

A TEST OF VOCABULARY RANGE

1. disheveled appearance:

- a) untidy;
- b) fierce,
- c) foolish,
- d) peculiar,
- e) unhappy

2. a baffling problem:

- a) difficult,
- b) simple,
- c) puzzling,
- d) long,
- e) new

3. lenient parent:

- a) tall,
- b) not strict,
- c) wise,
- d) foolish,
- e) severe

4. repulsive personality:

- a) disgusting,
- b) attractive,
- c) nor-mal,
- d) confused,
- e) conceited

5. audacious attempt:

- a) useless,
- b) bold,
- c) foolish,
- d) crazy,
- e) necessary

6. parry a blow:

- a) ward off,
- b) fear,
- c) expect,
- d) invite,
- e) ignore

7. prevalent disease:

- a) dangerous,
- b) catching,
- c) child-hood,
- d) fatal,
- e) widespread

8. ominous report:

- a) loud,
- b) threatening,
- c) untrue,
- d) serious,
- e) unpleasant

9. an incredible story:

- a) true,
- b) interesting,
- c) well-known,
- d) unbelievable,
- e) unknown

10. an ophthalmologist:

- a) eye doctor,
- b) skin doctor,
- c) foot-doctor,
- d) heart doctor,
- e) cancer specialist

11. will supersede the old law:

- a) enforce,
- b) specify penalties for,
- c) take the place of,
- d) repeal,
- e) continue

12. an anonymous donor:

- a) generous,
- b) stingy,
- c) well-known,
- d) one whose name is not known,
- e) reluctant

13. performed an autopsy:

- a) examination of living tissue,
- b) examination of a corpse to determine the cause of death,
- c) process in the manufacture of optical lenses,
- d) operation to cure an organic disease,
- e) series of questions to determine the causes of delinquent behavior

14. an indefatigable worker:

- a) well-paid,
- b) tired,
- c) skill-ful,
- d) tireless,
- e) pleasant

15. a confirmed atheist:

- a) bachelor,
- b) disbeliever in God,
- c) believer in religion,
- d) believer in science,
- e) priest

16. endless loquacity:

- a) misery, b) fantasy,
- c) repetitiousness,
- d) ill health,
- e) talkativeness

17. a glib talker:

- a) smooth,
- b) awkward,
- c) loud,
- d) friendly,
- e) boring

18. an incorrigible optimist:

- a) happy,
- b) beyond correction or reform,
- c) foolish,
- d) hopeful,
- e) unreasonable

19. an ocular problem:

- a) unexpected,
- b) insoluble,
- c) visual,
- d) continual,
- e) imaginary

20. a notorious demagogue:

- a) rabble-rouser,
- b) gambler,
- c) perpetrator of financial frauds,
- d) liar,
- e) spendthrift

21. a naive attitude:

- a) unwise,
- b) hostile,
- c) unsophisticated,
- d) friendly,
- e) contemptuous

22. living in affluence:

- a) difficult circumstances,
- b) countrified surroundings,
- c) fear,
- d) wealth,
- e) poverty

23. in retrospect:

- a) view of the past,
- b) artistic balance,
- c) anticipation,
- d) admiration,
- e) second thoughts

24. a gourmet:

- a) seasoned traveler,
- b) greedy eater,
- c) vegetarian,
- d) connoisseur of good food,
- e) skillful chef

25. to simulate interest:

- a) pretend,
- b) feel,
- c) lose,
- d) stir up,
- e) ask for

26. a magnanimous action:

- a) puzzling,
- b) generous,
- c) foolish,
- d) unnecessary,
- e) wise

27. a clandestine meeting:

- a) prearranged,
- b) hurried,
- c) important,
- d) secret,
- e) public

28. the apathetic citizens:

- a) made up of separate ethnic groups,
- b) keenly vigilant of their rights,
- c) politically conservative,
- d) indifferent, uninterested, uninvolved,
- e) terrified

29. to placate his son:

- a) please,
- b) help,
- c) find a job for,
- d) make arrangements for,
- e) change a feeling of hostility to one of friendliness

30. to vacillate continually:

- a) avoid,
- b) swing back and forth in indecision,
- c) inject,
- d) treat,
- e) scold

31. a nostalgic feeling:

- a) nauseated,
- b) homesick,
- c) sharp,
- d) painful;
- e) delighted

32. feel antipathy:

- a) bashfulness,
- b) stage fright,
- c) friendliness,
- d) hostility,
- e) suspense

33. be more circumspect:

- a) restrained,
- b) confident,
- c) cautious,
- d) honest,
- e) intelligent

34. an intrepid fighter for human rights:

- a) fearless,
- b) eloquent,
- c) popular,
- d) experienced,
- e) famous

35. diaphanous. Material:

- a) strong,
- b) sheer and gauzy,
- c) colorful,
- d) expensive,
- e) synthetic

36. a taciturn host:

- a) stingy,
- b) generous,
- c) disinclined to conversation,
- d) charming,
- e) gloomy

37. to malign his friend:

- a) accuse,
- b) help,
- c) disbelieve
- d) slander,
- e) introduce

38. a congenital deformity:

- a) hereditary,
- b) crippling;
- c) slight,
- d) incurable,
- e) occurring at or during birth

39. a definite neurosis:

- a) plan,
- b) emotional disturbance,
- c) physical disease,
- d) feeling of fear,
- e) allergic reaction

40. made an unequivocal statement:

- a) hard to understand,
- b) lengthy,
- c) politically motivated,
- d) clear and forthright,
- e) supporting

41. vicarious enjoyment:

- a) complete,
- b) unspoiled,
- c) occurring from a feeling of identification with another,
- d) long-continuing,
- e) temporary

42. psychogenic ailment:

- a) incurable,
- b) contagious,
- c) originating in the mind,
- d) intestinal, e) imaginary

43. an anachronous attitude:

- a) unexplainable,
- b) unreasonable,
- c) belonging to a different time,
- d) out of place,
- e) unusual

44. her iconoclastic phase:

- a) artistic,
- b) sneering at tradition,
- c) troubled,
- d) difficult,
- e) religious

45. a tyro:

- a) dominating personality,
- b) beginner,
- c) accomplished musician,
- d) dabbler,
- e) serious student

46. a laconic reply:

- a) immediate,
- b) assured,
- c) terse and meaningful,
- d) unintelligible,
- e) angry

47. semantic confusion:

- a) relating to the meaning of words,
- b) pertaining to money,
- c) having to do with the emotions,
- d) relating to mathematics,
- e) caused by inner turmoil

48. cavalier treatment:

- a) courteous,
- b) haughty and high-handed,
- c) negligent,
- d) affectionate,

e) expensive

49. an anomalous situation:

- a) dangerous,
- b) intriguing,
- c) unusual,
- d) pleasant
- e) unhappy

50. posthumous child:

- a) cranky,
- b) brilliant,
- c) physically weak,
- d) illegitimate,
- e) born after the death of the father

51. feels enervated:

- a) full of ambition,
- b) full of strength,
- c) completely exhausted,
- d) troubled,
- e) full of renewed energy

52. shows perspicacity:

- a) sincerity,
- b) mental keenness,
- c) love,
- d) faithfulness,
- e) longing

53. an unpopular martinet:

- a) candidate,
- b) supervisor,
- c) strict disciplinarian,
- d) military leader,
- e) discourteous

54. gregarious person:

- a) outwardly calm,
- b) very sociable,
- c) completely untrustworthy,
- d) vicious,
- e) self-effacing and timid

55. generally phlegmatic:

- a) smug, self-satisfied,
- b) easily pleased,
- c) nervous, high-strung,
- d) emotionally unresponsive,
- e) lacking in social graces

56. an inveterate gambler:

- a) impoverished,
- b) successful,
- c) habitual,
- d) occasional,

e) superstitious

57. an egregious error:

- a) outstandingly bad,
- b) slight,
- c) irreparable,
- d) unnecessary,
- e) deliberate

58. cacophony of a large city:

- a) political administration,
- b) crowded living conditions,
- c) cultural advantages,
- d) unpleasant noises, harsh sounds,
- e) busy traffic

59. a prurient adolescent:

- a) tall and gangling,
- b) sexually longing,
- c) clumsy, awkward,
- d) sexually attractive,
- e) soft-spoken

60. uxorious husband:

- a) henpecked,
- b) suspicious,
- c) guilty of infidelity,
- d) fondly and foolishly doting on his wife,
- e) tightfisted, penny-pinching