

4000 Essential English Words 5 Unit 21: The Twins

1.

Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Cosmetics are typically used to make someone ____.

- A) look better
- B) think clearer
- C) feel stronger
- D) eat healthier

2.

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Which of the following would NOT be considered a subject studied in humanities?

- A) Film
- B) Literature
- C) Mythology
- D) Mathematics

3.

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Which of the following could NOT be used to make a knot?

- A) Lines of clouds
- B) Wire
- C) Thread
- D) Yarn

4.

Choose the answer that best fits the question.

Positive attributes include being energetic, optimistic, and ____.

- A) dreary
- B) pessimistic
- C) cheerful
- D) arrogant

5.

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Which of the following is similar in meaning to the word dash?

- A) Stroll
- B) Run
- C) Sprint
- D) Meander

6.

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

astounded

- A) angry
- B) surprised
- C) interested
- D) bored

7.

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

disgust

- A) information
- B) detail
- C) money
- D) anger

8.

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

gulf

- A) island
- B) gap
- C) entrance
- D) partnership

9.

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

vague

- A) pretty
- B) useful
- C) unclear
- D) dirty

10.

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furious

- A) lively
- B) quiet
- C) angry
- D) shocking



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

bilingual

- A) foreign
- B) surprised
- C) poison
- D) using two languages

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

clone

- A) double
- B) extra
- C) light
- D) copy

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

plausible

- A) never
- B) always
- C) possible
- D) weak

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

skinny

- A) large
- B) thin
- C) tall
- D) short

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

fluorescent

- A) bright
- B) gloomy
- C) open
- D) ground

16. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Kevin was very *vague* about his job interview, and he told me all the details.

- A) C
- B) I

17. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Liam had a *plausible* reason for not doing his work, saying aliens took it.

- A) C
- B) I

18. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Tom can only speak English. He is *bilingual*.

- A) C
- B) I

19. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Emma likes studying *humanities* like chemistry and physics.

- A) C
- B) I

20. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Ivy doesn't have any *siblings*. It must be lonely without brothers or sisters.

- A) C
- B) I

21. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly. Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

The two brothers looked so much alike that they could be *clones*.

- A) C
- B) I



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22. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

My mother was *furious* when she heard that I passed all my exams.

A) C
B) I

23. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

Miranda is so *skinny*. She really needs to lose some weight.

A) C
B) I

24. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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I was filled with *disgust* when I heard the news that he had lied to all of us.

A) C
B) I

25. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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Sarah and I really understand each other. There is a big *gulf* between us.

A) C
B) I

26. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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Around the world, there are lots of different marriage *rituals*.

A) C
B) I

27. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

We had lots of *participants* in the fishing competition last Saturday.

A) C
B) I

28. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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Kay is a *linguist* and will give a lecture on the best way to learn a language.

A) C
B) I

29. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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You should wear dark clothes for the interview, such as your *fluorescent* jacket.

A) C
B) I

30. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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You always *dash* so slowly. I wish you would walk faster.

A) C
B) I

31. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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I can't use this thread for sewing because it has too many *knots* in it.

A) C
B) I

32. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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Jan wanted to make a cake, so she went to the shop to buy some *cosmetics*.

A) C
B) I

33. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

The lesson was long and boring, and all the students felt *astounded*.

A) C
B) I



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34. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
Write I if the word is used incorrectly.

I think Tom should get the job because he has all the right *attributes*.

- A) C
- B) I

35. Write C if the italicized word is used correctly.
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You shouldn't use *colloquial* language when you make formal presentations.

- A) C
- B) I

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Two months later, Katie returned. Alice **dashed** to the airport to greet her sister. But when Alice saw Katie, she was **astounded**. Katie was now **bilingual**, and she looked completely different! She was wearing nice clothes, **cosmetics** and looked **skinnier**. Alice felt very messy next to her. She was just wearing a **fluorescent** t-shirt, and her hair had **knots** in it.

When Alice asked Katie about France, Katie was **vague** and didn't say much. It made Alice **furious** and filled her with **disgust** because in the past they'd always told each other everything. Now there was a huge **gulf** between them. Over the weeks, the sisters spoke even less.

Two months later, it was the twins' birthday. All their lives, they'd had a **ritual**. Before their birthday, they'd talk all night long. That night, Alice came into Katie's bedroom.

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Alice said, "I'm sorry, too. I wanted our relationship to stay the same forever. But it's totally **plausible** for twins to have different interests. We can still be best friends without being together all the time."

The girls looked like clones, but they used different colloquial language.

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE



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The twins' attributes were different in that Katie was bilingual and Alice liked humanities.

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Alice was astounded when she saw Katie wearing a fluorescent t-shirt.

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- B) FALSE

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When the gulf formed between the sisters, they stopped speaking to each other in detail.

- A) TRUE
- B) FALSE



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Answer Key:

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|-------|-------|
| 1: A | 21: A |
| 2: A | 22: B |
| 3: A | 23: B |
| 4: C | 24: A |
| 5: B | 25: B |
| 6: B | 26: A |
| 7: D | 27: A |
| 8: B | 28: A |
| 9: C | 29: B |
| 10: C | 30: B |
| 11: D | 31: A |
| 12: D | 32: B |
| 13: C | 33: B |
| 14: B | 34: A |
| 15: A | 35: A |
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| 17: B | 37: B |
| 18: B | 38: A |
| 19: B | 39: B |
| 20: A | 40: A |

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