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# THOUGHT OF THE DAY

Two things define us.
Our patience when we have
Nothing and our attitude when
we have everything.



#### Khushboo Mandal 14 hours ago

Intrigue (v) to make somebody very inte Intrigue (n) secret plans to do somethi Synonyms:- contest, interest Crux- to most important or difficult part







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Rajorshi Acharjee 1 day ago

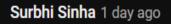
Intrigue = plotting. Conspiracy Bored. Uninterested There is something else about this stor

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Crux=the most important and serious p





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Mini Chaubey 1 day ago Crux= nob, heart,



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shreya patel 1 day ago

1) intrigue - to be curious about something Sentence - I am an intrigue person I love to ki 2) crux - a difficult or important thing Sentence- I don't like mathamatics but however



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yash kumar 1 day ago (edited)

Intrigue:To cause someone to become intere

Synonym - fascinate

Antonym- bore

Sentence- the gossip tends to intrigue them...

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आदर्श मिश्रा (लक्ष्य~संघ लोक सेवा आयोग) 1 day ago

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G S mishra 1 day ago

intrigue - curiosity to know something

His intrigued behaviour towards science

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Chandrika Gore 1 day ago

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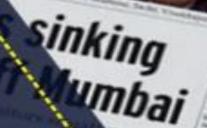




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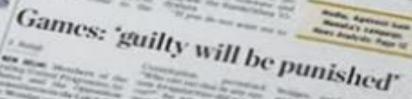




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FOR SURVIVORS





1. <u>Clout</u> (Noun) : घूँसा / प्रभाव

Meaning: a heavy blow with the hand or a hard object; influence or power, especially in politics or business

Synonyms: blow, punch, thump, influence, authority

Sentence: Few companies have the cloud to handle such large deals.





# 2. Conspicuous (Adjective) : विशिष्ट

Meaning: clearly visible; attracting notice or attention

Synonyms: obvious, clear, plain, evident

Antonyms: invisible, unnoticeable, hidden

Sentence: The bank robber made the mistake of trying to escape in a conspicuous orange car.



3. Resplendent (Adjective) : ೨೯೪೬

Meaning: attractive and impressive through being richly colorful or sumptuous

Synonyms: splendid, magnificent, brilliant

Antonyms: unappealing, unappetizing, unpleasant

Sentence: She looked resplendent in her green evening gown.



4. Extenuating (Verb) : कम करना

Meaning: (of a factor or situation) serving to lessen the seriousness of an offense.

Synonyms: excuse, mitigate, palliate

Sentence: Even the fact that you once helped to save my life could not extenuate your offense.

5. Testament (Noun) : प्रमाण

Meaning: something presented in support of the truth or accuracy of a claim

Synonyms: proof, testimony, evidence

Antonyms: rebuttal, refutation, presumption

Sentence: The monument is a worthy testament to the courage of the men who fought in the war.



# 6. Aforementioned (Adjective) : पूर्वकथित

Meaning: denoting a thing or person previously mentioned.

Synonyms: aforesaid, foregoing, forenamed

Antonyms: following, subsequent, succeeding

Sentence: Based on the aforementioned restaurant's <u>low</u> health department score, I will not be dining there again.



7. Conflagration (Noun) : आग

Meaning: an extensive fire that destroys a great deal of land or property.

Synonyms: fire, blaze, flames

Sentence: A conflagration in 1947 reduced 90 percent of the houses to ashes.



## 8. Mercenary (Adjective) : लालच

Meaning: having or marked by an eager and often selfish desire, especially for material possessions

Synonyms: greedy, avaricious, acquisitive

Antonyms: altruistic, charitable, liberal

Sentence: She's interested in him for purely mercenary reasons.



→ 9. Pluck (Noun) : साहस

Meaning: spirited and determined courage

Synonyms: courage, bravery, daring

Antonyms: timidity, cowardice

Sentence: She showed a lot of pluck in dealing with the intruders.



10. Neoteric (Adjective) : हाल में हुआ

Meaning: new or modern; recent

Synonyms: latest, modern, recent

Antonyms: old, oldfangled

Sentence: Along with the socialization of neoteric industry, the movement in the field of economy gets extremely frequent and complicated.

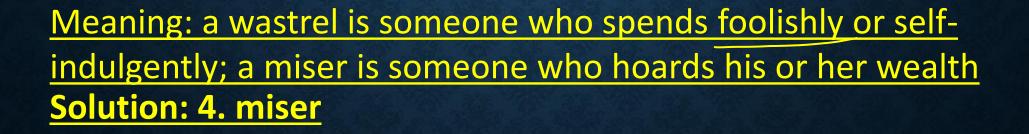
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## Antonym of WASTREL

- 1. sober
- 2. spendthrift
- 3. mute
- 4. miser







#### Antonym of **TEMPERATE**

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- 1. Celsius
- 2. inordinate
- 3. lukewarm
- 4. safely

Meaning: temperate means moderate; inordinate means excessive or immoderate.

Solution: 2. inordinate



## Antonym of **NEBULOUS**

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- 1. cloudy
- 2. dim
- 3. distinct
- 4. desirable

Meaning: nebulous means unclear or indistinct, therefore distinct is the opposite

**Solution: 3. distinct** 



### Antonym of ADROIT

- 1. clumsy
- 2. left
- 3. diplomatic
- 4. unpersuasive

Meaning: adroit means skillful in the use of the hands, therefore clumsy is the opposite

Solution 1. clumsy





#### Antonym of MITE

- 1. weakness
- 2. tend
- 3. bulk
- 4. drive

Meaning: mite means a very small or insignificant part; bulk means the main or greater part

Solution: 3. bulk





#### Synonym of THRONG

- 1. . garment
- 2. bell
- 3. mass
- 4. weight



or a mass

**Solution: 3. mass** 





#### Synonym of IRKSOME

- 1. outrageous
- 2. fearsome
- 3. impoverished
- 4. annoying

Meaning: irksome means irritating or annoying

**Solution: 4. annoying** 





## Synonym of LISSOME

- 1. slow
- 2. honest
- 3. flexible
- 4. dull

Meaning: lissome means flexible

**Solution: 3. flexible** 





#### Synonym of WARRANT

- 1. justify
- 2. burrow
- 3. hide
- 4. integrity

Meaning: to warrant means to serve as adequate ground or reason, or to justify

Solution: 1. justify





#### **Synonym of MISPRIZE**

- 1. undervalue
- 2. devalue
- 3. erroneous
- 4. covet

Meaning: to misprize means to undervalue something

**Solution: 1. undervalue** 







#### To cry wolf

- 1. To listen eagerly
- 2. To give a false alarm
- 3. To turn pale
- 4. To keep off starvation

**Solution: 2. To give a false alarm** 





#### To be above board

- 1. To have a good height
- 2. To be honest in any business deal
- 3. They have no debts
- 4. To try to be beautiful

Solution: 2. To be honest in any business deal



#### To leave someone in the lurch

- 1. To come to a compromise with someone
- 2. Constant source of annoyance to someone
- 3. To put someone at ease
- 4. To desert someone in his difficulties

Solution: 4. To desert someone in his difficulties





#### To take the bull by the horns

- 1. To punish a person severely for his arrogance
- 2. To grapple courageously with difficulty that lies in our way
- 3. To handle it by fierce attack
- 4. To bypass the legal process and take action according

Solution: 2. To grapple courageously with difficulty that lies in our way





# **ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION**

- 1. A place where animals are slaughtered— Abattoir
- 2. Loss of memory–
  Amnesia
- 3. A person extremely desirous of money— Avaricious
- 4 A narrow stretch of land connecting two large bodies of land **Isthmus**



# TODAY'S EDITORIAL TOPIC

The tax gambit: On the hike in tax-free ceiling under new income-tax system

The government should not give up pushing people to opt for safe, long-term savings



Much ink has been spilled by now on the Budget's hike in the tax-free ceiling under the new income-tax system introduced in 2020, to ₹7 lakh from ₹5 lakh, with lower tax rates for those who give up existing tax exemptions. Experts outline varying arithmetic to determine at what levels of income and savings taxpayers should consider to switch to the new "default" regime. The Opposition has raised concerns that the government eventually wants to do away with the exemptions that "give some social security to the middle class" altogether. Industry captains are worried this may affect the savings rate and hit investments. So far, government mandarins have said, among other things, that the savings rate would not be affected; lower income earners do not save enough to avail the tax exemptions and end up paying higher rates.



"As an adult, you have to be the best judge on what suits you," Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman summed up on Saturday. All of them are individually valid arguments. However, the bigger picture needs to factor in that many are not in a position to be the best judge for themselves — especially not the lower income earners who the government believes will benefit the most in the new tax system.



India's literacy and financial literacy levels mean many taxpayers cannot deem the right mix of consumption and savings, leave alone directing savings into an appropriate medley of safe as well as inflation-beating investments. Adult humans do not behave as rationally as economists would assume. For instance, there is a propensity towards more conspicuous consumption among the youth who may find the new tax regime with higher take-home salaries alluring. Financial products are routinely mis-sold to those not equipped to understand market nuances and the risks embedded in fine print. In a country that cannot yet provide universal social security and health benefits, the old exemptionbased regime helps guide families towards some level of prudent asset allocation to cope with life's uncertainties, with a leg-up for building a critical asset over their working lives — a roof over their head.



India's retail participation in stocks may have risen in recent years, but not everyone can handle the risks of equity markets or avoid being conned by influencer-operators. So the nudge away from the old tax regime must be accompanied by greater financial literacy efforts from the government and regulators and a crackdown on unethical selling practices that could lead to people ending up in penury. If people did not need the government's prodding to act in their own best interest, there would have been no need for mandatory contributions to provident funds and pensions.



- 1. Lucrative
- 2. Juncture

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