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Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

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A year from now,
everything you are
stressing about
won't even
matter.



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

'Hard' means **'diligently'**, **'Hardly'** means **'scarcely at all'**. These two **Adverbial forms of 'hard'** must not be **confused**.

(a) He tried hardly to win the race

(b) She has eaten hard anything today.



GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

If a preposition connects two similar nouns , the noun is used in singular form and takes a singular verb.

A. Villages after villages was visited during the last election.

B. Villages after villages were visited during the last election.



SO IT'S TIME

Let's start



ARTICLE

Working women too, with a dream of good childcare

More than 95% of India's working women are informal workers, but they lack affordable services and maternity benefits



ARTICLE

The theme for International Women's Day 2022 (March 8) is 'gender equality today for a sustainable tomorrow'. However, gender equality is still a far cry for India's female informal workforce. According to a 2018 study by the International Labour Organization (ILO), more than 95% of India's working women are informal workers who work in labour-intensive, low-paying, highly precarious jobs/conditions, and with no social protection. A World Health Organization bulletin says that "women's informal work is central to the feminisation of poverty". However, we know little about how informal work affects maternal, neonatal, and child health, with the lack of childcare solutions being a serious concern. India is ahead of many advanced nations in instituting maternal health benefits, and its statutory maternity leave is among the global top three.

ARTICLE

The Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Act, 2017 more than doubled the duration of paid maternity leave for women employees to 26 weeks, proposing an option to work from home after this period, on **mutual** agreement with the employer, and made **crèche** facilities **mandatory** for establishments employing 50 or more women.

However, these benefits are mostly enjoyed by formal sector women workers, constituting less than 5% of the women workforce. Another ILO study, in 2016, pointed out that a lack of access to quality childcare services **forces** women workers to leave the labour force, ceasing their earning, and exposing themselves to **discriminatory** employment practices, and to significant economic and health risks.

ARTICLE

India has paid less attention to address concerns around childcare support for informal women workers. The lack of affordable and quality childcare services and maternity benefits increase the burden on informal women workers, **aggravating** gender and class inequalities. Presently, it is up to individuals and families to find a **resolution** to this tension of a worker-mother, putting women, girls, and children at a **gross disadvantage**. It is **imperative** that we consider affordable and quality childcare infrastructure as an **employment-linked benefit** and as a **public good**.



THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

RAGING (ADJECTIVE): (तूफ़ानी):

stormy

Synonyms: violent, strong

Antonyms: calm



CONVENE (VERB): (बुलवाना):

summon

Synonyms: call, order

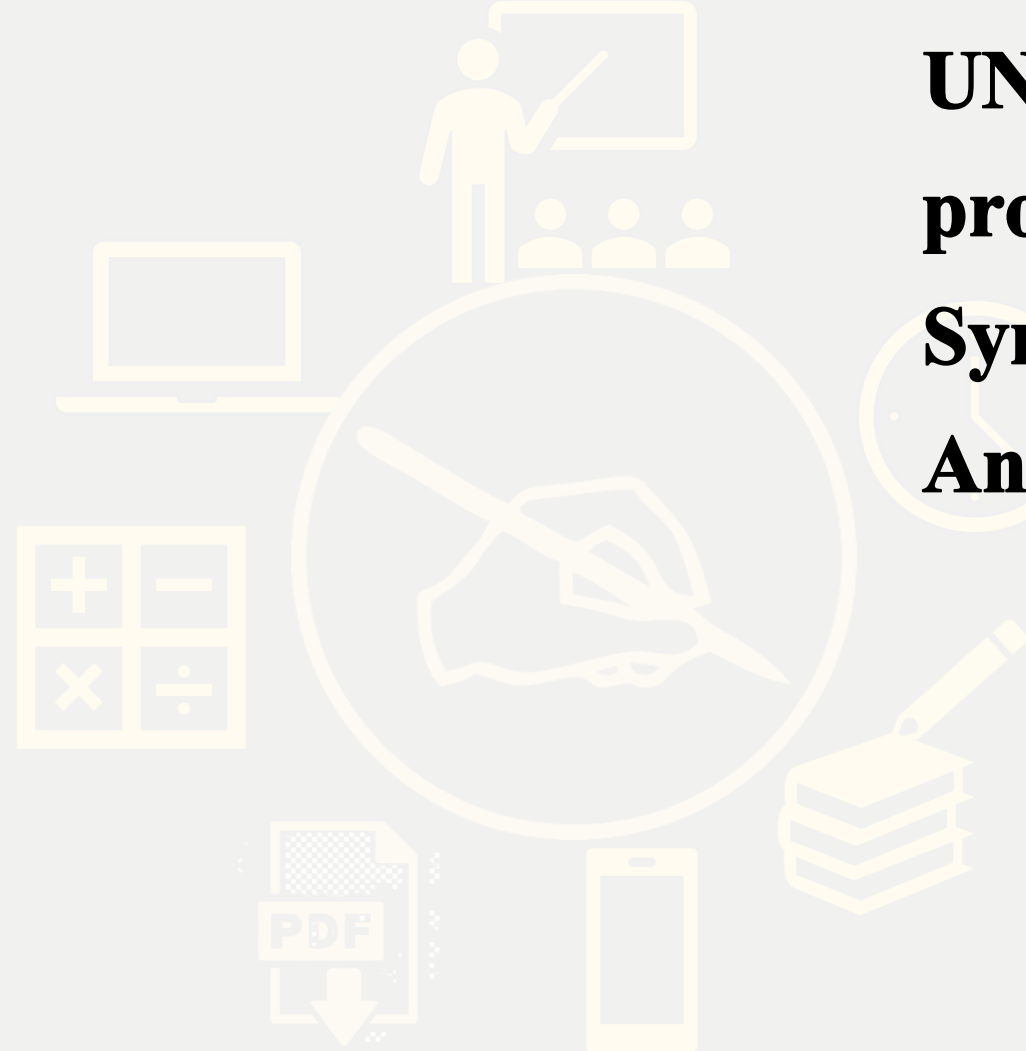
Antonyms: disperse

UNDERPIN (VERB): (बढ़ावा देना):

promote

Synonyms: nurture, encourage

Antonyms: hinder



STIFLE (VERB): (बाधा डालना): hinder

Synonyms: hamper, constrain

Antonyms: encourage



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for
Mis-spelt
words

1. Choose the correct spelling :

A. Amatuer

B. Amature

C. Amateur

D. Ameteur



Answer : Amateur [Option : C]

2. Select the word with correct spelling

A. Benefited

B. Benefitted

C. Benifitted

D. Benifited



**Answer : Benefitted [Option :
B]**

3. Spot the correct spelling

A. Committee

B. Commitee

C. Committee

D. Committey



**Answer : Committee [Option :
C]**

**4. From the given group of words,
choose the word wrongly spelt**

A.Imperative

B.Ilicit

C.Imminent

D.Immature



Answer : Ilicit [Option : B]

5. Choose the word with wrong spelling

A. Feudal

B. Fumble

C. Fuel

D. Feugitive



Answer : Fugitive [Option : D]

Time for IDIOMS



6) To cry wolf

A.To refer to

B.To emphasise

C.To have no result

D.To give false alarm



Correct Answer: D

7) Lean and mean

A.To destroy something

B.To create something

C.Using only what is necessary

D.Not afraid dangerous situations



Correct Answer: C

8) A black sheep

A. Stranger

B. On the run

C. Scoundrel

D. Gentleman



Correct Answer: C

9) A gala day

A.A day of festivity

B.A day of brief

C.A rainy day

D.A relevant day



Correct Answer: A

10) Next to nothing

A. Hardly anything

B. To produce

C. Without answer

D. Reject without consideration



Correct Answer: A

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Wacky



Definition funny or amusing in a slightly crazy way



Tardy



Definition slow to act, move, or happen

Surfeit



Definition an amount that is too large

Homework



Home Work Answer

I Cannot help but had to cry at his sad story.

1) cry

2) cried

3) was crying

4) no improvement

Home Work

To come clean

A. Cleaning a place

B. No idea about an incident

C. To make a honest disclosure

D. To deny the crime

