ANSWER KEY WITH EXPLANATIONS

Vocabulary Test About CRIME AND PUNISHMENT Choose The Word or Phrase MCQ Exercise 36

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Explanations

1. A smiling face often disguises the mind and heart of a VILLAIN.
✓ **D) a wicked man**
A **villain** is a bad or **wicked** person, often the evil character in a story. Example: **The villain of the film tried to steal the money.**

2. At first the accident seemed to be TRIVIAL.
✓ **D) unimportant**
Trivial means small and **unimportant**. Example: **a trivial mistake**. The other options (critical, momentous, significant) mean the opposite: very important.

3. There was no TRACE of poison in the coffee the chemist analyzed.
✓ **B) indication**
A **trace** is a very small amount or sign of something, so it is an **indication** that the thing is there. Example: **The police found no trace of the missing man.** The chemist found no sign at all of poison.

4. The FROWN on the judge's face showed that he was displeased.
✓ **A) look of anger**
A **frown** is the expression you make when you bring your eyebrows together because you are angry, annoyed or worried. Here it is a **look of anger**, and the clue is **he was displeased**.

5. The night was so FOGGY that the murderer was easily able to escape his pursuers.
✓ **C) misty**
Foggy means full of thick cloud near the ground, so it is hard to see. **Misty** has a similar meaning. The fog made it hard to see the murderer, so he escaped easily. Not **moist**, which only means slightly wet.

6. The driver tried to AVERT the accident by bringing the car to a sudden stop.
✓ **D) prevent**
To **avert** something means to **prevent** it from happening. Example: **Quick action averted a disaster.** Not **minimize**, which means to make something bad smaller, not to stop it completely.

7. The indecisive man was READILY persuaded to change his mind again.
✓ **B) easily**
Readily means quickly and **easily**, without difficulty. The clue is **indecisive**: a person who can't decide changes his mind easily. Not **hardly**, which means almost not.

8. The officer COMPELLED the prisoner to do exactly as he wished.
✓ **C) forced**
To **compel** someone means to **force** them to do something. Example: **The rain compelled us to stay inside.** Not **beseeched**, which means begged; an officer gives orders and does not beg a prisoner.

9. The criminal INSINUATED that he had been roughly treated by the arresting officer.
✓ **D) suggested indirectly**
To **insinuate** means to **suggest** something bad **indirectly**, without saying it clearly. Example: **She insinuated that I was lying.** Not **stated flatly**, which means saying it directly and clearly.

10. The boy felt DISGRACED because he knew that he had been wrong to steal.
✓ **A) ashamed**
To feel **disgraced** means to feel you have lost respect because of something bad you did, so the boy felt **ashamed**. The clue is **he knew that he had been wrong to steal**. Not **worried**, which is about fear of the future, not about a wrong act.

11. The judge SENTENCED the convicted man.
✓ **C) passed judgement upon**
When a judge **sentences** someone, he officially decides their punishment, so he **passes judgement upon** them. Example: **He was sentenced to five years in prison.** Not **gave a pardon to**, which means the opposite: to free someone from punishment.

12. It is useless to attempt to FLEE from every danger. Some risk must be taken.
✓ **C) run away**
To **flee** means to **run away** quickly from danger. Example: **People fled from the burning building.** The clue is **Some risk must be taken**: you cannot always run away. Not **hide oneself**, because hiding means staying in one place, not escaping.