

# The Hindu Vocab - March 11



**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**1. Prickly**

**A** Ribald

**B** Ambiguous

**C** **Unarmed**

**D** Prose

**E** Pontifical

**Solution**

The correct answer is option C i.e. unarmed.

Prickly (adjective) – problematic/troublesome, sensitive, difficult.

Ex: She felt the prickly sensation of being watched.

Antonym: good-natured, unarmed.

Synonym: briary, barbed, setose, waspish.

Unarmed: having no guns, knives, etc.; not armed.

Ambiguous: (of language) open to more than one interpretation; having a

double meaning.

Ribald: vulgar or indecent in speech, language, etc.

Prose: the ordinary form of spoken or written language.

Pontifical: characterized by a pompous air of infallibility.

As the chosen option 'unarmed' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'Prickly'.

Hence, option C is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

## 2. Comprehension

**A** Misunderstanding

**B** Inconceivable

**C** Lea

**D** Harbinger

**E** Anhydrate

**Solution**

The correct answer is option A i.e. misunderstanding.

Comprehension (noun) – understanding, apprehension.

Ex: She searched his face for some indication of comprehension, eventually finding it only in his voice.

Antonym: ignorance, misapprehension, misunderstanding.

Synonym: awareness, perception, discernment.

Misunderstanding: a situation in which somebody/something is not understood correctly.

Anhydrate: to dehydrate quickly in food processing.

Lea: an open field, meadow.

Inconceivable: unable to be conceived, unbelievable.

Harbinger: a person who makes known the approach of another.

As the chosen option ‘misunderstanding’ best expresses the antonym of the given word ‘Comprehension’.

Hence, option A is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**3. Robust**

**A** Displeasing

**B** Puny

**C** Uncorrupted

**D** Unsullied

**E** Nasty

### **Solution**

The correct answer is option B i.e. puny.

Robust (adjective) – strong, powerful.

Ex: No handshake for Julie; she gave each of us a robust hug.

Antonym: weak, frail, puny, fragile

Synonym: strong, lusty, brawny, able-bodied

Puny: very small and weak.

Displeasing: causing annoyance or dissatisfaction; disagreeable.

Unsullied: not spoiled or made impure.

Uncorrupted: not decomposed.

Nasty: very bad or unpleasant.

As the chosen option ‘puny’ best expresses the antonym of the given word ‘Robust’.

Hence, option B is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**4. Plight**

**A** Legerdemain

**B** Untarnished

**C** **Delight**

**D** Dissuade

**E** Undefined

**Solution**

The correct answer is option C i.e. delight.

Plight (noun) – a bad or difficult state or situation.

Ex: You don't know what a plight he had to endure.

Antonym: delight, joy, pleasure.

Synonym: predicament, difficult situation, unfortunate situation

Delight: great pleasure; joy.

Dissuade: to persuade somebody not to do something.

Untarnished: vulgar or indecent in speech, language, etc.

Legerdemain: sleight of hand.

Undeified: not defiled; pure.

As the chosen option 'delight' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'Plight'.

Hence, option C is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**5. Interminable**

A Sociable

B Curt

C Understate

D Ascetic

E Cenobite

**Solution**

The correct answer is option C i.e. curt.

Interminable (adjective) – endless, non-stop, constant, continual.

Ex: She cried for what seemed like an interminable time.

Antonym: terminable, brief, moderate, curt

Synonym: unending, everlasting, perpetual.

Curt: short and not polite.

Cenobite: a member of a religious group living together in a monastic community.

Sociable: Tending to socialize or be social; friendly; inviting; congenial.

Understate: To state something with less completeness than needed; to minimise or downplay.

Ascetic: a person who lives a strict, simple life

As the chosen option 'curt' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'Interminable'.

Hence, option C is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**6. Hobble**

A Rivalry

B Stride



(C) Rapport

(D) Fortune

(E) Fender-bender

### Solution

The correct answer is option B i.e. stride.

Hobble (verb) – to walk with difficulty because your feet or legs are hurt.

Ex: She picked up her cane and hobbled across the room.

Antonym: stride, march, stalk, pace

Synonym: limp, halt, hop, walk lamely.

Stride: to walk with long steps, often because you feel very confident or determined

Fortune: Luck, a chance happening, or that which happens beyond a person's controls Wealth.

Rivalry: The relationship between two or more rivals who regularly compete with each other. The term usually applies to two rivals.

Rapport: A relationship of mutual trust and respect.

Fender-bender : It is a car accident in which little damage is done.

As the chosen option 'stride' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'hobble'.

Hence, option B is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**7. Preventive**

**A** Yield

**B** Base

**C** Revolve

**D** Aid

**E** Crest

**Solution**

The correct answer is option D i.e. aid.

preventive (adjective) – preventative, precautionary, protective.

Ex: But the efficiency of this preventive stops short at the point of saving human life.

Anto: help, aid, succor

Syno: anticipation, thwarting, avoidance.

Aid: a person or thing that helps you.

**Base:** Something from which other things extend; a foundation, the bottom part, and nadir.

**Crest:** a comb or tuft of feathers, fur, or skin on the head of a bird or other animal.

**Yield:** to relinquish, resign, to give up

**Revolve:** to move in circular motion, focus, or centre on

As the chosen option 'aid' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'preventive'.

Hence, option D is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**8. Decongest**

**A Impede**

**B Reclaim**

**C Hinder**

**D Respite**

**E Spate**

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## Solution

The correct answer is option A i.e. Impede.

Decongest (verb) – relieve the congestion of (something).

Ex: This route operation was aimed to decongest their Manila hub.

Anto: clear, unimpeded, unobstructed

Syno: Unclog, ease congestion

Impede: to make it difficult for somebody/something to move or go forward.

Spate: a large number of similar things coming in quick succession.

Reclaim: to recover, to bring back

Hinder: To make it difficult to accomplish; to frustrate, act as an obstacle.

Respite: A brief interval of rest or relief.

As the chosen option ‘Impede’ best expresses the antonym of the given word ‘decongest’.

Hence, option A is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**9. Inmate**

A Facilitate

B Captor

**C** Utter

**D** Unsullied

**E** Knavery

### Solution

The correct answer is option B i.e. captor.

Inmate (noun) – inhabitant, a person living in an institution (like hospital, prison, etc.).

Ex: At the request of the abbess he became an inmate of the monastery.

Anto: captor, independent, escapee

Syno: resident, occupant, occupier

Captor: a person who takes or keeps a person as a prisoner

Knavery: a roguish or mischievous act.

Facilitate: To make it easier or less difficult.

Utter: to speak or pronounce

Unsullied: not spoiled or made impure.

As the chosen option ‘captor’ best expresses the antonym of the given word ‘inmate.

Hence, option B is correct.

**Find the word which is the antonym of the given word.**

**10. Complicity**

**A** Spirituality

**B** Internal

**C** Detachment

**D** Liberal

**E** Lascivious

**Solution**

The correct answer is option C i.e. Detachment.

Complicity (noun) – collusion, connivance, involvement.

Ex: She is suspected of complicity in the fraud.

Anto: ignorance, detachment, innocence

Syno: conspiracy, collaboration

Detachment: the action or process of detaching: separation.

Spirituality: The quality that involves deep feelings and beliefs of a

religious nature, rather than the physical parts of life.

Lascivious: feeling or revealing an overt sexual interest or desire.

Internal: Inside of something.

Liberal: a political philosophy founded on ideas of liberty and equality, free.

As the chosen option 'detachment' best expresses the antonym of the given word 'complicity'.

Hence, option C is correct.

