

Antonyms - can you match them up?

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mouldy	please
warlike	kind
annoy	known
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unknown	innocent
base	straighten
lean	famous
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bend	sensible
small	plump

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intrepid	disobey
incentive	readable
naïve	allow
cease	fake
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recipient	deter
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alluring	cowardly
authentic	wise

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advance	remain
like	deliberate
dull	untidy
replace	loathe
neat	cautious

Antonyms - choose the word that is most opposite in meaning?

1

valuable

A

B

C

D

unproductive

priceless

worthless

poor

2

intentional

A

B

C

D

careless

chance

accidental

casual

3

betrayal

A

B

C

D

loyalty

fondness

treachery

duty

4

precisely

A

B

C

D

unsure

clearly

definitely

approximately

5

detain

A

B

C

D

freedom

charge

collect

release

6

initial

A

B

C

D

late

final

extra

least

7

rash

A

B

C

D

cautious

cunning

sharp

reckless

8

tolerant

A

B

C

D

abrupt

keen

impatient

sudden

9

forget

A

B

C

D

reverse

recall

repeal

revoke

10

expose

A

B

C

D

grant

allow

permit

mask

1 mirror

A	B	C
reflect	react	recycle

2 book

A	B	C
muscle	spine	tendon

3 kettle

A	B	C
fry	roast	boil

4 oar

A	B	C
barge	ferry	canoe

5 politics

A	B	C
agency	government	company

6 ram

A	B	C
horse	sheep	cattle

7 future

A	B	C
policy	privacy	prophecy

8 feather

A	B	C
light	dark	dull

9 two

A	B	C
telescope	horoscope	binoculars

10 snake

A	B	C
luminous	venomous	ravenous

11 tip

A	B	C
chemist	farmer	waitress

12 young

A	B	C
fox	foal	frog

13 enforce

A	B	C
reign	rule	race

14 ship

A	B	C
porthole	window	skylight

15 spines

A	B	C
porpoise	porcupine	piranha

16 seasoning

A	B	C
scent	satin	salt

17 primary

A	B	C
orange	red	green

18 prisoner

A	B	C
guilty	innocent	responsible

19 bolt

A	B	C
thunder	rain	lightning

20 octopus

A	B	C
six	eight	ten

21 cheese

A	B	C
milk	bread	cereal

22 clasp

A	B	C
bog	bug	bag

23 ring

A	B	C
mixing	boxing	fixing

24 gold

A	B	C
good	bad	ugly

Cloze 1

Passage 1

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
agile	below	thanks	flightless	above	by	ancestors	high	game	camouflage

Penguins can be found in coastal areas in the Southern Hemisphere and are instantly recognisable **Q1.** to their upright stance and distinctive black and white plumage. Penguins are easy to spot on land but their colouring acts to **Q2.** them in water: their black backs match the ocean's darkness from **Q3.** and their white bellies blend in with the brightness of the sun and ice from below.

Ungainly on land and completely flightless, penguins are fast and **Q4.** swimmers, with large webbed feet, and wings that have adapted to act like flippers in the water. It is thought, however, that their **Q5.** could indeed fly and that penguins are in fact more closely related to the albatross than to other **Q6.** birds.

Passage 2

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
stage	plumage	ice	excellent	adapt	balancing	ears	conditions	turns	evolved

Most species have **Q7.** to survive in cold and harsh environments. Their feathers, densely packed and waterproof, offer **Q8.** insulation, and their blood flow has adapted so that they do not freeze when on ice. Incubating an egg in these **Q9.** is challenging, and penguins lay a single egg, warming it under their **Q10.** and keeping it off the ice by **Q11.** it on their feet. Penguins are attentive parents, taking **Q12.** to catch fish and feeding their young once hatched.

Vocabulary - match the words to the correct definition

Nouns

- A A feeling of anger towards someone who has hurt or insulted you in the past.
- B Someone who keeps their thoughts and feelings to themselves.
- C A safe place.
- D The money that someone earns or receives regularly.
- E Behaviour that is natural, rather than learnt.
- F A time between events or parts of a play.
- G The inside of something, especially a building.
- H The title of a newspaper article, printed in large, bold type.

Q1 headline

Q2 instinct

Q3 grudge

Q4 interior

Q5 haven

Q6 income

Adjectives

- A Ugly or horrible.
- B Reckless and not capable of taking responsibility.
- C Rude, cheeky and outspoken.
- D Impossible to understand.
- E First, or at the beginning.
- F Not happening very often.
- G Not enough or adequate.
- H Uneven and sharp.

Q7 impudent

Q8 infrequent

Q9 hideous

Q10 insufficient

Q11 incomprehensible

Q12 initial

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Adjectives

- A Gruesome and frightening.
- B Assorted or of different types.
- C Operated by machinery.
- D Silent or unable to speak.
- E Careful, logical and well-organised.
- F Covered with patches of different colours.
- G To do with ships and sailing.
- H Not extreme.

Q13 moderate

Q14 mechanical

Q15 mottled

Q16 macabre

Q17 methodical

Q18 miscellaneous

Verbs

- A To tell somebody something.
- B To make someone very angry.
- C To try and persuade someone to do something by speaking about it constantly.
- D To combine several things or people into one whole.
- E To make something start to burn
- F To want something urgently.
- G To influence and encourage someone to do something.
- H To make something appear larger so that it can be seen more easily.

Q19 integrate

Q20 magnify

Q21 inform

Q22 kindle

Q23 infuriate

Q24 inspire

Antonym answers

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Word Association

1	A	reflect
2	B	spine
3	C	boil
4	C	canoe
5	B	government
6	B	sheep
7	C	prophecy
8	A	light
9	C	binoculars
10	B	venomous
11	C	waitress
12	B	foal
13	B	rule
14	A	porthole
15	B	porcupine
16	C	salt
17	B	red
18	A	guilty
19	C	lightning
20	B	eight
21	A	milk
22	C	bag
23	B	boxing
24	A	good

Cloze

1	C	thanks
2	J	camouflage
3	E	above
4	A	agile
5	G	ancestors
6	D	flightless
7	J	evolved
8	D	excellent
9	H	conditions
10	B	plumage
11	F	balancing
12	I	turns

Vocabulary

1	H
2	E
3	A
4	G
5	C
6	D
7	C
8	F
9	A
10	G
11	D
12	E
13	H
14	C
15	F
16	A
17	E
18	B
19	D
20	H
21	A
22	E
23	B
24	G