

CONFUSED WORDS 8

1. ELIGIBLE / ILLEGIBLE

1. My doctor's writing is almost _____.
2. He will become _____ to vote next year.
3. Are you _____ for early retirement leave?
4. Does anyone else find the font on this site almost _____ in Chrome?

2. HIRE / LET / RENT

1. I'd rather have my own house than _____.
2. While we are in Australia for six months, we will _____ our house to tenants.
3. We _____ a nanny to help look after our child when we were on our vacation.
4. Interhome has over 20,000 houses to _____ across Europe.
5. Most students _____ rooms in their second year.
6. When we were on vacation in Spain, we _____ a car and travelled to some interesting places.

3. ILL / SICK

1. You'll be _____ if you eat any more of that chocolate!
2. He dashed to the bathroom and was _____ again.
3. Their defeat was mainly due to their _____-discipline.
4. Her husband is seriously _____ in hospital.

4. INJURE / WOUND

1. Several soldiers were _____ in the return of fire.
2. If you don't warm up before taking exercise, you risk _____ yourself.
3. A _____ animal can be very dangerous.
4. They were only slightly _____ in the crash.

5. JOURNEY / TRAVEL / TRIP / VOYAGE

1. The _____ across Europe lasted three days and three nights.
2. Columbus' second _____ (1493-96) led to the discovery of several Caribbean islands.
3. Her _____ have taken her to many parts of the world.
4. During our holiday, we took a boat _____ to the islands.
5. Do you want to go on the school _____ to France this year?
6. Foreign _____ never really appealed to him until he retired.
7. She gave the children some sweets to chew on during the long car _____.
8. Before the 20th century long sea _____ were very common.

6. LIABLE / LIKELY

1. It's _____ that it will snow tomorrow; it's very cold.
2. The car is _____ to overheat on long trips.
3. Children who live in the country's rural areas are very _____ to be poor.
4. If you don't take care of yourself, you're _____ to get sick.

7. MARRY / MERRY

1. The shop assistant wished me a _____ Christmas.

2. You know what they say - _____ in haste, repent at leisure.
3. She is so _____ because she's going to _____ her beloved.
4. You got a bit _____ last night, didn't you Cath?
5. We need to _____ up the names on your list with those on my list and see what the overlap is.

8 MISFIT / UNFIT

1. He is dishonest and _____ to be in charge of young children.
2. He disagrees with everything in modern society. In short, he's a _____.
3. I used to take plenty of exercise, but now I'm terribly _____.
4. I didn't really know anyone at the party, so I felt like a _____.

9 NOTE / NOTICE

1. I saw a _____ in the paper announcing their marriage.
2. He left a _____ to say he would be home late.
3. The reporter took _____ throughout the interview.
4. There was a large _____ on the wall saying "No Parking".

10 ONLY / UNIQUE

1. I was the _____ one who disagreed.
2. Each person's genetic code is _____ except in the case of identical twins.
3. It was a _____ opportunity to study these rare creatures.
4. She was the _____ woman doctor in the district.

11 POSTAGE / POSTAL

1. The cost of the book is 6 pounds plus one pound for _____.
2. The _____ services won't be working tomorrow because it's a national holiday.
3. I stuck a 50p _____ stamp on the envelope.
4. You can pay by cheque or _____ order.
5. The man went _____ and shot five of his colleagues.

12 PRICELESS / VALUELESS / INVALUABLE / WORTHLESS

1. The crown was studded with _____ jewels
2. Unfortunately, the ring I had thought was valuable turned out to be _____.
3. They paid a lot of money for the painting not knowing it was a _____ fake
4. Thank you for your _____ help in this project.
5. He was of no help to me at all. He made a few _____ comments and left.
6. You should have seen the look on her face when I told her - it was _____!

13 ROOM / SPACE

1. The man sat down between two people, so she didn't have _____ to move to see his face.
2. So he was driving around looking for a free car parking _____.
3. James took the books off the little table to make _____ for the television.
4. Is there any _____ for my clothes in that cupboard?

14 SOLE / SOUL

1. My _____ objective is to make the information more widely available.

2. I have a sense that we all do have a _____.
3. They were fishing for _____.
4. By the time I arrived there wasn't a _____ there.
5. I have _____ charge of both children all day.

15 HOARD / HORDE

1. Archaeologists found a _____ of treasures in an Egyptian tomb.
2. The store was filled with _____ of people pushing and shoving to get at the sales items.
3. Fearing a natural disaster, he _____ enough canned goods and bottled water to fill a large shed. (s.p.)
4. When they heard the concert was free, they came in their _____.

16 LIVE / STAY

1. When I was younger I _____ in Scotland, but now I am living in Germany.
2. Where did you _____ while you were at the conference?
3. When I first moved to Scotland I _____ with friends until I found a place to live.
4. She has been _____ in Britain for nine years and is studying at Portsmouth University.

17 LOATH / LOATHE

1. She is _____ to give up her hard-earned liberty.
2. "Do you like fish?" "No, I _____ it."
3. They were _____ to admit their mistake.
4. The two men _____ each other.

18 LOOK AFTER / LOOK BACK / LOOK FORWARD

1. If you look _____ your clothes they last a lot longer.
2. I'm looking _____ to seeing you all next month.
3. When you look _____ on this in a year or two, it won't seem so bad.
4. In the circumstances, I look _____ to receiving your cheque within the next seven days.
5. He looked _____ on his time as president with pride.
6. I think looking _____ her elderly mother is quite a drain on her energy.

19 PEDAL / PEDDLE

1. The products are generally _____ door to door.
2. We were _____ like mad against the wind, but didn't seem to be getting anywhere.
3. Further tests are planned on gas, brake and clutch _____.
4. The organization has _____ the myth that they are supporting the local population.

20 SHORTAGE / SHORTNESS

1. The disease may cause sweating, nausea, vomiting, and _____ of breath.
2. There's a _____ of food and shelter in the refugee camps.
3. The long hot summer has led to serious water _____.
4. Because of the _____ of time, question 4 remained unanswered.

21 TORTUOUS / TORTUROUS

1. They had a _____ five days of fitness training.
2. The travellers took a _____ route.
3. On the other hand, however, he wouldn't have to continue with that _____ pain anymore.
4. Varicose veins are _____, twisted, or lengthened veins.

22 LOW / SHORT

1. Joseph is quite _____, but his brothers are both really tall.
2. We have a sofa, two armchairs and a _____ table.
3. It's not fashionable to wear _____ skirts at the moment.
4. The wall is too _____, we need to make it higher so the dog can't get out.

23 MINIMAL / NOMINAL

1. There were no injuries and damage to the building was _____.
2. His role, however, was _____, and the group was actually managed by professionals.
3. The government provides electricity, gas, water, and bread at a _____ charge.
4. The kitchen was small and cramped, with _____ counter space and cabinetry.

24 PASS AWAY / PASS OUT

1. It was sweltering and she _____ from the heat.
2. After a short illness, he _____ peacefully in the night.
3. Martin successfully _____ at the Royal Marines training centre in Devon. (s.p.)
4. He was the first member of my family to _____ quite young.

25 PATIENCE / PATIENT'S / PATIENTS

1. A number of _____ have been successfully treated with the new drug.
2. Their youngest son was beginning to try my _____.
3. Just like any doctor, we take a _____ medical details and allergies before a consultation.
4. He's a good teacher, but he doesn't have much _____ with the slower pupils.
5. The hospital was extremely busy, so the _____ had to have _____.
6. There has been no significant change in the _____ condition.

26 VAIN / VANE / VEIN

1. He was so _____, he would change his clothes three times a day.
2. They staunched the flow of blood from his _____.
3. The _____ on one side of the feather's spine was wider than the one on the other.
4. He sighed, and traced a _____ in the table wood before answering, and it was obvious this came hard for him.
5. Any wind capable of turning the _____ which keeps the mouth of the tube facing the wind is capable of registration
6. All the police's efforts to find him were in _____.