

SYNONYMS - ANTONYMS

(UNIT 1 & 2)

Choose the word **CLOSEST** in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

1. She was brought up in the slums of Leeds.
A. downtown area B. industrial area C. poor area D. rural area
2. The speaker paused. He hesitated to answer the direct question raised by the audience.
A. decided B. continued C. determined D. wavered
3. It is crucial that urban people not look down on rural areas.
A. evil B. optional C. unnecessary D. vital
4. The government's plans to cut taxes really stimulated the economy.
A. discouraged B. started C. weakened D. improved
5. Online Business School also offers interest free student loans to UK students.
A. no extra fee B. no limited time C. no repayment D. no interest payments
6. Some rock stars started off as rebels with strong and broad principles.
A. beliefs B. honour C. formulas D. law
7. Many of the immigrants have intermarried with the island's original inhabitants.
A. foreigners B. landlord C. newcomer D. dwellers
8. Ideally, I'd like to work at home but there is no way my boss agrees with that.
A. Generally B. Luckily C. Preferably D. Fortunately
9. The Freephone 24 Hour National Domestic Violence Helpline is a national service for women experiencing domestic violence, their family, friends, colleagues and others calling on their behalf.
A. in the same country B. in the same family C. in the same office D. in the same school
10. I used to idolize David Beckham because of his dedication and talent.
A. hate B. impress C. worship D. detest
11. Her style of dress was conservative. She never wears items that are too tight, short or low-cut.
A. high-fashion B. traditional C. trendy D. up to date
12. Her courage not only inspired her followers but moved her rivals as well.
A. depressed B. motivated C. overlooked D. rejected
13. There has been a hot debate among the scientists relating to the pros and cons of using robotic probes to study distant objects in space.
A. problems and solutions B. advantages and disadvantages
C. solutions and limitations D. causes and effects
14. Chauvet Jeans was a well-known nineteen century painter whose paintings are extraordinarily sophisticated.
A. old-fashioned B. basic C. primitive D. complex
15. She's a down-to-earth woman with no pretensions.
A. ambitious B. creative C. idealistic D. practical

16. Linda is very outgoing, however, her brother is quite reserved.
A. open B. sociable C. easygoing D. shy

17. Many illnesses in refugee camps are the result of inadequate sanitation.
A. cleanliness B. dirtiness C. pollution D. uncleanliness

18. Morgan Freeman began to land big roles and won critical and popular acclaim after years of small parts and limited success.
A. arrive B. gain C. deliver D. Cause

19. With so many daily design resources, how do you stay up-to-date with technology without spending too much time on it?
A. connect to Internet all day B. update new status
C. get latest information D. use social network daily

20. Recognizable smaller than most of the kids in his age group, Lionel Messi was diagnosed by doctors as suffering from a hormone deficiency that restricted his growth.
A. inadequacy B. sufficiency C. abundance D. Strength

21. Polish artist Pawel Kuzinsky creates satirical paintings filled with thought-provoking messages about the world.
A. inspirational B. provocative C. stimulating D. universal

22. The promise of jobs and prosperity pulls people to cities.
A. education B. employment C. stabilization D. wealth

Choose the word *OPPOSITE* in meaning to the underlined part in each of the following questions.

1. Her identity will never be revealed in order to protect her children from being judged.
A. uncovered B. proclaimed C. leaked D. hid

2. This restaurant was highly recommended for good service, delicious food and kind-hearted boss.
A. ambitious and greedy B. attentive and helpful
C. generous and gracious D. polite and friendly

3. There are several interesting things emerging from the report.
A. fading B. rising C. coming up D. developing

4. Since 1979, ULI has honored outstanding development projects in the private, public, and nonprofit sectors with the ULI Global Awards for Excellence program, which today is widely recognized as the development community's most prestigious awards program.
A. important B. notable C. ordinary D. respected

5. This boy is poorly-educated and doesn't know how to behave properly.
A. uneducated B. knowledgeable C. ignorant D. rude

6. In cities, two of the most pressing problems facing the world today also come together: poverty and environmental degradation.
A. destruction B. poisoning C. pollution D. progression

7. Urbanization is the shift of people from rural to urban areas, and the result is the growth of cities.

A. maintenance B. movement C. transposition D. variation

8. I prefer reading fictional stories to hearing about real events.

A. imaginary B. unreal C. existent D. legendary

9. A cost-effective way to fight crime is that instead of making punishments more severe, the authorities should increase the odds that lawbreakers will be apprehended and punished quickly.

A. economical B. practical C. profitable D. worthless

10. During the Great Depression, many people suddenly found themselves jobless after a night.

A. unemployed B. redundant C. unoccupied D. supplementary

11. Until 1986 most companies would not even allow women to take the exams, but such gender discrimination is now disappearing.

A. unfairness B. injustice C. partiality D. equality

12. I was relieved by the news that they had gone home safe and sound.

A. comforted B. concerned C. relaxed D. lightened

13. I propose that we wait until the budget has been announced before committing ourselves to any expenditure.

A. approve B. recommend C. reject D. suggest

14. It is not fair to give such a challenging task to an inexperienced staff like her.

A. comprehensible B. difficult C. provocative D. intriguing

15. Many people move to urban areas seeking for job opportunity as well as stable employment.

A. durable B. long-lasting C. steady D. temporary

16. White blood cells help defend the body against infection.

A. fight B. cover C. protect D. abandon

17. Unemployment is a massive problem for the government at the moment.

A. main B. major C. minor D. primary

18. She comes from an admirable and respectable family.

A. good B. respected C. unworthy D. dignified

19. The best hope of avoiding downmarket tabloid TV future lies in the pressure currently being put on the networks to clean up their act.

A. expensive B. famous C. poor quality D. uncreative

20. Without economic security and amid poor living conditions, crime is inevitable.

A. assured B. compulsory C. inescapable D. preventable

21. They are going to have to amputate his left leg which was badly injured in the accident.

A. remove B. separate C. cut off D. mend

22. Increases in motor vehicle usage have resulted in congestion on the roads.

A. blockage B. obstruction C. opening D. overcrowding