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The paper will be essentially based on general English but may also contain reading an unseen passage and poem. Writing, Seminar, Text for detailed study, Drama, Fiction, Advanced, Reading Skills. Effective Writing Skills, Applied Grammar, Literature, Conversation Skills (Listening + Speaking)
Choose one alternative which is opposite in meaning to the given word.

Q.1. Mortal
   (a) Immortal  (b) Divine  (c) Eternal  (d) Spiritual

Q.2. Terse
   (a) Expressive (b) Descriptive (c) Concise (d) Detailed

Q.3. Encourage
   (a) Dampen  (b) Disapprove  (c) Warn  (d) Discourage

Q.4. Frugal
   (a) Extravagant  (b) Charitable  (c) Gaudy  (d) Generous

Q.5. Criticise
   (a) Flatter  (b) Analyse  (c) Judge  (d) Appreciate

Q.6. Chide
   (a) Criticise  (b) Flatter  (c) Praise  (d) Fear

Q.7. Religious
   (a) Secular  (b) Sinful  (c) Atheistic  (d) Immoral

Q.8. Friend
   (a) Foe  (b) Competitor  (c) Rival  (d) Acquaintance

Q.9. Culpable
   (a) Blameless  (b) Defendable  (c) Irresponsible  (d) Careless

Q.10. Hesitate
   (a) Certain  (b) Reluctant  (c) Proud  (d) Confident

Q.11. Autonomy
   (a) Subordination  (b) Slavery  (c) Submissiveness  (d) Dependence
Q.12. Shallow  
(a) Deep  
(b) Hollow  
(c) High  
(d) Hidden

Q.13. Overt  
(a) Secret  
(b) Unwritten  
(c) Deep  
(d) Shallow

Q.14. Accord  
(a) Dissent  
(b) Concord  
(c) Solution  
(d) Act

Q.15. Alive  
(a) Asleep  
(b) Drowsy  
(c) Passive  
(d) Dead

Q.16. Synthetic  
(a) Affable  
(b) Natural  
(c) Cosmetic  
(d) Plastic

Q.17. Precarious  
(a) Cautious  
(b) Easy  
(c) Dangerous  
(d) Safe

Q.18. Deep  
(a) Shallow  
(b) Perfunctory  
(c) Elementary  
(d) Superficial

Q.19. Lend  
(a) Cheat  
(b) Borrow  
(c) Hire  
(d) Pawn

Q.20. Paucity  
(a) Presence  
(b) Richness  
(c) Surplus  
(d) Scarcity

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

Q.21. There is an *obscure* cave on the other side of the hill.  
(a) Infamous  
(b) Well-known  
(c) Admired  
(d) Notorious

Q.22. She *detests* government jobs.  
(a) Adores  
(b) Is interested in  
(c) Approves of  
(d) Is fond of

Q.23. The habit of *squandering* money should not be encouraged.  
(a) Hoarding  
(b) Discarding  
(c) Saving  
(d) Collecting

Q.24. All these measures will *augment* employment opportunities.  
(a) Diminish  
(b) Circumscribe  
(c) Constrain  
(d) Restrain
Pick out the correct synonyms for each of the following words

Q.1. Impassioned
   (a) Sympathetic (b) Irresponsible
   (c) Ardent (d) Impressive

Q.2. Accentuated
   (a) Sharpened (b) Mitigated
   (c) Projected (d) Exhibited

Q.3. Sumptuous
   (a) Meagre (b) Irritable
   (c) Lavish (d) Fancy

Q.4. Stupid
   (a) Insane (b) Incapable
   (c) Silly (d) Disobedient

Q.5. Console
   (a) Pacify (b) Assist
   (c) Sympathise (d) Share

Q.6. Consequence
   (a) Cause (b) Order
   (c) Manner (d) Result

Q.7. Inexplicable
   (a) Unaccountable (b) Confusing
   (c) Unconnected (d) Chaotic

Q.8. Irk
   (a) Urge (b) Annoy
   (c) Bore (d) Insult

Q.9. Industrious
   (a) Clever (b) Reserved
   (c) Intelligent (d) Hard working

Q.10. Wary
   (a) Quick (b) Practical
   (c) Cautious (d) Accurate

Q.11. Adversity
   (a) Failure (b) Helplessness
   (c) Crisis (d) Misfortune
Q.12. Stubborn
(a) Willing (b) Pliable
(c) Easy (d) Obstinate

Q.13. Taciturnity
(a) Changeableness (b) Dumbness
(c) Reserve (d) Hesitation

Q.14. Blithe
(a) Giddy (b) Other worldly
(c) Graceful (d) Joyous

Q.15. Admit
(a) Accept (b) Commit
(c) Decide (d) Realise

Q.16. Elicit
(a) Divulge (b) Instil
(c) Induce (d) Extract

Q.17. Portray
(a) Express (b) Draw
(c) Communicate (d) Paint

Q.18. Cognoscente
(a) Critic (b) Preacher
(c) Speculator (d) Teacher

Q.19. Competence
(a) Ability (b) Compensation
(c) Efficiency (d) Competition

Q.20. Synthetic
(a) Artificial (b) Superficial
(c) Scientific (d) Fake

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

(a) Pollutes (b) Poisons
(c) Pervades (d) Penetrates

Q.22. He did not succeed in his endeavour.
(a) Trick (b) Plan
(c) Enterprise (d) Effort

Q.23. He gave such a vivid description of the house we wanted to rent that we did not have to look at it.
(a) Clear (b) Confused
(c) Simple (d) Detailed

(a) Met (b) Interrupted
(c) Found (d) Stopped
In each of the following questions, out of the four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for the given words/sentences.

Q.1. Animals living on land and in water
(a) Amorphous   (b) Ambivalent
(c) Ambiguous   (d) Amphibian

Q.2. A light sailing boat built especially for racing
(a) Yacht      (b) Frigate
(c) Dinghy     (d) Canoe

Q.3. Be the embodiment or perfect example of
(a) Personify   (b) Masquerade
(c) Signify     (d) Characterise

Q.4. A house for storing grains
(a) Godown      (b) Granary
(c) Cellar      (d) Store

Q.5. A name adopted by an author in his writings
(a) Nickname   (b) Pseudonym
(c) Title       (d) Nomenclature

Q.6. Of unknown and unadmitted authorship
(a) Unanimous   (b) Vexation
(c) Gullible    (d) Anonymous

Q.7. Member of a band of robbers
(a) Thief      (b) Pirate
(c) Dacoit     (d) Brigand

Q.8. A person who is made to bear the blame due to others
(a) Ignoramus  (b) Nincompoop
(c) Innocent   (d) Scapegoat

Q.9. A person who brings goods illegally into the country
(a) Smuggler   (b) Imposter
(c) Exporter   (d) Importer

Q.10. Cutting for stone in the bladder
(a) Vasectomy  (b) Lithotomy
(c) Dichotomy  (d) Tubectomy
Q.11. One filled with excessive and mistaken enthusiasm in cause
   (a) Fanatic  (b) Patriot  
   (c) Martyr  (d) Pedant

Q.12. To examine one’s own thoughts and feelings
   (a) Reflection  (b) Introspection  
   (c) Meditation  (d) Retrospection

Q.13. Custom of having many wives
   (a) Polygamy  (b) Matrimony  
   (c) Monogamy  (d) Bigamy

Q.14. To cause troops etc. to spread out in readiness for battle
   (a) Deploy  (b) Disperse  
   (c) Align  (d) Collocate

Q.15. Anything written in a letter after it is signed
   (a) Postscript  (b) Corrigendum  
   (c) Posterity  (d) Postdiction

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In each of the following questions, a word has been written in four different ways out of which only one is correctly spelt. Find the correctly spelt word.

Q.1. (a) Lackadaisicle (b) Lackdaisical  
       (c) Lackadaisical  (d) Lackadisical

Q.2. (a) Foreign (b) Fariegn  
       (c) Forein  (d) Fariegn

Q.3. (a) Geraff (b) Giraffe  
       (c) Giraf  (d) Geraffe

Q.4. (a) Sacriligious (b) Sacreligious  
       (c) Sacrilegeous  (d) Sacrilegious

Q.5. (a) Benefitted (b) Benifitted  
       (c) Benefeted  (d) Benifited

Q.6. (a) Necesary (b) Neccessary  
       (c) Necessary  (d) Necessery

Q.7. (a) Overleped (b) Overelaped  
       (c) Overlapped  (d) Overlaped

Q.8. (a) Efflorescance (b) Eflorescence  
       (c) Efflorascence  (d) Efflorescence

Q.9. (a) Omineous (b) Omminous  
       (c) Omnous  (d) Ominous

Q.10. (a) Fulfill (b) Fullfill  
       (c) Fullfil  (d) Fulfil

Q.11. (a) Acurate (b) Accuratte  
       (c) Acurrate  (d) Accurate

Q.12. (a) Exaggerate (b) Exeggerate  
       (c) Exagerate  (d) Exadgerate

Q.13. (a) Foreignor (b) Foreiner  
       (c) Foreigner  (d) Forienor

Q.14. (a) Boquet (b) Bouquette  
       (c) Bouquete  (d) Bouquet

Q.15. (a) Achievement (b) Achevement  
       (c) Achievament  (d) Acheivement
In each question below, some words are given, one of which may be wrongly spelt. Find out that word where the spelling is wrong. If all the words are spelt correctly, your answer is (e) i.e. All correct.

Q.16. (a) Survey (b) Sureptitious (c) Surround (d) Surveillance
Q.17. (a) Pilgrimage (b) Enormous (c) Temparament (d) Spontaneous
Q.18. (a) Terrible (b) Heritage (c) Boast (d) Catalogue
Q.19. (a) Occasion (b) Ocean (c) Ocupation (d) Obvious
Q.20. (a) Couragous (b) Garbage (c) Regular (d) Criminal
Q.21. (a) Infinite (b) Clearify (c) Soldier (d) Beautiful
Q.22. (a) Emporium (b) Medium (c) Curiculum (d) Museum
Q.23. (a) Borne (b) Begining (c) Barrister (d) Besiege
Q.24. (a) Wisedom (b) Creativity (c) Negligence (d) Affinity
Q.25. (a) Gaudy (b) Gauze (c) Gorilla (d) Guarantee

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