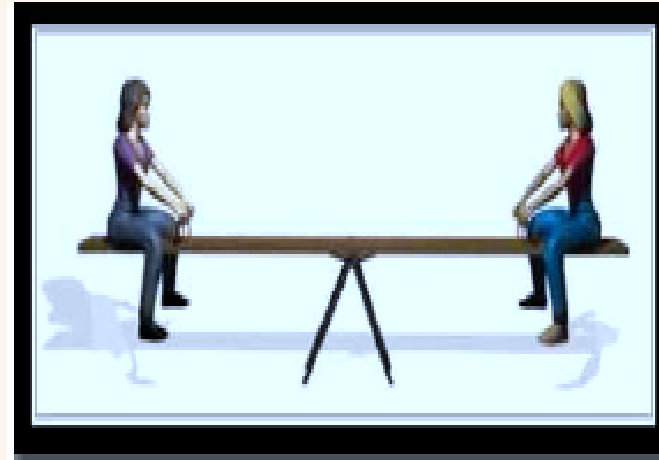


Preclude



Definition: to prevent something from happening or someone from doing something; to make something impossible

Equilibrium



Definition: 1) a state of balance, especially between opposing forces or influences

2) a calm state of mind and a balance of emotions

Epicurean



Definition: A person devoted to sensual enjoyment, especially that derived from fine food and drink.

LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Antonyms

1. Select the antonym of the given word.

Obliterate

01. Destroy

02. Trash

03. Construct

04. Smash

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(3) Obliterate (v): to destroy

2. Select the antonym of the given word.

Hovel

- 01. Shed 02. Palace**
03. House 04. Cabin

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**(2) Hovel (n): small crude
shelter used as a
dwelling.**

Time for Error Detection



Q.3. Each of the survivors of the Tsunami (1)/have been offered free (2)/psychological consultation to ease their trauma, (3)/by some of the top consultants. (4)/No error (5)



Q.3. (2) Use 'has' in place of 'have'.

Q.4. Considering about her good credentials(1)/the manager offered her a job (2)/in his organization (3)/despite the lack of experience. (4)/No error (5)



Q.4. (1) Remove 'about'.

Q.5. Although he has been (1)/winning the elections (2)/all years, this year his popularity (3)/has substantially reduced. (4)/No error (5)



Q.5.(4) It should be 'has decreased substantially'.

Time for Fillers



Q6. Tomorrow's cricket match will have to be due to bad weather.

- (1) played**
- (2) unorganised**
- (3) cancelled**
- (4) won**
- (5) rained**



(3) cancelled

Q7. The dumping of waste products is carefully done by the company in order to..... any harm to the environment.

- (1) Avoid**
- (2) cause**
- (3) expect**
- (4) intend**
- (5) do**

(1) Avoid



Q8. No matter where that prisoner tries to, the police will find him sooner or later.

- (1) imprison**
- (2) arrest**
- (3) find**
- (4) stops**
- (5) Avoid**



(5) Avoid

Q9. I do not know where Neha lives because we have been ... of touch for quite a long time.

- (1) not**
- (2) Out**
- (3) hardly**
- (4) never**
- (5) ever**



(2) Out

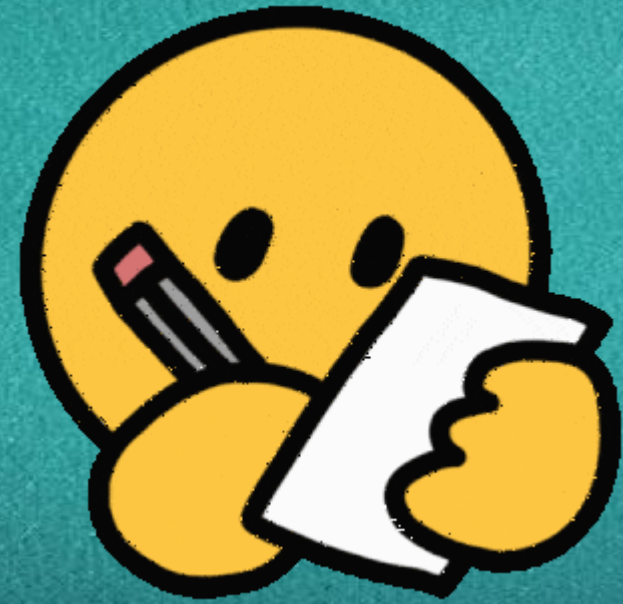
Q10. It is a shame that many people in the world have to live ... basic necessities such as food and shelter.

- (1) along**
- (2) including**
- (3) despite**
- (4) without**
- (5) short**



(4) without

Homework



Home Work Answer

His health is _____and he
is not in a _____to walk.

01. fine , positions
02. improve , extent
03. mastering , able
04. progress, clarity
05. **deteriorating, position**

Home Work

It is _____time that we
took action _____
corruption.

01. proper , for
02. right , minus
03. high , against
04. appropriate , behind
05. fixed , on

