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# **THE HINDU**

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## **Editorial Analysis**

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**Grammar**

**Reading Skills**

**Vocab**

**Spoken English**

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**Empty Pockets  
teaches you  
a million things in life "**

**But,  
"Full Pockets  
spoils YOU  
in a million ways."**

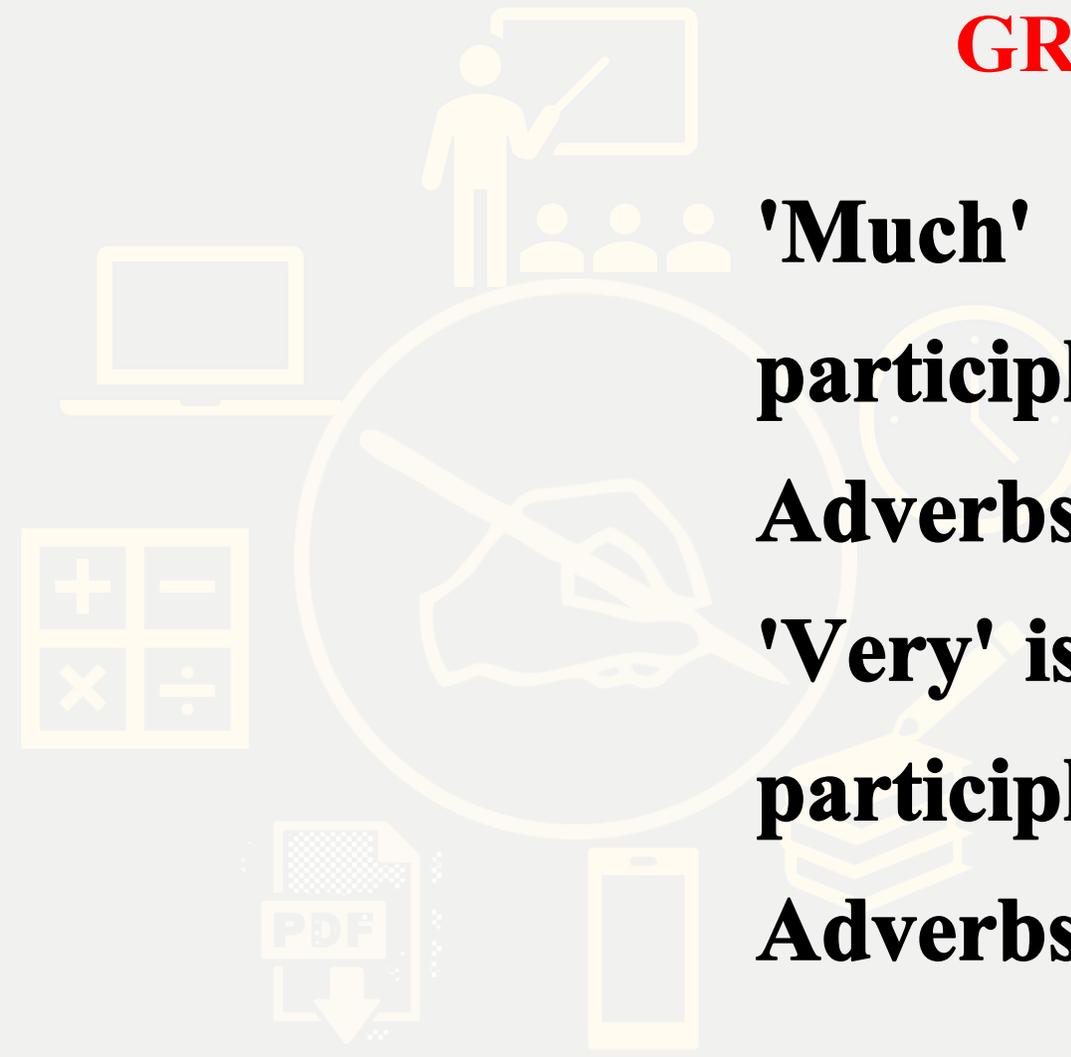
# TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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  - ii. ARTICLE ANALYSIS**
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# GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE  
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## GRAMMAR SKILL - 1



**'Much' is used before past participles and Adjectives or Adverbs of comparative degree.**

**'Very' is used before the present participles and Adjectives and Adverbs of positive degree.**

**(a) The news is much surprising.**

**(b) I was very surprised at hearing the news.**



## GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

**The sentence which starts with seldom, never, hardly, rarely or scarcely takes an inverse structure, Verb + Subject - Structure.**

**A. Seldom I had seen such a beautiful sight.**

**B. Hardly he helped me.**



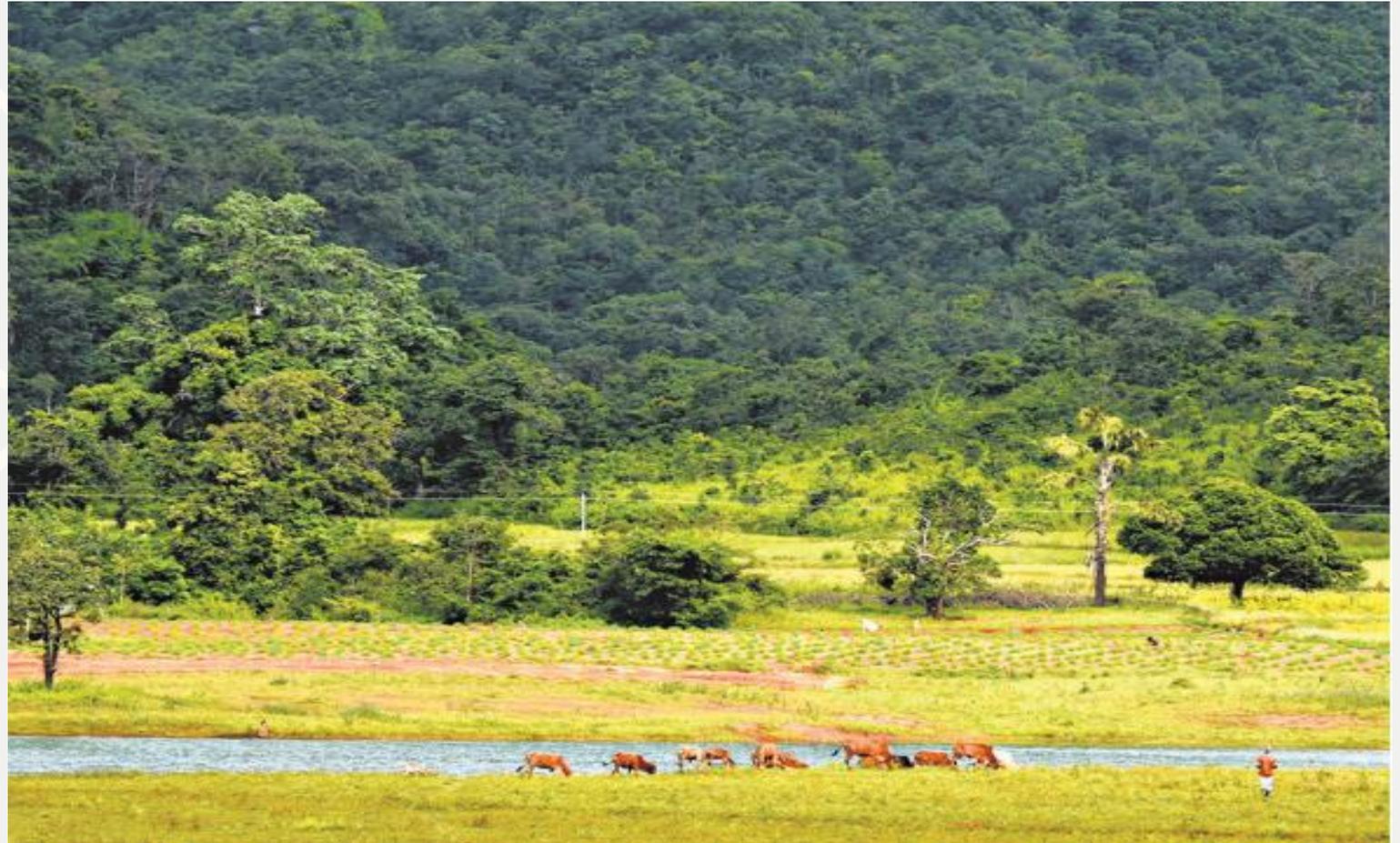
# SO IT'S TIME

**Let's start**



# ARTICLE

## Forest, tree cover in India up by 2,261 sq. km in two years



# ARTICLE

Forest and tree cover in the country has increased by 2,261 square kilometres since the last **assessment** in 2019, according to the India State of Forest Report-2021. Releasing the report, Environment and Forest Minister Bhupender Yadav said the total forest and tree cover was 80.9 million hectares, which accounted for 24.62% of the **geographical** area of the country. The report said 17 States and **Union Territories** had more than 33% of their area under forest cover. Mr. Yadav said the Narendra Modi government's focus was to **enrich** the forests **qualitatively**. The report found that there had been a 1,540 sq. km increase in forest cover and 721 sq. km increase in tree cover since the last report in 2019.

# ARTICLE

## Top 3 States

“Increase in forest cover has been observed in open forest followed by very **dense** forest. Top three States showing increase in forest cover are Andhra Pradesh (647 sq. km) followed by Telangana (632 sq. km) and Odisha (537 sq. km),” a Ministry statement said.

Madhya Pradesh had the largest forest cover, followed by Arunachal Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Odisha and Maharashtra. The top five States in terms of forest cover as a percentage of their total geographical area were Mizoram (84.53%), Arunachal Pradesh (79.33%), Meghalaya (76%), Manipur (74.34%) and Nagaland (73.90%).

The total **mangrove** cover in the country had increased by 17 sq. km, to reach 4,992 sq. km.

# ARTICLE

The total carbon stock in forests was **estimated** to be 7,204 million tonnes, an increase of 79.4 million tonnes from 2019. The Ministry said the survey used mid-resolution satellite data, followed by “**rigorous ground truthing**” and information from other sources.

“The accuracy level achieved in the current assessment is **significantly** high. The accuracy of forest cover **classification** has been **assessed** 92.99%. The accuracy of classification between forest and non-forest classes has been assessed 95.79% against internationally accepted accuracy of classification of more than 85%,” the Ministry said.



**THE HINDU**  
**VOCABULARY**

## **CONCILIATION**

**(NOUN):** (शांति):

**appeasement**

**Synonyms: peacemaking,  
peacebuilding**

**Antonyms: provocation**



**SLAM (VERB): (आलोचना करना):**

**criticize**

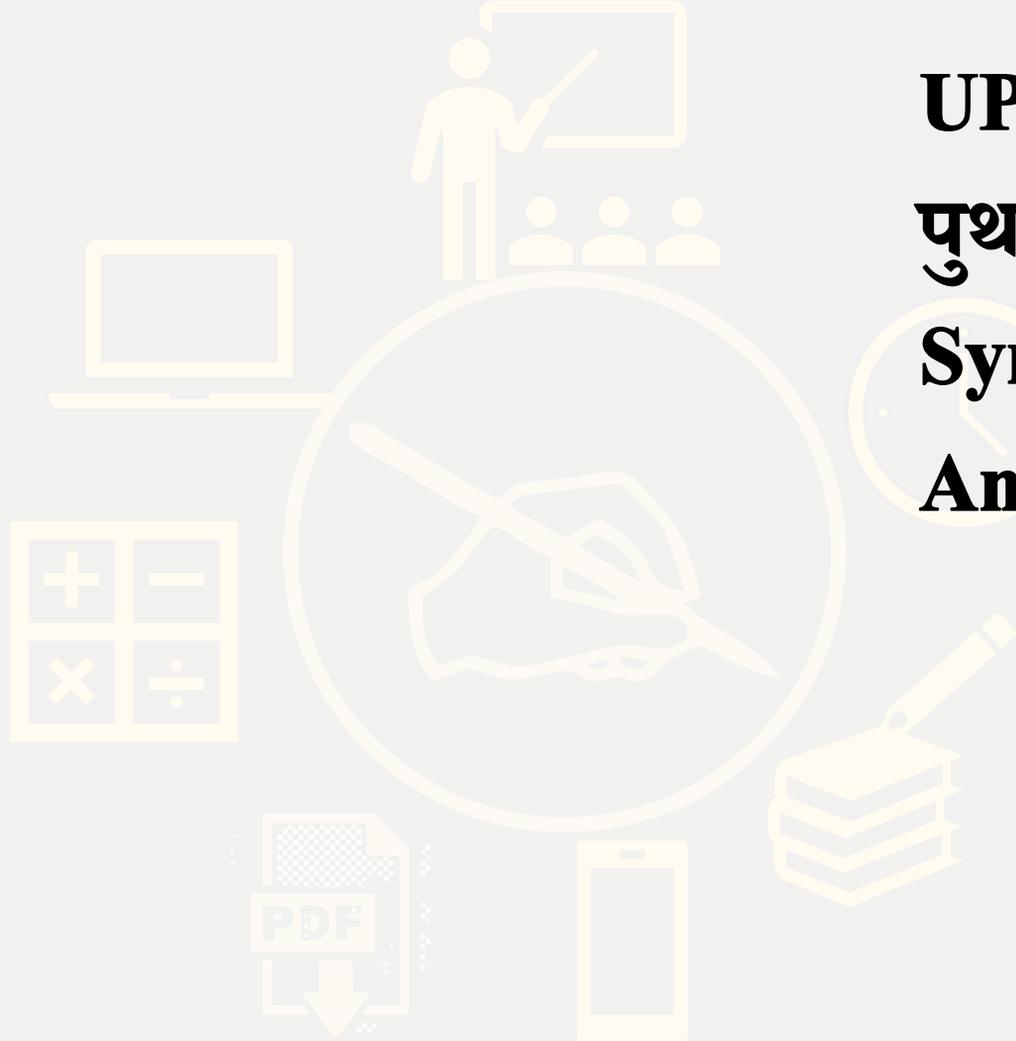
**Synonyms: find fault with, censure**

**Antonyms: praise**

**UPHEAVAL (NOUN): (उथल-  
पुथल): disruption**

**Synonyms: upset, disturbance**

**Antonyms: stability**



**PRUDENCE**

**(NOUN):**

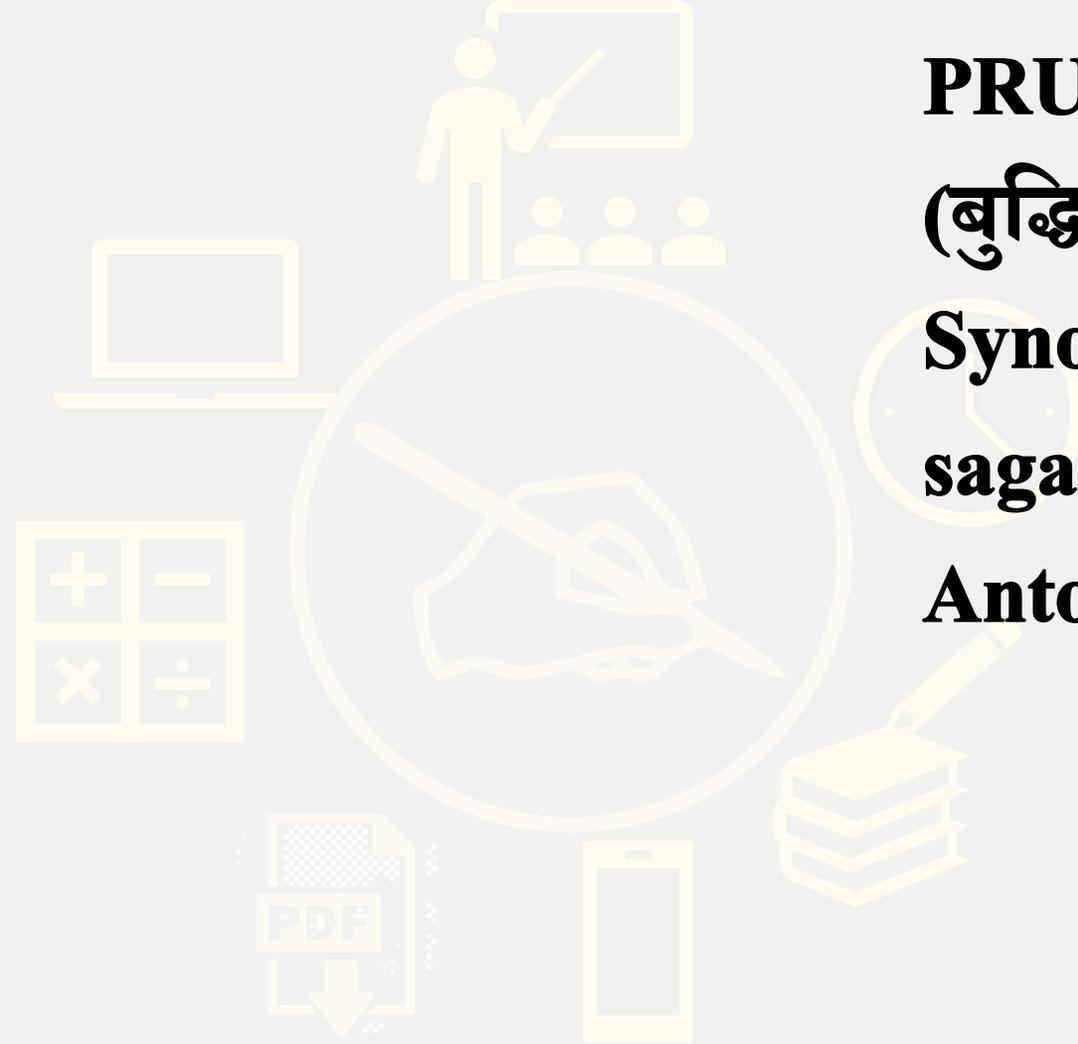
**(बुद्धिमत्ता): wisdom**

**Synonyms:**

**judgement,**

**sagacity**

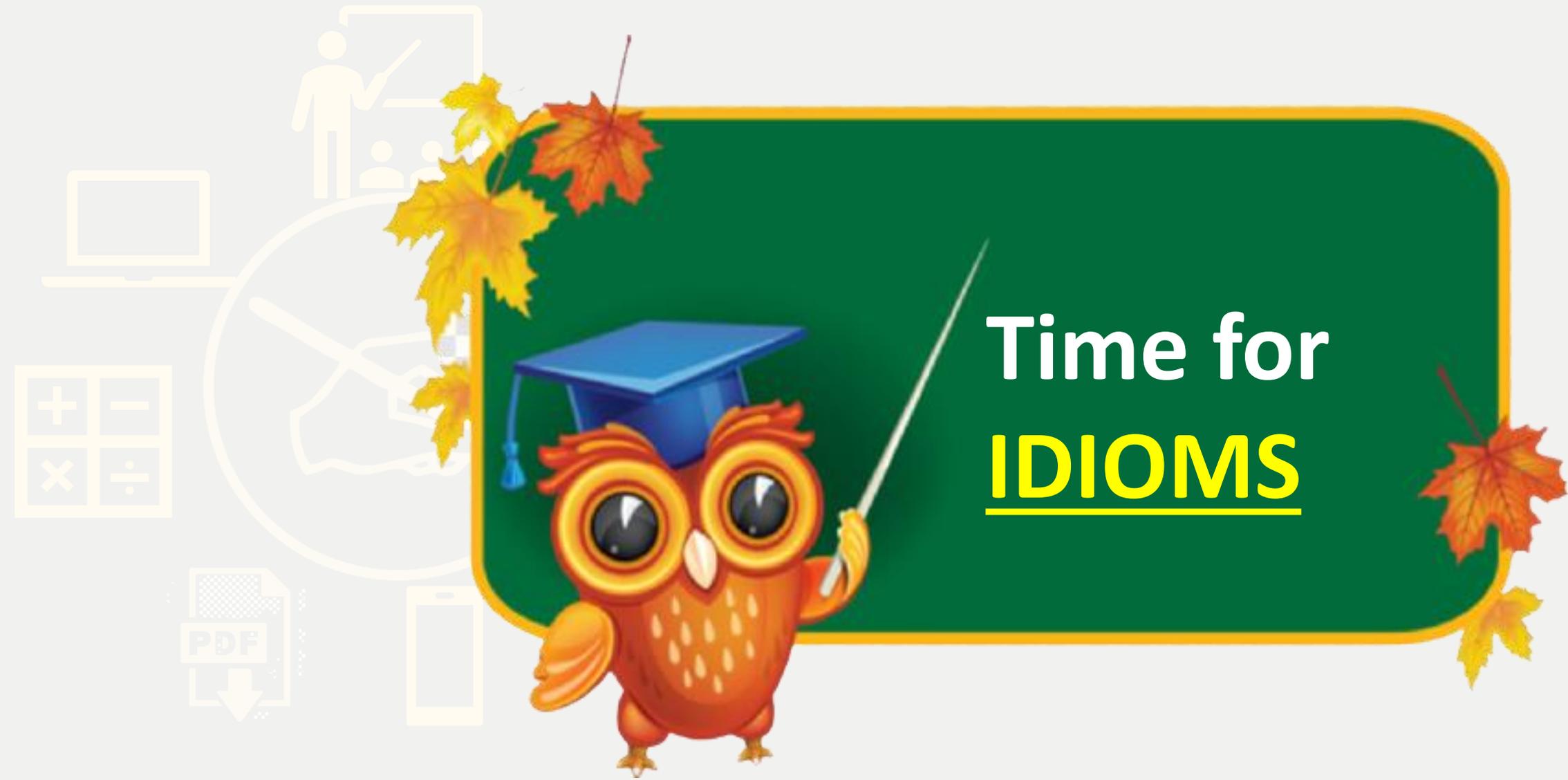
**Antonyms: folly**



# LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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# Time for IDIOMS

1. Jaya had a chequered career. since I first knew him as an office assistant in the insurance company.

- A. Had a variety of jobs and experiences
- B. A career which helped him make lot of money
- C. A career where he signed a lot of cheques
- D. Did odd jobs

**Answer: Option A**

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2. There is no hard and fast rule regarding this subject.

A. rule that is difficult

B. rule that is fat changing

C. rule that cannot be broken or modified

D. rule that can be broken or modified



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Answer: Option C

3. He went to his friend's house in the evening as was his wont.

- A. as usual
- B. as he wanted
- C. as his want was
- D. as he wanted that day



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**Answer: Option A**

4. He intends **setting up** as a lawyer in the adjoining district.

- A. To establish himself
- B. To migrate
- C. To join
- D. To settle

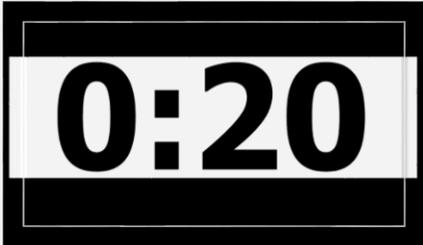


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**Answer: Option A**

5. The autographed bat from the famous cricketer Sunil Gavaskar is worth a jew's eye.

- A. Not a worthy possession
- B. unnecessary
- C. A costly items
- D. A possession of high value

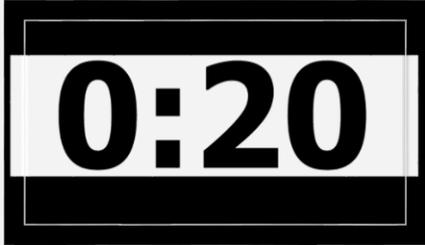


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**Answer: Option D**

6. The speaker gave a bird's eye view of the political conditions in the country.

- A. a personal view
- B. a general view
- C. a biased view
- D. a detailed presentation



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**Answer: Option B**

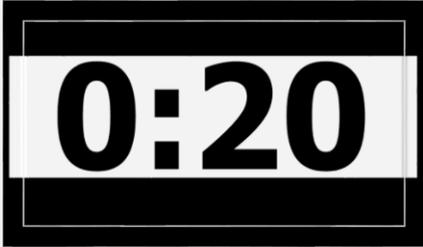
7. He resigned the post of his own accord.

A. which he liked

B. according to his convenience

C. voluntarily and willingly

D. according to his judgement



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**Answer: Option C**



# Time for SYNONYMS

8. **NEUTRAL**

A. **Unbiased**

B. **Non-aligned**

C. **Undecided**

D. **Indifferent**

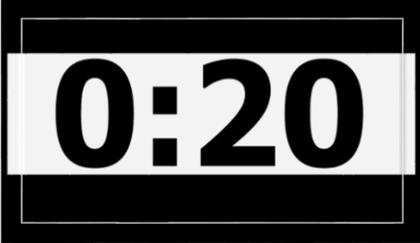


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**Answer: Option A**

## 9. **INSOLVENT**

- A. Poor**
- B. Bankrupt**
- C. Penniless**
- D. Broke**



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**Answer: Option B**

**10. FEEBLE****A. Weak****B. Vain****C. Arrogant****D. Sick****0:20****Answer: Option A**

# LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

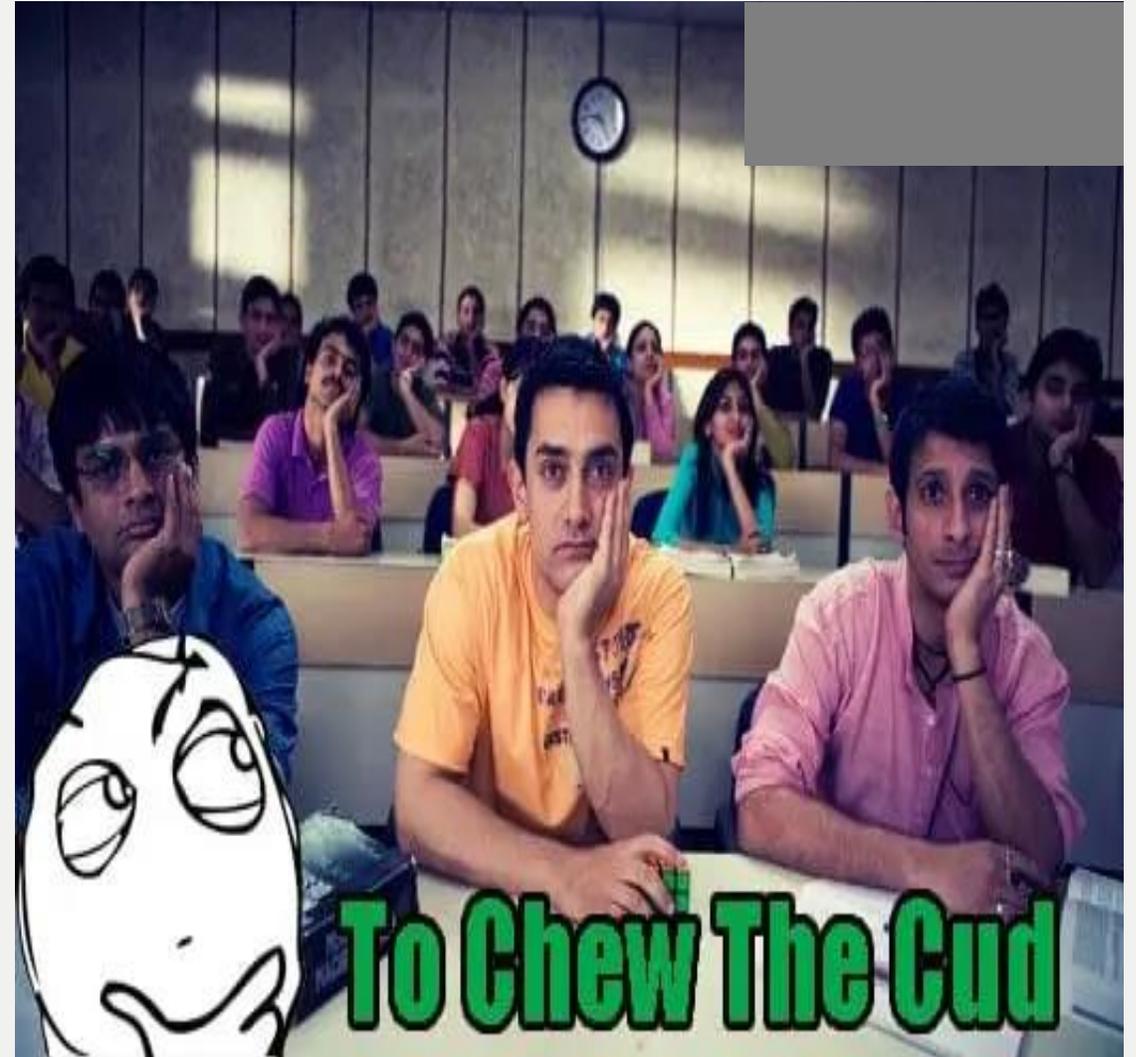
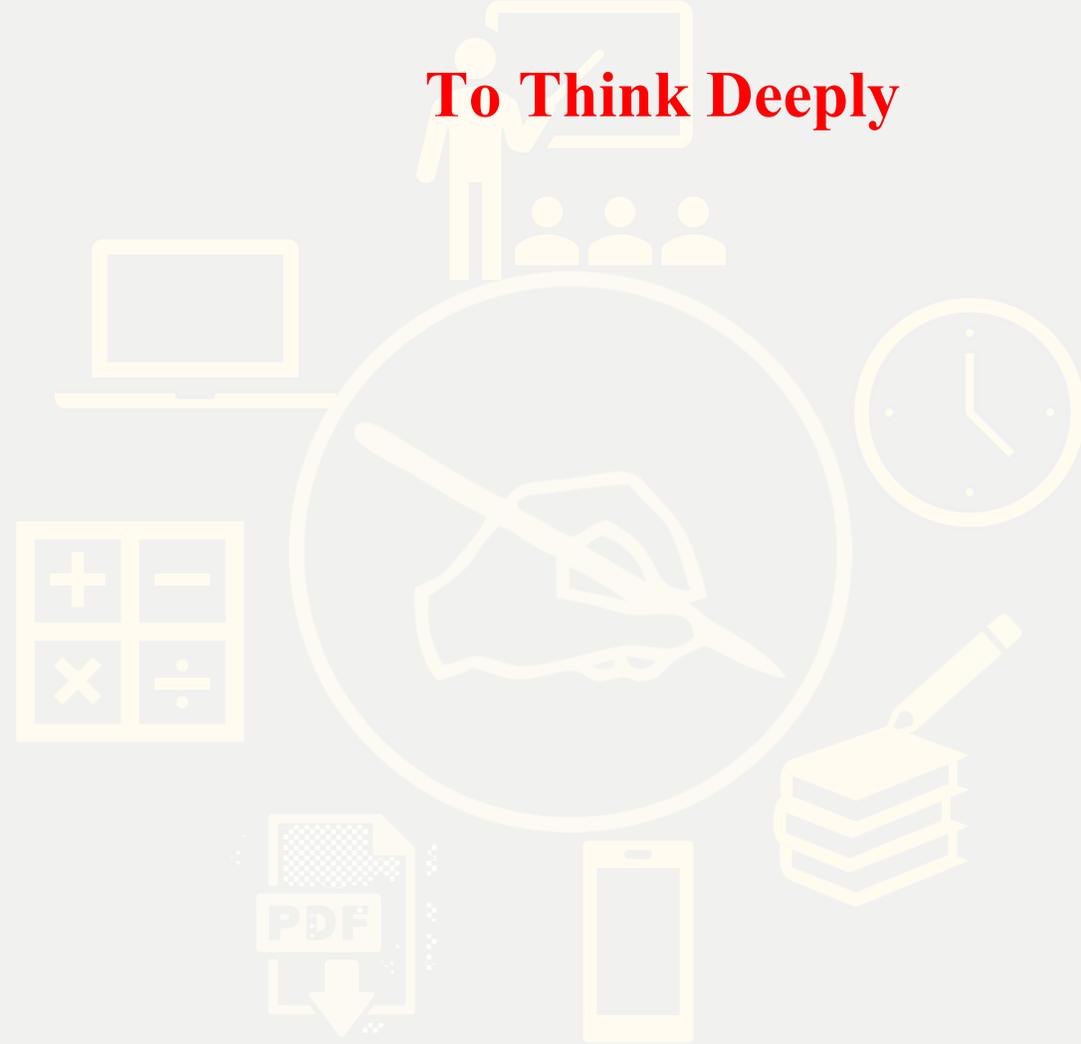
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Unexpected  
Trouble, As By  
Interfering The  
Concerns Of  
Others,  
Speculation, Etc.**





**A General View  
Or Study.**

**A View From A  
Very High Place  
Which Allows  
You To See A  
Large Area.**



# ENGLISH SPEAKING

## TIPS

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## Use of Should

1. तुम्हें खुद पर शर्म आनी चाहिये.

**You should be ashamed of yourself.**

## Use of Should

2. विद्यार्थियों को शिक्षकों का सम्मान करना चाहिये.

**Students should respect teachers.**

## Use of Should

3. सबलों को दुर्बलों का अपमान नहीं करना चाहिये.  
**The strong should not insult the weak**

# Homework



# Home Work

Find the synonym of  
**SHALLOW**

- A. Artificial**
- B. Superficial**
- C. Foolish**
- D. Worthless**

# Home Work

## Answer

In his youth, he was practically rolling in money

- A. Spending more than his income
- B. Borrowing money liberally
- C. **Very rich**
- D. Wasting a lot of money

