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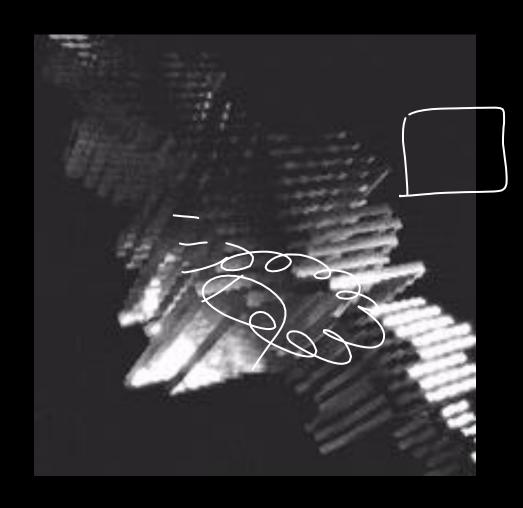


# TOPICS TO BE COVERED

- > EXAM-BASED WORDS WITH PICTURE
- > ANTONYMS SYNONYMS
- > ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION



# WORDS WITH PICTURE



# INTRICATE : जटिल्

Parts of Speech : Adj.

Meaning: Very complicated, detailed, or

complex in structure or design

Synonyms: Complex, Intricacy

Antonym : Simple , Basic

Sentence: The intricate patterns in the

testament to the skill and craftsmanship of the artisans who created them.



# Stocktaking calamity

The world needs genuine breakthroughs in climate talks

he climate crisis intricately wove itself into the G-20 summit in Delhi, particularly during the discussions on clean energy, sustainable development and the collective responsibility necessary to avert it. The United Nations' Global Stocktake, a report that was released just ahead of the G-20 meet, set out the scope of challenges that awaited the major economies of the world even as it presented little beyond what is already known. This stocktake is to serve as a template to guide discussion ahead of the 28th Conference of Parties scheduled in Dubai this November and is meant to be an official reckoning of the work actually done by countries since 2015, in stemming greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. That year, signatories to the UN convention on climate change agreed in Paris to keep global emissions from rising beyond 2°C and, as far as possible, limit it to 1.5°C. Though it

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# BENIGN: सौम्य

Parts of Speech: Adj.

Meaning: Something that is not harmful,

threatening, or malignant.

Synonyms Benevolent, Harmless

Antonyms: Malicious, Hostile

**Sentence: The doctor assured the patient** 

that the tumor was benign and could be easily removed without posing any serious health risks.

# Secure and fair

Efforts to regulate unfair online trade

practices were overdue

ndia's efforts to regulate insidious e-commerce trade practices, known as dark patterns, are a welcome step, and long overdue. The government's consultations with sector stakeholders and consumer advocacy groups culminating with the draft guidelines to prevent and regulate dark patterns - public comments have been sought by October 5 - will, it is hoped, generate the much-needed attention this issue deserves. When the British 'user experience researcher' Harry Brignull coined the term dark patterns in 2010, Google (now Alphabet) was considered a benign search engine, and Facebook (now Meta) enabled long-lost connections and an unprecedented access into personal lives even when people lived oceans apart. Dark patterns of



# EMASCULATED: शक्तिहीन करना

Parts of Speech: Verb

Meaning: The act of making someone feel

less confident or less like a man.

Synonyms: Weaken, Castrate

Antonyms: Vitalize, Assert

Sentence: The constant belittling and criticism from his supervisor left John feeling emasculated and undermined in his role at

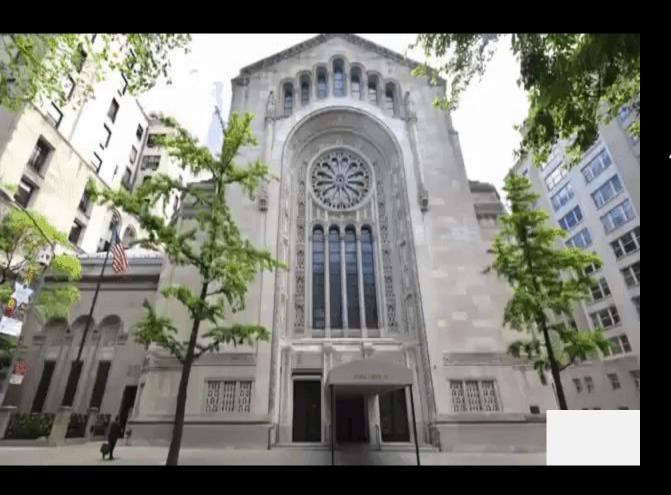
work, causing him to lose confidence in his abilities.

#### The last word

How do we deal with such a proposed subversion of the Constitution? A Parliament that has been neutralised, a judiciary that is supine, a media that is largely subservient and a civil society that has been **emasculated** will not be able to resist the government's plans. It is only the electorate that now has the power to decide if they want to live with this particular idea of "One India".







# SYNAGOGUE: यहूदी मंदिर

Parts of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A building or place where Jewish people gather for religious

services, prayer, and community

activities.

Synonyms: Temple, Shul

Sentence: The local synagogue is the

heart of the Jewish community, where

people come together to celebrate

religious festivals, study the Torah, and

offer prayers.

#### On justice

In one of the most powerful statements in human history on justice, the Koran (in 4:135) categorically commands Muslims to be honest testifiers of truth and unswerving establishers of justice (koonu qawwameena bil qist) even if it goes against themselves, their parents, close relatives, or anybody irrespective of their social, relational or financial status (wa lau ala anfusikum awil waalidayni wal aqrabeena in yakun ghaneeyan au faqeeran).

And in the context of religious violence, the Koran warns (in 22:40) that if peace-loving people do not repel (daf'u) rampaging mobs, it would result in the destruction of monasteries, churches, synagogues and mosques in which god is commemorated in abundant measure (lahuddimat sawaamiyu wa biya'un wa salawaatun wa masaajidu yuzkaru feeha usmullahi kaseeran).

To paraphrase Scott Fitzgerald, if most Muslim societies find themselves wrecked on the shoals of intolerance it is because, over the centuries, supremacist theologians allowed the life-affirming teachings of the *Koran* to be overridden by sectarian edicts, thus inculcating a sense of

# ABERRATION : पतन

Meaning: A deviation from a moral or ethical standard.

Synonyms: Anomaly, Oddity

Antonyms: Consistency, Standard

POS: Noun

Sentence: The sudden spike in temperature during the middle of winter was an aberration that surprised everyone in the town, as winters there are usually quite cold.

with greater interiory.

The rise in disasters is a trend, not an aberration. Headlines this year alone have brought a relentless wave of bad news across the world, from severe flooding in China to destructive wildfires in Europe and Hawaii to the hottest month ever on record in July. This is set to become the new normal if more action isn't taken.



# STEWARDSHIP: परिचारक का पद

Meaning: The responsible and ethical management, care, and protection of something that has been entrusted to one's care.

Synonyms: Custodian, Oversight

Antonyms: Squander), Abandonment

POS: Noun

Sentence: She took her role as the team captain with great stewardship, always looking out for the well-being and development of her

teammates.



Another reason for optimism is India's stewardship on disaster risk reduction. All the 28 States have prepared their own disaster management plans in recent years. Accordingly, mortality from extreme weather events has fallen drastically in recent years. India's early warning system for cyclones covers the entire coastline and has helped reduce cyclone-related mortality by 90% over the last 15 years, while heat wave action plans at the local level have reduced heat wave deaths by over 90%. The recent zero death toll of Cyclone Biparjoy in Gujarat demonstrates what can be achieved through effective preparedness, response, and early warning and action systems. In fact, there were rays of joy amidst the disaster, as hundreds of babies were reported to have been born to women who had been transported to hospitals and shelters for safe delivery by the government before the cyclone.





# ADAMANT : अटल

Meaning: Noun: an imaginary hard substance that is believed to be unbreakable.

Adj.) to be persuaded or to change one's mind.

Synonyms: Resolute, Stubborn

Antonyms: Pliable, Willing

POS Noun and Adj.

Sentence: She was adamant about her decision to resign from her job, despite her colleagues' efforts to convince her to stay.





Tough call: Russian Foreign Minister Sergey Lavrov attends the Plenary Session of the G-20 Leaders'.

Summit at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on Sunday. ANI

added.

"Perhaps it was the voice of their conscience," he said, when asked why he thought the G-7 and European Union had agreed to the shift after remaining adamant on the 'Bali paragraphs' for months, adding that the summit marked the "awakening" of the Global South members of the G-20.

"Our BRICS partners



# SHODDY (तुच्छ

Meaning Noun: Something of low quality or inferior workmanship.

Adj. poor quality, cheaply made, or badly constructed

Synonyms: Inferior Cheap

Antonyms: Superior Excellent

POS: Adj.

Sentence: The shoddy craftsmanship of

the furniture became apparent when it started falling apart after just a few months of use.

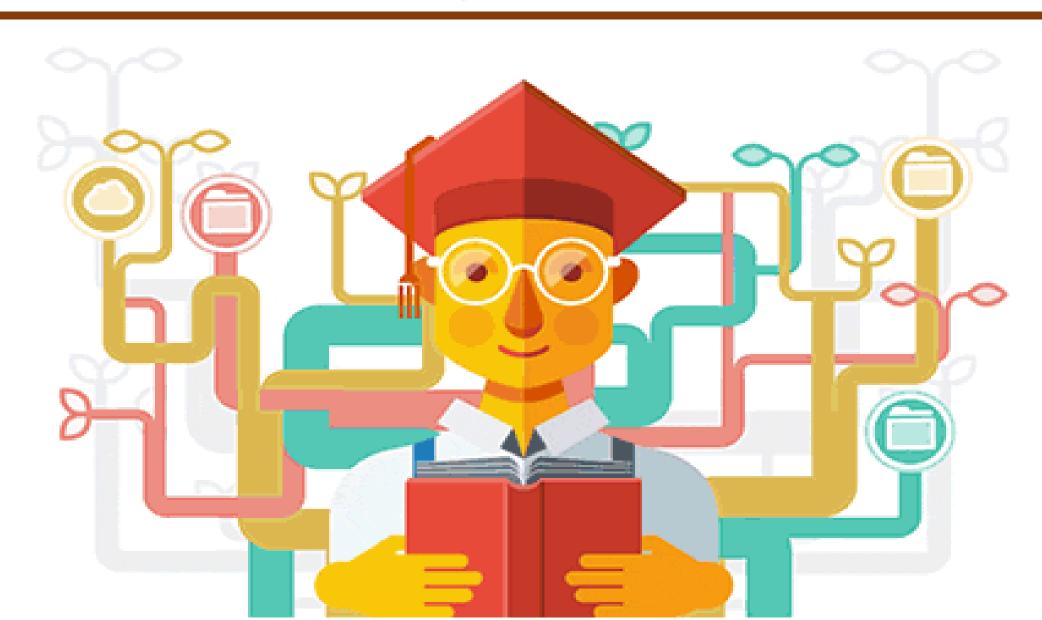




# Congress shares video of waterlogging at G-20 venue

The Congress on Sunday shared on the social media platform X (formerly Twitter) a video of waterlogging at the newly constructed Bharat Mandapam, the venue for the G-20 Summit, and said it exposed the "hollow development" under the Modi government. In the video, people are seen walking along a waterlogged corridor. "Hollow development exposed. Bharat Mandapam was prepared for G-20. ₹2,700 crore was spent. It was lost in one rain...," the Congress said in its post. "Rains are also part of the international anti-national conspiracy," party spokesperson Supriya Shrinate said while sharing the video on X. "Who are these corrupt people who stole so much money and did such shoddy work," she asked.

# WEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





Cupy

Synonym of : Forborne (Verb)): रोकना

**Submit** 

Bow

Abstain

**Disputant** 

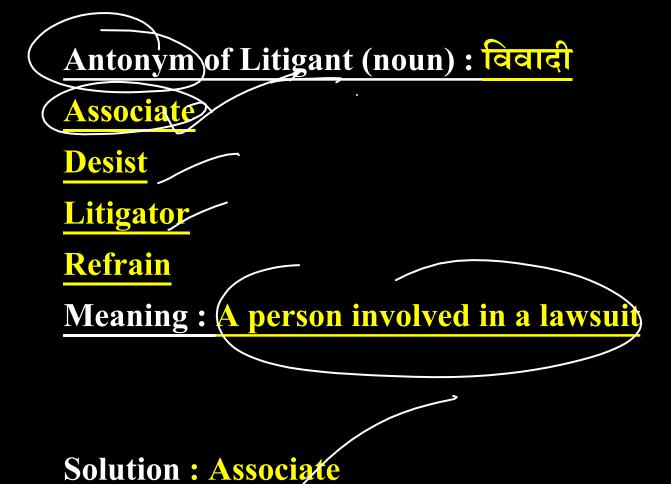
Meaning: Politely or patiently restrain an impulse to do

onto

something

**Solution: Abstain** 









Synonyms of Unruly (Adj.):अनियंत्रित

Disorderly

Wild

Uncontrollable

Manageable

Meaning: Disorderly and disruptive and not

amenable to discipline or control

Solution: Disorderly, Wild, Uncontrollable



Synonym of Parry (Noun) : बचाव

**Stave off** 

Encounter

Governable

Controllable

Meaning: Ward off (a weapon or attack) with

a countermove

Solution: Stave Off





# Synonyms of Embellish (verb): संवारना



Meaning: Interrupt (a public speaker) with derisive or aggressive comments or abuse.

Solution: Decorate, Adorn



Synonyms of Maunder (Verb) :गुनगुनाना

Disagreeableness

Prate -

**Prattle** 

Rambl

Meaning: Talk in a rambling manner

Solution: Prate, Prattle, Ramble



# ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

#### A lover of women



- B. Optimist
- C. Somnambulist
- **D.** Philomuse
- E. None of the above

**Solution: Option A** 



#### A lover of animals

- A. Aerophobia
- B. Die-hard
- C. Itinerant
- D. Philozoie
- E. None Of the Above

**Solution: Option D** 



Fear of dead body

A. Xenophobia

B. Accrophobia

C. Eco-phobia

D. Auto-phobia

E. None of the above

**Solution: Option B** 





Wild and noisy disorder,

A. Pandemonium

B. Philotheist

C. Theocracy

D. Thearchy

E. None Of the Above

Solution: Option A





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**GARNER** 



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