

Antonyms

What is a Antonym

- ▣ An antonym is a word that is the opposite meaning of another.
- ▣ It comes from the Greek words “anti” for opposite and “onym” for name.
- ▣ since language is complex, people may at times, disagree on what words are truly opposite in meaning to other words.

Types of Antonyms

- ▣ Graded antonyms
- ▣ Relational antonyms
- ▣ Complimentary antonyms

Graded antonyms

- ▣ Graded antonyms are word pairs that have variations between the two opposites. For example, big and little are antonyms but there are a lot of changes before you get to the opposite meaning. Like this:
- ▣ Big, huge, bulky, full-size, slight, petite, little

Relational antonyms

- ▣ Relational antonyms are pairs that have a relationship. Each word wouldn't exist without the other. There can't be a parent without a child or it's either all or nothing. Other examples include:
- ▣ Open – close
- ▣ Husband – wife

Complimentary antonyms

- ▣ Complimentary antonyms are word pairs that have no degree of meaning. There are only two opposite possibilities.
- ▣ Dead- alive

True – false

Male- female

The **generous** man gave his money away to the poor.

At the beginning, Scrooge was **miserly**.

The **affluent** king gave to the needy.

The **impoverished** people had no homes.

Glossary Antonyms

A

| | | |
|------------|---|----------------|
| Abundance | : | Dearth |
| Accept | : | Reject, Refuse |
| Accord | : | Discord |
| Acquit | : | Convict |
| Amateur | : | Professional |
| Ancient | : | Modern |
| Appreciate | : | Depreciate |
| Arrogant | : | Humble |
| Attract | : | Repel |
| Authentic | : | Spurious |
| Awkward | : | Graceful. |

B

| | | |
|------------|---|------------|
| Benevolent | : | Malevolent |
| Bold | : | Timid |
| Bliss | : | Misery |
| Brutal | : | Humane. |

C

| | | |
|------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Callous | : | Soft, Tender |
| Cautious | : | Rash, Reckless |
| Censure | : | Praise, Applaud |
| Cheerful | : | Depressed |
| Coarse | : | Fine |
| Compare | : | Contrast |
| Conceal | : | Reveal |
| Condense | : | Expand |
| Confidence | : | Distrust, Diffidence, Doubt |
| Create | : | Destroy |
| Crude | : | Refined. |

D

| | | |
|-----------|---|------------|
| Definite | : | Indefinite |
| Delay | : | Haste |
| Dejection | : | Hope |
| Distress | : | Comfort. |

E

| | | |
|-------------|---|----------|
| Entrance | : | Exit |
| Exceptional | : | Ordinary |
| Explicit | : | Implicit |

Extensive : Intensive
Extravagant : Frugal.

F

Fact : Fiction,
Famous : Obscure, Notorious
Fickle : Constant
Flexible : Stiff, Rigid
Foreign : Native, indigenous
Futility : Utility.

G

Gaiety : Mourning
Genuine : Fake
Growth : Decline.

H

Haughty : Humble
Humane : Cruel
Hypocrisy : Sincerity.

I

Imperative : Optional
Industrious : Lazy.

J

Just : Unjust
Jovial : Gloomy, Sad.

L

Legible : Illegible
Liberty : Slavery
Loyal : Treacherous.

M

Malice : Goodwill
Material : Spiritual
Meagre : Plentiful
Merit : Demerit
Miserly : Generous
Morbid : Healthy
Mortal : Immortal.

N

Noble : Ignoble, Base.

O

Optional : Compulsory
Offensive : Pleasing, Defensive.

P
Partial : Fair, Impartial
Particular : General
Persuade : Dissuade
Praise : Condemn
Premium : Discount
Prospect : Retrospect.

R
Raise : Lower
Rare : Common
Rear : Front
Rectify : Falsify
Repulsive : Attractive.

S
Safety : Danger
Savage : Civilized
Scanty : Plentiful
Sober : Excited, Drunk
Sophisticated : Naive
Stationary : Moving
Surplus : Deficit.

T
Tedious : Lively
Tender : Hard, Strong
Theory : Practice
Thrifty : Extravagant
Thrive : Decline
Timid : Bold
Transparent : Opaque.

U
Uniform : Versatile
Urban : Rural.

V
Vigilant : Careless
Virtue : Vice
Visible : Invisible

W
Want : Abundance.

Y
Yield : Resist.

Zeal
Zenith

Z
:
:

Indifference
Nadir.

ANTONYMS

Antonyms are words of the same grammatical class (nouns, verbs, adjective, etc) that have opposite meanings.

Antonyms are of two kinds-

- (i) The first kind of antonyms are those that are formed by the additions of **prefixes** or **suffixes** before or after some words.
- (ii) The second kind of antonyms are those words that have **opposite meaning** to the given words without having any **etymological (an account of a origin and development)** relationship with them.

EXERCISE - I

Level – 1 (30 sec each)

Directions: In each of the following sentences, choose the word opposite in meaning to the **word in bold** to fill in the blanks.

1. People often prefer **ambiguity** to
(a) Rationality (b) Certainty
(c) Clarity (d) Perversity
2. My plans may sound rather **nebulous** to you, but they are very to me.
(a) Prominent (b) Conspicuous
(c) Clear (d) Concrete
3. **Absolute** control of the firm is what he wanted, but he ended up withpowers.
(a) complex (b) limited
(c) little (d) few
4. Generally she is **cautious**, but you can't predict when she is
(a) rash (b) hurtful
(c) kind (d) fast
5. He holds **extreme** views on taxations, but there are others whose views are
(a) Plain (b) Ordinary
(c) Refined (d) Moderate
6. I **never** drive to work, I walk.
(a) Always (b) Sometimes

(c) Seldom

(d) Often

7. What one considers may be **vice** to another.

(a) Virtue

(b) Horrible

(c) Courtesy

(d) Kindness

8. She has an **attractive** figure, but her temper is most

(a) distracting

(b) repulsive

(c) complex

(d) unpredictable

9. Wood is **opaque** but glass is

(a) soft

(b) transparent

(c) hard

(d) smooth

10. All her life she has been **insulated** from the harsh realities of the world but now she is all kinds of hardship.

(a) used to

(b) worried about

(c) exposed to

(d) troubled by

ANSWERS

1. c 2. C 3.b 4. A 5.d 6. a 7. A 8. b 9. b 10. C

EXERCISE - II

Level – 1 (30 sec each)

1. Which word in brackets is antonym of word outside brackets? Soothe (augment, inflame, ignore, depress, execute)
A. Inflame B. Ignore C. Depress D. Execute
2. Which word in brackets is antonym of word outside brackets? Proscribe (demolish, stifle, change, unify, allow)
A. Stifle B. Change C. Unify D. Allow
3. Which word in brackets is antonym of word outside brackets? Goad (resolve, halt, dissuade, warn, retract)
A. Resolve B. Halt C. Dissuade D. Warn
4. Which two words are antonyms? Susceptible, clandestine, extreme, credulous, banal, immune
A. Susceptible, immune B. Susceptible, clandestine
C. Banal, immune D. Clandestine, extreme
5. Which word in brackets is antonym of word outside brackets? Depraved (elated, cherish, chaste, lascivious, favored)
A. Elated B. Cherish C. Chaste D. Favored
6. Which word in brackets is antonym of word outside brackets? Supposedly (never, blatant, undoubtedly, allegedly, rarely)
A. Never B. Blatant C. Undoubtedly D. Allegedly
7. Which two words are most opposite in meaning?
A. Unsavory, tawdry B. Graceful, irksome
C. Undemanding, potent D. Tawdry, graceful
8. Which two words are most opposite in meaning? feted, fractious, calm, genuine, durable, affable
A. Genuine, durable B. Calm, genuine
C. Feted, fractious D. Fractious, affable

ANSWERS

- 1. A 2. D 3.C 4.A 5.C 6.C 7.D 8. D**

EXERCISE – III

Level – 1 (30 sec each)

Pick out the word **opposite** (antonym) or nearly so in the meaning of the given words.

1. Anger
 - (a) Party
 - (b) Happiness
 - (c) Approval
 - (d) Love
 - (e) Joy
2. Urban
 - (a) Rustic
 - (b) Rural
 - (c) Civil
 - (d) Domestic
3. Loved
 - (a) Refused
 - (b) Defamed
 - (c) Distracted
 - (d) Averted
 - (e) Hated
4. Virtuous
 - (a) Vicious
 - (b) Vulgar
 - (c) Miserly
 - (d) Insincere
5. Obey
 - (a) Attract
 - (b) Disobey
 - (c) Repel
 - (d) Diffuse
 - (e) None
6. Extrovert
 - (a) Boaster
 - (b) Mixer
 - (c) Introvert
 - (d) Social
7. Outwit
 - (a) Laugh
 - (b) Victory

- (c) Defeat
- (d) Win
- (e) None
- 8. Transparent
 - (a) Translucent
 - (b) Vague
 - (c) Blind
 - (d) Opaque
- 9. Come
 - (a) Play
 - (b) Fast
 - (c) Go
 - (d) Got
 - (e) None
- 10. Receded
 - (a) Bloomed
 - (b) Advanced
 - (c) Increased
 - (d) Diminished
 - (e) Rebuilt
- 11. Hard
 - (a) Soft
 - (b) Smooth
 - (c) Delicate
 - (d) Easy
 - (e) Less
- 12. Alleviation
 - (a) Lessening
 - (b) Magnification
 - (c) Intensify
 - (d) Aggravation
 - (e) Exaggeration
- 13. Wealthy
 - (a) Wicked
 - (b) Famous
 - (c) Ill
 - (d) Poor
 - (e) Harmful
- 14. Dull
 - (a) Pale

- (b) Wise
 - (c) Shining
 - (d) Colourful
 - (e) Foolish
15. Accepted
- (a) Followed
 - (b) Noted
 - (c) Provided
 - (d) Considered
 - (e) rejected
16. Fluster
- (a) Upset
 - (b) Disconcert
 - (c) Arrange
 - (d) Disobey
 - (e) Acclaim
17. Abundant
- (a) Fertile
 - (b) Infertile
 - (c) Prolific
 - (d) Transparent
 - (e) Harsh
18. Eulogistic
- (a) Pretty
 - (b) Critical
 - (c) Brief
 - (d) Stern
 - (e) Free
19. Inevitable
- (a) Unavoidable
 - (b) Eatable
 - (c) Half-baked
 - (d) Uncertain
 - (e) Mutilated
20. Invincible
- (a) Invulnerable
 - (b) Visible
 - (c) Wanton
 - (d) Ancient
 - (e) Conquerable

21. Fervent
- (a) Fiery
 - (b) Arbour
 - (c) Poisonous
 - (d) Apathetic
 - (e) Original
22. Fiasco
- (a) Cameo
 - (b) Mansion
 - (c) Pollution
 - (d) Success
 - (e) Gamble
23. Glossy
- (a) Sleek
 - (b) Ventilating
 - (c) Dull
 - (d) Obscene
 - (e) Dedicated
24. Hybrid
- (a) Mongrel
 - (b) Purebred
 - (c) Composite
 - (d) Familiar
 - (e) Ignorant
25. Facsimile
- (a) Reproduction
 - (b) Sincere
 - (c) Original
 - (d) Fact-finding
 - (e) Engineered
26. Hypothesis
- (a) Fact
 - (b) Theory
 - (c) Conclusive
 - (d) Suppressed
 - (e) Conjecture
27. Ingenuity
- (a) Skillfulness
 - (b) Cunning
 - (c) Sentimental

- (d) Certain
- (e) Dullness
- 28. Felicitous
 - (a) Effeminate
 - (b) Canine
 - (c) Sensuous
 - (d) Notorious
 - (e) Inappropriate
- 29. Fabulous
 - (a) Literary
 - (b) Commonplace
 - (c) Real
 - (d) Poor
- 30. Erratic
 - (a) Free
 - (b) Punctual
 - (c) Right
 - (d) Reliable
- 31. Deserter
 - (a) Sympathizer
 - (b) Favourite
 - (c) Flatterer
 - (d) Loyalist
- 32. Inflexible
 - (a) Soft
 - (b) Tender
 - (c) Yielding
 - (d) Obedient
- 33. Shrill
 - (a) Weak
 - (b) Muffled
 - (c) Inaudible
 - (d) Blunt
- 34. Wavering
 - (a) Straight
 - (b) Tight
 - (c) Strong
 - (d) Poor
- 35. Pretentious
 - (a) Transparent

- (b) Humble
- (c) Clear
- (d) Obvious
- 36. Considerable
 - (a) Inadequate
 - (b) Inattentive
 - (c) Usual
 - (d) Common
- 37. Incarcerate
 - (a) Mobilize
 - (b) Impersonate
 - (c) Treat
 - (d) Liberate
 - (e) Impress
- 38. Malefactor
 - (a) Assistant
 - (b) Supervisor
 - (c) Performer
 - (d) Benefactor
 - (e) Malingerer
- 39. Inflexible
 - (e) Soft
 - (f) Tender
 - (g) Yielding
 - (h) Obedient
- 40. Inquisitive
 - (a) Uninterested
 - (b) Dull
 - (c) Indolent
 - (d) Careful
- 41. Laceration
 - (a) Insensitivity
 - (b) Armour
 - (c) Preoccupation
 - (d) Palpitation
 - (e) Healing
- 42. Annularity
 - (a) Smoth
 - (b) Revival
 - (c) Cancellation

- (d) Stubborn
- (e) Vertical
- 43. Wane
 - (a) Widen
 - (b) Fatten
 - (c) Prosper
 - (d) Swell
- 44. Rueful
 - (a) Impertinent
 - (b) Hated
 - (c) Colourless
 - (d) Permitted
- 45. Derogatory
 - (a) Conferred
 - (b) Praising
 - (c) Immediate
 - (d) Roguish
- 46. Prim
 - (a) Formal
 - (b) Prior
 - (c) Informal
 - (d) Private
- 47. Pulchritude
 - (a) Masculinity
 - (b) Female
 - (c) Notoriety
 - (d) Ugliness
- 48. Obloquy
 - (a) Hate
 - (b) Praise
 - (c) Circle
 - (d) Cure

ANSWERS

1. (d) 2. (b) 3. (e) 4. (a) 5. (b) 6. (c) 7. (c) 8. (d) 9. (c) 10. (b) 11. (a) 12. (d) 13. (d) 14. (c) 15. (e) 16. (c) 17. (b) 18. (b) 19. (d) 20. (c) 21. (d) 22. (d) 23. (c) 24. (b) 25. (c) 26. (a) 27. (a) 28. (e) 29. (d) 30. (c) 31. (d) 32. (c) 33. (b) 34. (a) 35. (b) 36. (a) 37. (d) 38. (d) 39. (a) 40. (c) 41. (e) 42. (e) 43. (c) 44. (a) 45. (b) 46. (c) 47. (d) 48. (b)

EXERCISE – IV

Level – 2 (30 sec each)

Pick out the word **opposite** (antonym) or nearly so in the meaning of the given words.

1. Avidity
 - (a) Over-active
 - (b) Carelessness
 - (c) Greedy
 - (d) Stupidity
2. Bawdy
 - (a) Decent
 - (b) Indecent
 - (c) Dirty
 - (d) Inflexible
3. Parallelism
 - (a) Obliquity
 - (b) Contrast
 - (c) Disparity
 - (d) Divergence
4. Antiquity
 - (a) Common
 - (b) Recent
 - (c) Innovation
 - (d) Youthfulness
5. Neophyte
 - (a) Old
 - (b) Experienced
 - (c) Orthodox
 - (d) Tasteless
6. Bestial
 - (a) Least acceptable
 - (b) Unanimated
 - (c) Heavenly
 - (d) Noble
7. Instill
 - (a) Extract
 - (b) Eradicate
 - (c) Express
 - (d) Expand
8. Exoteric

- (a) External
 - (b) Familiar
 - (c) Native
 - (d) Pleasant
9. Compliant
- (a) Defective
 - (b) Adamant
 - (c) Elementary
 - (d) Appreciative
10. Quell
- (a) Praise
 - (b) Recommend
 - (c) Incite
 - (d) Contract
11. Ponderous
- (a) Simple
 - (b) Thoughtless
 - (c) Empty
 - (d) Light
12. Nominal
- (a) Huge
 - (b) Clear
 - (c) Real
 - (d) Solid
13. Genuine
- (a) Rotten
 - (b) Bogus
 - (c) Unsound
 - (d) Impure
14. Exonerate
- (a) Reject
 - (b) Contract
 - (c) Accuse
 - (d) Admit
15. Virtuous
- (a) Vicious
 - (b) Vulgar
 - (c) Miserly
 - (d) Domestic
16. Husbandry

- (a) Misters hood
 - (b) Subordination
 - (c) Discipline
 - (d) Wastefulness
17. Laudatory
- (a) Cheerless
 - (b) Defamatory
 - (c) Quiet
 - (d) Inadmirable
18. Sophisticated
- (a) Rustic
 - (b) Rural
 - (c) Civil
 - (d) Domestic
19. Vivacious
- (a) Languid
 - (b) Open
 - (c) Strong
 - (d) Bright
20. Voluntary
- (a) Involuntary
 - (b) Instinctive
 - (c) Compelled
 - (d) Coercive
 - (e) Forced
21. Stagnant
- (a) Effervescence
 - (b) Mobile
 - (c) Progress
 - (d) Inertia
 - (e) Flamboyance
22. Deleterious
- (a) Fatal
 - (b) Nourishing
 - (c) Vital
 - (d) Injurious
 - (e) Benevolent
23. Impeccable
- (a) Reasonable
 - (b) Practical

- (c) Repulsive
- (d) Faulty
- 24. Morose
 - (a) Harmless
 - (b) Decent
 - (c) Cheerful
 - (d) Unusual
- 25. Relinquish
 - (a) Keep
 - (b) Possess
 - (c) Claim
 - (d) Persist
 - (e) Stick to
- 26. Retrogressive
 - (a) Progressive
 - (b) Advancing
 - (c) Furthering
 - (d) Forwarding
 - (e) Improving
- 27. Frugal
 - (a) Charitable
 - (b) Extravagant
 - (c) Generous
 - (d) Gaudy
- 28. Laudable
 - (a) Commendable
 - (b) Negligible
 - (c) Admirable
 - (d) Praiseworthy
 - (e) Blameful
- 29. Bridge
 - (a) Release
 - (b) Open
 - (c) Bind
 - (d) Divide
- 30. Auspicious
 - (a) Condemn
 - (b) Conspicuous
 - (c) Unfavourable
 - (d) Spicy

31. Pernicious
- (a) Innocuous
 - (b) Healthy
 - (c) Hygienic
 - (d) Fine
 - (e) Excellent
32. Predicament
- (a) Firmness
 - (b) Confidence
 - (c) Fantasy
 - (d) Certainty
 - (e) Case
33. Charity
- (a) Reserve
 - (b) Confusion
 - (c) Candour
 - (d) Exaggeration
34. Haggard
- (a) Plump
 - (b) Vast
 - (c) Maidenly
 - (d) Shrewd
35. Capacious
- (a) Confining
 - (b) Ferocious
 - (c) Militant
 - (d) Extrovert
36. Noisome
- (a) Clean
 - (b) Fragrant
 - (c) Sleepy
 - (d) Dirty
37. Fantastic
- (a) Illusion
 - (b) Real
 - (c) Wonderful
 - (d) Economical
38. Hegira
- (a) Oasis
 - (b) Return

- (c) Calm
- (d) Noise
- 39. Carte blanche
 - (a) Restriction
 - (b) Investment
 - (c) Order
 - (d) Importance
- 40. Nefarious
 - (a) Lacking
 - (b) Emperious
 - (c) Benign
 - (d) Neglected
- 41. Neophyte
 - (a) Veteran
 - (b) Novice
 - (c) Unknown
 - (d) Newly born
- 42. Callous
 - (a) Hardened
 - (b) Soft
 - (c) Sensitive
 - (d) Compact
- 43. Laconic
 - (a) Wicked
 - (b) Verbose
 - (c) Milky
 - (d) Fragrance
- 44. Capricious
 - (a) Insured
 - (b) Photographic
 - (c) Satisfied
 - (d) Steadfast
- 45. Lackadaisical
 - (a) Intelligent
 - (b) Dull
 - (c) Ambitious
 - (d) Monthly
- 46. Chaffing
 - (a) Capitalistic
 - (b) Happily

- (c) Sneering
- (d) Serious

47. Kith

- (a) Relative
- (b) Son
- (c) Strangers
- (d) Outfit

ANSWERS

1. (b) 2. (a) 3. (d) 4. (b) 5. (a) 6. (d) 7. (a) 8. (b) 9. (b) 10. (c) 11. (a) 12. (a) 13. (b) 14. (c) 15. (a) 16. (a) 17. (b) 18. (a) 19. (a) 20. (a) 21. (b) 22. (b) 23. (d) 24. (c) 25. (e) 26. (a) 27. (b) 28. (e) 29. (d) 30. (c) 31. (b) 32. (c) 33. (b) 34. (a) 35. (a) 36. (b) 37. (b) 38. (b) 39. (a) 40. (c) 41. (a) 42. (b) 43. (b) 44. (d) 45. (c) 46. (d) 47. (c)

EXERCISE – V

Level – 2 (30 sec each)

Instruction: Choose one alternative which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

1. Flagitious

- (a) Vapid
- (b) Innocent
- (c) Frivolous
- (d) Ignorant

2. Celibate

- (a) Extravagant
- (b) Prodigal
- (c) Profligate
- (d) Reprobate

3. Insolent

- (a) Polite
- (b) Considerate
- (c) Agreeable
- (d) Coward

4. Overwrought

- (a) Excited
- (b) Calm
- (c) Alert
- (d) Alive

5. Ostentatious

- (a) Ignorant
- (b) Unpretentious
- (c) Awkward
- (d) Bankrupt

6. Dearth

- (a) Abundance
- (c) Extravagance

- (b) Sufficiency
- (d) Scarcity

7. Transparent

- (a) Opaque
- (c) Coloured

- (b) Imminent
- (d) Childlike

8. Exhibit

- (a) Withdraw
- (c) Conceal

- (b) Concede
- (d) Prevent

9. Haughty

- (a) Humble
- (c) Pitiabile

- (b) Cowardly
- (d) Scared

10. Virtue

- (a) Wickedness
- (c) Vice

- (b) Crime
- (d) Fraud

11. Sagacious

- (a) Foolish
- (c) Casual

- (b) False
- (d) Cunning

12. Reward

- (a) Penalty
- (c) Demotion

- (b) Retribution
- (d) Forfeiture

13. Brazen

- (a) Delicious
- (c) Respectful

- (b) Helpful
- (d) Innocent

14. Dorsal

- (a) Peripheral
- (c) Inactive

- (b) Central
- (d) Ventral

15. Tentative

- (a) Developed
- (c) Immediate

- (b) Final
- (d) Urgent

16. Minor

- (a) Major
- (c) Heavy

- (b) Big
- (d) Tall

17. Appropriate

- (a) Unqualified
- (c) Unskilled

18. Opaque

- (a) Clear
- (c) Misty

19. Ruthless

- (a) Majestic
- (c) Mindful

20. Violent

- (a) Gentle
- (c) Tame

21. Liability

- (a) Assets
- (c) Treasure

22. Arid

- (a) Humid
- (c) Plentiful

23. Auspicious

- (a) Conspicuous
- (c) Spicy

24. Glib

- (a) Dumb
- (c) Unwilling

25. Magnanimous

- (a) Generous
- (c) Selfish

26. Malicious

- (a) Kind
- (c) Boastful

27. Spurious

- (a) Simple
- (c) False

28. Hindrance

- (a) Persuasion

- (b) Unable
- (d) Unsuitable

- (b) Transparent
- (d) Covered

- (b) Merciful
- (d) Compassionate

- (b) Harmless
- (d) Humble

- (b) Property
- (d) Debt

- (b) Agreeable
- (d) Productive

- (b) Condemnatory
- (d) Unfavourable

- (b) Modest
- (d) Hesitant

- (b) Small
- (d) Naïve

- (b) Generous
- (d) Indifferent

- (b) Systematic
- (d) Genuine

- (b) Aid

- (c) Agreement
- 29. Prohibit**
- (a) Agree
(c) Accept
- 30. Roughly**
- (a) Pointedly
(c) Exactly
- 31. Acquit**
- (a) Punish
(c) Confirm
- 32. Dim**
- (a) Loud
(c) Bright
- 33. Accomplice**
- (a) Escort
(c) Friend
- 34. Valuable**
- (a) Lowly
(c) Inferior
- 35. Inimical**
- (a) Neutral
(c) Friendly
- 36. Guilty**
- (a) Virtuous
(c) Innocent
- 37. Humble**
- (a) Despotic
(c) Suspend
- 38. Rear**
- (a) Forehead
(c) Front
- 39. Pacify**
- (a) Offend
(c) Please
- (d) Cooperation
- (b) Grant
(d) Permit
- (b) Largely
(d) Completely
- (b) Indict
(d) Blame
- (b) Clear
(d) Understandable
- (b) Opponent
(d) Accessory
- (b) Worthless
(d) Invaluable
- (b) Emotional
(d) Cheerful
- (b) Angelic
(d) Pure
- (b) Dislike
(d) Admonish
- (b) Forward
(d) Foreground
- (b) Aggravate
(d) Injure

40. Sage

- (a) Egoist
- (c) Rogue

- (b) Snob
- (d) Fool

41. Equanimity

- (a) Dubiousness
- (c) Excitement

- (b) Resentment
- (d) Duplicity

42. Beguile

- (a) Flatter
- (c) Persuade

- (b) Smile
- (d) Cheat

43. Destiny

- (a) Self-dependence
- (c) Vulnerability

- (b) Fate
- (d) Chance

44. Agony

- (a) Ecstasy
- (c) Pleasure

- (b) Fear
- (d) Bliss

45. Subservient

- (a) Straight forward
- (c) Aggressive

- (b) Supercilious
- (d) Dominant

46. Miserly

- (a) Spend thrift
- (c) Generous

- (b) Charitable
- (d) Liberal

47. Density

- (a) Intelligence
- (c) Brightness

- (b) Rarity
- (d) Clarity

48. Contented

- (a) Gloomy
- (c) Rash

- (b) Disappointed
- (d) Narrow-minded

49. Conceal

- (a) Open
- (c) Unfold

- (b) Discover
- (d) Reveal

50. Seldom

- (a) Often
- (c) Rarely

- (b) Never
- (d) Daily

ANSWERS

1. (b) 2. (d) 3. (a) 4. (b) 5. (b) 6. (a) 7. (a) 8. (c) 9. (a) 10. (c) 11. (a) 12. (a) 13. (c) 14. (a) 15. (b) 16. (a) 17. (d) 18. (b) 19. (b) 20. (a) 21. (a) 22. (a) 23. (d) 24. (d) 25. (c) 26. (a) 27. (d) 28. (b) 29. (d) 30. (c) 31. (b) 32. (c) 33. (b) 34. (b) 35. (c) 36. (c) 37. (d) 38. (c) 39. (a) 40. (d) 41. (c) 42. (c) 43. (a) 44. (a) 45. (d) 46. (c) 47. (b) 48. (b) 49. (d) 50. (a)

EXERCISE – VI

Level – 3 (30 sec each)

Instruction: Choose one alternative which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

1. Forbid

(a) Celebrate

(b) Permit

(c) Provoke

(d) Appreciate

2. Punctilious

(a) Careless

(b) Curious

(c) Irregular

(d) Fussy

3. Mortal

(a) Immortal

(b) Divine

(c) Eternal

(d) Spiritual

4. Terse

(a) Expressive

(b) Descriptive

(c) Concise

(d) Detailed

5. Encourage

(a) Dampen

(b) Disapprove

(c) Warn

(d) Discourage

6. Clarity

(a) Confusion

(b) Reserve

(c) Exaggeration

(d) Candour

7. Challenge

(a) Favour

(b) Praise

- (c) Admire
- 8. Superficial**
- (a) Shallow
(c) Artificial
- 9. Commend**
- (a) Hate
(c) Suspend
- 10. Dauntless**
- (a) Weak
(c) Cautious
- 11. Frugal**
- (a) Extravagant
(c) Gaudy
- 12. Criticise**
- (a) Flatter
(c) Judge
- 13. Chide**
- (a) Criticise
(c) Praise
- 14. Religious**
- (a) Secular
(c) Atheistic
- 15. Friend**
- (a) Foe
(c) Rival
- 16. Antipathy**
- (a) Agreement
(c) Obedience
- 17. Exterior**
- (a) Interior
(c) Internal
- 18. Host**
- (a) Spread
(c) Accomplice
- (d) Accept
- (b) Rea
(d) Deep
- (b) Dislike
(d) Admonish
- (b) Adventurous
(d) Thoughtful
- (b) Charitable
(d) Generous
- (b) Analyse
(d) Appreciate
- (b) Flatter
(d) Fear
- (b) Sinful
(d) Immoral
- (b) Competitor
(d) Acquaintance
- (b) Fondness
(d) Admiration
- (b) Inward
(d) Inner
- (b) Parasite
(d) Enlarged

19. Unrealistic

- (a) Reasonable
- (c) Natural

- (b) Actual
- (d) Visionary

20. Meticulous

- (a) Shaggy
- (c) Slovenly

- (b) Mutual
- (d) Meretricious

21. Culpable

- (a) Blameless
- (c) Irresponsible

- (b) Defendable
- (d) Careless

22. Hesitate

- (a) Certain
- (c) Proud

- (b) Reluctant
- (d) Confident

23. Vital

- (a) Unimportant
- (c) Peripheral

- (b) Outer
- (d) Dead

24. Capacious

- (a) Caring
- (c) Changeable

- (b) Limited
- (d) Foolish

25. Admonish

- (a) Flatter
- (c) Commend

- (b) Approve
- (d) Tolerate

26. Boost

- (a) Discourage
- (c) Hinder

- (b) Rebuke
- (d) Expand

27. Smooth

- (a) Hard
- (c) Ugly

- (b) Rough
- (d) Awkward

28. Base

- (a) Top
- (c) Roof

- (b) Climax
- (d) Height

29. Moist

- (a) Hard
- (c) Parched

- (b) Crisp
- (d) Dry

30. Demon

- (a) Angel
- (c) Charitable

- (b) Fair-minded
- (d) Kind-hearted

31. Leap

- (a) Immerse
- (c) Plunge

- (b) Fall
- (d) Sink

32. Bizarre

- (a) Gentle
- (c) Soft

- (b) Same
- (d) Usual

33. Advance

- (a) Withhold
- (c) Retreat

- (b) Defend
- (d) Restrain

34. Alien

- (a) Domiciled
- (c) Resident

- (b) Native
- (d) Natural

35. Boisterous

- (a) Good
- (c) Calm

- (b) Happy
- (d) Comfortable

36. Erudite

- (a) Unimaginative
- (c) Professional

- (b) Ignorant
- (d) Immature

37. Acquitted

- (a) Burdened
- (c) Entrusted

- (b) Freed
- (d) Convicted

38. Laconic

- (a) Prolific
- (c) Prolix

- (b) Bucolic
- (d) Profligate

39. Absolute

- (a) Faulty
- (c) Scarce

- (b) Deficient
- (d) Incomplete

40. Magnify

- (a) Destroy
- (c) Induce

- (b) Shrink
- (d) Diminish

41. Establish

(a) Corrode

(b) Negate

(c) Disrupt

(d) Uproot

42. Defiance

(a) Explicit

(b) Anxiety

(c) Dismay

(d) Suspicion

43. Deficit

(a) Explicit

(b) Implicit

(c) Superfluous

(d) Surplus

44. Patchy

(a) Uniform

(b) Implicit

(c) Superfluous

(d) Surplus

45. Illegible

(a) Clean

(b) Readable

(c) Clear

(d) Imitable

46. Synthetic

(a) Affable

(b) Natural

(c) Cosmetic

(d) Plastic

47. Precarious

(a) Cautious

(b) Easy

(c) Dangerous

(d) Safe

48. Deep

(a) Shallow

(b) Perfunctory

(c) Elementary

(d) Superficial

49. Lend

(a) Cheat

(b) Borrow

(c) Hire

(d) Pawn

50. Paucity

(a) Presence

(b) Richness

(c) Surplus

(d) Scarcity

ANSWERS

1. (b) 2. (a) 3. (a) 4. (d) 5. (d) 6. (a) 7. (d) 8. (d) 9. (d) 10. (c) 11. (a) 12. (d) 13. (c) 14. (a) 15. (a) 16. (d) 17. (a) 18. (b) 19. (a) 20. (c) 21. (a) 22. (a) 23. (a) 24. (b) 25. (c) 26. (c) 27. (b) 28.

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EXERCISE – VII

Level – 4 (45 sec each)

Instruction: Choose one alternative which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

1. Flexible

- (a) Soft
- (b) Solid
- (c) Brittle
- (d) Rigid

2. Conspicuous

- (a) Insignificant
- (b) Unknown
- (c) Indifferent
- (d) Harmless

3. Confess

- (a) Contest
- (b) Contend
- (c) Deny
- (d) Refuse

4. Hoard

- (a) Satisfy
- (b) Accumulate
- (c) Deposit
- (d) Supply

5. Provocation

- (a) Pacification
- (b) Vocation
- (c) Destruction
- (d) Peace

6. Autonomy

- (a) Subordination
- (b) Slavery
- (c) Submissiveness
- (d) Dependence

7. Shallow

- (a) Deep
- (b) Hollow
- (c) High
- (d) Hidden

8. Overt

- (a) Secret
- (b) Unwritten
- (c) Deep
- (d) Shallow

9. Accord

- (a) Dissent
- (b) Concord
- (c) Solution
- (d) Act

10. Alive

- (a) Asleep
- (c) Passive

- (b) Drowsy
- (d) Dead

11. Tragic

- (a) Light
- (c) Funny

- (b) Humorous
- (d) Comic

12. Exodus

- (a) Home-coming
- (c) Restoration

- (b) Influx
- (d) Return

13. Innocent

- (a) Deadly
- (c) Sinful

- (b) Corruption
- (d) Guilty

14. Dear

- (a) Free
- (c) Cheap

- (b) Priceless
- (d) Worthless

15. Apposite

- (a) Inconsistent
- (c) Inappropriate

- (b) Irregular
- (d) Intemperate

16. Nadir

- (a) Zenith
- (c) Progress

- (b) Modernity
- (d) Liberty

17. Foreigner

- (a) Native
- (c) National

- (b) Alien
- (d) Stranger

18. Languid

- (a) Fast
- (c) Smart

- (b) Ferocious
- (d) Energetic

19. Stringent

- (a) Vehement
- (c) Magnanimous

- (b) General
- (d) Lenient

20. Alienate

- (a) Assemble
- (c) Gather

- (b) Unite
- (d) Identify

21. Podgy

- (a) Weak

- (b) Slim

(c) Short

(d) Thin

22. Virtuous

(a) Wicked

(b) Corrupt

(c) Scandalous

(d) Satisfying

23. Grim

(a) Delightful

(b) Painful

(c) Serious

(d) Satisfying

24. Paternity

(a) Offspring

(b) Ancestors

(c) Posterity

(d) Successors

25. Acumen

(a) Potentiality

(b) Unfamiliarity

(c) Intelligence

(d) Imbecility

26. Evacuate

(a) Abandon

(b) Invade

(c) Admit

(d) Emerge

27. Bridge

(a) Release

(b) Open

(c) Divide

(d) Bind

28. Attract

(a) Repel

(b) Distract

(c) Reveal

(d) Reject

29. Gratuity

(a) Discount

(b) Wages

(c) Annuity

(d) Stipend

30. Knowledge

(a) Foolishness

(b) Backwardness

(c) Ignorance

(d) Illiteracy

31. Modicum

(a) Brazenness

(b) Immodesty

(c) Simplicity

(d) A large amount

32. Mask

(a) Expose

(b) Hit

(c) Deface

(d) Injure

33. Choice

(a) Harm

(b) Approval

(c) Refusal

(d) Dilemma

34. Reserved

(a) Popular

(b) Companionable

(c) Likeable

(d) Talkative

35. Inveterate

(a) Ignorant

(b) Inexperienced

(c) Stupid

(d) Uneducated

36. Delete

(a) Inspire

(b) Injure

(c) Impound

(d) Insert

37. Onerous

(a) Complex

(b) Plain

(c) Straight-forward

(d) Easy

38. Comic

(a) Tragic

(b) Emotional

(c) Painful

(d) Fearful

39. Terrible

(a) Delightful

(b) Hideous

(c) Horrible

(d) Awesome

40. Addition

(a) Enumeration

(b) Division

(c) Multiplication

(d) Subtraction

41. Obsolete

(a) Useless

(b) Recent

(c) Conducive

(d) Rare

42. Insanity

(a) Lucidity

(b) Sobriety

(c) Sanity

(d) Normality

43. Churlish

(a) Helpful

(b) Happy

(c) Accommodating

(d) Polite

44. Artificial

(a) Authentic

(b) Natural

(c) Solid

(d) Truthful

45. Mundane

(a) Heavenly

(b) Excellent

(c) Exciting

(d) Superb

46. Presumption

(a) Humility

(b) Assumption

(c) Resumption

(d) Proposition

47. Callous

(a) Sensitive

(b) Capable

(c) Confident

(d) Sentimental

48. Concealment

(a) Evidence

(b) Indication

(c) Identification

(d) Exposure

49. Astute

(a) Wicked

(b) Impolite

(c) Cowardly

(d) Foolish

50. Brilliant

(a) Dumb

(b) Dud

(c) Dusty

(d) Dull

ANSWERS

1. (d) 2. (a) 3. (c) 4. (d) 5. (a) 6. (d) 7. (a) 8. (a) 9. (a) 10. (d) 11. (d) 12. (b) 13. (d) 14. (c) 15. (c) 16. (a) 17. (a) 18. (d) 19. (d) 20. (d) 21. (d) 22. (d) 23. (a) 24. (a) 25. (d) 26. (c) 27. (b) 28. (a) 29. (b) 30. (c) 31. (d) 32. (a) 33. (d) 34. (d) 35. (b) 36. (d) 37. (a) 38. (a) 39. (a) 40. (d) 41. (b) 42. (c) 43. (d) 44. (b) 45. (c) 46. (a) 47. (a) 48. (d) 49. (d) 50. (d)

EXERCISE – VIII

Level – 4 (45 sec each)

Instructions: In each of the following sentences, a word has been printed in bold letters. Out of the given alternatives, choose the one which is closest to the opposite in meaning of the bold word.

1. **Miscellaneous** items were discussed at the meeting.
(a) Mixed (b) Classified
(c) Minor (d) Unrelated
2. He tried to **conceal** the secret that they were already married.
(a) Reveal (b) Announce
(c) State (d) Declare
3. Silence in this place is **mandatory**.
(a) Imperative (b) Irritating
(c) Optional (d) Compulsory
4. His **frivolous** remarks provoked no comments.
(a) Frantic (b) Fanciful
(c) Serious (d) Momentous
5. The key words in planning for an unpredictable future are focus and **flexibility**.
(a) Pliability (b) Rigidity
(c) Complexity (d) Tensity
6. Such a scene **attracts** the onlookers.
(a) Repels (b) Revolts
(c) Instigates (d) Annoys
7. Professors are generally **serious** about what they say.
(a) Smug (b) Insincere
(c) Jolly (d) Thoughtful
8. The chairman **initiated** the proceeding with a brief speech.
(a) Closed (b) Confused
(c) Complicated (d) Started

9. It used to be said that travel **broadens** one's outlook.
- (a) Shrinks (b) Narrows
(c) Restricts (d) Contracts
10. He climbed up a **stationary** wagon.
- (a) Shunting (b) Standing
(c) Moving (d) Speeding
11. He proved utterly **capricious** in his dealings with his friends.
- (a) Understanding (b) Obstinate
(c) Helpful (d) Steadfast
12. Her **impetuous** behavior was attributed to her upbringing.
- (a) Quiet and gentle (b) Sluggish
(c) Poised (d) Rash
13. Everything about him, especially his talkative nature, proclaims his **effeminacy**.
- (a) Aggressiveness (b) Attractiveness
(c) Boorishness (d) Manliness
14. The usual **adulation** of the officers must end.
- (a) Condemnation (b) Praise
(c) Back-biting (d) Flatter
15. They had an **insipid** conversation.
- (a) Argumentative (b) Lively
(c) Curious (d) Loud
16. Many people try to **resist** reforms in the society.
- (a) Accept (b) Fight
(c) Repel (d) Welcome
17. We should not **belittle** others' achievements.
- (a) Encourage (b) Inspire
(c) Recommend (d) Praise
18. She is **slender** in figure.
- (a) Stout (b) Slim

(c) Strong (d) Well-built

19. The Commission took two years to go through the **massive** collection of files and documents before preparing its report.

(a) Light (b) Heavy

(c) Ugly (d) Short

20. The two friends were **distinct** in everything; dress, manners, hair-style and food habits.

(a) Opposite (b) Different

(c) Similar (d) Uniform

21. His short put pointed speech was **applauded** by all sections of the audience.

(a) Misunderstood (b) Disapproved

(c) Welcomed (d) Praised

22. Her **vivacity** attracted everybody.

(a) Apathy (b) Truthfulness

(c) Beauty (d) Humour

23. James had the habit of **running down** his colleagues.

(a) Praising (b) Supporting

(c) Deriding (d) Pushing down

24. After meeting the holy man, his nagging mood of **diffidence** suddenly changed.

(a) Contentment (b) Consternation

(c) Confusion (d) Self-assurance

25. She was surprised by his **amiability**.

(a) Sincerity (b) Petulance

(c) Pessimism (d) Prudence

26. The momentum of the movement **slackened** in course of time.

(a) Quickened (b) Stopped

(c) Recovered (d) Multiplied

27. **Misogynists** are not applauded in society.

(a) Philanthropists (b) Philo-gynists

(c) Philanderers (d) Philologists

28. There was no **altruistic** motive that prompted him to help her.
- (a) Inhuman (b) Selfish
(c) Wicked (d) Brutal
29. He is very **timid** person.
- (a) Bold (b) Chivalrous
(c) Dashing (d) Outgoing
30. The treaty was **ratified** by the heads of states.
- (a) Destroyed (b) Annulled
(c) Set aside (d) Unsettled
31. He was **dejected** when he heard the news.
- (a) Hilarious (b) Gleeful
(c) Elated (d) Impressed
32. Overeating can often be **detrimental** to health.
- (a) Useful (b) Destructive
(c) Beneficial (d) Injurious
33. His partners felt that it was a **viable** business proposition.
- (a) Unavailable (b) Envidable
(c) Impracticable (d) Inviolable
34. Like poverty, **affluence** can sometimes create its own problems.
- (a) Exuberance (b) Opulence
(c) Sorrow (d) Indigence
35. This author has **perspicuity** in his style.
- (a) Obtuseness (b) Vivacity
(c) Frankness (d) Bluntness
36. The leader might have had some **covert** reason for the change of his political affiliations.
- (a) Obvious (b) Unjustifiable
(c) Flimsy (d) Inexplicable
37. It is surprising to find her **condoning** such an act.
- (a) Disliking (b) Forbidding

- (c) Disparaging (d) Condemning
38. At least some students are in the habit of doing their exercises in a **slovenly** manner.
(a) Decent (b) Correct
(c) Neat (d) Proper
39. Sanjay's point of view was correct but his behavior with his father was quite **impertinent**.
(a) Healthy (b) Respectful
(c) Impressive (d) Smooth
40. The deliberate **suavity** of Dev's behavior made the emotions of the audience volatile.
(a) Stupidity (b) Pleasant
(c) Politeness (d) Impetuosity
41. A **friendly** dog met us at the farm gate.
(a) Understanding (b) Helpful
(c) Hostile (d) Quiet
42. A crowd **gathered** quickly when the police came.
(a) Spread (b) Disappeared
(c) Collected (d) Dispersed
43. **Crestfallen** he returned as he had never faced such humiliation in the whole of his life.
(a) Triumphant (b) Indignant
(c) Disturbed (d) Vainglorious
44. She is beautiful as well as **frivolous**.
(a) Insane (b) Rude
(c) Indecent (d) Serious
45. We must realize the **futility** of wars.
(a) Value (b) Importance
(c) Urgency (d) Usefulness
46. It is **obligatory** for a common citizen to follow the rules.
(a) Necessary (b) Advisable
(c) Optional (d) Superfluous

47. He is extremely **intelligent** but proud.

(a) Weak

(b) Dull

(c) Simple

(d) Ignorant

48. In ancient days, a **fragile** glass jar was considered to be more valuable than a human slave.

(a) Strong

(b) Heavy

(c) Broad

(d) Tall

49. Last month tomatoes were quite **cheap**.

(a) Insufficient

(b) Less

(c) Inexpensive

(d) Costly

50. Sherlock Holmes is a **fictitious** character.

(a) Fancy

(b) Foreign

(c) Real

(d) Imaginative

ANSWERS

1. (c) 2. (a) 3. (c) 4. (c) 5. (b) 6. (a) 7. (c) 8. (a) 9. (b) 10. (c) 11. (d) 12. (a) 13. (d) 14. (a) 15. (b) 16. (d) 17. (d) 18. (a) 19. (a) 20. (c) 21. (b) 22. (a) 23. (a) 24. (d) 25. (b) 26. (a) 27. (b) 28. (b) 29. (a) 30. (b) 31. (c) 32. (c) 33. (c) 34. (d) 35. (a) 36. (a) 37. (d) 38. (a) 39. (b) 40. (d) 41. (c) 42. (d) 43. (a) 44. (d) 45. (d) 46. (c) 47. (b) 48. (a) 49. (d) 50. (c)

EXERCISE – IX

Level – 4 (45 sec each)

Pick out the word **opposite** (antonym) or nearly so in the meaning of the given words.

1. Ruthless
 - (a) Militant
 - (b) Might
 - (c) Majestic
 - (d) Merciful
2. Erudite
 - (a) Ignorant
 - (b) Unknown
 - (c) Illiterate
 - (d) Unfamiliar
3. Cynical
 - (a) Mature
 - (b) Eccentric
 - (c) Naïve
 - (d) Crazy
4. Malevolent
 - (a) Kindly
 - (b) Vacuous
 - (c) Ambivalent
 - (d) Primitive
5. Vividly
 - (a) Unintentionally
 - (b) Unimpressively
 - (c) Unscrupulously
 - (d) Unwillingly
 - (e) Unpopular
6. Releases
 - (a) Liberates
 - (b) Closes
 - (c) Confines
 - (d) Provides
 - (e) Strengthens
7. Militant
 - (a) Religious
 - (b) Spiritual
 - (c) Combative

- (d) Pacifist
- 8. Unruly
 - (a) Curious
 - (b) Obedient
 - (c) Intelligent
 - (d) Indifferent
- 9. Morose
 - (a) Healthy
 - (b) Gloomy
 - (c) Haggard
 - (d) Cheerful
- 10. Inspired
 - (a) Overwhelmed
 - (b) Dispirited
 - (c) Haggard
 - (d) Cheerful
- 11. Antipathy
 - (a) Indifference
 - (b) Willingness
 - (c) Fondness
 - (d) Liking
- 12. Deviate
 - (a) Obliviate
 - (b) Break
 - (c) Locate
 - (d) Follow
- 13. Churlish
 - (a) Young
 - (b) Cultured
 - (c) Cowardly
 - (d) Accommodating
- 14. Latent
 - (a) Hidden
 - (b) Forbidding
 - (c) Obvious
 - (d) Artificial
- 15. Furtive
 - (a) Open
 - (b) Obvious
 - (c) Unambiguous

- (d) Straight
- 16. Objective
 - (a) Personal
 - (b) Familiar
 - (c) Deleted
 - (d) Intimate
- 17. Strident
 - (a) Musical
 - (b) Pleasant
 - (c) Melodious
 - (d) Stable
- 18. Fecund
 - (a) Hard
 - (b) Unpolished
 - (c) Solid
 - (d) Barren
- 19. Mitigate
 - (a) Expedite
 - (b) Worsen
 - (c) Slacken
 - (d) Repair
- 20. Dilettante
 - (a) Stupid
 - (b) Rapid
 - (c) Tidy
 - (d) Professional
- 21. Endow
 - (a) Rob
 - (b) Snatch
 - (c) Divest
 - (d) Dispossess
- 22. Polemic
 - (a) Friendship
 - (b) Agreement
 - (c) Amity
 - (d) Cooperation
- 23. Endow
 - (a) Rob
 - (b) Snatch
 - (c) Divest

- (d) Dispossess
- 24. Languid
 - (a) Cheerful
 - (b) Progressive
 - (c) Vigorous
 - (d) Fashionable
- 25. Dastard
 - (a) Open
 - (b) Brave
 - (c) Concise
 - (d) Innocent
- 26. Outstrip
 - (a) Cooperate
 - (b) Compete
 - (c) Follow
 - (d) Cover
- 27. Corpulence
 - (a) Slender
 - (b) Cheerful
 - (c) Guilt
 - (d) Poverty
- 28. Mundane
 - (a) Excellent
 - (b) Superior
 - (c) Heavenly
 - (d) Extraordinary
- 29. Anathematize
 - (a) Locate
 - (b) Radiate
 - (c) Deceive
 - (d) Bless
- 30. Antithesis
 - (a) Similarity
 - (b) Quite
 - (c) Different
 - (d) Regular
- 31. Euphonious
 - (a) Strident
 - (b) Significant
 - (c) Lethargic

- (d) Distasteful
- 32. Gaucherie
 - (a) Tact
 - (b) Culminate
 - (c) Dwindle
 - (d) Quiet
- 33. Gnome
 - (a) Gloom
 - (b) Casual
 - (c) Small
 - (d) Giant
- 34. Moot
 - (a) Strict
 - (b) Difficult
 - (c) Not disputable
 - (d) Disputable
- 35. Husbandry
 - (a) Wastefulness
 - (b) Friction
 - (c) Cowardice
 - (d) Hard labour
- 36. Deleterious
 - (a) Harmful
 - (b) Experimental
 - (c) Harmless
 - (d) Practical
- 37. Deferential
 - (a) Disorganized
 - (b) Disrespectful
 - (c) Distinguishable
 - (d) Respectful
- 38. Exhume
 - (a) Exit
 - (b) Inter
 - (c) Admit
 - (d) Decipher
- 39. Hibernial
 - (a) Spring-like
 - (b) Seasonal
 - (c) Regular

- (d) Attitude
- 40. Peer
 - (a) Equivalent
 - (b) Equal
 - (c) Certain
 - (d) Unequal
- 41. Ulterior
 - (a) Tipped
 - (b) Sparkling
 - (c) Stated
 - (d) Rampaging
- 42. Craven
 - (a) Greedy
 - (b) Generous
 - (c) Coward
 - (d) Brave
- 43. Grandiose
 - (a) Clumsy
 - (b) Simple
 - (c) Proud
 - (d) Heavy
- 44. Churlish
 - (a) Naughty
 - (b) Coarse
 - (c) Courteous
 - (d) Modest
- 45. Gasconade
 - (a) Modesty
 - (b) Seizure
 - (c) Cleanliness
 - (d) Illusive
- 46. Probity
 - (a) Cleanliness
 - (b) Corruption
 - (c) Regret
 - (d) Upswing
- 47. Demure
 - (a) Sedate
 - (b) Close
 - (c) Indecorous

(d) Open

48. Rubicund

(a) Wanted

(b) Dangerous

(c) Indicative

(d) Pallid

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