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THE HINDU

NEWSPAPER ANALYSIS

50 WORDS DAILY

MOST IMPORTANT VOCABULARY

LIVE  **7:30 AM**

25 June 2021



Thought of the day

Work hard — "burn the midnight oil" & write your own future.

"work really hard"



✓ "THE BEST WAY TO
PREDICT YOUR FUTURE
IS TO CREATE IT."

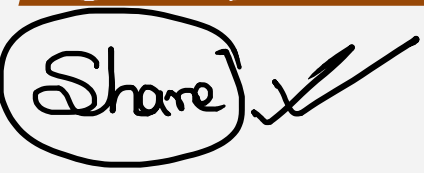
ABRAHAM LINCOLN

TOPICS WE WOULD COVER

CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

- a) synonyms**
- b) antonyms**
- c) one word**
- d) idioms**

- **VOCABULARY FROM ARTICLE + ANALYSIS**



LET'S CHECK YOUR PROGRESS

READY?

— Yes/No



SYNONYMS

VOCABULARY

Q1. Choose the Synonym
of '**BOOTLEGGING**'

Carrying
things in
boots &
legging

0:20

- (a) Banking
- (b) Juggle
- ☒ (c) Smuggling
- (d) Noticing

VOCABULARY

Q2. Choose the Synonym
of '**CONFOUND**'

0:20

(a) Perceptible

(b) Menace

✓ (c) Amaze / Astonish / dumbfound.

(d) Insurgent

VOCABULARY

Q3. Choose the Synonym
of '**PERUSAL**'

0:20

- (a) Rough
- (b) Ignoble
- (c) Forgo
- ✓ (d) Survey

In a sense of
Persuing

VOCABULARY

Q4. Choose the Synonym
of '**REMIT**'

0:20

(a) Distract

☒ (b) Send / *dispatch / transfer.*

(c) Call

(d) Deplore

VOCABULARY

Q5. Choose the Synonym
of 'UNDERHAND'

0:20

- (a) Defeat
- ☒ (b) Deceitful
- (c) Hopeful
- (d) soulful

44%

Under the table
transactions



ANTONYMS

Underdog — a competitor with little chance of winning.

VOCABULARY

Q6. Choose the antonym of '**Dormant**'.

0:20

- 1) Asleep
- 2) ~~Wakeful~~
- 3) Dorian
- 4) Mandate

VOCABULARY

Q7. Choose the antonym of 'Inordinate'.

- 1) Undue
- 2) Subdue
- 3) Steep
- 4) Moderate

disproportionate

0:20

VOCABULARY

Q8. Choose the antonym of '**Engross**'.

0:20

- 1) ~~Disenchant~~
- ✓ 2) Rupture
- 3) Envision
- 4) Bewitch

Cover everything

be
separate

VOCABULARY

Q9. Choose the antonym of '**Debacle**'.

give up

0:20

- 1) Collapse
- 2) Catastrophe
- 3) Debris
- ☒ 4) Attainment

Like

Demure

VOCABULARY

Q10. Choose the antonym of '**Demur**'.

- 1) Disdain
- 2) Demure
- 3) Dissent
- 4) Aid

Object

0:20



ONE WORD SUBSTITUTION

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q11. Theft of another person's writings or ideas and passing them off as one's own

- ☒ (1) plagiarism
- (2) burglary
- (3) piracy
- (4) pilferage

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q12. The study of insects

(1) anthropology

(2) zoology

(3) etymology

 (4) entomology

VOCABULARY

0:20

**Q13. List of issues to be discussed
at a meeting**

- (1) schedule
- ☒ (2) agenda
- (3) time-table
- (4) plan

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q14. The process of deciding the nature of a disease by examination

- (1) test
- (2) perusal
- ☒ (3) diagnosis
- (4) operation

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q15. That which cannot be easily read

- ☒ (1) illegible ✓
- (2) incomprehensible
- (3) unreadable
- (4) unintelligible

~~Q1-Q5~~ HW

IDIOMS AND PHRASES

VOCABULARY

Q16. To be successful in today's world, we require the **gift of the gab**.

0:20

- (1) ability to speak well
- (2) good interpersonal skills
- (3) divine help and guidance
- (4) a fierce competitive spirit

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q17. Winter was so bad that the nomadic tribesmen found it difficult to keep the **wolf from the door.**

- (1) hunt wild animals
- (2) escape starvation
- (3) get woollen clothes
- (4) walk on ice

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q18. There is **no soft option** to the crisis now.

- (1) popular opinion
- (2) popular solution
- (3) easy and agreeable option
- (4) difficult choice

VOCABULARY

0:20

Q19. a little gush of gratitude

- (1) gradual recovery
- (2) friendly feeling
- (3) excessive labour
- (4) excessive enthusiasm

VOCABULARY

Q20. **to lose ground**

0:20

- (1) to become less powerful
- (2) to become less popular
- (3) to lose foundation
- (4) to be without a leader

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let's
GO!



SO IT'S TIME



ARTICLE 1

Stopping the surge

Govts should unlock using good evidence on how to avert another COVID-19 wave

After a debilitating second wave of COVID-19, cash-strapped State governments have responded to falling cases with a swift unlock programme in most districts. Some States have opted to open the floodgates, allowing dine-in restaurants, gymnasias, most shops and religious centres in areas with low test positivity rates for the coronavirus. Lockdown-weary citizens, on their part, have greeted the reopening with road trips to tourist centres, even travelling across inter-State borders.

Increase
Proof

Shortage of funds

Sluggish

smooth

weakening

fasten/secure

(preferred)

(prevent)

Reopen?

tired

positive thinking that may
lead to negative result.

agony / pain

hallucination

"hell-o'-the-hisp"

invade

anxiety

This is not surprising, considering that the country has gone through weeks of anguish, when death and misery touched the lives of millions. The déjà vu moment, worryingly similar to the misplaced optimism following the first wave, is a time for caution and to avoid the missteps that produced the deadly second wave. Already, Maharashtra has expressed worry that there is a noticeable rise in cases in just a week; the experience of other States will soon be known. There is a lot to be concerned about, since the highly transmissible delta variant of the virus that overran cities and rural areas in April-May continues to threaten unvaccinated populations, senior citizens and people with weak immunity in particular. The likely risk for children also causes apprehension. That it has morphed into a delta plus variant through a fresh mutation underscores the need for greater vigilance.

sadness

being careful

highlight

emphasized

ARTICLE 2

Protecting prisoners' rights

Overcrowding in prisons has put several inmates at risk of COVID-19 infection and death. *prisoners*

The *disastrous* catastrophic surge in COVID-19 cases across India in April and May led to a great number of deaths (still being counted) and put an enormous strain on the healthcare system and governments. *huge/big* → *pressure*.

In the midst of the surge, prisoners were largely forgotten.

The failure of the authorities to reduce severe overcrowding in prisons left thousands of prisoners at risk of infection and death. According to data, there are 12,715 inmates lodged in 11 sections of Tihar Jail alone as against the lodging capacity of 7,425. Out of them, 11,077 are undertrials. *defendant*

middle

register

Jammed

15

~~Violating human rights~~

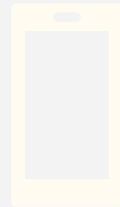
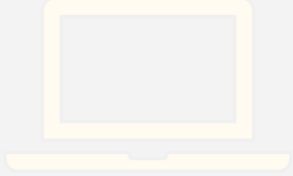
Nar / Spoil


As was expected, given the poor state of prisons in India, hundreds of prisoners got infected during the pandemic and a number of them died. This vitiates a fundamental right derived from Article 21 of the Constitution. Overcrowded jails are a violation of the human rights of prisoners (Re-Inhuman Conditions in 1382 v. State of Assam, 2018). As the court said in Charles Sobraj v. The Suptd., Central Jail, Tihar, 1978, "imprisonment does not spell farewell to fundamental rights".


discouraged

The aim of imprisonment is not merely deterrence of crime but also reformation. Apart from risking the lives of inmates, ignorance of the poor conditions of prisons has also added to the misery of the families of those in jail.

THE HINDU VOCABULARY



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- 1) surge(noun)–outpouring/ rush
 - 2) avert(verb)-prevent/head off
 - 3) debilitating (verb)– weakening/enfeebling
 - 4) Strapped (verb)– fasten/ secure
 - 5) Floodgates (noun)–sluiceway
 - 6) Weary (adj)–tired/ worn-out
 - 7) anguish(noun)–agony/ pain
 - 8) déjà vu (phrase)–hallucination/will-o'-the-wisp
 - 9) Overran (verb)– invade/storm
 - 10) apprehension(noun)– uneasiness/anxiety
 - 11) morphed(verb)–transform/fluctuate
 - 12) underscores(noun)–highlight/emphasize
 - 13) vigilance(verb)– lead up to

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- 14) Overcrowding (verb)–jammed/overflowing
 - 15) inmates (noun)–convict/ prisoner
 - 16) catastrophic (adj)– disastrous
 - 17) enormous (adj)–huge
 - 18) strain (noun)– tension/pressure
 - 19) Lodged (verb)–submit/ register
 - 20) undertrials (noun)–defendant
 - 21) vitiates (verb)–mar/ spoil
 - 22) deterrence(noun)– discouragement

Idiom

lone we're

beat
black
& blue

Capacity

FROM THE REST OF THE ARTICLES

- 23) Earmark (VERB): (**चिह्नित करना**): set aside/mark
- 24) Belittle (VERB): (**छोटा करना**): disparage/look down upon
- 25) consort (NOUN): (**संगी**): concomitant/companion
- 26) Attune (VERB): (**लय में करना**): accommodate
- 27) Credence (NOUN): (**स्वीकृति**): acceptance
- 28) succumb (VERB): (**दबना**): yield
- 29) Capacious (ADJECTIVE): (**लंबा-चौड़ा**): roomy
- 30) Adversary (NOUN): (**प्रतिद्वंद्वी**): opponent
- 31) Contempt (NOUN): (**निंदा**): scorn/ disrespect
- 32) Inquisitive (ADJECTIVE): (**जिज्ञासु**): curious
- 33) Whip (VERB): (**पीटना**): bash
- 34) Continual (ADJECTIVE): (**लगातार**): ceaseless



UPCOMING ONLINE BATCHES

JULY 2021

07 July 2021

08:00 AM to 10:00 AM
**LIVE PREMIUM
GREEN CARD**
(BANK-PO & CLERK)

BILINGUAL

14 July 2021

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
**LIVE PREMIUM
SILVER CARD**
(CGL & CHSI)

03:00 PM to 05:00 PM
**LIVE PREMIUM
STATE CARD**
(UPSSSC PET)

BILINGUAL

21 July 2021

01:00 PM to 03:00 PM
**LIVE PREMIUM
GREEN CARD**
(IBPS RRB PO/CLERK)
PRE + MAINS

BILINGUAL

28 July 2021

01:00 PM to 03:00 PM
LIVE PREMIUM BRONZE CARD
(TET)

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
LIVE PREMIUM GREEN CARD
(IBPS PO & CLERK)

08:00 AM to 10:00 AM
LIVE PREMIUM SILVER CARD
(SSC CGL & CHSL)

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