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(1) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He sold his house for a song.

- [A] at a reasonable price
- [B] at a discount
- [C] very cheaply
- [D] at a premium

Answer : [C]

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(2) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

The accounts of the murder made her flesh creep.

- [A] Made her sad
- [B] Surprised her
- [C] Made her cry bitterly
- [D] Fill her with horror

Answer : [D]

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(3) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

How long will the people put up with the increasing economic hardships?

- [A] welcome
- [B] take easily
- [C] remain satisfied with
- [D] tolerate

Answer : [D]

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(4) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

Don't thrust your nose into my affairs.

- [A] Advise me about
- [B] Be in opposition
- [C] Deal with
- [D] Meddle officiously in

Answer : [D]

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(5) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

Some people now wonder whether we just pay lip-service or genuinely subscribe to democracy.

- [A] pay oral tribute
- [B] attach no value
- [C] remain indifferent
- [D] show only outward respect

Answer : [D]

(6) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

We were in hurry. The road being zigzag we had to cut off a corner to reach in time.

- [A] To cut a portion of the road
- [B] To take a short cut
- [C] To go fast
- [D] To take an alternative route

Answer : [B]

(7) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

If you give John all your money, you are likely to burn your fingers.

- [A] be unhappy
- [B] be happy
- [C] suffer
- [D] be ill

Answer : [C]

(8) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

I cannot get along with a man who plays fast and loose.

- [A] behaves in an unreliable and insincere way
- [B] has a loose tongue
- [C] lives a life of ease and luxury
- [D] does not know how to behave himself

Answer : [A]

(9) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

The question of abolition of private property is still a moot point.

- [A] undecided
- [B] uncertain
- [C] unknown
- [D] not clear

Answer : [A]

(10) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He is in the habit of throwing dust in his superiors eyes

- [A] To put sand into eyes
- [B] To make blind
- [C] To deceive

[D] To show false things

Answer : [C]

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(11) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

In his youth, he was practically rolling in money.

[A] Spending more than his income

[B] Borrowing money liberally

[C] Very rich

[D] Wasting a lot of money

Answer : [C]

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(12) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He was in high spirits when I met him in the restaurant.

[A] He was in a drunken state

[B] He was very cheerful

[C] He talked incoherently

[D] He was deeply engrossed in thoughts

Answer : [B]

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(13) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He went to his friend's house in the evening as was his wont.

[A] as usual

[B] as he wanted

[C] as his want was

[D] as he wanted that day

Answer : [A]

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(14) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

The autographed bat from the famous cricketer Sunil Gavaskar is worth a jew's eye

[A] Not a worthy possession

[B] unnecessary

[C] A costly items

[D] A possession of high value

Answer : [D]

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(15) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He intends setting up as a lawyer in the adjoining district.

[A] To establish himself

[B] To migrate

[C] To join

[D] To settle

Answer : [A]

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(16) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

My car broke down on way to the railway station.

[A] stopped

[B] met with an accident

[C] ran out of petrol

[D] failed to work

Answer : [A]

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(17) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

Though he has lot of money, yet all his plans are built upon sand.

[A] established on insecure foundations

[B] based on inexperience

[C] resting on cheap material

[D] resting on immature ideas

Answer : [D]

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(18) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

The P.M has pulled up Orissa partymen.

[A] elevated

[B] rewarded

[C] punished

[D] reprimanded

Answer : [D]

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(19) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

He did me a good turn by recommending me for the post of Vice Principal.

[A] returned my kindness

[B] did an act of kindness

[C] improved my prospects

[D] became suddenly good

Answer : [B]

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(20) Choose the alternative which best expresses the meaning of Underlined idiom/phrase.

His friends advised him to be fair and square in his dealings.

[A] Careful

[B] Considerate

[C] Polite

[D] Upright

Answer : [D]