

ANTONYMS PART-I

Directions /n these questions, each sentence consists of a bold word's or a phrase followed by four words or phrases (a). (b), (c) and (d). Choose the word or phrase which is closest to the opposite in meaning of the bold word or phrase.

1. He showed a marked **antipathy** to foreigners.
A. Profundity B. Fondness
C. Objection D. Willingness
2. The authorities took the corrective action with **celerity**.
A. Reluctance B. Delay
C. Promptness D. Lack of judgment
3. It seems **churlish** to refuse such a generous offer.
A. Wise B. Sensible
C. Polite D. Immature
4. A **conscientious** editor, Manjula checked every definition for its accuracy.
A. Novice B. Careless
C. Unscientific D. Biased
5. Sharma's **craven** refusal to join the protest was criticised by his comrades.
A. Strategic B. Bold
C. Diplomatic D. Well-thought
6. The dictator **quell** the uprising.
A. fostered B. defended
C. supported D. fomented
7. People are unwilling to **follow** the rules.
A. waive B. neglect
C. dispose D. disregard
8. That was an **impudent** remark.
A. gentle B. mild
C. modest D. unassuming
9. His sudden appearance on the scene was **fortuitous**.
A. circumstantial B. unfortunate
C. sudden D. calculated
10. The batsman gave a **sterling** performance.
A. a risky B. a vital
C. an ordinary D. a match-saving
11. While facing that situation he turned out to be **dauntless**.
A. Tactful B. Stoical
C. Bashful D. Cowardly
12. We went to the first floor through the **rickety** wooden stairs.
A. Stable B. Old
C. Narrow D. Uncomfortable
13. They made a **profligate** use of scarce resources.
A. Proper B. Extravagant
14. The consultant analysed the proposal carefully before he decided to **jettison** it.
A. Abandon B. Strengthen
C. Accept D. Modify
15. The politician was **flummoxed** by the question put to him.
A. Comfortable B. Annoyed
C. Delighted D. Disconcerted
16. The injection was given to the patient to **alleviate** the pain.
A. elevate B. sharpen
C. aggravate D. promote
17. There is quite **tenuous** evidence for it
A. substantial B. enough
C. reasonable D. sample
18. The world media has tended to focus far more upon occasional **discord** than on our spectacular achievements.
A. tranquility B. harmony
C. failure D. confusion
19. The evidence Indira gave in support of her theory was quite **copious**.
A. unsatisfactory B. unconvincing
C. poor D. scanty
20. **Self-reproach** is not always very good thing.
A. Self-esteem B. Self-assurance
C. Self-justification D. Self-satisfaction
21. The salesman's speech was punctuated with **frivolous** remarks.
A. profound B. effective
C. grave D. provocative
22. The drug gave him **instant** relief from pain.
A. final B. complete
C. genuine D. delayed
23. His **radical** views made him unpopular.
A. conservative B. narrow
C. outmoded D. childish
24. The Indian cricketers put up a **dismal** performance in Australia.
A. cheerful B. spirited
C. bright D. memorable
25. He was poor and **arrogant**.
A. modest B. obedient
C. timid D. earnest
26. The army had **adequate** ammunition for the battle.
A. insufficient B. meagre
C. deficient D. poor
27. Sumitra was filled with **remorse** for having refused to

sell her bicycle to Jyoti.

A. pride B. satisfaction
C. excitement D. happiness

28. The budget was presented with a **deficit** of crores of rupees.

A. benefit B. bonus
C. surplus D. profit

29. His style of writing is quite **verbose**.

A. short B. precise
C. limited D. constricted

30. The team felt **triumphant**.

A. depressed B. sad
C. defeated D. lost

31. At first she was **reluctant** to accept the appointment in the bank

A. anxious B. excited
C. pleased D. willing

32. Her knowledge of Sanskrit appears to be quite **superficial**

A. sufficient B. perfect
C. deep D. praiseworthy

33. She appears to be a **phony** person

A. beautiful B. unnatural
C. genuine D. unreal

34. When John entered the room, he was in a **jubilant** mood

A. defeated B. serious
C. penitent D. depressed

35. His speeches were **insipid**

A. informative B. insightful
C. lively D. shocking

36. He was, **immaculately** dressed for the party.

A. imperfectly B. irresponsibly
C. incompletely D. moderately

37. The teachers have been observing his **impertinent** behaviour.

A. indifferent B. polite
C. rude D. unpleasant

38. The new disciplinary measures **strengthened** the economy of the country.

A. destroyed B. changed
C. crippled D. constrained

39. There are people who always **deprecate** the achievements of others

A. exaggerate B. appreciate
C. approve D. encourage

40. The refreshment we received at the end of a hard day's work was decided **frugal**

A. lavish B. exorbitant
C. wholesome D. ostentatious

41. The principal **deprecate** the altitude of some student leaders.

A. Appreciate" B. Tolerated
C. Derided - D. Ignored

42. Many of the incidents in the autobiography appear to be **fictitious**.

A. Imaginary B. Real
C. Creative D. Boring

43. The hall was packed with people .who had come to hear the **celebrated** author speak about his work. .

A. Obscure B. Well-known
C. Ordinary D. Up-coming

44. We **solicit** your co-operation.

A. Acknowledge B. Reject
C. Refuse D. Cherish

45. He is known for his **arrogance**.

A. Honesty B. Cheerfulness
C. Generosity D. Humility

46. Cultural **diversity** in the working place can be good for business.

A. similarity B. uniformity
C. assimilation D. conformity

47. Her manner has always been **hostile** to him.

A. sincere B. friendly
C. fair D. good

48. Would you like to work with an **intractable** person?

A. a good B. a faithful
C. a compliant D. an intelligent

49. Popular fiction in a sense has **enriched** world literature.

A. devalued B. undervalued
C. worsen D. impoverished

50. The speaker was irritated with his **puerile** questions.

A. impertinent B. serious
C. inane D. irrelevant

51. My old aunt, who is **spinster** declared that all men are faithless.

A. a divorced lady B. a married woman
C. an unmarried woman D. a widow

52. The bank **launched** a deposit mobilisation.

A. terminated B. cancelled
C. withheld D. discontinued

53. He did not shed his **hostility** throughout his life.

A. hospitality B. friendliness
C. kindness D. fidelity

54. The management seemed very **callous** about the working conditions of the workers.
 A. liberal B. careful
 C. sensitive D. responsible

55. In this matter, it is difficult to persuade him; he is **resolute** about it.
 A. unmindful B. careful
 C. indefinite D. vacillating

56. The committee decided to **expel** the new member.
 A. detain B. retain
 C. preserve D. reserve

57. The teacher **berated** his students.
 A. Praised B. graded
 C. lectured D. disciplined

58. On account of the change in the government his position became **precarious**.
 A. exalted B. enviable
 C. important D. secure

59. There was no doubt that the judgement was very **fair**.
 A. biased B. inconsiderate
 C. insincere D. wrong

60. There was a **tacit** feeling in the group that the newcomer should be watched.
 A. general B. hostile
 C. overt D. unfair

61. Even for the citizens of the East Bloc's most **prosperous** nation, the lure of Capitalism is irresistible.
 A. destitute B. impoverished
 C. underdeveloped D. exploited

62. His partners felt that it was a **viable** business proposition.
 A. enviable B. unavailable
 C. inviolable D. impracticable

63. The usual **adulation** of the officers must end.
 A. flattery B. praise
 C. back-biting D. condemnation

64. He stood gazing at the **serene** expanse of the sea.
 A. ruffled B. tranquil
 C. clear D. scenic

65. There is an **obscure** cave on the other side of the hill.
 A. well-known B. infamous
 C. notorious D. admired

66. His behaviour was **reprehensible**.
 A. admirable B. comprehensible
 C. responsible D. representative

67. The expression on his face clearly showed that his mother's condition had **deteriorated**.
 A. aggravated B. improved
 C. worsened D. changed

68. The pupils of your eyes **dilate** when you enter a dark room.
 A. distend B. contract
 C. blink D. stretch

69. A feeling of stillness, almost of **ecstasy** came over Miriam.
 A. grief B. bereavement
 C. sorrow D. agony

70. The recommendation was **discarded**.
 A. highlighted B. forwarded
 C. elaborated D. accepted

71. The guard was given **explicit** orders about whom to admit.
 A. wrong B. no
 C. ambiguous D. inadequate

72. Every move I make seems to affect him **adversely**.
 A. badly B. internally
 C. favourably D. deeply

73. The key words in planning for an unpredictable future are focus and **flexibility**.
 A. pliability B. complexity
 C. tensity D. rigidity

74. Overeating can often be **detrimental** to health.
 A. useful B. destructive
 C. beneficial D. injurious

75. He has a **superficial** knowledge of the subject.
 A. sufficient B. profound
 C. excessive. D. wide

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1. All care is **FUTILE** in a cureless care.
 - a. Waste
 - b. Expensive
 - c. Useful
 - d. Cheap
2. **REVELATION** of facts became very easy when I investigated the case.
 - a. Rejection
 - b. Elimination
 - c. Concealment
 - d. Introduction
3. The story you have just told is **INCREDIBLE**.
 - a. Credible
 - b. Fantastic
 - c. Probable
 - d. Believable
4. His assignments have taken him to many **EXOTIC** locations around the world.

- a. Wonderful
- b. Cosmopolitan
- c. Irrelevant
- d. Common

5. He has given up his VICIOUS habits.

- a. Godly
- b. Virtuous
- c. Sublime
- d. Friendly

6. The doctor found the patient INERT.

- a. Active
- b. Lazy
- c. Strong
- d. Resolute

7. The issue was raised TANGENTIALLY in the negotiations.

- a. Partly
- b. Forcefully
- c. Candidly
- d. Fitfully

8. ESCALATING prices are causing hardship.

- a. Fixed
- b. Fluctuating
- c. Falling
- d. Reasonable

9. I have MALICE towards none.

- a. Sympathy
- b. Goodwill
- c. Friendship
- d. Attraction

10. The boy comes of an AFFLUENT family.

- a. Poor
- b. Ordinary
- c. Infamous
- d. Backward

11. A few heavenly talents DARKEN the world in each generation.

- a. Brighten
- b. Please
- c. Enlighten
- d. Glamorize

12. An ICY reception greeted the arrivals.

- a. Hostile
- b. Warm
- c. Pleasing
- d. Strange

13. The young athlete is ENERGETIC enough to run ten thousand meters at a stretch.

- a. Inactive

- b. Dull
- c. Gloomy
- d. Lethargic

14. He has a SECURE position in the entrance examination.

- a. Rigid
- b. Precarious
- c. Static
- d. Secondary

15. The accused was ACQUITTED of the charge.

- a. Held guilty
- b. Betrayed
- c. Involved
- d. Offended

16. It is COMPULSORY that all members of the board be present at the meeting.

- a. Optional
- b. Contrary
- c. Obligatory
- d. Conditional

17. Events ultimately led to LUGUBRIOUS ending.

- a. Happy
- b. Hopeful
- c. Helpful
- d. Reassuring

18. He ACCELERATED the speed of his car.

- a. Retarded
- b. Reviewed
- c. Recorded
- d. Restored

19. The criminal was known to the police by VARIOUS names.

- a. Separate
- b. Distinct
- c. Identical
- d. Similar

20. The police praised the METICULOUS arrangements made by the organizers to receive the guest at the airport.

- a. Haphazard
- b. Random
- c. Ridiculous
- d. Shabby

21. The COMPLAINANT was not supportive of providing all facts in the court.

- a. Defendant
- b. Advocate
- c. Indulgence
- d. Servant

22. Living in a SOLITARY place brings in some kind of satisfaction.

- Limited
- Exotic
- Healthy
- Populous

23. They spent a DISTURBED night after hearing the tragic news.

- Restless
- Sleepless
- Mournful
- Peaceful

24. We have CREATED a beautiful new house from out of the old ruin.

- Destroyed
- Built
- Constructed
- Planned

25. A large number of designer clothes are REVOLTING.

- Inviting
- Beautiful
- Fashionable
- Delightful

26. Though twins they look very DIFFERENT.

- Regular
- Same
- Similar
- Uniform

27. RECESSION is a major cause of unemployment.

- Education
- Inflation
- Poverty
- Computerization

28. He finally CONCEDED that he was involved in smuggling.

- Admitted
- Accepted
- Denied
- Concealed

29. The accused emphatically DENIED the charge in the court.

- Accepted
- Agreed
- Asserted
- Affirmed

30. This cloth is a COARSE of touch.

- Delicate
- Rough

31. A small ALTERCATION between the children started off a riot.

- Quarrel
- Friendly discussion
- Contest
- Race

32. He agreed reluctantly to sign the form but looked ILL AT EASE.

- Embarrassed
- Comfortable
- Welcome
- Easy

33. My mother has been working hard for the last two weeks and she feels RUN DOWN.

- Energetic
- Cold
- emotional
- Morbid

34. The three states signed a pact to have COLLECTIVE economy.

- Distributive
- Disintegrative
- Individual
- Divided

35. He was deeply hurt by her CURT reply.

- Abrupt
- Short
- Expansive
- Rude

36. He was asked to ACCELERATE the pace of work.

- Check
- Control
- Slacken
- Supervise

37. The child was ABDUCTED when he was going to school.

- Seized
- Set free
- Kidnapped
- Ransomed

38. The baby was a very DELICATE body.

- Crude
- Strong
- Hard
- Bony

39. The government has ENHANCED the tuition fees in schools and colleges.

- Magnified
- Aggravated
- Decreased
- Augmented

40. He aims at PERFECTION in whatever job he undertakes.

- Deficiency
- Immaturity
- Badness
- Completeness

41. Frail

- Strong
- Big
- Old
- Weak

42. Indigenous

- Genuine
- Foreign
- Indigent
- Indignant

43. Poverty

- Prosperity
- Adversary

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PART I

1. B	23.B	45.D	67.B	10.A	32.B
2. B	24.B	46.B	68.B	11.A	33.A
3. C	25.A	47.B	69.D	12.B	34.C
4. B	26.A	48.C	70.D	13.D	35.C
5. B	27.A	49.C	71.C	14.B	36.B
6. C	28.C	50.B	72.C	15.A	37.B
7. B	29.C	51.B	73.D	16.A	38.B
8. A	30.C	52.C	74.C	17.A	39.B
9. B	31.D	53.B	75.B	18.A	40.A
10.C	32.C	54.C		19.D	41.A
11.D	33.C	55.D		20.A	42.B
12.A	34.D	56.B		21.A	43.A
13.D	35.C	57.A	1. C	22.D	44.B
14.C	36.A	58.D	2. C	23.D	
15.A	37.B	59.A	3. A	24.A	
16.C	38.C	60.C	4. D	25.D	
17.A	39.B	61.C	5. B	26.B	
18.B	40.C	62.D	6. A	27.B	
19.D	41.A	63.D	7. -	28.C	
20.C	42.B	64.A	8. C	29.A	
21.C	43.C	65.A	9. B	30.A	
22.D	44.C/b	66.A		31.B	

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PART II