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## Editorial Vocab

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1. entail (Verb)

**Usage in editorial** – ...the thrust of concerted foreign policy actions for the remainder of the second Trump administration will entail efforts towards achieving balanced trade, securing access to critical supply chains and materials, reindustrialisation of the U.S. economy, boosting American defence infrastructure, energy dominance, and supporting Wall Street...

**Meaning** – To involve something as a necessary or inevitable part or consequence.

**Example sentence** – The new project will entail a significant increase in budget and manpower.

2. grandiose (Adjective)

**Usage in editorial** – While the grandiose terms of U.S. foreign policy priorities are unsurprising in their broad emphasis, other than, perhaps, the unrelenting subtext of eternal, unquestioned American exceptionalism, it is the broadside against European allies that is most troubling...

**Meaning** – Extravagantly or excessively large, ambitious, or impressive; often implying a sense of exaggerated self-importance.

**Example sentence** – The architect proposed a grandiose plan for the new city center that many found unrealistic.

3. purported (Adjective)

**Usage in editorial** – The NSS not only takes a patronising tone on Europe facing the “stark prospect of civilizational erasure” owing to its purported economic decline...

**Meaning** – Appearing or claiming to be true or real, often falsely or without proof.

**Example sentence** – The thief was caught with the purported stolen jewels in his bag.

4. retorted (Verb)

**Usage in editorial** – Little wonder that Germany’s Foreign Minister Johann Wadephul retorted that in the context of Germany, he did not believe that “questions of freedom of expression or the organisation of our free societies” belonged in the U.S. NSS and that his country did not need “outside advice”.

**Meaning** – Replied sharply or angrily to a statement, often by making a counter-accusation or comeback.

**Example sentence** – When accused of being late, she instantly retorted that the meeting time had been changed without informing her.

5. flout (Verb)

**Usage in editorial** – If, as the NSS says, the U.S. intends to push a “burden-sharing network” to force all its allies to assume responsibility for stability in their regions, it might end up bolstering the sense of impunity with which autocrats worldwide flout territorial and human rights norms in their quest for power.

**Meaning** – Openly disregard a rule, law, or convention.

**Example sentence** – He was known to flout traffic laws regularly, which often led to fines.

6. pious (Adjective)

**Usage in editorial** – Its pious objectives are more likely to lead to unintended horrors against free speech and individual liberty, and blatant misuses of state power.

**Meaning** – Deeply religious; or, in this context, characterized by a sincere but perhaps unrealistic desire to do good, often referring to intentions.

**Example sentence** – The foundation stated its pious goal of eradicating poverty within the next decade.

7. corrosion (Noun)

**Usage in editorial** – The **corrosion** of public spaces in free societies is indeed troubling, and governments, policymakers and the citizenry are justifiably concerned about this.

**Meaning** – The process of damaging or destroying something gradually, often referring metaphorically to the deterioration of moral or social standards.

**Example sentence** – The constant spread of fake news is causing a **corrosion** of trust in media institutions.

8. vicious (Adjective)

**Usage in editorial** – Speech, prejudice and hatred create a **vicious** cycle, sometimes leading to violence against groups and individuals.

**Meaning** – Cruel or violent; or, in this context, characterized by a dangerous or severe nature (used with 'cycle' to mean a harmful and continuous process).

**Example sentence** – The politician was caught in a **vicious** cycle of making empty promises and losing public support.

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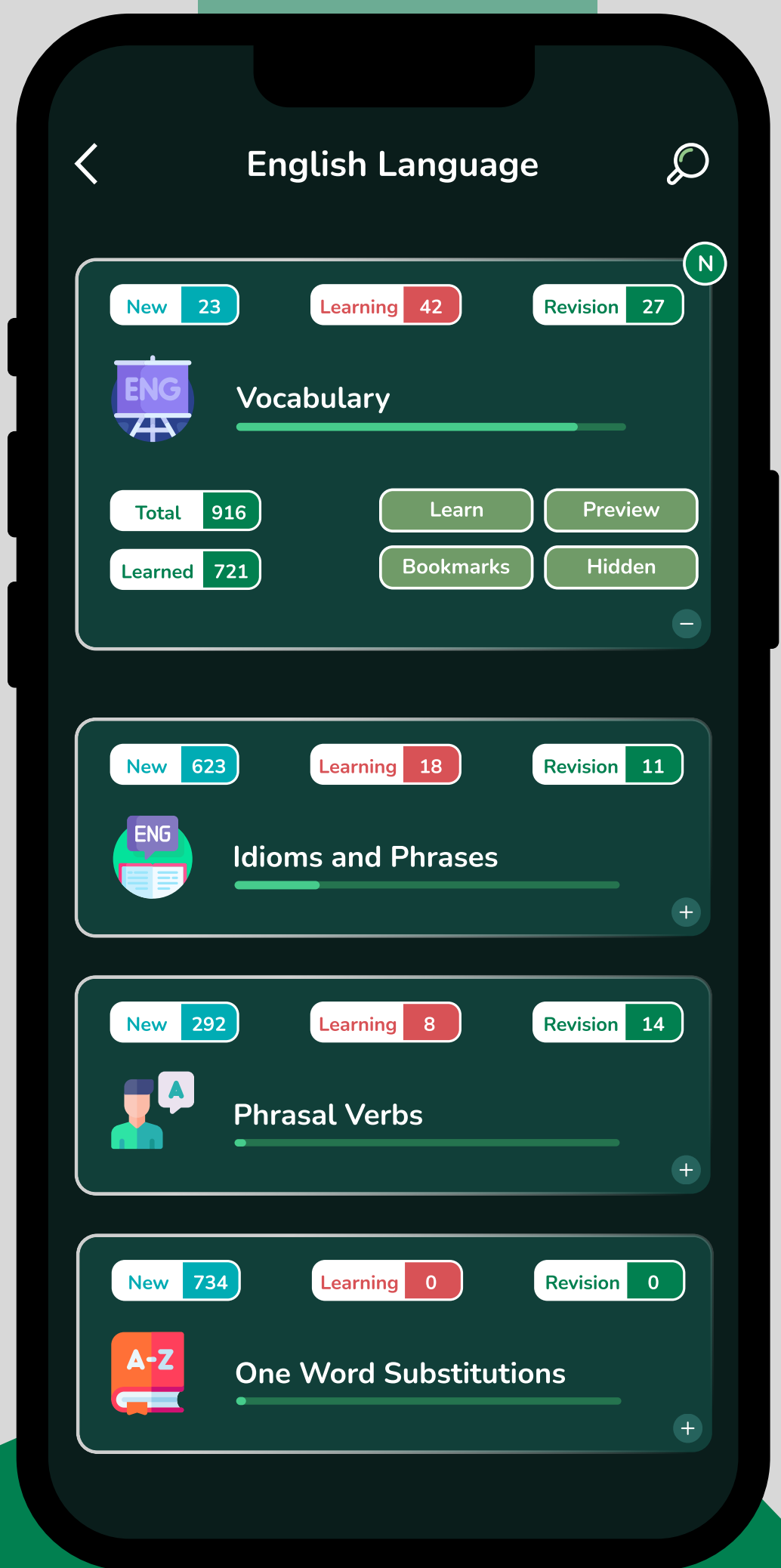
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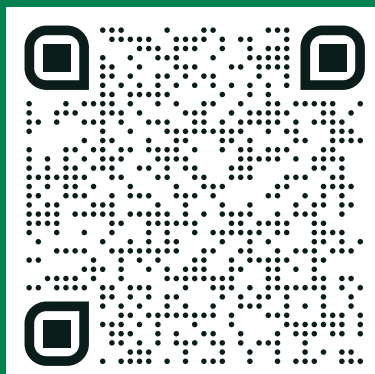
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