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Directions:

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

Q1. Helena was over head and ears in love with Demetrius.

- a) brilliantly
- b) completely
- c) cautiously
- d) carefully

Q2. He went on sowing wild oats he reaped suffering in his later life.

- a) irresponsible pleasure seeking In young age
- b) warning others as a youngster
- c) sowing grains called oats when young
- d) Inviting troubles as a boy

Q3. to get one's own back

- a) to get one's position back
- b) to get control over someone
- c) to get hold of someone
- d) to get one's revenge

Q4. to smell a rat

- a) to see a hidden meaning
- b) to misunderstand
- c) to suspect a trick
- d) to experience bad smell

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Q5. His friends beat the boy to pay off old scores.

- a) to force him to be a scorer in a match
- b) to take revenge
- c) because he had not scored well earlier
- d) to refund old dues

Q6. Do not run down your friends in public.

- a) make a mention of
- b) follow
- c) criticise
- d) fight with

Q7. The Government claims that Indian industry is progressing by leaps and bounds.

- a) at a rapid pace
- b) leisurely
- c) at a desired pace
- d) intermittently

Q8. People who do not lay out their money carefully, soon come to grief.

- a) distribute
 - b) spend
 - c) preserve
 - d) earn
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Q9. He expects his subordinates to be always at his beck and call

- a) at his disposal
 - b) at work
 - c) at their desks
 - d) at rest
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Q10. You have to read between the lines to understand most of the symbolic writing.

- a) know the symbols
 - b) understand the hidden meaning
 - c) look for many meanings
 - d) read again and again .
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Q11. He was progressing by leaps and bounds because of his hard work.

- a) peacefully
 - b) slowly
 - c) strongly
 - d) rapidly
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Q12. sought after

- a) in great demand

- b) pursued by
- c) with great talent
- d) highly paid

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Q13. to hit the jackpot

- a) to be wealthy
- b) to get an unexpected victory
- c) to make money quickly
- d) to gamble

Q14. to face the music

- a) to enjoy a music programme
- b) to be offered warm hospitality
- c) to bear the consequences
- d) to be greeted rudely

Q15. He didn't tell me directly, but reading between the lines. I think he is not happy with them.

- a) understanding the meaning of words and not the sense
- b) understanding the sense rather than the actual words
- c) reading superficially
- d) reading slowly and haltingly

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Answers to the above questions :

Q1. Answer: (b)

Q2. Answer: (a)

Q3. Answer: (d)

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Q4. Answer: (c)

Q5. Answer: (b)

Q6. Answer: (d)

Q7. Answer: (a)

Q8. Answer: (b)

Q9. Answer: (a)

Q10. Answer: (b)

Q11. Answer: (d)

Q12. Answer: (a)

Q13. Answer: (c)

Q14. Answer: (c)

Q15. Answer: (b)

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