

CREST English Olympiad (CEO)
Worksheet

Class 10

Topic Synonyms









Worksheet on Synonyms

1. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

The **half-hearted** smile of the salesgirl seemed rehearsed and effortless as part of her daily duty.

- a. lackadaisical
- b. superficial
- c. indifferent
- d. sentimental

2. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

Robin proved to be a **formidable** opponent for his rival players.

- a. daunting
- b. menacing
- c. intimidating
- d. vulnerable

3. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

The beautiful **elephantine** structure of the tower won admiration and accolades for its marvellous design.

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- a. colossal
- b. enormous
- c. humongous
- d. miniscule

4. Choose the synonym of the highlighted word:

The new policy, while not yet fully implemented, is considered **de jure**, meaning it is recognised and acknowledged by the legal and regulatory authorities.

- a. lawful
- b. invalid
- c. sublimed
- d. congenial

5. Choose the synonym of the highlighted word:

He turned sombre and emotional at his **valedictory** function.

- a. farewell
- b. freshers
- c. introductory
- d. commemoration

6. Choose the synonym of the highlighted word:

The restaurateur was upset over the **suboptimal** online ratings.

- a. mediocre
- b. substantial
- c. extraordinary
- d. grandiose

7. Choose the synonym of the highlighted word:

The **somnolent** atmosphere of the quaint village suggested a slow-paced life, with residents enjoying peaceful afternoons and embracing the tranquillity of their surroundings.

- a. turbulent
- b. hyperactive
- c. drowsy
- d. fulminate

8. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

The coach continued to **exhort** the team, urging them to give their all on the field and emphasising the importance of discipline, teamwork, and relentless effort in achieving their goals.

- a. urge
- b. encourage
- c. coax
- d. dissuade

9. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

Despite facing numerous challenges, the team of scientists remained resolute in their **endeavour** to create a groundbreaking product that would revolutionise the washing industry.

- a. venture
- b. efforts
- c. attempts
- d. languor

10. Choose the option which is not a synonym of the highlighted word:

The constant interruptions during the important lecture became increasingly **irksome**, hindering the class's ability to focus on the critical discussions at hand.

- a. annoying
- b. vexing
- c. tortuous
- d. amusing

11. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The scientist conducted a **meticulous** experiment, ensuring every detail was precise.

- a. thorough
- b. careless
- c. detailed
- d. lengthy

12. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The aroma of freshly baked bread was **irresistible**, tempting everyone passing by in the market.

- a. unpleasant
- b. delightful
- c. tempting
- d. unappetizing

13. Choose the synonym for the word in quotes:

She is not seen even smiling these days, she is rather 'pensive'. (CREST 2021-22)

- a. ruminative
- b. sad
- c. gloomy
- d. black

14. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

Ms Smith offered lucid explanations, making the complex concepts easy to understand.

- a. clear
- b. concise
- c. confusing
- d. straightforward

15. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The old mansion had an **eerie** silence, sending shivers down everyone's spine.

- a. peaceful
- b. unsettling
- c. strange
- d. mysterious

16. Out of the given alternatives, choose the synonym of the word given in bold:

Although the new mall will bring money to the town, many citizens are pessimistic about the resulting increase in traffic. (CREST 2022-23)

- a. encouraged
- b. aware
- c. despondent
- d. hopeful

17. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The child's **inventive** solution used everyday objects to fix the broken toy.

- a. creative
- b. resourceful
- c. traditional
- d. clever

18. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The detective's **perseverance** paid off, leading him to uncover the truth.

- a. determination
- b. persistence
- c. indecisiveness
- d. patience

19. Choose the synonyms for the word in quotes:

James Anderson had a 'penchant' for hook shots. (CREST 2023-24)

- a. art
- b. inclination
- c. strength
- d. desire

20. Choose the synonyms of the highlighted words in the given sentences:

The tropical island boasted **lush** vegetation, with plants growing everywhere.

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- a. abundant
- b. plentiful
- c. scarce
- d. thriving

Answer Key

1.	d	2.	d	3.	d	4.	а	5.	а	6.	а	7.	С
8.	d	9.	d	10.	d	11.	b	12.	а	13.	а	14.	С
15.	а	16.	С	17.	С	18.	С	19.	b	20.	С		

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