



# For a world of PEACE

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“Peace begins with a smile,” said Mother Teresa. Well, we began our special series ‘World of Words’ with laugh and laughter as the theme last month. In Part 2 of the series (this month), we look at words and phrases related to peace. What better occasion than Mahatma Gandhi’s birth anniversary to introduce these words to your child. In the process, you can also encourage your child to live at peace with all those around him. For, the world will then be a better place to live in.

**1 ACCORD** a state of agreement among people

**2 AMITY** friendship, especially between countries

**3 ARMISTICE** an agreement to stop fighting and put an end to war

**4 CALMNESS** a state of not being affected by strong emotions such as anger or excitement

**5 CEASEFIRE** a time of agreement between countries to stop fighting

**6 COMPOSURE** calmness of mind, manner or appearance

**7 CONCORD** peace and agreement

**8 DOVE** a person, usually a politician, who prefers peace to war

**9 GOODWILL** a friendly feeling or attitude

**10 HARMONY** a state of existing peacefully and in agreement

**11 HUSH** silence or stillness

**12 LULL** a short period of time when there is less noise or activity

**13 PACIFISM** the belief that violence and war are wrong

**14 POISE** calm and confident manner

**15 PLACIDITY** calm and peaceful state

**16 QUIETNESS** the state of not having much noise or activity

**17 QUIETUDE** the state of being quiet and calm

**18 RECONCILIATION** an end to disagreement and the start of a good relationship once again

**19 REPOSE**  
a calm and relaxed state

**20 SANGFROID**  
the ability to behave calmly in a dangerous situation

**21 SERENITY**  
a calm and peaceful state

**22 STILLNESS**  
a state of being very quiet

**23 TRANQUILITY**  
a state of being very quiet and peaceful

**24 TRUCE**  
an agreement between two groups to stop fighting for a specified period of time

**25 KEEP THE PEACE**  
to prevent people from fighting

**26 HOLD YOUR PEACE**  
to say nothing, although you have an opinion

**27 HOLD OUT AN OLIVE BRANCH**  
to make an offer of peace to someone

**28 MAKE PEACE**  
to end an argument or quarrel by apologising

**29 PEACE DIVIDEND**  
the money that is saved on weapons and is available for other uses, when the risk of war is not present and the government cuts down its military expenditure.

**30 PEACEKEEPER**  
a member of the military force sent to help prevent people fighting in a place where war or violence is likely; someone who tries to prevent people from fighting / arguing

**31 PEACEKEEPING**  
aimed at preventing war or violence

**32 PEACE-LOVING**  
believing strongly in peace and not favouring war

**33 PEACEMAKER**  
someone who tries to persuade people or countries to make peace and stop fighting

**34 PEACE OFFERING**  
something given to a person you have quarrelled with as a sign of friendliness

**35 PEACE AND QUIET**  
a state of calmness

**36 PEACE OF MIND**  
not to have any worries

**37 PEACE PROCESS**  
a series of talks between two groups to end war

**38 TO BE LEFT IN PEACE**  
not to be disturbed

**39 TO WAVE THE WHITE FLAG**  
to show a sign of surrender and express the desire to stop fighting

**40 THE PRINCE OF PEACE**  
a name for Jesus Christ



Sun Tzu, the military general and philosopher of ancient China, said, "The

supreme art of war is to subdue the enemy without fighting." This is what peacemakers and peacekeepers do. No matter what name they go by, theirs is a challenging role. Here's how they are commonly known -

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|  appeaser    |  moderator   |
|  arbitrator  |  negotiator  |
|  conciliator |  pacificator |
|  diplomat    |  pacifier    |
|  mediator    |  pacifist    |

Together, let us spread the fragrance of peace and make a difference. 

