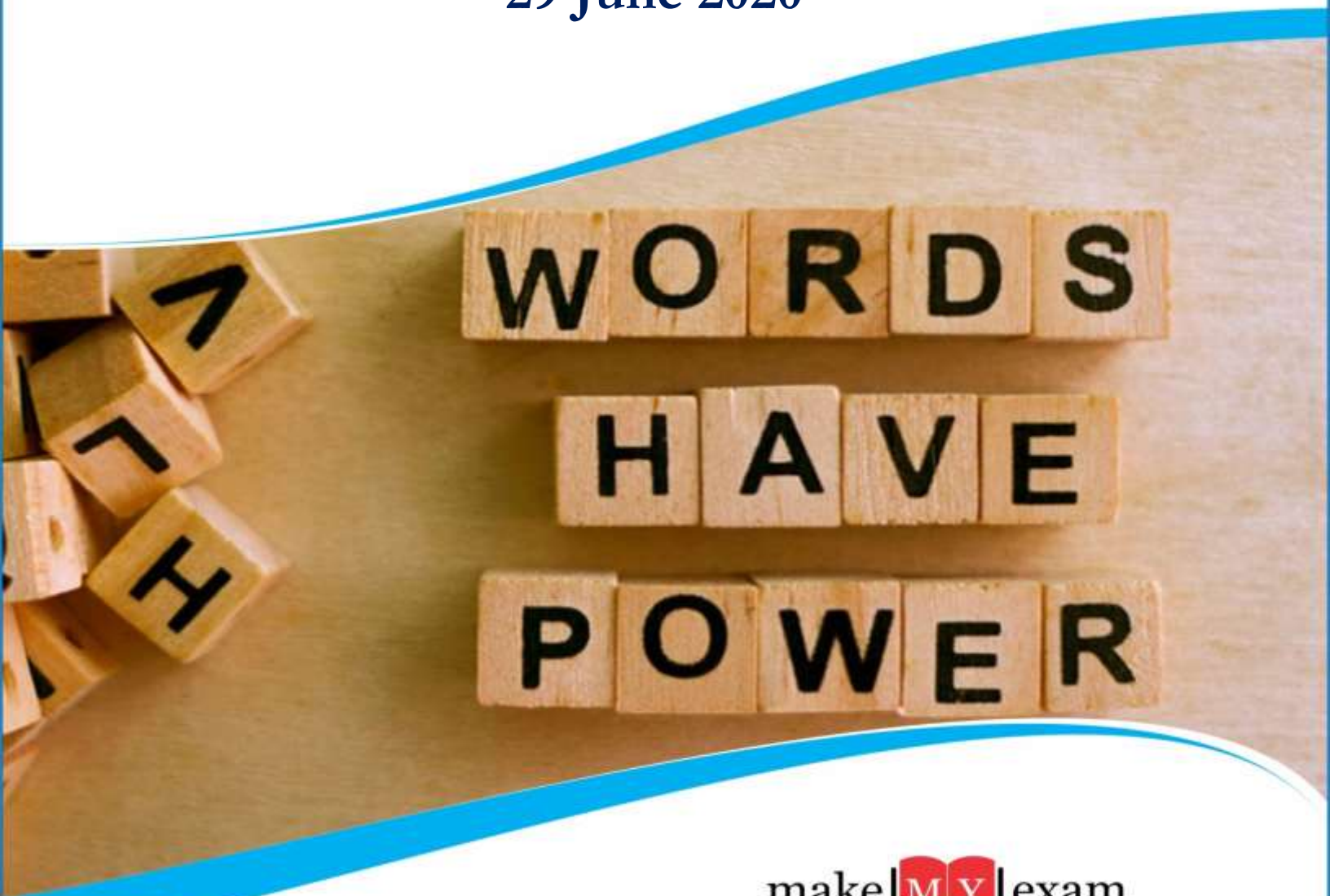


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Happy learning!!!

1. SERENDIPITOUS (adjective) – आकस्मिक लाभ

Pronunciation: seh•ruhn•di•puh•tuhs

Meaning: occurring or discovered by chance in a happy or beneficial way

Synonyms: lucky, fortuitous, unexpected, unanticipated, unforeseen, coincidental

Antonyms: unlucky, bad, inopportune, unpropitious

Usage: The timing of the show is serendipitous.

2. STEALTH (noun) – गोपनीयता, रेडार से बच निकलने वाला, चुपके से जानेवाला

Pronunciation: stelth

Meaning: movement that is quiet and careful in order not to be seen or heard, or secret action; (chiefly of aircraft) designed in accordance with technology which makes detection by radar or sonar difficult

Synonyms: covertness, furtiveness, slyness, clandestineness, private, concealment

Antonyms: openness, straightforward, unconcealed, undisguised, unclassified, unrestricted

Usage: Cats rely on stealth to catch their prey.

3. FLIPPANCY (noun) – ओछापन, छिछोरापन, हल्का स्वभाव

Pronunciation: fli•puhn•see

Meaning: the quality of not being serious about a serious subject, in an attempt to be funny or to appear clever

Synonyms: frivolousness, levity, superficiality, shallowness, glibness, thoughtlessness, carefreeness, irresponsibility, insouciance, facetiousness

Antonyms: seriousness, respect

Usage: This is no time for flippancy.

4. APPALLED (adjective) – भयभीत, चकित

Pronunciation: uh•pawld

Meaning: having strong feelings of shock or disapproval

Synonyms: alarm, amaze, astound, consternate, disconcert, dishearten, dismay, faze, frighten

Antonyms: assured, cheered, comforted, consoled, solaced, soothed, reassured

Usage: I am appalled at his mistakes.

5. OBLITERATE (verb) – काटना, मिटाना

Pronunciation: uh•bli•tuh•reit

Meaning: to remove, destroy, or hide completely

Synonyms: abolish, annihilate, black out, blot out, cancel, clean (up), efface, eradicate, erase, expunge,

exterminate, extirpate, liquidate

Antonyms: conserve, preserve, renew, renovate

Usage: She tried to obliterate all memories of her father.

6. FRACTIOUS (adjective) – चिड़चिड़ा, झगड़ालु

Pronunciation: frak•shuhs

Meaning: (typically of children) irritable and quarrelsome; (of a group or organization) difficult to control

Synonyms: grumpy, grouchy, argumentative, contentious, controversial, disputatious, quarrelsome, scrappy

Antonyms: affable, amiable, amicable, benevolent, acquiescent, agreeable, amenable, complaisant, compliant, complying, conciliatory, cooperative

Usage: Rahul was in a fractious mood.

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7. BEFITTING (adjective) – उपयुक्त, उचित; मुंहतोड़

Pronunciation: buh•fi•tuhng

Meaning: appropriate to the occasion

Synonyms: correct, decent, decorous, genteel, nice, polite, proper, respectable

Antonyms: improper, inapplicable, inapt, incongruous, indecent, infelicitous, malapropos

Usage: Adam's behavior is not befitting that of a future king.

8. ACCENTUATE (verb) – जोर देना

Pronunciation: uhk•sen•choo•eit

Meaning: make more noticeable or prominent

Synonyms: highlight, underground, stress, feature, emphasize

Antonyms: mask, subdue, dwindle

Usage: The bright colored eyeliner will accentuate her beautiful eyes.

9. ACERBIC (adjective) – कड़वा, तीखा

Pronunciation: uh•suh•buhk

Meaning: used to describe something that is spoken or written in a way that is direct, clever, and cruel; tasting sour or bitter

Synonyms: sharp, sarcastic, sardonic, satirical, scathing, trenchant, bitter, acrimonious

Antonyms: mild, gentle, kind, sweet

Usage: He ignored his wife's acerbic statements about his career.

10. FATUOUS (adjective) – बुद्धिहीन, मूर्ख

Pronunciation: fa•choo•uhs

Meaning: silly and pointless, lacking intelligence; stupid

Synonyms: puerile, bird-brained, bonehead, cretinous, puerile, absurd, moronic

Antonyms: brainy, bright, nimble, quick-witted

Usage: Alok's fatuous spending put him in debt.

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