

Vocabulary	Slot 1	Slot 2	Slot 3	Slot 4	Slot 5	Slot 6	Total	Average
Synonyms	6	8	2	5	2	3	26	4
Fill in blanks	3	3	2	7	4	4	23	4
Antonyms	5	3	3	3	2	2	18	3
Idioms & Phrases	3		2	5	2	2	14	2
Spelling	5	1	1		2	2	11	2
Analogies		3	1	2			6	1
Total	22	18	11	22	12	13	98	17

1. Choose the correctly spelt word:

A) Pulchiritudinous B) Pulchritudinous C) Pulchritudhinous D) Pulchritudinous E) Pulchiritudnous

2. Choose the correctly spelt word:

A) Curmudgoen B) Curmudgeon C) Curmudgean D) Curmudgon E) Curmududgeon

3. In this question, four words are given one of them may be wrongly spelt or inappropriate, in the context of the sentence. Find out the word that is inappropriately or wrongly spelt, if any. That word is your answer, If all the words given are correctly spelt or appropriate in the context of the sentence, then mark 'All correct as your answer.

Another benefit is that technology can be quickly adapted to client's needs.

A) Benefit B) Technology C) Adapted D) Needs E) All correct

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Traditionally sales get a boost in the festival season.

A) Traditionaly B) Boost C) Festival D) Season E) All correct

5. Choose the option which most closely resembles the same relationship as seen in the given pair of words:
Doggerel : Poet

A) Symphony : Composer B) Pulp fiction : Novelist C) Kitten : Veterinary Doctor D) Wine : Vintner E) Prediction : Astrologer

6. Choose the option which most closely resembles the same relationship as seen in the given pair of words:
Barge : Vessel

A) Mouse : Pad B) Rim : Edge C) Training : Preparation D) Shovel : Tool E) Book : Anthology

7. Pick out the antonym for the word given below: RETRIBUTION

A) Forgiveness B) Grudge C) Contempt D) Pretend E) Compensation

8. Pick out the antonym for the word given below: ABOMINATE

A) Dominate B) Respect C) Control D) Let go E) Love

9. Pick out the antonym for the word given below: VERBOSE

A) Speak B) Talkative C) Vent D) Suspense E) Taciturn

10. Choose the option which best expresses the meaning of the given word: ELEGIAC

A) Peaceful B) Mournful C) Confused D) Cheerful E) Restless

11. Companies that try to improve employees' performance by _____ rewards encourage negative kinds of behavior instead of _____ a genuine interest in doing the work well.

A) giving, seeking B) withholding, fostering C) conferring, fostering D) conferring, discrediting E) bestowing, discouraging

Answer the questions based on the paragraph below.

Do women exercise leadership differently than men do? And if so, will feminine leadership ____ (i) where masculine leadership does not? A recent study suggests somewhat paradoxically that female managers outdo their male ____ (ii) even when the personal characteristics of both are very similar. Men and women do not receive the same treatment in the workplace and that stamping out ____ (iii) bias would stamp out the observed variations.

12. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. (i).

A) Affect B) Succeed C) Compete D) Profess E) Dominate

13. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. (ii).

A) Employees B) Subordinates C) Managers D) Counterparts E) Superiors

14. Select the most appropriate option to fill in blank no. (iii).

A) Employment B) Culture C) Gender D) Class E) Category

15. In the following question, an idiomatic expression / a proverb has been given, followed by some alternatives. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given idiom/proverb.

Forty winks.

A) A long sleep B) a siesta C) Disquite D) toil E) Bustle

16. In the following question, an idiomatic expression / a proverb has been given, followed by some alternatives. Choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given idiom/proverb.

Knit one's brow

A) to be happy B) to enjoy C) to get angry D) to get hungry E) to get thirsty

17. Find the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom. "Work against the clock".

A) Work late in the night B) Work in great hurry C) work against all problems D) work with concentration E) work with dedication

18. Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence. Srilanka's problem **boils down** to just one thing-lack of infrastructure for agriculture.

A) Heats up to B) Adapt to something C) As a result D) Fulfill something E) Sums up to

19. In the following question, fill in the blank with the correct answer.

The young one of a housefly is called as ...

A) fawn B) owlet C) maggot D) cygnet E) nymph

20. In the following question, out of the alternatives given, choose the one which can substitute for the given words/sentence.

Science of human beauty

A) Aetiology B) Physiology C) Kalology D) Cosmography E) Etiology

21. Direction of the question: In the following question, out of the alternatives given, choose the one which can substitute for the given words/sentence.

That which is fox-like

A) Leonine B) Porine C) Canine D) Vulpine E) Ostler



Solutions

1. D) Pulchritudinous: Correct spelling meaning “beautiful”; all other options have misplaced letters.
2. B) Curmudgeon: Correct spelling meaning “bad-tempered person”; others are incorrect variants.
3. D) Needs: Error is possessive → should be “clients’ needs” or “client needs”. Hence “Needs” is inappropriate in context.
4. A) Traditionally: Should be Traditionally.
5. B) Pulp fiction : Novelist: Doggerel is poor-quality poetry written by a poet; similarly pulp fiction is low-quality writing produced by a novelist → quality-based creator relation.
6. D) Shovel : Tool: Barge is a type of vessel (specific → general); similarly shovel is a type of Tool → category relationship.
7. A) Forgiveness: Retribution means punishment or revenge; opposite is forgiveness (pardoning instead of punishing).
8. E) Love: Abominate means to hate strongly; opposite is love.
9. E) Taciturn: Verbose means using too many words; opposite is taciturn (reserved and brief in speech).
10. B) Mournful: Elegiac means expressing sorrow or lament, typically for something lost.
11. C) conferring, fostering: “Conferring rewards” (giving rewards) fits context; contrast with “fostering genuine interest” → correct logical pair.
12. B) Succeed: Sentence contrast implies “where masculine leadership does not succeed,” so “succeed” fits logically.
13. D) Counterparts: Female managers are compared with equivalent male roles, so “counterparts” is correct.
14. C) Gender: Structuralist theory focuses on workplace bias between men and women → “gender bias.”
15. B) a siesta: “Forty winks” means a short nap, not a long sleep.
16. C) to get angry: “Knit one’s brow” means to frown, showing anger or worry.
17. B) Work in great hurry: “Against the clock” means under time pressure.
18. E) Sums up to: “Boils down to” means reduces to the main point.
19. C) maggot: The larva of a housefly is called a maggot.
 - A) fawn — This is the young one of a deer.
 - B) owlet — This is the young one of an owl.
 - C) maggot — This is the correct term. A maggot is the larva of a housefly (and other dipteran insects). It hatches from an egg and later pupates into an adult fly.
 - D) cygnet — This is the young one of a swan.
 - E) nymph — This is the immature form of insects that undergo incomplete metamorphosis (e.g., grasshoppers, dragonflies).
20. C) Kalology: Study of beauty is called Kalology.
 - A) Aetiology — This is the study of causes or origins, especially of diseases. It is also spelled *etiology*.
 - B) Physiology — This is the branch of biology that studies the normal functions and mechanisms of living organisms and their parts.
 - C) Kalology — This is the correct term. *Kalology* (from Greek *kalos*, meaning “beautiful”) is the study of beauty, particularly human beauty, and the aesthetic qualities of the human form.
 - D) Cosmography — This is the science that describes and maps the general features of the universe, including both celestial bodies and Earth.
 - E) Etiology — This is an alternative spelling of *aetiology* (see option A), meaning the study of causes.
21. D) Vulpine: “Vulpine” means fox-like; others refer to different animals.
 - A) Leonine — This means lion-like (from Latin *leo*, lion).
 - B) Porine — This is a rare or incorrect term. The standard term for pig-like is porcine (from Latin *porcus*, pig).
 - C) Canine — This means dog-like (from Latin *canis*, dog).
 - D) Vulpine — This is the correct term. Vulpine comes from Latin *vulpes*, meaning fox. It is used to describe anything resembling or characteristic of a fox, including cleverness or cunning.

E) Ostler — This is not an adjective for fox-like. An ostler (or hostler) is a person who cares for horses, especially at an inn.

