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THE HINDU

Editorial Analysis

Grammar

Reading Skills

Vocab

Spoken English

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LIVE  **8:00 AM**

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Time:

Thought of the day

Don't burn your

opportunities for a

temporary comfort.

TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

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

GRAMMAR SKILLS

ARE
YOU
READY??



GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Charge against (के विरुद्ध आरोप)

There is no charge against your brother.

Charge with (से आरोपित) The police charged your son with murder.

Condemn to (दंड देना) He was condemned to death.

Contrary to (विपरीत) He did contrary to my advice.

GRAMMAR SKILL - 1

Die of (मरना) He died of cholera.

Differ with (मतभेद होना) Ramesh differs with you on this point.

Differ from (भिन्न) Birds differ from beasts.

Deal in (To trade in, कार्य करना) He deals in silk goods.

Desire for (इच्छा करना) A saint has no desire for worldly pleasures.

GRAMMAR SKILL - 2

The conjunction 'or' is used with not / never.



**A. He has not gone to
Delhi nor Agra.**

**B. I have never spoken to
him nor written to him.**





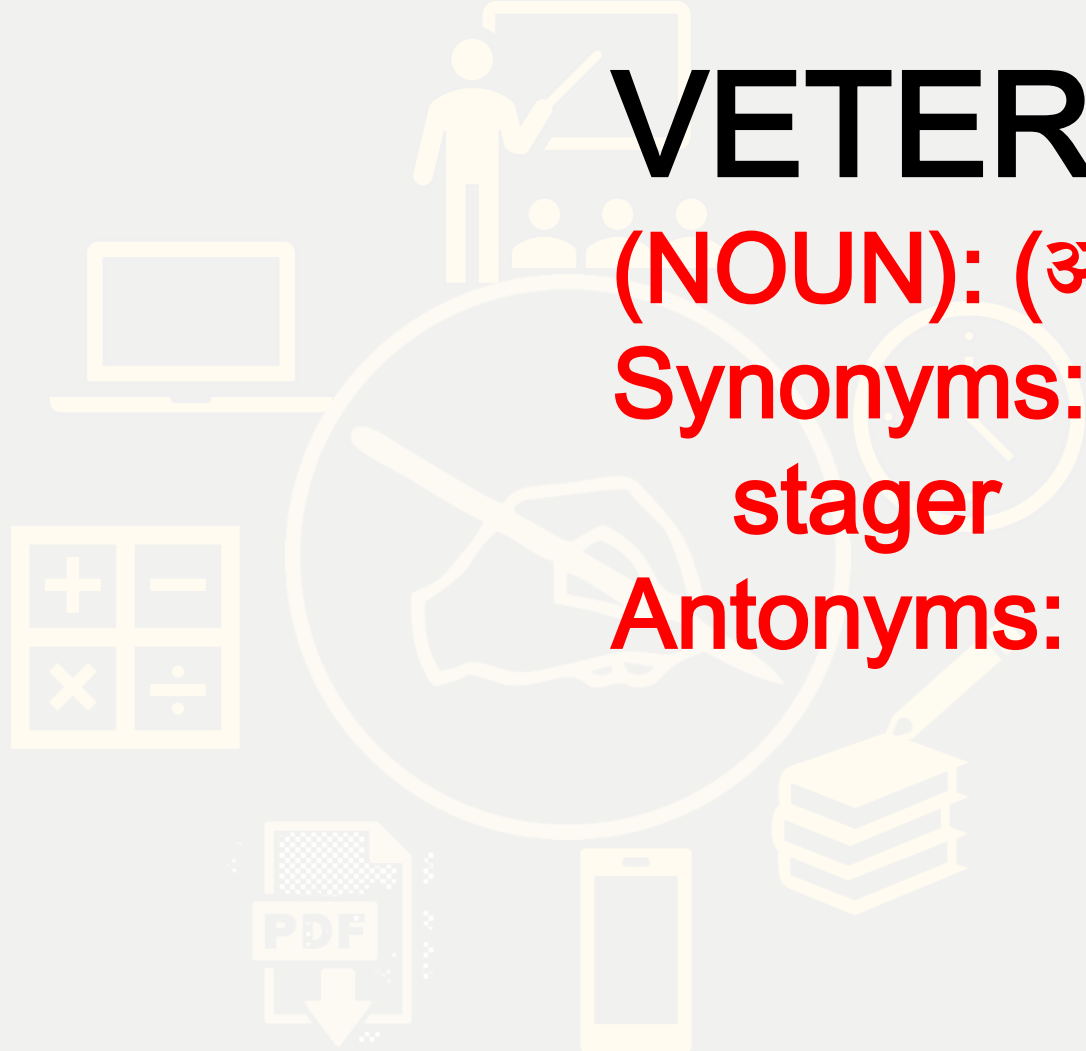
THE HINDU
VOCABULARY

VETERAN

(NOUN): (अनुभवी): Old hand

**Synonyms: Old-timer, Old
stager**

Antonyms: Novice



FACTION

(NOUN): (अंदरूनी कलह):

Infighting

**Synonyms: Dissension,
Dissent**

Antonyms: Harmony



MERCENARY

(ADJECTIVE): (लोभी):

Money-oriented

**Synonyms: Grasping,
Greedy**

Antonyms: Altruistic

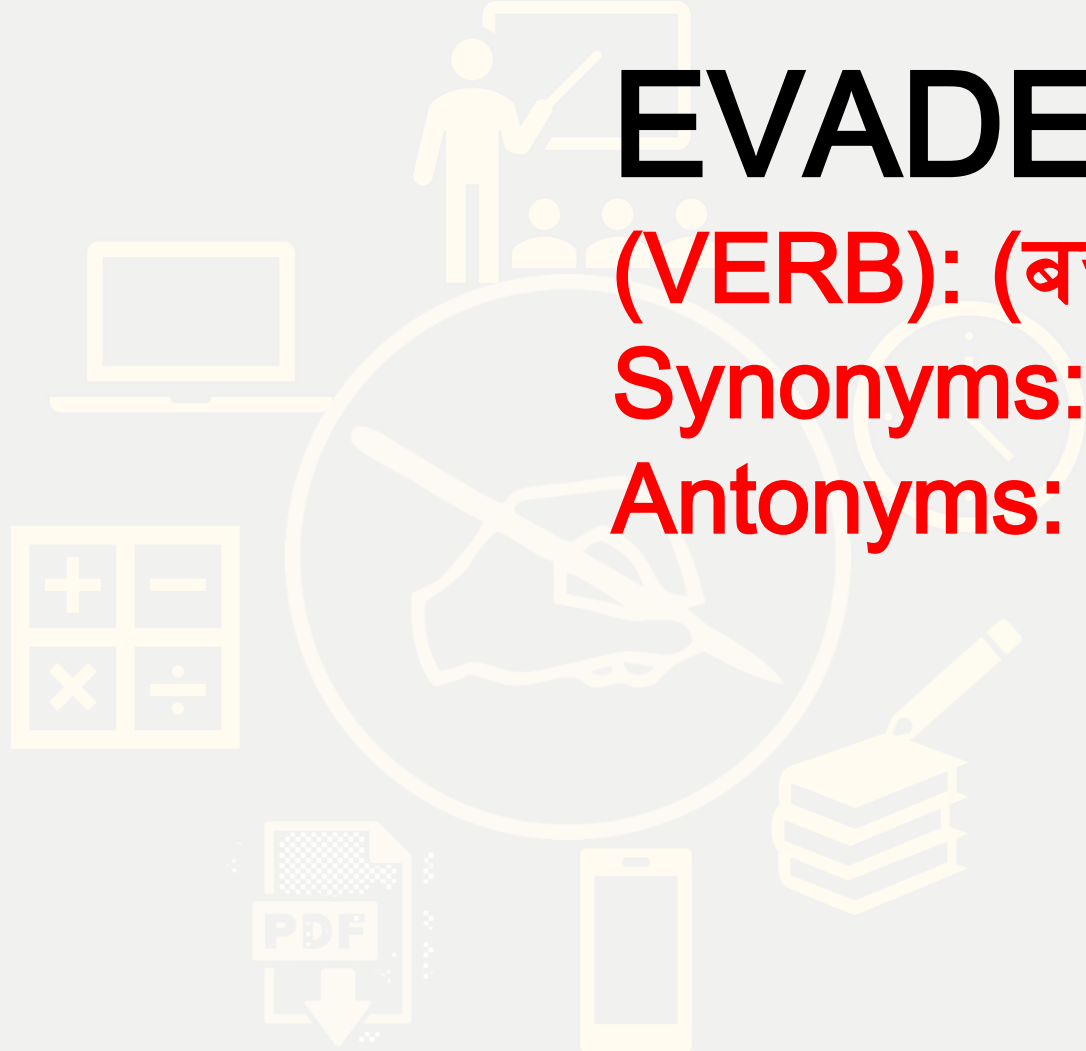


EVAADE

(VERB): (बचना): Elude

Synonyms: Avoid, Dodge

Antonyms: Confront



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

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Time for SYNONYMS

1. DILIGENT

(A) hard

working

(B) proud

(C) conceited

(D) great



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Correct Answer : A

2. **INFIRM**

(A) nervous

(B) weak

(C) unsteady

(D) timid



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Correct Answer : B

3. **FALLACY**

- (A) famous invention
- (B) mistaken belief
- (C) smart move
- (D) unfounded fear



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Correct Answer : B

4. **BEQUEATH**

- (A) scold
- (B) surround
- (C) give
- (D) disclose



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Correct Answer : C

5. FIDELITY

(A) weakness

(B) faithfulness

(C) resourcefulness

(D) strength



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Correct Answer : B



Time for
ERROR
DETECTION

6. Some people get used to (A)/ changes very easily (B)/ than others do (C)/ No Error (D)



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Ans.(b)

Sol. Replace 'very' with 'more'.

There is a sense of comparison in the sentence which implies the usage of 'more easily than' instead of 'very easily than'

7. The boy's parents were surprised that (A)/ he would excel with athletics since (B)/neither of them played sports in school (C)/ No Error (D)

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Ans.(b)

**Sol. Replace 'excel with' by 'excel in'.
'Excel in something' is the correct prepositional usage.**

8. “You didn’t answer my
(A)/ question,” he said,
(B)/ stepping to her.
(C)/No Error (D)

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Ans.(c)

**Sol. ‘Stepping towards her’
should be used.**

Towards: “in the direction of”.

9. Of the two great cities,
(A)/ the former is (B)/
biggest. (C)/ No Error (D)




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Ans.(c)

Sol. Change 'biggest' to 'bigger'.

**When one is chosen out of two,
a comparative degree is used.**



10. My teacher (A)/ did not object (B)/ to me using the mobile phone. (C)/ No Error (D)

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Ans.(c)

Sol. Change 'me' in 'my'. A possessive pronoun will be used before a gerund.

SO IT'S TIME

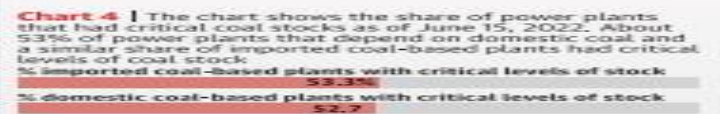
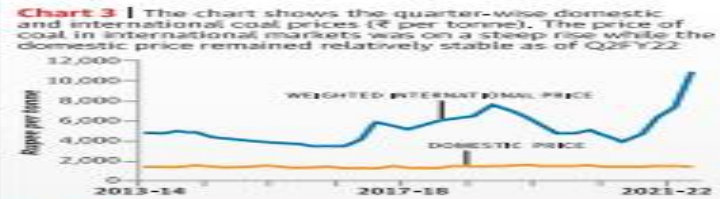
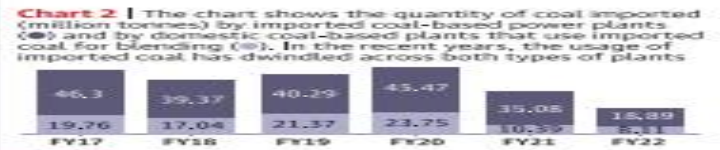
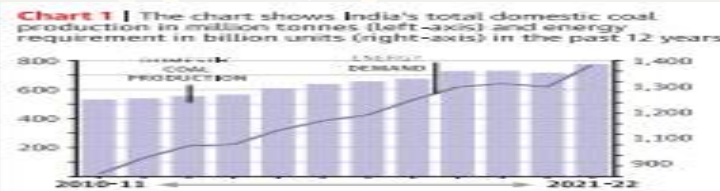
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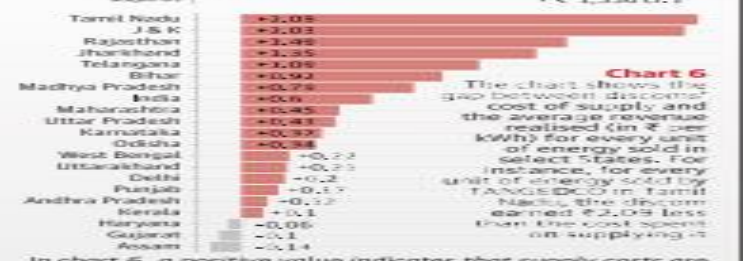
ARTICLE

The problems plaguing thermal power generators

With a coal supply demand gap, and international coal prices rising, cashstrapped thermal power generators are left with critical stocks



Source: CEA, PFC, Ministry of Coal, Ministry of Power, RBI, POSOCO



In chart 5, a positive value indicates that supply costs are higher than revenues and so the utility is making a loss. A negative value indicates that the utility is making a profit

ARTICLE

On June 10, India's power demand touched a record high of 211 MW even as the coal shortage continued with coal stocks available only for eight days. In the last two months, as temperatures **soared** and the economy recovered, the power demand **breached** the 200 MW level on several occasions. But the coal stock position at power plants remained **worrisome**. **Consequently**, the Ministry of Power **sprang into action**. **To bridge** the gap between shortage in domestic supply and increasing demand, power generating companies or 'gencos' were **directed** to use **imported** coal for 10% of their requirement, **failing which** their domestic supplies would be cut.

How did India get here?

India is the second largest **producer** of coal, with **reserves** that could last up to 100 years.

ARTICLE

Despite that, year after year, the shortage of coal supplies continues to be an issue. Why does India have a **recurring** power crisis? The domestic production of coal **stagnated** between FY18 and FY21, but **revived** in FY22. The power demand too **surged** owing to economic recovery and hotter weather conditions. In a press release published on May 27, the Ministry of Power noted that “despite efforts to increase the supply of domestic coal, there is still a gap between the requirement of coal and the supply of coal.”. Until FY20, **domestic sources contributed** to about 90% of the power sector’s coal **receipts**; the remaining was filled by imports.

But by FY22, the **reliance on** imports **dwindled** to 3.8% which **built pressure** on domestic supplies.

ARTICLE

The coal imported by power plants **declined to** 27 MT in FY22 from 66.06 MT in FY17. Coal imported for **blending purposes** by power plants that run on **indigenous** coal declined to 8 MT in the last financial year, from 19.7 MT in FY17. **A bulk** of imports was made by power plants designed for imported coal. **Notably**, their share of imports too saw a decline of 60% in FY22 since FY17. Out of 15 such import based power plants in India, five had little or no coal stock as of June 15. This **dip** in imports can be **attributed to** the **skyrocketing** prices of coal in the international markets.

LEARNING VOCAB WITH IMAGES

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Facsimile



Definition an exact copy of something



Quiescence



Definition quiet

Usage The storm was over and the quiescent waters looked like glass

Repellent



Definition very unpleasant; causing strong dislike

Homework



Home Work

He ultimately decided (A)/
to willingly and cheerfully
(B)/accept the
responsibility entrusted to
him. (C)/ No Error (D)

Home Work Answer

- A) China had invaded India in 1962.
- B) China was invading India in 1962.
- C) China invaded India in 1962.**
- D) China had been invading India in 1962.

