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1. What is the meaning of the word prefix?

The correct answer is: B. A prefix is a group of letters (or a word) put before a root word which changes its meaning.

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Which two suffixes have the same meaning?

The correct answer is: C. 's' and 'es' are both suffixes used to indicate plural words e.g.. Book and books; dish and dishes.

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1. The government has **banned** smoking in public places.
2. The police **arrested** the man because he was behaving suspiciously.
3. My mother **blamed** me for breaking the window.
4. You have to find a good **excuse** for being late, otherwise they won't believe you.
5. The **purpose** of the meeting is to improve relationships between the two companies
6. The child was **attacked** by a dangerous dog and taken to the hospital.

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7. Tourists from all over the world come to London to hear Big Ben **strike** midnight.

8. The bank robbers were able to **escape** through the back door.

9. The teacher is constantly **ignoring** me although I always put my hand up

10. My girlfriend wants to **pursue** a career in engineering

11. I have never **cheated** during a test, but other students have tried it

12. When I get home from my holiday, I want to **complain** about the bad hotel service

13. She tried to **prevent** him from doing something really dangerous, but he didn't listen.

14. The murderer was **sentenced** to five years in prison.

15. The press conference was a **disappointment** because the reporters didn't learn anything new.

Q1. REPERCUSSION

- (a) Reliant
- (b) Consequence
- (c) Impertinence
- (d) Prompting
- (e) Callous

Sol. Option (b) is the correct choice.

Repercussion means an unintended consequence of an event or action, especially an unwelcome one hence **consequence** is the word which is most similar in meaning to this.

Callous means showing or having an insensitive and cruel disregard for others.

Prompting means the action of saying something to persuade, encourage, or remind someone to do or say something.

Impertinence means lack of respect; rudeness.

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Q2. MASQUERADE

- (a) Contentious
- (b) Pretense
- (c) Belligerent
- (d) Arrogant
- (e) Reminiscent

Sol. Masquerade means a false show or pretence. Hence masquerade and pretense are similar in meaning.

Pretense means an attempt to make something that is not the case appear true.

Belligerent means a nation or person engaged in war or conflict, as recognized by international law.

Reminiscent means suggesting something by resemblance.

- (i) conclusion
- (ii) paradox
- (iii) discrepancy
- (iv) pragmatic
- (a) only (i) – (iv)
- (b) only (i) – (iii)
- (c) only (ii) – (iii)**
- (d) only (i) – (ii)
- (e) none of these

S5. Ans. (c)

Sol. The most suitable words that are synonym of each other are 'paradox' and 'discrepancy'. '**paradox**' means a seemingly absurd or contradictory statement or proposition which when investigated may prove to be well founded or true while '**discrepancy**' means an illogical or surprising lack of compatibility or similarity between two or more facts. All the other words are irrelevant to each other. Hence, option (c) is the most viable answer choice.

Pragmatic means dealing with things sensibly and realistically in a way that is based on practical rather than theoretical considerations.

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- (i) prudent
- (ii) crucial
- (iii) fluid
- (iv) Reckless

- (a) only (ii) – (iii)
- (b) only (i) – (iii)
- (c) only (ii) – (iv)
- (d) only (i) – (iv)**
- (e) none of these

S8. Ans. (d)

Sol. The most suitable words that are opposite of each other are 'prudent' and 'reckless'. '**prudent**' means acting with or showing care and thought for the future, while; '**reckless**' means heedless of danger or the consequences of one's actions; rash or impetuous. Hence, option (d) is the most viable answer choice.

Crucial means decisive or critical, especially in the success or failure of something.

Fluid means smoothly elegant or graceful.

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- . (I) Guise
- (II) Staple
- (III) Wean
- (IV) Affliction
- (V) Torment

- (a) I and II
- (b) II and III
- (c) III and IV
- (d) IV and V**
- (e) I, III and IV

S10. Ans. (d)

Sol. Here, Affliction and Torment are similar in meaning to each other. **Affliction** means the state of being in pain, which is similar in meaning to '**torment**'.

Wean means be strongly influenced by (something).

Staple means a main or important element of something.

Guise means an external form, appearance, or manner of presentation, typically concealing the true nature of something

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Q. **Impromptu**

(a) **extempore**

(b) enticing

(c) rapturous

(d) entralling

(e) Enamouring

S. Ans. (a)

Sol. **Impromptu** means done without being planned or rehearsed. Hence it has same meaning as extempore.

Enamouring means be filled with love for

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Q. **Peculiar**

- (a) intuitive
- (b) winsome
- (c) queer
- (d) imperious
- (e) Inciting

S Ans. (c)

Sol. **Peculiar** means different to what is normal or expected, strange. Hence it has same meaning as queer.

Winsome means attractive or appealing in a fresh, innocent way.

Imperious means arrogant and domineering.

Intuitive means easy to use and understand.

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Q. **Dire**

- (a) devour
- (b) revoke
- (c) unprecedented
- (d) appalling
- (e) Extraneous

Ans. (d)

Sol. **Dire** means extremely serious or urgent. Hence it has same meaning as appalling.

Extraneous means irrelevant or unrelated to the subject being dealt with.

Unprecedented means never done or known before.

Revoke means cancel officially.

Devour means destroy completely.

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Q. **Tapering off**

(a) tenable

(b) **Abate**

(c) ameliorate

(d) repudiate

(e) Inundate

Ans. (b)

Sol. **Tapering off** means to become gradually smaller or weaker. Hence it has same meaning as **abate**.

Ameliorate means become or make greater in size, amount.

Inundate means overwhelm (someone) with things or people to be dealt with.

Repudiate means refuse to accept, reject, deny.

Tenable means able to be maintained or defended against attack or objection.

Margaret Mead is a _____
anthropologist.

a. corpse **b. credible** c. amiable

Market leaders usually want to their market share even further, or at least to protect their current market share.

a) decrease b) dominate c) increase d) establish

He wants to get a better _____ and earn more money.

a) employ b) job c) work d) employment

20. Present and foreseeable increases in world population will call for increases in materials and energy unlikely to be if present practices, policies and lifestyles persist.

A) conceived

B) concealed

C) met

D) trusted

E) convinced

Even with the recent succession of better-than-average harvests, world food reserves today only 19 percent of annual world consumption.

- A) mediate
- B) purchase
- C) frustrate
- D) cancel
- E) equal

Developing countries are becoming increasingly
..... on food imports from two countries - the
United States and Canada.

- A) negligible
- B) conventional
- C) impartial
- D) dependent**
- E) near-sighted

The building blocks of living molecules have been produced in the laboratory by subjecting materials to the simulated conditions presumed to have existed in the earth's early atmosphere.

A) shabby

B) inanimate

C) false

D) convertible

E) ventilated

..... population growth in less developed countries is widely regarded as a major obstacle to their material progress and a major global economic and political problem.

A) Timely

B) Hasty

C) Leisurely

D) Rapid

E) Retarded

The recent rapid increase in population in less developed countries reflects a fall in mortality.

A) steep

B) superficial

C) shrewd

D) tight

E) tame

The Ministry of Agriculture experts cannot
when the new technology will arrive or how it will
affect international commerce in foodstuffs.

A) predict

B) combat

C) delay

D) admit

E) offend

To many people in industrialized countries, with their incomparably more populations, food is something that comes from the supermarket; agriculture is a dusty and mysterious process of interest only to a group of people known as farmers.

A) affluent

B) impoverished

C) imperfect

D) inferior

E) modest

Thomas Malthus predicted in the late 18th century that world population would inevitably rise above the ability of the land to nourish it, and that the result would be mass and war.

- A) controversy
- B) avoidance
- C) starvation
- D) pollution
- E) sarcasm

The professor gave a _____ of the seminar.

a)Synopsis

b)strategy

Professor X is very _____; he doesn't listen to reason.

a) Profound

b) Dogmatic

c) Wise