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# TOPICS TO BE COVERED

- **EXAM-BASED WORDS WITH PICTURE**
- **ANTONYMS – SYNONYMS**
- **ONE –WORD-SUBSTITUTION**
- **IDIOM AND PHRASES**



# WORDS WITH PICTURE



# FESTERING

Parts of Speech : **Adj.**

Meaning : **Developing and worsening, usually in a negative context, like an infection or a problem that is getting worse over time.**

Synonyms : **Putrefying , Rotting , Decaying**

Antonyms : **Recovering , Improving**

Sentence : **Without proper**



## **Festering wounds**

Manipur continues to remain on the  
boil due to ineffective governance



# BLOCKADES

Parts of Speech : **Noun**

Meaning : **Physical barriers or obstacles set up to prevent movement, access, or progress, often used in military or political contexts.**

Synonyms : **Obstructions , Barriers**

Antonyms : **Openings ,**

**Accessibility**

Sentence : **Despite the blockades, determined travelers managed to**





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# SPORADIC

Parts of Speech : **Adj.**

Meaning : **Happening at unpredictable intervals.**

Synonyms : **Intermittent , Irregular**

Antonyms : **Continuous , Consistent**

Sentence : **The sporadic applause from the audience indicated that not everyone was equally impressed with the performance.**







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# QUAGMIRE



Parts of Speech : **Noun**

Meaning : **A difficult or complex situation that is hard to escape from, often due to its intricate and confusing nature.**

Synonyms : **Swamp , Marsh , Morass**

Antonyms : **Solution , Clear path , Ease**

Sentence : **The company's financial troubles deepened,**



for obstructing it from discharging its duties. Far from moving away from the ethnic quagmire and in search of a détente, the situation is more like a powder keg. That people are still in relief camps and many houses have been destroyed, and anyone seeking peace has been subjected to violence or threats also attest to this unfortunate fact. India's mainstream polity had an opportunity to use the monsoon session of Parliament to nudge key stakeholders to work towards reconciliation. But that opportunity was seemingly lost, as Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Home Minister Amit Shah had little to say beyond homilies on what needs to be done even as the Opposition only sought to pin down the government for its failures as a means to score a political point in the run-up to the 2024 Lok Sabha election.

The events in Myanmar so far suggest that the



# STASIS

Meaning : **A state of stability, balance, or equilibrium where there is no significant change or movement.**

Synonyms: **Stillness , Stability**

Antonyms: **Progress , Change**

POS : **Noun**

Sentence : **The artist's work reflected a sense of stasis, capturing a frozen moment in time with no hint of motion.**



ing progress. The Union government's choices are clear: it can either continue the narrow-minded emphasis on not giving into any critique, even if constructive, and let the situation fester into an uneasy stasis, or take up the gauntlet and bring about substantive changes in the State leadership, heralding steps towards reconciliation.



# VEXING

Meaning : **Causing annoyance, frustration, or worry; difficult to deal with or understand.**

Synonyms: **Irritating , Troublesome**

Antonyms: **Pleasant , Soothing**  
POS : **Adj.**

Sentence : **Despite their vexing challenges, the team managed to find creative solutions and successfully complete the project.**





The need for such a centralised public platform can hardly be over-emphasised when one considers the lack of formal credit penetration, particularly among small and marginal farmers in the rural hinterland. More than seven decades since Independence, the question of what needs to be done to make institutional rural credit more inclusive continues to remain a **vexing** challenge to government planners and economic researchers alike. In 2021, a National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development economist observed that 'even among well-developed regions, small and marginal farmers were disadvantaged in terms of credit access', with barely a fifth of the more than 12.5 crore small and marginal farmers having access to institutional credit. As a result, a large majority of rural borrowers end up availing loans from informal sources including moneylenders, and often at usurious rates of interest. The digital platform, if successfully implemented, can help redress precisely this challenge to the delivery of formal credit by helping leverage the contemporary advances in digitisation of information and ensuring that small-ticket loans are made available in a timely and cost-effective manner to those most in need of financing support.



# DISSONANCE

Meaning : **conflicting opinions, sounds, or ideas.**

Synonyms: **Discord , Disharmony**

Antonyms: **Agreement , Consistency**

POS : **Noun**

Sentence : **The artist intentionally incorporated dissonance into his artwork to evoke a sense of unease and contemplation.**







## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### **Cauvery issue**

The ongoing Cauvery water dispute between Tamil Nadu and Karnataka underscores the gravity of India's inter-State water conflicts, with the report, "SC to constitute a new Bench to hear Cauvery water issue" (Page 1, August 22) highlighting the importance of the matter. However, the underlying political games that are being played are disturbing. While the plea of Tamil Nadu is grounded in the dire necessity to aid standing crops, recent reports suggest that the issue is being politicised at

the expense of the farmers' well-being. The Bharatiya Janata Party's stand in Karnataka, with its demand not to release water, is in stark contrast with the party's national agenda, revealing a **dissonance** that is detrimental to the nation's unity. Such positions only perpetuate inter-State animosity. Water is a fundamental right and should not be used as a bargaining chip in political rivalries. Both States deserve an equitable share, as dictated by the Supreme Court of India.

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# REPERCUSSIONS

Meaning: **ON** The results or outcomes, often negative, that arise from a particular action.

Synonyms: **Effects** ,  
**Ramifications**

POS : **Noun**  
Antonyms: **Advantages** ,  
**Gain**  
Sentence : The

environmental damage caused by the oil spill had long-lasting repercussions





Amidst the chaos, a first information report was registered against the two Christian suspects. The incident's repercussions gained censure, with the focus on what was perceived to be discriminatory conduct by the police in managing the situation. A senior police official was reassigned to special duty – a decision made in an attempt to address the demands of the protesting individuals who had been calling for his transfer.

# TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE





Synonyms of Animadversion (noun) :

निन्दा

Extol

Disapproval

Laud

Praise

Meaning : **Criticism or censure**

Solution : **Disapproval**



Antonyms of Dotard (noun) : **बूढ़ा**

**Geriatric**

**Elder**

**Adolescent**

**Youth**

**Meaning : An old person, especially one who has become physically weak or whose mental faculties have declined**

**Solution : Youth , Adolescent**



**Synonyms of Smattering (noun) : अल्प**

**ज्ञान**

**Illiteracy**

**Ignorance**

**Erudition**

**Learnedness**

**Meaning : A slight superficial  
knowledge of a language or subject**

**Solution : Erudition | Learnedness**



Synonyms of Meed (noun): पुरस्कार

Reward

Award

Prize

Compensation

Meaning : A deserved share or reward

Solution : Reward , Award , Prize





Synonyms of Macabre (adj.): भयावह

Pleasant

Grisly

Ghastly

Comforting

Meaning : Disturbing and horrifying because of involvement with or depiction of death and injury.

Solution : Grisly Ghastly



Antonyms of Agog (adj.) : उत्सुक

Incurious

Apathetic

Impatient

Excited

Meaning : Very eager or curious to hear or see something

Solution : Apathetic , Incurious



## IDIOMS & PHRASES



If we don't offer a good price for the house now, we'll probably miss the boat.

- (A) Acted Quickly
- (B) Acted Late
- (C) Unpleasant Situation
- (D) Historical Theme
- (E) None of the above

Solution : Option B



“I expect you to do the job well but don't try to boil the ocean!”



(A) Increase Competition

(B) Complete Essentials

(C) Waste Time

(D) Unexpectedly Lucky

(E) None Of the Above

Solution : Option C



I made no bones about it and directly told him his offer was unacceptable.

- (A) Be Rude
- (B) Warm Behavior
- (C) Be Blunt
- (D) Have A strong Opinion
- (E) None Of the Above

Solution : Option C





I don't know how he puts up with their constant complaining.



- (A) Tolerate
- (B) Finished
- (C) Adjust
- (D) Plan
- (E) None Of the Above

Solution : Option A



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