Vocabulary Test: part 1

- 1. Nothing could ever abash him
- A) please (B) delight C) embarrass D) infuriate
- 2. The doctor gave him some medicine to abate his pain
- A) increase B) reduce C) augment (D) revive
- 3. The king abdicated the throne in order to marry a commoner
- A) grabbed (B) usurped C) abandoned D) retained
- 4. A rich kid was abducted yesterday.
- A) rescued (B) kidnapped C) killed (D) betrayed
- 5. The young man stole the money in a moment of aberration
- A) deviation B) conformity (C) anecdote (D) sanity
- 6. We abhor a traitor
- A) admire (B) scorn C) respect (D) revere
- 7. A good citizen abides by law
- A) violates (B) removes (C) shifts (D) adheres to
- 8. We don't force anyone to abjure his religion.
- A) adopt (B) give up C) cherish (D) abduct
- 9. Grace has abominable taste in clothes
- A) graceful (B) detestable C) delightful (D) classy
- 10. His garden abounds in beautiful flowers.
- A) teems with (B) lacks (C) abhors (D) abdicates
- 11. They voted to <u>adjourn</u> the meeting.
- A) further (B) advance (C) expedite (D) postpone
- 12. John admonished his brother against being late.
- A) tolerated (B) commended (C) warned (D) approved
- 13. We all adore Charlie Brown.
- A) execrate (B) loathe (C) abominate (D) love
- 14. Robin Hood was said to wear a hat <u>adorned</u> with feathers.
- A) embellished (B) disfigured (C) spoiled (D) maladjusted

- 15. The workman is <u>adroit</u> in handling machinery.
- A) green (B) dexterous; skilled (C) awkward (D) clumsy
- 16. The politician enjoys public adulation.
- A) flattery (B) abuse (C) denunciation (D) reverence
- 17. The advent of spring makes the birds hilarious.
- A) detriment (B) arrival (C) benediction (D) joviality
- 18. A courageous man smiles in the face of adversity.
- A) misfortune; distress (B) felicity (C) affluence (D) feat
- 19. Some parents advocate keeping the children at school as long as possible.
- A) disfavor (B) dissent (C) recommend (D) advert
- 20. An <u>affable</u> countenance is pleasing to everybody.
- A) avaricious (B) surly (C) taciturn (D) amiable
- 21. It never pays off to abrogate the defense treaty
- A) establish (B) uphold (C) annul (D) bolster
- 22. Beware of the abrupt turn in the road ahead
- A) laggard (B) easy (C) sudden (D) leisurely
- 23. The doctor advised the patient to abstain from smoking
- A) do without (B) be absorbed in (C) go with (D) admit of
- 24. No one could solve such an abstruse problem
- A) complex (B) lucid (C) abstemious (D) absurd
- 25. Defeated, the ex-champion fell into the abyss of despair
- A) firmament (B) ecstasy (C) gulf (D) paradise
- 26. To accelerate growth, they work harder than ever
- A) speed up (B) retard (C) accede (D) hamper
- 27. Without an accomplice the burglar could not have broken into the house
- A) foe (B) confederate (C) servant (D) trivia
- 28. The gentleman was accosted by a beggar who demanded money
- A) greeted (B) overlooked (C) shunned (D) outraged
- 29. The manager has reached the acme of his career
- A) ebb (B) apex; peak (C) base (D) downfall
- 30. All the members acquiesced in his resignation

- A) assented to (B) disagreed with (C) balked at (D) dissented from
- 31. Are we living in an <u>acquisitive</u> society?
- (A) charitable (B) self-denying (C) greedy; covetous (D developed
- 32. The tonic had an acrid aftertaste
- A) palatable (B) delicious (C) savory (D) bitter
- 33. The dispute was renewed with increasing <u>acrimony</u>
- A) civility (B) bitterness (C) urbanity (D) curiosity
- 34. The merchant is noted for his business acumen
- A) keenness (B) honesty (C) stupidity (D) obtusity
- 35. A bad tooth may cause acute pain
- A) blunt (B) sharp (C) dull (D) obtuse
- 36. According to an old <u>adage</u> on Wall Street, the stock market can deal with good news and bad, but it cannot tackle uncertainty
- A) saying; proverb (B) time (C) novice (D) neophyte
- 37. The stoic was adamant to temptations
- A) unyielding (B) pliable (C) bending (D) vulnerable
- 38. The boy is <u>addicted</u> to stealing
- A) given up (B) weaned from (C) detached from (D) adapted to
- 39. The reporter is adept in news writing
- A) poor (B) skilled (C) maladroit (D) numb
- 40. The brothers built on adjacent lots
- A) distant (B) remote (C) neighboring (D) permanent
- 41. The gambler was afflicted with debts.
- A) consoled (B) agonized (C) buoyed (D) solace
- 42. America is an affluent nation.
- A) abject (B) impoverished (C) acquisitive (D) wealthy
- 43. The boy affronted the teacher by making a face at her.
- A) impressed (B) offended (C) delighted (D) gladdened
- 44. All he desired was to aggrandize his estate.
- A) expand (B) diminish (C) dwindle (D) swindle
- 45. Grief aggravated her illness.
- A) appeased (B) tranquilized (C) extenuated (D) intensified
- 46. The ill-intentioned aggregation was dispersed by the police.

- A) gathering (B) disintegration (C) solo (D) constituent
- 47. The new teacher stood aghast at the students' lack of discipline.
- A) acceptant (B) tolerant (C) lenient (D) horrified
- 48. One needs an agile mind to solve the puzzles.
- A) lively (B) sluggish (C) lethargic (D) inert
- 49. The mind of man is <u>agitated</u> by various emotions.
- A) lulled (B) quieted (C) soothed (D) provoked
- 50. Will Durant is an agnostic.
- A) deist (B) pagan (C) ascetic (D) one who believes that nothing is known about the existence of God
- 51. The patient is in agony.
- A) suffering (B) repose (C) rest (D) peace
- 52. Sometimes agrarian disputes are hard to settle.
- A) industrial (B) political (C) of land (D) academic
- 53. It's simply a minor ailment.
- A) mistake (B) blunder (C) question (D) disease
- 54. Pity is often akin to love.
- A) related to (B) different from (C) alien to (D) foreign to
- 55. The retarded child moved with alacrity.
- A) quickness (B) slowness (C) hesitation (D) dilatoriness
- 56. The dog is always alert.
- A) listless (B) lively (C) languid (D) indolent
- 57. The troops aligned.
- A) attacked (B) retreated (C) triumphed (D) lined up
- 58. Her fears were allayed by her mother's consolation.
- A) aggravated (B) worsened (C) mitigated (D) aroused
- 59. To become a citizen, you must swear allegiance to the United States5
- A) disaffection (B) treason (C) loyalty (D) infidelity
- 60. Heat often alleviates pain.
- A) intensifies (B) augments (C) cures (D) mitigates
- 61.Brass is an alloy of copper and zinc.
- (A)fission (B)fuss (C)separation (D)mixture
- 62. Rewards <u>allure</u> men to confront danger.

(A) elude (B) attract (C) allude (D) estrange

63. We heard some remarks in <u>allusion</u> to his misconduct.

(A) slight mention (B)illusion (C)praise (D)ailment

64. The plane is flying at a great altitude.

(A) speed (B) alacrity (C) stability (D) height

65. To give away alms is an altruistic deed.

(A)selfish (B)egoistic (C)niggardly (D)charitable

66.To amble along the willow bank is an incomparable delight.

(A)alight (B)gallop (C)joy (D)saunter

67. The government is trying to <u>ameliorate</u> workers' condition.

(A)impair (B)improve (C)mar (D)deteriorate

68. The amenity of his manners is irresistible.

(A) hostility (B)agreeableness (C)antagonism (D)amigo

69. The meeting ended on an amiable note.

(A)surly (B)crabbed (C)impetuous (D)agreeable

70. The negotiators joined in <u>amicable</u> discussion.

(A)bellicose (B)belligerent (C)pugnacious (D)friendly

Answers

1C 2B 3C 4B 5A 6B 7D 8B 9B 10A

11D 12C 13D 14A 15B 16A 17B 18A 19C 20D

21C 22C 23A 24A 25C 26A 27B 28A 29B 30A

31C 32D 33B 34A 35B 36A 37A 38A 39B 40C

41B 42D 43B 44A 45D 46A 47D 48A 49D 50D

51A 52C 53D 54A 55A 56B 57D 58C 59C 60D

61D 62B 63A 64D 65D 66D 67B 68B 69D 70D