

ANSWERS TO ENGLISH, 2012

1. D

2. C

3. A

4. D

5. D

6. B

7. D

8. C: "Exhume" in this context refers to the act of bringing out a corpse from the grave. It is a verb. Synonyms for exhume are: dig up, unearth, disinter. Antonym: bury.

9. B

10. B: "Brains trust": an inner circle of unofficial advisors to the head of a government. It is used in the academic context. It conveys similar meaning with options A and C.

11. B: "Assent" is a verb which means "approval" while "accent" refers to the manner of pronunciation.

12. C: While an incident means an event, incidence is an uncountable noun meaning the rate at which something happens.

13. A

14. B

15. D: **Peal**: a deep prolonged sound (as of thunder or large bells).

16. C: "Measles" is a singular disease entity.

17. B

18. C

19. D

20. D

21. A

22. C

23. B

24. D

25. A

26. A: "Spurious" means "false" (synonyms are: bogus, fake, forged, counterfeit, imitation, specious, unauthentic, sham, illegitimate, phoney). Opposite in this context is "genuine". Other words for genuine are: authentic, indisputable, unadulterated, legitimate, valid, real, true).

27. B: "Flabby" means weak (synonyms are: flaccid, slack, loose, sagging, soft, floppy, unfit, out of condition). Opposite is "firm" (fixed, definite, fit, athletic, concrete etc).

28. C: **Intransigent**: unyielding, stiff, rigid, unbending, inflexible, stubborn, obdurate etc. The opposite of this is "Compromising"

29. C: **Disinterested**: neutral. The opposite of this is "biased".

30. B