

Antonyms

Choose the most appropriate antonym of the underlined word.

1. The sun was now ascending the sky.

- (a) soaring
- (b) rising
- (c) mounting
- (d) downhill

Answer:

- (d) downhill

2. He ran a little forward to the brink of the ledge.

- (a) centre
- (b) brim
- (c) threshold
- (d) bridge

Answer:

- (a) centre

3. He waited a moment in surprise.

- (a) weighted
- (b) sat
- (c) began
- (d) astonished

Answer:

- (c) began

4. He felt the heat because he had not eaten since the previous nightfall.

- (a) warmth
- (b) coldness
- (c) seat
- (d) hearth

Answer:

- (b) coldness

5. He searched among the rough, dirt-caked straw nest.

- (a) coarse
- (b) smooth
- (c) bumpy
- (d) blunt

Answer:

- (b) smooth

6. He failed to muster up courage to take that plunge.

- (a) dive
- (b) climb
- (c) fall
- (d) plume

Answer:

- (b) climb

7. Between them, there was a deep, wide crack.

- (a) cavernous
- (b) dip
- (c) narrow
- (d) shallow

Answer:

- (d) shallow

8. Maddened by hunger, he dived at the fish.

- (a) surfeit
- (b) famine
- (c) appetite
- (d) heat

Answer:

- (a) surfeit

9. He even gnawed at the dried pieces of eggshell.

- (a) parched
- (b) dehydrated
- (c) fresh
- (d) new other.

Answer:

- (c) fresh

10. He then trotted back and forth from one end of the ledge to the

- (a) scurried
- (b) sauntered
- (c) tracked
- (d) rolled

Answer:

- (b) sauntered

11. As he passed beneath her, he heard the swish of her wings.

- (a) underneath
- (b) below
- (c) above
- (d) finite

Answer:

- (c) above

12. The next moment, he felt his wings spread outwards.

- (a) centrifugally
- (b) inwards
- (c) beautifully
- (d) aloft

Answer:

- (b) inwards

13. He flapped his wings and soared upwards.

- (a) downwards
- (b) inwards
- (c) outwards
- (d) lethargically

Answer:

- (a) downwards

14. The precipice was sheer.

- (a) steep
- (b) gentle
- (c) effervescence
- (d) recap

Answer:

- (b) gentle

15. The wind rushed against his breast feathers.

- (a) gushed
- (b) relaxed
- (c) flushed
- (d) plumes

Answer:

- (b) relaxed

16. He completely forgot his inability to fly.

- (a) overlooked
- (b) remembered
- (c) ignored
- (d) disregarded

Answer:

- (b) remembered

17. His parents had landed in front of him.

- (a) visible
- (b) detectable
- (c) behind
- (d) anterior

Answer:

- (c) behind

18. They were beckoning to him, calling shrilly.

- (a) summoning
- (b) signaling
- (c) dismissing
- (d) requesting

Answer:

- (c) dismissing

19. He was tired and weak with hunger.

- (a) scrawny
- (b) puny
- (c) weak
- (d) view

Answer:

- (d) view

20. Hqwas floating on it.

- (a) flowing
- (b) fluctuating
- (c) flinging
- (d) strong

Answer:

- (d) strong

21. His family was screaming and praising him.

- (a) diluting
- (b) adulation
- (c) exaltation
- (d) fixed

Answer:

- (d) fixed

22. She was standing on a little high hump on the plateau.

- (a) mountain
- (b) dip
- (c) hollow
- (d) highland

Answer:

- (c) hollow

23. He scraped his beak now and again to whet it!

- (a) rubbed
- (b) blunt
- (c) wet
- (d) sharpened

Answer:

- (b) blunt

24. The great expanse of sea stretched down a long way down.

- (a) short
- (b) lengthy
- (c) straight
- (d) vision

Answer:

- (a) short

25. He felt certain that his wings would never support him.

(a) nearer

(b) forever

(c) surely

(d) always

Answer:

(d) always