

ENGLISH 9 – CLOSEST & OPPOSITE IN MEANING

Exercise 1:

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. I think we should not throw trash onto the water. It is very dirty.
A. garbage B. paper C. money D. candy
2. What aspect of learning English do you find the most difficult?
A. searching B. enjoying C. doing D. studying
3. If we had taken his sage advice, we wouldn't be in so much trouble now.
A. willing B. sturdy C. wise D. eager
4. The notice should be put in the most conspicuous place so that all the students can be well-informed.
A. popular B. suspicious C. easily seen D. beautiful
5. He was asked to account for his presence at the scene of crime.
A. complain B. exchange C. explain D. arrange

Exercise 2:

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. Today, young generation is still fond of wearing jeans.
A. like B. enjoy C. love D. dislike
2. We should reduce the electricity we use to save money and natural resources.
A. use B. earn C. waste D. keep
3. The government is not prepared to tolerate this situation any longer.
A. look down on B. put up with
C. take away from D. give on to
4. She had a cozy little apartment in Boston.
A. uncomfortable B. warm
C. lazy D. dirty
5. Fruit and vegetables grew in abundance on the island. The islanders even exported the surplus.
A. large quantity B. small quantity
C. excess D. sufficiency

Exercise 3:

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. He drought was finally over as the fall brought in some welcome rain.
A. heatware B. harvest C. summer D. aridity
2. Many of the habitats of birds and plants have been destroyed by pollution.
A. nests B. forests C. natural homes D. grounds
3. You can withdraw money from the account at any time without penalty.
A. charge B. loss C. offense D. punishment
4. I received housing benefit when I was unemployed.

- A. calm B. heated C. interested D. mild
2. He was far from his own neighborhood or anything that might have looked **familiar**.
A. friendly B. near C. well-known D. strange
3. Around one corner, a hundred goats suddenly **appeared**, in no apparent hurry to let us by.
A. paraded B. left C. vanished D. showed up
4. If you are **willing** to fly at night, you can get a much cheaper ticket.
A. unprepared B. ready C. happy D. reluctant
5. Walkways allow visitors to **enter** the caves in perfect safety.
A. explore B. exit C. follow D. measure
6. We need to find ways of producing energy without **destroying** the environment.
A. damaging B. creating C. preserving D. changing
7. All the students **including** Duncan will take part in the coming football match.
A. from B. besides C. except D. with
8. If you know one **foreign** language, it will be easier for you to learn the second one.
A. local B. modern C. popular D. native
9. One in seven accidents is caused by **sleepy** drivers.
A. awake B. unwell C. exhausted D. talkative
10. Keep only fish that you will eat; **release** the rest.
A. catch B. free C. take D. have

Exercise 10:

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. Your house is always so **neat** – how do you manage it?
A. dirty B. messy C. tidy D. organised
2. Young women are in the **majority** in the fashion industry.
A. opposition B. support C. minority D. superiority
3. Wearing uniforms to school is **compulsory** in many schools.
A. necessary B. optional C. obligatory D. redundant
4. People can **make a good living** in sales if they have the right attitude and strategies.
A. live a good life B. earn a lot of money
C. have a comfortable life D. achieve considerable success
5. We have many **chances** to work in a big factory.
A. opportunities B. time C. money D. wealth
6. It's a **custom** to give presents at Christmas.
A. habit B. hobby C. rule D. tradition
7. Jack is **approximately** 9 years old. His birthday is in two months.
A. about B. badly C. carefully D. within
8. The **wealthy** woman gave money to the poor children to help them have a better Tet.
A. hungry B. healthy C. rich D. funny
9. His school is **located** in the mountainous area.
A. lain B. stood C. situated D. stayed
10. There are some **drawbacks** in the city life nowadays.
A. improvements B. advantages C. changes D. disadvantages