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English Vocabulary - antonym

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Q:1 Choose the word almost opposite in meaning to the word given below:

EMBELLISH

1. sacrifice
2. disfigure
3. forfeit
4. indict

Q:2 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

The majorities behind the government began to dwindle and agitation started to grow.

1. Confine
2. Expand
3. Counter
4. Callous

Q:3 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

The house was quiet, the way he preferred it.

1. Tumult
2. Serene
3. Insane
4. Spoil

Q:4 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

The result was celebrated by joyous festivities in all the East.

1. Decline
2. Merriment
3. Melancholic
4. Clamour

Q:5 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

The urge was beyond her control.

1. Deter
2. Persuade

3. Triumph

4. Request

Q:6 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

A hideous monster attacked the helpless villagers.

1. Beautiful
2. Secretive
3. Detestable
4. Ugly

Q:7 Each question consists of an underlined word in the given sentence. Each sentence is followed by four words. Select the word which is most nearly opposite in meaning to the underlined word.

I thank you for it and pray that God will bless you.

1. Purify
2. Sanctify
3. Wish
4. Curse

Q:8 Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

FRITTER

1. Hoard
2. Spoil
3. Spread
4. Waste

Q:9 Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

MANIFEST

1. disguise
2. declare
3. distinguish
4. display

Q:10 Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

Hazard

1. Gamble
2. Risk
3. Safety
4. Peril



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### Answer Key

1. (2)	2. (2)	3. (1)	4. (3)	5. (1)
6. (1)	7. (4)	8. (1)	9. (1)	10. (3)

### Answers and Solutions

**Q:1 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Disfigure.**

**Embellish**- make (something) more attractive by the addition of decorative details or features.

**sacrifice**- an act of slaughtering an animal or person or surrendering a possession as an offering to a deity.

**Disfigure**- spoil the appearance of.

**Forfeit**- lose or be deprived of (property or a right or privilege) as a penalty for wrongdoing.

**Indict**- formally accuse of or charge with a crime.

As the chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word it will be correct.

**Q:2 The correct answer is option 2 i.e. Expand.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has the exact opposite meaning of another word is its antonym.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-

**DWINDLE** means 'to become smaller or weaker'.

For example:- They dwindle in size; they do not, however, die.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

**Expand**- to become or to make something bigger.

**Confine**- to keep a person or animal in a particular, usually small, place.

**Counter**- a long, flat surface in a shop, bank, etc., where customers are served.

**Callous**- not caring about the feelings or suffering of other people.

The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.

**Q:3 The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Tumult.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has the exact opposite meaning of

another word is its antonym.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-

**QUIET** means 'with very little or no noise'.

For example:- He had been unusually quiet and solemn lately.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

**Tumult**- a loud, confused noise, especially one caused by a large mass of people.

**Serene**- calm and peaceful.

**Insane**- crazy or mentally ill.

**Spoil**- to change something good into something bad, unpleasant, useless, etc.; to ruin something.

The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.

**Q:4 The correct answer is option 3 i.e. Melancholic.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has the exact opposite meaning of another word is its antonym.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-

**JOYOUS** means 'very happy or full of joy'.

For example:- The result was celebrated by joyous festivities in all the East.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-

**Melancholic**- feeling or expressing pensive sadness.

**Decline**- to become weaker, smaller or less good.

**Merriment**- laughter and enjoyment.

**Clamour**- to demand something in a loud or angry way.

The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.

**Q:5 The correct answer is option 1 i.e. Deter.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has the exact opposite meaning of another word is its **antonym**.

Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-

**URGE** means 'to advise or try hard to persuade



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somebody to do something'.

**For example:-** With every scrap of willpower she possessed, she resisted the **urge** to help him with the buttons.

**Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-**

**Deter-** to make somebody decide not to do something, especially by telling him/her that it would have bad results.

**Persuade-** to make somebody do something by giving him/her good reasons.

**Triumph-** a great success or victory; the feeling of happiness that you have because of this.

**Request-** an act of asking for something.

**The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.**

**Q:6** The correct answer is **option 1 i.e. Beautiful.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has **the exact opposite meaning of another word** is its **antonym**.

**Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-**

**HIDEOUS** means 'very ugly or unpleasant'.

**For example:-** A **hideous** monster attacked the helpless villagers.

**Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-**

**Beautiful-** very pretty or attractive; giving pleasure to the senses.

**Secretive-** like to keep things secret from other people.

**Detestable-** deserving to be hated or criticized.

**Ugly-** unpleasant to look at or listen to; not attractive.

**The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.**

**Q:7** The correct answer is **option 4 i.e. Curse.**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has **the exact opposite meaning of another word** is its **antonym**.

**Let's have a look at the meaning of the given word:-**

**BLESS** means 'to ask for God's help and protection for somebody/something'.

**For example:-** May Jesus **bless** you and protect you from the temptations of the devil.

**Let's have a look at the meaning of the given options:-**

**Curse-** a word used for expressing anger; a swear word.

**Wish-** to want something that cannot now happen or that probably will not happen.

**Purify-** to remove dirty or harmful substances from something.

**Sanctify-** to make something pure or holy.

**The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning of the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.**

**Q:8** The correct answer in **option 1 i.e. Hoard**

In the given question, we need to select the **ANTONYM** of the given word.

A word that has **the opposite meaning to the given word** is its **antonym**.

**Fritter** means **waste time, money, or energy on trifling matters.**

The word that is the antonym is '**hoard**'.

Hence, option 1 is the correct answer.

**Hoard:** to collect a large supply of something, more than you need now, often because you think you will not be able to get it later:

**Spoil:** diminish or destroy the value or quality of.

**Spread:** stretch out so that they are far apart.

**Waste:** use or expend carelessly or to no purpose.

**The chosen option expresses the opposite meaning as the given word hence, it will be the correct choice.**

**Q:9** The correct answer is **Option 1 i.e. disguise.**

**Antonym:** a word opposite in meaning to another. Manifest means clear or obvious to the eye or mind.

Disguise is the correct antonym which means a different appearance in order to conceal one's identity.

**Meaning of other words:**

**Declare:** to say something in a solemn and emphatic manner.

**Distinguish:** to recognize or treat as different.

**Display:** to put it in a prominent place in order that



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it may readily be seen.

**Q:10** The correct answer is **option 3** i.e. **Safety**.

**Meaning of the given words:**

Gamble: take risky action in the hope of a desired result.

Risk: a situation involving exposure to danger.

Safety: The condition of being protected from or unlikely to cause danger, risk, or injury.

Peril: serious and immediate danger.

We can infer from the meanings that '**Safety**' suits best as the antonym. Hence, the chosen option is correct.

