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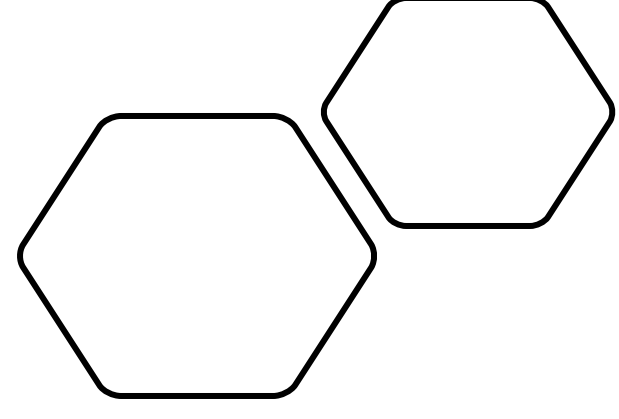
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NOUN

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NOUN

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12. The meanings of certain nouns get changed when we add 's' or 'es' to them.

<i>Singular</i>	<i>Meaning</i>	<i>Plural</i>	<i>Meaning</i>
Alphabet	वर्णमाला	Alphabets	भाषाएँ
Arm	बाँह/भुजा	Arms	हथियार
Air	हवा	Airs	दिखावटी व्यवहार
Cloth	कपड़े का पीस	Clothes	ड्रेस
Return	वापसी	Returns	आय का हिसाब
Iron	लोहा	Irons	जंजीरें
Force	शक्ति	Forces	सेना / पुलिस की टुकड़ियाँ
Sand	रेत	Sands	रेगिस्तान
Wood	लकड़ी	Woods	जंगल
Abuse	दुरुपयोग	Abuses	कुरीतियाँ
Good	लाभ	Goods	सामान

. Write an essay in 300 words. ✓✓

She sent me a word of her late arrival. ✓

~~a~~ message

I will keep my words. ✓

~~words~~ ✓

I want to have words with you.

have a word

- ① word - शब्द - words - शब्दों
(Plu.)
 - ② word - talk - बातचीत (Plu.)
(have a word)
 - ③ word → promise | (message / information)
(UNC) देश
- ✗ a / an / yes
- oil sugar
oils x
sugars x
- an oil ✗
a sugar

. Sita is true to

- ☒ a) word
- b) Her words
- c) The words
- d) words

True to word
शुद्ध शब्दों पर
शुद्ध शब्दों पर

Noun

. Kinds

proper

Common

Material

Abstract

Collective

Gender

masculine

Feminine

common

neuter

Number

Countable

Uncountable

Sing.

Plural

Sing.

a/an x
s/es x

a

Boy

Boys

united - sing ✓
divided - plu ✓

members if

. (i) The jury is/are divided in their verdict.

(ii) The committee is/are unanimous on this issue.

(iii) The team is/are divided over the decision of captainship.

1. By adding -s, -es, -ies etc. to a singular noun:

Singular

Torch

Guy

Fly

Mosquito

Plural

Torches

Guys

Flies

Mosquitoes

2. By adding **-ves** to the nouns ending with 'f' or 'fe'.

Singular

Leaf

Life

Knife

Plural

Leaves ✓

Lives ✓

Knives ✓

Some Exceptions

Singular

Belief

Grief

Chief

Plural

Beliefs ✓

Griefs ✓

Chiefs ✓

sing - Plu.

3. **Compound words are made plural with their Principal word.**

Singular

✓ Brother-in-law
Step-son/daughter
Maid servant
✓ Man/woman-servant
Man-Lover/hater
✓ Cupful/handful
✓ Girl/boyfriend
Class-fellow

Plural

Brothers-in-law ✓
Step-sons/daughters ✓
Maid servants ✓
Men/women-Servants ✓
Man-Lovers/haters ✓
Cupfuls/handfuls ✓
Girl/boyfriends ✓
Class-fellows

4. Some nouns form their plurals by changing the spelling and the vowel sound of the singular

Singular	Plural
✓ Man	Men
✓ Woman	Women
Foot	Feet
Mouse	Mice
Goose (हँस)	Geese
✓ Tooth	Teeth
Louse (जूँ)	Lice
Oasis (मरूद्यान)	Oases

5. Figures, symbols and abbreviations get their plural by adding 's/s.

Singular	Plural
3	3's / 3s ✓
c	c's / cs

e's ✓
 You all the e look
 like c's ✓

6. Some noun have the same form in singular and plural.

Singular	Plural
Fish	Fish [<i>fishes</i> (कई प्रजातियाँ भी होता है)]
Sheep	Sheep
Deer	Deer
Series	Series
Means (money)	Means
Species	Species
Offspring (संतान)	Offspring
Headquarters	Headquarters
Aircraft	Aircraft
Family	Family [<i>families</i> (अलग-अलग परिवार भी होता है)]

- e.g.**
- (i) There are two fish in the pond.
 - (ii) There is a fish in the aquarium.
 - (iii) There are many fishes in the aquarium.
 ('Fishes' का अर्थ है विभिन्न प्रजातियों की fish)

Sing = फल

. Fish

Fish

Sheep

Sheep ✓

Deer

Deer ✓

Series

Series

Species

Species

Offspring

Offspring ✓

Headquarters

Headquarters ✓

Aircraft

Aircraft ✓

Some Greek/Latin words are singular with *on/um* at the end of the word; they get plural by adding 'a' instead of *on/um*.

Singular

Plural

Phenomenon (घटना) Phenomena ✓

Criterion (मापदंड) Criteria ✓

Datum (आँकड़ा) Data ✓

Agendum (कार्यसूची) Agenda ✓

Memorandum (ज्ञापन) Memoranda ✓

Stratum (परत/स्तर) Strata ✓

on/um → *a*

Some Latin words are singular with 'um' at the end of the word; they get plural by adding 's' instead of 'um'.

Singular

Plural

Asylum (शरण स्थल)

Asylums

Museum

Museums

Premium

Premiums

Pendulum

Pendulums

Stadium

Stadia/Stadiums

Dictum (कहावत)

Dicta/Dictums

VVI

Some Latin words ending with 'us' get plural by adding 'i'.

Singular

Radius

Syllabus

Plural

Radii

Syllabi

Wrongly used Nouns/Noun Phrases

Wrong

Freeship ✓

Boundation ✗

Lecturership ✗

Offsprings ✗

Cousin brother/sister ✗

Strong breeze ✗

Angry mob ✗

Space/place (खाली स्थान के लिये)

Boarding and lodging ✗

Fooding and lodging ✗

Right

Free scholarship
/studentship

Bounds ✓

Lectureship ✓

Offspring ✓

Cousin ✓

Strong wind ✓

Mob ✓

Room ✓

Board & lodging ✓

Food and lodging ✓

Angry crowd

- b. 1. The Manager ^{suggest} put forward a)/ a number of criteria b)/ for the post. c)/ No Error d)
- c. 2. Alms ^{दान} a)/ are given b)/ to the poor c)/ No error d)
3. The present data a)/ show that the illiteracy rate b)/ in india has fallen down but not to the level of expectation. c)/ No error
- the poor
= plu (81)

leaf → leaves

3

× sheaves - Bundle

(A) 4. The sheafs a)/ of the wheat- plants were too heavy b)/ for me to carry on the head. c)/ No error d)

× strate ✓

5. 'Language consists of several stratums', a)/ said a linguist b) in his lecture on language. c)/No error d)

- Q6. I shall not go to party tonight a)/ since I have many works to complete b)/ before I give presentation tomorrow. c)/ No error d)

काम — work — UNC

a lot of / much work
many pieces of work ✓

7. He was offered a)/ lecturereship b)/ by the committee. c)/ No error d)

lectureship

8. The house a)/ was divided in its b)/ opinion. c)/ No error d)

parliament

were

their

word ✓

- 9. One must be always a)/ true to one's words b)/ if one wants to get respect from everyone. c)/ No error d)

scenery

- 10. The sceneries a)/ of Kashmir is b)/ very charming. c)/ No error d)

2011

2011

- 12. He paid the caretaker for his board and lodging.
- A) Room
- B) furniture
- C) boarding
- ☒ D) No improvement

SOME NOUNS ARE ALWAYS PLURAL.

- Scissors, tongs (चिमटा), pliers (प्लास), pincers (सड़सी), bellows (फूँकनी), trousers, pants, pajamas, shorts, gallows (फाँसी का फन्दा), fangs (डंक), spectacles, goggles, binoculars (दूरबीन), eyeglasses, intestines (आँत), alms (दान), amends (संशोधन), archives (ऐतिहासिक दस्तावेज), arrears, ^{अर्था}auspices (मदद), congratulations, regards, embers (राख-red piece of wood/coal), fireworks, lodgings (किराये का कमरा), outskirts, particulars,

intestines
small intestine
large intestine

चिमटा

proceeds (बिक्री से प्राप्त आय), riches (सम्पत्ति),
remains (अवशेष), savings (बचत), shambles
(अव्यवस्था की स्थिति), surroundings, tidings
(समाचार), troops, tactics, thanks, valuables,
belongings (सम्पत्ति), cattle (मवेशी/पशु),
cavalry (घुड़सवार सेना), infantry (पैदल सेना),
poultry (मुर्गी पालन), peasantry (किसानों का समूह),
children, gentry (लोग), police, people,

1. The proceeds were/was deposited in the bank.
2. Wages of sin is/are death.
3. Our infantry has/ have marched forward.

Police -
police man
wage - मजदूरी
wages (plu)
wages - Result
sing ① परिणाम

.. Cattles are a)/ not allowed b)/ to enter this ground. c)/ No Error d)

(Result)
wages of hard work is are good
sub.

SOME NOUNS LOOK PLURAL BUT THEY ARE SINGULAR IN NATURE.

News, Innings (पारी), Summons (कोर्ट का आदेश), Mumps (गले का रोग), Measles (खसरा), Rickets (हड्डी का रोग), Shingles (नसों में सूजन), Billiards, Athletics etc.

Names of subject – Physics, Economics, Mathematics, etc.

Names of topics/books/titles etc.

✓ / are
(i) No news is good news.

✓
(ii) Politics ~~are~~ is my favourite subject.

✓
(iii) Economics is an interesting subject.

*In this sense 'the' / 'possessive' (my / our / your
etc.) comes before them*

NOTE: यदि (mathematics = calculations,
statistics = data, politics = political ideas) हो,
तो इन्हें plural माना जाता है।

(iv) My politics are not very good.

(v) The mathematics of this boy are excellent.

(iv) My politics is/are not very good.

(v) The mathematics of this boy is/are excellent.

3. SOME NOUNS ARE ALWAYS SINGULAR (UNCOUNTABLE)

Scenery, Poetry (कविताओं का संकलन), Furniture,
Advice, Information, Hair, Business,
Mischief (शरारत), Bread, Stationery,
Crockery, Luggage (यात्रा का सामान), Baggage
(घर का सामान), Postage, Knowledge, Wastage,
Jewellery, Equipment, Work (Works का अर्थ
है साहित्य लेख/रचनाएँ), Evidence, Word (जब word
का अर्थ वाद/संदेश हो), Fuel, Cost etc.

Examples –

- (i) The scenery of Kashmir is very charming.
- (ii) I have no information about her residence.

NOTE:

(i) इन Nouns का Plural नहीं बनाया जा सकता।

(ii) इनके पहले Article (a/an) का प्रयोग नहीं होता।

* इन Nouns का Singular या Plural इस तरह से बनाया जा सकता है-

Singular

A/one piece of ✓

An/one item/article of ✓

A/one slice/loaf of ✓

Plural

2, 3... pieces of ✓

2, 3...items/articles of

2, 3... slices/loaves of

(iii) He gave me three pieces of information. ✓

(iv) Many kinds of furniture are available in that shop. ✓

(v) He ate two slices of bread. ✓

(N)

. (iii) He gave me three informations.

items/kinds of

pieces/kinds of
information ✓

(iv) Many furnitures are available in that shop. ✓

(v) He ate two bread.

slices of bread

wood
~~चास~~
(UNC)

woods
forest

alphabet

1. He learnt (A) the alphabets (B) at the age of four. (C) No error (D) .

v²

children

② 2. She always fed (A) her childrens (B) before she fed her dog. (C) No error (D)

feed
पिलाना

बच्चा

3. I saw (A) two deers (B) in the woods. (C) No error (D)

deer

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- (saw)

der (pl.)

one deer (sing.)

Spot the error.

information

1. You shall get(A) all the informations (B) if you read this book carefully. (C) No error (D)

scenery

2. The paintings of (A) natural sceneries are selling (B) like hot cakes. (C) No error (D)

③ 3. The book, being written (A) in simple language is suitable for children (B) as it contains many good advices. (C) No error (D)

a lot of advice / many pieces of good advice

APPOSTROPHE'S

'd < had
would

'll → will/shall

n't → not
is Ram's going. (is)

's < has Ram's gone (has)

's < of It is Ram's house

of
(is)

of - living / non living

- It is the house of Ram.

- It is the cap of a pen.

's - living
' → when last letter

is a S boy's hostel.
It is a boy's hostel.

Some Exceptions

Nouns denoting **time/space/weight/value;**

Time – A day's journey, a month's holiday, three weeks' leave, a year's absence etc.

Space – A boat's length, a hair's breadth, a razor's edge, a needle's point etc.

Weight – A pound's weight, a ton's weight etc.

Value – A rupee's value, five pounds' worth etc.

Personification – *India's* heroes; *nature's* laws; *fortune's* favourite; *at duty's* call; *at death's* door, *court's* orders.

In some phrases

(a) at one's wits' end (confused-सोच न पाना)

(b) at a stone's throw (near-नजदीक)

five pounds'

- INCORRECT

- 1. Someone's else ✗
- Ram's and Sita's son ✗
- The + Surname+s
= (whole family) ✓
- The Mishra's ✗

- CORRECT

- 1. Someone else's ✓
 - 2. Ram and Sita's son ✓
1. The Mishras ✓

Correct these sentences.

1. This is Sohan and ~~R~~ahul's building. ✓
- 2. This is not my pen I think it is someone else's. ✓
- 3. The PM is on three ~~days~~^{days'} world tour. ✓
- 4. The ~~Verma's~~^{Vermas} have not arrived yet.

1. This is Raman's book. ✓

• 2. It's a boy's hostel. ✓

• 3. She stayed in a girls' hostel. ✓

• 4. Rahul is Rajiv's and Sonia's son. ✓

• 5. It is not my shirt it is someone's else. ✓

• This is (A) John's book (B) on the table. (C) No error (D)

Correct these sentences

1. She has lost three hundred rupees notes.

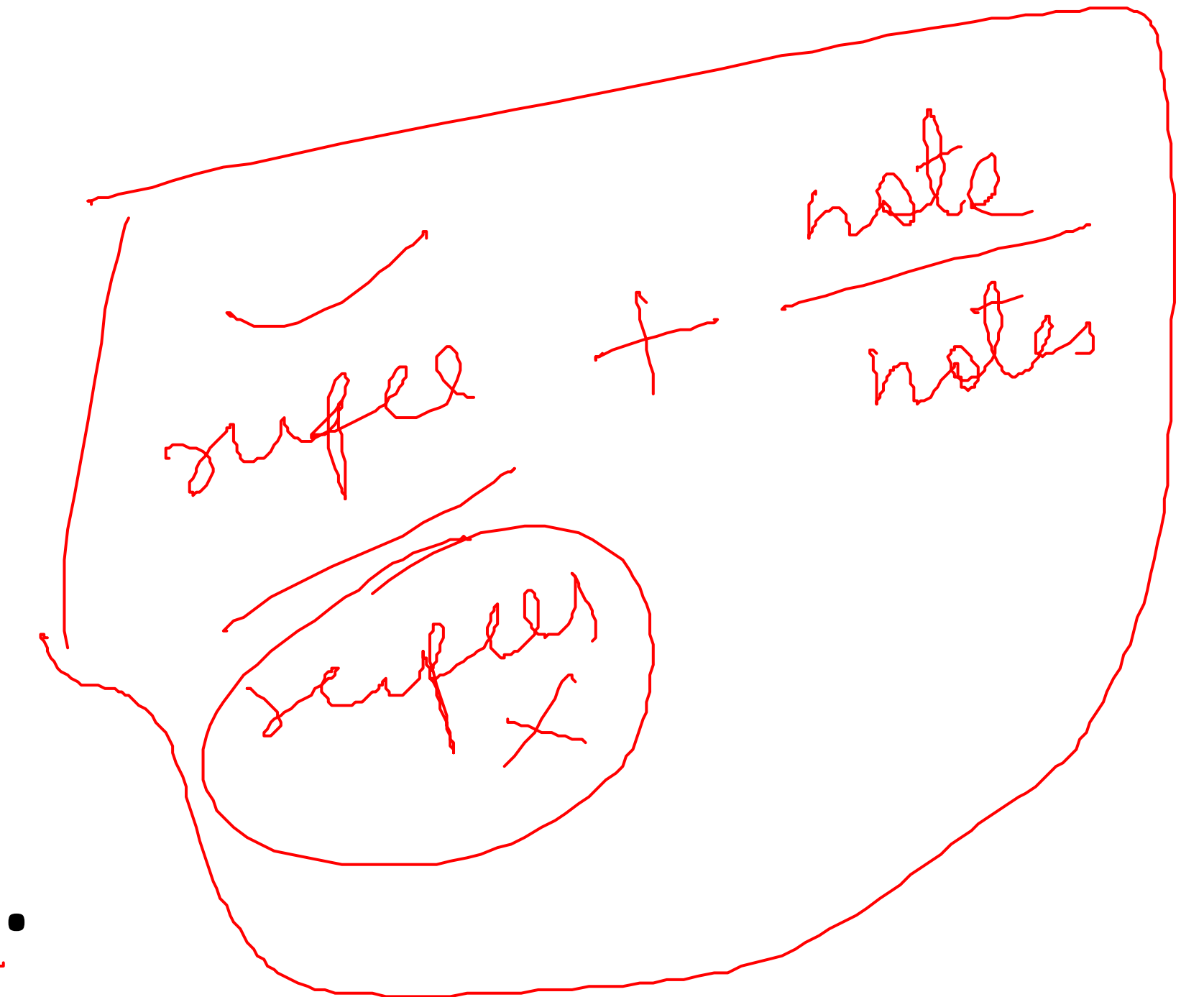
↓
Adj

• 2. I have five two thousand rupees notes.

↓
Adj

• 3. She gave me one five hundred rupees note.

↓
Adj



Correct these sentences

1. 4. He ran for a five miles race. *mile*
- 5. She stayed in a five stars hotel. *star*
- 6. It is a five boys group. *boy*
- 7. It was a three members committee. *member*

•

1. Hari lost (A) a hundred rupees note (B) yesterday. (C) No error (D)
2. I asked the shopkeeper (A) “Do you have change (B) for a five hundred rupees note? (C) No error (D)
3. A five-men (A) enquiry committee was appointed (B) to look into the matter. (C) No error (D)

Dozen

Hundred

Thousand

Million

digit
1, 2, 3...

'5' ग्रही काला

+ 8 hr 41

dozen ✓

He has two dozens cars.

Dozen s
Hundred s
Thousand s
Million s

digit x

's' आता हे

+ १ + १५ (x)

s + १

He has dozen of cars.

dozens

1. Children are prone a)/ to making mischief b)/if they have nothing to do. c)/ No error d)
2. The statistics are a)/ showing that b)/ girls are doing well in education. c)/ No error d) equipment
3. A few tiles on skylab a)/ were the only equipments b)/ that failed to perform well in outer space. c)/ No error d)

- . 4. One must be always a)/ true to one's words b)/ if one wants to get respect from everyone. c)/ No error d)
5. Your scissor a)/ is blunt; b)/ my razor is sharp. c)/ No error d)
6. He gave me a)/ two important informations b)/ I had been waiting for the previous two months. c)/ No error d)

- . 1. He gave me an information regarding the pivotal role played by the local media in the employment scam.
- A. He gave me an information
 - B. regarding the pivotal role
 - C. played by the local media
 - D. in the employment scam.
 - E. No error

. 2. Soliloquy is where I find my peace when I get into the centre of some inane mess.

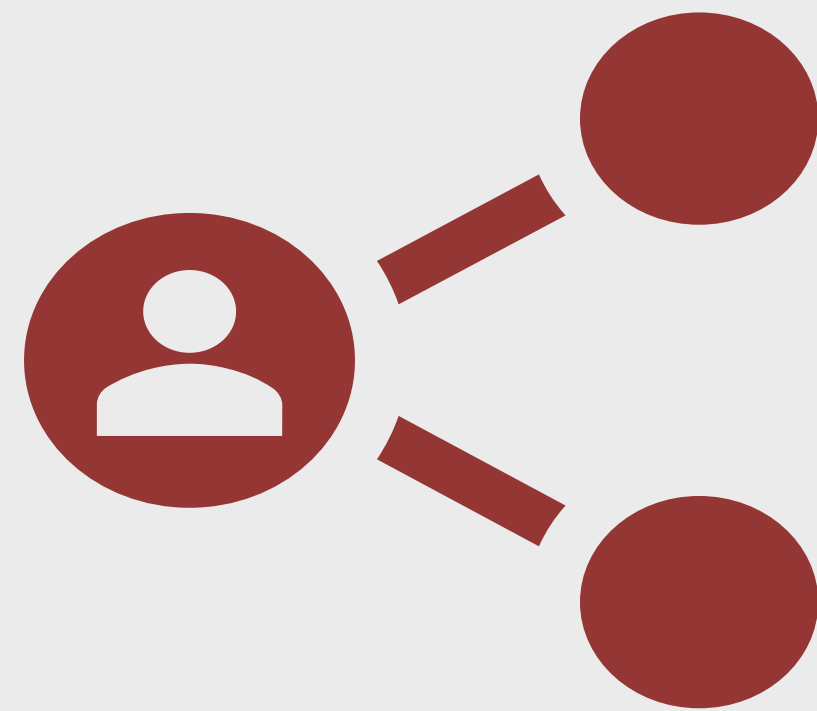
- A. Soliloquy is where I find
- B. my peace when I get into
- C. the centre of
- D. some inane mess.
- E. No error

- . 3. No matter how much I try not to procrastinate, I end up with many works when I reach home.
- A. No matter how much I try not to
 - B. procrastinate, I end up with
 - C. many works
 - D. when I reach home.
 - E. No error

4. The decision of Google to terminate the service of its employee for his misogynous attitude led to a furious debate in the inner circles.
- A. The decision of Google to terminate the
 - B. service of its employee for his misogynous attitude
 - C. led to a furious debate
 - D. in the inner circles.
 - E. No error

. Today most businessmen are very worried. To begin with, they are not used to competition. In the past they sold whatever(1)... produced at whatever prices they chose. But(2)... increasing competition, customers began to ...(3).... and choose; imports suddenly became(4).... available and that too at cheaper ...(5)....

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|----|----------|-----------|--------------|----------------|
| 1. | a)It | b)He | c)They | d)We |
| 2. | a)With | b)By | c)After | d)From |
| 3. | a)Buy | b)Take | c)Pick | d)Want |
| 4. | a)Hardly | b)Easily | c)Frequently | d)Conveniently |
| 5. | a)Costs | b>Returns | c)Dividend | d)Prices |



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