

1. The mining of coal is the **predominant** industry of Pennsylvania.
  - a. Principal
  - b. Inactive
  - c. Archaic
  - d. Overlooked
  
2. Curiosity **prompted** Leonardo Da Vinci to become a great designer.
  - a. Hastened
  - b. Defined
  - c. Induced
  - d. Obligated
  
3. The first **practical** calendar was developed by the Egyptians.
  - a. Functional
  - b. Accurate
  - c. Standard
  - d. Intricate
  
4. The Inuit live in **scattered** settlements throughout the northern reaches of Canada.
  - a. Well-maintained
  - b. Very primitive
  - c. Highly organized
  - d. Widely dispersed
  
5. When mammals sleep, their nervous systems shift into **inactive** modes that are different from those that they demonstrate while awake.
  - a. Placid
  - b. Outlandish
  - c. Abundant
  - d. Idle
  
6. Vegetative buds produce height growth until the growth process **induces** the formation of flowers.
  - a. Evolves
  - b. Agitates
  - c. Causes
  - d. Fabricates

7. The **archaic** seal script was often retained for formal titles.
- Unbiased
  - Ancient
  - Varied
  - Objective
8. **Hue** is used on urban planning maps to show difference in land use.
- Color
  - Resistance
  - Motion
  - Probe
9. In a recent newspaper **poll**, the compact disc was mentioned as the most popular medium of recorded music.
- Survey
  - Account
  - Illustration
  - Convention
10. The experience of the American frontier fostered raucous politics and rude manners. Conventions were **disregarded** and contempt for intellectual and cultural pursuits flourished.
- Hastened
  - Induced
  - Overlooked
  - Defied
11. Growth rings in a log often can **reliably** indicate age.
- Periodically
  - Dependably
  - Approximately
  - Ordinarily
12. Organic compounds often contain special groups of atoms called functional groups that **readily** undergo chemical reaction.
- Freely
  - Reluctantly
  - Repeatedly
  - Occasionally

13. There is a **somewhat** random character to the evolutionary process.
- Potent
  - Unique
  - Slight
  - Peculiar
14. It was not until the end of the nineteenth century that **solid** advances in farming techniques occurred.
- Sluggish
  - Negligible
  - Mediocre
  - Substantial
15. The inner harbor of Baltimore was once a **contaminated** part of the city.
- Affordable
  - Polluted
  - Secure
  - Flourishing
16. To detect the **position** of a particle, light must be reflected from it.
- Hue
  - Location
  - Magnitude
  - Existence
17. Although New Yorkers had reason to complain that the building of **mediocre** skyscrapers was choking Manhattan, few distinguished profiles were added to the skylines of modern cities.
- Fertile
  - Plentiful
  - Average
  - Substantial
18. The history of human thought on the nature of the cosmos offers a number of **remarkable** lessons.
- Inspiring
  - Identical
  - Exceptional
  - Enlightening

19. Users will need to be able to **discern** where database information has come from and ascertain how reliable it is.
- Enhance
  - Detect
  - Broaden
  - Vary
20. The deserts of the world are distributed in a pair of **parallel** belts lying approximately 25 degrees north and south of the equator.
- Archaic
  - Similar
  - Intricate
  - Passable
21. Indicates that the Atlantic salmon senses a distinctive chemical code **peculiar** to its own home stream.
- Strange
  - Functional
  - Predominant
  - Principal
22. Because of the monotonous and numbering nature of working a treadmill, the name is used to describe any **tedious** work.
- Analogous
  - Formidable
  - Intrusive
  - Monotonous
23. The body of scales or bracts of a cone contains the reproductive organs of certain flowerless plants. The cone is crudely **analogous** to the flowers of other plants.
- Humanitarian
  - Similar
  - Scenic
  - Plentiful
24. Many states require that physicians **periodically** prove that they have actively participated in continuing medical education.
- Routinely
  - Extremely
  - Visibly
  - Sometimes

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**Answers:**

Test No.	Key Answer	Word	Synonym
1	A	predominant	Principal
2	C	prompted	Induced
3	A	practical	Functional
4	D	scattered	Widely dispersed
5	D	inactive	Idle
6	C	induces	Causes
7	B	archaic	Ancient
8	A	Hue	Color
9	A	poll	Survey
10	C	disregarded	Overlooked
11	B	reliably	Dependably
12	A	readily	Freely
13	C	somewhat	Slight
14	D	solid	Substantial
15	B	contaminated	Polluted
16	B	position	Location
17	C	mediocre	Average
18	C	remarkable	Exceptional
19	B	discern	Detect
20	B	parallel	Similar
21	A	peculiar	Strange
22	D	tedious	Monotonous
23	B	analogous	Similar
24	D	periodically	Sometimes

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