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# **THE HINDU**

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## **Editorial Analysis**

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**Grammar**

**Reading Skills**

**Vocab**


**Spoken English**

**BANK / SSC / UPSC / STATE EXAMS**

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A glass terrarium containing a small green plant with two leaves, set against a background of warm, bokeh light spots.

*“Just  
because I  
can’t do it  
today, doesn’t  
mean I’m not  
going to be  
able to do it  
someday.”*

# TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

# GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE  
YOU  
READY??

## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Some nouns have one meaning in the singular and another in the plural:

**Air** = atmosphere,

airs = proud

**Authority** = command,

authorities = persons in power

**Good** = wise,

goods = property

## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Some nouns have one meaning in the singular and another in the plural:

**Iron** = metal,

**irons** = fetters, chains

**Force** = strength

**forces** = army

**Content** = satisfaction,

**contents** = things contained

## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Some nouns have one meaning in the singular and another in the plural:

**Respect** = regards,  
respects = compliments

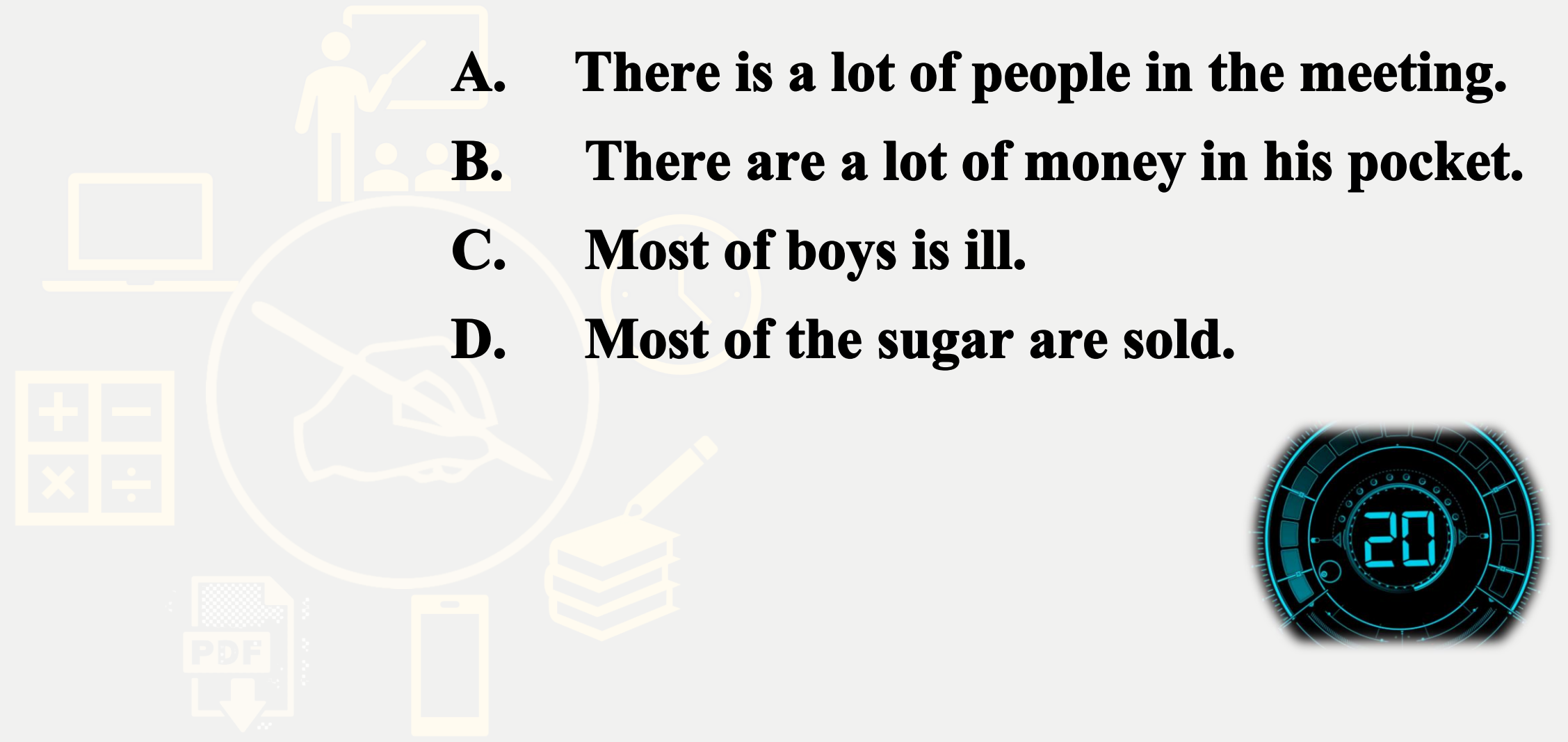
**Work** = job  
works = compositions, factories,

## GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**A lot of / plenty of / A great deal of /  
most of / some of+ Plural countable  
noun/ Uncountable Noun**





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- A. There is a lot of people in the meeting.**
- B. There are a lot of money in his pocket.**
- C. Most of boys is ill.**
- D. Most of the sugar are sold.**

# SO IT'S TIME

**Let's start**



# ARTICLE

## Delayed response

The Government could have avoided the hate speech issue if the BJP had acted early



The image shows a screenshot of a news article from 'The Tribune'. The main headline is 'Hate speech hurts the nation and national interest'. A sub-headline reads 'Core colour: Editorial on tension between India & Middle East over hateful remark'. The article text includes: 'India has the second largest Muslim population in the world, and irrespective of whether the chorus of Hindu majoritarianism continues to rise, suave diplomacy would not need their votes, as a party in office, it needs to show by word and deed able to cover up the rot of all communities'. Below the article is a social media share bar for 'The Tribune' with the title 'National embarrassment' and a sub-headline 'Arab outrage wake-up call to atone for extremism, hatred'. A photograph of a woman in a blue and floral sari is visible on the right side of the article.

# ARTICLE

The Government's decision to **take a stern view** of hate speech targeting religious beliefs, to **distance** itself from comments made by two spokespersons of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), and **to assert** India's traditional values of tolerance and respect for all religions is both welcome and **reassuring** for those within the country increasingly **concerned about** the increase in such speech. The ruling BJP's move to suspend the spokespersons for comments made on a television channel and Twitter, respectively, is also a **significant departure** from the past, and would represent an **inflection point** in the debate over growing **communalisation**, if it were not for two factors. The first, that the Government chose to react to the hate speech, targeting Islam and the Prophet Muhammed, more than a week after these were first broadcast.

# ARTICLE

The second, that its **reactions**, and the BJP's action **appeared** to follow statements made by foreign governments, beginning with Qatar, and then Kuwait, Iran, Pakistan, Bahrain, the United Arab Emirates, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Indonesia, Jordan, the Maldives as well as by the 57-member Organisation of Islamic Cooperation and the powerful six-member Gulf Cooperation Council. However, the Government continues to ignore Indian organisations and groups that have expressed concerns about the statements made. It is possible that the Government chose to respond to Qatar with more **alacrity** as the Vice-President of India, M. Venkaiah Naidu, was beginning a three-day visit to the country.

# ARTICLE

It is also significant that the Government was **moved to act** with **sensitivity** in this case, unlike its reaction just a week ago to the United States government's release of a report on religious freedom in India, where it **slammed** the U.S. for playing "vote bank politics". Some concern about a possible "street reaction" across West Asia, where more than eight million Indians live and work, may have also prompted the reaction, **particularly** after social media users shared the **offending** comments **widely** across the region.



**THE HINDU**  
**VOCABULARY**

# The Hindu Vocabulary

**INCONCEIVABLE**

**(ADJECTIVE): (समझ से बाहर):**

**beyond belief**

**Synonyms:**

**unbelievable,**

**incredible**

**Antonyms: likely**



# The Hindu Vocabulary

**PRAGMATIC (ADJECTIVE):**

**(व्यावहारिक): practical**

**Synonyms: matter-of-fact, realistic**

**Antonyms: impractical**

# The Hindu Vocabulary

**ADVERSARY**

**(NOUN):**

**(प्रतिद्वंद्वी): opponent**

**Synonyms: rival, enemy**

**Antonyms: ally**

# The Hindu Vocabulary

**AFFLICT (VERB): (पीड़ा देना):**

**trouble**

**Synonyms: bother, burden**

**Antonyms: comfort**



# LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

ARE  
YOU  
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Time for  
Fillers

1. The weather has been awful and  
it's getting \_\_\_\_\_.

**A. worse**

**B. bad**

**C. nice**

**D. heavy**



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**A. worse**



2. You \_\_\_\_\_ leave your  
suitcase there. It's dangerous.

A. needn't

B. can

C. doesn't need to

D. are not allowed to

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**A. needn't**



**3. Your salad looks delicious. Can I \_\_\_\_\_ a mouthful?**

**A. offer**

**B. take**

**C. give**

**D. go**

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**B. take**



4. Covid tests should be \_\_\_\_\_  
by law for everyone.

- A. mandated
- B. lawful
- C. mandatory
- D. mandate



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**A. mandated**



**5. My happiness lies \_\_\_\_\_ your well being.**

- A. with**
- B. of**
- C. from**
- D. in**

**D. in**



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# Time for Phrase Replacement

**6. She cut a sad figure in her first performance on the stage.**

**A. Made a sorry figure**

**B. Cut a sorry face**

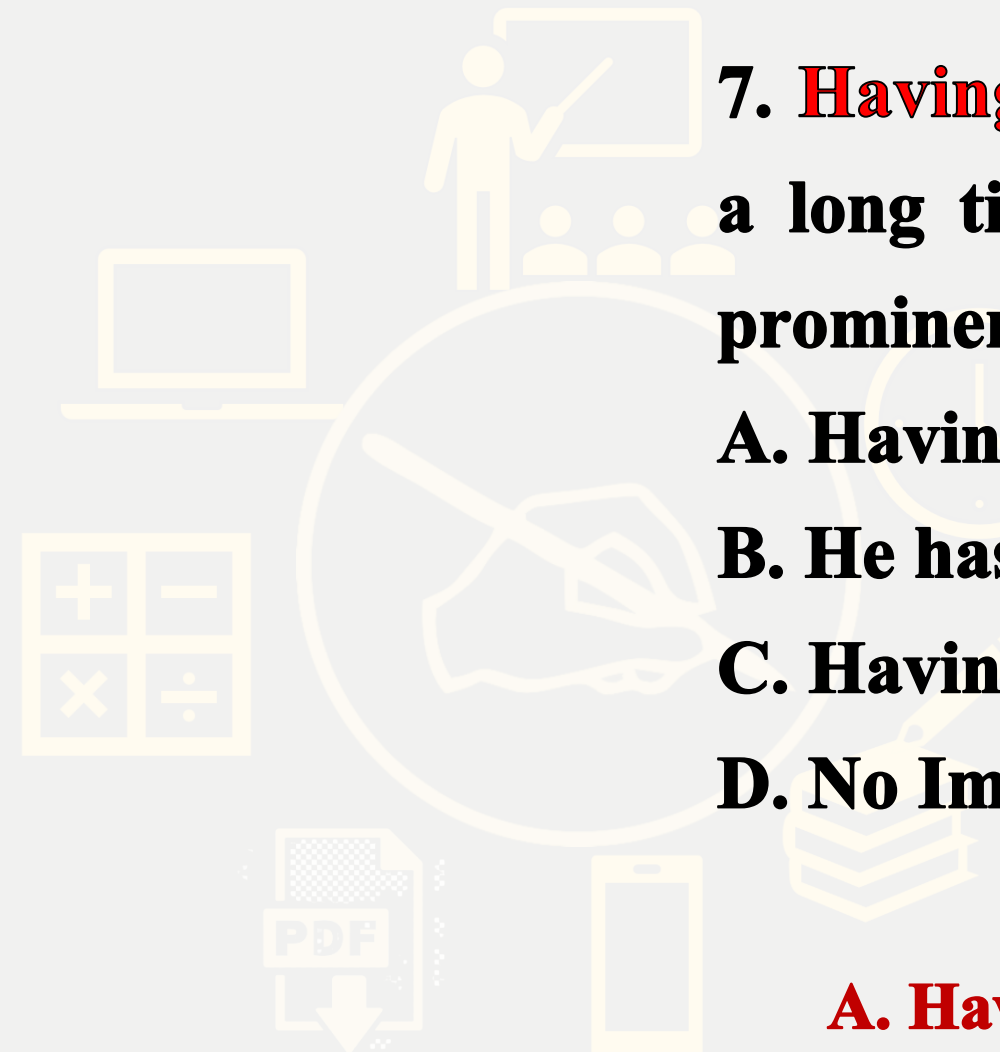
**C. Cut a sorry figure**

**D. No Improvement**



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**C. Cut a sorry figure**



7. **Having had** in the Foreign Service for a long time, Mr. Verma has met many prominent personalities.

A. **Having Been**

B. **He has been**

C. **Having**

D. **No Improvement**



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**A. Having Been**

8. I shall **ring him** tomorrow in the afternoon.

- A. Ring to him
- B. Ring up to him
- C. Ring him up
- D. No Improvement



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**C. Ring him up**

9. Being a handicapped youth, he **was put hard to** complete his military course.

- A. Was hard put to
- B. Was put to it hard
- C. Was hardly put to
- D. No Improvement



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**A. Was hard put to**

**10. If he studied more, Kamal would have been able to secure a good first division.**

**A. If he would have studied more**

**B. If he were studying more**

**C. If he had studied more**

**D. No Improvement**

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**C. If he had studied more**



# LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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## Pay an arm and a leg for something



**To pay a lot of money for something. You can also say that something “costs an arm and a leg.”**

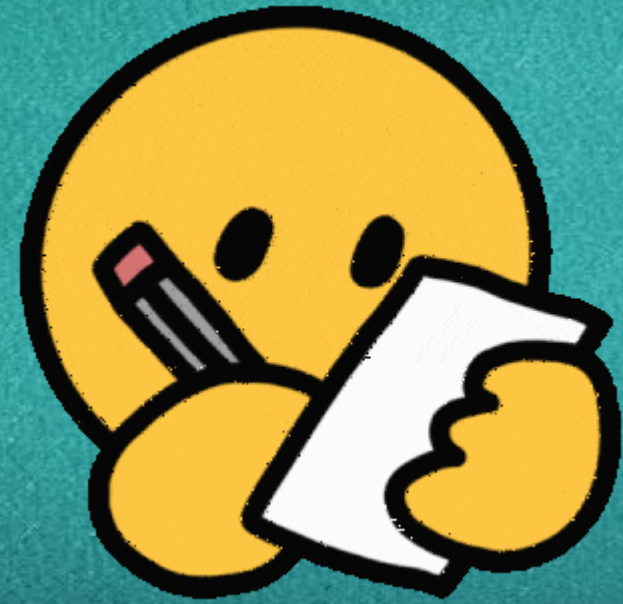
**To be loaded**



**To have a lot of money.**

# Homework

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## Home Work

**Rahul is too ----- as far as his food habits are concerned.**

- A. fastidious**
- B. enjoyable**
- C. curious**
- D. involved**

# Home Work

## Answer

**This is the sports person(A) / whom  
I think has won(B)/the much coveted  
prize. (C) / No error(D)**

