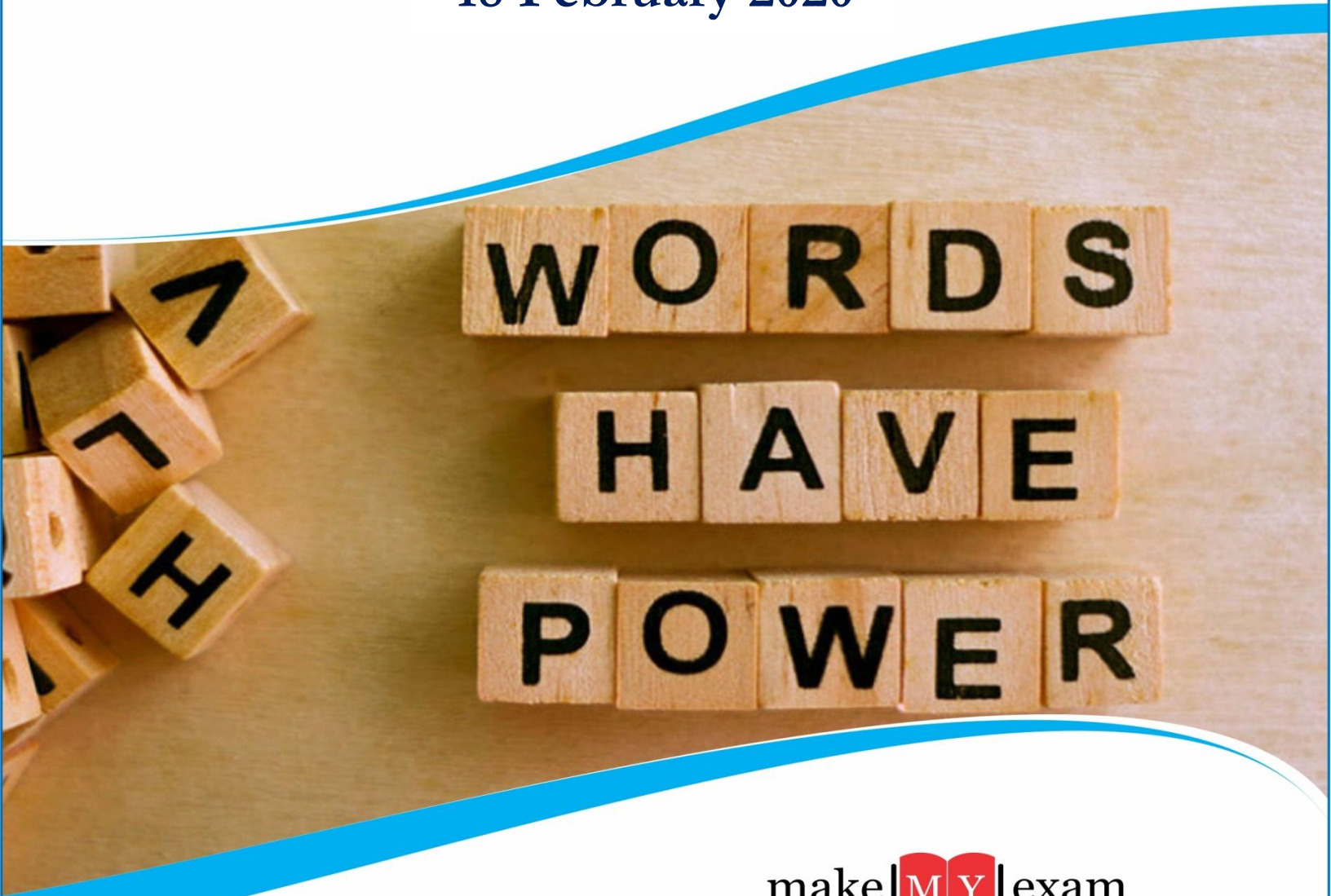


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1. QUAIN (adjective) – विलक्षण, मनोहर

Pronunciation: kweint

Meaning: attractively unusual or old-fashioned

Synonyms: picturesque, charming, sweet, attractive

Antonyms: modern, ugly, normal, ordinary

Usage: Grandma lives in a quaint old cottage.

2. WEASEL (noun) – चालाक आदमी

Pronunciation: wee-z(u)l

Meaning: a deceitful or treacherous person

Synonyms: scoundrel, wretch, rogue

Antonyms: noble, righteous, virtuous

Usage: He was a weasel.

3. INOCULATE (verb) – टीका लगाना

Pronunciation: inokyu-leit

Meaning: treat with a vaccine to produce immunity against a disease

Synonyms: immunize, vaccinate, inject

Usage: His dogs were inoculated against rabies.

4. COMBATANT (noun, adjective) – योद्धा; लड़नेवाला

Pronunciation: kom-but(u)nt / kum-but(u)nt

Meaning: a person or nation engaged in fighting during a war; a person engaged in conflict or competition with another

Synonyms: fighter, soldier; contender, antagonist, adversary, battler; warring, opposing, contending, belligerent

Antonyms: civilian; ally, non-participant; non-combatant

Usage:

- In the long Russo-Swedish conflict, both combatants endured terrible sacrifices. (noun)
- All the combatant armies went to war with machine guns. (adjective)

5. UNDULATE (verb) – लहराना

Pronunciation: un-dyu-leit

Meaning: move or go with a smooth up-and-down motion

Synonyms: surge, wave, billow, roll, swell, ripple

Usage: The surface of the liquid undulated gently.

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6. PENANCE (noun) – प्रायश्चित्त

Pronunciation: penuns

Meaning: punishment inflicted on oneself as an outward expression of repentance for wrongdoing

Synonyms: atonement, expiation, self-punishment, self-mortification, self-abasement, reparation

Usage: He had done public penance for those hasty words.

7. EXPEND (verb) – खर्च करना

Pronunciation: ek-spend / ik-spend

Meaning: spend or use up (a resource such as money or energy)

Synonyms: spend, pay out, lay out, disburse

Antonyms: save, conserve

Usage: Don't expend all your time on such a useless job.

8. LISSOME (adjective) – पतली, कोमल, सुंदर

Pronunciation: lis(u)m

Meaning: (of a person or their body) thin, supple, and graceful

Synonyms: supple, lithe, limber, graceful, elegant, spry, flexible

Antonym: portly

Usage: During the show, girls with lissome bodies swung from one rope to another.

9. ADDUCE (verb) – प्रस्तुत करना

Pronunciation: ud-yoos

Meaning: cite as evidence

Synonyms: cite, quote, name, mention, instance, specify, identify

Usage: During the trial the defense attorney will adduce evidence to show the defendant's innocence.

10. GLIB (adjective) – धाराप्रवाह पर प्रभावहीन

Pronunciation: glib

Meaning: (of words or a speaker) fluent but insincere and shallow

Synonyms: slick, pat, neat, plausible, silky

Antonyms: sincere, thoughtful, inarticulate

Usage: The spokesman's answer was just too glib.



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