ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

English Synonyms Vocabulary MCQ Test With Answers + PDF Exercise 5

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Explanations

1. Find the synonym of the following words.

Accustomed
✓ **D) used to**
Accustomed (to) means **used to** something: familiar with it because you have done it or seen it often. Example: **I'm accustomed to getting up early.**

2. Stare
✓ **C) gaze**
To **stare** and to **gaze** both mean to look at something for a long time. Not **peep**, which means to look quickly or secretly.

3. Overdue
✓ **D) delayed**
Overdue means late, arriving or happening after the expected time, so it means **delayed**. Example: **The train is overdue. Punctual** and **prompt** mean the opposite.

4. Keen
✓ **B) enthusiastic**
Keen means very interested and eager, so it means **enthusiastic**. Example: **She's a keen gardener. Reluctant** and **apathetic** are opposites.

5. Duty
✓ **A) obligation**
A **duty** is something you must do because it is your job or it is morally right. That makes it an **obligation**. Example: **It's my duty to help.**

6. Shorten
✓ **A) shrink**
To **shorten** means to make or become shorter, which is close to **shrink** (become smaller). **Thrust**, **fling** and **shove** all mean to push or throw with force.

7. Firm
✓ **B) solid**
Firm means hard and not easy to bend or move, so it means **solid**. Example: **a firm surface**. **Soft** and **loose** are opposites.

8. Rubbish
✓ **D) litter**
Rubbish means things you throw away, and **litter** is rubbish left lying in a public place. Example: **Don't drop litter in the street.** Not **crumb**, which is a very small piece of bread or cake.

9. Peril
✓ **A) danger**
Peril means serious **danger**. Example: **The ship was in peril. Safe** and **secure** mean the opposite.

10. Flush
✓ **B) blush**
To **flush** means your face goes red, for example from embarrassment or heat, which is the same as to **blush**. **Rush** and **brush** only look similar.

11. Bring round
✓ **A) persuade**
To **bring someone round** means to make them agree with you, so it means **persuade**. Example: **She brought him round to her idea.** Not **bring back**, which means to return something.

12. Bring forward

✓ **D) suggest**
To **bring forward** an idea or plan means to propose it, so it means **suggest**. Example: **He brought forward a new plan.** Not **bring about**, which means to cause something to happen.

13. Unattended
✓ **C) left alone**
Unattended means with nobody watching or looking after it, so it means **left alone**. Example: **Don't leave your bags unattended.** Not **empty**: an unattended bag can still be full.

14. Group
✓ **B) party**
A **party** can mean a **group** of people doing something together. Example: **a party of tourists**. **Parcel**, **package** and **present** are things you send or give.

15. Task
✓ **D) mission**
A **task** is a piece of work you have to do. A **mission** is an important task someone is sent to do. Example: **Their mission was to find the lost climbers.**

16. Peak
✓ **B) summit**
The **peak** of a mountain is its highest point, which is also called the **summit**. **Bottom** is the opposite.

17. Bump
✓ **A) jolt**
A **bump** can be a sudden knock or shake, which is also called a **jolt**. Example: **The car stopped with a bump/jolt. Pump** only sounds similar.

18. Command
✓ **C) order**
To **command** means to tell someone officially to do something, so it means **order**. Example: **The officer commanded/ordered them to stop.** Not **urge**, which means to strongly advise, not to give an order.

19. Enterprise
✓ **D) undertaking**
An **enterprise** is a large or difficult project or business activity, which is an **undertaking**. Example: **a joint enterprise between two companies**.

20. Resident
✓ **D) inhabitant**
A **resident** is a person who lives in a place, so the synonym is **inhabitant**. Example: **local residents/inhabitants**. **Incident** only looks similar.

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