

Mphasis Verbal Ability Questions and Answers with Explanation



Direction (Q. 1 – 10): Choose the exact Synonym of the following given word

1. Discursive

- A. Methodical
- B. Neglectful
- C. Rambling
- D. Impolite

Answer – C. Rambling

Explanation:

Discursive – moving from one point to another in a speech or writing, or simply leave the main subject temporarily in speech or writing

2. Bolster

- A. Confuse
- B. Attribute
- C. Strengthen
- D. Malign

Answer – C. Strengthen

Explanation:

Bolster – provide support or strength

3. Qualms

- A. Misgiving
- B. Satisfaction
- C. Relaxation
- D. Restive

Answer – A. Misgiving

Explanation:

Qualms – an uneasy feeling of doubt, worry, or fear, especially about one's own conduct; a misgiving

4. Savor

- A. Possess
- B. Ruminant

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- C. Relish
- D. Protect

Answer – C. Relish

Explanation:

Savor – enjoy or appreciate (something pleasant) to the full, especially by lingering over it

5. Defile

- A. Disapprove
- B. Delay
- C. Reveal
- D. Pollute

Answer – D. Pollute

Explanation:

Defile – damage the purity or appearance of; mar or spoil

6. Foment

- A. Relieve
- B. Renounce
- C. Vex
- D. Waste

Answer – C. Vex

Explanation:

Foment – instigate or stir up (an undesirable or violent sentiment or course of action)

7. Eccentric

- A. Extraordinary
- B. Unconventional
- C. Usual
- D. Introvert

Answer – B. Unconventional

Explanation:

Eccentric – unconventional or slightly strange often relating to a person's behavior

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8. Gist

- A. Substance
- B. Prestige
- C. Accessory
- D. Contribution

Answer – A. Substance

Explanation:

Gist – the main theme, the substance of a matter

9. Solicitous

- A. Nonchalant
- B. Firm
- C. Reverential
- D. Worried

Answer – D. Worried

Explanation:

Solicitous – very worried or concerned about other's welfare

10. Tirade

- A. Exhort
- B. Criticize
- C. Declamation
- D. Discredit

Answer – B. Criticize

Explanation:

Tirade – a long, angry speech of criticism or accusation.

Direction (Q.11 – 15): Choose the exact Antonym of the given word

11. Myopic

- A. Knack
- B. Stingy
- C. Farsighted
- D. Inhale

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Answer – C. Farsighted

Explanation: Myopic – short-sighted.

Farsighted – showing a prudent awareness of future possibilities.

12. Coax

- A. Dissuade
- B. Vacate
- C. Stale
- D. Vague

Answer – A. Dissuade

Explanation: Coax – persuade (someone) gradually or gently to do something.

Dissuade – persuade (someone) not to take a particular course of action.

13. Mutilate

- A. Mend
- B. Erudite
- C. Virtue
- D. External

Answer – A. Mend

Explanation: Mutilate – inflict a violent and disfiguring injury on.

Mend – repair (something that is broken or damaged).

14. Exodus

- A. Comrade
- B. Chaotic
- C. Wicked
- D. Influx

Answer – D. Influx

Explanation: Exodus – a mass departure of people.

Influx – an arrival or entry of large numbers of people or things.

15. Parochial

- A. Global
- B. Revoke
- C. Slight

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D. Genuine

Answer – A. Global

Explanation: Parochial – relating to a Church parish.

Global – relating to the whole world; worldwide.

Directions (Q. 16 – 20): Choose the exact Word Analogy by analyzing a given pair.

16. Chapter: Novel

A. Scene: Drama

B. Diamond: Gem

C. Fraction: Portion

D. Piano: Orchestra

Answer – A. Scene: Drama

Explanation: First is a part of the second.

17. Emollient: Soothe

A. Elevation: Level

B. Hurricane: Track

C. Precipitation: Fall

D. Dynamo: Generate

Answer – D. Dynamo: Generate

Explanation: Emollient is used to soothe the skin. similarly, a dynamo serves to generate electricity.

18. Lamb: Frisk

A. Cat: Steal

B. Bear: Leap

C. Lion: Stride

D. Deer: Swoop

Answer – A. Cat: Steal

Explanation: Second denotes the walking of the first.

19. Prologue: Play

A. Overture: Opera

B. Chapter: Novel

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- C. Epilogue: Curation
- D. Intermezzo: Symphony

Answer – A. Overture: Opera

Explanation: Prologue is a preliminary speech given at the beginning of a play. similarly, Overture is an orchestral composition forming the introduction to an opera.

20. Snake: Mongoose

- A. Whale: Crow
- B. Water: Sky
- C. Milk: Goat
- D. Fish: Crane

Answer – D. Fish: Crane

Explanation: Second feeds on the first.

Directions (Q.21 - 25) In each of the following statements, there are two blank spaces. Choose the correct word that is to be fitted in both the statements I & II to make it meaningful.

21. I. It seemed really to the little maiden as though she were sitting before a large iron stove, with _____ brass feet and a brass ornament at top.

II. Some long shots _____ their chances, some favorites lost ground.

- A. tainted
- B. spoiled
- C. nauseated
- D. burnish

Answer - D. burnish

Explanation:

Burnished –make shiny by rubbing; polish

22. I. If you go to the beach and get a sunburn, your complexion will look _____.

II. The decisive expression of her great _____ face satisfied her and she thought of some mothers she knew who could not get their daughters off their hands.

- A. florid
- B. wile
- C. pernicious
- D. deadly

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Answer - A. florid

Explanation:

Florid- reddish; elaborately or excessively ornamented

23. I. The critics _____ his pretentious dialogue and refused to consider his play seriously.
II. He storms and bullies and _____, but she stands up to him so ruthlessly that the Colonel has to ask her from time to time to be kinder to Higgins

- A. moldy
- B. baneful
- C. deride
- D. crumbling

Answer - C. deride

Explanation:

Deride- ridicule; make fun of; laugh at with contempt

24. I. As the lecturer wandered from topic to topic, we wondered what if any point there was to his _____ remarks.
II. I had not got far into it, when I judged from her looks that she was thinking in a _____ way of me, rather than of what I said.

- A. discursive
- B. maleficent
- C. lethal
- D. miasmatic

Answer - A. discursive

Explanation:

Discursive- tending to depart from the main point or cover a wide range of subjects

25. I. Tom's extreme _____ for disputes keeps him from getting into arguments with his temperamental wife.
II. Ever since the fatal night, the end of my labors, and the beginning of my misfortunes, I had conceived a violent _____ even to the name of natural philosophy.

- A. mortal
- B. antipathy
- C. malignant
- D. virulent

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Answer - B. antipathy

Explanation:

Antipathy – a strong feeling of aversion; dislike