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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)

The professor's explanation was so \_\_\_\_\_ that even the brightest students struggled to grasp the nuances.

- a) pellucid
- b) recondite
- c) manifest
- d) lucid

Answer: b) recondite

#### 2. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following best defines *sanguine*?

- a) Fearful and anxious
- b) Optimistic and hopeful
- c) Neutral and detached
- d) Harsh and critical

Answer: b) Optimistic and hopeful

#### 3. (Spot the Error)

Choose the part with an error:

A) The results of the survey / B) were so egregious / C) that they raised suspicion / D) among even the most credulous observers.

Answer: B) were so egregious (replace with "so anomalous")

#### 4. (Analogy)

Taciturn : Speech :: Prodigal : \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Wealth

- b) Silence
  - c) Fame
  - d) Prudence
- Answer: a) Wealth

5. (Filler)

Her reputation for honesty lent great \_\_\_\_\_ to her argument.

- a) cachet
- b) disdain
- c) vacuity
- d) animosity

Answer: a) cachet

6. (Cloze Test)

Despite his \_\_\_\_\_ attitude, he remained \_\_\_\_\_ about the possibility of success.

- a) morose ... sanguine
  - b) jovial ... apathetic
  - c) taciturn ... pessimistic
  - d) raddled ... exuberant
- Answer: a) morose ... sanguine

7. (Phrase Starter)

*No sooner had the leader announced reforms...*

- a) than protests erupted across the city.
- b) and the citizens calmed down.
- c) but confusion spread.
- d) then people rejected it.

Answer: a) than protests erupted across the city.

8. (Odd One Out)

- a) ephemeral
- b) fugacious
- c) perennial
- d) transient

Answer: c) perennial

9. (Idioms and Phrases)

"To throw someone under the bus" means:

- a) To support someone publicly
- b) To sacrifice a friend for personal gain
- c) To reveal someone's secret
- d) To provide unexpected help

Answer: b) To sacrifice a friend for personal gain

10. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following is closest in meaning to *mollify*?

- a) Agitate
- b) Appease
- c) Provoke
- d) Embolden

Answer: b) Appease

11. (Analogy)

Egregious : Error :: Benevolent : \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Virtue
- b) Malice
- c) Generosity
- d) Negligence

Answer: c) Generosity

12. (Filler)

The \_\_\_\_\_ defeat of the team left its fans speechless.

- a) shattering
- b) jovial
- c) taciturn
- d) dodging

Answer: a) shattering

13. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *verbatim*:

- a) Summarized
- b) Precise
- c) Exact
- d) Paraphrased

Answer: c) Exact

14. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *intransigent*:

- a) Yielding
- b) Resolute
- c) Defiant
- d) Obstinate

Answer: a) Yielding

15. (Filler)

The \_\_\_\_\_ of foreign powers was evident in the economic collapse.

- a) confederation
- b) insinuation
- c) intervention

d) meander

Answer: a) confederation

16. (Cloze Test)

The author's style is marked by a \_\_\_\_\_ use of imagery, which often \_\_\_\_\_ the reader into deeper reflection.

a) verbatim ... mollifies

b) deft ... insinuates

c) taciturn ... precedes

d) jovial ... dodges

Answer: b) deft ... insinuates

17. (Phrase Connector)

Complete the sentence:

*The scientist argued convincingly, not only because of evidence...*

a) but also because of her reputation.

b) and also she was respected.

c) also because people liked her.

d) but because she was honest.

Answer: a) but also because of her reputation.

18. (Odd One Out)

a) Zest

b) Zeal

c) Apathy

d) Ardor

Answer: c) Apathy

19. (Spot the Error)

A) Each of the students / B) were asked to submit / C) their assignments / D) before the deadline.

Answer: B) were asked (replace with "was asked")

20. (Word Knowledge)

*Defenestration* originally means:

a) Removal of a ruler from power

b) Throwing someone or something out of a window

c) Exiling someone from their homeland

d) Breaking down an institution

Answer: b) Throwing someone or something out of a window

21. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *appreciable*:

a) Negligible

b) Noticeable

- c) Trivial
- d) Insignificant

Answer: b) Noticeable

22. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *fugacious*:

- a) Transient
- b) Everlasting
- c) Ephemeral
- d) Fleeting

Answer: b) Everlasting

23. (Filler)

The craftsman used specialized \_\_\_\_\_ to ensure precision in drilling.

- a) cachets
- b) jigs
- c) meanders
- d) behests

Answer: b) jigs

24. (Analogy)

Oddities : Strange :: Cachet : \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Prestige
- b) Power
- c) Decline
- d) Weakness

Answer: a) Prestige

25. (Passage - 120 words)

*Passage:*

In modern organizations, leadership styles vary significantly. Some leaders adopt a taciturn approach, believing silence reflects authority, while others meander in decision-making, causing inefficiency. Yet, those who communicate clearly and act with resolve often earn cachet among their peers. However, even respected leaders can face shattering defeats if they underestimate internal dissent. Leadership, therefore, is less about charisma and more about adjudicating conflicts fairly, mollifying tensions, and inspiring with vision.

*Question:*

According to the passage, leadership is most effective when:

- a) Leaders remain taciturn to display authority.
- b) Leaders inspire, adjudicate, and mollify effectively.
- c) Leaders avoid making decisive choices.
- d) Leaders depend solely on charisma.

Answer: b) Leaders inspire, adjudicate, and mollify effectively.

26. (Idioms and Phrases)

"To beat around the bush" means:

- a) To avoid the main topic
- b) To give a direct answer
- c) To criticize harshly
- d) To resolve something quickly

Answer: a) To avoid the main topic

27. (Filler)

The witness repeated the statement \_\_\_\_\_, leaving no room for misinterpretation.

- a) verbatim
- b) insinuatingly
- c) raddled
- d) sanguine

Answer: a) verbatim

28. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following best captures the connotation of *raddled*?

- a) Healthy and glowing
- b) Worn-out and disheveled
- c) Elegant and dignified
- d) Jovial and lively

Answer: b) Worn-out and disheveled

29. (Analogy)

Behest : Command :: Insinuation : \_\_\_\_\_

- a) Suggestion
- b) Shattering
- c) Objection
- d) Agreement

Answer: a) Suggestion

30. (Odd One Out)

- a) Resolve
- b) Decision
- c) Vacillation
- d) Determination

Answer: c) Vacillation

31. (Filler)

The lecture was \_\_\_\_\_ by a short documentary on ancient civilizations.

- a) preceded
- b) mollified
- c) dodged

d) meandered

Answer: a) preceded

32. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of zest:

a) Ardor

b) Lethargy

c) Passion

d) Zeal

Answer: b) Lethargy

33. (Spot the Error)

A) Neither of the solutions / B) appear to be working / C) as intended by the designer.

Answer: B) appear (replace with "appears")

34. (Phrase Starter)

*If the confederation had dissolved earlier...*

a) the region would have fallen into chaos.

b) then peace would prevail.

c) but unity was restored.

d) and nothing happened.

Answer: a) the region would have fallen into chaos.

35. (Cloze Test)

He tried to \_\_\_\_\_ responsibility for the failure, but the committee \_\_\_\_\_ his claims.

a) dodge ... adjudicated

b) mollify ... preceded

c) resolve ... dodged

d) meander ... insinuated

Answer: a) dodge ... adjudicated