12.	**a.** prolific	**b.** brazen	**c.** indulgent	**d.** innate
13.	**a.** contiguous	**b.** munificent	**c.** gregarious	**d.** noxious
14.	**a.** gaudy	**b.** lustrous	**c.** munificent	**d.** cryptic
15.	**a.** latent	**b.** dubious	**c.** laconic	**d.** lucrative
16.	**a.** latent	**b.** lucrative	**c.** flagrant	**d.** miniscule
17.	**a.** flimsy	**b.** lustrous	**c.** intrepid	**d.** haughty
18.	**a.** prudent	**b.** reclusive	**c.** doleful	**d.** officious
19.	**a.** reticent	**b.** ponderous	**c.** esoteric	**d.** reciprocal
20.	**a.** plethora	**b.** miniscule	**c.** dearth	**d.** vestige

(B) *Choose the correct verb from the box below to complete each sentence and change the tense as required.*

subjugate	vindicate	reverberate	replenish
strive	proliferate	salvage	reproach
prevail	shun	revere	scatter
squander	shatter	quench	quash

1. The conviction was _____ and the judge ordered the immediate release of the prisoner.
2. The miniscule amount of rain water I had managed to collect in the carton overnight did little to _____ my thirst.
3. The soldiers were finally able to _____ their supplies after eight days having been cut off from civilisation by the huge storm and accompanying deluge.
4. His father _____ him for not having properly prepared for his final exams.
5. The neighbourhood _____ with the sound of gunfire as the protest march descended into violence.
6. He is _____ by his countrymen as the father of the nation; it was his determination, inspiration, courage and tactical prowess that propelled his people to victory over the occupying forces in the most emphatic of manners - there would be no going back to the days of empire.
7. They _____ what they could from the wreck as quickly as possible before high tide returned to swallow it up again.
8. Limbs and other body parts were _____ across the scene of the wreckage; it was utter and complete devastation.
9. His seemingly impenetrable self-confidence was finally _____ when his arch rival, the man who had had to be content with coming second to him for all of nearly ten years, sprinted effortlessly towards the finish line leaving him in his wake; the champion had been dethroned at last.
10. After the story was leaked to the press, he was _____ by his former friends and colleagues in the party; a man who had once been hotly tipped as a potential leader of the Conservatives was now well and truly staring into the political abyss.
11. I have no sympathy for him whatsoever; he has _____ millions of pounds foolishly for his own indulgence; an idiot and his money are very soon parted.
12. After an epic three-day battle the Greeks _____ at last and the Prussian empire was defeated.
13. Small-to-medium-sized businesses have _____ over the last few years, thanks, in part, to a new government initiative offering very generous grants and tax incentives to would-be entrepreneurs.
14. He felt _____ when his much maligned theory was endorsed by the experts at Loterdale Laboratory as a result of the cumulative findings of fifteen years' research in what was, at the time, the most comprehensive study that had ever been conducted in the field.
15. We must _____ always to seek betterment, both the mental and physical kind, for growth and the quest to achieve same define what it is to be human.
16. The rebel armies _____ vast swathes of government-controlled land and it soon became clear that the Empire had no future.

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