

Confused words E-G.

1. ECONOMIC / ECONOMICAL

It's not very _____ to leave the lights on when you're not in the room.

Because of the recent strikes, the _____ situation of the country is very bad.

She's an economist. She's an expert in _____ matters.

It's a very _____ car. It uses very little petrol.

2. EXPECT / HOPE

I _____ it won't rain this evening. We're going out for a late walk.

We _____ that the guest house would have much better rooms.

He hasn't received his test mark yet, but he _____ he will do well.

He is a wise young man. Do you _____ him to change his mind?

3. EARN / GAIN / WIN

I've _____ five pounds since I stopped exercising.

How much do you _____, if you don't mind me asking?

What do you hope to _____ from the course?

He _____ the award for best actor, and deservedly so.

It's been a tough six months and I feel I've _____ a few weeks off.

4. EMIGRATE / IMMIGRATE

Millions of Germans _____ from Europe to America in the 19th century.

He _____ with his parents in 1895 and grew up on Long Island.

New Zealanders who _____ to Australia raise the IQ of both countries.

People say there's no quality of life in Russia, and everyone wants to _____.

5. EMINENT / IMMINENT

Only the most _____ scientists win the Nobel Prize.

For a man in _____ danger of losing his job, he appeared quite unruffled.

He handled the situation with _____ skill.

He gave a dire warning that an earthquake was _____.

6. EXTEND / EXTENT / EXTANT

The path _____ beyond the end of the road.

We have some _____ parish records from the 16th century.

We don't yet know the _____ of his injuries.

We're planning to _____ our publishing of children's books.

The full _____ of the damage only became evident the following morning

7. EFFECTIVE / EFFICIENT

His efforts to improve the school have been very _____.

She's the most _____ secretary I've ever had. She does everything perfectly.

Yoga is a very _____ technique for combating stress.

Bicycles are a cheap and _____ form of transport.

8. EMPLOYEE / EMPLOYER

All the _____ have asked for more money but I don't think the boss will give it to them.

The unions are negotiating with the _____ to get higher wages for the workers.

If any _____ needs to take time off, he should contact the Personnel Department.

I'm very lucky - I love my job and Geoff really is the ideal _____.

9. EXHAUSTIVE / EXHAUSTING

The pace of twelve-hour days, seven days a week proved _____.

The report was so _____ that everybody was pleased.

So _____ a day was it, that all wanted to do was lie down.

I have collected a not necessarily _____ list of transcripts from various sources.

10. ELICIT / ILLICIT

The questionnaire was intended to _____ information on eating habits.

Suspecting that his wife was having an _____ affair, he warned her to stop.

He was hopeful that his request would _____ a positive response.

The UN estimated that the _____ drug trade is worth billions every year.

11. ERRAND / ERRANT

I'll meet you at six, I've got some _____ to run first.

His _____ son ran up debts of over £3000.

A mountaineer and his St Bernard setting off on an _____ of mercy.

No search parties are sent out for the _____ travellers.

Leave the car at home, walk for short _____ or use your bike.

12. ESPECIALLY / SPECIALLY

He has his shirts made _____ for him by a tailor in London.

She loves flowers, _____ roses.

This kitchen was _____ designed to make it easy for a disabled person to use.

I don't want to be treated _____.

There is nothing _____ radical about that idea.

She can't be sure she will win, _____ at this early stage of the campaign.

13. EXTRACT / EXTRICATE

It took hours to _____ the car from the sand.

After much persuasion they managed to _____ the information from him.

I tried to _____ myself from the situation.

The oil which is _____ from olives is used for cooking.

14. EVOKE / INVOKE

His passionate words _____ the ugly memories of the war. (s.p.)

Their sacred dance is performed to _____ ancient gods.

This detergent is designed to _____ the fresh smell of summer meadows

Police can _____ the law to regulate access to these places.

15. E.G. / ETC. / I.E.

The hotel is closed during low season, _____ from October to March.

You should eat more food that contains a lot of fibre, _____ fruit, vegetables, and bread.

For all churches decorous dress is required, _____ no shorts, bare shoulders, _____

You often write a slash between alternatives, _____ "and/or".

Pigment is mixed into oil, glue, egg, _____ to make different types of paint.

16. ENSURE / INSURE

All our household goods are _____ against accidental damage.

The role of the police is to _____ that the law is obeyed.

We must _____ that tourism develops in harmony with the environment.

They refused to _____ us because they said we're too old.

17. EXCEPT / EXEMPT / EXPECT

She had been unable to say where she was _____ that it was wooded.

You shouldn't _____ others to do your work for you.

The government has few options _____ to keep interest rates high.

Small businesses are _____ from the tax increase.

This is your captain speaking. We _____ to be landing at London Heathrow in an hour's time.

His age _____ him from conscription, but he had enlisted anyway.

18. EATABLE / EDIBLE

Only leaves of the plant are _____.

My friend is not good at cooking but it is _____.

Are these mushrooms _____?

Raw meat is _____ but yet not _____ until it has been cooked.

19. ELECTRIC / ELECTRICAL

My brother is studying to be an _____ engineer.

We can warm up the room quite quickly with this _____ fire.

Our _____ bill for July was £165.

There is a 20% discount on all _____ goods until the end of the week.

20. EPIGRAM / EPIGRAPH

One of Oscar Wilde's most frequently quoted _____ is "I can resist everything except temptation"

The _____ to the book is from Northanger Abbey.

It is a book of hard-won wisdom and stark pleasure in the form of 500 lyrical aphorisms and _____.

The satirical structure and style of the novel are suggested by an _____ from

Mark Twain's travel book.

21. FAST / QUICK / QUICKLY

- Given his age, he's a remarkably _____ runner.
I only had time for a _____ glance at the paper this morning.
The _____ train stops at fewer stations and travels _____ to London takes less than an hour.
I tried to catch him but he was too _____ for me.
The police car was going so _____, it must have been chasing someone.
And we are going to need to get it back in order as _____ as possible.

22. FULL / FULSOME

- Did the kids enjoy their trip to the zoo?" "Oh, yes, they were _____ of it when they got back this afternoon.
Her new book has received _____ praise from the critics.
Our guests were _____ in their compliments about the food.
Since he got his new job, he's been very _____ of his own importance.

23. FINALLY / AT LAST / LASTLY / IN THE END

- There were no taxis and we _____ got home at 2 pm.
She has _____ given me the book she promised me.
We need eggs, milk, sugar, bread and, _____, we mustn't forget yoghurt for Dad.
We were going to ski in Austria, then the South of France and _____ we decided to go to Italy.
I've thanked my parents but _____ I must thank all my friends for their help.
And then, _____, after months of discussion they offered to buy our house.
They're here _____ ! We've been waiting half an hour.
She had over twenty interviews but Jasmine has _____ got a job as a journalist.

24. FARTHER / FURTHER

- For _____ information, please ring 075-6720290.
The _____ I go, the more I miss my home.
He could see a small boat on the _____ shore.
Before you look at your programme, let me explain a little _____.

25. FELL / FELT

- He _____ the side of the kettle to see if it was still hot.
He always _____ himself inferior to his brothers.
When the teacher walked in, the children's voices _____ to a whisper.
I _____ down the stairs and injured my back.
He was so rude I _____ like slapping his face.
The audience was still laughing as the curtain _____.

26. FLOUR / FLOWER

- They've got some beautiful _____ beds in their garden.
She saw some _____ and a _____ on the floor.

When does this plant _____?

Grease and _____ the tins thoroughly.

27. FAIR / FARE

Low-paid workers will _____ badly under this government.

Films are rated on a scale of poor, _____, good and excellent.

Take some foreign currency to cover incidentals like the taxi _____ to your hotel.

They claimed that the election had been _____, but really it was a sham.

I think it's _____ to say that you've done less of the work than I have.

We went by bus to the _____ in Camden town. The bus _____ is not very expensive

28. FAMOUS / INFAMOUS

The list included the _____ George Drake, a double murderer.

Who's the most _____ person you've ever interviewed on TV?

Scotland is _____ for its spectacular countryside.

He's _____ for his bigoted sense of humour.

29. FORMALLY / FORMERLY

The position of our _____ illegal workers has now been regularized.

The deal will be _____ announced on Tuesday.

He was _____ dressed in a grey suit.

The building was _____ used as a bank, but is now being turned into a bar.

30. FIT / SUIT

I don't have anything that really _____ the occasion.

Short skirts don't really _____ me - I don't have the legs for them.

If you can't _____ all the cases in your car, I can take a few in mine.

I don't suppose I have any books that would _____ your sophisticated tastes.

31. FARE / FEE / FINE

The lawyer is good, but he charges huge _____.

If found guilty, he faces six months in jail and a heavy _____.

Train _____ increases of five percent are envisaged for the next year.

The entrance _____ is six pounds, two pounds for the unwaged.

The librarian slapped a _____ on him for returning the books late.

Some economists say that the age of cheap air _____ is over.

32. GAME / PLAY

Would you like a _____ of tennis?

The students performed a _____ by Shakespeare and song some folk songs.

Radio _____ are always much better than TV _____ - you can use your imagination more.

The children invent some fantastic _____ to occupy themselves.