

Select the most appropriate Antonym of the given words.

FRAIL

- 1. Elaborate
- 2. fancy
- 3. weak
- 4. robust

Solution: 4

Frail - easily broken Robust - Strong



ENDURANCE

- 1. indolence
- 2. patience
- 3. Tolerance
- 4. persistence

Solution: 1
Endurance- ability to endure hardship
,persistence, tolerance

Indolence – laziness, slowness in the mindset





LAMENT

- 1. Bleed
- 2. bemoan
- 3. appeal
- 4. celebrate

Solution: 4

Lament - to express grief





APPLAUD

- 1. denounce
- 2. Magnify
- 3. commend
- 4. approve

Solution: 1

<u>Applaud</u> - to praise, to express approval <u>Denounce</u> - to criticize





INFINITE

- 1. boundless
- 2. eternal
- 3. vast
- 4. Limited

Solution: 4

Infinite - boundless, endless, eternal





CONTIGUOUS

- 1. contactual
- 2. separated
- 3. neighbouring
- 4. adjoining

Contiguous- connected, adjacent





SUBSIDE

- 1. ease
- 2. enlarge
- 3. Diminish
- 4. abate

Solution: 2

Subside - to become lower, to descend Enlarge - to make larger





TENSE

- 1. relaxed
- 2. stiff
- 3. close
- 4. strained

Solution: 1

Tense - not relaxed, stressed





WANE

- 1. increase
- 2. Abate
- 3. fall
- 4. Dwindle

Solution: 1

Wane - to decrease, to dwindle





ERUDITE

- 1. ignorant
- 2. savvy
- 3. Highbrow
- 4. scholarly

Solution: 1

Erudite – scholarly , highbrow Ignorant – unknowledgeable , lowbrow





OFFBEAT

- 1. conventional
- 2. weird
- 3. freaky
- 4. unique

Solution: 1

Offbeat - unusual ,unconventional





PERTURB

- 1. Fluster
- 2. Soothe
- 3. Confound
- 4. Commend

Solution: 2

Perturb - to disturb, to bother

Soothe - to restore to ease/comfort



IMPEDE

- 1. Expedite
- 2. Thwart
- 3. Retard
- 4. Hamper

Solution: 1

Impede - to hinder, to hamper, to thwart

Expedite - to accelerate the progress of





REPUGNANT

- 1. Odious
- 2. Pleasant
- 3. Austere
- 4. Sombre

Solution: 2

Repugnant- arousing disgust or aversion; odious Sombre – gloomy, dismal Austere – simple, unadorned, lacking trivial decoration





DEMEAN

- 1. Debase
- 2. Belittle
- 3. Admire
- 4. Ignore

Solution: 3

Demean - to debase , to belittle Admire - to praise





Select the most appropriate meaning of the given idioms.

Trying to find my lost ring in the college is like <u>looking for a needle in a haystack.</u>

- 1. Doing something impossible
- 2. Making a big deal of a large thing
- 3. Doing something secretly
- 4. Doing something unimportant

Solution: 1 Looking for a needle in a haystack- to search for something that is very difficult to locate.





Off and on I take a break from my hectic schedule to refresh myself.

- Rarely
- 2. Seldom
- 3. Immediately
- 4. Periodically

Solution: 4 Off and on – periodically, intermittently





Since he secured the first rank Sudhir has become swollen-headed.

1.well-connected

2.unwell

3.conceited

4.famous





The man heaved a sigh of relief when he was sure he was out of the woods.

1.discharged from hospital

2.released from prison

3.out of danger

4.out of the forest





One must learn to prioritize in life. It never pays to put the cart before the horse.

1.perform many task simultaneously

2.postpone till the last moment

3.do things spontaneously

4.do last things first





The boss is going to <u>blow his top</u> when he discovers the blatant mistake in the balance sheet.

1.dismiss from job

2.be very embarrassed

3.be very angry

4.attack fiercely





A mountaineer has to <u>walk the tight rope</u> as a small slip can prove to be fatal.

1.be very nervous

2.be very cautious

3.be well trained

4.be an expert





True friends stay by our side through thick and thin.

1.under all circumstances

2.in happy moments

3.in difficult times

4.in different weathers





The ambitious project to impart free books to all students ended in smoke.

1.exceeded the budget

2.was delayed

3.yielded no result

4.was successfully completed





Extreme poverty made the poor woman wonder how long she could keep the wolf from the door.

- 1.avoid starvation
- 2.live on charity
- 3.keep wild animals away
- 4.be safe in her house





When his envious competitor extended a hand of friendship, he smelt a rat.

1.detected something wrong

2.felt very pleased

3.became complaisant

4.behaved arrogantly





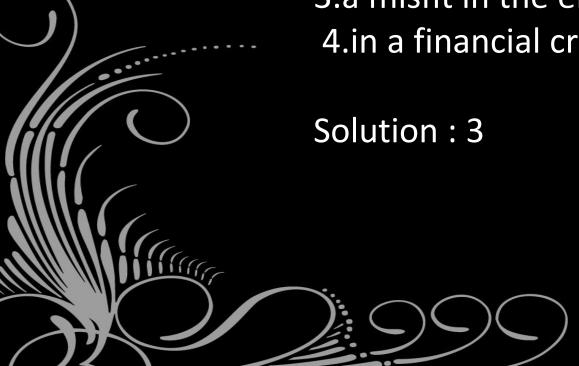
Coming from an affluent family, she found herself a square peg in a round hole when she married a poor farmer and moved to a small village.

1.in a favourable situation

2.unhappy and regretful

3.a misfit in the environment

4.in a financial crisis





The loyal watchman was <u>cut to the quick</u> when he was accused of theft.

- 1.imprisoned
- 2.severely punished
- 3.hurt intensely
- 4.dismissed





The heavy losses in business came like a bolt from the blue.

1.a thunderstorm

2.an unexpected disaster

3.a windfall

4.an ominous warning





Lend an ear

1.to pay attention to

2.to not make trouble

3.to force someone to listen

4.to not tell someone something





The idea of making a children's park has been nipped in the bud by the local council.

- 1.encouraged strongly
- 2.changed completely
- 3.dropped at an early stage
- 4.included somewhere else





We now have an ex-Minister in the running from our constituency for the post of Member of Parliament.

1.contesting the seat.

2.teaching yoga

3.giving speeches





The authorities have <u>turned a deaf ear</u> to all our requests.

1.acknowledged

2.neglected

3.accepted

4.Presented





Up in arms

- 1. to be angry
- 2. to be rude
- 3. to be nervous
- 4. to be defensive

Solution: 1

Up in arms - to be anger



He is completely <u>at sea</u> about where to invest his hardearned money.

- 1. in shock
- 2. confused
- 3. sure
- 4. Committed

Solution: 2

At sea – confused



Unless you are <u>above board</u> in your dealings, you will not be able to win the trust of your clients.

- 1. smart and deceptive
- 2. honest and frank
- 3. bold and reckless
- 4. exceptionally talented

Solution: 2 above board - honest and frank





The thieves <u>made off</u> with all the cash and jewellery in the house.

- 1. squandered
- 2. ran away with
- 3. discovered
- 4. transferred

Solution: 2

make off - to run away



My brother has decided to settle in Mumbai for good.

- 1. for better income
- 2. for new opportunities
- 3. for a while
- 4. Forever

Solution: 4

for good - forever



Simran was under tremendous stress because she <u>had too</u> many irons in the fire.

- 1. She had made a lot of risky investments
- 2. She was suffering from many ailments
- 3. She was involved in many activities
- 4. She had too many clothes to iron

Solution: 3 Have too many irons in the fire - to be involved in many activities





The aged man preferred to die in harness than lead a rusted life.

- 1. to keep one's belongings safe
- 2. to live in perpetual slavery
- 3. to continue occupation till death
- 4. to lead a life of comfort





The suspect made a clean breast of it during the enquiry.

- 1. confessed his crime
- 2. took off his shirt
- 3. blamed his companion
- 4. asked for a fresh shirt

Solution: 1

To make a clean breast of - to confess a crime



Come rain or shine

- 1. when it does not rain
- 2. in the monsoon
- 3. whatever happens
- 4. in bad weather





To blaze a trail

- 1. to initiate something new
- 2. to set fire to something
- 3. to complete a project
- 4. to act impulsively



A dark horse

- 1. an unknown genius
- 2. a horse of a fine breed
- 3. a well kept secret
- 4. an expected outcome





Ria has tried hard not to <u>steal her brother's thunder</u> but it was inevitable.

- 1. take away her brother's opportunities for jobs
- 2. get more recognition than her brother for their success
- 3. get a big reward from her brother for her achievement
- 4. pick up her brother's lucky charms to win prizes

