

4000 Essential English Words 6 Unit 4: The Butler's Bad Day

1.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

din

- A) home
- B) supper
- C) silence
- D) ghost

2.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

outspoken

- A) quiet
- B) little
- C) inside
- D) bright

3.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

pungent

- A) hurt
- B) mild
- C) kind
- D) young

4.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

civic

- A) swollen
- B) happy
- C) private
- D) mature

5.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

descent

- A) climb
- B) odor
- C) plate
- D) bill

6.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

attic

- A) mouse
- B) square
- C) number
- D) cellar

7.

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fuss

- A) complaint
- B) calm
- C) argument
- D) commerce

8.

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dissatisfy

- A) cleanse
- B) leap
- C) trim
- D) please

9.

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overwork

- A) relax
- B) understand
- C) select
- D) repair

10.

Choose the one that is opposite in meaning to the given word.

chunk

- A) bridge
- B) song
- C) whole
- D) lamp



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11. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

intrinsic

- A) logical
- B) natural
- C) usable
- D) fragile

12. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

ministry

- A) porch
- B) coast
- C) agency
- D) bush

13. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

snore

- A) grunt
- B) fly
- C) rain
- D) call

14. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

kettle

- A) cup
- B) bucket
- C) pot
- D) pan

15. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

superintendent

- A) diner
- B) manager
- C) sunrise
- D) beginning

16. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

gourmet

- A) delicious
- B) comfortable
- C) legitimate
- D) pleasant

17. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

soundly

- A) slowly
- B) totally
- C) loudly
- D) briefly

18. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

hence

- A) also
- B) instead
- C) still
- D) thus

19. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

ordeal

- A) problem
- B) direction
- C) bargain
- D) request

20. Choose the one that is similar in meaning to the given word.

particular

- A) moody
- B) beaten
- C) exact
- D) secret

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Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

The caffeine in the tea gave him more energy. *Hence*, he was more alert.

- A) C
B) I

22. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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Mom, something smells good in the kitchen. I can't wait for *din*.

- A) C
B) I

23. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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The cat waited outside the door and made a *fuss* until someone let her inside the house.

- A) C
B) I

24. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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See that politician over there? He works in the *Ministry* of Truth.

- A) C
B) I

25. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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The need to protect one's family is an *intrinsic* quality found in many animals.

- A) C
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26. THE BUTLER'S BAD DAY

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One day, the superintendent said, "This **particular** party is important. People from the **ministry** are coming. Everything must be perfect."

The butler began preparing at once. First, he went to the **attic** to get more chairs and tables. But on his **descent**, he realized he needed to make the food. A **gourmet** dinner was necessary for such a party. He boiled water in a **kettle** for soup and chopped some beef into **chunks**. Just as he was starting the soup, he remembered that he had to sweep the veranda. As he was sweeping the veranda, he realized that he had to clean the sauna.

By this time, the first guests had arrived. The veranda was still dirty. There were not enough chairs for the guests to sit on, and the soup tasted too **pungent**. Some guests were **dissatisfied**. They started to make a **fuss**, and the party was filled with a **din** of complaints.

The superintendent's party was a disaster. He wondered why his butler had made so many mistakes. At last, the butler admitted to being exhausted. His boss felt pity for the butler. He had no idea the butler was so tired. He said, "You should have told me earlier, then we could have avoided this whole **ordeal**."

The Superintendent of Civic Projects cleaned late at night; hence, he was busier than his butler.

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B) FALSE



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Though the butler was outspoken, his job's intrinsic nature made him never become overworked.

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The soup for the gourmet dinner tasted too pungent.

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- B) FALSE



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Answer Key:

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|-------|-------|
| 1: C | 16: A |
| 2: A | 17: B |
| 3: B | 18: D |
| 4: C | 19: A |
| 5: A | 20: C |
| 6: D | 21: A |
| 7: B | 22: B |
| 8: D | 23: A |
| 9: A | 24: A |
| 10: C | 25: A |
| 11: B | 26: B |
| 12: C | 27: B |
| 13: A | 28: A |
| 14: C | 29: B |
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