

## PASSAGE 3 – SAVING THE SOIL

1. What is a synonym for **endangered**?
  - a) Safe
  - b) Protected
  - c) Threatened
  - d) Secure
2. Which word is a synonym for **decline**?
  - a) Increase
  - b) Decrease
  - c) Grow
  - d) Expand
3. What is another word for **farmable**?
  - a) Cultivable
  - b) Rocky
  - c) Deserted
  - d) Unusable
4. Which word is a synonym for **sustains**?
  - a) Abandons
  - b) Destroys
  - c) Maintains
  - d) Weakens
5. What is a synonym for **surprising**?
  - a) Ordinary
  - b) Expected
  - c) Astonishing
  - d) Usual
6. Which word is a synonym for **degradation**?
  - a) Deterioration
  - b) Improvement
  - c) Advancement
  - d) Progress
7. What is another word for **microorganisms**?
  - a) Plants
  - b) Animals
  - c) Microbes
  - d) Minerals
8. Which word is a synonym for **viruses**?
  - a) Pathogens
  - b) Vitamins
  - c) Proteins
  - d) Nutrients
9. What is a synonym for **fungi**?
  - a) Molds
  - b) Trees
  - c) Flowers
  - d) Grasses
10. What is another word for **decomposing**?
  - a) Growing
  - b) Rotting
  - c) Building
  - d) Forming
11. Which word is a synonym for **antibiotics**?
  - a) Antibacterials
  - b) Vitamins
  - c) Minerals
  - d) Hormones
12. What is a synonym for **antibiotic-resistant**?
  - a) Drug-resistant
  - b) Weak

- c) Fragile  
d) Sensitive
13. What is another word for **ally**?  
a) Enemy  
b) Partner  
c) Rival  
d) Opponent
14. Which word is a synonym for **digest**?  
a) Metabolize  
b) Reject  
c) Refuse  
d) Expel
15. What is a synonym for **carbon**?  
a) Water  
b) Oxygen  
c) Graphite  
d) Hydrogen
16. What is another word for **flood**?  
a) Drought  
b) Deluge  
c) Heatwave  
d) Dry spell
17. Which word is a synonym for **agriculture**?  
a) Farming  
b) Fishing  
c) Hunting  
d) Trading
18. What is another word for **nutrients**?  
a) Nourishment  
b) Pollution  
c) Waste  
d) Toxins
19. Which word is a synonym for **fertile**?  
a) Fruitful  
b) Barren  
c) Empty  
d) Dry
20. What is the **Haber-Bosch process** also called?  
a) Haber process  
b) Solar process  
c) Water process  
d) Energy process
21. What is another word for **synthetic**?  
a) Natural  
b) Man-made  
c) Organic  
d) Genuine
22. Which word is a synonym for **fertiliser**?  
a) Fertilizer  
b) Plastic  
c) Stone  
d) Metal
23. What is a synonym for **polluting**?  
a) Contaminating  
b) Cleaning  
c) Purifying  
d) Filtering
24. What does **nitrous oxide** refer to?  
a) Laughing gas  
b) Helium  
c) Carbon dioxide  
d) Oxygen
25. Which word is a synonym for **excess**?  
a) Shortage

- b) Surplus  
c) Lack  
d) Deficit
26. What is another word for **acidic**?  
a) Sweet  
b) Tart  
c) Bitter  
d) Bland
27. Which word is a synonym for **salty**?  
a) Saline  
b) Sour  
c) Sweet  
d) Bitter
28. What is another word for **nourish**?  
a) Starve  
b) Feed  
c) Deprive  
d) Deny
29. What is a synonym for **solution**?  
a) Problem  
b) Remedy  
c) Question  
d) Issue
30. Which word is a synonym for **cocktail**?  
a) Mixture  
b) Glass  
c) Cup  
d) Drink
31. What is another word for **beneficial**?  
a) Harmful  
b) Helpful  
c) Dangerous  
d) Risky
32. Which word is a synonym for **humus**?  
a) Organic matter  
b) Stone  
c) Plastic  
d) Metal
33. What is another word for **overuse**?  
a) Misuse  
b) Limitation  
c) Restraint  
d) Moderation
34. Which word is a synonym for **desert-like**?  
a) Arid  
b) Fertile  
c) Moist  
d) Rich
35. What is another word for **emerged**?  
a) Appeared  
b) Disappeared  
c) Vanished  
d) Hid
36. Which word is a synonym for **control**?  
a) Govern  
b) Ignore  
c) Neglect  
d) Release
37. What is another word for **surface**?  
a) Interior  
b) Exterior  
c) Inside  
d) Core
38. Which word is a synonym for **roots**?  
a) Stems  
b) Leaves

- c) Radicle  
d) Branches
39. What is another word for **measure**?  
a) Gauge  
b) Ignore  
c) Reduce  
d) Dismiss
40. Which word is a synonym for **assess**?  
a) Appraise  
b) Overlook  
c) Skip  
d) Forget
41. What is another word for **global scale**?  
a) Local  
b) Regional  
c) Worldwide  
d) Domestic
42. Which word is a synonym for **accurate**?  
a) Wrong  
b) Vague  
c) Exact  
d) False
43. What is another word for **classifying**?  
a) Categorizing  
b) Mixing  
c) Confusing  
d) Combining
44. Which word is a synonym for **unifying**?  
a) Dividing  
b) Splitting  
c) Integrating  
d) Separating
45. What is another word for **database**?  
a) Data bank  
b) Notebook  
c) Register  
d) Diary
46. Which word is a synonym for **real-time**?  
a) Past  
b) Future  
c) Live  
d) Delayed
47. What is another word for **sustainable**?  
a) Renewable  
b) Harmful  
c) Temporary  
d) Wasteful
48. Which word is a synonym for **expectations**?  
a) Doubts  
b) Anticipations  
c) Fears  
d) Concerns