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1) From stem to stern

- a) all the way from the front of a ship to the back
- b) from the beginning to the end
- c) top of a plant to its roots.
- d) loose pleasantness to become strict

2) Over egg the pudding

- a) add unnecessary details to make something seem better or worse.
- b) fill the pudding excessively with egg.
- c) add details in order to make something more
- d) add important details to the content of a story.

3) Turn over a new leaf

- a) change one's behaviour for the better
- b) read between the pages of a book.
- c) do a somersault
- d) do a new job.

4) Take up the hatchet

- a) behave formally
- b) pursue a chance
- c) be caught in a trap

b) keep options open

5) At loose ends

d) prepare for or go to war

c) in an uncertain situation

a) tie two loose ends of a thread

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d) show contempt for

8) Cut short

- a) delete
- b) praise
- c) interrupt
- d) slice into small pieces

9) Bad blood

- a) war
- b) ill feeling
- c) threatening attitude
- d) in an infected state of being

10) A laughing stock

- a) an object of laughter
- b) a storehouse of joke
- c) an object of desire
- d) a stock of high value

11) He and his neighbour are always at loggerheads

- a) agree on everything
- b) disagreeing on everything
- c) aloof from each other.
 d) abusing each other

- a) unhappy
- b) depressed
- d) sick

6) With might and main

a) with full risks

d) repay debts

- b) with full force
- c) having full confidence
- d) with full blessings

7) Ruffle somebody's feather

- a) gamble
- b) escape responsibility
- c) annoy somebody

- 12) I am going to stay at home because I am feelin under the weather today.

- c) irritated

13) Even in the middle of the fire he kept a level head.

- a) was impulsive
- b) was sensible
- c) was crazy
- d) was self centred

14) The winning team decided to go for the jugular in the last quarter of the match.

- a) forfeit the match
- b) give easy opportunities to the opposite team
- c) give reserve players a chance
- d) attack all out

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15) Everybody thought Asha and Ashok were a happy couple, but it was all just make believe.

- a) hatred
- b) treachery
- c) reality
- d) pretence
- 16) In the following question, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Dog eat dog
- a) very vigilant
- b) steady manager
- c) ruthlessly competitive
- d) hostile and unhelpful
- 17) In the following question, four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Gift of the gab
- a) eloquent
- b) puzzling
- c) deceptive
- d) embarrassing
- 18) Four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. To eat one's own words
- a) to offer bribe with sweet words
- b) to listen carefully
- c) to remain silent
- d) forced to retract one's own statement
- 19) Four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. steal someone's thunder
- a) take credit for something someone else did
- b) poor cry
- c) a useless attempt
- d) everything
- 20) Four alternatives are given for the Idiom/Phrase printed in bold. Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of the Idiom/Phrase. Red-tape

- a) official procedures causing delay
- b) label red for something dangerous
- c) to be cleared very fast
- d) a procedure for close scrutiny
- 21) Our manager is feared by everyone for he is as hard as nails.
- a) powerful
- b) unrelenting
- c) fearsome
- d) strict
- 22) He struck several bad patches before he made
- a) eliminated many difficulties
- b) went through many illnesses
- c) had many professional difficulties
- d) came across bad weather
- 23) He talked over the matter for an hour but without any result.
- a) assessed
- b) fought about
- c) discussed
- d) surveyed
- 24) Cut a sorry figure
- a) Did not stand straight Limited b) Apologized for his remarks
- c) Created a wrong impression
- d) Made a poor impression
- 25) Bring to light
- a) Introduced
- b) Revealed
- c) Seen
- d) Brought to life
- 26) The trial made a mockery of justice.
- a) people mocked at the judgement
- b) it was a mock trial
- c) there was no serious outcome
- d) made the system look ridiculous
- 27) His recent statement is an about turn.
- a) a good announcement
- b) a declaration of war
- c) complete change of opinion

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d) a bold statement

28) When he left he was extremely disappointed. I think he's gone for good.

- a) to seek good fortune
- b) to a good place
- c) to a foreign country
- d) permanently

29) to grease the palm

- a) to rub oil on the hand
- b) to lubricate the machine parts
- c) to bribe
- d) to cut the tree

30) You find a black sheep in every community.

- a) one who does not co-operate
- b) person with bad reputation
- c) one who lives the life of shame
- d) one who is always doing wrong

31) The minister took a bird's eye view of the problem.

- a) vision of a bird

- d) a general view from above

32) He is a fine man, but to call him a saint is laying it on thick.

- a) an exaggeration
- b) a compulsion
- c) a development
- d) a reality

33) I was taken aback when he proposed to marry my daughter.

- a) surprised
- b) pleased
- c) hurt
- d) shocked

34) She played ducks and drakes with her money.

- a) lent
- b) spent lavishly

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- c) did not spend
- d) borrowed

35) He had to eat humble pie for his intense rudeness.

- a) earn praise
- b) suffer humiliation
- c) modest behaviour
- d) determine

36) He left the town under a cloud.

- a) of his own accord
- b) in disgrace
- c) with a heavy heart
- d) when it was raining

37) The young boy's act put his father in a pickle.

- a) in a funny position
- b) in a serious position
- c) in a sad situation
- d) in an embarrassing or awkward situation

38) They got on well with each other the moment they

- a) had an agreement
- b) had a misunderstanding
- c) had a friendly relationship
- d) fell in love

c) see without giving attention pardhaguru [39] She tried to slip off, but was caught immediately.

- c) leave quietly
- d) slide quickly

40) I am looking forward to her arrival.

- a) afraid of
- b) expecting with pleasure
- c) expecting
- d) confident of

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