## **Idioms & Phrases Test - 5**

(1) Suggested Time: 10 min

**Total questions: 30** 

**DIRECTIONS:** For the given capitalized word, pick the option that is closest in meaning.

1. INTRANSIGENCE

(1) flexibility

(2) impracticality

(3) contumacy

(4) disobedience

2. LIBERTINE

(1) paranoid

(2) kleptomaniac

(3) licentious

(4) sensational

3. CHARLATAN

(1) geek

(2) quack

(3) dope

(4) dude

4. PLETHORA

(1) superfluity

(2) abandon

(3) dearth

(4) abundance

. RETRIBUTION

(1) amnesty

(2) reprieve

(3) reprisal

(4) penitence

**DIRECTIONS:** For the given capitalized word, pick the option that is farthest in meaning.

6. EFFULGENT

(1) excretionary

(2) ingress

(3) tenebrous

(4) divulgence

7. PANDEMONIUM

(1) solitude

(2) quite

(3) order

(4) All of the above

8. EFFRONTERY

(1) reticence

(2) restitution

(3) respite

(4) resentment

**DIRECTIONS:** For the following questions, mark your answer as the option, which best illustrates the given capitalized question word.

CARNAGE

(1) Every minute two hundred people commit suicide.

(2) The militants slaughtered everyone in the dark of the night.

(3) I mistakenly stepped on an ant-hill and caused panic to hundreds of innocent creatures.

(4) The boat sank and so did the fifty people aboard it.

10. DEFECTION

 I moved up from the back bench to the front one so I could hear the professor well.

(2) The leader decided to withdraw his party's support for the coalition government.

(3) Mamta decided to switch parties—from the pseudosecularists to the communists.

(4) India feels that the Non-Aligned Movement has lost its relevance in today's unipolar world.

11. IMPASSE

(1) The road was closed for repairs.

(2) The bill was hotly debated in parliament.

(3) She stuck to her guns and he to his own and neither was prepared for a compromise.

(4) The dog and the cat fought with each other for a small piece of bread.

**DIRECTIONS:** For the following questions, mark your answer as the option which is different from all other question words in some manner.

12. (1) nonchalance

(2) imperturbability

(3) sangfroid

(4) fickleness

13. (1) significant

(2) momentous

(3) miraculous

(4) grave

14. (1) spiel

(2) sales

(3) product

(4) sot

**DIRECTIONS:** For the following questions, substitute the given sentence or phrase with the most suitable word from the given options.

- 15. The state of uneasiness or mental discomfort is called .... .
  - (1) dyscrasia
- (2) dysfunction
- (3) dyslexia
- (4) dysphoria
- 16. To bring in opposition to an order previously given, thereby annulling the latter, is to .... .
  - (1) contraband
- (2) countermand
- (3) counterfeit
- (4) contradict
- 17. The killing of one's mother is termed .... .
  - (1) suicide
- (2) uxoricide
- (3) matricide
- (4) regicide

DIRECTIONS: For each of the words below, a contextual usage is provided. Pick the word from the options that is most inappropriate in the given context.

- 18. OPPROBRIUM: Any country that attacks its neighbour courts international opprobrium.
  - (1) disgrace
- (2) infamy
- (3) oratorio
- (4) ignominy
- 19. LASSITUDE: Anarchy can be curbed if the lassitude of the law-enforcing authorities is put to an end.
  - (1) stupor
- (2) lethargy
- (3) verve
- (4) acedia
- 20. HOODWINK: Many companies hoodwink tax authorities by showing false accounts; but they get ensnared in their own nets.
  - (1) bamboozle
- (2) hassle
- (3) swindle
- (4) fleece

**DIRECTIONS:** For the following questions, fill in the blank spaces with the best choice from the given options.

- Because they had various meanings in nineteenth-century biological thought, "mechanism" and "vitalism" ought not to be considered ..... terms; thus, I find the recent insistence that the terms had the same definition entirely .....
  - (1) univocal, erroneous (2) problematic, anachronistic
- - (3) intractable, obtuse (4) congruent, suspect
- 22. Many Americans believe that individual initiative epitomized the 1890s; they see the entrepreneur as the ..... of that age.
  - (1) caricature
- (2) salvation
- (3) throwback
- (4) personification

- 23. Neither the ideas of philosophers nor the practices of ordinary people can, by themselves, .... reality; what in fact changes reality and kindles revolution is the ..... of the
  - (1) constitute, divergence
  - (2) affect, aim
  - (3) transform, interplay
  - (4) preserve, conjunction

**DIRECTIONS:** For the following questions, mark your answer as the option that represents a relationship similar to the one exhibited by the given capitalized question pair of words.

- 24. DAMP: VIBRATION
  - (1) drench: moisture
  - (2) concentrate: extraction
  - (3) boil: liquid
  - (4) stanch: flow
- 25. ABRADED: FRICTION
  - (1) refined: distillate (2) anodized: metal (3) diluted: gas (4) vaporized: heat
- 26. QUARRY: STONE
  - (1) fell: timber (2) dredge: canal (3) assay: gold (4) bale: hay

DIRECTIONS: For the following questions mark as your answer the option that represents a relationship with the third word that is opposite to the one exhibited by the first pair of words.

- 27. AGNOSTIC: THEIST:: AMBIGUOUS:
  - (1) explicit
- (2) unequivocative
- (3) polysemantic
- (4) clear
- 28. HISTORY: ANNALIST:: LANGUAGE:
  - (1) polyglot
- (2) linguist
- (3) philologist
- (4) None of these
- 29. PHILISTINE: UNCULTURED:: PRECOCIOUS:
  - (1) mature
- (2) clever
- (3) intelligent
- (4) doltish
- 30. GERMANE: IMPERTINENT:: OBVIOUS:
  - (1) recondite
- (2) clamorous
- (3) arcane
- (4) inexplicable

Objective key – VA Test # 05

18.(3) 20.(2) 28.(4) 29.(4) 30.(2)