

EXERCISES ON VOCABULARY 2

IV. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) CLOSEST in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. As he lived in a small town outside the city, he had to commute every day.
A. take a bus to work B. drive to work
C. take a lift to work D. travel a long way to and from work
2. The atmosphere at work was so bad that Brian eventually decided to hand in his notice.
A. notify the boss B. apply for another job
C. give up his job D. be given a better job
3. My boss has a reputation for being such a slave-driver!
A. working overtime B. working excessively hard
C. being slave to work D. making his staff work too hard
4. There are excellent prospects for promotion, and you'll know you are doing something to benefit society.
A. opportunities B. likelihoods C. futures D. potentials
5. We want to recruit the brightest and the best. If you think you fit the bill, fill in an application form today.
A. are able to pay the bill B. are suitable
C. are of the right size D. are excellent
6. I am available for an interview all afternoons, except on Tuesday because I am doing a computer course to improve my typing skills.
A. willing B. free C. impatient D. longing
7. Finally, Amy decided to quit her job as she couldn't stand doing the same things days in days out. It's so monotonous!
A. easy B. low-paid C. tedious D. secure
8. Lucy has just finished her A-levels and she has got a place at university, but she would really like a break from the academic world. Therefore, she decides to take a gap year and travel around the world!
A. a year off B. a year out C. a year away D. a year's trip
9. The experience from an adventurous expedition to a rainforest will broaden your horizons and teach you new skills.
A. expand your range of interests and knowledge B. open your views
C. widen your eyes D. be an eye-opener
10. I consider myself to be trustworthy, responsible and enthusiastic.

A. worthwhile B. talented C. honest D. skilled

V. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the word(s) OPPOSITE in meaning to the underlined word(s) in each of the following questions.

1. Well, I want to go straight to university, but I'm also thinking of applying for a temporary job in the summer.

A. part-time B. full-time C. permanent D. seasonal

2. John was promoted last month for being such a committed worker.

A. dishonest B. irresponsible C. unenthusiastic D. unreliable

3. With so many breakthroughs in robotic science and technology, much manual work will soon be taken over by robots.

A. intellectual work B. physical work C. monotonous work D. dull work

4. I'd go mad if I had to do a dead-end job like to working on a supermarket checkout.

A. boring B. monotonous C. fascinating D. demanding

5. He's just so flexible. He'll adapt to any situation.

A. adaptable B. rigid C. intelligent D. autonomous

VI. Mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct answer to each of the following questions.

1. Helen usually.....her childhood with great pleasure.

A. talks back to B. thinks back on C. turns back to D. falls back on

2. One member of the project group.....the boss and was fired immediately.

A. came up against B. came up with C. talked back to D. put up with

3. The government is trying not to.....the money they are spending on vocational training.

A. drop out of B. drop in on C. go on with D. cut down on

4. My grandparents often.....us without warning.

A. drop in on B. keep up with C. drop out of D. catch up with

5. Linda was about to take a part-time job, but she decided to.....her studies instead.

A. keep up with B. go on with C. get on with D. drop out of