

The Hindu Vocab - March 18



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1. Parole

A Released on **payroll** in 1188, he at once broke his paroled, and began the siege of Acre.

B The Union Budget for 2021-2022 presented to Parliament on Monday, instead reveals an estimated health **parole** of ₹74,602 crore, almost 10% lower than the revised estimate of ₹82,445 crore earmarked for health spending in the current fiscal year.

C A sizeable fiscal stimulus to reinvigorate consumption demand could have **paroled** a long way in completing the recovery.

D Prisoners released upon **parole** are carefully supervised by state agents.

E The convicted killer had no chance of escaping, but was **parole** from the death penalty.

Solution

The correct answer is Option D, i.e. Prisoners released upon parole are carefully supervised by state agents.

Parole (noun) – the release of a prisoner, either temporarily for a special purpose or completely before the expiry of a sentence, on the promise of good behavior.

Anto: conviction, sentence

Syno: discharge, emancipate.

Among the given statements, Option D seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option D, i.e. "Prisoners released upon parole are carefully supervised by state agents."

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2. Follow-up

A I didn't get **follow-up** nice presents for Christmas this year.

B Many services continue with **follow-up** calls and visits to check-up on the working relationship between the employing family and the nanny.

C West Bengal and Jharkhand also bore the brunt the **following-up** weather system's force, as it punched its way inland from May 26, weakening into a deep depression.

D Moreover, for the second year running, States have been **followed-up** by the COVID-19 pandemic.

E He ate only the until plainest food **following-up** the tea.

Solution

The correct answer is Option B, i.e. Many services continue with follow-

up calls and visits to check-up on the working relationship between the employing family and the nanny.

Follow-up (noun as modifier) – continuation.

Anto: decrease, diminish, reduce

Syno: carry out, fulfill, follow through, implement.

Among the given statements, Option B seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option B, i.e. "Many services continue with follow-up calls and visits to check-up on the working relationship between the employing family and the nanny."

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3. Arbitrarily

- A The 2021 season comes as another reminder that India will have to improve its *arbitrarily* to cyclones.
- B Moreover, for the second year running, States have been *arbitrarily* by the COVID-19 pandemic.
- C Yet, thousands have lost houses and *arbitrarily* property.
- D Though he usually abridges, he occasionally amplifies *arbitrarily* the narratives of his authorities.

E

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Solution

The correct answer is Option D, i.e. Though he usually abridges, he occasionally amplifies arbitrarily the narratives of his authorities.

Arbitrarily (adverb) – randomly/casually, irrationally, erratically, inconsistently, unreasonably, illogically.

Among the given statements, Option D seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option D, i.e. "Though he usually abridges, he occasionally amplifies arbitrarily the narratives of his authorities."

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4. Surge

A

The Centre had dropped the GST on sanitary napkins after *surge* defending the tax.

B

An accommodative approach from the Centre could *surge* India's fiscal federalism framework does not suffer an irretrievable breakdown at this calamitous juncture.

C

The *surge* travelled southwards along the coast.

D

That the Council, expected to meet every quarter, has taken possibly the longest *surge* in its functioning does not set a good precedent.

E

In the intervening period, the economy *surging* back to normalcy before being hobbled again by the second wave of infections.

Solution

The correct answer is Option C, i.e. The surge travelled southwards along the coast.

surge (noun) – sudden increase or rise of something.

Anto: bottle (up), contain, restrain

Syno: gush, rush, stream, flow, burst

Among the given statements, Option C seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option C, i.e. "The surge travelled southwards along the coast."

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5. Lay down

A

I closed the file, turned out the lights, and *lay down*.

- B** The Finance Ministry *lay down* from insisting that States raise these loans directly.
- C** And unlike the first wave, there is a greater onus on the States now to figure out everything from what mobility restrictions to *lay down*, to vaccination sequencing, and the bigger headache of sourcing enough vaccines from within or outside India.
- D** The Centre will now also have to *laid down* a slight change in equations.
- E** The elan of re-elected State governments apart, a large State such as Tamil Nadu can no longer be expected to *lay the Centre's down*.

Solution

The correct answer is Option A, i.e. I closed the file, turned out the lights, and lay down.

Lay down (phrasal verb) – formulate, stipulate, frame, draw up.

Among the given statements, Option A seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option A, i.e. "I closed the file, turned out the lights, and lay down."

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6. Take into account

A

Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman *take into a account* her brave effort to make good use of the lessons learnt from the unprecedented global health crisis.

B

I hope they *take her age into account* when they judge her work.

C

She ensue economic setback to *take into account* lives and livelihoods back on track.

D

But this is no transformative budget that *taken into the heightened account* expectations of a weary population waiting for manna from the government.

E

The temperature has been *taken accounted into* normal for the past couple of weeks.

Solution

The correct answer is Option B, i.e. I hope they take her age into account when they judge her work.

Take into account (phrase) – consider, take into consideration, have regard to, reckon with.

Among the given statements, Option B seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option B, i.e. "I hope they take her age into account when they judge her work."

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highlighted word, sentences have been provided in the options below.
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7. Salience

- A** If implemented, this could be the biggest *salience* overhaul of the regulatory framework for such finance companies (or shadow banks) in over two decades.
- B** The trigger now is similar though *salience* the scale of the problem has changed.
- C** The collateral *salience* damage meant NBFCs could not raise funds easily
- D** Many people underestimate the *salience* of strong family support for those going through cancer treatments.
- E** They separated and have been *sailently* living across for the past year.

Solution

The correct answer is Option D, i.e. Many people underestimate the salience of strong family support for those going through cancer treatments.

Salience (noun) – prominence, importance, significance.

Among the given statements, Option D seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option D, i.e. “Many people underestimate the salience of strong family support for those going through cancer treatments.”

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8. Perennial

- A** In reality, Mr. Trump's *perennial* rhetoric exploited this sense of alienation and socioeconomic dysfunction for narrow political and personal gains.
- B** If the history of nations is replete with *perenniallies*, nowhere were they more evident than in the U.S.
- C** That election was *perennial* by the fact that no candidate won 50% of the popular vote in the November 3 general election.
- D** Lawmakers went on to *perennial* reconvene and formally certify the results
- E** **Lack of resources has been a *perennial* problem since the beginning.**

Solution

The correct answer is Option E, i.e. Lack of resources has been a perennial problem since the beginning.

Perennial (adjective) – everlasting, unending, endless, permanent.

Among the given statements, Option E seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option E, i.e. "Lack of resources has

been a perennial problem since the beginning."

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9. **Relook**

A The prison guard *relooking* his duty, that is why the prisoner escaped.

B They really need to *relook* at this and rethink the consequences.

C The country cannot *relook* afford a premature scaling down of fiscal support at a time of rising inequality.

D She also proposes to *relook* privatise two more public sector banks and a general insurer in 2021-22 and has committed to ensuring that the necessary legislative amendments to enable the LIC's IPO are introduced in the current session of Parliament.

E Although the mob was eventually *relooking*, lawmakers went on to reconvene and formally certify the results

Solution

The correct answer is Option B, i.e. They really need to relook at this and rethink the consequences.

Relook (noun) – reconsideration, rethinking, re-examination.

Among the given statements, Option B seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option B, i.e. "They really need to relook at this and rethink the consequences."

A word has been given in the following question. In response to the highlighted word, sentences have been provided in the options below. Find the appropriate statement representing the given word.

10. Overcrowding

- A** There is greater spending on health care and some fiscal push to *overcrowd* the struggling demand in the pandemic-hit economy.
- B** The sheer viciousness of the January 6 mob attack, and more than two months of *overcrowding* hateful vitriol online and offline following the 2020 election.
- C** To ease the problem of *overcrowding*, new prisons will be built.
- D** Now Mr. Biden has an opportunity to strike a more balanced note by, on the one hand, seeking to revive the moribund spirit of bipartisan consensus and expediently *overcrowding* the thorny issue of comprehensive immigration reform, and, on the other.
- E** Health and strength is beneath all *overcrowding* gold.

Solution

The correct answer is Option C, i.e. To ease the problem of overcrowding, new prisons will be built.

overcrowding (noun) means congestion

overcrowding (room) means congestion.

Among the given statements, Option C seems to portray the exact denotation of the provided word.

Hence, the correct answer will be option C, i.e. "To ease the problem of overcrowding, new prisons will be built."

