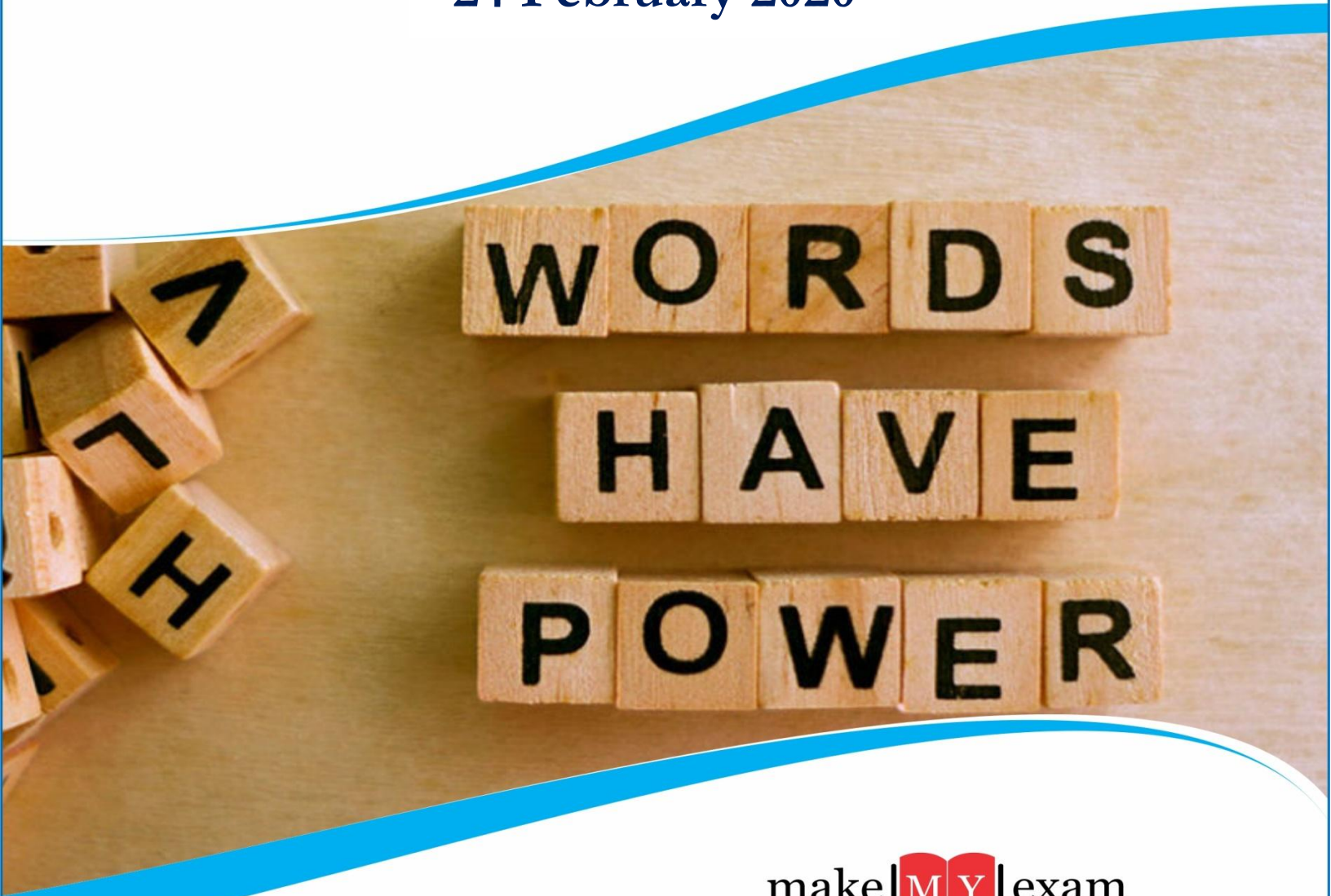


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1. JIFFY (noun) – पल, क्षण

Pronunciation: jifi

Meaning: a very short time; a moment

Synonyms: soon, in a moment, in a flash, shortly

Usage: Lunch will be ready in a jiffy.

2. DRUDGERY (noun) – कठिन परिश्रम

Pronunciation: drujuri

Meaning: hard, boring, and dull work (not requiring much skill and lacking prestige)

Synonyms: hard work, donkey work, toil, toiling, labour

Antonym: relaxation

Usage: He spent his life in pointlessly tiresome drudgery.

3. FIREBRAND (noun) – तेजतर्रार

Pronunciation: fai-uh-brand

Meaning: a person who is very passionate about a particular cause

Synonyms: radical, revolutionary, troublemaker, agitator, rabble-rouser, demagogue

Usage: He had a reputation of an ambitious firebrand.

4. TOP-NOTCH (adjective) – उत्कृष्ट, शानदार, बढ़िया

Pronunciation: top-noch

Meaning: of the highest quality

Synonyms: excellent, first-rate, first-class, top-grade, top-level, excellent, super, splendid, fine, outstanding

Antonyms: inferior, poor

Usage: I am sure you will find that all of our staff is top-notch.

5. TRANSMUTE (verb) – परिणत करना

Pronunciation: traans-myoot

Meaning: to change in form, appearance, or nature and especially to a higher form

Synonyms: change, alter, adapt, modify, transform, transfigure

Usage: It is possible to transmute one form of energy into another.

6. TIFF (noun) – मनमुटाव

Pronunciation: tif

Meaning: a quarrel (of little importance) especially one between friends

Synonyms: quarrel, squabble, row, argument

Usage: He had a tiff with his wife.

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7. COMMENSURATE (adjective) – अनुरूप, सम्मेल्य

Pronunciation: kumen-sh(u)rut

Meaning: suitable in amount or quality compared to something else; matching in degree

Synonyms: equivalent, equal, corresponding, correspondent, comparable, proportionate, proportional, commensurable

Antonym: disproportionate

Usage: The salary should be commensurate with the work.

8. VAGARY (noun) – अप्रत्याशित परिवर्तन

Pronunciation: vei-g(u)ri

Meaning: unexpected and unpredictable changes in a situation or in someone's behaviour

Synonyms: quirk, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity, oddity, eccentricity

Usage: When the temperature dropped to freezing conditions on a summer day, it was a vagary of the weather.

9. INTRANSIGENT (adjective) – सैद्धांतिक, दुराग्रही

Pronunciation: in-traansi-j(u)nt

Meaning: refusing to change one's views or to agree about something

Synonyms: uncompromising, inflexible, unbending, unyielding, unshakeable, unwavering, resolute, unpersuadable, pig-headed

Antonyms: compliant, flexible

Usage: My atheist neighbour is intransigent and unwilling to listen to my Christian views.

10. TRUDGE (verb) – पांव घसीटना

Pronunciation: truj

Meaning: walk slowly and with heavy steps, typically because of exhaustion or harsh conditions

Synonyms: plod, tramp, plough, slog, footslog, toil

Antonyms: skip, trip

Usage: I trudged up the stairs.

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