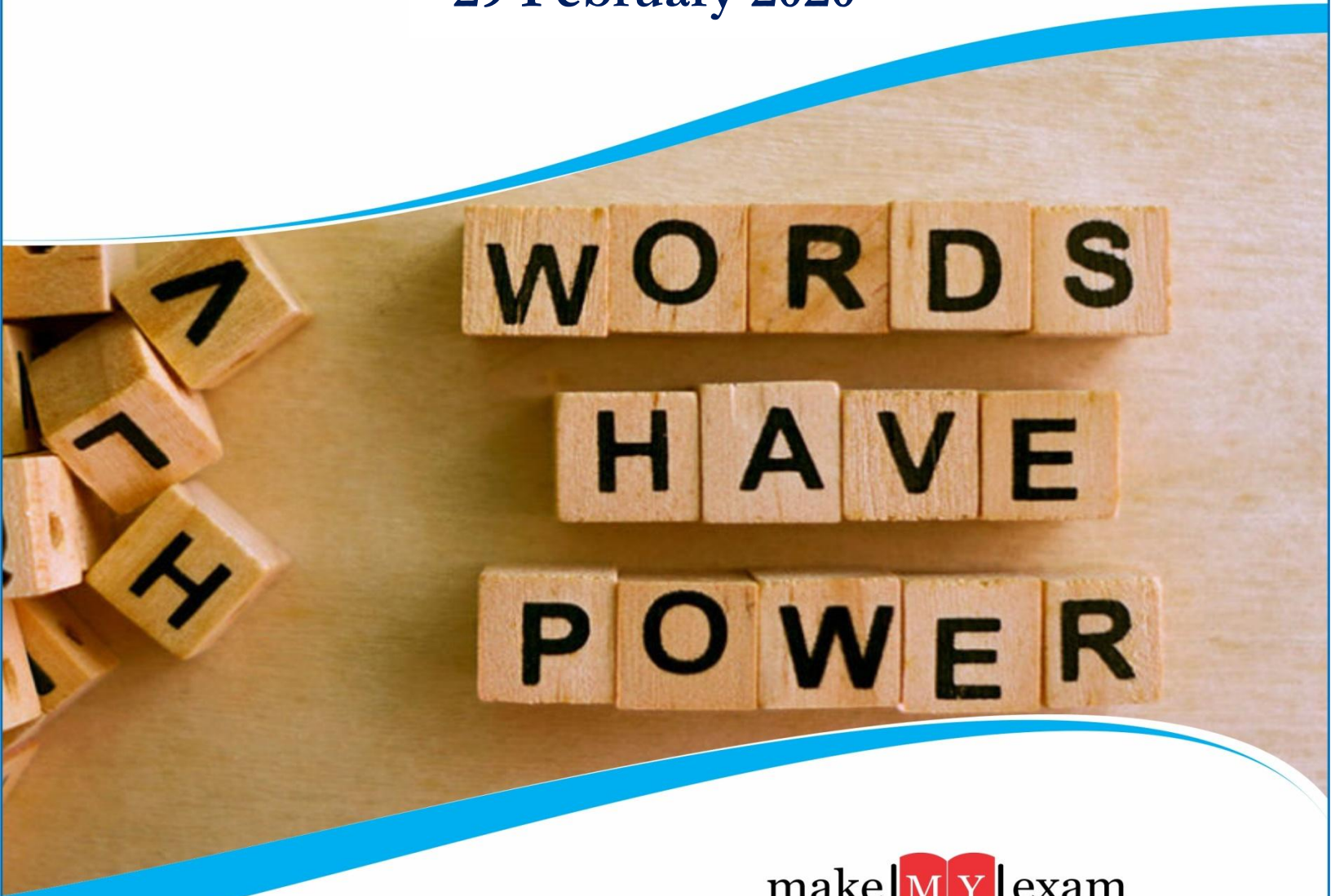


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1. LIKELIHOOD (noun) – संभावना

Pronunciation: laik-li-hud

Meaning: the state or fact of something's being probable

Synonyms: probability, chance, prospect, possibility

Antonym: unlikelihood, unlikeliness

Usage: There was very little likelihood of her getting the job.

2. RUTHLESS (adjective) – क्रूर, निर्मम

Pronunciation: rooth-les

Meaning: having or showing no pity or compassion for others

Synonyms: merciless, pitiless, cruel, heartless, hard-hearted, hard

Antonyms: merciful, compassionate, gentle

Usage: She is ruthless in her dealings with competitors.

3. VERACITY (noun) – सच्चाई, यथार्थता

Pronunciation: vuh-ras-iti

Meaning: conformity to facts; habitual truthfulness

Synonyms: truthfulness, truth, accuracy

Antonyms: falsity

Usage: The chairman disallowed the veracity of his report.

4. FACADE (noun) – इमारत का मुहार; मुखौटा

Pronunciation: fuh-saad

Meaning: the principal front of a building that faces on to a street or open space; a deceptive outward appearance

Synonyms: front, frontage, face; show, front, appearance, false display, pretence, simulation

Usage: Behind his cheerful facade, there is a really lonely person.

5. INSUPERABLE (adjective) – अजेय

Pronunciation: in-soop(u)rub(u)l

Meaning: (of a difficulty or obstacle) impossible to overcome

Synonyms: insurmountable, unconquerable, invincible, unassailable

Antonym: surmountable

Usage: The problem is an insuperable one.

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6. DECIPHER (verb) – गूढ़लेख पढ़ना

Pronunciation: di-sai-fuh

Meaning: convert (a text written in code, or a coded signal) into normal language; succeed in understanding, interpreting, or identifying (something)

Synonyms: decode, decrypt, break, work out, solve, interpret, translate; make, out, discern, perceive, see, read, follow, fathom

Antonym: encode

Usage: Even the country's top linguist found it difficult to decipher the ancient text.

7. BUNKUM (noun) – बकवास

Pronunciation: bun-kum

Meaning: nonsense

Synonyms: rubbish, balderdash, gibberish, claptrap, blarney

Usage: Don't believe what he's saying, it's pure bunkum.

8. TAUT (adjective) – तना हुआ

Pronunciation: toh-t

Meaning: stretched or pulled tight; (especially of muscles or nerves) tense; not relaxed; (of writing, music, etc.) concise and controlled

Synonyms: tight, tightly stretched, stretched, rigid, stressed; flexed, tensed, tightened; concise, controlled, crisp

Antonyms: slack, loose; relaxed; verbose

Usage:

- The skin of the drum is taut.
- My voice was taut with anger.
- His new film is a taut suspenseful thriller.

9. BUNGLE (verb) – कुप्रबंधन, गड़बड़ी

Pronunciation: bun-g(u)l

Meaning: carry out (a task) clumsily or incompetently

Synonyms: mishandle, mismanage, mess up, botch, spoil

Antonyms: succeed in, manage successfully

Usage: If you bungle a job, you must do it again.

10. EFFACE (verb) – मिटाना

Pronunciation: if-eis

Meaning: erase (a mark) from a surface; cause (a memory or emotion) to disappear completely; make oneself appear insignificant

Synonyms: erase, eradicate, expunge; keep quiet, lie low

Antonyms: preserve; make oneself (or one's presence) felt

Usage:

- Time alone efface those unpleasant memories.
- To efface oneself is not the easiest of duties which the teacher can undertake.




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