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#### **Directions:**

In each of the following questions, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase in bold in the sentence. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase as your answer.

- 1) Please be as brief as you can, I have other fish to fry.
- a) to take rest
- b) some important work to attend to
- c) to attend the friends
- d) to cook the food
- 2) The secretary's thoughtless remark added fuel to the fire.
- a) worsened the difficult situation
- b) helped in improving the situation
- c) prevented the situation
- d) added humour to the situation
- 3) I want to tell you in a nut shell, lust for money and power ruined her life.
- a) confidentially
- b) in detail
- c) in a brief manner

### d) as objectively as possible Spardhaguru

- 4) I'll be able to do my job very well when I know the ropes.
- a) work in silence
- b) learn the procedures
- c) gain confidence
- d) become bolder
- 5) Ask Mr. Das. He can give you all the news you need: he is always in the swim.
- a) at the swimming pool
- b) in search of news
- c) well informed and up to date
- d) giving news to others
- 6) The detective went abroad in search of a culprit but his journey proved to be a wild goose chase.
- a) full of difficulties
- b) unprofitable adventure
- c) ill advised
- d) expensive

- 7) a close shave.
- a) stubble
- b) very short hair
- c) hairless skin
- d) a narrow escape from danger
- 8) It was her maiden speech on the stage and she performed well.
- a) sudden speech
- b) primary speech
- c) first speech
- d) unprepared speech
- 9) His argument does not hold water.
- a) to influence
- b) to check the flow of water
- c) sound logical fact
- d) to have effect
- 10) He could not get money from his master because he rubbed him up the wrong way.
- a) asked him to speed up
- b) suggested a wrong method
- c) advised him to be strict
- d) irked or irritated him to Limited
- 11) Our school is within a stone's throw of the railway station.
- a) very far off
- b) at a short distance
- c) within a definite distance
- d) within a certain radius
- 12) a close-fisted person
- a) a miser b) a close friend
- c) a cowardly person d) a powerful person
- 13) Deepak did not care for his family, he wanted to gather roses only.
- a) to paint a rosy picture of the past
- b) to seek all enjoyments of life
- c) to obtain fame by hard work
- d) to save money miserly

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### 14) You have been trying to solve this puzzle for a long time, be careful so that you avoid barking up the wrong tree.

- a) trying to find something at a wrong place
- b) keep working constantly
- c) climbing the wrong tree
- d) trying to solve problems

#### 15) to feather one's nest

- a) to build one's house
- b) to enrich oneself when opportunity occurs
- c) to get something in abundance
- d) to harbour ill feelings

#### 21) to be in a fix

a) in distress

- b) depressed
- c) in a difficult situation
- d) in pain

#### 22) beside the mark

- a) not to the point
- b) relevant
- c) charming
- d) perfect

#### 23) make room

- a) make space
- b) attain the room
- c) make a clean sweep
- d) clean the room

#### 16) As daft as a brush

- a) Artistically inclined
- b) Completely clean
- c) Utterly selfish
- d) Extremely silly

#### 17) burn your boats

- a) become extremely tired after working very hard
- b) do something that makes it impossible to return to
- the previous situation
- c) want to spend money as soon as you get it d) have a burning desire to win

#### 18) pros and cons

- a) con artists
- b) professionals and con artists
- c) advantages and disadvantages
- d) professionals

#### 19) Held up

- a) Delayed
- b) Caught
- c) Nabbed
- d) Kidnapped

#### 20) To lose ground

- a) Being exploited
- b) Fully rejected
- c) Finding supporters
- d) Becoming less acceptable

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