

**B2**   **Synonyms**

Match the words in the left column with their synonyms.

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|----------|-----------|--|-------------|
| <b>A</b> | bend      |  | permit      |
| <b>B</b> | angry     |  | clear       |
| <b>C</b> | sudden    |  | shiver      |
| <b>D</b> | boast     |  | handicapped |
| <b>E</b> | attentive |  | follow      |
| <b>F</b> | forbid    |  | relaxed     |
| <b>G</b> | shake     |  | entire      |
| <b>H</b> | scared    |  | curve       |
| <b>I</b> | hate      |  | even        |
| <b>J</b> | attack    |  | eliminate   |
| <b>K</b> | escape    |  | courageous  |
| <b>L</b> | disabled  |  | talented    |
| <b>M</b> | pursue    |  | frightened  |
| <b>N</b> | distinct  |  | notify      |
| <b>O</b> | calm      |  | detest      |
| <b>P</b> | remove    |  | observant   |
| <b>Q</b> | main      |  | flee        |
| <b>R</b> | pale      |  | unexpected  |
| <b>S</b> | allow     |  | circular    |
| <b>T</b> | examine   |  | primary     |
| <b>U</b> | brave     |  | assault     |
| <b>V</b> | smooth    |  | furious     |
| <b>W</b> | inform    |  | brag        |
| <b>X</b> | gifted    |  | colourless  |
| <b>Y</b> | round     |  | prohibit    |
| <b>Z</b> | whole     |  | investigate |

Choose the correct word or phrase for each blank.

1. Have you read the list of \_\_\_\_\_ that are in this food product? (**RECIPES / INGREDIENTS / MAKINGS / ELEMENTS**)
2. The Internet can be used as a \_\_\_\_\_ of getting a lot of information in a short time. (**PROCESS / KIND / MEANS / MEASURE**)
3. Up to now scientists have not been able to find a \_\_\_\_\_ for the disease. (**PRESERVE / HEALING / THERAPY / CURE**)
4. The average \_\_\_\_\_ of electricity per household has increased dramatically over the years. (**CONSUME / CONSUMING / CONSUMPTION / CONSUMERISM**)
5. There has been a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ about the upcoming election. (**UNDERSTANDING / HARMONY / ARGUMENT / CONTROVERSY**)
6. I was surprised to hear how many \_\_\_\_\_ of snakes there are all over the world. (**CLASSES / ORDERS / VARIETIES / SPECIES**)
7. During the Age of Exploration, the Spanish \_\_\_\_\_ many countries in South America. (**CONQUERED / OVERCAME / OVERTHREW / MASTERED**)
8. It is \_\_\_\_\_ for you to practice often if you want to pass the test. (**KEY / PRINCIPAL / ESSENTIAL / FUNDAMENTAL**)
9. Pele began his soccer \_\_\_\_\_ when he was a teenager. (**CAREER / JOB / VOCATION / OCCUPATION**)
10. Those who \_\_\_\_\_ their pets should have them taken away. (**VIOLENCE / EXPLOIT / ABUSE / WASTE**)
11. He was \_\_\_\_\_ to break up with his girlfriend because she cheated on him. (**PUSHED / FORCED / POWERED / DRIVEN**)
12. Regular exercise \_\_\_\_\_ to a healthy and longer life. (**CONTRIBUTES / SUPPLIES / PROVIDES / IMPACTS**)
13. The moon is \_\_\_\_\_ 400,000 km from the earth. (**EXACTLY / NEARLY / APPROXIMATELY / CLOSELY**)
14. She always wants to travel to \_\_\_\_\_ places in faraway countries. (**ALIEN / FAMILIAR / STRIKING / EXOTIC**)
15. During our first evening in the city we \_\_\_\_\_ the shopping streets. (**SEARCHED / EXPLORED / INVESTIGATED / EXAMINED**)

Choose the correct word or phrase for each blank.

1. She lives in a neighbourhood with very few people. It's not a very \_\_\_\_\_ area. (**POPULATION / POPULATED / POPULOUS / POPULATE**)
2. The authorities want to build new sports \_\_\_\_\_ in the suburbs. (**SERVICES / FACILITIES / DEPARTMENTS / RESOURCES**)
3. People are worried about the \_\_\_\_\_ created by the new factories near the river. (**TOXIC / SMOKES / POLLUTION / EXHAUSTS**)
4. Albert Einstein is \_\_\_\_\_ one of the greatest scientists of the last century. (**CONSIDERED / THOUGHT / STUDIED / BELIEVED**)
5. His \_\_\_\_\_ came from Sweden to America in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. (**SUCCESSORS / FORERUNNERS / PREDECESSORS / ANCESTORS**)
6. The company has always been famous for \_\_\_\_\_ modern, futuristic cars. (**PROPOSING / AIMING / SHAPING / DESIGNING**)
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the Antarctic will continue for the next decades. (**DISCOVERY / EXPLORATION / SEARCHING / INSPECTION**)
8. People have been following that \_\_\_\_\_ tradition for centuries. (**ANCIENT / AGING / ANTIQUE / AGELESS**)
9. For her birthday she hopes to get some money \_\_\_\_\_ of a gift. (**DESPITE / ALTHOUGH / INSTEAD / IN SPITE**)
10. Various creams and lotions can make your skin \_\_\_\_\_. (**FLATTER/ EASIER / SMOOTHER / ROUGHER**)
11. You cannot \_\_\_\_\_ the skirt if you don't have a receipt. (**SWAP / CHANGE / TRADE / EXCHANGE**)
12. The book describes the \_\_\_\_\_ of events that led to the Wall Street crash. (**CABLE / KEY / GROUP / CHAIN**)
13. Your health certificate is not \_\_\_\_\_ anymore. You'll have to get a new one. (**VALID / LEGAL / USABLE / EFFECTIVE**)
14. He broke the vase by \_\_\_\_\_. He didn't really mean to. (**FORTUNE / MISHAP / CHANCE / ACCIDENT**)
15. You should always \_\_\_\_\_ the opinions of other people. (**ADMIRE / RESPECT / ARGUE / THINK**)