

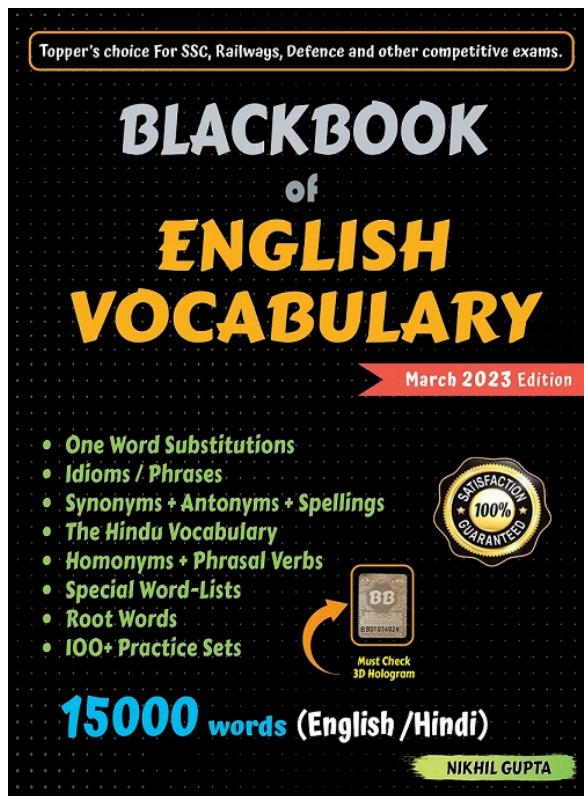
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<b>OWS Questions asked in SICPO Paper I 2023</b>		
<b>SN</b>	<b>Phrases</b>	<b>One Word</b>
1	A notice of the death of a person, often with a biographical sketch, as in a newspaper.	Obituary
2	The art of producing beautiful handwriting	Calligraphy
3	Indifferent to pain and pleasure	Stoic
4	Fear of water	Hydrophobia
5	Have no means of livelihood left.	Pauper
6	A person engaged in or trained for spaceflight.	Astronaut
7	Working or operating quickly and effectively in an organised way	Efficient
8	Study of science of insects	Entomology
9	Happening repeatedly	Recurrent
10	Medicine that can counteract the effect	Antidote
11	The study of the human mind	Psychology
12	The capacity for being useful for some purpose.	Utility
13	One who settles in another country	Immigrant
14	A keeper or custodian of a museum or other collection	Curator
15	A person who believes that God does not exist	Atheist
16	A pretence of having a virtuous character, moral or religious beliefs or principles, etc., that one does not really possess.	Hypocrisy
17	Huge fire for celebration	Bonfire
18	Minimum people needed for a meeting	Quorum
19	Detailed list of goods dispatched with quantity and price to the purchaser.	Invoice
20	To criticise someone severely	Chastise
21	A state of intense happiness and self-confidence.	Euphoria
22	To make a low continuous vibratory sound expressing contentment (of a cat).	To Purr
23	No longer used because something new has been invented	Obsolete
24	Spoken or done without any previous thought or preparation	Extempore
25	A place where coins are made	Mint
26	Something of monstrous size or power	Behemoth
27	A list of source materials that are used or consulted in the preparation of a work or that are referred to in the text.	Bibliography
28	An ability to do several things at the same time.	Multitasking
29	The compulsion to tell lies	Mythomania
30	Someone who pretends to have certain moral standards while secretly that person practices those very moral lapses.	Hypocrite
31	A person who does not eat any animal product	Vegan
32	Lasting for a very short time	Ephemeral
33	Very attractive and easy to feel love for	Adorable
34	He was not willing to attend the technical session of	Reluctant

	the conference.	
35	A disease prevalent in a community or a specific region at a specific time, affecting a large area.	Epidemic
36	Have a strong emotional effect on	Overwhelm
37	An animal or a person that eats all types of food, especially plants and meat	Omnivore
38	A collection of historical documents or records providing information about a place, institution, or group of people	Archive
39	The clothes, linen, and other belongings collected by a bride for her marriage	Trousseau
40	Since God is an all-powerful creator, he has absolute control over those whom he has created.	Omnipotent
41	A structure in the garden where climbing plants can grow and people can walk under	Pergola
42	Extremely beautiful, elaborate or impressive	Magnificent
43	A form of government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by their elected agents under a free electoral system.	Democracy
44	To tell the nature of a disease by its symptoms.	Diagnosis
45	A book published after author's death.	Posthumous Publication
46	Centre of public attention	Limelight
47	One who goes from place to place, begging	Mendicant
48	A morbid compulsion to steal	Kleptomania
49	Study of coins	Numismatics
50	A person who eats too much	Glutton
51	To restrain or compel a person to do something by force.	Coerce
52	Requiring exceptional skill or caution in performance or handling	Tricky
53	An act of exchanging information	Communication

#### Idioms / Phrases Questions asked in SICPO Paper I 2023

SN	Idioms / Phrases	Meaning
1	Bend over backwards	Working hard to try to impress
2	Birds of the same feather	Of the same interests
3	Get off on the wrong foot	To start a relationship or activity badly
4	The best of both worlds	An ideal situation
5	Burn the midnight oil	Work until late at night
6	On the breadline	Be very poor
7	Left out in the cold	To be ignored
8	Dodged a bullet	To narrowly avoid situation
9	An arm and a leg	A large amount of money
10	A leopard can't change	You cannot change who you are

	his spots	
11	Stabbed her in the neck	Stabbed her in the back
12	What a small world!	What a coincidence!
13	Pen and ink	Smells foul
14	Hold your horses	Slow down
15	Set sights on	To decide to achieve something
16	Crack someone up	To make someone laugh
17	As keen as butter	As keen as mustard
18	A blessing in disguise	Something that seems bad turns out to be good
19	Back to square one	To return to the starting point
20	Throw dust in someone's eyes	Mislead or deceive
21	A plum job	An easy and pleasant job
22	Keep count of	To remember a total
23	Made a pig's ear	Made a mess
24	Keep a straight face	Not laugh or change your expression even though you want to laugh
25	Face the music	To accept punishment for some mistake which you have done
26	Slipped my mind	To forget something
27	Grasping at straws	Trying to find some way to succeed when nothing you choose is likely to work
28	A quick buck	Money that is earned or gotten quickly
29	Take notice	Consider
30	The pros and cons	Advantages and disadvantages
31	Second wind	Burst of energy
32	Open your heart	Share your deepest feelings
33	Flying high	Very successful
34	Burn one's bridges	Impossible to return to an earlier state
35	My hands are full	I'm very busy
36	Boil the ocean	Try to do something impossible
37	To burn the midnight oil	To work late in the night
38	Lie in the bed you have made	Face the unpleasant consequences of your own acts
39	In dire straits	In a very bad situation
40	Stand a chance	Have a possibility
41	Bid defiance to	Ignored
42	Get your act together	To organise yourself so that you can do something properly
43	Miss the boat	To miss an opportunity
44	Midas touch	The ability to make everything that one is involved with very successful
45	Part and parcel	Basic or essential element
46	A snowball effect	An accelerating growth of magnitude
47	Hit the books	Study hard
48	Grist to the mill	Provides useful advantage

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49	Steer clear of	Avoid someone or something because it is dangerous for you
50	Let bygones be bygones	Ignore the past
51	To eat a humble pie	To feel sorry and apologise for a mistake
52	Make it big	Succeed and become famous
53	Hold your horses	Slow down
54	Step up to the plate	Take control of a situation
55	Under the nose	In full view of somebody
56	To burn the midnight oil	To stay up late working or studying
57	Fit as a fiddle	To be in good health
58	Apple of discord	Bone of contention
59	Come what may	No matter what happens
60	Fit as a fiddle	In good health
61	Face to face	With another person in their presence rather than, say, by phone or letter
62	Break a leg	To wish someone good luck
63	To hit the nail on the head	To express an idea with great precision
64	Through thick and thin	Under all circumstances
65	Straight from horse's mouth	Heard the facts directly
66	Hue and cry	Protest
67	A part and parcel	An integral part
68	Hear someone out	Let someone complete what they are saying
69	Build castles in the air	To make imaginary schemes
70	Bite your tongue	To avoid saying something
71	Loaves and fishes	Materialist wealth
72	To let the cat out of the bag	To reveal a secret
73	Pull yourself together	Calm down after an upsetting incident
74	Talking through his hat	Talking nonsense
75	The crux of the matter	Critical point of the issue
76	To a T	Exactly
77	Left handed compliment	An insult
78	Spill the beans	To reveal secret information
79	Bite the bullet	Decide to do the inevitable which you were avoiding
80	A piece of cake	A very easy task
81	Sitting on the fence	To be undecided
82	Spill the beans	Give away a secret

<b>Synonyms Questions asked in SICPO Paper I 2023</b>	
<b>Sn</b>	<b>Word - Synonym</b>
1	Haphazard - Random
2	Access - Avenue
3	Justifiable - Reasonable
4	Dreadful - Terrible
5	Site - Location
6	Abandon - Desert
7	Congestion - Gridlock
8	Captivate - Allure
9	Viable - Sustainability
10	Unequivocal - Unambiguous
11	Disclosed - Revealed
12	Vulnerable - Susceptible
13	Benevolent - Generous
14	Spontaneous - Instinctive
15	Evolve - Emanate
16	Amiable - Friendly
17	Behold - Look
18	Aggravate - Annoy
19	Robe - Cloak
20	Scattered - Dispersed
21	Pervasive - Widespread
22	Cruise - Voyage
23	Fierce - Furious
24	Faithful - Loyal
25	Inevitable - Unavoidable
26	Extravagance - Self-Indulgence
27	Antique - Ancient
28	Rehabilitate - Reinstall
29	Harrowing - Excruciating
30	Factual - Empirical
31	Reminiscence - Remembrance
32	Major - Considerable
33	Vagrancy - Vagabond
34	Diabolical - Malicious
35	Essential - Crucial
36	Desolate - Depressive
9	Discordant - Melodious
10	Rejoinder - Request
11	Placid - Turbulent
12	Asset - Liability
13	Fraught - Devoid
14	Glad - Sad
15	Specific - Random
16	Beneficent - Cruel
17	Contempt - Regard
18	Intervention - Non-Involvement
19	Promote - Obstruct
20	Defunct - Extant
21	Vague - Definite
22	Brave - Cowardly
23	Credit - Debit
24	Hinderance - Relief
25	Demolish - Fabricate
26	Transparent - Opaque
27	Abhor - Love
28	Apex - Bottom
29	Inquisitive - Uninterested
30	Bombastic - Plain
31	Languid - Animated
32	Malice - Sympathy
33	Malice - Kindness
34	Perfec - Unsatisfactory
35	Authentic - Fake
36	Inquisitive - Indifferent
37	Stingy - Extravagant
38	Destitute - Affluent
39	Pervasive - Limited
40	Priority - Last
41	Spurious - Genuine
42	Ethical - Immoral
43	Absolved - Accused
44	Calm - Turbulent
45	Sluggish - Swift
46	Profane - Divine
47	Hideous - Attractive
48	Accurate - Inexact
49	Magnificent - Modest
50	Adhere - Flout
51	Superb - Inferior
52	Resolute - Wavering
53	Penchant - Hatred
54	Redemption - Blasphemy
55	Decline - Ascend
56	Together - Apart
57	Diversity - Uniformity
58	Migrate - Stay

<b>Antonyms Questions asked in SICPO Paper I 2023</b>	
<b>SN</b>	<b>Word - Antonym</b>
1	Moving - Steady
2	Catastrophic - Fortuitous
3	Negligent - Attentive
4	Damp - Arid
5	Effective - Fruitless
6	Denounce - Praise
7	Apathy - Interest
8	Leniency - Sternness

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<b>SN</b>	<b>Correct Spelling</b>	45	Airplane	93	Livelihoods
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2	Alienate	47	Ladybug	95	Appropriate
3	Deserve	48	Glider	96	Resilience
4	Assassinate	49	Testimony	97	Adjourn
5	Advisory	50	Courageous	98	Addict
6	Disregard	51	Ruins	99	Advise
7	Violation	52	Grandeur	100	Abduct
8	Blatant	53	Enfeebled	101	Revered
9	Adjacent	54	Bemoaning	102	Answered
10	Accomplish	55	Alighted	103	Reference
11	Allure	56	Fishing	104	Preferred
12	Aggregate	57	Beach	105	Administer
13	Understand	58	Soothing	106	Authority
14	Could	59	Rolling	107	Affirmation
15	Dairy	60	Tranquil	108	Affidavit
16	Serene	61	Circus	109	Literal
17	Triumph	62	Chains	110	Ancient
18	Unveil	63	Heed	111	Embodiment
19	Comparison	64	Thrashed	112	Pharaohs
20	Bread	65	Particularly	113	Isle
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26	Certain	71	Cumbersome	119	Holistically
27	Disseminate	72	Cumulative	120	Contours
28	Yearn	73	Inevitable	121	Asserted
29	Merriment	74	Bureaucratic	122	Alerted
30	Zenith	75	Believe	123	Abandoned
31	Miniature	76	Bureaucratic	124	Allotted
32	Twelfth	77	Puzzled	125	Gud
33	Untouchability	78	Nasal	126	Write
34	Social	79	Embezzlement	127	Vocabulary
35	Major	80	Council	128	Effectively
36	Considered	81	Middle	129	Problems
37	Uninterruptedly	82	Respectively	130	Mathematical
38	Congestion	83	Important	131	Capacity
39	Combustion	84	Vestibular	132	Cognitive
40	Plagued	85	Company	133	Grammar
41	Listening	86	Promotion	134	Legitimate
42	Lose	87	Offered	135	Propagate
43	Heering	88	Fabulous	136	Promulgate
		89	Agreeable	137	Exaggerate
		90	Formulae	138	Bloomed
		91	Waitress	139	Despite

140	Situation	149	Commuter	158	Conflicts
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