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Word Usage Quiz 2

Directions: In each of the questions below, a sentence is given with one word highlighted in bold. From the given options, identify the sentence which expresses a meaning opposite to the given sentence, with the highlighted word replaced by a word of the opposite meaning.

1. The majority held that the devotees of Lord Ayyappa do not constitute a **separate** religious denomination.

- A. The majority held that the devotees of Lord Ayyappa do not constitute a disembodied religious denomination.
- B. The majority held that the devotees of Lord Ayyappa do not constitute a united religious denomination.
- C. The majority held that the devotees of Lord Ayyappa do not constitute a divided religious denomination.
- D. The majority held that the devotees of Lord Ayyappa do not constitute a sovereign religious denomination.
- E. None of the above

2. They have **removed** provisions related to adultery in the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure.

- A. They have abolished provisions related to adultery in the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure.
- B. They have eliminated provisions related to adultery in the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure.
- C. They have incorporated provisions related to adultery in the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure.
- D. They have excluded provisions related to adultery in the Indian Penal Code and the Code of Criminal Procedure.
- E. None of the above

3. A more robust approach in addressing the widening CAD would be to institute wide-ranging measures to **boost** exports.

- A. A more robust approach in addressing the widening CAD would be to institute wide-ranging measures to impede exports.
- B. A more robust approach in addressing the widening CAD would be to institute wide-ranging measures to progress exports.
- C. A more robust approach in addressing the widening CAD would be to institute wide-ranging measures to magnify exports.
- D. A more robust approach in addressing the widening CAD would be to institute wide-ranging measures to uplift exports.
- E. None of the above

4. Yesterday afternoon came with a surprise when Pak helicopter **infringed** into Indian air-boundary.

- A. Yesterday afternoon came with a surprise when Pak helicopter invaded into Indian air-boundary.
- B. Yesterday afternoon came with a surprise when Pak helicopter flew into Indian air-boundary.
- C. Yesterday afternoon came with a surprise when Pak helicopter impinged into Indian air-boundary.
- D. Yesterday afternoon came with a surprise when Pak helicopter trespassed into Indian air-boundary.
- E. None of the above

5. The medley of surprise results proved that cricket will **continue** to evolve and challenge its own hierarchies.

- A. The medley of surprise results proved that cricket will sustain to evolve and challenge its own hierarchies.
- B. The medley of surprise results proved that cricket will cease to evolve and challenge its own hierarchies.
- C. The medley of surprise results proved that cricket will persist to evolve and challenge its own hierarchies.
- D. The medley of surprise results proved that cricket will remain to evolve and challenge its own hierarchies.
- E. All of the above

6. A thought just came to my **befogged** mind but I am not sure whether it will work or not.

- A. A befogged thought came to my mind and I am not sure whether it will work or not.
- B. Whether my thought will work or not is befogged.
- C. A thought just came to my not so clearheaded mind but I am not sure whether it will work or not.
- D. A thought just came to my mind but whether it will work or not is befogged.
- E. None of the above

7. The land that he owns is **fertile** and he can grow a lot of crops in that piece of land from the coming year.

- A. The fertile land that he will own from next year will be available for growing of crops.
- B. The land that he owns is barren and he cannot grow a lot crops in that piece of land from the coming year.
- C. The piece of land that he owns is not fertile enough but he can grow a lot of crops from the coming year.
- D. The land that he owns is not barren and he can grow a lot of crops in that piece of land from the coming year.
- E. The fertile land will be from the coming year since there will be a lot of crops in that land.

8. The Australian team has been **invincible** for past two decades.

- A. The Australian team has been unconquerable for past two decades.
- B. The Australian team has been indomitable for past two decades.
- C. The Australian team has been defenceless for past two decades.
- D. The Australian team has been unbeatable for past two decades.
- E. All of the above

9. I am **congruous** with what all you have said just now.

- A. I am harmonious with what all you have said just now.
- B. I am inconsistent with what all you have said just now.
- C. I am accordant with what all you have said just now.
- D. I am conformed with what all you have said just now.
- E. All of the above

10. The pictures leaked from the sets of the film are **relished** by the viewers.

- A. The pictures leaked from the sets of the film are enjoyed by the viewers.
- B. The pictures leaked from the sets of the film are adored by the viewers.
- C. The pictures leaked from the sets of the film are disliked by the viewers.
- D. The pictures leaked from the sets of the film are appreciated by the viewers.
- E. None of the above

Correct Answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	C	A	E	B	C	D	C	B	C

Explanations :

1. The bold word "separate" means disconnected .
Synonyms: Free, independent, isolated
Antonyms: United, connected, associated
Clearly option B *united* expresses the opposite meaning of the given sentence.
Hence option B is correct.
2. The bold word "remove" means to get rid of or to end something.
Synonyms: Stop, Abolish, End
Antonyms: Initiate, Incorporate, Add
Clearly option C incorporate(to form or constitute) expresses the opposite meaning of the given sentence.
Hence option C is correct.
3. The bold word "boost" means to enhance or advance.
Synonyms: Raise, Magnify, Uplift
Antonyms: Impede, Reduce, Decrease
Thus , clearly option A impede(to hinder) expresses the opposite meaning of the given sentence.
Hence option A is correct.

4. The bold word "infringed" means to enter without permission or to enter a restricted place.
Synonyms: Infringe, Trespass, Impinge
Antonyms: Escape, Exit, Retreat
Thus , clearly none of the options expresses the opposite meaning of the given sentence.
Hence option E is correct.

5. The bold word "continue" means to persist in any activity.
Synonyms: Persist, Ongoing, Sustain
Antonyms: Cease, halt, stop
Thus , clearly option B expresses the opposite meaning of the given sentence.
Hence option B is correct.

6. According to the given statement, the first part is regarding the thought that came to my mind and the second part is regarding the effectiveness of the thought.

Option A is not correct since it is not the exact sentence as the given one and that is why it can be eliminated.

Option B is also not correct since it means something else as compared to the given statement. It talks about the outcome to be befogged whereas the actual statement is regarding the mind being befogged.

Option D is also incorrect since it is also not the same as the given statement and hence can be eliminated from the consideration of the correct choice.

Option C is the correct choice since it correctly expresses the same meaning as the given statement and also the opposite word of the bold word has been used in this statement.

This makes option C the correct choice among the given options.

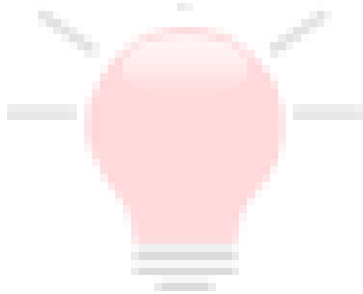
7. The statement is regarding the piece of land owned by a certain person and the possibility of growing crops on that land since the land is fertile.

Now coming to the options, Option A is not correct since it changes the entire meaning of the given statement whereas same can be commented regarding option B also since that is also not the same as the given statement. Option C is not correct since it does not make any sense and it is true from option E as well.

Only option D talks about the same thing and also the antonym of the highlighted word has been used in this sentence.

Therefore, option D is the correct choice among the given options.

- 8.** The bold word 'Invincible' means not able to be defeated.
Synonyms: Indomitable, Unconquerable, Unbeatable
Antonyms: Attackable, Beatable, Vulnerable.
Clearly, option C represents the meaning which is opposite to the given sentence.
Hence option C is the correct answer.
- 9.** The bold word 'Congruous' means in agreement.
Synonyms: Accordant, Harmonious, Conformed
Antonyms: Opponent, Inconsistent, Incompatible
Clearly, option B represents the meaning which is opposite to the given sentence.
Hence option B is the correct answer.
- 10.** The bold word 'Relish' means enjoy or praise.
Synonyms: Enjoy, Adore, Appreciate
Antonyms: Dislike
Clearly, option C represents the meaning which is opposite to the given sentence.
Hence option C is the correct answer.



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