

Vocabulary Part B – Synonyms & Antonyms/Group Words
A. Synonyms & Antonyms

Choose the best synonym for the following words.

1. egregious
1) obnoxious 2) toxic 3) noxious 4) social 5) flagrant
2. indignant
1) terrified 2) seditious 3) disgruntled 4) uptight 5) helpful
3. assiduous
1) painstaking 2) diligent 3) pedantic 4) cursory 5) laborious
4. convivial
1) terse 2) laconic 3) excited 4) genial 5) happy
5. ebullient
1) distraught 2) seditious 3) lively 4) irascible 5) melancholy
6. fastidious
1) endemic 2) ambivalent 3) meticulous 4) insouciant 5) careless
7. antipathy
1) pathology 2) dislike 3) rejoice 4) enjoyment 5) determination
8. aspersion
1) abuse 2) responsibility 3) affability 4) denial 5) respect
9. vicissitude
1) determination 2) mutability 3) opinion 4) caprice 5) decision
10. derision
1) adulation 2) commendation 3) flattery 4) ridicule 5) praise
11. inure
1) accustom 2) obliterate 3) shun 4) estrange 5) reduce
12. palliate
1) qualify 2) depend 3) exacerbate 4) adhere 5) mitigate

Choose the best antonym for the following words.

1. capricious
1) steadfast 2) pedantic 3) idiosyncratic 4) demure 5) capable
2. germane
1) relevant 2) bias 3) tangential 4) alien 5) dispassionate
3. impassive
1) emotional 2) respectful 3) solid 4) hackney 5) fractious
4. inimical

- 1) affable 2) benevolent 3) amiable 4) hostile 5) garrulous
5. inchoate
- 1) patriarchal 2) young 3) puerile 4) inveterate 5) immature
6. perfunctory
- 1) urbane 2) moody 3) nebulous 4) conscious 5) spontaneous
7. hysteria
- 1) disease 2) ceremony 3) malaria 4) serenity 5) sedition
8. mar
- 1) tinge 2) elongate 3) disrespect 4) repair 5) produce
9. ostracize
- 1) crucify 2) include 3) patronize 4) lionize 5) shun
10. proscribe
- 1) instigate 2) legalize 3) initialize 4) outlaw 5) repeat
11. castigate
- 1) avenge 2) admit 3) rebuke 4) praise 5) determine
12. corroborate
- 1) gainsay 2) accept 3) announce 4) claim 5) divine

Answers**Synonyms**

1 - 5	2 - 3	3 - 2	4 - 4	5 - 3	6 - 3	7 - 2	8 - 1	9 - 2	10 - 4
11 - 1	12 - 5								

Antonyms

1 - 1	2 - 3	3 - 1	4 - 3	5 - 4	6 - 4	7 - 4	8 - 4	9 - 2	10 - 2
11 - 4	12 - 1								

B. Group Words

In each of the following questions four words are given, of which two words are most nearly the same or opposite in meaning. Find the two words which are most nearly the same or opposite in meaning and indicate the number of the correct letter combination, by darkening the appropriate oval in your; answer sheet.

1. A) instigate B) enquire C) construe D) interpret
 1) A-C 2) A-B 3) C-D 4) B-D 5) A-D
2. A) superficial B) superfluous C) enlightened D) surplus
 1) A-C 2) A-B 3) B-C 4) B-D 5) A-D

3. A) appalling B) sinister C) perturbed D) threatening
1) A-B 2) B-D 3) A-C 4) A-D 5) D-C
4. A) imprison B) torture C) excruciate D) extract
1) B-D 2) B-C 3) A-B 4) C-D 5) A-C
5. A) pertinent B) impolite C) irrelevant D) insecure
1) A-C 2) B-D 3) C-D 4) A-D 5) B-C
6. A) consent B) nascent C) emerging D) insecure
1) A-C 2) B-D 3) B-C 4) A-D 5) A-B
7. A) elated B) eccentric C) explicit D) abnormal
1) A-B 2) B-D 3) A-C 4) A-D 5) D-C
8. A) abundance B) incomparable C) projection D) plethora
1) A-C 2) A-B 3) C-D 4) B-D 5) A-D
9. A) purposefully B) inaccurately C) inadvertently D) unchangeably
1) A-C 2) A-B 3) B-C 4) B-D 5) A-D
10. A) germane B) generate C) reliable D) irrelevant
1) B-D 2) B-C 3) A-B 4) C-D 5) A-D
11. A) Disciple B) Student C) Academy D) Martyr
1) A-C 2) C-D 3) B-C 4) B-D 5) A-B
12. A) Magnetic B) Cherished C) Valued D) Forlorn
1) C-D 2) A-B 3) B-D 4) B-C 5) A-D
13. A) Ordinary B) Vague C) Custom D) Exceptional
1) A-B 2) B-C 3) C-D 4) A-D 5) B-D
14. A) Damaged B) Hurried C) Condemned D) Measured
1) A-B 2) C-D 3) B-D 4) B-C 5) A-D
15. A) Remote B) Troubled C) Secluded D) Apparent
1) B-C 2) A-D 3) B-D 4) C-D 5) A-C

Answers

1. 3: Same	2. 4: Same	3. 4: Same	4. 2: Same	5. 1: Opposite
6. 3: Same	7. 2: Same	8. 5: Same	9. 1: Opposite	10. 5: Opposite
11. 5: Same	12. 4: Same	13.4: Opposite	14.3: Opposite	15. 5: Same