HSC Synonyms and Antonyms Rules With Practice Activity

Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below:
A **group** of employees was working in a software company. It was team of 30 employees. This was a young, energetic and **dynamic** team with keen **enthusiasm** and desire to learn and **grow**. The management decided to teach the employees about finding **real** solution to the problems. The team was called to play a game in a **banquet** hall. The group was quite surprised as they were called for playing game. All reached the venue holding various thoughts. As they **entered** the hall, the found the hall **decorated** beautifully with colorful decorative papers and balloons all over the place. It was more like a kid's play area, than a corporate meeting hall. Everyone was surprised and **gazed** at each other. Also, there was huge box balloons placed at the **center** of the hall.

(a) group (Antonym); (b) dynamic (Antonym); (c) enthusiasm (Synonym); (d) grow (Antonym); (e) real (Antonym); (f) banquet (Synonym); (g) entered (Antonym); (h) decorated (Synonym); (i) gazed (Synonym); (j) center (Synonym)

Now follow the rules:

খেয়াল করো, Passage এর শেষে দেয়া শব্দগুলো মূল Passage এ Underlined করে দেয়া আছে। আর সেই নিচে সেই শব্দগুলোকে কোন ফরমেটে ট্রান্সফর্ম করতে হবে, তা ব্রাকেটের মাধ্যমে নির্দেশ করা হয়েছে। Synonym and Antonym থেকে সাধারণত এভাবেই প্রশ্ন করা হয়ে থাকে।

Synonym শব্দের অর্থ সমর্থক শব্দ বা Similar word। একইভাবে Antonym শব্দের অর্থ বিপরীত শব্দ বা Opposite word। এই প্রশ্নে একজন শিক্ষার্থীর কাজ হচ্ছে মূল Passage এ Underlined করে দেয়া শব্দগুলোকে ব্রাকেটে দেখানো নির্দেশনা অনুযায়ী পরিবর্তন করা।

কিভাবে Synonyms and Antonyms করবো?

Synonyms and Antonyms প্রশ্নে উত্তর করার জন্য তোমাকে এর কিছু নির্ধারিত নিয়ম জানতে হবে। নিয়মগুলো জানলে এই টপিকটি তোমার জন্য আরো সহজ হবে। তাহলে চলো, এবার আমরা উপরের প্রশ্নটি সমাধান করার জন্য নিচে দেয়া নিয়মগুলো অনুসরণ করি।

- সর্বপ্রথম পুরো অনুচ্ছেদটি পড়ে অর্থ বোঝার চেষ্টা করো।
- আন্ডারলাইন করা শব্দগুলোর অর্থ খুঁজে বের করো এবং উক্ত শব্দগুলো কোন Part of Speech, সেটা বোঝার চেষ্টা করো।
- শব্দগুলো সিরিয়াল অনুযায়ী খাতায় লিখো এবং সমান অথবা হাইফেন (=/-) চিহ্ন দিয়ে প্রশ্নের নির্দেশনা অনুযায়ী (Synonym/ Antonym) শব্দ তার সামনে লিখো।
- মূল প্রশ্নের শব্দটি কোন Part of Speech দেয়া আছে, তোমার উত্তরটিও ঠিক সেই Part of Speech লিখবে। অর্থাৎ প্রশ্নে উল্লেখিত শব্দটি যদি Noun হয়, তাহলে তুমিও উত্তরে Noun লিখবে। ঠিক একইভাবে প্রশ্নে Adjective অথবা Verb থাকলে তুমিও যথাক্রমে Adjective অথবা Verb এর মাধ্যমে উত্তর দেবে।
- Antonym শব্দ লেখার সময় Prefix পরিহার করো এবং এমন পৃথক (Unique) শব্দ ব্যবহার করো যা মৌলিকভাবে বিপরীত অর্থ প্রকাশ করে।

- একই শব্দের একাধিক উত্তর হতে পারে। তবে তুমি পছন্দনীয় এবং সর্বাধিক গ্রহণযোগ্য যেকোন একটি শব্দ লিখবে।
- পরীক্ষার খাতায় কখনোই একটি শব্দের উত্তরে একের অধিক উত্তর (Alternative Answer) লিখবে না।

উপরে দেয়া নিয়মগুলো অনুসরণ করে তোমার উত্তরটি ঝটপট খাতায় লিখে ফেলো। আর তারপরে নিচে দেয়া উত্তরমালার সাথে তোমার লেখা উত্তরটি মিলিয়ে নাও। এখানে খেয়াল রাখবে যে, নিচে দেয়া উত্তরগুলো তোমার লেখা উত্তরের সাথে হুবহু নাও মিলতে পারে। তবে অর্থগতভাবে যদি তোমার সাথে মিলে যায়, তাহলে বুঝবে, তুমি সঠিক লিখেছো।

Answer:

(a) group—individual/separate
(b) dynamic—inactive/lethargic
(c) enthusiasm—eagerness/earnestness
(d) grow—compress/shrink
(e) real—artificial/fake
(f) banquet—dinner/feast
(g) entered—exited/came out
(h) decorated—adorned/embellished
(i) gazed—stared/looked
(j) center—midpoint/core

■■■ Let's Practice ■■■

1. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

   Sports are a popular form of entertainment. Many international sporting events are organized from time to time. Most of the events are sponsored by multinational manufacturing companies and business firms. They pay for the sports events in exchange for the right to advertise their products during those events. These events are telecast worldwide by satellite and people all over the world watch them live. As a result, the sponsors' products receive maximum media coverage giving companies international recognition. This is the only commercial aspect of international sport but there are other aspects too.

   (a) popular (antonym) (b) form (synonym) (c) entertainment (synonym) (d) organize (synonym) (e) sponsor (synonym) (f) multinational (antonym) (g) pay (antonym) (h) watch (synonym) (i) maximum (antonym) (j) recognition (antonym)

   Answer: (a) unpopular (b) kind/ type (c) recreation/ amusement (d) arrange (e) patronize (f) national/ domestic (g) receive/ take (h) see/ witness/ enjoy (i) minimum (j) denial/ refusal

2. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

The process of globalization obviously requires a common language for international communication. For many different reasons, English has achieved the prestige of being that language. As a result, it has crossed national borders to reach people who speak other languages. It is no longer the unique possession of British or American people, but a language that belongs to the world's people. In fact, bilingual and multilingual users of English far outnumber its monolingual native speakers. This phenomenon has led to a bewildering variety of English around the world. As more and more people speak English, more and more varieties have emerged which are strongly influenced by the pronunciation, grammar and idioms of the respective mother-tongues. World English has now moved away from the control of the native speakers. However, the question of British or American English is not so important now. Today's slogan is mutual intelligibility among users of the language.

(a) obviously (synonym) (b) prestige (synonym) (c) national (synonym) (d) unique (antonym) (e) native (antonym) (f) variety (synonym) (g) emerge (antonym) (h) control (antonym) (i) important (synonym) (j) intelligibility (antonym)

Answer: (a) certainly/ definitely/ surely/ undoubtedly/ apparently (b) honour/ status (c) local/ domestic (d) common/ ordinary (e) foreign (f) diversity (g) disappear (h) freedom (i) significant (j) unintelligibility

3. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

Sincerity is the root of success of all works. One can go a long way if he does a job with sincerity. The great men are sincere because they know that sincerity is the key to success. Those who do not follow the rules of sincerity can never go a long way. Sincerity is the secret of victory. If any work is not done with sincerity, one will never receive desirable output from it. So we should be sincere in every walk of life.

(a) success (antonym) (b) job (synonym) (c) great (antonym) (d) because (synonym) (e) know (synonym) (f) follow (antonym) (g) rule (synonym) (h) never (antonym) (i) victory (synonym) (j) desirable (antonym)

Answer: (a) failure (b) work/ service (c) ordinary/ common (d) since/ as (e) realize/ understand (f) disobey/ ignore (g) law/ regulation/ order (h) ever/ always (i) win/ triumph (j) undesirable

4. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

There are many people who have a conservative outlook. Quite early in life they learn to believe that everything in this world was predetermined and all that happens to them was ordained by God. From this belief, the poor generally accept their poverty and all their sorrows and sufferings without trying much to overcome them. They also have the same sort of attitude towards illness and disease.

(a) people (synonym) (b) conservative (antonym) (c) early (antonym) (d) believe (synonym) (e) world (synonym) (f) all (antonym) (g) poverty (antonym) (h) sufferings (synonym) (i) overcome (synonym) (j) same (antonym)

Answer: (a) persons/ public (b) liberal (c) late (d) trust/ consider/ accept/ think (e) globe/ earth (f) nothing/ none/ no (g) wealth/ affluence (h) affliction/ miseries/ distress (i) conquer/ succeed/ surpass (j) different

5. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

During the nine month long Liberation War the Pakistani army carried out the most brutal massacre in human history. There were thousands of killing fields all around Bangladesh. One of the largest killing fields is located at Dumuria in Khulna. The area is called Chuknagar. Hundreds and thousands of fleeing people arrived at Chuknagar to cross the border. On 20 May 1971 Pakistani soldiers surrounded the area. They started to fire at the fleeing people. About eight to ten thousand people were killed at Chuknagar.

(a) liberation (synonym) (b) brutal (antonym) (c) massacre (synonym) (d) human (antonym) (e) located (antonym) (f) called (synonym) (g) surrounded (synonym) (h) started (antonym) (i) killed (synonym) (j) largest (antonym)

Answer: (a) freedom/ independence (b) humane/ kind/ gentle/ polite (c) genocide/ holocaust (d) inhuman/ unkind (e) dislocated (f) named (g) encircled (h) finished/ stopped (i) assassinated/ murdered (j) smallest

6. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

Bangladesh is an agro-based country. The soil of Bengal is purer than gold. Most of her land is fertile. The farmers of this country are industrious. They work ceaselessly from dawn to dusk. They are not lazy. They love their motherland. They have a strong attachment to their motherland. Their diligence and perseverance keep the wheel of economy moving. We must respect them. We are grateful to them. We must follow their devotion to duty and country.

(a) fertile (synonym) (b) industrious (antonym) (c) ceaselessly (synonym) (d) lazy (synonym) (e) love (antonym) (f) strong (synonym) (g) moving (antonym) (h) respect (synonym) (i) grateful (antonym) (j) devotion (synonym)

Answer: (a) alluvial/ productive (b) lazy/ idle (c) continuously (d) idle (e) hate (f) deep/ profound (g) unmoving/ fixed/ stagnant (h) honour (i) ungrateful (j) dedication/ loyalty

7. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

All this was perplexing and upsetting. For at the time I had already made up my mind that imperialism was an evil thing and the sooner I chucked up my job and

got out of it the better. Theoretically and secretly, of course I was all for the strugglers and against their oppressors.

(a) perplexing (antonym) (b) upsetting (antonym) (c) imperialism (synonym) (d) evil (antonym) (e) sooner (antonym) (f) chucked (synonym) (g) better (antonym) (h) Theoretically (synonym) (i) secretly (synonym) (j) oppressor (synonym)

Answer: (a) easy/ clear (b) comforting (c) colonialism (d) decent (e) later (f) discarded/ abandoned/ quitted (g) worse (h) hypothetically/ apparently (i) privately (j) tyrant/ autocrat

8. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

Books are the unique medium through which we contact mighty minds of ages. Books tell us about their feelings what they said and what they did. Books are one of the greatest friends to us. They introduce us the best humanity, They are reliable records of the history. A book is a valuable living voice. We can know about the thoughts and rituals of pastmen through books. We should read good books and avoid worthless ones. A good book is a friend of loneliness and a nurse in ailment. We can find real happiness by reading good books.

(a) unique (antonym) (b) mighty (antonym) (c) humanity (synonym) (d) reliable (antonym) (e) valuable (antonym) (f) ritual (synonym) (g) worthless (synonym) (h) loneliness (synonym) (i) ailment (synonym) (j) happiness (antonym).

Answer: (a) common/ general/ simple (b) weak/ feeble/ frail/ powerless (c) morality/ benevolence/ generosity/ kindness (d) unreliable/ doubtful/ untrustworthy (e) valueless/ worthless/ useless/ insignificent (f) ceremony/ convention/ tradition/ custom (g) valueless/ futile/ meaningless/ useless (h) aloneness/ solitude/ solitariness/ desolation/ isolation (i) disease/ malady/ illness/ sickness/ disorder (j) unhappiness/ sorrows/ miseries/ grief

9. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

Books are men's best friends in life. You may have many good friends but you do not find them when you need them. They may not always come to you with sympathy. Some may prove true or some may prove false and do you much harm. But books are always ready to be your side. Some books will make you laugh, some others will give you much pleasure. Again some books will bring new knowledge and ideas. They are ever friends throughout your life.

(a) friend (antonym) (b) need (antonym) (c) sympathy (synonym) (d) prove (synonym) (e) false (antonym) (f) harm (antonym) (g) laugh (antonym) (h) pleasure (synonym) (i) bring (synonym) (j) idea (synonym)

Answer: (a) foe/ enemy/ rival (b) avoid/ shun/ avert/ repel (c) kindness/ empathy/ compassion (d) verify/ show/ test/ testify/ appear/ seem (e) true/ actual/ genuine/

real (f) help/ assist/ benefit (g) cry/ weep (h) delight/ joy/ enjoyment/ amusement (i) fetch/ get/ carry/ bear (j) view/ concept/ design/ thought/ notion

10. **Read the passage and then write the antonym or synonym of the words as directed below.**

After the flight of Yuri Gagarin, the first human being to travel to outer space in 1961, the Soviet Union decided to send a woman in space. Proletarian Valentina Tereshkova was selected for this project from among more than four hundred applicants. Since the successful launch of the spacecraft Vostok-5 on 14 June 1963, Tereshkova began preparing for her own flight. On 16 June 1963, she was dressed in space-suits and taken to the space shuttle launch pad by a bus. After completing her communication and life support checks, she was sealed inside Vostok-6. Finishing a two-hour countdown, Vostok-6 launched faultlessly. Although Tereshkova experienced nausea and physical discomfort for much of the flight, she orbited the earth 48 times and spent almost three days in space. She also maintained a flight log and took photographs of the horizon, which were later used to identify aerosol layers within the atmosphere.

(a) outer (antonym) (b) proletarian (synonym) (c) launch (synonym) (d) prepare (synonym) (e) began (antonym) (f) faultless (antonym) (g) nausea (synonym) (h) discomfort (antonym) (i) maintain (synonym) (j) later (antonym)

Answer: (a) inner/ inside (b) common/ ordinary/ poor (c) propulsion/ fling/ take off (d) ready (e) finished/ completed (f) flawed/ faulty/ defective (g) sickness/ vomiting/ dizziness (h) comfort (i) keep/ follow (j) earlier