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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

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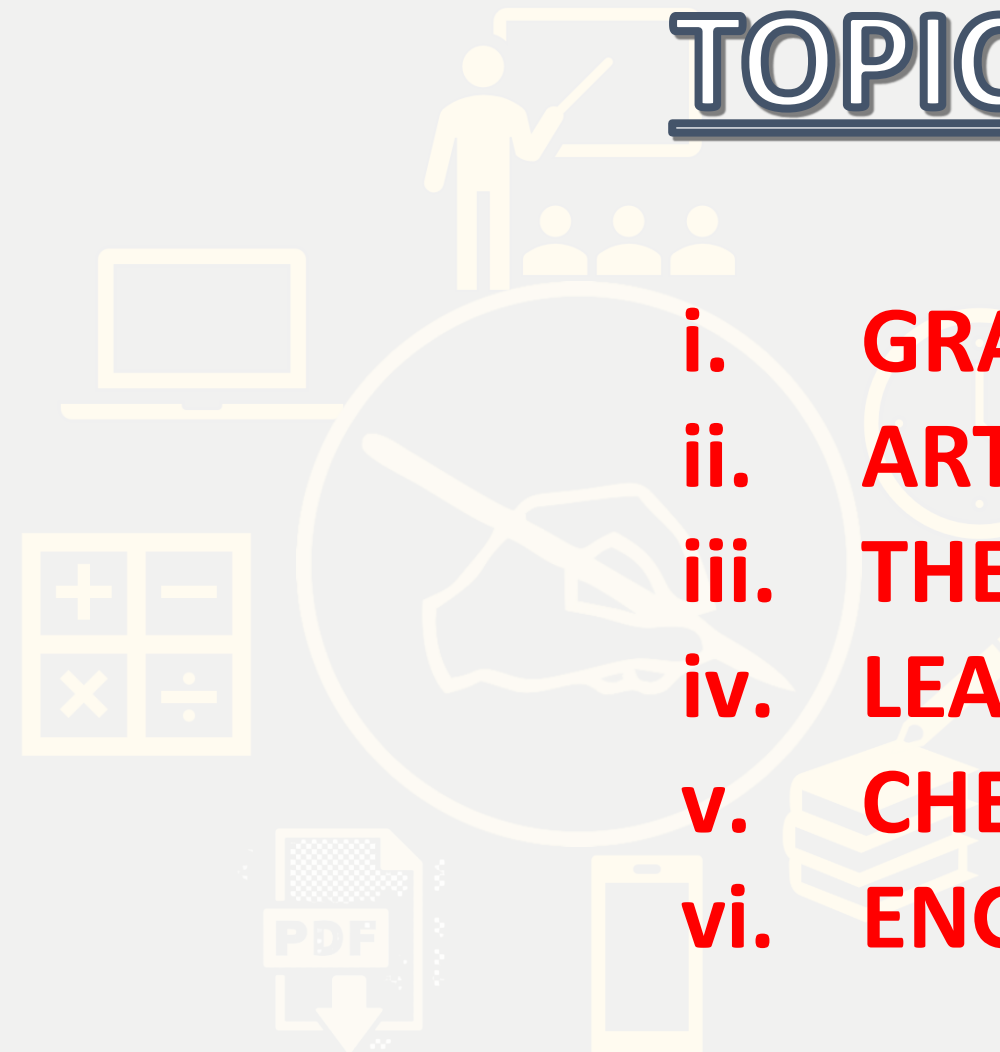




*“Everything is
easy if you are
crazy.*

*Nothing will be
easy if you are
lazy.”*

TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

GRAMMAR SKILLS

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GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Use of Enough

Enough, when used as an Adverb, is preceded by a positive degree Adjective or Adverb.

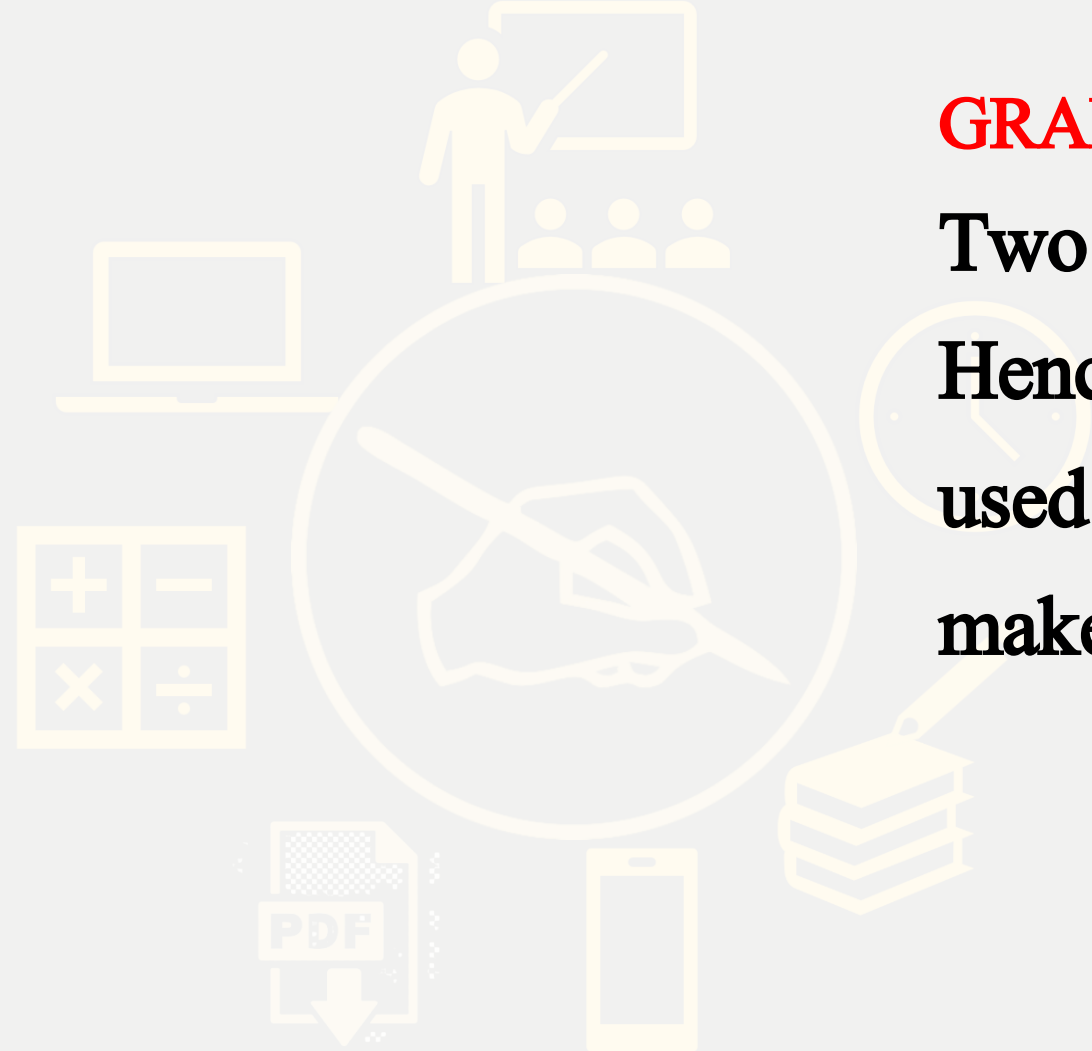
He is greater enough to pardon you.

You are smarter enough to impress someone.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**Two negatives cancel each other.
Hence two negatives should not be
used in the same sentence unless we
make an affirmation.**



- a) I want to purchase some books from the market but I have not got none.
- b) Unless you do not work hard, you will not pass the exam.



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Reservation on quota

Why did the Madras High Court invalidate the separate reservation of 10.5% for the Vanniyar community?



ARTICLE

The story so far: the Madras High Court declared **unconstitutional** a Tamil Nadu government law, **enacted** in February 2021 when the AIADMK was in power, that reserved 10.5% of jobs in public services and seats in educational institutions for the Vanniyars, a most backward community. The demand for an exclusive quota for the community has been **spearheaded** for long by the Pattali Makkal Katchi.

What was the reservation eligibility of Vanniyars prior to being given a separate quota?

The Vanniyars were in the backward classes list for many years.

ARTICLE

The community, constituting a **significant** percentage in the State's northern districts, consists **predominantly** of agricultural labourers. In 1987, the Vanniyar Sangham launched an **agitation** demanding 20% separate reservation. In 1989, the demand was partially **conceded**. The BC quota was then at 50%. This was sub-divided and a 20% segment was **earmarked** for 'Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities'. The Vanniyars were included in the Most Backward Classes list. The expectation was that they would be the principal beneficiaries in this 20% segment, though 109 other castes were in the MBC/DNC category (The number has risen to 116 now).

ARTICLE

The Vanniyars have been arguing that they are still not getting enough opportunities in proportion to their population.

How was the separate reservation implemented?

On February 26, 2021, the Assembly passed a special Act which divided the 'Most Backward Classes/Denotified Communities' category into three parts. Of the total, the largest share of 10.5% was specified as **exclusive** to the Vanniyakula Kshatriya and its various sub-castes. The DNC sub-division was to have 7%, while the remaining 2.5% was meant for the rest of the MBCs. The primary justification for the percentage was that the Second Backward Class Commission had put the Vanniyar population at 65 lakh in 1983, or 13.01% of the then total population.



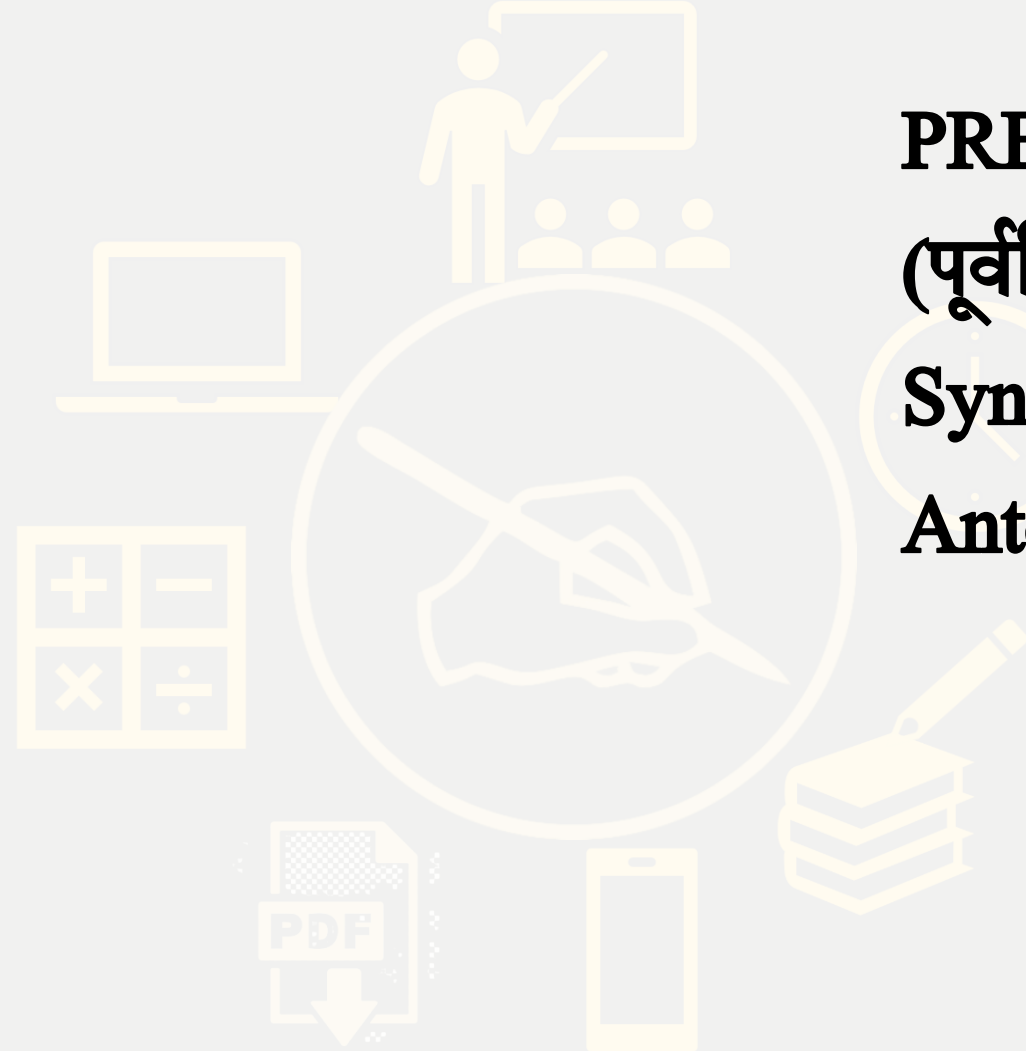
THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

PREMEDITATED (ADJECTIVE):

(पूर्वचिन्तित): Planned

Synonyms: Calculated, Deliberate

Antonyms: Accidental, Casual

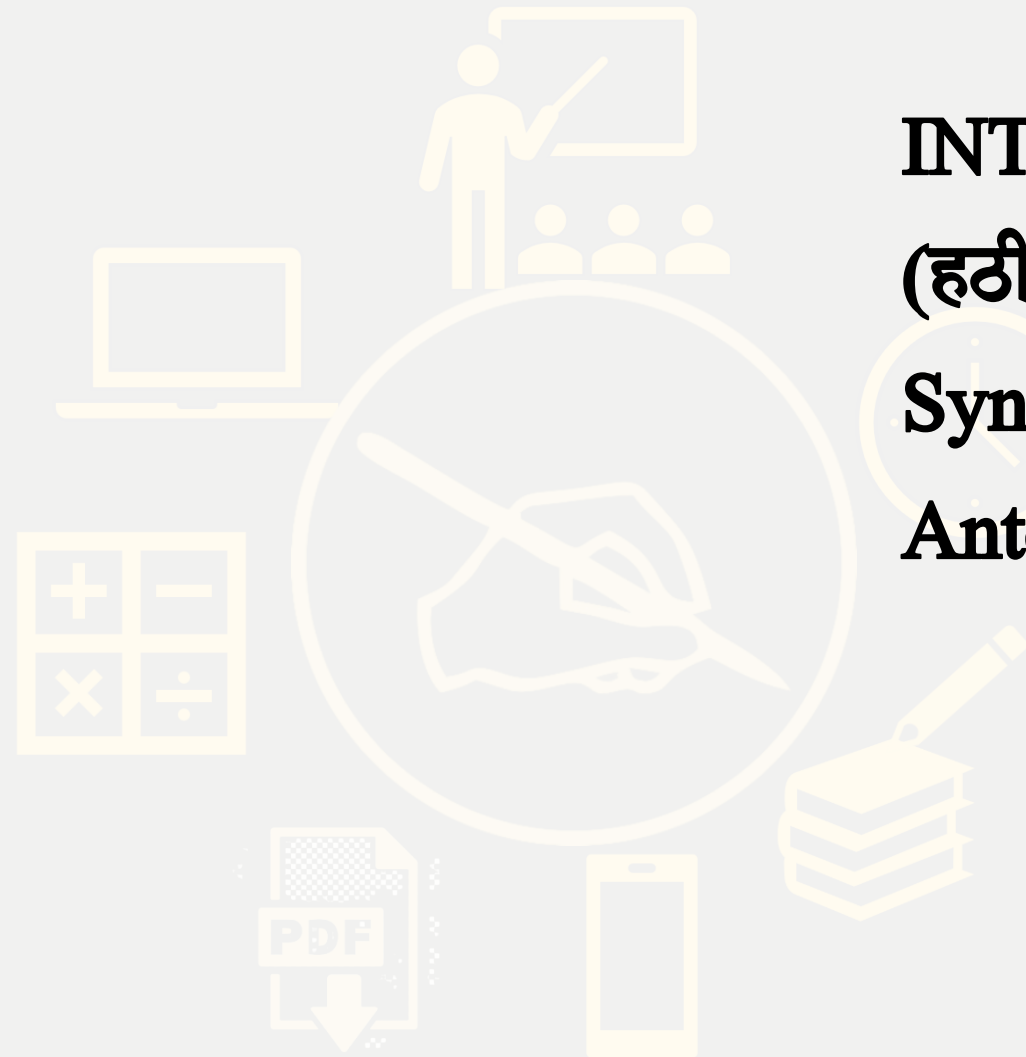


INTRANSIGENT (ADJECTIVE):

(हठी): Uncompromising

Synonyms: Inflexible, Unbending

Antonyms: Compliant



OMINOUS (ADJECTIVE):

(अमंगल): Threatening

Synonyms: Menacing, Baleful

Antonyms: Promising



SCANDALIZE (VERB):

(अपमानित करना): Shock

Synonyms: Appall, Outrage

Antonyms: Impress



LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Deplore



Definition to strongly disapprove of something and criticize it, especially publicly

Usage They deplored the heavy loss of life in the earthquake.



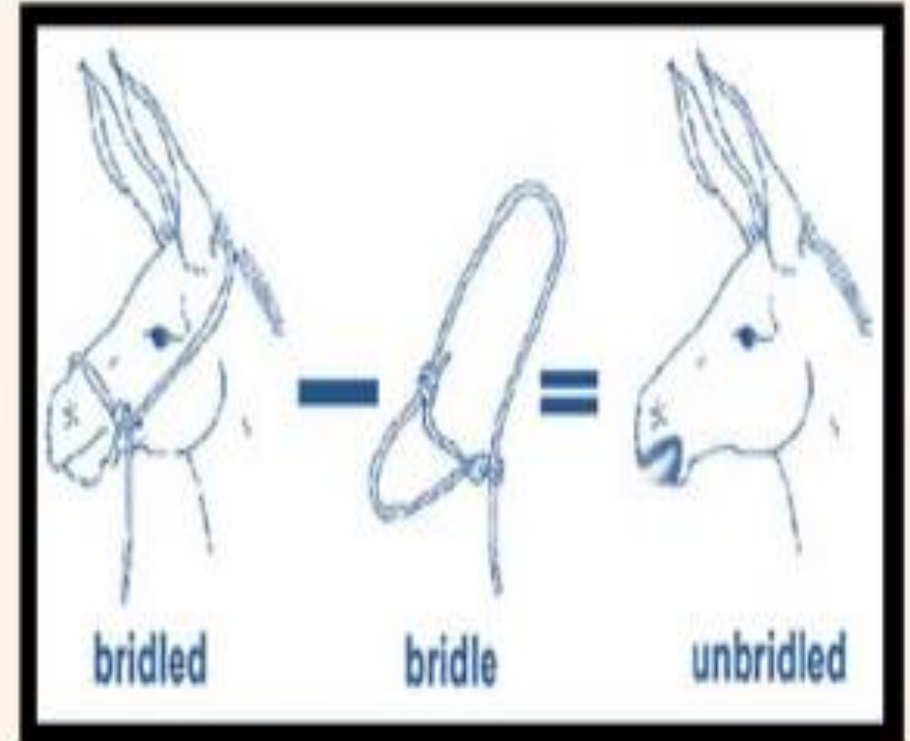
Despicable



Definition very unpleasant or evil

Usage John's bad behavior was despicable

Unbridled



Definition not controlled and therefore extreme

Usage The crowd was swept with unbridled enthusiasm

LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for
ANTONYMS

Q1. Select the most appropriate Antonym of the given words.

TENSE

1. relaxed
2. stiff
3. close
4. strained

Solution : 1

Tense - not relaxed, stressed



Q2. Select the most appropriate Antonym of the given words.

PERTURB

1. Fluster
2. Soothe
3. Confound
4. Commend

Solution : 2

Perturb - to disturb, to bother

Soothe - to restore to ease/comfort



Q3. Select the most appropriate Antonym of the given words.

COMPLY

1. Consent
2. Defer
3. Adhere
4. Oppose



Solution : 4

Comply - to agree, to consent or conform

Q4. Select the most appropriate Antonym of the given words.

SOGGY

1. dry
2. gloomy
3. broken
4. unfit

Solution : 1

Soggy - soaked with moisture





Time for IDIOMS

Q5. Our PM is received **with open arms** wherever he goes.

1. Honourably
2. Promptly
3. Warmly
4. Harmoniously

Solution : 3

With open arms – enthusiastically , warmly, happily



Q6. In spite of her severe accident she **took heart** and moved forward.

1. Gathered courage
2. Felt depressed
3. Overcame problems
4. Acted promptly

Solution : 1

Take heart- to gather confidence, courage or happiness



Q7. Trying to find my lost ring in the college is like **looking for a needle in a haystack.**

1. Doing something impossible
2. Making a big deal of a large thing
3. Doing something secretly
4. Doing something unimportant

Solution : 1

Looking for a needle in a haystack- to search for something that is very difficult to locate.



Q8. **Off and on** I take a break from my hectic schedule to refresh myself.

1. Rarely
2. Seldom
3. Immediately
4. Periodically

Solution : 4

Off and on – periodically, intermittently



Q9. **Make a beeline for**

1. Make a line for honey
2. Go straight to
3. Stand in a queue
4. Go for freebies

Solution : 2

Make a beeline for – go straight to



Q10. **Till the cows come home**

1. For a large part
2. For a long, long time
3. In the evening
4. Till the work is finished

Solution : 2

Till the cows come home – for a very long ,indefinite amount of time.



ENGLISH SPEAKING

TIPS

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1) **Fumble**

I am fumbling something in Almirah.

2) **Peel off**

Seeta is peeling off the potatoes.

3) **Like anything**

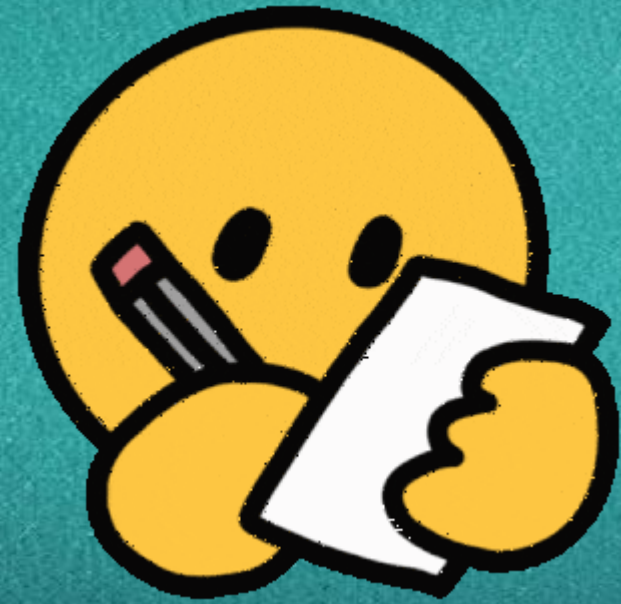
He is working hard like anything.

He fought like anything.

4) **At least**

Come at least once.

Homework





Home Work

Animals living in flocks

1. gregarious
2. bohemian
3. social
4. herbivorous

