

ENGLISH 12. UNIT 1. VOCABULARY (SYNONYM-ANTONYM)

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. The speaker paused. He hesitated to answer the direct question raised by the audience.
A. decided B. continued C. determined D. wavered
2. Her courage not only inspired her followers but moved her rivals as well.
A. depressed B. motivated C. overlooked D. rejected
3. The government's plans to cut taxes really stimulated the economy.
A. discouraged B. started C. weakened D. improved
4. Chauvet Jeans was a well-known nineteenth century painter whose paintings are extraordinarily sophisticated.
A. old-fashioned B. basic C. primitive D. complex
5. Some rock stars started off as rebels with strong and broad principles.
A. beliefs B. honour C. formulas D. law
6. I used to idolize David Beckham because of his dedication and talent.
A. hate B. impress C. worship D. detest
7. Linda is very outgoing, however, her brother is quite reserved.
A. open B. sociable C. easygoing D. shy
8. Ideally, I'd like to work at home but there is no way my boss agrees with that.
A. Generally B. Luckily C. Preferably D. Fortunately
9. Morgan Freeman began to land big roles and won critical and popular acclaim after years of small parts and limited success.
A. arrive B. gain C. deliver D. Cause
10. Recognizable smaller than most of the kids in his age group, Lionel Messi was diagnosed by doctors as suffering from a hormone deficiency that restricted his growth.
A. inadequacy B. sufficiency C. abundance D. strength

Mark the letter A, B, C or D to indicate the word(s) **OPPOSITE** in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. During the Great Depression, many people suddenly found themselves jobless after a night.
A. unemployed B. redundant C. unoccupied D. supplementary
2. I was relieved by the news that they had gone home safe and sound.
A. comforted B. concerned C. relaxed D. lightened
3. She comes from an admirable and respectable family.
A. good B. respected C. unworthy D. dignified
4. They are going to have to amputate his left leg which was badly injured in the accident.
A. remove B. separate C. cut off D. mend
5. Her identity will never be revealed in order to protect her children from being judged.
A. uncovered B. proclaimed C. leaked D. hid
6. There are several interesting things emerging from the report.
A. fading B. rising C. coming up D. developing
7. This boy is poorly-educated and doesn't know how to behave properly.
A. uneducated B. knowledgeable C. ignorant D. rude
8. I prefer reading fictional stories to hearing about real events.
A. imaginary B. unreal C. existent D. legendary
9. It is not fair to give such a challenging task to an inexperienced staff like her.
A. comprehensible B. difficult C. provocative D. intriguing
10. White blood cells help defend the body against infection.
A. fight B. cover C. protect D. abandon