

Vocabulary

Choose the most suitable of the given antonyms for the word in bold print in each sentence.

1. She could see through the clear **glass** of the window what was happening inside.
 - (A) vague
 - (B) opaque
 - (C) obscure
 - (D) abstruse
2. Raymond's teacher censured him for being tardy in his work.
 - (A) praised
 - (B) flattered
 - (C) honoured
 - (D) saluted
3. By helping her, I have **gained** her friendship.
 - (A) failed
 - (B) decreased
 - (C) misplaced
 - (D) lost
4. She **revealed** that she was already married only when he proposed to her.
 - (A) covered
 - (B) disguised
 - (C) concealed
 - (D) screened
5. He made a **rash** statement to the press.
 - (A) slow
 - (B) steady
 - (C) cowardly
 - (D) cautious
6. His landlord **lowered** the rent of his room.
 - (A) lifted
 - (B) raised
 - (C) heightened
 - (D) promoted
7. She **accepted** my offer of help.
 - (A) rejected

- (B) repelled
 - (C) discouraged
 - (D) opposed
8. His thoughts on the subject are **superficial**.
- (A) steep
 - (B) profound
 - (C) internal
 - (D) fathomless
9. He felt no **enthusiasm** for the subject under discussion.
- (A) apathy
 - (B) lethargy
 - (C) sluggishness
 - (D) disinterestedness
10. I am offering two **optional** subjects for the examination.
- (A) coercive
 - (B) involuntary
 - (C) compulsory
 - (D) imperative
11. Slavery has been **abolished** in most countries.
- (A) fixed
 - (B) founded
 - (C) established
 - (D) effected
12. The effect of his criticism on her was **temporary**.
- (A) eternal
 - (B) perpetual
 - (C) continuous
 - (D) permanent
13. The iron rod **expanded** slightly in the heat.
- (A) constricted
 - (B) contracted
 - (C) condensed
 - (D) compressed
14. His directions for finding the house were most **imprecise**.

- (A) appropriate
 - (B) punctilious
 - (C) exact
 - (D) sharp
15. The castle was **vulnerable** to attack.
- (A) impregnable
 - (B) staunch
 - (C) resilient
 - (D) unbreakable
16. Her ideas were in **harmony** with his.
- (A) fight
 - (B) conflict
 - (C) battle
 - (D) hostility
17. She **mistook** one twin for the other.
- (A) separated
 - (B) differed
 - (C) discerned
 - (D) distinguished
18. Her **diffidence** is evident in her speech and action.
- (A) faith
 - (B) trust
 - (C) conceit
 - (D) self-confidence
19. She advised him to **concentrate** his efforts on passing the examination.
- (A) dissipate
 - (B) dissolve
 - (C) scatter
 - (D) waste
20. He told us that the **cause** of the accident was carelessness.
- (A) event
 - (B) influence
 - (C) effect
 - (D) operation