

## Situational Responses Test 4

1. Your colleagues at work are discussing the new manager. He is particular about punctuality and has just had a word with one of your friends about his being late to work. He is complaining about the new boss and you say:
- A) Why don't you talk to him about it?
  - B) He's being unfair too.
  - C) Let's discuss this decision together.
  - D) He is in his right to expect you here on time.
  - E) They should make a cut in his salary.
2. You are responsible for the new equipment at work but some of your curious friends are pressing all the buttons. You are worried that they may break something. You say:
- A) This isn't a toy. Please, don't touch the equipment.
  - B) Let's play with the buttons.
  - C) Can you show me how to use this machine?
  - D) Who do you think this belongs to?
  - E) When did you buy this machine?
3. One of your fellow students is very upset because he does not understand a particular formula that the teacher has just discussed. You say:
- A) I'll tell the teacher to work with us tonight.
  - B) You should try harder.
  - C) Who told you what to do?
  - D) Let me help you during the break.
  - E) It's not hard to understand if you listen.
4. There is someone standing at the corner of the street. He seems to be a stranger and in need of help. You say:
- A) May I be of assistance?
  - B) Do you have the time?
  - C) The police do not allow loitering.
  - D) This is a bad place to stand.
  - E) Will you give me a moment of your time?
5. You have been accused of taking something that doesn't belong to you. You say:
- A) Why did he do that?
  - B) Who is the man you accused of stealing?
  - C) You've made a mistake.
  - D) No, I don't want it.
  - E) What difference does it make to you?
6. Your father has not gotten home from work yet. It is late and you don't want mom to get upset so you decide to check on him and say:
- A) I see that you are late again.
  - B) I wonder what I will be doing later.
  - C) I should give dad a call at work to see when he'll get here.
  - D) Should we wait for dad to get mom?
  - E) He'll be along any minute. He is usually not punctual.
7. Your friend has accidentally broken your favourite vase. You don't want her to feel bad so you say:
- A) It's not important. I can always replace it.
  - B) I don't want to give you a new vase.
  - C) Don't act so rash.
  - D) Who do you think you are fooling?
  - E) Why don't you be more careful?
8. John has just told you an incredible story about his summer vacation. You say:
- A) What a lovely time we had.
  - B) How can you tell me such a story!
  - C) I hope you have a good time.
  - D) Your stories are so amazing that they don't seem true.
  - E) Why do you want to know about my vacation?
9. Tom denies breaking the window, but you know that he did it. You say:
- A) You should continue to tell the truth.
  - B) Stop wasting your breath.
  - C) Don't lie to me; I know you did it.
  - D) You can repair the window yourself.
  - E) Then did you see who did it?
10. Shelly is ill and won't be able to come to the class picnic. You are upset and advise her:
- A) Why don't you go to the doctor I went to last week?
  - B) I'm glad she will be resting.
  - C) I'll bring you some Howers to make you feel better.
  - D) The picnic isn't going to be good they have predicted rain.
  - E) Shelly isn't any fun on picnics, anyway.



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- 11.** Susan is looking for her pen. It's in her pocket but she has forgotten this. You say:
- A)** You really are absent-minded at times.
  - B)** I'm not sure where you put it.
  - C)** Let me help you. I'll check in the other coat.
  - D)** I'll loan you a pen for now.
  - E)** Let's exchange pens for the day.
- 12.** Joe is considering going to a new school next year. You are upset and say:
- A)** Don't you like me anymore?
  - B)** What is wrong with that school?
  - C)** I'm going to miss you a lot.
  - D)** Won't you reconsider?
  - E)** I wish your family wouldn't move.
- 13.** The driver of the bus seems to be angry about something. You say:
- A)** What did I do to you?
  - B)** The accident isn't your fault.
  - C)** He said that he would drive for you.
  - D)** Why don't you quit?
  - E)** Is there anything I can do?
- 14.** Your husband has forgotten your anniversary again and you are telling your friend how upset you feel about it. You say:
- A)** Why don't you tell your husband about it?
  - B)** I didn't want to hurt his feelings.
  - C)** My imagination gets the best of me at times.
  - D)** He isn't really all that forgetful.
  - E)** He doesn't understand why this is important to me.
- 15.** You are angry about your best friend's behaviour. You say:
- A)** They are not very careful.
  - B)** A person should be more considerate of others' feelings.
  - C)** I like him an awful lot.
  - D)** We get on well all the time.
  - E)** This is the first time I have had to remind him about these things.
- 16.** The film on TV is awful but your wife is watching it and doesn't realize that you want to change the channel. You say:
- A)** I'm glad you are enjoying the movie.
  - B)** Would you mind if we changed the station?
  - C)** The news is on the next channel.
  - D)** Why don't we go into the other room?
  - E)** Could you get me something to drink?
- 17.** You have just found out that a friend of yours has just lost a loved one some time ago. You say:
- A)** I'm sorry to have heard the sad news of your separation.
  - B)** I wish I hadn't heard about this.
  - C)** I only recently heard the sad news. I am sorry.
  - D)** I apologize for not having heard before.
  - E)** I extend you my warmest greetings at this time.
- 18.** You've just heard a funny joke and want to tell your friend the joke. You start out by saying:
- A)** Did you hear the story about...
  - B)** I want to tell you what he said to me.
  - C)** What is the story I have to tell you?
  - D)** Did you hear the joke that they told on TV last night? I can't remember it.
  - E)** He had said something to me that was very funny.
- 19.** An old man in the neighbourhood living alone is in need of help. You are visiting other neighbours and say:
- A)** He might be able to help us.
  - B)** It would be nice if you gave me a hand.
  - C)** Why don't we get together and assist him?
  - D)** We need to take care of our street.
  - E)** The neighbourhood is getting difficult to live in.
- 20.** The children in the apartment next to yours are making so much noise that you can't sleep. You say to their parents:
- A)** It's about time you all went to sleep.
  - B)** Why don't we make noise together?
  - C)** Could you ask your children to play outside?
  - D)** The apartment building is noisy this evening, isn't it?
  - E)** Would you mind asking the children to make less noise?



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### Answer Key:

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| 1: D  | 11: A |
| 2: A  | 12: C |
| 3: D  | 13: E |
| 4: A  | 14: E |
| 5: C  | 15: B |
| 6: C  | 16: B |
| 7: A  | 17: C |
| 8: D  | 18: A |
| 9: C  | 19: C |
| 10: A | 20: E |

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