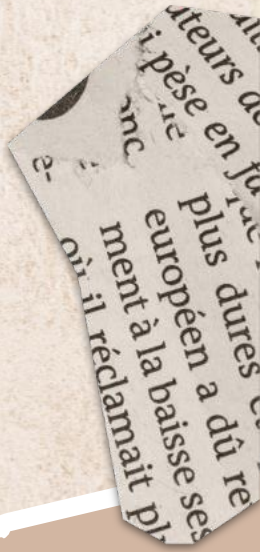
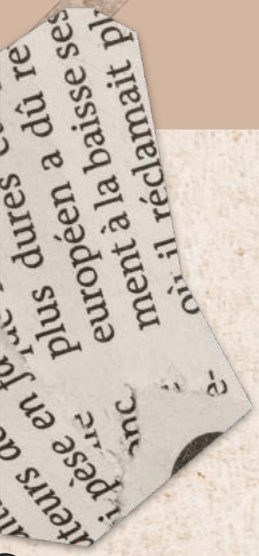




EDITORIAL ANALYSIS



11/03/2025



MISSPELT

Q1. Which of the following is the correct spelling for the word referring to a division or contrast between two things that are entirely different?

- a) Dichotamy
- b) Dichotomy
- c) **Dichotomy**
- d) Dichotomie
- e) None of these

MISSPELT

Q2. Which of the following is the correct spelling for the word meaning “a meeting or appointment, often in a secret or informal context”?

a) Rendevouz

b) Rendezvoos

c) Rendzevous


d) Rendezvous

e) None of these



MISSPELT

Q3. Which of the following is the correct spelling for the word describing the middle-class or conventional attitudes and values?

- a) Burgeois
- b) Bourgeois 
- c) Bourgoise
- d) Burgois
- e) None of these

MISSPELT

Q4. Which of the following is the correct spelling for the word referring to miscellaneous articles or equipment needed for a particular activity?

a) Paraphernaliaa

b) Paraphernelia

c) Paraphernalia

d) Paraphenalia

e) None of these



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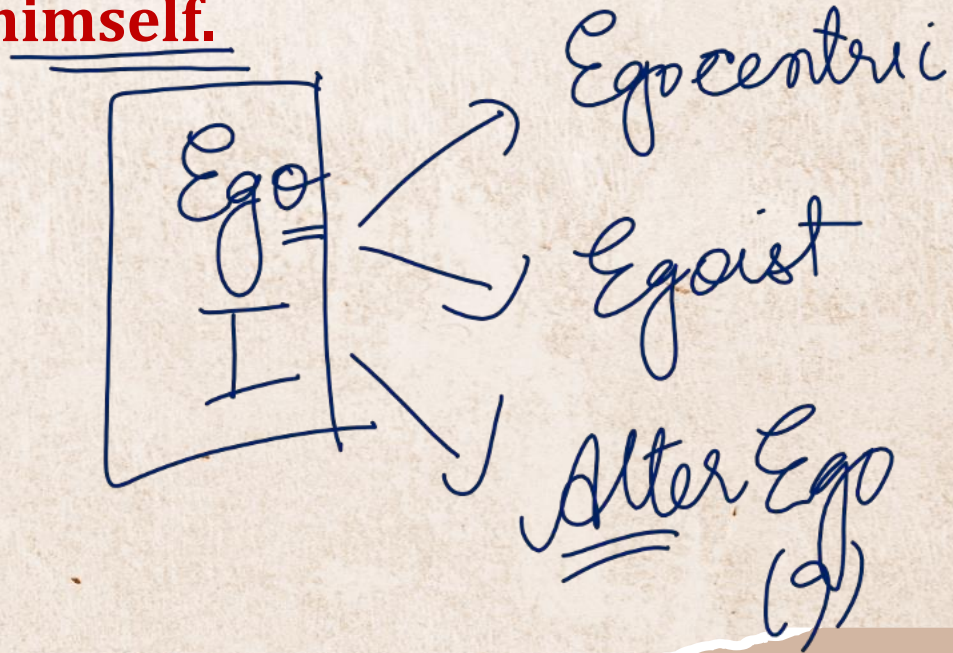
Q5. Which of the following is the correct spelling for the term that describes a figure of speech in which a part represents the whole?

- a) Synecdoch
- b) Synecdoche
- c) Syncedoche
- d) Synecdoche
- e) None of these

one-word substitution

Q1. I don't mind talking to him about the project but he is **a person who thinks only of himself.**

- a) ~~Eccentric~~
- b) ~~Boaster~~
- c) Egoist 
- d) ~~Proud~~
- e) None of these



one-word substitution

Q2. She **makes it certain** that she will never fight with her best friend over a pity thing like this.

- a) Assures ✓
- b) Insures ✓
- c) Ensures ←
- d) Seizures ✓
- e) None of these

Swifty


one-word substitution

Q3. We visited the ancient palace yesterday, there we saw old manuscripts written by saints, we tried but **it was not clear enough to be read.**

- a) ~~Corrigible~~
- b) ~~Legible~~
- c) ~~Negligible~~
- d) Illegible 
- e) None of these




one-word substitution

Q4. This is his first press conference with the media, he is anxious because he speaks less.

- a) Sullen
- b) Terse
- c) ~~Garrulous~~
- d) Reticent 
- e) None of these

one-word substitution

Q5. My brother is a theatre artist who performs and expresses stories or thoughts through gestures.

- a) Pantomime 
- b) Mimic 
- c) Depictions 
- d) Ham
- e) None of these



✓
Why you shouldn't feed city-pigeons

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1. Surprise

Part of Speech: Noun / Verb

Meaning: An unexpected event or feeling; to cause someone to feel astonishment or shock.



• **Hindi Translation:** आश्चर्य (noun), चौंकाना (verb)

• **Synonyms:**

1. astonishment, ✓
2. amazement, ✓
3. shock, ✓
4. wonder, ✓

stupefaction awe

startle

reveal

अचानक
पहचान

bewilderment

routine

forethought

Predicted

foreseen

• **Antonyms:**

1. expectation, ✓
2. predictability, ✓
3. foreknowledge, ✓
4. anticipation, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The unannounced visit of his friends was a delightful surprise.

unforeseen

My + Raid

2. Myriad

Part of Speech: Adjective /
Noun ✓

Meaning: A countless or
extremely great number;
innumerable.

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MYRIAD

• **Hindi Translation:** अनगिनत, असीम

• **Synonyms:**

1. countless, ✓
2. innumerable, ✓
3. numberless, ✓
4. infinite, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. few, ✓
2. limited, ✓
3. scarce, ✓
4. meager, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The night sky was illuminated by a myriad of stars.

Prodigal, blooming

*copious
surfeit*

Ample ✓

abundant ✓

Surplus ✓

पूरा

→ Satisfy

Suffice / Satisfying

profuse

plenty Swarming

prolific

light

3. Victors



Part of Speech: Noun (plural)

Meaning: Those who defeat their opponents; winners in a contest or conflict.



• **Hindi Translation:** विजेता

• **Synonyms:**

1. winners,
2. champions,
3. conquerors,
4. triumphers,

• **Antonyms:**

1. losers,
2. defeated,
3. underdogs,
4. failures,

• **Example Sentence:** After a grueling tournament, the victors celebrated their hard-earned success.

Supremacy
Victory *Ascendancy*
Exhilaration *Prevailing*
Conquest *'Laurel'*
Jubilant *Dominion*
Ebullient *Preeminence*

Affluent

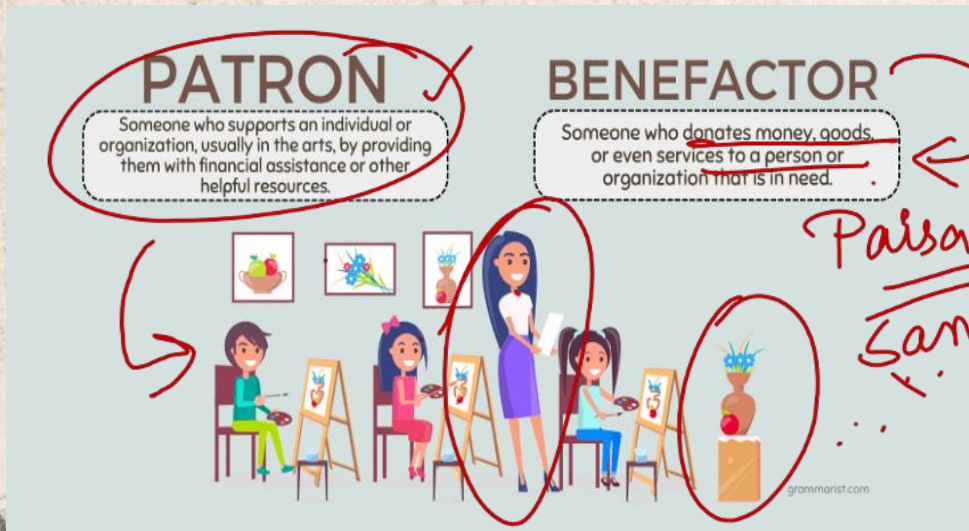
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4. Patron

Part of Speech: Noun

Meaning: A supporter or benefactor, often someone who gives financial or other support to a person, organization, or cause.

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Elevate ← Abet → Guide (-ve)
₹ 500 → Instor

Abate → alleviate / mitigate

• **Hindi Translation:** संरक्षक, समर्थक, पोषक

• **Synonyms:**

1. benefactor, ✓
2. sponsor, ✓
3. supporter, ✓
4. backer, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. detractor, ✓
2. critic, ✓
3. opponent, ✓
4. adversary, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The arts center flourished thanks to the generous contributions of its long-time patrons.

Enable aiding alleviate
Ease promoting mitigate
facilitate advocating curb
bolster bear a hand soothe
fortified Abet, Guide Rectify
Abate ← Ratify

5. Rear-foster

Part of Speech: Verb

Meaning: To nurture and raise;
to bring up and cultivate the
growth or development of
someone or something.



• **Hindi Translation:** पालन-पोषण करना, बढ़ावा देना

• **Synonyms:**

1. nurture, ✓

2. raise,

3. foster, ✓

4. cultivate, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. neglect, ✓

2. abandon, ✓

3. disregard, ✓

4. stifle, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The community center aims to rear-foster young talent by providing mentorship and resources.

grow up (self)

bring up

Cultivate

Motivate

Accelerate

Catalyse

Trigger

Arouse

Boost

Provoke

Incite

Intigrate

Compel



6. Infested

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Overrun or swarming
with pests, parasites, or
unwanted organisms.



• **Hindi Translation:** कीटाणुओं/कीड़ों से ग्रसित

• **Synonyms:**

1. overrun,
2. teeming, ✓
3. swarming, ✓
4. crawling, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. free, ✓
2. uninfested, ✓
3. clean, ✓
4. clear, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The abandoned building was infested with rodents and insects.

Indelible (delete)

Incurigible

Immaculate

Pristine

Implaceable

alook

7. Feral

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: In a wild state,
especially after having been
domesticated; untamed, savage,
or uncontrolled.

Stray Cat ✓



✓ Feral Cat



• **Hindi Translation:** जंगली, आवारा

• **Synonyms:**

1. wild,
2. untamed, ✓
3. savage, ✓
4. ferocious, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. domesticated, ✓
2. tame, ✓
3. cultivated, ✓
4. controlled, ✓

• **Example Sentence:** The stray cats had reverted to a feral state, living independently in the alleys.

cluster

① Adopt - accept

② Adapt - Adjust

③ Adept - Skilled

④ Inept - Unskilled

foster



Drastic Change

8. Drastic

Part of Speech: Adjective

Meaning: Likely to have a strong or far-reaching effect; extreme, severe, or radical.

10th — 12th Std.

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• **Hindi Translation:** कठोर, अत्यधिक

• **Synonyms:**

1. extreme, ✓

2. radical, ✓

3. severe, ✓

4. intense, ✓

• **Antonyms:**

1. mild, ✓ *bleak*

2. moderate,

3. lenient, *bland*

4. slight, *comfortable*

forceful

coerce

vigorous

Sweeping

Resolute

Extraordinary

Critical

Pertinent

Imperative

Substantial

• **Example Sentence:** The government took drastic measures to curb the spread of the virus.

IDIOMS & PHRASAL VERBS

1. Come up

0 Meaning: To emerge or appear (often referring to new establishments or facilities).

0 Example: "Shops selling pigeon feed are coming up right next to the dedicated feeding stations."

IDIOMS & PHRASAL VERBS

2. Eat away at

0 Meaning: To gradually erode or diminish something over time.

0 Example: "The constant feeding of pigeons is eating away at the natural food cycle of native species."

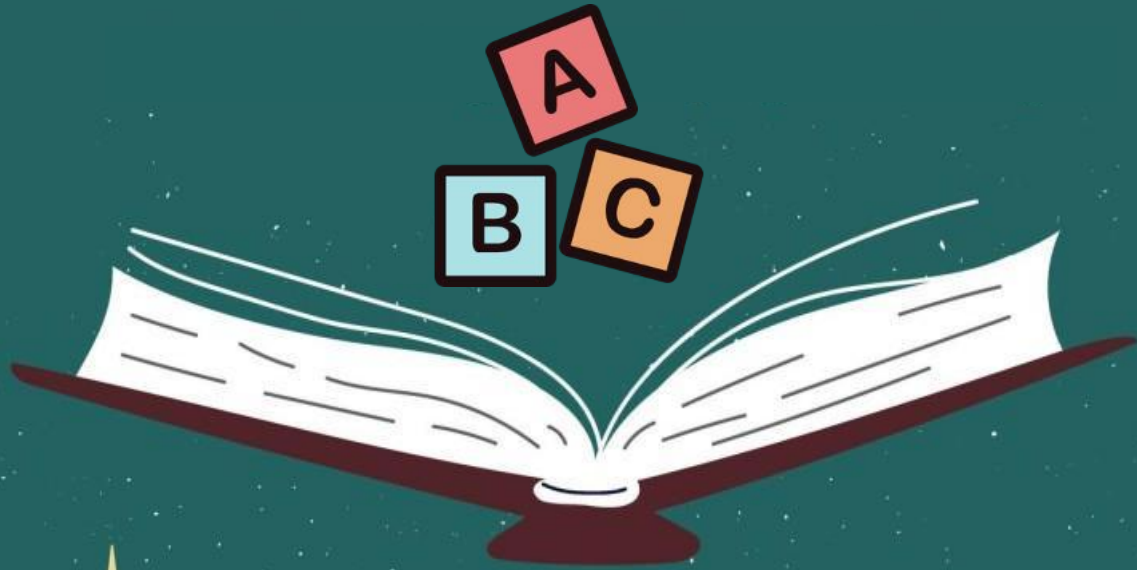
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3. Subject to

0 Meaning: To be exposed to or suffer from something.

0 Example: "Historical buildings and statues are subjected to corrosive damage from pigeon excreta."

SHALL WE READ?



It's the bird everyone recognises, which is not surprising. Not only are they found in great numbers throughout the city, but pigeons have also been a part of Indian culture and society for several centuries.

An integral part of a game called kabootar-baazi, the art of pigeon flying, was a pastime of the Mughal emperors. The game involved learning and developing the skills to control flocks of pigeons, flying away and landing back at the command of the controller. Months and years were spent training pigeons for competitions that were organised, where these skills were displayed and the victors respected across the community. During Akbar's reign, pigeon-flying received royal patronage, and the 'game' is still played in parts of Old Delhi.

The rearing of such large flocks throughout history have left our cities infested with these feral birds. Pigeons are no longer wild species of birds. Feeding them, trading them and often releasing them is what disturbs the delicate ecological balance.

There are dedicated feeding stations spread across the city, with shops selling pigeon feed coming up right next to them. Everything from corn and rice to leftover food, even cake and cookies, is fed.

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This makes the birds highly dependent on human beings for survival, changes their eating habits drastically, and killing their natural instinct to forage for food (they are grain-and and fruit eating). This changes the dynamics of the food chain drastically, eating away into the food cycle of several other native species like the house sparrow that also has a similar diet.

Historical buildings and statues are subjected to bird excreta, which contains uric acid and can cause irreversible damage to buildings: sandstone and limestone are extremely susceptible to it. The corrosive effects may continue even after cleaning, which in turn leads to massive destruction of historical landmarks.

Pigeon excreta contains certain strains of the bacteria E. coli (Escherichia coli), which when introduced in the food or water supply, may lead to illnesses, making pigeons a regular carrier of these diseases. Traditional practices have often hurt us in ways unknown to human kind. To maintain a healthy ecological balance, it's wise to avoid feeding pigeons.

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Q1. What was the primary purpose of kabootar-baazi during the Mughal era?

- A) Rearing pigeons for food ←
- B) Using pigeons for postal communication
- C) Training pigeons for competitive flying ← ✓
- D) Keeping pigeons as royal pets
- E) Worshipping pigeons in religious ceremonies

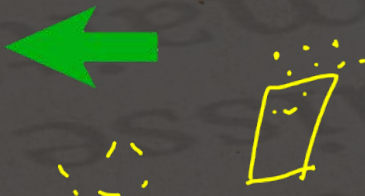


Q2. What component in pigeon excreta causes damage to historical buildings?

- A) Uric acid** 
- B) Sulfuric acid**
- C) Nitric acid**
- D) Carbonic acid**
- E) Hydrochloric acid**

Q3. What is one of the main reasons pigeons have become so dependent on humans?

- A) The disappearance of other bird species
- B) The natural instincts of pigeons to rely on humans
- C) The decrease in urban pollution levels
- D) Government laws protecting pigeons
- E) The establishment of dedicated feeding stations



Q4. What is a possible long-term effect of continued pigeon overpopulation in urban areas?

A) Strengthening the population of house sparrows

B) Reducing the presence of other native bird species ←

C) Improving the quality of air and water

D) Increasing the structural integrity of historical buildings

E) Enhancing urban cleanliness



Q5. Which of the following statements are TRUE/FALSE ?

1. Pigeons have become highly dependent on humans for food. ✓ *cake*

2. Pigeons have successfully adapted to city life without human intervention. ✓

3. The rise in pigeon-feeding stations has reduced their reliance on natural food sources. ✓

A) Only 1 is correct

B) Only 2 is correct

C) Only 3 is correct

D) Both 1 and 3 are correct ← *True*

E) Both 2 and 3 are correct



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Match the columns

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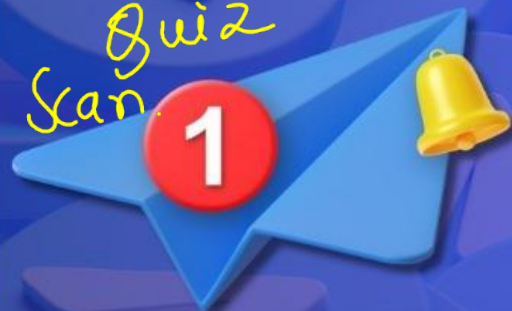
Column A	Column B
A. Deliberate	P. Subtle or slight differences, distinctions, or variations in meaning or expression.
B. Entrench	Q. Able to move or be moved easily; also refers to devices or technology that are portable.
C. Dismantle	R. To establish something so firmly that it is difficult to change or remove.
D. Arenas	S. To think about or discuss something carefully before making a decision.
E. Foster Cultivate	T. Places or fields where activities or events, especially competitions, take place.
F. Nuances	U. To take apart or destroy something, often in a systematic way.
G. Mobile	V. To encourage the growth or development of something, especially ideas or relationships.
H. Spatial	W. Relating to space, especially physical space or the arrangement of objects within it.

Answer

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