

Antonyms /Synonyms**Practical Exercise**

Direction (1 - 13): In the following questions a word is given in capital letters followed by four alternative words marked a - d. Select from alternatives the word which conveys the same meaning as the word given in capital letters.

- 1. ABASH**
(a) Acquit (b) Confuse
(c) Blush (d) Condemn
(e) None of these
- 2. INTENSIFY**
(a) Boiling (b) Satisfy
(c) Aggravate (d) Destroyed
(e) None of these
- 3. COLOSSAL**
(a) Dangerous (b) Gigantic
(c) Fatal (d) Honourable
(e) None of these
- 4. EXQUISITE**
(a) Clumsy (b) Rough
(c) Graceful (d) Unrefined
(e) None of these
- 5. EXTEMPORE**
(a) Praiseworthy (b) Without preparation
(c) Extraordinary (d) Essential
(e) None of these
- 6. FORSAKE**
(a) Forgive (b) Punish
(c) Abandon (d) Benefit
(e) None of these
- 7. TETE-A-TETE**
(a) Delightful (b) Penetrating
(c) Piercing (d) Conversation
(e) None of these
- 8. IMPOSTER**
(a) Imposer (b) Lazy
(c) Cheat (d) Painful
(e) None of these
- 9. ANTIQUE**
(a) Old-fashioned (b) Rare
(c) Modern (d) Unique
(e) None of these

- 10. ZENITH**
(a) Sharp (b) Bright
(c) Bravery (d) Climax
(e) None of these
- 11. REVITALISE**
(a) Accelerate (b) Enliven
(c) Minimise (d) Maximise
(e) None of these
- 12. Levitate**
(a) Evaporate (b) To rape
(c) To Rise (d) Subsidized
(e) None of these
- 13. VENIAL**
(a) Contagious (b) Filthy
(c) Worthless (d) Excusable
(e) None of these

Direction (14 - 30): In the following questions a word is given in capital letters followed by four alternative words marked a - d. Select from alternatives the word which is opposite in meaning of the word given in capital letters.

- 14. APPLAUSE**
(a) To make Noise (b) Acclaim
(c) Abuse (d) Prosper
(e) None of these
- 15. ABSURD**
(a) Awkward (b) Unreasonabl
(c) Reasonable (d) Worthless
(e) None of these
- 16. BENEVOLENCE**
(a) Kindness (b) Humanely
(c) Inhumanly (d) Malice
(e) None of these
- 17. PAUCITY**
(a) Sincerity (b) Difficulty
(c) Adversity (d) Abundance
(e) None of these
- 18. RIDICULE**
(a) Hurried (b) Reasonable
(c) Disturbing (d) Approval

- (e) None of these
19. **REPULSIVE**
 (a) Inducive (b) Dull
 (c) Attractive (d) Attentive
 (e) None of these
20. **ENDURE**
 (a) Sensor (b) Censor
 (c) Discontinue (d) Continue
 (e) None of these
21. **TIMIDITY**
 (a) Gallantry (b) Fearing
 (c) Weakness (d) Guilty
 (e) None of these
22. **VOCIFEROUS**
 (a) Laudable (b) Quiet
 (c) Dangerous (d) Powerful
 (e) None of these
23. **MALICE**
 (a) Affection (b) Benevolence
 (c) Egoism (d) Filthy
 (e) None of these
24. **PARTISAN**
 (a) Partial (b) Subjective
 (c) Disinterested (d) Biased
 (e) None of these
25. **EXONERATE**
 (a) Implicate (b) Turnout
 (c) Desperate (d) Punish
 (e) None of these
26. **SACRED**
 (a) Divine (b) Holy
 (c) Spiritual (d) Ungodly
 (e) None of these
27. **VAIN**
 (a) Arrogant (b) Worthless
 (c) Humble (d) Useless
 (e) None of these
28. **AVENGE**
 (a) Forgive (b) Retaliate
 (c) Punish (d) Revenge
 (e) None of these
29. **EMBRACE**
 (a) Strength (b) Mild

- (c) Let go (d) Defend
 (e) None of these

30. **LUSTRE**
 (a) Gloss (b) Gleam
 (c) Dull (d) Shine
 (e) None of these

Direction (31 - 40): Select the correct of the idioms/phrases underlined in the following sentences.

31. **She called the doctor just in case he in clinic.**
 (a) To do something as a precautionary measure
 (b) To race against time
 (c) To find an alternative for something
 (d) To make someone understand something
 (e) None of these
32. **He is always complaining that he doesn't have enough money, but we are all in the same boat.**
 (a) To be very poor
 (b) To be in the same situation
 (c) To be very upset
 (d) To make a suggestion
 (e) None of these
33. **Hard work and determination are the building blocks of success,**
 (a) Basic elements of something
 (b) To carry forward
 (c) To pass the time
 (d) To be somewhere in process
 (e) None of these
34. **The view just took my breath away.**
 (a) To be breathless because of exercise
 (b) To be astonish or amazed
 (c) To be very certain
 (d) To resolve a matter
 (e) None of these
35. **My father always told me to make the right choices because once you make your bed, you have to lie in it.**
 (a) To make a decision and accept the consequences
 (b) To be indecisive
 (c) To leave a decision on another person
 (d) To become very alert
 (e) None of these

36. What is the matter? Has the cat got your tongue?

- (a) To be unusually quiet
- (b) To make a suggestion
- (c) To be very upset
- (d) To pretend to be nice
- (e) None of these

37. He is not afraid to speak his mind, even if it upsets people.

- (a) To pretend to be nice
- (b) To say what you really feel
- (c) To reveal a secret
- (d) To behave properly
- (e) None of these

38. My mother and I see eye to eye on most things.

- (a) To be doubtful
- (b) To disagree with each other

- (c) To be very careful
- (d) To agree with each other
- (e) None of these

39. Don't believe everything you read literally. You should learn to read between the lines.

- (a) To reveal a secret
- (b) To be ignorant
- (c) To be very careful
- (d) To find the hidden meaning
- (e) None of these

40. Her letter of protest was just a drop in the ocean.

- (a) To do something very quickly
- (b) A very small proportion of the whole
- (c) Something very common
- (d) Something that is very easy to do
- (e) None of these

Answers

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| 1. B | 2. C | 3. B | 4. C | 5. B |
| 6. C | 7. D | 8. C | 9. A | 10. D |
| 11. B | 12. C | 13. D | 14. C | 15. C |
| 16. D | 17. D | 18. D | 19. C | 20. C |
| 21. A | 22. B | 23. B | 24. C | 25. A |
| 26. D | 27. C | 28. A | 29. C | 30. C |
| 31. A | 32. B | 33. A | 34. B | 35. A |
| 36. A | 37. B | 38. D | 39. D | 40. B |