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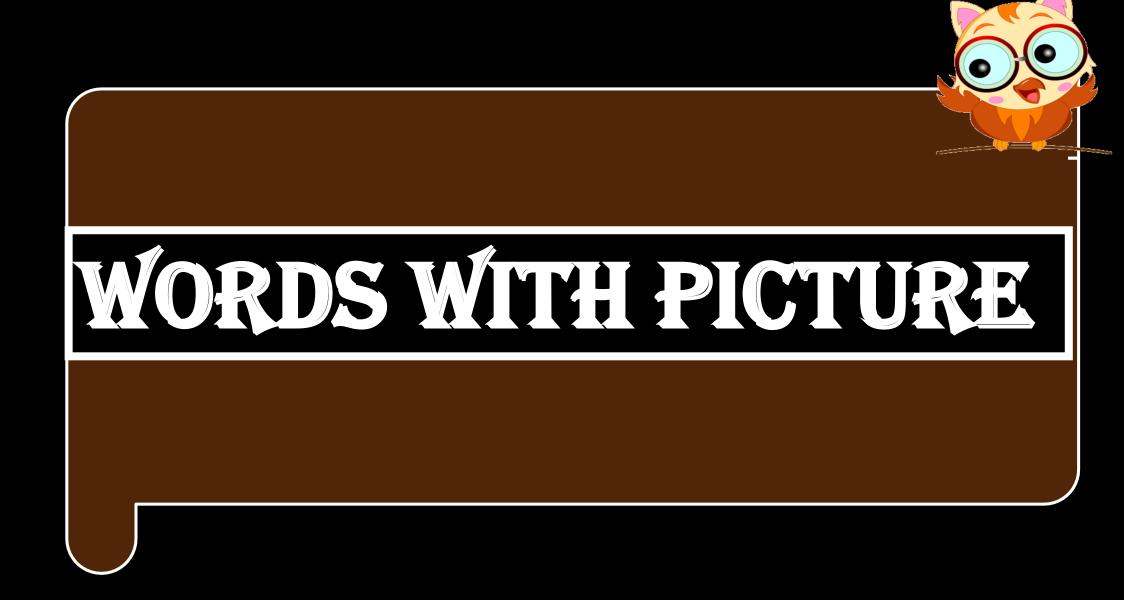


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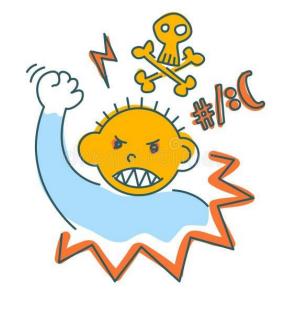
TOPICS TO BE COVERED

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 ANTONYMS – SYNONYMS
 ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION





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VITUPERATIONS: Parts of Speech : Noun Meaning: harsh, abusive, or vehement language or criticism Synonyms : Invective , Censure Antonyms : Admiration, Applause **Sentence : Her vituperations** against her colleague during the meeting shocked everyone in the room.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Move on

An uncritical acceptance of any doctrine is dangerous and so is the sharply focused criticism of Ambedkar and FVR on Sanatana Dharma and its wholesale dismissal. No religion or philosophical doctrine or even an economic practice can claim to itself absolute infallibility and truthfulness. The exhortation in the article, " Hindus have to give Sanatana Dharma profundity" (Opinion page, September 12), is necessary to refine this dominant

tradition of our country to progress towards more inclusivity. However, it is extremely inaccurate to portray that all practices of Sanatana Dharma can be reduced to caste differences. The writer's criticism of Sanatana Dharma is well meant, but his defence of the misinformed rantings by some Ministers in Tamil Nadu serves no useful purpose other than to reinforce existing fault lines. We are currently living in an era of tremendous economic inequality

globally which also is prevalent within our country, while the earth is engulfed in multiple tragedies due to "global climate change". Hence, we cannot afford to waste precious time and energy on ill-informed vituperations of sectarian supremacy, whatever be their origins. **G. Parameswaran,** Coimbatore

Ajit Ninan

The passing of renowned cartoonist Ajit Ninan (September 9) is an

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BIVOUAC : बिना तंबुदों के अस्थायी रूप से बेरिकार्डकोई Speech : Noun Meaning : a temporary camp or shelter, typically for military troops or mountaineers, often without the use of tents or other permanent structures. Synonyms : Shelter , Halt , Lodge Antonyms : Residence , Evacuate Sentence : The soldiers made a bivouac in the forest for the night

during their training exercise.

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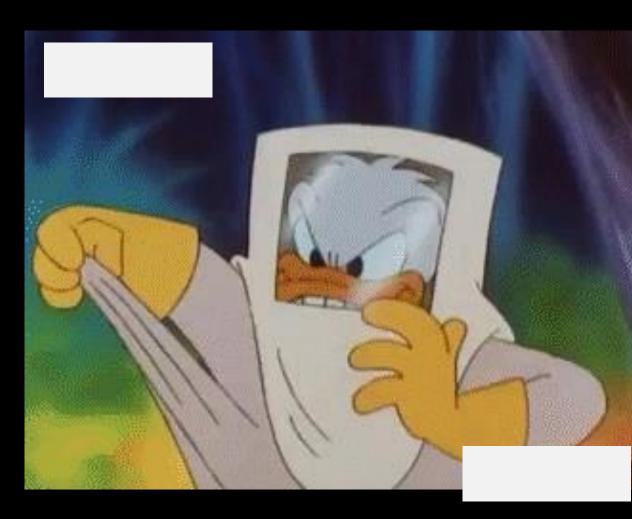
AVERRED : सिद्ध

Pearce of Speech : Verb Meaning : To assert or affirm something with confidence, to declare or state positively, or to express a belief or opinion firmly and confidently. Synonyms : Asserted , Declared Antonyms : Refuted , Negated Sentence : Despite criticism, he averred his belief in the importance of preserving the

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IMPENETRABLE: Plants of Speech : Adj. Meaning : Difficult to understand, fathom, or solve due to complexity or obscurity. Synonyms : Impervious, Unassailable Antonyms : Permeable, Transparent **Sentence : Despite their** efforts, the investigators found the mystery surrounding the

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INFILTRATORS: Meaning: individuals or groups who secretly enter a place, organization, or group with the intent of gaining information, causing disruption, or carrying out activities without detection or authorization. **BAbsnhsnhtruders, Saboteurs** Settemes: Allesspy agenter had a network of skilled infiltrators operating in foreign countries.

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ROGUE : ব্রুষ্ট

Meaning : A dishonest, deceitful, or unprincipled person who engages in unlawful or morally objectionable behavior.

Synonyms: Knave, Erratic Antonyms: Reliable, Saint POS: Noun and Adj. Sentence : The rogue took advantage of people's trust and ran off with their money. The rogue wave caught the sailors by surprise, causing their boat to

Spotlighting another border point, the 'rogue channel'

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Sujan R. Chinoy

is the Director General of the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, New Delhi Harami Nala is a natural water body, approximately 25 kilometres long that flows west to east from Pakistan into Kutch just south of the Vighakot sector, flanked by vast marshy mud flats that are affected by low and high tides. About 22 odd kilometres of the channel lie on the Indian side of the "vertical line" of the IB between India and Pakistan which itself is not contested.

Distinctive characteristics

The water body has some unique characteristics. The tidal waters surge from the Pakistani side and, over the years, the channel is extending further on the Indian side. On the Pakistani side lies the Chini-Bandh (China Bund, just north of Bondho Dhoro), built with Chinese assistance to the rear. This situation improved after a set of all terrain vehicles (ATVs) were procured from Italy and stationed at border pillar 1175, the last such observation post at the time. It also helped that special scaffolding was put up on the bank of the channel in the rear areas on the Indian side where troops could bivouac for watch duties and be rotated in the ATVs. Speed boats, tethered alongside, also began to make a difference in terms of preventing ingress by Pakistani fishing boats.

Such measures were not foolproof until an embankment was constructed along with a road to enable access to the very mouth of Harami Nala where it enters India. After 2014, the Narendra Modi government gave particular



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ERODE : नष्ट करना

Meaning : To diminish or weaken something, such as trust, confidence, or power, gradually over time. Synonyms: Corrode, Undermine Antonyms: Fortify, Enhance POS: Adj. Sentence : Continuous heavy rainfall can significantly erode the soil on hillsides, causing landslides.

A look at the evolution of the case, with Mr. Naidu being named the prime accused only recently, raises the suspicion of whether political vendetta is also guiding the investigations. Irrespective of the merits of the case, his incarceration will be seen in the light of the zealousness of agencies such as the ED to use arrests, especially those involving the political Opposition, as a political weapon in various cases. Rather than relying on documentary evidence in its investigations, the ED's recourse to high-profile arrests is now being replicated by State agencies as well. The onus is now on the AP-CID to establish a clear link between Mr. Naidu and the alleged irregularities in the scheme. Dealing with malfeasance and corruption cases is no easy task for State agencies. But if they are to tackle the problem of corruption in governance, such agencies must not be seen to be doing the bidding of the party in power. Else, such actions only result in the cynicism of the electorate about corruption and erode their trust in institutions.



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AMBIT: परिधि Meaning: The area or surroundings of a place, typically in a geographical context. Synonyms: Sphere, Extent Adgnyms: Boundary, Restraint **Sentence : The political** leader's influence extended well beyond the ambit of their own constituency.

Nagaland Assembly seeks exemption from UCC ambit

State govt., Naga people are of the view that it will pose a threat to customary laws, social and religious practices of the indigenous people, says CM Neiphiu Rio while moving the resolution









<u>Synonyms of Fledgling (noun): अनुभवहीन मनुष्य</u> Learner Student Expert Master Meaning: A person who is just starting out in a field of activity

Solution : Learner , Student





<u>Synonyms of Thine (pronoun)</u> **Thy** Yours Thee

<u>Meaning : archaic form of yours; the thing or</u> things belonging to or associated with thee

Solution : Thy, Yours, Thee



Synonyms of Risible (adj.): हास्यास्पद Comedic Lame Unamusing Comic Meaning : Such as to provoke laughter



Solution : Comedic , Comic

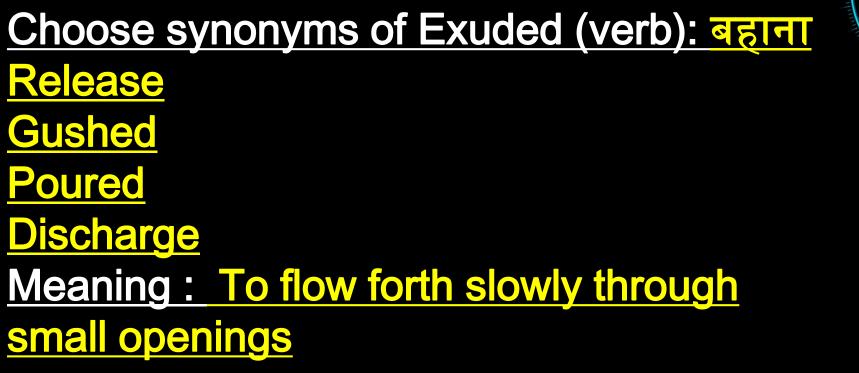


Antonyms of Grisly (adj.) : भयानक Ghastly Soothing Gruesome Comforting Meaning : Causing horror or disgust

Solution : Soothing , Comforting







Solution : Release , Discharge







 Antonyms of Revile (verb) : बुरा-भला कहना

 Criticize

 Applaud

 Commend

 Condemn

 Meaning : Criticize in an abusive or angrily

 insulting manner

Solution : Applaud , Condemn



ONE WORD Adjust or make right CEPST, And TON



A. Rectify B. Recreate C. Recourse D. Recruit

Solution : Option A



A shortened version of a larger work

A. SummaryB. AbridgementC. PrecisD. Shorts

Solution : Option B





A person in love with himself

A. Lunatic
B. Narcissist
C. Polyglot
D. Stoic

Solution : Option B





Giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen

A. Desolate
B. Bleak
C. Suspicious
D. Ominous



Solution : Option D



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