

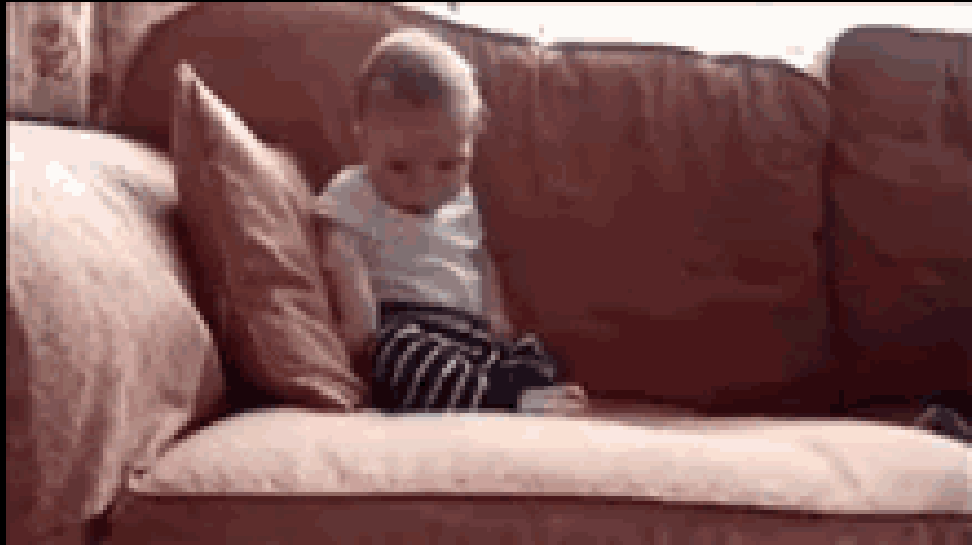


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WORDS WITH PICTURE



1. **Slumped (Noun) : अचानक भारी गिरावट आ जाना**

Meaning: To fall suddenly and by a large amount

Synonyms: Droop, Slump Down

Antonyms: Sit Upright, Perk Up, Erect, Perky

Sentence: Exhausted from a long day of work, he slumped into the chair and closed his eyes.



Madras High Court declares 2019 election of Theni MP, P. Ravindhranath Kumar, null and void


The Madras High Court however, has kept its verdict in abeyance for a month, to enable Mr. Ravindhranath Kumar, son of former T.N. CM O. Pannneerselvam, to go on appeal to the Supreme Court


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2. Ostentatious(Adj.) : दिखावटी

Meaning: A desire to flaunt wealth, status, or extravagance in a conspicuous manner.

Synonyms: Flashy, Flamboyant, Extravagant

Antonyms: Modest, Simple, Unassuming

Sentence: Her ostentatious jewelry and designer clothes made



Along the rocky road that takes one further towards the Rajasthan border, new-found affluence manifests in glimpse.

A black Verna halts next to the glass doors of an airconditioned grocery store. On this rolling rural Aravali landscape, both seem out of place to a visitor but draw no second looks from locals, who carry on with their lives next to such ostentatious displays in one of India's most backward district.



3. Limping(Verb) : लँगड़ाना



Meaning: To walk with difficulty because you have hurt your leg or foot

Synonyms: **Lame** , **Lurching**

Antonyms: **Striding** , **Marching**

Sentence: After spraining his ankle, he was limping heavily as he walked



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Unbelievable



4. Implausible (Adj.) : अविश्वसनीय

Meaning: **Something that is not believable**

Synonyms: **Unlikely, Improbable**

Antonyms: **Probable, Credible**

Sentence: **The movie's plot twist was so implausible that it took away from the overall**



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5. Plunder(Noun , Verb) : लूट का सामान , लूटना

Meaning: To steal goods or valuables forcefully

Synonyms: Loot, Pillage, Ransack

Antonyms: Protect, Preserve, Guard

Sentence: (V) The pianist's performance was impeccable, every note played with precision and grace





Congress a combination of plunder, deceit, says Modi

The Hindu Bureau

JAIPUR

Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Saturday described the Congress as a combination of “plunder and deceit” and said people would vote out the party-led government in Rajasthan in the Assembly election as it is “neither honest nor stable”.

“There is only one meaning of the Congress: *loot ki dukaan* and *jhooth ka bazaar*,” Mr. Modi said in an apparent reference to Congress leader Rahul Gandhi’s oft-repeated remark that his party is ‘*mohabbat ki dukaan*’ (shop of affection) in ‘*nafrat ka bazaar*’ (market of hatred).

The Prime Minister was addressing a BJP rally at Naurangdesar village in Bikaner district after dedicating and laying the founda-



The PM addressing a BJP rally in Bikaner on Saturday. PTI

tion stones of development projects worth more than ₹24,300 crore.

Mr. Modi said the public anger against the Congress government had increased so much that it would take no time to unseat it. The defeat of the Congress was so certain that the Ministers and MLAs had started vacating their government bungalows, he said, adding that the ruling party had caused “significant harm” to the State over the past

four and a half years.

Mr. Modi said the Congress – plagued with internal rift and dissension – had promoted corruption, crime and politics of appeasement. “Under the Congress rule, protectors have become predators... Rajasthan tops the list in crimes against women. The entire government machinery here is busy in protecting rape and murder accused,” he said.

Projects unveiled

Mr. Modi earlier dedicated to the people a six-lane greenfield expressway section of the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor, phase 1 of the Inter-State Transmission Line for Green Energy Corridor, a Bikaner-to-Bhiwadi power transmission line and an Employees’ State Insurance Corporation Hospital.



6. Stab (Verb, Noun): छूरा भोंकना

Meaning: To thrust or pierce with a pointed object, such as a knife or a sharp instrument

Synonyms: Impale, Jab , Wound

Antonyms: Withdraw, Retract ,
Healing

Sentence:(V) The victim was stabbed in the back during the altercation





Denied money to buy drugs, man stabs wife to death

A man stabbed his wife to death in Rohini allegedly due to marital problems caused by his drug addiction, the police said on Saturday. DCP (Rohini) Guriqbal Singh Sidhu said the accused, Akbar, 30 has been arrested and further investigation is underway.



7. Deluge(Verb & Noun) : **एकाएक
मूसलाधार वर्षा**

Meaning: **A severe flood or
overwhelming amount of
something**

Synonyms: **Flood, Torrent,
Inundation**

Antonyms: **Trickle, Drought ,
Parch**

Sentence: (N) **The heavy rain**



Highest rainfall in a day in 20 years drowns Delhi in deluge

Heavy rainfall due to western disturbance leads to the death of a woman, waterlogging, traffic jams and vehicle breakdowns in several areas; IMD issues orange alert for Sunday; BJP, Congress unleash attack on AAP govt., Mayor

The Hindu Bureau
NEW DELHI

The national capital received 126 mm rainfall between 8.30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. on Saturday – the highest this monsoon – leading to waterlogging, traffic jams and vehicle breakdowns in several areas, and the death of a woman.

The BJP and the Congress unleashed an attack on the AAP government saying that the first full day's rain completely exposed it. The BJP also slammed Mayor Shelly Oberoi for attending a meeting in Ahmedabad despite "knowing" that the city would receive heavy rainfall during the weekend.

The Delhi government did not respond to queries





8. Forage(Noun) : चारा

Meaning: To search or rummage for food, provisions, or supplies

Synonyms: Food, Fodder, Provender

Antonyms: Scarcity, Shortage

Sentence: (N)The farmer gathered fresh forage to feed the livestock



Question Corner

The paradox

When foraging together, do elephants get enough to eat?

We know that elephants eat plants. An earlier study found that elephants switch from eating fresh grasses when it rains to eating trees during the long dry season. In a recent study (*Royal Society Open Science*), researchers showed that dietary differences among individuals were often far greater than it had been previously assumed, even among family members that foraged together on a given day. The study helps address a classic paradox in wildlife ecology. Given that elephants all seemingly eat the same

plants, it's not obvious why competition for food doesn't push them apart and force them to forage independently.

The simple answer is that elephants vary their diets based not only on what's available but also their preferences and physiological needs, as per a release. These findings help inform theories of why a group of elephants may forage together: the individual elephants don't always eat exactly the same plants at the same time, so there will usually be enough plants to go around.

Readers may send their questions / answers to questioncorner@thehindu.co.in



9. Sojourn(Noun): अस्थायी निवास



Meaning: a temporary stay or visit in a place, often implying a period of rest or leisure.

Synonyms: Stopover, Vacation

Antonyms: Permanent Stay, Settlement

Sentence: We had a delightful sojourn in the quaint village, enjoying the peaceful atmosphere.



Spiritual sojourn

Warkaris walk 250 km to worship Lord Vitthal at Pandharpur in Maharashtra with faith and joy during their annual pilgrimage

They chant, they dance, they walk. Tens of thousands of pilgrims called “warkaris” undertake on foot the journey to honour the deity Vitthal, also known as Vithoba, at Pandharpur in Maharashtra every year. The pilgrimage that can span 21 days is known as *Dindi*.

The pilgrimage culminates on *Ashadhi Ekadashi*, which fell on June 29 this year.

The tradition goes back 700 to 800 years. Though the origin of the pilgrimage is not clear, various theories credit its growth to Viththalpant Kulkarni (father of Saint Dnyaneshwar), Saint Dnyaneshwar, Saint Tukaram and Narayan Maharaj (youngest son of saint Tukaram).

The word *warkari* is explained as a combination of two words. *War* is an abbreviation of *wari*, which means pilgrimage, and *kari* is the one who performs the pilgrimage.

The pilgrimages that originate from the shrines of saints Dnyaneshwar and Tukaram are the most famous, particularly because they have the largest number of participants.

The pilgrims walk a distance of about 250 km in three weeks covering the districts of Pune, Satara and Solapur. Along the way, they chant the Lord’s name (*nam japa*), sing holy songs (*abhang*) and read sacred texts (*haripath*).

The *warkaris*, bearing palanquins carrying footprints of the saints, must ensure that they





10. Palanquins (Noun) : पालकी



Meaning: Portable seats or enclosed boxes that are carried by several people on their shoulders

Synonyms: Litter, Sedan Chair

Antonyms: Carriage, Automobile

Sentence: The bride made a grand entrance sitting regally in a



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TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





Q1. Select the **CORRECTLY** spelt word.

1. invincible
2. infallible
3. inaccessible
4. Ineffable



Answer: 2



Q2. Select the most appropriate
ANTONYM of the word
Vociferate



1. Shout
2. Yell
3. Scream
4. Whisper

Answer: 4



Q3. Select the most appropriate
SYNONYM of the word.

Vicarious

1. Genuine
2. Authentic
3. Commuted
4. Actual

Answer: 3





Q4. Select the option that can be used as a one-word substitute

Weakness and poor health

1. Geniality
2. Hospitality
3. Frailty
4. Obscurity

Answer: 3





Q5. An action for making amends for a wrong or injury



1. Atonement
2. Redemption
3. Rite
4. Perjury

Answer: 1



Q6. Select the INCORRECTLY spelt word.



1. omitted
2. comitted
3. admitted
4. submitted

Answer: 2



Q7. Select the most appropriate
ANTONYM of the word

Empathy

1. Kindness
2. Concern
3. Support
4. Callousness

Answer: 4





Q8. Select the most appropriate SYNONYM of the word.

Ensure

1. Jeopardize
2. Assure
3. Endanger
4. Risk

Answer: 2





Q9. Select the most appropriate meaning of the idiom.

Sell like hot cakes

1. Quick sellout
2. Easily achieved
3. Being very happy
4. Being Ignored

Answer: 1





Q10. Up in arms

1. Being grumpy or angry about something
2. Stuck in a difficult circumstance with no escape
3. Go to sleep
4. Acted Quickly



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Good things
come to those



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