



OF AFFECTION AND INDULGENCE

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ABSTRACT

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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. The present article is the outcome of creative writing meant for lay readers. As such free style is the methodology adopted so that the pleasure of reading can be enjoyed by the common people. As you know well that Francis Bacon (1561-1626), the immortal writer, wrote many essays, and notably "Of Love", "Of Friendship", "Of Ambition", "Of Studies", etc. The myriad-minded genius rightly pointed out that all the words of the dictionary can be the themes of essays one can write. But little has been done, in this regard since his death, in order to finish his unfinished monumental works. In fact Bacon's way of presentation and his unique style kindled imagination and inspired me to write essays, in the light of creative writing, thus to get relief through catharsis.

ARTICLE

Affection is a warm gentle feeling of caring for or loving somebody or something. It is goodwill. Fondness or kindly feeling is affection. Only a tender soul is the store house of affection. A soul that has already been hardened seldom shows affection. Affection is guided by emotion. As such affection is a disease. It is one kind of mental state or a mental disposition. Thus it signifies a person's natural qualities of mind and character. Mother is always affectionate but father may not be so.

Indulgence is the state of being allowed whatever one wants. It overlooks faults. It is the action or habit of satisfying one's own or other people's desires. Indulgence allows oneself to enjoy the pleasure of something. It is to become involved in an activity, especially one that is illegal or disapproved of. It is to satisfy an interest, a desire, etc.

Sacrament is any of several rituals in the Roman Catholic, Anglican and other Christian Churches through which Christians believe they are specially blessed by God. The sacrament of baptism is the striking example of it. Indulgence is the remission of punishment in purgatory,

still due for sins even after sacramental absolution. Thus absolution is a formal declaration, especially in a Christian Church, by a priest that a person's sins have been forgiven. Forgiveness is a great virtue. To forgive is divine.

To do a crime needs courage, to confess needs more courage and to forgive needs most courage. So forgiveness is the best one. As such, best people forgive and worst people take revenge and thereby commit crime. A sinner is rectified through pardon. Only a lucky soul can follow that immortal light.

Thus affection is good but indulgence is bad. Too much affection is called indulgence. In fact, where affection ends indulgence begins. Affection helps to grow but indulgence paves the way to be prodigal. A prodigal person disobeys all. So, little indulgence is good but it is too bad when it crosses the limit. It must not violate etiquette. As such every guardian should be vigilant whether their issues are indulged or not.

Some parents are affectionate, some indulge their children. The second type of guardian cannot distinguish between these two emotions. As a result the generation becomes prodigal and respects none. When anybody is indulged and that causes nuisance, a warning should be given so that the person is no more indulged. Between the two, the person who gives indulgence is harmful more than the person who is indulged. Thus the brain of the former and hand of the later make the complete man. Because, a strong man seldom waits for indulgence or shelter. He does not need support rather he protects his yes men. If indulgence is crime then self indulgence is sin. Someone indulges passion for creativity. An indulgent smile provokes to fall in love. In fact smile is always mysterious. Smile beckons to be intimate with the lover.

Affection quenches its thirst and gets its exposure in various forms and features. They are discussed below.

Fondness is the feeling of affection for somebody. It is the finding something pleasant or enjoyable. Sometimes, it is physiological in nature. For example, the cat is fond of milk. Childhood emotions are guided by fondness. It is purely a psychological exposure. As the child grows

fondness also disappears like dewdrops vanish with the appearance of sun.

Love is to have a strong affection or deep tender feelings for somebody or something. It is to like somebody or something greatly and thereby to have pleasure. Love lasts till the lover remains aloof from reality. Hard reality sizes a lover.

Liking is to find somebody or something pleasant or satisfactory. It signifies to enjoy something or to prefer to do something or for something to be made or happen in a particular way. Sometimes, it suffers from bias.

Tenderness is easily moved to pity or sympathy or kindness. It means to have a kind and gentle nature. Only a soft heart can show this exposure. To show pity or kindness is a great virtue. Such character is very emotional and sentimental as well. They can hardly disbelieve a person. They are optimist and think always positive. All cannot show tenderness. It is an inherited quality more than the environmental factor. Some culture is famous for tenderness and some other is defamed for rudeness.

Warmth is a friendly attitude towards other people. All cannot be friend and cannot make other friend. Friendship helps to form a community. Man cannot live alone. A judicious person seldom hankers after money but man. He knows man is superior to money. Money cannot compensate everything but man can.

Devotion is the constant strong love for or loyalty to somebody or something. For example, a mother's devotion to her children. Student's devotion towards study is a must for good result. Devotion always pays. Devotion is akin to divine. A devotee reaches destination through devotion. Devotion has no substitute. It itself is its substitute. Belief is the main ingredient of devotion. Devotion is the cornerstone of all religion.

Endearment is a word or expression of affection. It indicates intimacy. Two friends whisper endearments to each other. Darling, Hello, Hi, etc. are terms of endearment. Someone's kindness to the children greatly endears the person to the parents. It is a style to manage thus to endear someone to everybody. Endearment is manifested either through remark, smile or habit. An endearingly shy personality beckons and simultaneously is a mystery to all.

Care is the process of looking after somebody or something. It is the providing of what somebody or something needs for their health or protection. Thus caring means showing or feeling affection and concern for other people. Care for children and care for senior citizen are the policy of a civilized nation. Child is the father of every nation. So child should be taken care so that they can build and enrich the nation in future. Thus child is the most opportunist class of a developed country. There is no difference between a child and a senior citizen since both are dependent. Thus, a senior child is a senior citizen. So a senior citizen who once built the nation that is enjoyed by the people of present day should get proper care and due respect which are their legitimate claim as reciprocation

like pension enjoyed by the civil servants and employees.

Attachment is full of affection for somebody or something. Long stay to any place or in a house causes attachment then the person hates to move. But, on attachment means temporarily working. Further, attachment means a thing that is or can be attached to something viz., an electric drill with a range of different attachments, a shower attachment, etc. Thus deep involvement both with animate or inanimate objects signifies attachment. Attachment with good company fosters development but it causes utter ruin when the association and environment are bad.

Friendship is the feeling or relationship that friends have for benefit. All can not be a friend. A man cannot and wants not to disclose his privacy to all. Because all cannot keep promise. There are various types of friendship with varied gradation. Neighbor is a good friend. Lover is a better friend. Wife is the best friend crowned with better half. Life partner is a friend, seldom the business partner. Thus classical relation lasts long but commercial interest is the hindrance towards friendship. A true friend never fails in need. Need is the acid test of friendship.

Warm feelings is having or showing affection or kind friendly feelings. Warm welcome strengthens relation. This feeling encourages good wishes to reciprocate. Cordiality or hearty welcome is superior to money or wealth. A narrow-minded fellow can hardly acquire such gifted quality. Money cannot guarantee warmth. Man either inherits or environment contributes it.

Indulgence rules human emotion in various ways. These are as follows.

Generous is giving or ready to give freely. It signifies nobility. It shows kindness in one's attitude to and treatment of others. It is good to donate generously, but it is too bad to expense extravagantly. So a man should know the distinction between generosity and extravagance. However, generosity creates generosity. Only a wide heart or open mind can be generous seldom a miser. Similarly, he who does suffer from holding instinct can never donate.

Permissive is allowing great freedom of behaviour, especially to children or in sexual matters. It is good till freedom does not cross the limit or it is misused. So, liberty is not for all. It can be given only to a matured person who knows better where not to go than where to go and when and where to stop.

Easy-going means to be happy to accept things without worrying or getting angry. It is a great virtue. Only a cool tempered person can behave so. For this uniqueness he enjoys infinite peace and enormous popularity. The wise knows that life is a collection of many events. So one should not be anxious for any loss, rather future will compensate more than that.

Liberal is willing to tolerate behaviour, opinions, etc. different from one's own. It is open to new ideas. Such a person believes in democracy. If people hears him then he must offer patience hearing to the opposite voice. It is purely bi-partite issue. In many cases liberal character is

hacked, considering him to be weak. But liberal soul is always great and it is a rare virtue. All cannot be liberal. Generally, a liberal person hails from cultured and elite class. Education and much traveling widens outlook and broadens mind thereby the person becomes liberal. Liberal character is honored by all and enjoys all access.

Tolerant is to allow something that one does not like or agree with to happen or continue. Tolerance always pays. Only the tolerant character survives. He can adjust and knows the benefit of compromise. Life is a combination of both good and bad events. Life is a long journey and tolerance is its only fuel having no substitute. Tolerance itself is its substitute.

Forgiving is to stop being angry or bitter towards somebody or about something. It is to stop blaming or wanting to punish somebody. Every religion teaches to forgive till the person be rectified. Forgiveness converts a sinner to sacred soul through repentance. Through repentance a soul becomes holy. It is divine in nature. Forgiveness does not have equal impact to all. For moral correction a person may need a single chance but another person may need several counseling.

Forbearing is to control one's behavior in a patient way. It is to restrain angry or hostile feelings. It needs long practice. As such we see few persons calm by nature. Reaction or immediate exposure discloses the real identity that may not pay always. So forbearing is a great weapon for future benefit. It has immense value even more valuable than money. Money cannot conquer all but forbearing can.

Lenient means not severe, especially in punishing people. A judge should have this quality. A lenient character has all access. It reaches every soul for his sweet behaviour and pleasing personality. Everybody loves, respects and obeys him. Such a popular character wins the battle and defeats the opponent in politics at ease. A lenient person is easy but it is not easy to be lenient.

Kind is showing concern about the happiness and feelings of others in a gentle and friendly way. Kindhearted person sees the world with positive eyes. He feels for all. So tears roll down noticing the sufferings of the ailing humanity. They serve people even sacrificing their lives. Kindness can convert even a cruel character. Here lies the triumph of softness over hostility.

Kindly is kind or friendly in character, manner or appearance. A distressed soul knows where he will get shelter. Doctor's kind voice is more than medicine to a patient. Here, not medicine rather kind behaviour cures the disease like placebo of homeopathy. Some people is so kind that they severely accept cash only.

Soft-hearted is kind, sympathetic and emotional. But such type of character is hurt always. They departs the world unevaluated. They seldom gets recognition. They can't hurt other. They like to be tortured till death. This is the sad and untold story of such sentimental souls.

Compassionate is pity for the sufferings of others, making

one want to help them. This type of people are becoming rarer to rarer. All can't help. Everybody is eager to get self benefit. This type of selfish people are conscious more about profit and loss account of life. They, in every footstep, always calculate ROI i.e., return on investment. At present the world is infested with such selfish and self-centered characters.

Understanding is able to tolerate or show sympathy towards others' feelings and views. It is the best avenue for communication between two persons be they business or life partner. In any match good understanding among the players wins the game. Working relation is based on understanding. Understanding is just like undercurrent of river. Politicians use this weapon as a strategy to defeat the opponent making them befool.

Sympathy is the ability to share in the feelings of others. It is a feeling of pity and sorrow for somebody. In distress a word of sympathy consoles the wretched soul. Sympathy should be hearty and genuine. Artificiality is the enemy of sympathy. There is allopathy. There is homeopathy. But sympathy is the greatest of all. It costs nothing, but cures free of cost.

Doting means showing great or too much affection. This can be shown to the babes only. But too much of it will render the child prodigal. It paves the way for dependency. Such a person can't work and take decision independently. It is the hindrance against the natural growth of a character. Children are the future asset of the nation. But doting converts the asset into liability instead.

Soft means sympathetic and kind, especially to too great an extent. It is not strict or strict enough. It is not harsh or angry rather gentle and mild. But softness should not be used everywhere. It should be conditional, otherwise evil souls will harm the society.

Compliant is willing to agree with other people. It is an attitude to obey rules, etc. Such persons can compromise and adjust with others. They are good civilian. Such persons foster the growth of a country and thereby glorify a nation.

Obliging is willing to help. It teaches to obey. A student should be obliged to the teacher as the master obliges the servant They are volunteer. They expect nothing in return. The student should be trained in this light. Such service will enrich them with moral values the greatest asset of life. Education without moral value will render them a savage beast only. They will be diverted genius, rather misguided missile.

Accommodating is easy to deal with or willing to help or support. Accommodative character is welcomed in every society. They know that the world does not adjust, rather a person must adjust with the world for the sake of his own benefit. This secrecy brings them success. Thus they are loved by all. As such they get access to all and everywhere.

CONCLUSIONS

Affection is good when it is private in nature. But great

affection breaks the barrier of privacy and welcomes public interest. Indulgence spoils the child. Since it is harmful in nature, it comes back as boomerang. For, when the child grows up, the grown up man asks explanation to the person who indulged him and paved his way to be prodigal and thereby ruin.

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