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Direction:

In each of the following questions, choose the word **opposite (or) ANTONYMS** in meaning to the given word as your answer.

Q1. NOVEL

- a) naughty
- b) novelist
- c) banal
- d) nasty

Q2. HARMONIOUS

- a) sonorous
- b) discordant
- c) concordant
- d) balanced

Q3. ACCELERATE

- a) delay
- b) quicken
- c) diminish
- d) descent

Q4. BOLD

- a) timid
- b) nervous
- c) coy
- d) fearful

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Q5. TRAITOR

- a) migrant
- b) member
- c) patriot
- d) officer

Q6. EXAGGERATE

- a) extravagant
- b) understate
- c) abundance
- d) excerpt

Q7. ACCUMULATE

- a) disperse
- b) dismiss
- c) below
- d) aware

Q8. STERILE

- a) fertile
 - b) infertile
 - c) dense
 - d) barren
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Q9. CONCILIATION

- a) dispute
 - b) irritation
 - c) separation
 - d) confrontation
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Q10. AMELIORATE

- a) improve
 - b) depend
 - c) soften
 - d) worsen
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Q11. GLOOMY

- a) radiant
 - b) fragrant
 - c) melodious
 - d) illusory
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Q12. EXONERATE

- a) admit
- b) release
- c) convict
- d) reject

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Q13. RETAIN

- a) remember
- b) release
- c) unfurl
- d) engage

Q14. BLEAK

- a) dull
- b) dark
- c) bright
- d) exposure

Q15. PROMINENT

- a) unknown
- b) eminent
- c) renowned
- d) important

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (c)

banal (Adj.) : very ordinary and containing nothing that is interesting or important.

novel (Adj.) : different from anything known before; new; interesting seeming slightly strange

Q2. Answer: (b)

discordant (Adjective) : not in agreement

harmonious (Adjective) : friendly; peaceful and without any disagreement.

Q3. Answer: (a)

delay (Verb) : to make/ do late

accelerate (Verb) : to happen faster or earlier than expected.

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Q4. Answer: (a)

timid (Adjective) : brave; shy and nervous.

bold (Adjective) : brave and confident; not afraid

Q5. Answer: (c)

patriot (Noun) : a person who loves their country and is ready to defend against an enemy.

traitor (Noun) : a person who gives away secrets about their country; one who betrays; renegade; back-stabber.

Q6. Answer: (b)

understate (Verb) : to state that something is smaller, less important than it really is.

exaggerate (Verb) : to make something seem larger, better, worse or more important than it really is

Q7. Answer: (a)

disperse (Verb) : to spread; scatter; to move apart.

accumulate (Verb) : to gradually increase in number; collect; amass; build up.

Q8. Answer: (a)

fertile

sterile (Adjective) : infertile; not able to produce children; not good enough to produce crops.

Q9. Answer: (d)

confrontation (Noun) : a situation in which there is angry disagreement

conciliation (Noun) : the act of pacifying ; the act of making somebody less angry or more friendly

dispute (Noun) : an argument or a disagreement

irritation (Noun) : the act of annoying somebody

separation (Noun) : the act of separating people or things

Q10. Answer: (d)

worsen (Verb) : to make or become worse than it was before

ameliorate (Verb) : to make something better

improve (verb) : to make/ become better than before

depend (Verb) : to rely and be able to trust; to be sure and expect that something will happen

soften (Verb) : to make or become softer, less bright, rough or strong; to become or make more sympathetic and less severe or critical

Q11. Answer: (a)

radiant (Adjective) : showing great happiness, love or health; giving a warm bright light

gloomy (Adjective) : nearly dark or badly lit in a way that makes you feel sad; depressing; sad and without hope

fragrant (Adjective) : having a pleasant smell

melodious (Adjective) : pleasant to listen to (music)

illusory (Adjective) : not real, although seeming to be

Q12. Answer: (c)

convict (Verb) : to decide and state officially in court that somebody is guilty of a crime

exonerate (Verb) : to officially state that somebody is not responsible for something that he has been blamed for; acquit

admit (Verb) : to accept truth; to confess; to allow

release (Verb) : to set somebody/ something free; to let go; to let loose

reject (Verb) : to refuse to accept; to decide not to use, sell, publish etc.

Q13. Answer: (b)

release (Verb) : to let out ; to stop holding

retain (Verb) : to keep ; to preserve ; to continue to have/ hold/contain

remember (Verb) : to recollect

unfurl (Verb) : to open something that is curled/rolled tightly

engage (Verb) : to carry out/ participate in an activity ; be involved in

Q14. Answer: (c)

bright (Adjective) : not dull bleak (Adjective) : not encouraging or giving any reason to have hope; cold and unpleasant; exposed, empty or with no pleasant features; pale; cheerless; gloomy

dull (Adjective) : not bright

dark (Adjective) : without light

exposure (Noun) : the state of being in a place or situation where there is no protection from something harmful or unpleasant

Q15. Answer: (a)

unknown (Adjective) : not known

prominent (Adjective) : noticeable; distinguished; important or well-known

eminent (Adjective) : well-known; famous

renowned (Adjective) : well-known; famous

important (Adjective) : of great value

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