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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

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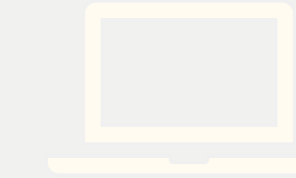
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Focus on where you
want to go,

not on what you
fear.

Anthony Robbins



TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

- i. GRAMMAR SKILLS**
- ii. ARTICLE ANALYSIS**
- iii. THE HINDU VOCABULARY**
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- v. LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES**
- vi. ENGLISH SPEAKING TIPS**

GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE
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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

'That' should not be used before a sentence in Direct Speech and before Interrogative Adverbs and Pronouns in the Indirect Speech.

(a) He said that, "I shall go there."

(b) He asked me that who I was.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

'Hardly' and 'scarcely' should be followed by 'when' or 'before', but not by 'than' or 'that'.



A. Hardly did I reach the station, than the train left it



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

The interpretative answer to the hijab row

The courts will be called upon to protect an essential religious practice



ARTICLE

A number of Muslim girl students in my home town of Udupi, Karnataka, have been refused entry into their college. The administration objects to them covering their heads with a hijab. The girls **invoke** the protection of the Indian Constitution, whose **preceptor** Dr. B.R. Ambedkar once wrote, “the world **owes** much to **rebels** who would dare to argue in the face of the **pontiff** and insist that he is not **infallible**”. Udupi has a **proud tradition** of having rebels who have challenged **established norms** that have not **stood the test of reason**. In the 16th century, priests at the Krishna temple in Udupi prevented a lower caste devotee, Kanakadasa, from entering it. He refused to go away and began composing and singing kirtans from the courtyard outside, while waiting to secure **a sight of the deity**. Even after many days, the priests did not **relent** but a **miracle intervened**.

ARTICLE

The **idol** of the deity which until then faced eastwards, miraculously turned 180 degrees to face west, and then broke open a **rear wall** to create a window through which Kanakadasa could have his darshan. Even today all devotees have their first sight of the lord through Kanakadasa's window.

Thus, it was only historically apt that one of the first great religious cases interpreted by the new Supreme Court, under the new Constitution, came from Udupi. In the Commissioner, Hindu Religious Endowments, Madras vs Sri Lakshmindra Thirtha Swamiar of Sri Shirur Mutt case, or Shirur Mutt, of 1954, the Court ruled, “....what **constitutes** the **essential** part of a religion is primarily to be **ascertained with reference** to the **doctrines** of that religion itself.”

ARTICLE

Ever **thereafter**, the judgment in Shirur Mutt has remained the **focal point** of constitutional discussion on religious freedoms. The “essential religious practices” test **appealed traditionalists** by ‘assuring them that the Court would be sympathetic to their respective religious faiths. It also supported **statesponsored reform** by leaving one agency of the state — the judiciary — with the power to determine and pronounce upon (perhaps, **transform**) religious practice and belief’.

In the case of the hijab, there is no doubt that an **observant** Muslim woman might insist that the following verses from the Koran **mandate** her to keep her head covered. Chapter 33, Verse 59 says “

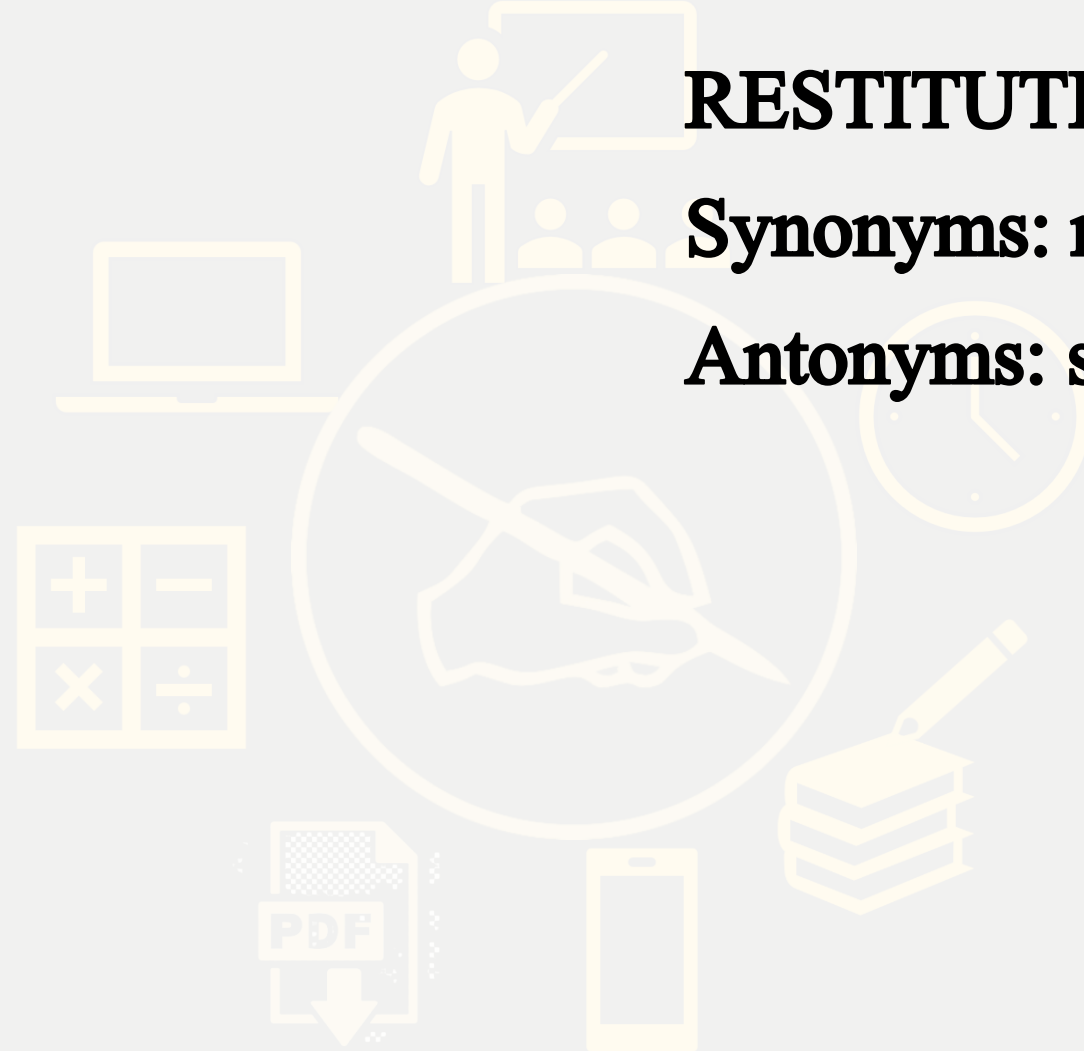


THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

RESTITUTION (NOUN): (वापसी): return

Synonyms: restoration, replacement

Antonyms: seizure

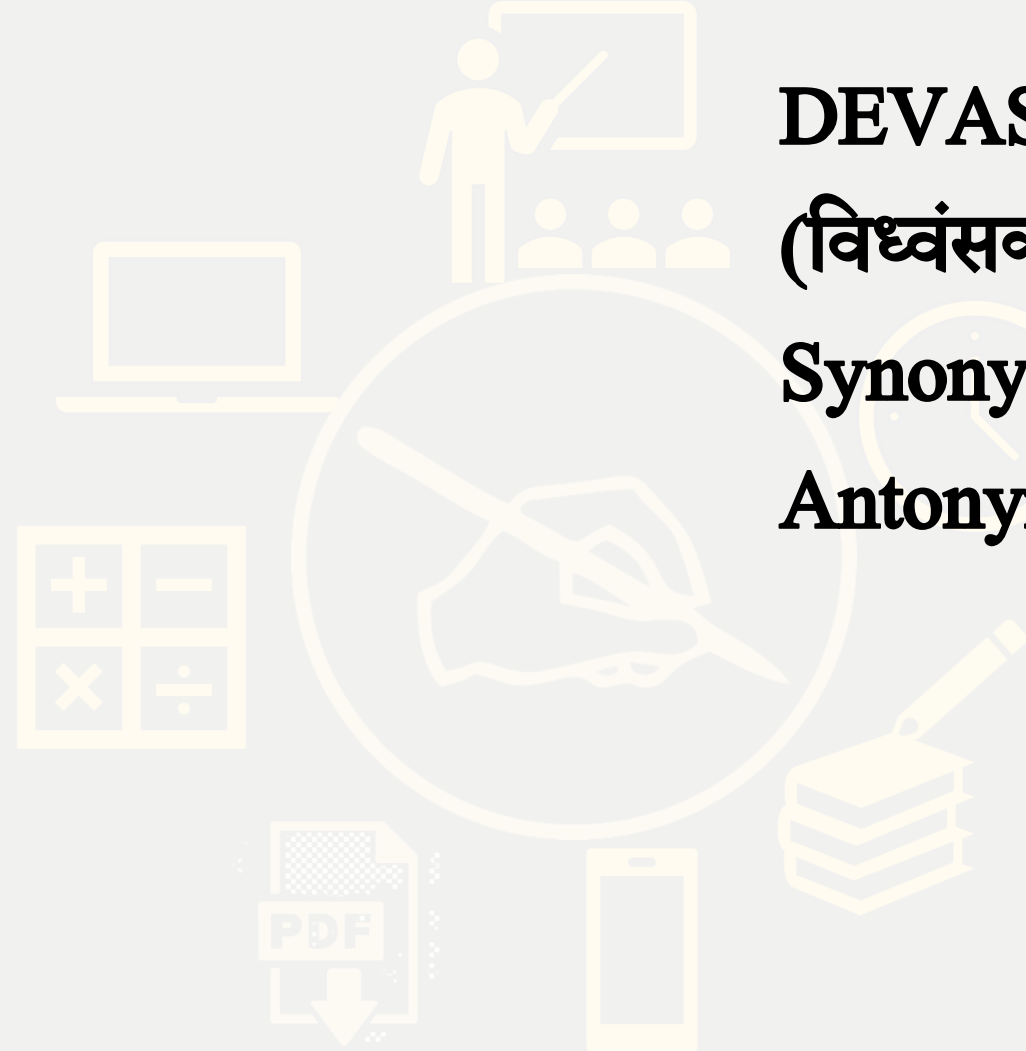


DEVASTATING (ADJECTIVE):

(विध्वंसकारक): devastating

Synonyms: ruinous, disastrous

Antonyms: non-violent



EGREGIOUS (ADJECTIVE):

(चौंकानेवाला): shocking

Synonyms: appalling, horrific

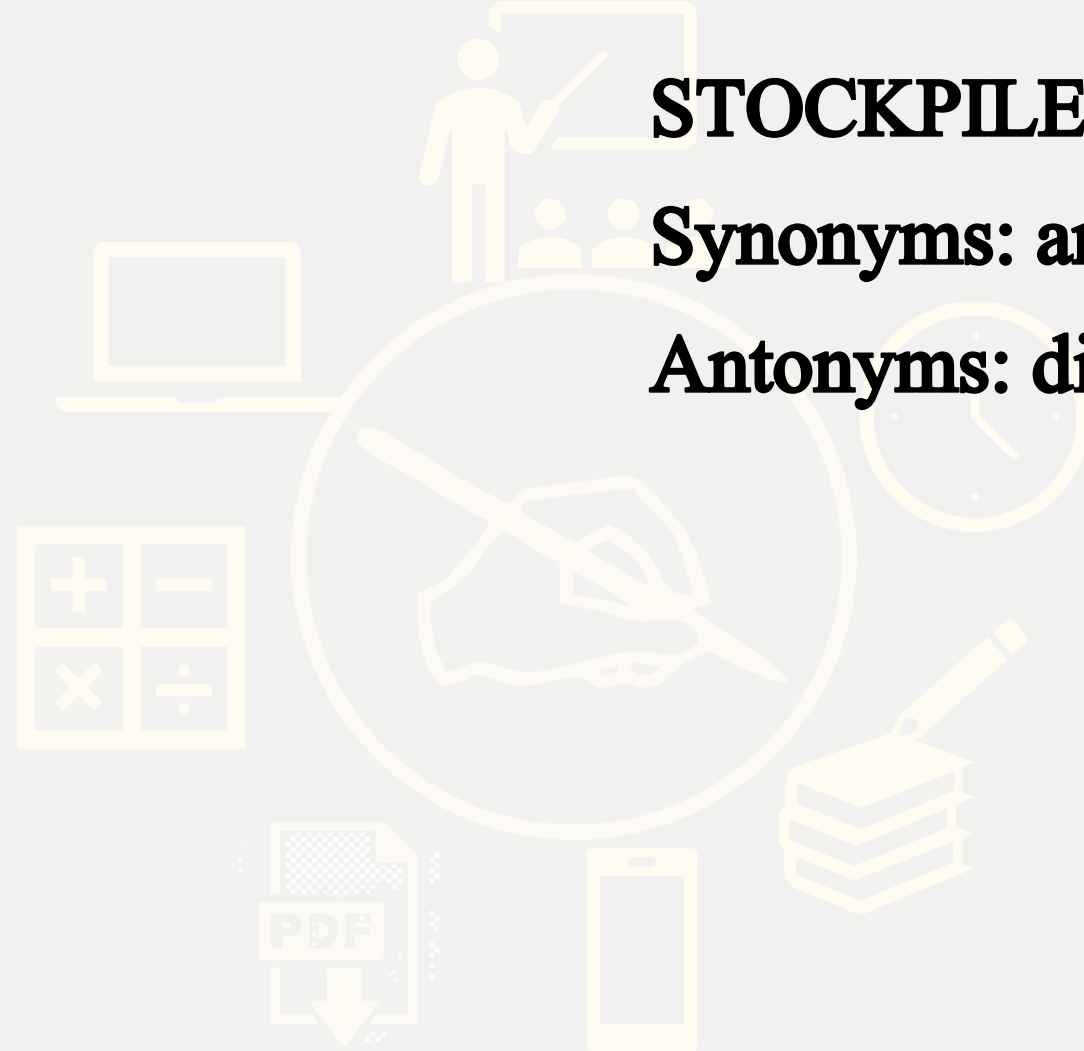
Antonyms: marvellous



STOCKPILE (VERB): (भंडार लगाना): store up

Synonyms: amass, accumulate

Antonyms: dissipate



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for Phrase Replacement

1. We have no **shortcoming** of cheap labour in India.

- A. default
- B. deficit
- C. scarcity
- D. No improvement

C. scarcity



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2. This telephone number **is not existing**.

A. has not existed

B. does not exist

C. has not been existing

D. No improvement

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B. does not exist

3. He died **in the year 1960 at 11pm on 14 July.**

A. on 14 July in the year 1960 at 11pm

B. in the year 1960 on 14 July at 11pm

C. at 11pm on 14 July in the year 1960

D. No improvement



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C. at 11pm on 14 July in the year 1960

4. **Due to these reason** we are all in favour of universal compulsory education.

A. Out of these reasons

B. For these reasons

C. By these reasons

D. No improvement

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A. Out of these reasons

5. We **had nothing** to eat since 8'o clock, this morning.

- A. have had nothing
- B. has had nothing
- C. did have nothing
- D. No improvement



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C. at 11pm on 14 July in the year 1960



Time for ANTONYMS

6. Find the antonym of Cardinal

A. minor

B. vital

C. debatable

D. insignificant



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D. insignificant

7. Find the antonym of Rancour

- A. rivalry
- B. competition
- C. friendliness
- D. suspicion



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C. friendliness

8. Find the antonym of Vanity

- A. modesty
- B. humanity
- C. courtesy
- D. honesty



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A. modesty

9. Find the antonym of Atrocious

A. gracious

B. noble

C. civilized

D. pleasing



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B. noble

10. Find the antonym of Frivolous

A. indecent

B. insane

C. serious

D. rude



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C. serious

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Brink



Definition a crucial or critical point

Patrimony



Definition property that is given to someone when their father dies

morass



Definition an unpleasant and complicated situation that is difficult to escape from | a dangerous area of low, soft, wet land

ENGLISH SPEAKING

TIPS

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वो दिन बीत गये |

Gone are the days.

औरतों के पेट में कोई बात नहीं पचती |

A woman can not keep anything to herself.

मौत कभी बताकर नहीं आती |

Death never keeps calender.

Homework



Home Work

A sentence whose meaning is not clear.

- A. Illegible**
- B. Ambiguous**
- C. lucid**
- D. Improbable**

Home Work Answer

Find the synonym of AUGUST

A: Common

B: Ridiculous

C: Dignified

D: Petty

