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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)

His arguments were dismissed as _____, lacking both depth and coherence.

- a) perspicuous
- b) jejune
- c) trenchant
- d) erudite

Answer: b) jejune

Q2. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following best defines *mendacious*?

- a) Truthful
- b) Deceptive
- c) Harmless
- d) Obvious

Answer: b) Deceptive

Q3. (Cloze Test)

Choose the most appropriate word for the blank:

The leader's _____ style won him admiration but also accusations of being authoritarian.

- a) peremptory
- b) diffident
- c) obsequious
- d) apathetic

Answer: a) peremptory

Q4. (Spot the Error)

Identify the segment with the error:

"The committee was unanimous in their decision, but none of the members were willing to sign the document."

- a) The committee was unanimous
- b) in their decision,
- c) but none of the members were
- d) willing to sign the document.

Answer: b) in their decision → should be *in its decision*

Q5. (Idioms and Phrases)

To "throw down the gauntlet" means:

- a) To admit defeat
- b) To issue a challenge
- c) To retreat honorably
- d) To make peace

Answer: b) To issue a challenge

Q6. (Analogy)

Ubiquitous : Rare :: Ephemeral : ?

- a) Eternal
- b) Momentary

- c) Fragile
- d) Evanescent

Answer: a) Eternal

Q7. (Odd One Out)

- a) Cacophony
- b) Euphony
- c) Symphony
- d) Anarchy

Answer: d) Anarchy

Q8. (Synonym)

Choose the word closest in meaning to *insipid*:

- a) Flavorless
- b) Dangerous
- c) Mysterious
- d) Profound

Answer: a) Flavorless

Q9. (Antonym)

Select the opposite of *alacrity*:

- a) Eagerness
- b) Reluctance
- c) Promptness
- d) Enthusiasm

Answer: b) Reluctance

Q10. (Phrase Starter/Connector)

Complete the sentence appropriately:

“_____, the policy was criticized for being too draconian.”

- a) At first glance
- b) Unlike before
- c) Though beneficial
- d) In contrast to others

Answer: a) At first glance

Q11. (Filler)

The scientist's _____ theories challenged conventional wisdom but eventually revolutionized the field.

- a) heretical
- b) banal
- c) orthodox
- d) jejune

Answer: a) heretical

Q12. (Word Knowledge)

Which of the following describes *panacea*?

- a) A universal cure
- b) A recurring problem
- c) A mythical creature
- d) A temporary delay

Answer: a) A universal cure

Q13. (Cloze Test)

He delivered his speech with such _____ that even his critics were moved.

- a) apathy
- b) fervor
- c) ennui
- d) torpor

Answer: b) fervor

Q14. (Spot the Error)

Identify the segment with the error:

“Neither the students nor the teacher have arrived yet.”

- a) Neither the students
- b) nor the teacher
- c) have arrived yet.
- d) No error

Answer: c) have arrived yet → should be *has arrived yet*

Q15. (Idioms and Phrases)

“To cut the Gordian knot” means:

- a) To make a problem worse
- b) To solve a complex problem boldly
- c) To ignore a situation
- d) To retreat from responsibility

Answer: b) To solve a complex problem boldly

Q16. (Analogy)

Magnanimous : Generous :: Pusillanimous : ?

- a) Brave
- b) Cowardly
- c) Noble
- d) Fierce

Answer: b) Cowardly

Q17. (Odd One Out)

- a) Benevolent
- b) Malevolent
- c) Malicious
- d) Spiteful

Answer: a) Benevolent

Q18. (Synonym)

Choose the word closest in meaning to *cogent*:

- a) Irrelevant
- b) Convincing
- c) Fragile
- d) Ambiguous

Answer: b) Convincing

Q19. (Antonym)

Choose the opposite of *abstruse*:

- a) Simple
- b) Complex
- c) Esoteric
- d) Arcane

Answer: a) Simple

Q20. (Phrase Starter/Connector)

“ _____, the company was forced to shut down its overseas operations.”

- a) Because profits were rising
- b) Despite being profitable
- c) In the absence of regulation
- d) Owing to heavy financial losses

Answer: d) Owing to heavy financial losses

Q21. (Filler)

The historian's _____ account shed light on details that had long been overlooked.

- a) meticulous
- b) superficial
- c) apathetic
- d) arbitrary

Answer: a) meticulous

Q22. (Word Knowledge)

What does *pellucid* mean?

- a) Cloudy
- b) Transparent
- c) Aggressive
- d) Confusing

Answer: b) Transparent

Q23. (Cloze Test)

His writing style is admired for its _____ clarity and elegance.

- a) obfuscating
- b) pellucid
- c) ambiguous
- d) abstruse

Answer: b) pellucid

Q24. (Spot the Error)

Identify the error:

“Each of the participants were given a certificate of merit.”

- a) Each of the participants
- b) were given
- c) a certificate of merit
- d) No error

Answer: b) were given → should be *was given*

Q25. (Idioms and Phrases)

“To play fast and loose” means:

- a) To act irresponsibly or dishonestly
- b) To act carefully and prudently
- c) To compete aggressively
- d) To maintain balance

Answer: a) To act irresponsibly or dishonestly

Q26. (Analogy)

Hermetic : Sealed :: Tenacious : ?

- a) Weak
- b) Fragile
- c) Persistent
- d) Detached

Answer: c) Persistent

Q27. (Odd One Out)

- a) Garrulous
- b) Loquacious
- c) Reticent
- d) Talkative

Answer: c) Reticent

Q28. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *erudite*:

- a) Learned
- b) Ignorant
- c) Uneducated
- d) Naïve

Answer: a) Learned

Q29. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *placate*:

- a) Soothe
- b) Aggravate
- c) Calm
- d) Appease

Answer: b) Aggravate

Q30. (Phrase Starter/Connector)

“ _____, the evidence strongly suggested otherwise.”

- a) Although compelling
- b) On the contrary
- c) In agreement with all views
- d) Regardless of doubts

Answer: b) On the contrary

Q31. (Passage – 100 words)

Read the passage and answer:

In an age where information is abundant, discernment has become rare. The ability to distinguish between fact and opinion, evidence and conjecture, is critical. Yet, the more data people encounter, the more susceptible they are to confirmation bias. The challenge lies not in accessing information but in interpreting it wisely.

Q: The passage primarily highlights:

- a) The abundance of data
- b) The decline of discernment
- c) The dangers of technology
- d) The need for censorship

Answer: b) The decline of discernment

Q32. (Filler)

The speaker's _____ remarks offended several members of the audience.

- a) caustic
- b) affable
- c) urbane
- d) genial

Answer: a) caustic

Q33. (Word Knowledge)

Which word best describes *moribund*?

- a) Flourishing
- b) Dying
- c) Energetic
- d) Expansive

Answer: b) Dying

Q34. (Synonym)

Choose the synonym of *prosaic*:

- a) Dull
- b) Inspiring
- c) Imaginative
- d) Lyrical

Answer: a) Dull

Q35. (Antonym)

Choose the antonym of *copious*:

- a) Scarce
- b) Plentiful
- c) Abundant
- d) Overflowing

Answer: a) Scarce