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35 Daily Vocabulary MCQs

Vocab Level: Graduate (05), Post-Graduate(20), Doctorate (10)

Score (Out of 35):

Instructions:

- **Total Questions:** 35
 - **Levels:** Graduate (05), Post-Graduate (20), Doctorate (10)
 - **Each question carries equal marks**
 - Choose the **best possible answer** for each
 - Each incorrect answer will carry a **penalty** of 0.25 marks.
 - **Time Limit:** 10 minutes
 - **Answers** are provided **immediately after each question**
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1. (Fillers)

Despite his _____ demeanor, he was actually deeply insecure.

- a) affable
- b) surly
- c) morose
- d) pompous

Answer: d) pompous

2. (Cloze Test)

The scientist's theory was initially met with _____, but eventually it became the _____ of modern physics.

- a) derision; cornerstone
- b) acclaim; paradox
- c) skepticism; enigma
- d) approbation; aberration

Answer: a) derision; cornerstone

3. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following best defines "intransigent"?

- a) Flexible

- b) Uncompromising
- c) Deceptive
- d) Inactive

Answer: b) Uncompromising

4. (Spot the Error)

Neither the manager nor his assistants was willing to take the responsibility.

- a) Neither
- b) nor
- c) was
- d) assistants

Answer: c) was → were

5. (Idioms & Phrases)

“To throw in the towel” means:

- a) To create confusion
- b) To admit defeat
- c) To act aggressively
- d) To waste time

Answer: b) To admit defeat

6. (Analogy)

Ephemeral : Permanent :: Garrulous : _____

- a) Reserved
- b) Talkative
- c) Silent
- d) Verbose

Answer: a) Reserved

7. (Odd one out)

- a) Cacophony
- b) Rhapsody
- c) Melody
- d) Symphony

Answer: a) Cacophony

8. (Synonym)

Choose the closest synonym of “vociferous.”

- a) Reticent
- b) Boisterous
- c) Subdued
- d) Apathetic

Answer: b) Boisterous

9. (Antonym)

Antonym of “obfuscate.”

- a) Clarify
- b) Complicate
- c) Mystify
- d) Puzzle

Answer: a) Clarify

10. (Phrase Starter / Connector)

Complete the sentence:

“Not only did she deliver her speech with confidence, ____.”

- a) but also she captivated the audience completely
- b) she captivated the audience also
- c) and also she captivated the audience
- d) but also captivating the audience

Answer: a) but also she captivated the audience completely

11. (Fillers)

Her criticism was so ____ that it left no room for defense.

- a) caustic
- b) benign
- c) equivocal
- d) redundant

Answer: a) caustic

12. (Cloze Test)

The diplomat's remarks were deliberately _____ so as not to offend either side in the dispute.

- a) candid
- b) tactful
- c) incendiary
- d) forthright

Answer: b) tactful

13. (Word Knowledge)

The word "jeune" refers to something that is:

- a) Mature and profound
- b) Superficial and uninteresting
- c) Elegant and stylish
- d) Old-fashioned and outdated

Answer: b) Superficial and uninteresting

14. (Spot the Error)

The principal, along with the teachers, are attending the workshop.

- a) The principal
- b) along with
- c) are
- d) attending

Answer: c) are → is

15. (Idioms & Phrases)

"Burning the midnight oil" means:

- a) To waste resources
- b) To work late into the night
- c) To burn bridges
- d) To celebrate extravagantly

Answer: b) To work late into the night

16. (Analogy)

Quixotic : Practical :: Profligate : _____

- a) Frugal
- b) Wasteful
- c) Extravagant
- d) Lavish

Answer: a) Frugal

17. (Odd one out)

- a) Mellifluous
- b) Euphonious
- c) Strident
- d) Harmonious

Answer: c) Strident

18. (Synonym)

Choose the closest synonym of "sagacious."

- a) Wise
- b) Foolish
- c) Ordinary
- d) Indifferent

Answer: a) Wise

19. (Antonym)

Antonym of "aberrant."

- a) Deviant
- b) Normal
- c) Anomalous
- d) Irregular

Answer: b) Normal

20. (Passage)

Passage (120 words)

In today's digital era, information is abundant but discernment is scarce. The true challenge lies

not in accessing knowledge, but in distinguishing reliable sources from misleading ones. The democratization of publishing has allowed both experts and amateurs to voice their opinions with equal vigor. This creates a paradox: while knowledge has become more accessible, truth has become more elusive. It requires a discerning mind to separate fact from fabrication, particularly when misinformation is cloaked in persuasive rhetoric.

Question: Which of the following best captures the central idea of the passage?

- a) Information is always reliable in the digital era.
- b) Accessibility of knowledge ensures clarity of truth.
- c) Distinguishing fact from misinformation is the real challenge.
- d) Experts dominate digital publishing.

Answer: c) Distinguishing fact from misinformation is the real challenge.

21. (Fillers)

The dictator's rule was marked by ____ suppression of dissent.

- a) lenient
- b) draconian
- c) benevolent
- d) merciful

Answer: b) draconian

22. (Cloze Test)

Her speech was so ____ that even her critics were moved to silence.

- a) insipid
- b) poignant
- c) banal
- d) obscure

Answer: b) poignant

23. (Word Knowledge)

"Vituperative" language is:

- a) Mild and friendly
- b) Harsh and abusive
- c) Neutral and factual
- d) Formal and ceremonial

Answer: b) Harsh and abusive

24. (Spot the Error)

Every one of the students have submitted their assignments.

- a) Every one
- b) of the students
- c) have
- d) submitted

Answer: c) have → has

25. (Idioms & Phrases)

“To keep something at bay” means:

- a) To control or prevent it
- b) To neglect it
- c) To embrace it
- d) To chase it away completely

Answer: a) To control or prevent it

26. (Analogy)

Equanimity : Agitation :: Magnanimity : _____

- a) Selfishness
- b) Generosity
- c) Kindness
- d) Humility

Answer: a) Selfishness

27. (Odd one out)

- a) Credulous
- b) Gullible
- c) Skeptical
- d) Naïve

Answer: c) Skeptical

28. (Synonym)

Choose the closest synonym of “abstruse.”

- a) Obvious
- b) Complex
- c) Simple
- d) Clear

Answer: b) Complex

29. (Antonym)

Antonym of “laconic.”

- a) Concise
- b) Verbose
- c) Brief
- d) Reticent

Answer: b) Verbose

30. (Phrase Starter / Connector)

“Although the evidence was compelling, ____.”

- a) yet the jury remained unconvinced
- b) the jury still remained unconvinced
- c) but the jury remained unconvinced
- d) and the jury remained unconvinced

Answer: b) the jury still remained unconvinced

31. (Fillers)

The speaker’s arguments were ____ with statistics and real-life examples.

- a) bereft
- b) replete
- c) devoid
- d) barren

Answer: b) replete

32. (Cloze Test)

The professor’s explanation was so ____ that even the most complex theories seemed ____ to

the students.

- a) abstruse; impenetrable
- b) lucid; comprehensible
- c) ambiguous; confusing
- d) esoteric; perplexing

Answer: b) lucid; comprehensible

33. (Word Knowledge)

The word "insouciant" means:

- a) Anxious
- b) Carefree
- c) Thoughtful
- d) Diligent

Answer: b) Carefree

34. (Synonym)

Closest synonym of "trenchant."

- a) Vague
- b) Incisive
- c) Weak
- d) Ambiguous

Answer: b) Incisive

35. (Antonym)

Antonym of "pulchritude."

- a) Ugliness
- b) Beauty
- c) Grace
- d) Charm

Answer: a) Ugliness