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SOLUTIONS

Direction : Choose the word that is opposite in meaning to the given words in question nos. 51 - 56.

51. Insolent

- (a) Timid (b) soluble (c) boid (d) dissolving

Ans. (A)

Sol. Insolent means rude or impolite hence timid is the correct antonym.

52. Affable

- (a) reckless (b) rude (c) ungrateful (d) responsible

Ans. (B)

Sol. Affable means friendly hence rude is the correct antonym.

53. Mitigate

- (a) intensify (b) barricade (c) investigate (d) personify

Ans. (A)

Sol. Mitigate means to make something less severe hence intensify is the correct antonym

54. Detrimental

- (a) hurtful (b) desirable (c) profitable (d) injurious

Ans. (C)

Sol. Detrimental means causing damage , hence profitable is the correct antonym.

55. Exodus

- (a) escape (b) exit (c) arrival (d) emigrate

Ans. (C)

Sol. Exodus means a situation in which many people leave a place at the same time, hence 'arrival' is the correct antonym,

56. Admonish

- (a) reprimand (b) chide (c) scold (d) praise

Ans. (D)

Sol. Admonish means to speak to someone in a way that expresses criticism, hence 'praise' is the correct antonym.

Direction : In question numbers 57 - 62, out of four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given words :

57. Perseverance

- (a) vacillation (b) volatility (c) steadfastness (d) levity

Ans. (C)

Sol. The correct synonym of the given word.

58. Relinquish

- (a) recognise (b) assert (c) hold (d) forgo

Ans. (D)

Sol. The correct synonym of the given word.

59. Wanton
(a) frolicsome (b) unplayful (c) joyless (d) demure

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct synonym of the given word.

60. Exonerate
(a) release (b) guilty (c) rusticate (d) mastermind

Ans. (A)

Sol. Exonerate means to release.

61. Disparate
(a) helpless (b) different (c) needy (d) unaware

Ans. (B)

Sol. Disparate means different.

62. Capricious
(a) fickle (b) calm (c) careful (d) forgetful

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct synonym of the given word.

Direction : In question numbers 63 - 69, choose the alternative which expresses the meaning of the given idioms/ phrases.

63. To hear through the grapevine
(a) To learn gardening (b) To learn about fruits
(c) To learn something officially (d) To learn something from a rumour

Ans. (D)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

64. To hit the nail on the head.
(a) To enjoy one's profession (b) To learn carpentry
(c) To be violent (d) To do something in an effective way.

Ans. (D)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

65. A piece of cake
(a) A difficult task (b) A special person
(c) A memorable event (d) An easy task

Ans. (D)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

66. To spill the beans
(a) To grow vegetables (b) To open an old box
(c) To reveal someone's secret (d) To request for support.

Ans. (C)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

67. An axe to grind.
(a) Grinding store (b) Selfish purpose (c) An axe for cutting (d) To take revenge

Ans. (B)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

68. To beat about the bush
(a) Not coming to the point (b) To cut down the bush (c) To cut expenses (d) Defeat

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

69. To move heaven and earth
(a) To die (b) To make every possible effort
(c) To rain heavily (d) To shift places

Ans. (B)

Sol. The correct meaning of the given idiom.

Direction : In question numbers 70 - 76, sentences are given with blanks to be filled with appropriate word out of four alternatives given :

70. Father divided his property _____two sons.
(a) among (b) to (c) in (d) between

Ans. (D)

Sol. Since there are two persons, hence 'between' is the correct preposition.

71. Meena repented_____her mistakes.
(a) Over (b) of (c) for (d) about

Ans. (B)

Sol. The verb repented is followed by the preposition 'of'.

72. I want to dispense_____the services of my servant.
(a) of (b) off (c) with (d) about

Ans. (C)

Sol. The correct preposition followed by the verb 'dispense'.

73. There are_____more toys in the box where this came from.
(a) little (b) much (c) few (d) many

Ans. (D)

Sol. A positive determiner that is used with countable noun 'toys'.

74. He had_____friends, as he was an aggressive person.
(a) few (b) some (c) many (d) those

Ans. (A)

Sol. A negative determiner is required to complete the given sentence.

75. My aunt lived in that house_____five years.
(a) with (b) for (c) since (d) some

Ans. (B)

Sol. 'For' is used when a duration of period is mentioned. Here 'five years'.

76. I need_____more time to complete the assignment.
(a) few (b) a few (c) a little (d) little

Ans. (C)

Sol. A positive determiner is required to complete the given sentence.

Direction : Choose the correct alternative of the verbs given in brackets from question numbers 77 - 82.

77. Ramesh_____ (be) a teacher since 1994.

- (a) is (b) has been (c) is being (d) was

Ans. (B)

Sol. The preposition 'since' indicates the use of present perfect tense.

78. Don't bring her unless she_____ (promise) to behave herself.

- (a) promised (b) will promise (c) promises (d) has promised

Ans. (C)

Sol. It is a sentence of first conditional hence simple present tense will be used.

79. She_____ (work) since morning and now she wants to take rest.

- (a) has been working (b) had working (c) was working (d) had worked.

Ans. (A)

Sol. With since and a time reference, present perfect continuous tense is used.

80. When I reached the theatre, the play_____ (start)

- (a) had started (b) starts (c) will start (d) to be started

Ans. (A)

Sol. When two actions happen one after the other, the initial action is in past perfect tense.

81. The baby_____ (laugh) with his mother in the video I watched yesterday.

- (a) laughs (b) was laughing (c) laughed (d) had been laughing

Ans. (B)

Sol. Past continuous tense is used to show an ongoing action in past along with other action.

82. When he was unmarried, he often_____ (arrive) home late.

- (a) was arriving (b) had arrived (c) arrived (d) would arrived

Ans. (C)

Sol. Two simultaneous actions in the past are expressed in simple past tense.

Direction : In question 83 - 88, choose the alternative with correct spellings

83. (a) accommodation (b) acomodation (c) acumodation (d) accomodation

Ans. (D)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

84. (a) emorous (b) emorus (c) amorous (d) ammorous

Ans. (C)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

85. (a) sorcuror (b) sorcerer (c) sorsuror (d) sorsurer

Ans. (B)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

86. (a) receive (b) recieve (c) receeve (d) riceive

Ans. (A)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

87. (a) audeceous (b) audacious (c) audasious (d) audesious

Ans. (B)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

88. (a) diskripeny (b) discrepancy (c) discripancy (d) discripe

Ans. (B)

Sol. The only correct spelling out of the given options.

Direction : In question numbers 89 - 95, out of four alternatives, choose the one which can be substituted for given group of words :

89. An unexpected piece of good fortune.

(a) to turn turtle (b) windfall (c) philanthropy (d) fortunate

Ans. (B)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

90. Of unknown name,

(a) synonym (b) anonymous (c) tinanimous (d) incognito

Ans. (B)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

91. Exclusive possession of anything

(a) monopoly (b) autocratic (c) aristocratic (d) monogamy

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

92. A place for the sick to recover health,

(a) sanatorium (b) stable (c) granary (d) arsenal

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

93. Study of the interaction of people their environment.

(a) ecology (b) ornithology (c) calligraphy (d) cartography

Ans. (A)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

94. failing to discharge one's duty.

(a) recklessness (b) dereliction (c) submission (d) reluctant

Ans. (B)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

95. A person who is an expert in fine arts.

(a) Conductor (b) contemporary (c) connoisseur (d) artist

Ans. (C)

Sol. The correct one word for the given definition.

Direction : In question numbers 96 - 100, read the passage and choose the correct answer from the options.

Passage

At every stage, SLV-3 team was blessed with some extra-ordinary courageous people. Alongwith Sudharkar and Sivarama-krishanan, there was also Sivakaminathan. He was entrusted with bringing the C-Band transponder from Trivandrum to SHAR for integration with the SLV-3. The transponder is a device fitted with the rocket system to give the signals which are powerful enough to help it track the vehicle from the take off site to the final impact point. The SLV-3 launch schedule was dependent on the arrival and integration of this equipment. On landing at the Madras airport, the aircraft which Sivakami was travelling in, skidded and overshot the runway. Dense smoke engulfed the aircraft. Everyone jumped out of the aircraft through emergency exits, and desperately fought to save themselves -all except Sivakami, who stayed in the aircraft till he removed the transponder from his baggage. He was among the last few persons, the others being mostly aircraft crew, to emerge from the smoke and he was hugging the transponder close to his chest.

96. The speaker calls Sivakami courageous because.

- (a) he was blessed
- (b) he looked after the transponder over his own safety.
- (c) the team was blessed
- (d) the transponder was brought to Chennai by him

Ans. (B)

Sol. According the given passage.

97. The aircraft was in danger because

- (a) it crash landed
- (b) it made an emergency landing
- (c) it skidded and overshot the runway.
- (d) it was covered in smoke.

Ans. (C)

Sol. According the given passage.

98. Sivakami was the last to come because

- (a) he stayed back to bring the transponder safety.
- (b) he was blinded by the smoke.
- (c) he helped save other passengers
- (d) he was in a panic

Ans. (A)

Sol. According the given passage.

99. The transponder was a device that

- (a) was used to test the rocket
- (b) launched the rocket
- (c) was needed for the final impact
- (d) gave the radar signals

Ans. (D)

Sol. According the given passage.

100. The transponder was needed in time.

- (a) for the rocket to be seen as the radar
- (b) for the launch to take place
- (c) for it to carry out the take off
- (d) for it to be integrated to the rocket

Ans. (D)

Sol. According the given passage.
