

CREST English Olympiad (CEO)
Worksheet

Class 9

**Topic Synonyms** 









## **Worksheet on Synonyms**

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

The celebrity accused the press of publishing vicious calumny.

- a. defamation
- b. slander
- c. libel
- d. eulogy

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

The actions of the antagonist in the daily soap were so **detestable** that viewers found themselves yearning for the protagonist to triumph and bring an end to the character's malevolent deeds.

- a. abhorrent
- b. despised
- c. loathed
- d. virtuous

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

In the library, the **obnoxious** student made loud disturbances causing distractions for other students who were unable to concentrate on what they were reading.

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- a. unpleasant
- b. disagreeable
- c. objectionable
- d. charming

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

The **torrid** summer heat made outdoor activities nearly unbearable, with temperatures soaring to record highs and leaving everyone seeking shade and relief from the oppressive Sun.

- a. sweltering
- b. scorching
- c. frigid
- d. sultry

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

The once-thriving neighbourhood had become **moribund**, with abandoned storefronts and a sense of neglect giving it an air of quiet decline.

- a. defunct
- b. swarthy
- c. doomed
- d. declining

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

Self-control and integrity can be the **panacea** for many psychological ailments that our generation is going through.

- a. remedy
- b. cure
- c. mandate
- d. elixir

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

Davis was accused of **instigating** the workers to go on strike.

- a. incite
- b. inflame
- c. prompt
- d. eliminate

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

Successful completion of the introductory course is a **prerequisite** for enrollment in the advanced workshop.

- a. precondition
- b. obligatory
- c. imperative
- d. voluntary

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

Recognising the escalating conflict, Laila decided to **intercede** between the two disputing classmates, hoping to find a resolution and restore harmony in the lab.

- a. intermediate
- b. negotiate
- c. reconcile
- d. contend

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

The receptionist at the hotel reflected a **perfunctory** smile at the guests.

- a. apathetic
- b. stereotyped
- c. lackadaisical
- d. intense

#### 11. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The king issued a **decree** that everyone must obey.

- a. suggestion
- b. request
- c. order
- d. question

#### 12. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The house was filled with **fragile** objects that could easily break.

- a. strong
- b. delicate
- c. heavy
- d. useful

#### 13. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

Shelly felt a sense of **achievement** after winning an essay competition.

- a. failure
- b. disappointment
- c. accomplishment
- d. confusion

#### 14. Choose the word which best expresses the meaning of the word given in the quotes:

I wanted to 'rescue' them. Since I am not a trained fireman to save them from danger, I was not allowed into the forest area. (CREST 2021-22)

- a. imperil
- b. extricate
- c. defend
- d. safety

#### 15. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

Jack spoke with such **enthusiasm** that everyone got excited about the English project.

- a. boredom
- b. calmness
- c. energy
- d. sadness

#### 16. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The injured athlete felt a surge of **anguish** in a football match.

- a. happiness
- b. anger
- c. pain

d. excitement

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

Show some **deference** to your classmates by raising your hand rather than shouting out every answer. **(CREST 2022-23)** 

- a. cooperation
- b. dignity
- c. disregard
- d. respect

#### 18. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The king issued a **stern** decree.

- a. harsh
- b. joyful
- c. confusing
- d. lengthy

#### 19. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The detective followed a **scanty** trail of clues to solve the mystery.

- a. clear
- b. important
- c. limited
- d. misleading

#### 20. Choose the option which is a synonym of the highlighted word:

The lost traveller felt a sense of **desolation** in his journey.

- a. hope
- b. loneliness
- c. confusion
- d. anger

## **Answer Key**

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

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