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**35 Daily Vocabulary MCQs**

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

**Score (Out of 35):**

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**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. (Filler)**

Her explanation was so \_\_\_\_\_ that the committee remained unconvinced of her sincerity.

- a) cogent
- b) unconvincing
- c) specious
- d) lucid

Answer: c) specious

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**2. (Word Knowledge)**

The word *pellucid* is closest in meaning to:

- a) transparent
- b) confused
- c) gloomy
- d) dark

Answer: a) transparent

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### 3. (Spot the Error)

She is one of the student who always come late.

- a) She
- b) is one of
- c) the student
- d) who always come late

Answer: c) the student (*Correct: students*)

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### 4. (Idiom)

“To turn the tables” means:

- a) to invite guests
- b) to reverse the situation
- c) to avoid responsibility
- d) to change appearance

Answer: b) to reverse the situation

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### 5. (Analogy)

*Inspid : Flavor ::*

- a) Banal : Originality
- b) Garrulous : Talk
- c) Reticent : Silence
- d) Copious : Quantity

Answer: a) Banal : Originality

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### 6. (Cloze Test)

The minister's comments were seen as a deliberate attempt to \_\_\_\_\_ public opinion before the elections.

- a) mollify
- b) galvanize
- c) obfuscate
- d) placate

Answer: b) galvanize

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## 7. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *perspicacious*:

- a) dull
- b) shrewd
- c) vague
- d) ignorant

Answer: b) shrewd

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## 8. (Antonym)

Opposite of *abundant*:

- a) scarce
- b) plentiful
- c) lavish
- d) copious

Answer: a) scarce

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## 9. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

“Although the evidence was overwhelming, ...”

- a) the jury dismissed the charges.
- b) the defense collapsed instantly.
- c) the witness was considered reliable.
- d) it was suppressed by the media.

Answer: a) the jury dismissed the charges.

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## 10. (Odd One Out)

- a) ephemeral
- b) transient
- c) eternal
- d) fleeting

Answer: c) eternal

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### 11. (Filler)

The speech was so \_\_\_\_\_ that even the harshest critics applauded.

- a) mediocre
- b) eloquent
- c) ambiguous
- d) insipid

Answer: b) eloquent

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### 12. (Word Knowledge)

The word *jejune* most nearly means:

- a) immature
- b) wise
- c) complex
- d) elaborate

Answer: a) immature

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### 13. (Spot the Error)

He along with his friends were arrested for trespassing.

- a) He
- b) along with his friends
- c) were arrested
- d) for trespassing

Answer: c) were arrested (*Correct: was arrested*)

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### 14. (Idiom)

“To break the ice” means:

- a) to ruin a plan
- b) to start a conversation

- c) to end a dispute
- d) to lose hope

Answer: b) to start a conversation

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### 15. (Analogy)

*Laconic : Words ::*

- a) Punctual : Time
- b) Fastidious : Detail
- c) Verbose : Silence
- d) Obsolete : Future

Answer: b) Fastidious : Detail

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### 16. (Cloze Test)

Her \_\_\_\_\_ response to the allegations only made the jury more suspicious of her conduct.

- a) candid
- b) evasive
- c) transparent
- d) forthright

Answer: b) evasive

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### 17. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *bellicose*:

- a) friendly
- b) warlike
- c) timid
- d) neutral

Answer: b) warlike

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### 18. (Antonym)

Opposite of *resilient*:

- a) strong
- b) brittle
- c) flexible
- d) durable

Answer: b) brittle

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### 19. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

“Notwithstanding his poor health, ...”

- a) he decided to skip the journey.
- b) he completed the marathon successfully.
- c) he remained bedridden for months.
- d) he asked for medical leave.

Answer: b) he completed the marathon successfully.

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### 20. (Odd One Out)

- a) parsimonious
- b) frugal
- c) lavish
- d) miserly

Answer: c) lavish

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### 21. (Filler)

The scientist’s work was dismissed as \_\_\_\_\_ until it gained recognition years later.

- a) visionary
- b) inconsequential
- c) prescient
- d) trivial

Answer: d) trivial

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## 22. (Word Knowledge)

The word *vitriolic* most nearly means:

- a) bitter
- b) sweet
- c) neutral
- d) plain

Answer: a) bitter

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## 23. (Spot the Error)

No sooner he reached the station when the train left.

- a) No sooner
- b) he reached
- c) the station
- d) when the train left

Answer: d) when the train left (*Correct: than the train left*)

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## 24. (Idiom)

“To keep at bay” means:

- a) to remain nearby
- b) to avoid something harmful
- c) to stay focused
- d) to wait patiently

Answer: b) to avoid something harmful

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## 25. (Analogy)

*Audible : Sound :: Visible :*

- a) Light
- b) Vision
- c) Sight
- d) Image

Answer: c) Sight

## 26. (Cloze Test)

His arguments were so \_\_\_\_\_ that the audience was compelled to reconsider their position.

- a) cogent
- b) ambiguous
- c) dubious
- d) trivial

Answer: a) cogent

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## 27. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *obdurate*:

- a) stubborn
- b) lenient
- c) flexible
- d) kind

Answer: a) stubborn

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## 28. (Antonym)

Opposite of *candor*:

- a) honesty
- b) duplicity
- c) openness
- d) sincerity

Answer: b) duplicity

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## 29. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

“Given the gravity of the situation, ...”

- a) immediate action was unavoidable.
- b) everyone ignored the matter.
- c) the authorities laughed it off.
- d) the media declined coverage.

Answer: a) immediate action was unavoidable.



### 30. (Odd One Out)

- a) lethargic
- b) indolent
- c) torpid
- d) energetic

Answer: d) energetic

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### 31. (Passage – Doctorate Level, 120 words)

Passage:

The Enlightenment heralded a radical rethinking of knowledge, emphasizing reason, empiricism, and skepticism of traditional authority. Thinkers such as Kant urged humanity to “dare to know,” while others explored the limits of rationality itself. However, critics argue that the Enlightenment’s reliance on reason overlooked cultural and emotional dimensions of human life, reducing complexity to abstract universals. In modern debates, the legacy of Enlightenment remains contested: is it the foundation of democracy and progress, or a project of domination cloaked in rationality?

Q: According to the passage, Enlightenment thinking was criticized for:

- a) overemphasis on emotions
- b) reliance on authority
- c) neglecting cultural and emotional dimensions
- d) rejecting rationality

Answer: c) neglecting cultural and emotional dimensions

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### 32. (Doctorate – Analogy)

*Ontology : Existence :: Axiology :*

- a) Beauty
- b) Ethics
- c) Value
- d) Truth

Answer: c) Value

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### 33. (Doctorate – Synonym)

The word *recalcitrant* most nearly means:

- a) cooperative
- b) stubborn
- c) generous
- d) passive

Answer: b) stubborn

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### 34. (Doctorate – Antonym)

Opposite of *pulchritude*:

- a) elegance
- b) beauty
- c) ugliness
- d) charm

Answer: c) ugliness

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### 35. (Doctorate – Cloze Test)

His lecture was not only \_\_\_\_\_ in content but also so \_\_\_\_\_ in delivery that students were left bewildered.

- a) profound ... lucid
- b) recondite ... opaque
- c) shallow ... engaging
- d) trivial ... transparent

Answer: b) recondite ... opaque