REVISION FOR THE 2ND TERM TEST – NO4 (GRADE 12)

(CLOSEST AND OPPOSITE MEANING)

Exercise 1: Choose the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the questions.

1. Hundreds of thousands of elephants were **poached** and their tusks sold for profits.
   A. conserved B. preserved C. captured D. illegally hunted

2. A baby sea turtles are the most **vulnerable** when they leave their nests and make their way to the sea.
   A. well-protected B. immune C. susceptible D. shielded

3. By inventing revolutionary new technologies, such a super intelligence might help us **eradicate** war, disease and poverty.
   A. exterminate B. illiterate C. erect D. generate

4. The Litter-Robot addresses one of the **downsides** of owning a cat: cleaning its litter box. The device sifts through kitty litter, removing clumps automatically and storing them in a bag.
   A. benefits B. interests C. concerns D. disadvantages

5. Electrolux introduced the Trilobite in 2001. Since then, the company has made 200 improvements to the vacuum, which relies on an ultrasound system to **navigate** around objects as it cleans.
   A. understand how to do something B. sail along the area of water
   C. find which way to go D. surfing the internet for something

6. She has two degrees but she has only found a part-time, **temporary** job.
   A. permanent B. long-run C. stable D. short-term

7. She clearly joined the firm **with a view to** improving herself professionally.
   A. with no regard to B. irrespective of C. in spite of D. with the intention of

8. I've been working here for over ten years now and I'm **on first-name terms** with everyone, even the CEO.
   A. getting on B. happy
   C. having an informal/friendly relationship D. satisfied

9. Media plays a significant role in keeping everyone **updated** about the various events around the world.
   A. informed B. disinterested C. indifferent D. reluctant

10. Today, we can check out the latest news and current **affairs** with just few clicks of mouse or by simply switching on the radio or television
    A. matters B. meetings C. affections D. approval

11. Finding the latest updates about celebrities and exploring lifestyle websites have become **day-to-day** activities of many Internet consumers.
    A. abnormal B. extraordinary C. exceptional D. habitual

12. Rooftop gardens prevent buildings from absorbing heat from the sun, which can **significantly** reduce cooling bills.
    A. trivially B. particularly C. remarkably D. meaninglessly

13. Solar radiation can be **converted** either into thermal energy (heat) or into electrical energy, though the former is easier to accomplish.
    A. transformed B. absorbed C. released D. exchanged

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14. One out of every four premature deaths in India in 2015, or some 2.5 million, was **attributed to** pollution.
A. associated with B. got along with C. derived from D. broken down

15. The authorities are now making a determined effort to **adapt to** the climate change in mountain regions to ensure that climbing can continue.
A. preserve B. stabilize C. adjust to D. generate

16. We oppose this war, as we would do any other war which created an environmental **catastrophe**.
A. pollution B. disaster C. convention D. epidemic

17. In times of war, the Red Cross is **dedicated** to reducing the sufferings of wounded soldiers, civilians, and prisoners of war.
A. mounted B. excited C. devoted D. interested

18. **Be careful**! The tree is going to fall.
A. Look out B. Look up C. Look on D. Look after

19. The bomb **exploded** in the garage; fortunately no one hurt.
A. put on B. went off C. got out D. kept up

20. **More or less** 60,000 people filled the stadium.
A. Approximant B. Approximate C. Approximation D. Approximately

Exercise 2: Choose the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the questions.

1. It is predicted that the natural resources will **run out** by the end of the century.
A. come in B. run short C. run away D. remain intact

2. It is urgent that these governments **work out** a solution to the problem that they are all facing.
A. keep secret B. find C. share D. arrive at

3. Although robots certainly help us to eliminate **tedious** tasks, many people are concerned about a future filled with robots.
A. deadly-dull B. exciting C. run-of-the-mill D. as dry as dust

4. These ideas of the robot rebellion, in which robots become so smart that they may decide to turn on their masters, may seem a bit **far-fetched**.
A. impossible B. unbelievable C. incredible D. likely

5. Sheila **had butterflies in her stomach** before the interview.
A. felt at ease B. in a tizzy C. on pins and needles D. under pressure

6. With unemployment at a record level, retraining programmes would pay off **in the long run**.
A. lastingly B. temporarily C. stably D. durably

7. If the candidates can perform well and impress the interviewers during the interview, they can be **recruited**.
A. taken on B. dismissed C. employed D. chosen

8. With so many breakthroughs in robotic science and technology, much **manual work** will soon be taken over by robots.
A. intellectual work B. physical work C. monotonous work D. dull work

9. **Excessive** amounts of time at a computer can contribute to obesity, undeveloped social skills and a form of addictive behavior.
A. over the top B. a bit much C. unrestrained D. limited

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10. Newspapers enjoyed the position of the most preferred medium to reach a wider audience until electronic communication **emerged** on the media scene.
A. turned up B. came into view C. came out D. disappeared

11. Until recently, many teachers and school officials **turned a blind eye to** bullying, believing that the students would eventually sort it out by themselves.
A. became attentive to B. paid no attention to C. seemed ignorant of to D. took no interest in

12. Some people with large enough fans bases can earn a very **wealthy** living by uploading a few videos every week.
A. impoverished B. well off C. rolling in money D. well-to-do

13. **Face-to-face** socializing is not as preferred as virtual socializing among the youth.
A. facing B. eyeball to eyeball C. indirect D. direct

14. Most of the world's largest cities are **considerably** smaller by the year 2000 than had been expected.
A. substantially B. slightly C. significantly D. greatly

15. Global Forest Watch has also **initiated** a project to counteract deforestation through awareness.
A. introduced B. commenced C. launched D. completed

16. Teenagers can become **addicted to** social networking if they can't control they spend online.
A. dependent on B. hooked on C. indifferent to D. exhausted by

17. He was arrested for his **illicit** drug trade in the police raid yesterday.
A. legal B. irregular C. elicited D. secret

18. I eat lunch with a **convivial** group of my friends.
A. unsociable B. large C. old D. lively

19. When he passes the entrance exam, his parents will be **walking on the air**.

A. feeling extremely unhappy B. extremely light C. feeling extremely airy D. extremely happy

19. Names of people in the book were changed to preserve anonymity.
A. reveal B. conserve C. presume D. cover

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