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Q 1. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: She gave him a small **wave before leaving.**

- A. The crowd gave a cheerful wave to the players.
- **B. A massive wave crashed onto the shore.**
- C. She gave him a friendly wave as she walked out the door.
- D. He gave a final wave to his family as the plane took off.

Answer – B

Q2. Which pair of homonyms can be used to fill in the blanks most suitably? He had to ----- his brains trying to remember how he came to be on the shore strewn with ---- - and driftwood.

- **A. wrack, rack**
- B. rack, rack
- C. rack, wrack
- D. wrack, wrack

Answer - A

Q3. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank.

_____ record-keeping made it difficult for the agency to keep track of its clients.

- A. Hazard
- **B. Haphazard**
- C. hazarded
- D. Hazardous Solution: B) Haphazard. It means random, unorganized, or unplanned.

Q4. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The German Submarine _____ were not aware of the exact location of the ship.

- **A. crews**
- B. cruise
- C. crus
- D. cruse Solution: A) crews. A crew is a group of people who work on a ship or aircraft.

Q5. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **duck hid under the bush.**

- A. He had to duck to avoid the ball.
- B. The duck swam across the pond.
- C. The ducklings followed their mother.
- D. The hunter spotted a wild duck.

Duck (the bird) vs. **Duck** (the action of lowering the head).

Q6. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. Sunita always wears _____ clothes.

- A. dissent
- B. descent
- C. decent
- D. distant Solution: C) decent. It means respectable or appropriate.

Q7. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **fair maiden smiled at the prince.**

- A. The judge ensured the trial was fair.
- B. The fair was filled with music and food stalls.
- C. The villagers admired the fair-haired girl.
- D. The poet described her as fair and gentle.

Q8. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. The cost of living continued to _____.

- A. Sour
- B. Soar
- C. Shore
- D. Sore Solution: B) Soar. It means to ascend or rise steeply.

Q9. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. I will just _____ some figures for comparison.

- A. cete
- B. cite
- C. site
- D. sight Solution: B) Cite. It means to quote as evidence or justification.

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Q10. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The villagers kept the _____ out, to collect the rain water.

- A. crus
- **B. cruse**
- C. crews
- D. cruise Solution: B) Cruse. A cruse is a small container or jar for holding liquids.

Q11. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. My birthday will _____ on a Friday this year.

- A. fall: to go down onto the ground suddenly
- **B. fall: to come at a particular time or happen in a particular place**
- C. fall: to change to a particular condition
- D. fall: to be beaten or defeated.

Q12. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. I was sent to bed without any _____.

- A. Super
- B. Superb
- **C. Supper**
- D. Soupier Solution: C) Supper. It refers to an evening meal.

Q13. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. Efforts were made to _____ the disease.

- **A. Check**
- B. Cheque
- C. Chalk
- D. Czech Solution: A) Check. In this context, it means to stop or control.

Q14. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. A _____ of strangers ought not to be admitted.

- A. Route
- B. Rot
- C. Rout
- D. Wrote Solution: C) Rout. It refers to a large number of people or a group.

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Q15. The choir began the **introit at the priest's signal.**

- A. The child sang the introit during the intermission.
- **B.** The introit was replaced by an organ improvisation.
- C. The missal included Latin text for the introit.
- D. The cantor rehearsed the Sunday introit.
- **Explanation:** "Introit" means a church hymn

Q16. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The climber reached the **peak of the mountain.**

- **A.** The speaker's voice peaked during the argument.
- B. The snow glistened at the peak of the summit.
- C. They camped near the peak for sunrise.
- D. The wind howled around the rocky peak.

Q17. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The sailor cleaned the **deck of the ship.**

- **A.** The children played cards on the deck.
- B. The deck was wet after the storm.
- C. The crew rested below the deck.
- D. The officer inspected the deck.
- **Explanation:** Deck (जहाज़ का फर्श) vs. Deck (ताश की गड्डी)

Q18. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The miner dug deep into the **mine for coal.**

- **A.** That book is mine.
- B. The mine tunnel collapsed last night.
- C. The workers inspected the new mine shaft.
- D. The company owns several mines in the region.

Q19. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The farmer used a **bat to scare away birds.**

- **A.** The bat flew swiftly into the dark cave.
- B. The boy swung his bat during cricket practice.

- C. The bat was made of solid wood.
- D. The coach instructed him on bat control.

Q20. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The old well was covered with stones.

- A. She sings very well.
- B. The children threw coins into the well.
- C. The well had clean drinking water.
- D. The mason built a circular well.

Q21. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The seal on the letter was broken.

- A. The seal clapped its fins in the aquarium.
- B. The wax seal bore the royal emblem.
- C. The clerk stamped the official seal.
- D. The envelope had a silver seal.

Q22. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The match was postponed due to rain.

- A. He struck a match to light the candle.
- B. The match between the two teams was intense.
- C. The crowd cheered throughout the match.
- D. The referee delayed the match by an hour.

Q23. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The artist displayed her light sketches.

- A. The room was filled with bright light.
- B. The light sketches were admired by critics.
- C. The painter used soft colours to create light effects.
- D. The students practiced drawing in light tones.

Q24. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The bank of the river was covered with reeds.

- A. He deposited his salary in the bank.
- B. The bank was eroded by heavy rainfall.

- C. The farmer rested near the river bank.
- D. The children played on the sandy bank.

Q25. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **can was filled with paint.**

- **A.** She said she can complete the work alone.
- B. The can leaked all over the floor.
- C. The boy kicked the empty can.
- D. The label on the can was missing.

Q26. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The hunter aimed his **bow carefully.**

- **A.** The dancer made a graceful bow before leaving the stage.
- B. The bow was strung tightly with a new cord.
- C. The archer repaired his wooden bow.
- D. The bow lay across the table.

Q27. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The chef's culinary creations were infused with a distinctive _____ that set them apart from typical restaurant fare.

- A. flare
- B. fair
- C. flere
- **D. flair** Solution: D) flair. This means a special or natural talent or style.

Q28. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. Mr. Sharma opened the door of the stove to _____.

- **A.** peek
- B. pike
- C. piece
- D. peak Solution: A) peek. This means to glance quickly or look inside.

Q29. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. They say that landlords should _____ the burden of these repairs and not tenants.

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- A. Wear
- B. Bare
- C. Weird
- **D. Bear** Solution: D) Bear. It means to endure or take responsibility for.

Q30. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. They want to ban the seal _____.

- A. Haunt
- **B. Hunt**
- C. Hawnt
- D. Hant Solution: B) Hunt. It means to pursue or chase prey.

Q31. Select the correct homonym/homophone from the given options to fill in the blank. For many years people were trying to escape the _____ of the junta.

- A. Excess
- **B. Excesses**
- C. Access
- D. Axis Solution: B) Excesses. This refers to cruel or abusive behaviours.

Q32. Select the correct homonym/homophone from the given options to fill in the blank. They organized the _____ of Mr. Cordes on his way to the airport.

- A. abdication
- **B. abduction**
- C. addiction
- D. adoration Solution: B) abduction. This means the act of forcibly taking someone away.

Q33. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. He found the soup tasteless and _____.

- A. Blend
- B. Blent
- C. Blunt
- **D. Bland** Solution: D) Bland. It means lacking in flavour.

Q34. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **right answer was easy to find.**

- A. Turn right at the next corner.
- B. The right solution was already known.
- C. Everyone has the right to vote.
- D. He wrote the right formula.

Q35. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **watch stopped working suddenly.**

- A. The soldiers stood watch all night.
- B. The watch was repaired by the jeweller.
- C. She wore a golden wristwatch.
- D. He lost his favourite watch yesterday.

Q36. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **ring sparkled on her finger.**

- A. The phone began to ring loudly.
- B. The gold ring was beautifully crafted.
- C. The jeweller designed a diamond ring.
- D. The ring was placed in a velvet box. .

Q37. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **bat flew around the dark attic.**

- A. He hit the ball with his bat.
- B. The bat hung upside down from the roof.
- C. The cave was full of bats.
- D. The biologist observed a rare bat species.

Q38. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **letter arrived late in the mail.**

- A. She forgot to write the last letter of the word.
- B. The postman delivered the letter on time.
- C. The old letter was sealed with wax.

- D. The letter contained a photograph.

Q39. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The wave crashed against the rocks.

- A. She gave me a friendly wave.
- B. The wave destroyed several boats.
- C. The wave rose high during the storm.
- D. The fishermen waited for the next wave.

Q40. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The nail was bent after hammering.

- A. He bit his nail nervously.
- B. The carpenter used an iron nail.
- C. The nail broke while fixing the board.
- D. The worker dropped a handful of nails.

Q41. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The seal was stamped on the envelope.

- A. The trainer fed the seal at the aquarium.
- B. The wax seal melted in the sun.
- C. The document carried an official seal.
- D. The clerk checked the seal carefully.

Q42. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The rock band performed at the festival.

- A. Children threw a rock into the pond.
- B. The rock concert was loud and energetic.
- C. The rock singer played the guitar.
- D. The fans cheered for the rock band.

Q43. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The plane landed safely at the airport.

- A. The carpenter used a plane to smooth the wood.
- B. The plane took off at dawn.
- C. The plane flew over the city.

- D. The plane engine made a loud sound.

Q44. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **match was postponed due to rain.**

- A. He struck a match to light the candle.
- B. The match ended in a draw.
- C. The match attracted many spectators.
- D. The players prepared for the match.

Q45. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **bat rested inside the cave.**

- A. The cricketer swung his bat powerfully.
- B. The bat flew out at sunset.
- C. The bat colony was large.
- D. Scientists studied the bat species.

Q46. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **yard was full of flowers.**

- A. The ship measured 50 yards in length.
- B. The children played in the yard.
- C. The gardener watered the yard daily.
- D. The gate opened into the yard.

Q47. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **spring flows through the valley.**

- A. They love the spring season.
- B. The spring water was clear.
- C. The spring formed a small pond.
- D. The animals drank from the spring.

Q48. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **park was closed for renovation.**

- A. They decided to park their car near the gate.
- B. The park was full of visitors.
- C. The park had tall trees.

- D. The park's entrance was decorated.

Q49. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **light flickered in the wind.**

- A. The box was light enough to carry easily.
- B. The light bulb needed replacement.
- C. The light glowed softly.
- D. The children gathered around the light.

Q50. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **fair was crowded with people.**

- A. The judge made a fair decision.
- B. The fair had many stalls.
- C. The village hosted a grand fair.
- D. Children enjoyed rides at the fair.

Q51. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **file was stored on the computer.**

- A. He used a file to sharpen the blade.
- B. The file contained secret documents.
- C. The teacher opened the file.
- D. The student created a new file.

Q52. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The prince's **gules dominated the family coat of arms.**

- A. The chef prepared a sauce of deep gules and cumin.
- B. The tapestry featured gules and argent prominently.
- C. The gules border signified martial lineage.
- D. The herald explained the symbolism of gules to visitors.

Q53. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The historian referenced a **bailey in Norman military architecture.**

- A. The shepherd gathered his sheep in the bailey.
- B. The bailey was reinforced with wooden palisades.
- C. The outer bailey surrounded the motte.

- D. The king's guard patrolled the lower bailey.

Q54. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **fanon rested on the Pope's shoulder during Mass.**

- A. The theologian lectured on the fanon's origin in Rome.
- B. The tailor stitched the edge of the fanon carefully.
- **C.** The critic analyzed Fanon's theory of postcolonial identity.
- D. The cardinal wore the fanon over his chasuble.

Q55. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The medieval **oriel window projected elegantly from the chapel wall.**

- A. The priest admired the sunlight filtering through the oriel.
- B. The duke stood by the oriel gazing at the courtyard.
- **C.** The technician adjusted the frequency on the oriel.
- D. The stained-glass oriel was restored by artisans.

Q56. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The guards stood in **pike formation along the causeway.**

- **A.** The angler pulled a large pike from the icy lake.
- B. The rebel was punished by being placed on the pike.
- C. The infantry pike split the enemy's front line.
- D. The pike gleamed beside the veteran's armour.

Q57. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The knight raised his **pauldron before mounting.**

- A. The blacksmith polished the steel pauldron until it gleamed.
- B. The art historian admired the engraved pauldron of the effigy.
- **C.** The biology student dissected the pauldron of the sea slug.
- D. The museum displayed a 15th-century Italian pauldron.

Q58. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **tripos system at Cambridge remains a model of academic rigor.**

- A. The tripos involved oral defence and written modules.
- B. He broke his tripos into discrete phases of analysis.
- **C.** The ceremonial tripos stool toppled during the investiture.

- D. She passed the natural sciences tripos with distinction.

Q59. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The treatise critiqued the **rheme in the syntactical arrangement of propositions.**

- A. The linguist isolated the rheme in the sentence structure.
- B. The rheme was pronounced with unique intonation in Tagalog.
- C. The rheme swam rapidly into the estuarine current.
- D. The poet emphasized the rheme for metrical impact.

Q60. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: She placed a **compact mirror in her purse.**

- A. The team formed a compact defensive unit.
- B. He compacted the soil using a roller.
- C. They signed a compact to maintain peace.
- D. The book was written in a compact style.

Q61. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The gardener trimmed the **bark of the old oak tree.**

- A. The dog's loud bark startled the neighbours.
- B. The bark was rough and covered with moss.
- C. The botanist studied the texture of bark samples.
- D. The rain softened the bark overnight.

Q62. Select the sentence containing the homonym of the highlighted word: The **fair maiden smiled at the prince.**

- A. The judge ensured the trial was fair.
- B. The fair was filled with music and food stalls.
- C. The villagers admired the fair-haired girl.
- D. The poet described her as fair and gentle.

Q63. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The magician pulled a rabbit out of his _____.

- A. had
- B. hat
- C. hut

- D. hit **Solution: B) hat.** The sentence refers to a common magic trick where a magician pulls a rabbit out of a hat.

Q64. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. After the long hike, he felt a sudden _____ in his calf muscle.

- A. kramp
- B. crimp
- **C. cramp**
- D. krimp

Solution: C) cramp. A cramp is a painful, involuntary contraction of a muscle.

Q65. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. He decided to _____ a new path through the woods.

- A. carver
- B. carves
- **C. carve**
- D. care

Solution: C) carve. In this context, to carve means to create or form a path by cutting or chiseling.

Q66. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The painter used a _____ to make the lines on the canvas perfectly straight.

- A. bored
- B. bawd
- C. bode
- **D. board**

Solution: D) board. A board refers to a long, flat piece of material used to create straight lines.

Q67. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. He could not _____ the weight of the heavy boxes.

- A. bare
- **B. bear**
- C. bier
- D. bair **Solution: B) bear.** Bear means to carry, support, endure, or withstand.

Q68. Select the most appropriate homonym to fill in the blank. The detective was able to _____ the criminal's motives.

- A. scent
- B. cent
- C. sent
- D. ascent **Solution: A) Scent.** In this context, scent means to discern or perceive

Q69. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. They found a _____ and he seated his model.

- A. Canvass
- B. Canvas
- C. Amass
- D. Surpass **Solution: B) Canvas.** A canvas is a type of fabric on which paintings are made.

Q70. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The company gave in to the demands of the employees as it found them _____.

- A. Litigate
- B. Levitate
- C. Lacerate
- D. Legitimate

Solution: D) Legitimate. Legitimate means genuine, valid, or lawful.

Q71. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The archaeologist carefully studied the ancient _____.

- A. reign
- B. rain
- C. rein
- D. rune

Solution: D) Rune. A rune is a letter of an ancient Germanic alphabet.

Q72. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. Between Raima and Saima, the former is intelligent, while the _____ is beautiful.

- A. Letter
- B. Later

- **C. Latter**
- D. Late

Solution: C) Latter. The latter refers to the second of two people or things previously mentioned.

Q73. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The child _____ down from a great height.

- A. Felt
- B. Fall
- C. Falling
- **D. Fell**

Solution: D) Fell. "Fell" is the grammatically correct past tense (V2) for the singular noun "child" in this context.

Q74. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. If he wants _____ information, send him to me.

- A. Farther
- B. Father
- **C. Further**
- D. Faraway

Solution: C) Further. Further means more or additional.

Q75. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. I'm sorry to _____ you at this time of night.

- A. Brother
- **B. Bother**
- C. Brothel
- D. Broth

Solution: B) Bother. Bother means to worry, disturb, or upset someone.

Q76. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. A minority of people _____ on unemployment benefit alone.

- A. Exult
- B. Exit
- **C. Exist**

- D. Exempt

Solution: C) Exist. Exist means to live, especially under adverse conditions.

Q77. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. We have some _____ parish records from the 16th century.

- A. Extinct
- **B. Extant**
- C. Extent
- D. Extension

Solution: B) Extant. Extant means existing, surviving, or present.

Q78. Select the correct homonym from the given options to fill in the blank. The head was _____ from the body.

- A. Severe
- **B. Severed**
- C. Sewer
- D. Shivering

Solution: B) Severed. Sever means to cut off or remove.

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