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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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Q1. (Filler)

Despite his _____ nature, the professor was revered for his intellectual brilliance.

- a) convivial
- b) petulant
- c) gregarious
- d) magnanimous

Answer: b) petulant

Q2. (Word Knowledge)

The word *zeitgeist* most nearly means:

- a) Cultural spirit of an era
- b) Political dominance
- c) Religious fervor
- d) Historical chronology

Answer: a) Cultural spirit of an era

Q3. (Spot the Error)

Identify the segment with an error:

The company pledged to uphold transparency and integrity in perpetuity.

- a) The company pledged
- b) to uphold transparency
- c) and integrity in perpetuity
- d) No error

Answer: d) No error

Q4. (Cloze Test)

The lawyer tried to _____ every minor detail of the case, which delayed the proceedings unnecessarily.

- a) jubilate
- b) quibble
- c) herald
- d) cajole

Answer: b) quibble

Q5. (Idioms and Phrases)

To go on a spree means:

- a) To engage in a burst of activity, often excessive
- b) To work under stress
- c) To seek solitude
- d) To act cautiously

Answer: a) To engage in a burst of activity, often excessive

Q6. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

Complete the sentence:

Abject poverty does not merely reflect economic deprivation, _____.

- a) it symbolizes systemic neglect and social exclusion.
- b) rather it leads to more wealth creation.

- c) instead it demonstrates fiscal abundance.
- d) therefore it shows extravagance.

Answer: a) it symbolizes systemic neglect and social exclusion.

Q7. (Analogy)

Whimsical : Predictable ::

- a) Abject : Miserable
- b) Jubilant : Sorrowful
- c) Flaky : Reliable
- d) Spree : Indulgence

Answer: c) Flaky : Reliable

Q8. (Odd One Out)

Identify the odd word:

- a) embellish
- b) adorn
- c) decorate
- d) impoverish

Answer: d) impoverish

Q9. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *cajole*:

- a) Coerce
- b) Persuade
- c) Intimidate
- d) Rebuke

Answer: b) Persuade

Q10. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *consummate*:

- a) Incomplete
- b) Skilled
- c) Perfected
- d) Expert

Answer: a) Incomplete

Q11. (Filler)

The politician's speech was _____ with anecdotes that had little to do with the actual policy.

- a) embellished
- b) curtailed
- c) austere
- d) depleted

Answer: a) embellished

Q12. (Cloze Test)

The historian served as a modern-day _____, preserving cultural memory through storytelling.

- a) herald
- b) griot
- c) oracle
- d) laggard

Answer: b) griot

Q13. (Word Knowledge)

Zoomorphic refers to:

- a) Attributing animal forms to deities or objects
- b) Depicting humans as plants
- c) Worshipping celestial bodies
- d) Designing geometric patterns

Answer: a) Attributing animal forms to deities or objects

Q14. (Spot the Error)

The student jubilated with joy after they had received an offer letter.

- a) The student jubilated
- b) with joy after
- c) they had received
- d) an offer letter

Answer: a) The student jubilated (Better usage: “rejoiced” / “was jubilant”)

Q15. (Idioms and Phrases)

To debunk a myth means:

- a) To support it
- b) To expose its falseness
- c) To exaggerate it
- d) To replace it with another

Answer: b) To expose its falseness

Q16. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

While many disciples remained loyal to their master, _____.

- a) some eventually questioned his doctrines.
- b) others praised him unconditionally.
- c) most followed his teachings blindly.
- d) few turned his philosophy into a spree.

Answer: a) some eventually questioned his doctrines.

Q17. (Analogy)

Quibble : Triviality ::

- a) Jubilate : Success
- b) Petulant : Patience

- c) Spree : Moderation
- d) Embellish : Simplicity

Answer: a) Jubilate : Success

Q18. (Odd One Out)

- a) Credibility
- b) Flakiness
- c) Reliability
- d) Consistency

Answer: b) Flakiness

Q19. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *heralded*:

- a) Announced
- b) Concealed
- c) Resisted
- d) Silenced

Answer: a) Announced

Q20. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *wariness*:

- a) Caution
- b) Vigilance
- c) Recklessness
- d) Hesitation

Answer: c) Recklessness

Q21. (Filler)

The discovery was _____ as a turning point in the fight against climate change.

- a) heralded

- b) quibbled
- c) abject
- d) whimsical

Answer: a) heralded

Q22. (Cloze Test)

Unlike superficial fixes, reforms aimed at perpetuity require _____.

- a) long-term vision and systemic change
- b) immediate profits and short cuts
- c) whimsical ideas with no clarity
- d) quibbles over irrelevant issues

Answer: a) long-term vision and systemic change

Q23. (Word Knowledge)

Which sentence uses *crib* correctly?

- a) He likes to crib his notes before exams.
- b) The child was placed gently in the crib.
- c) Stop to crib about your problems all the time.
- d) All of the above.

Answer: d) All of the above.

Q24. (Spot the Error)

The designer was asked to prepend missing characters to the names but forgot it.

- a) The designer was asked
- b) to prepend missing characters
- c) to the names
- d) but forgot it

Answer: d) but forgot it (Correct: "forgot to do so")

Q25. (Idioms and Phrases)

To clinch the deal means:

- a) To sabotage it
- b) To secure it successfully
- c) To negotiate endlessly
- d) To reject it outright

Answer: b) To secure it successfully

Q26. (Phrase Starter & Connector)

Whimsical decisions may appear creative, but _____.

- a) they often lack practical grounding.
- b) they always ensure logical clarity.
- c) they guarantee sustainable outcomes.
- d) they are immune to risks.

Answer: a) they often lack practical grounding.

Q27. (Analogy)

Perpetuity : Eternity ::

- a) Spree : Restraint
- b) Flakiness : Stability
- c) Abject : Elevated
- d) Cajole : Persuade

Answer: d) Cajole : Persuade

Q28. (Odd One Out)

- a) Jubilate
- b) Celebrate
- c) Mourn
- d) Exult

Answer: c) Mourn

Q29. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *abject*:

- a) Miserable
- b) Proud
- c) Dignified
- d) Prosperous

Answer: a) Miserable

Q30. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *embellish*:

- a) Decorate
- b) Enhance
- c) Simplify
- d) Enrich

Answer: c) Simplify

Q31. (Passage)

Read the passage and answer:

In times of upheaval, societies often turn to storytellers, whether griots of West Africa or contemporary writers, to preserve collective memory. These voices do more than recount history—they shape the zeitgeist, influencing how generations interpret struggle, triumph, and identity. Yet, when such narratives are embellished excessively, they risk turning heritage into myth rather than truth.

Q31a. The role of a griot is to:

- a) Challenge authority
- b) Preserve cultural memory
- c) Promote economic reform
- d) Quibble over facts

Answer: b) Preserve cultural memory

Q31b. The phrase “shape the zeitgeist” means:

- a) Control material wealth
- b) Influence the spirit of the times

- c) Destroy historical myths
- d) Erase collective memory

Answer: b) Influence the spirit of the times

Q31c. What danger arises from excessive embellishment?

- a) It creates more accuracy.
- b) It mythologizes heritage.
- c) It strengthens facts.
- d) It improves credibility.

Answer: b) It mythologizes heritage

Q32. (Word Knowledge)

Consummate professional most nearly means:

- a) Slightly experienced
- b) Incompletely trained
- c) Highly skilled and perfect
- d) Casual and negligent

Answer: c) Highly skilled and perfect

Q33. (Spot the Error)

Nobody wants to work with her because of her petulant behaviour.

- a) Nobody wants
- b) to work with her
- c) because of her petulant behaviour
- d) No error

Answer: d) No error

Q34. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *wariness*:

- a) Caution
- b) Carelessness
- c) Neglect
- d) Rashness

Answer: a) Caution

Q35. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *jubilate*:

- a) Rejoice
- b) Exult
- c) Mourn
- d) Celebrate

Answer: c) Mourn