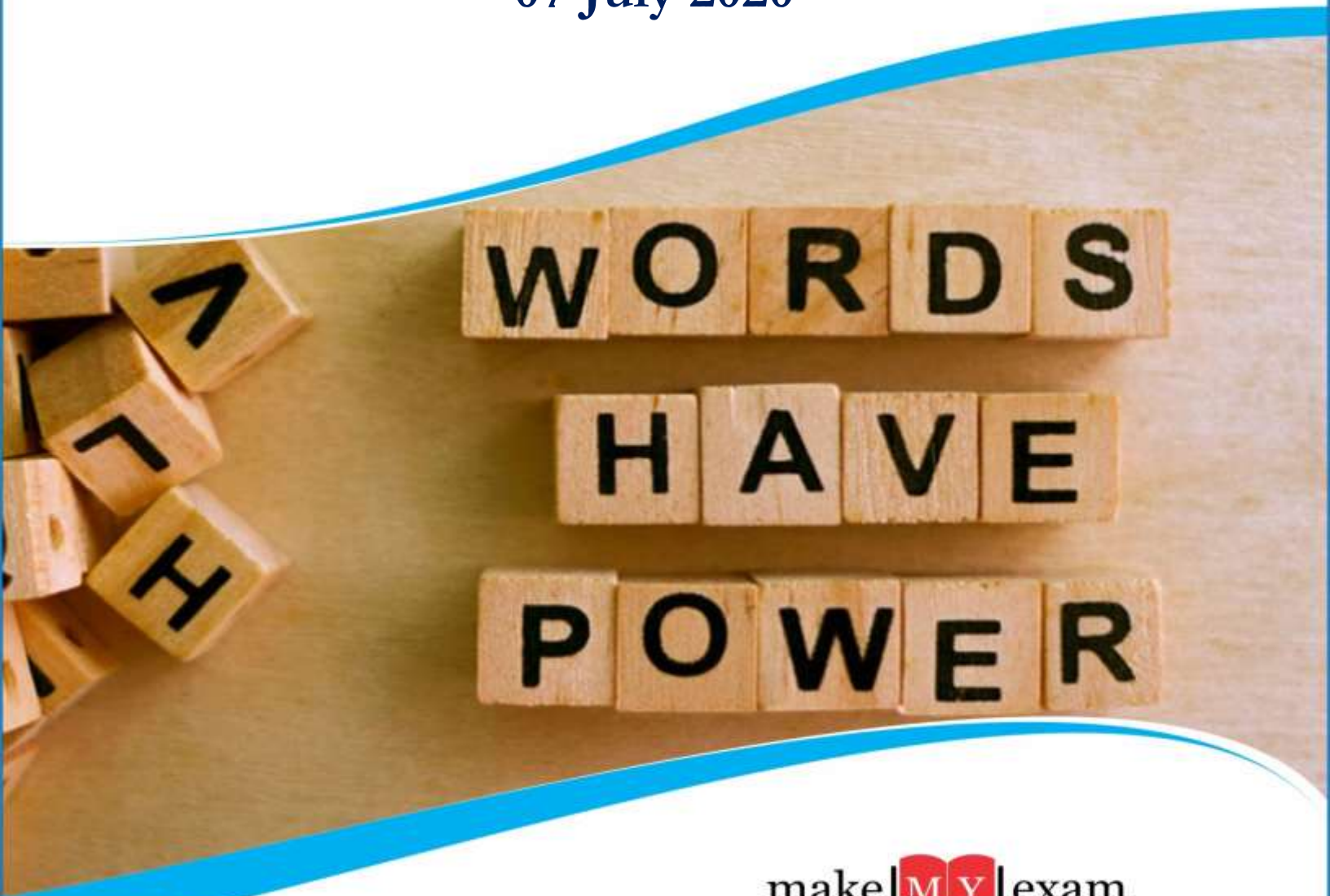


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1. PROPINQUITY (noun) – निकटता, पड़ोस

Pronunciation: pruh·ping·kwuh·tee

Meaning: the state of being close to someone or something

Synonyms: adjacency, closeness, contiguity, immediacy, nearness, proximity, vicinity

Antonyms: distance, remoteness

Usage: The propinquity of the danger ahead made the scouts turn around and take a different path.

2. POIGNANT (adjective) – मार्मिक, तीखा

Pronunciation: poy·nynt

Meaning: evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret; sharp or pungent in taste or smell

Synonyms: affecting, emotional, impactful, impressive, moving, stirring, touching, bitter, painful, pitiable

Antonyms: unaffecting, unemotional, unimpressive

Usage: I found his speech deeply poignant.

3. IRASCIBLE (adjective) – चिड़चिड़ा

Pronunciation: uh·ra·suh·bl

Meaning: having or showing a tendency to be easily angered

Synonyms: choleric, crabby, cranky, cross, crotchety, fiery, grouchy, grumpy, irritable, peevish, perverse, pettish, petulant, prickly

Antonyms: affable, cordial, amiable

Usage: Laziness makes people irascible.

4. CONTROVERT (verb) – अस्वीकार करना, विवाद करना

Pronunciation: kon·truh·vuht

Meaning: to say or show that something is not true

Synonyms: altercate, argue, argufy, bicker, brabble, brawl, dispute, fall out, fight, hassle, jar, quarrel, quibble, row, scrap, spat, squabble, tiff, wrangle

Antonyms: accept, agree, assent, concur, consent

Usage: The statement of the last witness controvert the evidence of the first two.

5. REVERIE (noun) – सपना, ख्यालों में खोना

Pronunciation: reh·vuh·ree

Meaning: a state of being pleasantly lost in one's thoughts

Synonyms: daydreaming, trance, woolgathering, hallucination, musing, absorption

Antonyms: realization, reality, nightmare

Usage: He was lost in reverie until he suddenly heard someone behind him.

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**6. LURID (adjective) – भयंकर, भड़कीला****Pronunciation:** luor·ruhd**Meaning:** too brightly coloured; causing horror or revulsion**Synonyms:** appalling, atrocious, awful, dreadful, frightful, ghastly, grisly, hideous, horrendous, horrible, horrid, horrific**Antonyms:** agreeable, appealing, attractive, delectable, delicious, delightful, enjoyable, enticing, inviting, pleasant**Usage:**

- She was wearing a lurid orange and green blouse.
- The paper gave all the lurid details of the murder.

7. ASSIDUOUS (adjective) – परिश्रमी, श्रमशील**Pronunciation:** uh·si·joo·uhs**Meaning:** showing great care and perseverance**Synonyms:** active, bustling, busy, diligent, employed, engaged, hopping, industrious, laborious, occupied, sedulous, tied-up, working**Antonyms:** inert, passive, dead, dull**Usage:** The book was the result of ten years' assiduous research.**8. OCCLUDE (verb) – रोकना, बन्द करना****Pronunciation:** uh·klood**Meaning:** to close up or block off**Synonyms:** block, choke, clog, clot, congest, dam, jam, obstruct, stuff, seal, shut**Antonyms:** clear, free, open (up), unblock, unclog, unplug, unstop**Usage:** It is quite dangerous when blood clots occlude the flow of oxygen in the human body.**9. TERSE (adjective) – संक्षिप्त**

Pronunciation: tuhs

Meaning: brief, or using very few words

Synonyms: aphoristic, apothegmatic, brief, capsule, compact, compendious, concise, epigrammatic, laconic, monosyllabic, pithy, sententious

Antonyms: circuitous, circumlocutory, diffuse, long-winded, prolix, rambling, verbose, windy, wordy

Usage: Her reply about the matter was terse.

10. PALTRY (adjective) – मामूली, तुच्छ

Pronunciation: pawl·tree

Meaning: (of an amount) very small or meagre

Synonyms: cheap, contemptible, cruddy, deplorable, despicable, dirty, grubby, lame, lousy, mean, nasty, pitiable, pitiful, ratty, scabby

Antonyms: admirable, commendable, creditable, laudable, meritorious, praiseworthy

Usage: She made some paltry excuse and left.

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