

Most Expected English Questions PDF





50+ Most Important English Questions for SSC MTS 2022

1. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

OPTIMIST

A. idealist

B. pessimist

C. critic

D. distinct

Ans. A Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words-

Optimist- a person who tends to be hopeful and confident about the future or the success of something

E.g.: an incurable optimist

Idealist- a person who is guided more by ideals than by practical considerations

E.g.: Joseph was an idealist and a doctrinaire, whose dream was to build up his ideal body politic

Pessimist- a person who tends to see the worst aspect of things or believe that the worst will happen

Critic- a person who expresses an unfavourable opinion of something Distinct- recognizably different in nature from something else of a similar type Hence, option A is the correct answer.

2. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

CAUTIOUS

A. prudent

B. negligent

C. discreet

D. alert

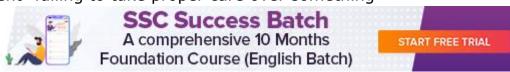
Ans. B Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words-

Cautious- (of a person) careful to avoid potential problems or dangers

E.g.: a cautious driver

Prudent- acting with or showing care and thought for the future Negligent- failing to take proper care over something





E.g.: negligent in his correspondence"

Discreet- careful and prudent in one's speech or actions, especially in order to keep something confidential or to avoid embarrassment

Alert- quick to notice any unusual and potentially dangerous or difficult circumstances; vigilant

Hence, option B is the correct answer.

3. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

One who can't speak

- A. orphan
- B. quiet
- C. dumb
- D. bevy

Ans. C

Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words-

Orphan- a child whose parents are dead

Quiet- making little or no noise

Dumb- temporarily unable or unwilling to speak

Bevy- a large group of people or things of a particular kind

Hence, option C is the correct answer.

4. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Out of date

- A. being careless
- B. a date seed
- C. something old fashioned
- D. a worthless fellow

Ans. C

Sol.

Out of date idiom means old-fashioned. Hence, option C is the correct answer.

5. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

OBVIOUS

- A. various
- B. vaque
- C. evident
- D. flexible





Ans. C

Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words-

Obvious- easily perceived or understood; clear, self-evident, or apparent

E.g.: obvious errors

Various- different from one another; of different kinds or sorts

Vague- of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning

Evident- clearly seen or understood; obvious

E.g.: evident hostility

Flexible- capable of bending easily without breaking

Hence, option C is the correct answer.

6. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. Elemantry
- B. Elimantry
- C. Elimentary
- D. Elementary

Ans. D

Sol.

Option D has the only correct spelling. Elementary means "of the most basic kind".

7. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

ATTRACT

- A. allure
- B. invite
- C. lure
- D. repel

Ans. D

Sol.

Let's understand the meaning of the given words:

Attract: cause (someone) to have a liking for or interest in something.

Allure: the quality of being powerfully and mysteriously attractive or fascinating.

Invite: make a formal or polite request for (something) from someone.

Lure: tempt (a person or animal) to do something or to go somewhere, especially by offering some form of reward.

Repel: drive or force (an attack or attacker) back or away.





From the meanings of the words it is clear that only option D has an opposite meaning. Repel is the correct antonym of Attract. Other words are synonymous.

8. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Over my dead body

- A. erecting a grave stone
- B. inheriting to fortune
- C. opposing something fiercely
- D. threatening to kill oneself

Ans. C

Sol.

The idiom "over my dead body" is used to emphasize that one completely opposes something, which is similar to option C. Hence option C is correct.

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

INEXPENSIVE

- A. reasonable
- B. dear
- C. popular
- D. liberal

Ans. B

Sol.

Let's learn the meanings of the given words:

Inexpensive = not costing a great deal; cheap.

Reasonable = as much as is appropriate or fair; moderate.

Dear = expensive.

Popular = liked or admired by many people or by a particular person or group. Liberal = willing to respect or accept behaviour or opinions different from one's own; open to new ideas.

It is clear that option B and the given word have opposite meanings. Hence option B is correct.

10. Choose the correctly spelt word.

- A. finencially
- B. financialy
- C. finantially
- D. financially

Ans. D





Sol.

Option D has the correctly spelt word "Financially" which in a way relates to finance. Hence option D is correct.

11. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

One who studies the evolution of mankind

- A. dermatologist
- B. anthropologist
- C. sociologist
- D. archaeologist

Ans. B

Sol.

Let's understand the meaning of the given words:

Dermatologist= a medical practitioner qualified to diagnose and treat skin disorders.

Anthropologist= someone who scientifically studies humans and their customs, beliefs, and relationships.

Sociologist= a person who studies people's social lives, activities, behaviours, interactions, processes, and organizations within the context of larger social, political, and economic forces.

Archaeologist= a person who studies human history and prehistory through the excavation of sites and the analysis of artefacts and other physical remains.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

12. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

QUELL

- A. entire
- B. denv
- C. reduce
- D. agitate

Ans. D





Sol.

Let us learn the meaning of the given words:

Quell= subdue or silence (someone).

Example: Police in riot gear were called in to quell the unrest.

Entire = with no part left out; whole.

Deny= state that one refuses to admit the truth or existence of.

Reduce= make smaller or less in amount, degree, or size.

Agitate= make (someone) troubled or nervous.

Example: I didn't want to agitate her by telling her.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

13. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

CURRENT

A. general

B. present

C. modern

D. past

Ans. D

Sol.

Let's understand the meaning of the given words:

Current = related to present time, happening now

e.g. The current survey will have a wider geographical spread.

General = something most common ,usual or most used

Present = existing or happening now

Modern = belonging to present or recent times

Past = that has happened before or something that took place before the present time

e.g. In the past, we simply had the division of labour among people.

Hence option D is the correct answer.





14. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

ACCOUNTABLE

A. blameless

B. answerable

C. slack

D. unreliable

Ans. B

Sol.

Let's understand the meaning of the given words:

Accountable = required or expected to justify actions or decisions; responsible.

Example: The Ministers are accountable to Parliament.

Blameless = free from guilt, sin, or immorality.

Answerable = required to explain or justify one's actions to someone.

Example: The Attorney General is answerable only to Parliament for his decisions.

Slack = having or showing laziness or negligence.

Unreliable = not able to be relied upon.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

15. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

Be glad to see the back of

A. to avoid someone

B. to be happy when a person leaves

C. to be happy to receive guests

D. to support someone

Ans. B

Sol.

The idiom 'be glad to see the back of' means 'be glad when someone leaves after an unpleasant experience with them'.

For example :- After my boss made my life difficult for ten years, he finally left the company. I was glad to see the back of him.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.





16. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. hijean
- B. higiene
- C. hygene
- D. hygiene

Ans. D Sol.

'Hygiene' meaning 'conditions or practices conducive to maintaining health and preventing disease, especially through cleanliness' is the correctly spelt word.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

17. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. administrater
- B. administrator
- C. administratur
- D. aministretor

Ans. B Sol.

The correctly spelt word is 'administrator' which means 'a person responsible for carrying out the administration of a business or organization'.

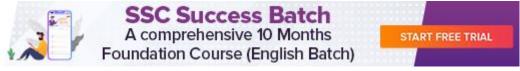
Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

- 18. Select the correctly spelt word.
- A. Foriegn
- B. Foaurth
- C. February
- D. Forwerd

Ans. C

Sol.

'February' which is the second month of the year is the correctly spelt word. Hence, option C is the correct answer. The other words can be correctly spelt as 'foreign', 'forward' and 'fourth'.





19. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

FRAGILE

A. novel

B. tiny

C. tough

D. gross

Ans. C

Sol.

Let's learn the meanings of all the words:

Fragile = (of an object) easily broken or damaged

e.g. Be careful with that vase - it's very fragile.

Novel = new

Tiny = very small

Tough = (of a substance or object) strong enough to withstand adverse conditions or rough handling

e.g. These toys are made from tough plastic.

Gross = (especially of wrongdoing) very obvious and unacceptable Hence, option C is the correct answer.

20. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

ADAMANT

A. coherent

B. stubborn

C. stupid

D. flexible

Ans. D

Sol.

Let's learn the meanings of all the words:

Adamant = refusing to be persuaded or to change one's mind; immovable e.g. I've told her she should stay at home and rest but she's adamant that she's coming.

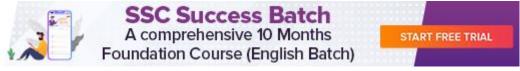
Coherent = (of an argument, theory, or policy) logical and consistent; logical **Stubborn** = difficult to move, remove, or cure.

Stupid = having or showing a great lack of intelligence or common sense.

Flexible = able to be easily modified to respond to altered circumstances; ready and able to change so as to adapt to different circumstances.

e.g. My schedule is flexible - I could arrange to meet with you any day next week.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.





21. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

AROMA

A. sneeze

B. stench

C. stink

D. scent

Ans. D

Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words-

Aroma = a distinctive, typically pleasant smell.

E.g.: the top standard is extra virgin olive oil classified as having an absolutely impeccable taste and aroma.

Sneeze = make a sudden involuntary expulsion of air from the nose and mouth due to irritation of one's nostrils.

Stench = a strong and very unpleasant smell.

Stink = have a strong unpleasant smell.

Scent = a distinctive smell, especially one that is pleasant.

E.g.: the scent of flowers came in at the window.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.

22. Select the correctly spelt word.

A. anniversery

B. anniversary

C. anniversiry

D. aniversary

Ans. B

Sol.

Option B is the correctly spelt word and its meaning is the date on which an event took place or an institution was founded in a previous year. Hence, option B is the correct answer.

23. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word.

CAPTIVITY

A. liberty

B. imprisonment

C. cheer

D. offense

Ans. A





Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the given words:

Captivity = the state of being kept in a place that you cannot escape from e.g. He was held in captivity until he died.

Liberty = the state of being free e.g. Hundreds of political prisoners are to be given their liberty.

Imprisonment = the state of being kept in prison

Cheer = to make somebody happy or more hopeful

Offense = an illegal act Hence, option A is the correct answer.

24. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

AGILE

A. dull

B. stiff

C. quick

D. rigid

Ans. C

Sol. Let's first see the meanings of the given words:

Agile = able to move quickly and easily. e.g. You need to have agile fingers to do this kind of work.

Quick = accomplished rapidly and without delay. e.g. His quick reaction prevented an accident.

Dull = not interesting, boring.

Stiff = hard, difficult to move or bend.

Rigid = not able to be bent or moved.

Hence, option C is the correct answer.





25. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. convenience
- B. konvenience
- C. convinience
- D. conveniense

Ans. A

Sol. The correctly spelt word is "Convenience" which means the quality of being useful, easy or suitable for somebody Hence, option A is the correct answer.

26. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. peirce
- B. necessary
- C. noticeing
- D. permmit

Ans. B

Sol. Option B has the correctly spelt word. 'Necessary' (adjective) means needed to be done, achieved, or present; essential.

Other words and their meanings are:

Pierce = (of a sharp pointed object) go into or through (something).

Noticing = become aware of

Permit = officially allow (someone) to do something.

27. Choose the correctly spelt word.

- A. explanation
- B. submision
- C. conquor
- D. confidense

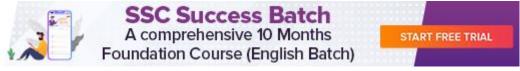
Ans. A

Sol.

Option A is the correctly spelt word which means a statement or account that makes something clear. Other correct spellings and their meanings are-Submission- the action of accepting or yielding to a superior force or to the will or authority of another person

Conquer- overcome and take control of (a place or people) by military force Confidence- the feeling or belief that one can have faith in or rely on someone or something

Hence, option A is the correct answer.





28. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

FORMER

A. inferior

B. superior

C. regular

D. previous

Ans. D Sol.

Let us understand the meaning of the given words :-

Former = having previously been a particular thing.

Inferior = lower in rank, status, or quality.

Superior = higher in rank, status, or quality.

Regular = arranged in or constituting a constant or definite pattern.

Previous = existing or occurring before in time or order.

"Former" means something occurring in the past or at first. "Previous" (existing or occurring before in time or order) is the correct synonym of it, as they both related to time.

Regular is related to time but does not refer to the earlier events and Inferior and Superior are not concepts related to time. Hence, all of them can be negated.

29. **Direction:** Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A collection of drawings, documents, etc. that represent a person's, especially an artist's, work

A. Dossier

B. Sketch

C. Profile

D. Portfolio

Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

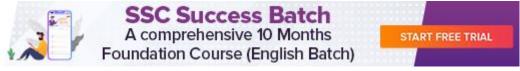
Dossier: A dossier is a collection of papers or other sources, containing detailed information about a particular person or subject.

Sketch: a rough or unfinished drawing or painting, often made to assist in making a more finished picture.

Profile: an outline of something, especially a person's face, as seen from one side.

Portfolio: a set of pieces of creative work intended to demonstrate a person's ability to a potential employer.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.





30. Select the incorrectly spelt word.

- A. Placque
- B. Lacquer
- C. Rogue
- D. Boutique

Ans. A

Sol. 'Plaque' meaning 'an ornamental tablet, typically of metal, porcelain, or wood, that is fixed to a wall or other surface in commemoration of a person or event' is incorrectly spelt as 'placque'.

The meanings of the other words are:

Lacquer: a liquid made of shellac dissolved in alcohol, or of synthetic substances, that dries to form a hard protective coating for wood, metal, etc. Roque: a dishonest or unprincipled man.

Boutique: a small shop selling fashionable clothes or accessories.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

31. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

ALTRUISTIC

- A. Soft-spoken
- B. Outstanding
- C. Serene
- D. Selfish

Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Altruistic: showing a disinterested and selfless concern for the well-being of others; unselfish.

Soft-spoken: speaking or said with a gentle, quiet voice.

Outstanding: exceptionally good.

Serene: calm, peaceful, and untroubled; tranquil.

Selfish: (of a person, action, or motive) lacking consideration for other people;

concerned chiefly with one's own personal profit or pleasure.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.





32. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

DISCLOSE

A. Disguise

B. Complete

C. Conceal

D. Disrupt

Ans. C

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Disclose: make (secret or new information) known.

Disguise: give (someone or oneself) a different appearance in order to conceal

one's identity.

Complete: having all the necessary or appropriate parts.

Conceal: not allow to be seen; hide.

Disrupt: interrupt (an event, activity, or process) by causing a disturbance or

problem.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

33. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

FOLIAGE

A. Greenery

B. Firmness

C. Urgency

D. Foolishness

Ans. A

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Foliage: plant leaves collectively.

Greenery: green foliage, growing plants, or vegetation.

Firmness: the quality of having a solid, almost unyielding surface or structure.

Urgency: importance requiring swift action.

Foolishness: lack of good sense or judgement; stupidity.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

34. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given.

A group of ships sailing together

A. Cruisers

B. Vessels

C. Navy

D. Fleet





Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Cruisers: a relatively fast warship larger than a destroyer and less heavily armed than a battleship.

Vessels: a ship or large boat.

Navy: the branch of the armed services of a state which conducts military operations at sea.

Fleet: a group of ships sailing together, engaged in the same activity, or under the same ownership.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

35. Select the correctly spelt word.

- A. Fassion
- B. Injecshun
- C. Transishion
- D. Intention

Ans. D

Sol. 'Intention' meaning 'a thing intended; an aim or plan' is correctly spelt. The other words can be correctly spelt as 'fashion', 'injection', and 'transition'. Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

36. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word. CONSTRAINT

CONSTRAIL

- A. Hazard
- B. Concern
- C. Burden
- D. Control

Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are: Constraint: a limitation or restriction.

Hazard: a danger or risk. Concern: relate to; be about.

Burden: a load, typically a heavy one.

Control: the power to influence or direct people's behaviour or the course of

events.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.





37. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word:

ALTRUIST

A. Individualist

B. Philanthropist

C. Nutritionist

D. Impressionist

Ans. B

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Altruist: a person unselfishly concerned for or devoted to the welfare of others.

Individualist: a person who is independent and self-reliant.

Philanthropist: a person who seeks to promote the welfare of others, especially by the generous donation of money to good causes.

Nutritionist: a person who studies or is an expert in nutrition.

Impressionist: a painter, writer, or composer who is an exponent of impressionism.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

38. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word:

COARSE

A. Common

B. Colourful

C. Refined

D. Vulgar

Ans. C

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Coarse: rough or harsh in texture.

Common: occurring, found, or done often; prevalent.

Colourful: having much or varied colour; bright.

Refined: with impurities or unwanted elements having been removed by

processing.

Vulgar: lacking sophistication or good taste.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.





39. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given:

A part of the city especially the slum area

- A. Ghetto
- B. Metropolis
- C. Suburb
- D. Colony

Ans. A

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Ghetto: a part of a city, especially a slum area, occupied by a minority group or groups.

Metropolis: the capital or chief city of a country or region.

Suburb: an outlying district of a city, especially a residential one.

Colony: a country or area under the full or partial political control of another country and occupied by settlers from that country.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

40. Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom:

The straw that broke the camel's back

- A. To show strength and continue without a fuss
- B. To be the last in a series of events leading one to feel that it is intolerable
- C. To undertake a difficult journey across a desert
- D. To make a wish for an escape from existing conditions

Ans. B

Sol.

The idiom 'the straw that broke the camel's back' means 'the last in a series of bad things that happen to make someone very upset, angry, etc'.

For example, With governmental resources already strained to the breaking point, any sort of environmental disaster would be the straw that breaks the camel's back.

Hence, **option B** is the correct answer.

- 41. Select the wrongly spelt word.
- A. Privilige
- B. Mileage
- C. Gait
- D. Truism

Ans. A





Sol.

"Privilege' meaning 'a special right, advantage, or immunity granted or available only to a particular person or group' is incorrectly spelt as 'privilige'.

The meanings of the other words are:

Mileage: a number of miles travelled or covered.

Gait: a person's manner of walking.

Truism: a statement that is obviously true and says nothing new or interesting.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

42. Select the most appropriate antonym of the given word:

CONTEMPLATE

- A. Deify
- B. Conceive
- C. Ignore
- D. Meditate

Ans. C Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Contemplate: look thoughtfully for a long time at.

Deify: worship or regard as a god.

Conceive: create (an embryo) by fertilizing an egg.

Ignore: refuse to take notice of or acknowledge; disregard intentionally.

Meditate: focus one's mind for a period of time, in silence or with the aid of

chanting, for religious or spiritual purposes or as a method of relaxation.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

43. Select the word which means the same as the group of words given:

Making one feel very sad

- A. Heart-to-heart
- B. Heart-searching
- C. Heart-stopping
- D. Heart-wrenching

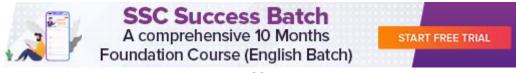
Ans. D

Sol.

The meanings of the phrases are:

Heart-to-heart: (of a conversation) candid, intimate, and personal.

Heart-searching: thorough, typically painful examination of one's feelings and motives.





Heart-stopping: full of suspense or excitement; thrilling.

Heart-wrenching: extremely sad or distressing.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

44. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word:

HAUGHTY

A. Humble

B. Talkative

C. Arrogant

D. Quiet

Ans. C

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Haughty: arrogantly superior and disdainful.

Humble: having or showing a modest or low estimate of one's importance.

Talkative: fond of or given to talking.

Arrogant: having or revealing an exaggerated sense of one's own importance

or abilities.

Quiet: making little or no noise.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

45. **Direction:** Select the antonym of the given word.

Ascend

A. Rise

B. Climb

C. Descend

D. Fall

Ans. C

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Ascend: go up or climb.

Rise: move from a lower position to a higher one; come or go up.

Climb: go or come up a (slope or staircase); ascend.

Descend: move or fall downwards.

Fall: move from a higher to a lower level, typically rapidly and without control.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.





46. **Direction:** Select the word which means the same as the groups of words given.

The life history of a person written by himself.

- A. Travelogue
- B. Essay
- C. Biography
- D. Autobiography

Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Travelogue: a film, book, or illustrated lecture about the places visited by or experiences of a traveller.

Essay: a short piece of writing on a particular subject.

Biography: an account of someone's life written by someone else.

Autobiography: an account of a person's life written by that person.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

47. **Direction:** Select the correct antonym for the given word.

Harsh

- A. Tough
- B. Grave
- C. Gentle
- D. Bitter

Ans. C

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Harsh: unpleasantly rough or jarring to the senses.

Tough: (of a substance or object) strong enough to withstand adverse conditions or rough handling.

Grave: giving cause for alarm; serious.

Gentle: having or showing a mild, kind, or tender temperament or character.

Bitter: having a sharp, pungent taste or smell; not sweet.

Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.

48. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

She declared that it was the last straw and fled.

- A. the situation had become unbearable
- B. it was the last time she would use a straw
- C. the situation was improving
- D. it was last time she would hold a straw





Ans. A

Sol. The idiom 'the last straw' means 'a further difficulty or annoyance, typically minor in itself but coming on top of a series of difficulties, that makes a situation unbearable'.

Hence, **option A** is the correct answer.

49. Select the most appropriate synonym of the given word.

Assemble

- A. Disband
- B. Detach
- C. Address
- D. Amass

Ans. D

Sol. The meanings of the words are:

Assemble: (of people) gather together in one place for a common purpose. Disband: (with reference to an organized group) break up or cause to break

up.

Detach: disengage (something or part of something) and remove it.

Address: the particulars of the place where someone lives or an organization is situated.

Amass: gather together or accumulate (a large amount or number of material or things) over a period of time.

Hence, **option D** is the correct answer.

50. **Direction:** Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idiom.

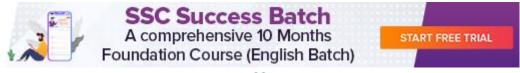
Upset someone's applecart

- A. Upsetting someone by dropping the apples
- B. Making someone angry by ruining business
- C. Doing something that fails someone's plan
- D. Spoiling the apples in someone's cart

Ans. C

Sol. The idiom 'upset someone's applecart' means spoil a plan or disturb the status quo'.

For example, Now don't upset the applecart by revealing where we're going. Hence, **option C** is the correct answer.





- 51. Select the correctly spelt word.
- A. Studiuous
- B. Business
- C. Memmoir
- D. Restaurent

Ans. B Sol.

'Business' meaning 'a person's regular occupation, profession, or trade' is correctly spelt words.

The other words are correctly spelt as 'studious', 'memoir', and 'restaurant'. Hence, option B is the correct answer.

52. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

METROPOLITAN

- A. National
- B. Insular
- C. Federal
- D. Provincial

Ans. D

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Metropolitan: relating to or denoting a metropolis or large city.

National: relating to or characteristic of a nation; common to a whole nation.

Insular: ignorant of or uninterested in cultures, ideas, or peoples outside one's own experience.

Federal: having or relating to a system of government in which several states form a unity but remain independent in internal affairs.

Provincial: of or concerning a province of a country or empire.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.

53. Select the most appropriate meaning of the idiom.

To have a gut feeling

- A. To experience discomfort
- B. To feel an instinct or intuition
- C. To have pain in the abdomen
- D. To suffer from inflammation

Ans. B





Sol.

The idiom 'to have a gut feeling' means 'to have an intuition or instinct, as opposed to an opinion based on a logical analysis'.

For example, Jennifer's mother had a gut feeling that something was wrong when her daughter wasn't home by 10 o'clock.

Hence, option B is the correct answer.

54. Select the most appropriate ANTONYM of the given word.

INSTANT

- A. Diverse
- B. Prompt
- C. Similar
- D. Gradual

Ans. D

Sol.

The meanings of the words are:

Instant: happening or coming immediately.

Diverse: showing a great deal of variety; very different.

Prompt: (of an event or fact) cause or bring about (an action or feeling).

Similar: having a resemblance in appearance, character, or quantity, without

being identical.

Gradual: taking place or progressing slowly or by degrees.

Hence, option D is the correct answer.

55. Select the most appropriate meaning of the underlined idiom in the given sentence.

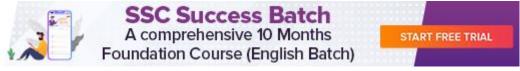
Akshay is likely to take the heat for having miscalculated the expenses.

- A. feel very hot
- B. receive criticism
- C. scold everyone
- D. enjoy warm climate

Ans. B

Sol.

The idiom 'take the heat' means 'accept blame or withstand disapproval'. Hence, option B is the correct answer.





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