

SYNONYM

EXERCISE 4: Mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the word or phrase that is CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

1. The film is not worth seeing. The plot is too dull.
A. simple B. complicated C. boring D. slow
2. In rural Midwestern towns of the USA, the decisions that affect most residents are made at general assemblies in schools and churches.
A. concerts B. public libraries C. gatherings D. prayer services
3. I hope to have the privilege of working with them again.
A. honor B. advantage C. favor D. right
4. Everything was in a thorough mess.
A. utter B. full C. complete D. appalling
5. The service station at Shiel Bridge has a good range of groceries.
A. coach station B. railway station C. power station D. petrol station
6. He didn't bat an eye when he realized he failed the exam again.
A. didn't want to see B. didn't show surprise
C. wasn't happy D. didn't care
7. The notice should be put in the most conspicuous place so that all the students can be well-informed.
A. easily seen B. beautiful C. popular D. suspicious
8. If the headmaster were here, he would sign your papers immediately.
A. right ahead B. currently C. formerly D. right away
9. Living in the central Australian desert has its problems, of which obtaining water is not the least.
A. controlling B. storing C. purifying D. getting
10. Thirty minutes after the accident, the captain still refused to abandon the burning ship.
A. sail B. get on C. leave D. come to
11. It will be fine tomorrow. But if it should rain tomorrow, the match will be postponed.
A. taken off B. sold off C. put off D. turned off
12. Many scientists agree that global warming poses great threats to all species on Earth.
A. annoyance B. risks C. irritations D. fears
13. The works of such men as the English philosophers John Locke and Thomas Hobbes helped pave the way for academic freedom in the modern sense.
A. initiate B. lighten C. terminate D. prevent

14. E-cash cards are the main means of all transactions in a cashless society.
A. cash-free B. cash-starved C. cash-strapped D. cash-in-hand

15. For a long term period, Lizzie Magie has been battling against the vicissitudes of life.
A. mutability B. caprice C. ups and downs D. determination

16. The aim of University education is to inure students to hardship, trials and adverse situations in life.
A. accustom B. obliterate C. shun D. estrange.

17. Those girls are totally unaware that they are being made use of by this organization.
A. taken for granted B. spoken ill of C. made fun of D. taken advantage of

18. In life, Ray always gives me a hand with repairing the broken things in my house.
A. assists me by B. asks me to help with C. pleases me by D. serves me with

19. I just want to stay at home and watch TV and take it easy.
A. sleep B. sit down C. eat D. relax

20. The rains of 1993 causing the Missouri river to overflow resulted in one of the worst floods of the 20th century.
A. stopped B. lessened C. caused D. overcame

21. To prepare for your job interview, you should jot down your qualifications and experience as well as some important information about yourself.
A. draw B. place C. put D. write

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

23. Relaxation therapy teaches one not to fret over small problems.
A. get involved in B. worry about C. look for D. get angry about

24. The 1923 earthquake in Japan killed about 200,000 people and left countless wounded and homeless.
A. poor B. imprisoned C. suffered D. injured

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

26. They had to delay their trip because of the bad weather.
A. get through B. put off C. keep up with D. go over

27. The organization was established in 1950 in the USA.
A. come around B. set up C. made out D. put on

28. It took me a very long time to recover from the shock of her death.
A. turn off B. take on C. get over D. keep up with

29. Many young children are spending large amounts of time watching the TV without being aware of its detriment to their school work.

A. harm B. advantage C. support D. benefit

30. There is growing concern about the way man has destroyed the environment.

A. action B. creation C. unease D. speculation
A. enlivened B. encouraged C. delighted D. impressed