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OF AIM AND AMBITION

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ABSTRACT

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KEYWORDS: Aim, ambition, ambitious

INTRODUCTION:

Creative writing is based more on manifestation rather than on expression. It does not inform, rather it reveals. So it bears no reference. The best creative writing is critical, and the best critical writing is creative. This article is an outcome of thinking about creative writing meant for a general readership. As such, I have adopted a free style methodology so that everyone can enjoy the pleasure of reading. As you might know, Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal essayist, wrote many essays namely 'Of Love', 'Of Friendship', 'Of Ambition', 'Of Studies', and so on. The multiple-minded genius correctly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be used as themes for essays. But little has been done since his death to continue or finish his monumental task. Bacon's unique individual style of presentation ignited my imagination and encouraged me to write creative essays as a method of relieving a wide range of emotions through catharsis.

ARTICLE:

Aim is to try to achieve something. It is to point or direct a weapon, blow, missile, etc. towards an object. It is to direct a comment, criticism, message etc. at somebody. It is a purpose. It is an intention. It is the action of pointing or directing a weapon, missile, etc. at a target.

Aim is to point a weapon or direct a blow, remark, etc. so as to hit. It is to direct one's efforts. It is to try or intend e.g. to do or be something. It is to guess or conjecture e.g. the act of aiming. It is the ability to hit a target. It is a weapon's accuracy. It is the object to be attained. It implies intention or purpose.

Aim is to intend or try e.g. aim at winning, aim to win. It is to direct or point e.g. a weapon, remark, etc. It is to take aim. It is to seek to attain or achieve. It is a purpose a design, an object aimed at.

Aim is to position something that shoots a projectile so that the

projectile will strike its target. It is to position something to be thrown or fired so that it will travel along a certain path. It is to direct a rocket, missile, etc. towards its target through use of its internal guidance system e.g. to aim a rocket at the moon. It is to intend or direct for a particular effect or purpose e.g. to aim a satire

at snobbery. It is to strive. It is to direct efforts toward an object. It is to estimate. It is an act of aiming or directing anything at or toward a particular point or target. It is the direction in which a weapon or missile is pointed. It is the line of sighting. It is something intended or desired to be attained by one's efforts.

Point, sighting, goal, intent, design, etc. are synonymous to aim. Aim, end, and object all imply something that is the goal of one's efforts. Aim implies that toward which one makes a direct line, refusing to be diverted from it e.g. a nobleness of aim, one's aim in life. End emphasizes the goal as a cause of efforts. It is the end for which one strives. Object emphasizes the goal as that toward which all efforts are directed e.g. the object of years of study.

Aim is to place. It is to point, level, direct, with or as if with a view to hitting an object. It is to direct a course. It is to level a weapon. It is to direct an utterance with personal or special application. It is to direct one's intention and endeavours with a view to attainment. It is an act or manner of aiming. It is a shot. It is an object or purpose aimed at.

There are two types of persons. One has aim. The other has no aim. To the second category aim is just like optional. Such a second category person, if comes in contact with a Good Samaritan survives otherwise he dies unfed. He dies unwept. He dies unknown. The unpaid dies unsung like other nameless thousands.

Aim is a driving force. It is alias and akin to the fuel of a living being. Only a dead object has no aim. Aim is either classical or

commercial or a cocktail of both in different proportions. Again aim varies person to person and culture to culture. Also it depends on time and place as well. A person fixes and follows aim from cradle to grave. An aim may replace another aim. An aim ignites another aim. An aim escorts in the lap of another aim and that escorts another one and so on. It is an infinite endless chronicles of human being since creation.

Aim is of various forms and features having different degrees and dimension as well. A sincere person follows aim as sincerely as possible. A serious person follows aim as strictly as possible. On the other hand a callous person has no aim thereby remains stand still till it breadths its last.

Someone aims to please. Someone aims to displeas. She aims to go tomorrow. The book aimed at the approval of the intelligentsia. We aimed at full victory. The aim is accurate up to 100 feet. He has always aimed high i.e. been ambitious. She is aiming at i.e. trying to win a scholarship. We must aim at increasing aim to increase exports. The company is aiming for a greater share of the home market. You are not aiming straight. He aimed his gun at the target, fired and missed it. The punch was aimed at his opponent's head.

My remarks were not aimed at you. An advertising campaign aimed at young people. The aim is to increase sales in Europe. He has only one aim in life- to become rich. She went to London with the aim of finding a job. She failed to achieve her aim. What are the aims and objectives of the society? My aim was accurate. Take careful aim at the target before firing. I aimed the gun at the crocodile's left eye. The satire was aimed at him. He aims at the highest distinction. His aim was nothing less than a directorship. What is your aim in life?

Aimless means without fixed aim. It is having no aim or purpose. Aim is mundane. Aimless is divine. As such a pious soul has no so-called aim as is usually fixed by the common people. The sacred heart considers it as not his business rather it is the discretion of the Almighty God to whom he has surrendered unconditionally.

Aim at means seek to attain e.g. aim at a bishopric. Aim off is to aim slightly off the target to allow for wind or other factor. It is to allow for the possible bias, exaggeration or eccentricity inherent in a statement, opinion, etc. Cry aim is to encourage by calling out 'aim', hence, to applaud. Give aim is to guide by reporting result of previous shots. Take aim means to point a weapon, as by viewing along a sight at a target. It is to direct a missile, blow, etc. It is to sight a weapon or missile at a target e.g. to take aim and fire. It is to aim deliberately. Aim high means show ambition. It is to intend or try to do, at doing.

Ambition is a strong desire to gain a particular objective. It is an ardent desire for distinction. It, specifically, means the drive to succeed, or to gain fame, power, wealth, etc. It is the objective strongly desired. It is to be ambitious for. It is a determination to achieve success or distinction, usually in a chosen field. It is the objective of this determination. It is aggressive self-seeking or self-centredness. It is an earnest desire for some type of achievement or distinction, as power, fame, wealth, etc. It is an aspiration after success or advancement. It is the object of aspiration.

Aim is for poor. Ambition is for rich. Aim is for coward. Ambition is for brave. If a poor has ambition then he has become either rich or brave or both simultaneously. If a brave or rich has aim then he has become timid or poor or both simultaneously.

Ambition hankers after fame and power. Ambition is a super driving force. A young author possesses ambition to be a great writer. The presidential position is the ambition of any rising leader.

The power or force of ambition renders an innocent person to cruel. Child has aim. Man has ambition. Ambition implies bad or evil intention. If a grown up man has aim he is called childish. If a child has ambition he behaves manly.

He finally achieved thereby fulfilled his boyhood ambition to become a pilot. She has a great and burning ambition to succeed in business. Somebody has political ambition. Somebody has literary ambition. Somebody has sporting ambition. Her driving ambition rendered him an excellent driver. He mourns since his son lacked ambition.

Ambitious means actively seeking success, wealth, status, etc. It is demanding a lot of effort, money, etc. to succeed. It is greatly desirous of something. It implies eager for. It is demanding great effort, skill, enterprise, etc. e.g. an ambitious undertaking. It is showing ambition e.g., an ambitious attempt. It is strongly determined. It is eagerly and strongly desirous of achieving or obtaining power, superiority, or distinction e.g. ambitious students. It is requiring exceptional great effort, skill, enterprise, ability, etc. It is aspiring. It is pretentious.

Ambitious, aspiring, enterprising, emulous are synonymous. Ambitious, enterprising, aspiring describe a person who wishes to rise above his present position or condition.

Ambitious implies a striving for advertisement, wealth, fame, etc., and is used with both favourable and unfavourable connotations. The ambitious man wishes to attain worriedly success and puts forth effort toward this end e.g. ambitious for social position.

Aspiring suggests a striving to reach some lofty end regarded as somewhat beyond one's normal expectations e.g. an aspiring young poet. The aspiring man wishes to rise mentally or spiritually to a higher level or plane, or to attain some end that he feels to be above his ordinary expectations.

Enterprising implies an energetic readiness to take risks or undertake new projects in order to succeed. The enterprising man, interested especially in wealth, is characterized by energy and daring in undertaking projects.

Emulous suggests ambition characterized by a competitive desire to equal or surpass another.

All tries. But few succeed. Aim needs tenacity. It is either inherited or needs prolonged training. Good environment sharpens it through synergy. Very few people have that temperament to hold tenacity for long. That's why we see very few successful ambitious persons around us.

A person is known from his aim. An ambitious man possesses ambitious plan and goes for ambitious venture. A ruthlessly or highly ambitious young manager is an asset of any organisation. Every parent is ambitious for their children. Their plans to complete the project ahead of schedule seem very ambitious to me.

Aim is simple try. Target may or may not be achieved. But ambition is repeated try till objective is fulfilled. Ambition is dangerous try. Where aim ends ambition begins. An ambitious person is either dangerously brilliant or brilliantly dangerous or both simultaneously. If aim is too good ambition is too bad. Dangerously ambitious person is ferocious more than a wild animal. Similar is the politically ambitious person in nature. They like sycophancy. They want to get the desired object by hook or by crook i.e. by any means fair or foul. He even can murder to realise his ambition. He is so barbaric and violent beyond imagination. Imperialism is the outcome of ambition.

CONCLUSION:

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