

PRACTICE SET – I

Level – 5 (45 sec each)

Total Time – 39.75 Min.

Against each key word are given some suggested meanings. Choose the word or phrase which is nearest in meaning to the key word.

1. Admonition
 - (a) Weapon
 - (b) Preamble
 - (c) Warning
 - (d) Alarm
 - (e) Hysteria
2. Unfold
 - (a) Stunt
 - (b) Compress
 - (c) Restrict
 - (d) Elaborate
3. disparage
 - (a) command
 - (b) exalt
 - (c) undervalue
 - (d) shallow
4. Emancipate
 - (a) Set free
 - (b) Exist
 - (c) Correct morally
 - (d) Restrain
 - (e) Make a solemn declaration
5. Elude
 - (a) To evade
 - (b) To omit or leave out
 - (c) To make mention of
 - (d) To deceive
6. Bald
 - (a) Broad
 - (b) Rash
 - (c) Unadorned
 - (d) Insulting
7. Bridle
 - (a) To bow
 - (b) Insult
 - (c) Show anger
 - (d) Criticise
8. Incitement
 - (a) Stir up

- (b) Calm
- (c) Stimulate
- (d) Noise
- 9. Composure
 - (a) Assumed attitude
 - (b) Liberty
 - (c) Restlessness
 - (d) Tranquillity
- 10. Emulate
 - (a) Imitate
 - (b) Deny
 - (c) Question
 - (d) Discuss
- 11. Amoral
 - (a) loving
 - (b) immoral
 - (c) uninvolved
 - (d) highly ethical
- 12. Enigmatic
 - (a) displeased
 - (b) puzzling
 - (c) learned
 - (d) short-sighted
- 13. Hybrid
 - (a) crossbred
 - (b) pedigreed
 - (c) hackneyed
 - (d) unusual
- 14. Inedible
 - (a) unfit for human consumption
 - (b) polluted
 - (c) vitiated
 - (d) eatable
- 15. Compendium
 - (a) summary
 - (b) index
 - (c) reference
 - (d) glossary
- 16. Homage
 - (a) excessive humility
 - (b) show respect and reverence
 - (c) poverty
 - (d) insincere flattery
- 17. Unalloyed
 - (a) Not connected
 - (b) Calm

- (c) Absolutely pure and complete
- (d) Inferior
- 18. Cite
 - (a) To memorise
 - (b) See clearly
 - (c) Point out with a finger
 - (d) Quote
- 19. Parasite
 - (a) Disease
 - (b) A loss of motion
 - (c) One that clings
 - (d) Exterminator
- 20. Wield
 - (a) To throw
 - (b) To use with full effect
 - (c) To grasp
 - (d) T cut
- 21. beguile
 - (a) to charm
 - (b) to become shy
 - (c) to flatter
 - (d) to smile at
- 22. Repugnance
 - (a) Affection
 - (b) Disinclination
 - (c) Like
 - (d) Approve
- 23. Acumen
 - (a) Ferocity
 - (b) Brilliance
 - (c) Swiftmess
 - (d) Greed
 - (e) Keenness
- 24. Boisterous
 - (a) Conflicting
 - (b) Vociferous
 - (c) Testimonial
 - (d) Grateful
 - (e) Adolescent
- 25. Cohesion
 - (a) Independence
 - (b) Sticking together
 - (c) Shift
 - (d) Climbing
- 26. Remorse
 - (a) Boisterous

- (b) Vehement
 - (c) Voluble
 - (d) Reliant
 - (e) Repentance
27. Impetuous
- (a) Rash
 - (b) Violent
 - (c) Pleasing
 - (d) Freezing
 - (e) Resourceful
28. Deterrent
- (a) Cleansing substance
 - (b) Defence
 - (c) Restraint of action
 - (d) Warning
29. credence
- (a) assurance
 - (b) belief
 - (c) credit
 - (d) preference
30. Avocation
- (a) The pleading of a legal cause
 - (b) Contradiction
 - (c) A main occupation
 - (d) A side interest
31. Gargoyle
- (a) Stone spout
 - (b) Golden eagle
 - (c) Garish
 - (d) Vile
32. Propriety
- (a) Right
 - (b) Nearness
 - (c) Decorum
 - (d) Estate
33. Trumpery
- (a) Treasure
 - (b) Trick
 - (c) Rubbish
 - (d) Useless argument
34. Hustings
- (a) Voice
 - (b) Craze
 - (c) Election campaigns
 - (d) Celebration
35. Pastel

- (a) Light shades or colours
 - (b) Attempt
 - (c) Dark shade
 - (d) Conflict
36. Prone
- (a) Thrown forward
 - (b) Disease
 - (c) Supine
 - (d) Inactive
37. Compunction
- (a) Regret
 - (b) Appreciate
 - (c) Wander
 - (d) Anger
38. Alacrity
- (a) Eagerness
 - (b) Hesitatingly
 - (c) Unwillingly
 - (d) With suspicion
39. Vendetta
- (a) Threat
 - (b) Mortal
 - (c) Friendship
 - (d) Feud
40. Whim
- (a) Desire
 - (b) Unnatural behaviour
 - (c) Clumsy
 - (d) Fancy
41. Incensed
- (a) Incited
 - (b) Affected
 - (c) Encouraged
 - (d) Inspired
42. Sentient
- (a) Capable of feelings
 - (b) Dry
 - (c) Dull
 - (d) Dirty
43. Outré
- (a) Eccentric
 - (b) Traditional
 - (c) Real
 - (d) Fair
44. Genesis
- (a) Beginning

- (b) Style
- (c) Movement
- (d) Relevant
- 45. Scavenger
 - (a) Worthless person
 - (b) A bird that lives on decaying flesh
 - (c) Kind of beetle
 - (d) One who mocks
- 46. Precipitous
 - (a) Exact
 - (b) Very steep
 - (c) Uncertain
 - (d) Absurd
- 47. Incision
 - (a) Eve0nt
 - (b) Indecisiveness
 - (c) Dispute
 - (d) Cut
- 48. Bigamy
 - (a) Biblical reference
 - (b) Having two wives or husbands living
 - (c) Fruit of a thorny shrub
 - (d) Ambiguity
- 49. Extinct
 - (a) Dull
 - (b) Wonderful
 - (c) No longer in existence
 - (d) Still in existence
- 50. Cacophony
 - (a) Discordant
 - (b) Dance
 - (c) Applause
 - (d) Type of telephone
 - (e) Rooster
- 51. Abortive
 - (a) Unsuccessful
 - (b) Consuming
 - (c) Financing
 - (d) Familiar
 - (e) Fruitful
- 52. Paramount
 - (a) above others in rank of authority
 - (b) famous
 - (c) wide and extensive
 - (d) very important
- 53. Sadistic

- (a) smart
- (b) malicious
- (c) given to deriving pleasure from inflicting pain on others
- (d) depressed

Synonyms Answer:

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PRACTICE SET - II

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Instruction: In each of the following question, choose the alternative which can replace the word printed in bold without changing the meaning of the sentence.

1. The boy gave a **vivid** description of all that happened.
 - (a) Explanatory
 - (b) Picturesque
 - (c) Brilliant
 - (d) Fresh
2. Most of the staff is **restive** under the new manager's rule.
 - (a) Uneasy
 - (b) Obstinate
 - (c) Relaxed
 - (d) Friendly
3. Last fortnight the rains came to the parched soils of India after the merciless drought had already **sapped** the vitality and livelihood of millions of peasants.
 - (a) Destroyed
 - (b) Drained away
 - (c) Decreased
 - (d) Demolished
4. Buoyed by these visions of the future of his son, the artist **soldiered** on.
 - (a) Struggled hard
 - (b) Fought on
 - (c) Continued bravely
 - (d) Stopped further
5. A **rupture** in the relationship of the two brothers is quite apparent.
 - (a) Break
 - (b) Breach
 - (c) Gap
 - (d) Damage
6. The prince fell in love with a **comely** young maiden.
 - (a) Pretty
 - (b) Delightful

- (C) Elegant (d) Homely
7. Dr. S.Radhakrishnan has written an **erudite** commentary on the Bhagwad Gita.
(a) Effective (b) Perfect
(C) Scholarly (d) Inspiring
8. The parade route was down the main **boulevard**.
(a) Avenue (b) Driveway
(C) Alley (d) Highway
9. He tried to **cajole her**, but it was in vain.
(a) Rejoice (b) Inspire
(C) Enjoin (d) Coax
10. Some people are extremely **fastidious** in their choice of dress.
(a) Discriminating (b) Careless
(C) Pompous (d) Fussy
11. The committee did not find him **fit** for the job.
(a) Suitable (b) Selected
(C) Genuine (d) Correct
12. The value of some shares has **appreciated** considerably after the last budget.
(a) Decreased (b) Crashed
(C) Changed (d) Increased
13. After the **dismal** performance of the team in the series concluded yesterday, the captain offered his resignation to the President of the Club.
(a) Short (b) Sorrowful
(C) Poor (d) Miserly
14. Quite **unabashed** he began his scholarly lecture on what was obvious to everyone.
(a) Unnerved (b) Unchecked
(C) Unashamed (d) Unimpressed
15. The **intrepid** mountaineers who scaled the peak in winter should be specially congratulated.
(a) Vigorous (b) Brave
(C) Bold (d) Courageous
16. On scrutiny the police officer found out that the documents provided by the landlord were totally **fabricated**.
(a) Forged (b) Prepared

- (C) Historical (d) Genuine
17. His **trite** remarks failed to cut any ice with the audience.
(a) Bitter (b) Sharp
(C) Illogical (d) Hackneyed
18. Everybody in the Assembly shouted and there was a **pandemonium** in the hall.
(a) Disorderly scene (b) Laughter
(C) Crowd (d) Noise
19. **Defection** is quite common in our present day political life.
(a) Disloyalty (b) Indiscipline
(C) Desertion (d) Disobedience
20. His **judicious** handling of the matter saved the situation from going out of control.
(a) Cautious (b) Helpful
(C) Sensible (d) Nervous
21. The teacher felt that the student lacked **discrimination** in the study of his data.
(a) Objectivity (b) Good judgment
(C) Imagination (d) Good taste
22. He was sad that his seniority had been **overlooked**.
(a) Confused (b) Sidestepped
(C) Rejected (d) Neglected
23. It was pure fabrication with an **eye** for a sensation.
(a) Desire (b) Aim
(C) Observation (d) Wish
24. His **adulatory** remarks surprised us.
(a) Appreciate (b) Funny
(C) Discreet (d) Insulting
25. Indian economy has always shown enough **resilience** in crisis.
(a) Elasticity (b) Adjustment
(C) Diversity (d) Strength
26. The **aberration** in the Indian economy can be attributed to short-sightedness of its political masters.
(a) Privilege (b) Procrastination

- (C) Deviation (d) Steadfastness
27. Everyone was listening to the news of earthquake with mounting **anxiety**.
(a) Uneasiness (b) Grief
(C) Interest (d) Eagerness
28. Only my neighbor **succored** me during my illness.
(a) Aided (b) Attended
(C) Nourished (d) Treated
29. The claims of students look hollow when they **attribute** their performance to difficulty of examination.
(a) Impute (b) Infer
(C) Inundate (d) Inhere
30. Most of the politicians these days have a large number of **toadies** around them.
(a) Servants (b) Sycophants
(C) Followers (d) Professional assistants
31. We walked down a **precipitous** slope.
(a) Precise (b) Gradual
(C) Precarious (d) Steep
32. It is **compulsory** for all the students to join this tour.
(a) Dutiful (b) Obligatory
(C) Regular (d) Necessary
33. Some of the discoveries of modern science are simply **marvellous**.
(a) Amazing (b) Admirable
(C) Praiseworthy (d) Commendable
34. There must be lively discussion of Indian authors if we are to **foster** our national literature.
(a) Nourish (b) Nurture
(C) Promote (d) Cherish
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41. He whirled round **in a trice**, with a revolver in his hand.
(a) An instant (b) Hurry
(C) A circle (d) A trifle
42. The old man shows no sign of **infirmary** even though he is eighty years old.
(a) Feebleness (b) Lack of firmness
(C) Indolence (d) Fickleness
43. We should abstain from **casting aspersions** on the character of our colleagues.
(a) Passing critical remarks (b) Paying left- handed compliments
(C) Cracking silly jokes (d) Passing slanderous remarks
44. Ramnath is such a **sham** that it is difficult to get along with him.
(a) Blunt (b) Farcical
(C) Pretender (d) Unnatural
45. Lack of occupation is not necessarily revealed by **manifest** idleness.
(a) Easily perceived (b) Easily infected
(C) Easily acquired (d) Easily deflected
46. The **benevolence** of the god of Rain has seen a very successful monsoon this year too.
(a) Kindness (b) Ill-will
(C) Vision (d) Morbidity

47. The story is too fantastic to be **credible**.
 (a) Believable (b) False
 (C) Praiseworthy (d) Readable
48. The small boy was able to give a **graphic** description of the thief.
 (a) Vivid (b) Drawing
 (C) Vague (d) Broad
49. We must **eradicate** corruption.
 (a) Condemn (b) Uproot
 (C) Minimize (d) Control
50. The weavers have to do **monotonous** works.
 (a) Irksome (b) Autonomous
 (C) Repetitive (d) Exhausting

ANSWERS

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