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Synonyms Part 1

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1. Pecuniary

- a. excrete
- b. fiscal
- c. lag
- d. dismal

Ans: b

Sol:

'Fiscal' is the apt synonym of 'pecuniary'.

Pecuniary (adj.) = relating to or consisting of money

Fiscal (adj./n) = relating to public money or other financial matters; relating to government finance and taxes

Excrete (v) = to get rid of material such as solid waste or urine from the body

Dismal (adj.) = sad and without hope; very bad

Lag (v/n) = to move or make progress so slowly that you are behind other people or things

2. Interdict

- a. plausible
- b. malleable
- c. preclude
- d. extraneous

Ans: C

Sol:

'Preclude' is the apt synonym of 'interdict'.

Interdict (n/v) = to prohibit or forbid (something)

Preclude (v) = to prevent something or make it impossible, or prevent someone from doing something

Malleable (adj.) = easy to shape or bend

Extraneous (adj.) = irrelevant or unrelated to the subject being dealt with; not directly connected with or related to something

Plausible (adj.) = (of an argument or statement) seeming reasonable or probable; a plausible person appears to be honest and telling the truth, even if they are not

3. Dilatory

- a. Purity
- b. Tardy
- c. Gaudy
- d. Dandy

Ans: b

Sol:

Dilatory: slow to act; slow and likely to cause delay

Tardy: slow in action or response

Gaudy: extravagantly bright or showy, typically so as to be tasteless

Dandy: a man unduly concerned with looking stylish and fashionable

Hence Dilatory and Tardy are synonyms to each other.



4. Scurry
a. Hasten
b. Stroll
c. Resurge
d. Bode

Ans: a

Sol:

Scurry: (of a person or small animal) to move hurriedly with short quick steps

Hasten: to move or travel hurriedly

Stroll: to walk in a leisurely way

Resurge: to become popular or common again

Bode: be a portent of a particular outcome

Hence Scurry and Hasten are synonyms to each other.

5. Refractory
a. Obedient
b. Refined
c. Obstinate
d. Joyful

Ans: c

Sol:

Refractory: stubborn or unmanageable

Obedient: complying or willing to comply with an order or request; submissive to another's authority

Refined: elegant and cultured in appearance, manner, or taste

Obstinate: stubbornly refusing to change one's opinion or chosen course of action, despite attempts to persuade one to do so

Hence Refractory and Obstinate are synonyms to each other.

6. Trice
a. Struggle
b. Treasure
c. Repetition
d. Instant

Ans: d

Sol:

Trice: in a moment; very quickly.

Instant: a very short time; a moment.

Hence Trice and Instant are synonyms to each other.

7. Sleazy
a. Hopeful
b. Cheap
c. Fearless



d. Calm

Ans: b

Sol:

Sleazy: (of a person or situation) sordid, corrupt, or immoral.

Cheap: considered to have a low moral character or value.

Hence Sleazy and Cheap are synonyms to each other.

8. Verve

a. Bitter

b. Vacant

c. Zest

d. Miserable

Ans: c

Sol:

Verve: vigour and spirit or enthusiasm.

Bitter: feeling or showing anger, hurt, or resentment because of bad experiences or a sense of unjust treatment.

Zest: great enthusiasm and energy.

Miserable: (of a person) wretchedly unhappy or uncomfortable.

Hence Verve and Zest are synonyms to each other.

9. Hasten

a. raver

b. vegetate

c. culinary

d. scuttle

Ans: d

Sol:

'Scuttle' is the correct synonym of 'hasten'.

Hasten (v) = to be quick to do something; to move or travel hurriedly

Scuttle (n/v) = to move quickly, with small, short steps, especially in order to escape

Culinary (adj.) = relating to cooking or the kitchen

Vegetate (v) = to live in a way that has no physical and mental activity

Raver (n) = a person who has an exciting and uninhibited social life

10. Attentive

a. scramble

b. rigorous

c. careen

d. hogtie

Ans: b

Sol:

'Rigorous' is the correct synonym of 'attentive'.



Attentive (adj.) = paying close attention to something

Rigorous (adj.) = extremely thorough and careful; strict; harsh; severe or difficult, esp. because at a high level

Hogtie (v) = to fasten someone's hands and feet together, or to fasten all four legs of an animal together; to make it difficult or impossible for someone to do something

Careen (v) = to go forward quickly while moving from side to side

Scramble (v/n) = to move or climb quickly but with difficulty, often using your hands to help you

11. Fallacious

- a. spurious
- b. scurrilous
- c. staid
- d. stolid

Ans: a

Sol:

'Spurious' is the correct synonym of 'fallacious'.

Fallacious (adj.) = based on a mistaken belief; not correct

Spurious (adj.) = false and not what it appears to be, or (of reasons and judgments) based on something that has not been correctly understood and therefore false

Scurrilous (adj.) = expressing unfair or false criticism that is likely to damage someone's reputation; rude and cruel, and sometimes damaging

Staid (adj.) = serious, boring, and slightly old-fashioned

Stolid (adj.) = (of a person) calm and not showing emotion or excitement; (of a thing) not interesting or attractive