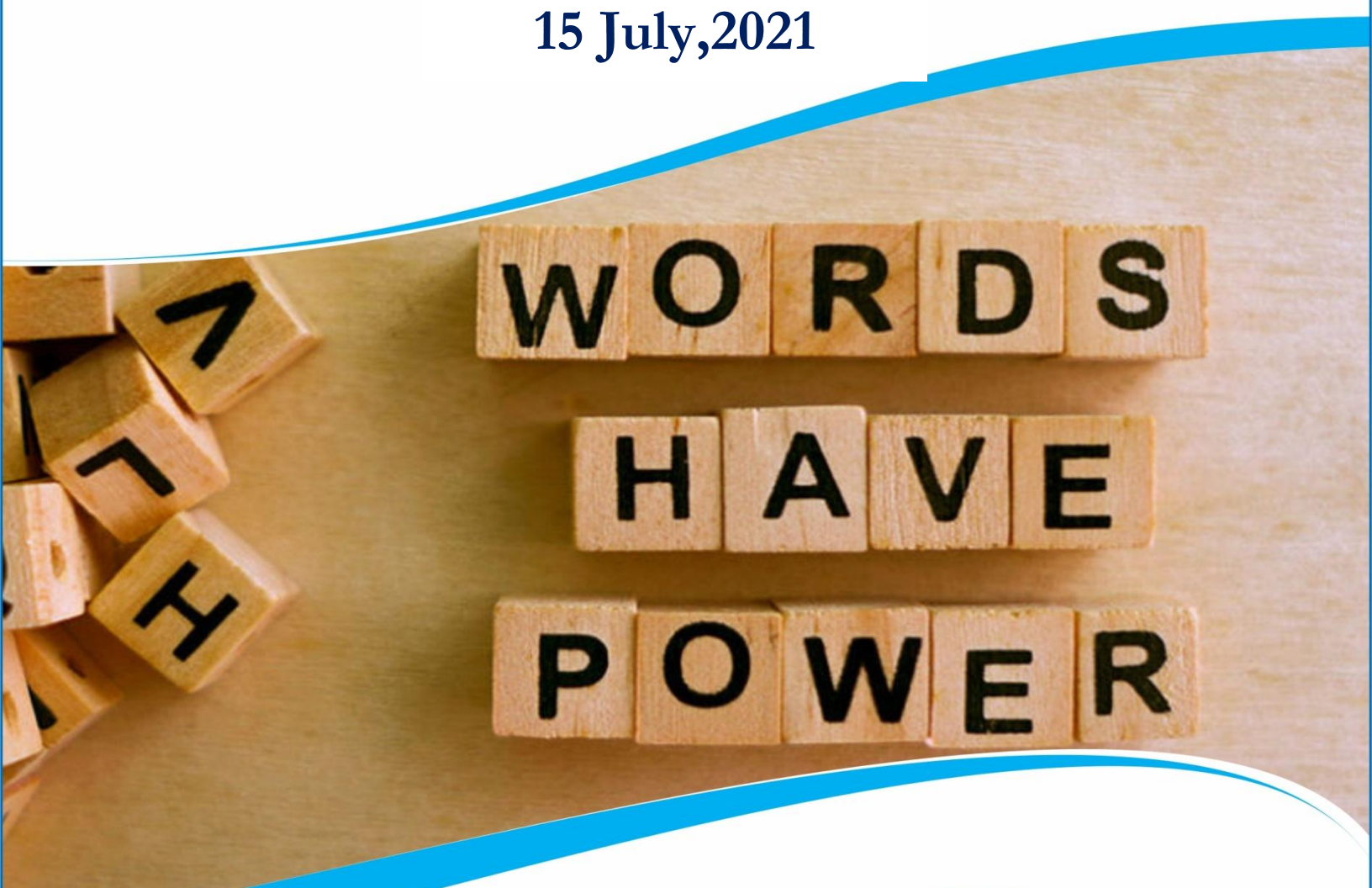
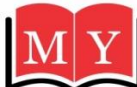


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Happy learning!!!

1. PRESUMPTUOUS (adjective) – धृष्ट, बेअदब

Pronunciation: pruh·zuhmp·tyoo·uhs

Meaning: failing to observe the limits of what is permitted or appropriate

Synonyms: brazen, overconfident, arrogant, egotistical, bold, audacious

Antonyms: timid, unassuming, humble, modest

Usage: Despite the fact my uncle believed he was entitled to everything, he was not a presumptuous man.

2. FOE (noun) – शत्रु, दुश्मन

Pronunciation: foh

Meaning: an enemy or opponent

Synonyms: enemy, adversary, opponent, rival, nemesis, challenger, competitor

Antonyms: ally, friend, supporter

Usage: The two countries have united against their common foe.

3. RELENT (verb) – नरम पड़ना, कोमल होना

Pronunciation: ri·lent

Meaning: become less severe or intense

Synonyms: acquiesce, soften, capitulate, quit, relax, slacken, subside

Antonyms: harden, strengthen, worsen

Usage: The rain did not relent, and even seemed to be enhanced at times.

4. ALOOF (adjective) – अलग, पृथक

Pronunciation: uh·loof

Meaning: cool and distant

Synonyms: detached, distant, haughty, indifferent, standoffish, unresponsive

Antonyms: familiar, friendly, sympathetic

Usage: The aloof princess stood in a corner alone.

5. MAGNATE (noun) - धनाढ्य, प्रभावशाली व्यक्ति

Pronunciation: mag·neit

Meaning: a wealthy and influential business person

Synonyms: aristocrat, capitalist, financier, merchant, mogul, tycoon

Antonyms: nonentity, unknown, nobody

Usage: My grandfather was considered a very influential and wealthy oil magnate.

6. SURLY (adjective) – असभ्य

Pronunciation: suh·lee

Meaning: bad-tempered and unfriendly

Synonyms: ill-natured, grumpy, glum, crotchety, prickly, irascible, testy

Antonyms: kind, nice, polite

Usage: He became surlly and rude towards me.

7. SWAY (noun) – बोलबाला

Pronunciation: swei

Meaning: strong influence or control

Synonyms: influence, authority, control, command, dominion, power, domination

Antonyms: inability, inefficiency, powerlessness

Usage: Many countries have held sway over others through occupation.

8. TEMPORAL (adjective) – लौकिक

Pronunciation: tem·puh·ruhl

Meaning: associated with the real world and not the spiritual world

Synonyms: earthly, materialistic, physical, mortal, secular, worldly, profane

Antonyms: spiritual, immaterial, mental

Usage: The monk's commitment requires him to ignore the temporal pleasures of the world.

9. CONSTRUE (verb) – समझाना

Pronunciation: kuhn·stroo

Meaning: to clarify what something means

Synonyms: interpret, understand, parse, render, analyse, explain, elucidate

Antonyms: misunderstand, cloud, confuse

Usage: We were all amazed by the detective's ability to construe logic out of the killer's strange riddle.

10. FOPPISH (adjective) – आडंबरप्रिय

Pronunciation: fo·puhsh

Meaning: affecting extreme elegance in dress and manner

Synonyms: dandified, dapper, dressy, spruce, affected, preening

Antonyms: modest, dowdy, unaffected

Usage: He is foppish and vain.

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