

# 35 English Synonyms Tests

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*Synonyms for quit*

- Q1 The train to Rotterdam ..... at 6 pm sharp.  
(a) exits (b) goes (c) departs (d) deserts
- Q2 Have you heard that Mrs Andrews ..... from the board of directors?  
(a) departed (b) abandoned (c) deserted (d) resigned
- Q3 This exercise was very difficult and I finally .....
- (a) left (b) resigned (c) departed (d) gave up
- Q4 Disloyal sailors often ..... their ship.  
(a) give over (b) give up (c) desert (d) depart
- Q5 You have to ..... smoking because it's not good for you!  
(a) leave (b) quit (c) abandon (d) resign
- Q6 The teacher asked the noisy students to ..... talking.  
(a) give up (b) leave (c) quit (d) abandon
- Q7 My best friend ..... me in a time of need.  
(a) quitted (b) deserted (c) departed (d) resigned
- Q8 He easily ..... his career.  
(a) left (b) departed (c) abandoned (d) stopped
- Q9 Why did Jason ..... his wife?  
(a) depart (b) quit (c) abandon (d) resign
- Q10 Cuckoos usually ..... their nests.  
(a) resign (b) desert (c) give up (d) quit

*Synonyms for adapt*

- Q1 Children usually ..... quickly to all changes.  
(a) suit (b) fit (c) change (d) adjust
- Q2 I can't ..... to this climate yet.  
(a) fit (b) suit (c) adapt (d) adopt
- Q3 I like this coat very much because it ..... my shoes; they are the same colour.  
(a) fits (b) matches (c) suits (d) corresponds
- Q4 I don't want to ..... my plans to yours again!  
(a) accommodate (b) change (c) fit (d) transform
- Q5 Jane isn't sure if she can ..... to the new situation.  
(a) change (b) fit (c) adapt (d) match
- Q6 This music really ..... my mood.  
(a) fits (b) accommodates (c) matches (d) acclimatizes
- Q7 You will accept the idea only if you ..... your mind to it.  
(a) fit (b) adapt (c) adjust (d) change
- Q8 These trousers are my size; they ..... me perfectly.  
(a) match (b) suit (c) fit (d) correspond
- Q9 Can you ..... the pieces of the jigsaw?  
(a) match (b) fit (c) suit (d) adjust
- Q10 This plan ..... me quite well.  
(a) matches (b) accommodates (c) fits (d) suits

*Synonyms for change*

- Q1 This lock is broken, so we have to ..... it.  
(a) change (b) exchange (c) shift (d) interchange
- Q2 You can't wear this dress; it's too big and the tailor has to ..... it a bit.  
(a) change (b) shift (c) alter (d) transform
- Q3 I don't really like this dress; let's ..... it for another one.  
(a) shift (b) change (c) alter (d) vary
- Q4 Why did you ..... your mind?  
(a) alter (b) modify (c) change (d) vary
- Q5 He doesn't have a regular job; he ..... from one job to another.  
(a) shifts (b) transforms (c) changes (d) exchanges
- Q6 Excuse me, where can I ..... dollars for euros?  
(a) switch (b) exchange (c) transform (d) shift
- Q7 I think she will ..... her opinion after you talk to her.  
(a) shift (b) modify (c) transform (d) change
- Q8 Don't ..... the blame onto your brother!  
(a) change (b) shift (c) transform (d) exchange
- Q9 Electricity can be ..... into light.  
(a) changed (b) altered (c) shifted (d) transformed
- Q10 The two sisters are very close; they ..... letters every week.  
(a) alter (b) shift (c) exchange (d) switch

*Synonyms for move*

- Q1 My mother was ..... down the hall lost in thought.  
(a) straying (b) pacing (c) jumping (d) wandering
- Q2 Homeless people often ..... about the streets.  
(a) move (b) stagger (c) wander (d) limp
- Q3 Every day after work Brian and Joan ..... together back home.  
(a) move (b) walk (c) turn (d) pace
- Q4 My mother was very angry; she couldn't stop ..... up and down the hallway.  
(a) straying (b) limping (c) pacing (d) strolling
- Q5 Don't forget to ..... the dog today!  
(a) walk (b) pace (c) move (d) stray
- Q6 I think this puppy is lost because it has ..... from its mother.  
(a) moved (b) wandered (c) turned (d) strayed
- Q7 Why is this man .....? Is he drunk?  
(a) walking (b) wandering (c) limping (d) staggering
- Q8 Why are you .....? Is your leg hurt?  
(a) staggering (b) walking (c) pacing (d) limping
- Q9 The old woman ..... in front of the shop and fell down.  
(a) staggered (b) strayed (c) stumbled (d) limped
- Q10 Be careful please, because you can easily ..... in the dark and lose the way.  
(a) stray (b) walk (c) wander (d) stagger

*Synonyms for walk*

- Q1 You look tired. Let's ..... around for a while!  
(a) pace (b) stride (c) stray (d) walk
- Q2 Will you ..... me home, please?  
(a) walk (b) wander (c) pace (d) stray
- Q3 The night is very hot, and those who can't sleep are ..... in the streets.  
(a) pacing (b) strolling (c) straying (d) going
- Q4 Stop ..... up and down like that! Are you nervous?  
(a) strolling (b) pacing (c) striding (d) wandering
- Q5 The bus station is very close; you can ..... to it.  
(a) stroll (b) wander (c) go (d) walk
- Q6 The small lamb was lost because it had ..... from its flock.  
(a) strayed (b) walked (c) paced (d) wandered
- Q7 Where is your brother? Don't tell me he is ..... in the mountains again.  
(a) striding (b) pacing (c) jumping (d) wandering
- Q8 Why are you ..... around me so nervously? Is there anything you want to tell me?  
(a) pacing (b) strolling (c) striding (d) limping
- Q9 Watch the signs if you don't want to ..... from the road and get lost.  
(a) walk (b) stray (c) go (d) pace
- Q10 If you are not so tired, we can ..... home instead of taking the bus.  
(a) walk (b) wander (c) pace (d) stray

*Synonyms for beat and strike*

- Q1 Your heart ..... really fast!  
(a) strikes (b) hits (c) beats (d) pounds
- Q2 Don't ..... all the matches from this matchbox, please!  
(a) hit (b) strike (c) slap (d) beat
- Q3 Never ..... me in the face again!  
(a) stroke (b) beat (c) whip (d) hit
- Q4 When she saw him, her heart began to .....  
(a) hit (b) strike (c) pound (d) whip
- Q5 Can you ..... the eggs for me, please? I'm making a Christmas cake.  
(a) strike (b) slap (c) hit (d) whip
- Q6 I feel so sorry for the poor horse! Stop ..... it, please!  
(a) whipping (b) slapping (c) pounding (d) striking
- Q7 John ..... his mother in the face for the first time in his life.  
(a) slapped (b) pounded (c) whipped (d) beat
- Q8 ..... while the iron is hot!  
(a) Beat (b) Strike (c) Crash (d) Whip
- Q9 I think I heard a drum .....  
(a) hitting (b) striking (c) whipping (d) beating
- Q10 The father was furious and ..... the table.  
(a) slapped (b) knocked (c) pounded (d) whipped

*Synonyms for lonely and alone*

- Q1 Annette never leaves her five-year-old son ..... at home.  
(a) lonely (b) alone (c) single (d) lonesome
- Q2 Mother tries to hide it, but we know that she is ..... woman.  
(a) a single (b) an alone (c) a lonely (d) a solitary
- Q3 We have no neighbours because our house stands ..... on a hill.  
(a) alone (b) lonely (c) lonesome (d) removed
- Q4 After his wife's death, his evenings have been long and .....  
(a) single (b) alone (c) solitary (d) detached
- Q5 Marion doesn't see anyone. She leads a ..... life.  
(a) lone (b) lonesome (c) single (d) alone
- Q6 For a long time now, we have been looking for ..... house to live in.  
(a) a solitary (b) a single (c) a detached (d) an alone
- Q7 He didn't say ..... word to defend himself.  
(a) a single (b) a lonely (c) a solitary (d) an alone
- Q8 Do you know if she is married or .....?  
(a) alone (b) lonely (c) single (d) solitary
- Q9 You can't lift this heavy suitcase .....  
(a) lonesome (b) alone (c) single (d) lonely
- Q10 Mr Redding didn't like to be ..... at meals.  
(a) lonesome (b) single (c) alone (d) solitary

*Synonyms for mistake and error*

- Q1 It is a(n) ..... to argue with your friends.  
(a) error (b) fault (c) mistake (d) slip
- Q2 The new assistant made a ....., and as a result all the accounts were messed up.  
(a) slip (b) fault (c) misunderstanding (d) blunder
- Q3 Don't blame yourself; it's not your .....!  
(a) fault (b) error (c) slip (d) misunderstanding
- Q4 The engineer was quick to point out the technical ..... in the drawing.  
(a) blips (b) slips (c) errors (d) blunders
- Q5 I can understand your Spanish in spite of the grammar ..... you make.  
(a) mistakes (b) slips (c) defects (d) misunderstandings
- Q6 Sorry, I didn't mean to say that; it was a(n) ..... of the tongue.  
(a) slip (b) mistake (c) fault (d) error
- Q7 Whose ..... is it that the pizza delivery's late? Yours, I'm afraid.  
(a) blunder (b) slip (c) fault (d) error
- Q8 Your composition is full of .....
- (a) defects (b) mistakes (c) faults (d) slips
- Q9 You will make a terrible ..... in introducing her to your parents.  
(a) blunder (b) slip (c) error (d) defect
- Q10 The child broke the expensive vase, but it was his mother's ..... for letting him play close to it.  
(a) error (b) defect (c) fault (d) blunder

*Synonyms for robber and thief*

- Q1 The ..... attacked the owner of the house and disappeared with the expensive painting.  
(a) robbers (b) thieves (c) stealers (d) lifters
- Q2 Two masked ..... got out of the black car, rushed into the bank pointing their guns and carried away more than 50,000 dollars.  
(a) thieves (b) stealers (c) burglars (d) robbers
- Q3 Michael was attacked by ..... in the dark street, and they took his wallet.  
(a) pickpockets (b) thieves (c) bandits (d) burglars
- Q4 A ..... had broken the back door and stolen my gold necklace.  
(a) bandit (b) robber (c) burglar (d) criminal
- Q5 The ship was attacked by ..... near a deserted island.  
(a) burglars (b) gangsters (c) pirates (d) thieves
- Q6 Look! The attic window is broken; the ..... probably got inside this way.  
(a) criminal (b) burglar (c) thief (d) bandit
- Q7 I think that woman is a ..... I saw her put a souvenir in her bag without paying for it.  
(a) robber (b) burglar (c) thief (d) shoplifter
- Q8 The ..... stopped the car, pointed a gun at the driver and took all his money and documents.  
(a) thieves (b) bandits (c) burglars (d) pirates
- Q9 There is a ..... in this office. Small things from my desk disappear very often.  
(a) criminal (b) thief (c) robber (d) gangster
- Q10 A ..... took Judith's suitcase while she was sleeping in the train.  
(a) robber (b) bandit (c) thief (d) burglar

*Synonyms for trip and journey*

- Q1 The Smiths decided to go to Scotland for a short ..... They have already booked return bus tickets.  
(a) travel (b) trip (c) voyage (d) move
- Q2 An archeological ..... was organized to investigate the remains of the ancient settlement which had recently been found near the capital.  
(a) trip (b) safari (c) expedition (d) tour
- Q3 My ..... to work takes about fifty minutes by car.  
(a) trip (b) excursion (c) tour (d) move
- Q4 If you are planning a holiday in Amsterdam, you'd better go by plane; otherwise it is a three-day ..... by bus from Bulgaria to Holland.  
(a) journey (b) go (c) pass (d) expedition
- Q5 Roger entered the Guinness Book of World Records, having spent more than three months all alone in an open boat during his ..... across the Pacific.  
(a) journey (b) tour (c) traffic (d) voyage
- Q6 Julia chose to spend her holiday in Africa. Her package tour included hiking in the jungle, sailing down the Nile, and going on a sightseeing ..... to observe lions, elephants and other wildlife.  
(a) safari (b) traffic (c) track (d) voyage
- Q7 My idea of a perfect honeymoon is to go on a world ..... and visit many interesting places. As you can see, I have already marked some of those places on the map.  
(a) trip (b) safari (c) expedition (d) tour
- Q8 Being a young scientist, Joshua is really excited to be going on his first ..... to the North Pole, where he will do research on walruses.  
(a) outing (b) expedition (c) excursion (d) trip
- Q9 This holiday company arranges lots of ..... for groups of people to go into the mountains and picnic by the river.  
(a) tours (b) paths (c) excursions (d) traffics
- Q10 One of my daughter's favourite movies is 'The ..... of Sinbad the Sailor', which tells of the exciting experiences of Sinbad at sea.  
(a) Voyages (b) Trips (c) Outings (d) Safaris

*Synonyms for adapt*

- Q1 This book is very difficult for children aged ten, so I'm afraid you will have to ..... it.  
(a) adjust (b) fit (c) adapt (d) focus
- Q2 This machinery needs to be ..... before putting it into operation.  
(a) suited (b) adjusted (c) accommodated (d) conformed
- Q3 Students usually find it very easy to ..... to college life.  
(a) fit (b) adapt (c) reconcile (d) suit
- Q4 I will have to find a way to ..... myself to the new requirements.  
(a) match (b) suit (c) accommodate (d) change
- Q5 The picture on the television is not very clear; probably something needs to be .....  
(a) suited (b) adjusted (c) adapted (d) fitted
- Q6 It's been months since he moved to the North, but he can't ..... himself yet.  
(a) fit (b) match (c) acclimatize (d) harmonize
- Q7 This plan of yours really ..... me!  
(a) suits (b) matches (c) fits (d) suffices
- Q8 We are happy to inform you that you are the candidate who best ..... our qualifications.  
(a) harmonizes (b) adapts (c) suits (d) accommodates
- Q9 I admit it's been a hard thing to do, but I finally ..... my way of thinking with yours.  
(a) reconciled (b) acclimatized (c) suited (d) matched
- Q10 I like those shoes very much; I wish they ..... me.  
(a) accommodate (b) fit (c) match (d) suit

*Synonyms for 'change' and 'shift'*

- Q1 I know that they have ..... their address, but I don't have the new one.  
(a) altered (b) changed (c) exchanged (d) modified
- Q2 Marina had to ..... her opinion if she wanted to please her parents.  
(a) transform (b) alter (c) suit (d) change
- Q3 I've lost a lot of weight over the last couple of months, and most of my clothes need to be .....
- (a) altered (b) modified (c) shifted (d) exchanged
- Q4 This political change will completely ..... the structure of the city administration.  
(a) shift (b) transform (c) move (d) exchange
- Q5 If you ..... your voice, she will not recognize you on the phone.  
(a) change (b) modify (c) transform (d) transmit
- Q6 If these shoes don't fit you, we can ..... them for another pair.  
(a) shift (b) transform (c) exchange (d) alter
- Q7 Since she was in a hurry, we only managed to ..... a few words.  
(a) change (b) exchange (c) transmit (d) shift
- Q8 I'm afraid this letter sounds rather rude. Can you please ..... it to make it more polite?  
(a) update (b) undo (c) modify (d) vary
- Q9 That was the worst experience in her life, and not surprisingly it ..... her completely.  
(a) varied (b) transformed (c) shifted (d) exchanged
- Q10 After months of practice, she finally learned how to ..... clay into beautiful sculptures.  
(a) shift (b) alter (c) transform (d) modify

*Synonyms for fit and adapt*

- Q1 The plot of this book is very difficult to understand. Do you think it can be ..... for the stage?  
(a) adapted (b) adjusted (c) fitted (d) agreed
- Q2 Joan moved to Australia more than a year ago, but she hasn't been able to ..... into that new world yet.  
(a) suit (b) fit (c) accept (d) harmonize
- Q3 Mary ..... her skirt and left the room proudly.  
(a) fitted (b) adapted (c) adjusted (d) suited
- Q4 She admired his ability to ..... himself to new things.  
(a) fit (b) adapt (c) suit (d) agree
- Q5 The lawyer tried hard to ..... his statements to the facts.  
(a) adapt (b) suit (c) accommodate (d) harmonize
- Q6 We bought a new piano stool for our son, but it turned out to be too high for him and needs to be .....
- (a) fitted (b) adjusted (c) adapted (d) accommodated
- Q7 Why don't we meet in front of the cinema tomorrow afternoon? What time will ..... you?  
(a) fit (b) suit (c) accommodate (d) conform
- Q8 The light suddenly went out and I couldn't see anything, but little by little my eyes ..... to the darkness.  
(a) adapted (b) fitted (c) accommodated (d) matched
- Q9 The soldiers found it hard to ..... themselves to the hot dry climate.  
(a) fit (b) adapt (c) agree (d) match
- Q10 I like the idea of becoming your partner, and what's more, this business really ..... me.  
(a) adjusts (b) likes (c) suits (d) conforms

*Synonyms for surrender*

- Q1 The young scientist ..... his career for the sake of his children, who lost their mother in a car accident.  
(a) surrendered (b) abandoned (c) conceded (d) forsook
- Q2 The island was so quiet that it looked like all living creatures had ..... it.  
(a) quitted (b) resigned (c) deserted (d) forgotten
- Q3 Antoinette couldn't possibly believe that he ..... her at the party like that.  
(a) deserted (b) quitted (c) surrendered (d) resigned
- Q4 Joshua was preparing to ..... his wife without warning her.  
(a) quit (b) give up (c) leave (d) surrender
- Q5 This war will continue unless we .....
- (a) leave (b) desert (c) abandon (d) surrender
- Q6 You can't just ..... school like that. You aren't old enough to find a job and support yourself.  
(a) quit (b) desert (c) resign (d) surrender
- Q7 It will become very complicated if Mr Conrad ..... his office, because there's no one who can replace him in this position.  
(a) quits (b) resigns (c) surrenders (d) leaves
- Q8 For once in your life, please understand that you have to ..... drinking because it's killing you.  
(a) give up (b) resign (c) desert (d) leave
- Q9 After her husband's death, Marion was desperate and ..... all hope for a better future.  
(a) quitted (b) deserted (c) surrendered (d) resigned
- Q10 They went to court only to ..... their claim.  
(a) stop (b) leave (c) abandon (d) resign

*Synonyms for walk and go*

- Q1 Elephants ..... the wild African jungle.  
(a) range (b) stroll (c) stride (d) walk
- Q2 The girls were ..... about the village, wasting time.  
(a) striding (b) prowling (c) sauntering (d) straying
- Q3 She had a feeling that there was a wild animal ..... in the bushes.  
(a) walking (b) prowling (c) straying (d) ranging
- Q4 Follow the yellow line; don't ..... from it or you will get lost!  
(a) stray (b) walk (c) stride (d) step
- Q5 A moment later I saw her ..... into the room, proud of her success.  
(a) stride (b) stalk (c) prowl (d) wander
- Q6 All day long the hunters were ..... the mountains.  
(a) striding (b) walking (c) straying (d) roaming
- Q7 It's your turn today to ..... the dog!  
(a) range (b) stray (c) walk (d) stride
- Q8 The boss ..... restlessly around the office.  
(a) ranged (b) stepped (c) rambled (d) strolled
- Q9 Although it was dark, I think I saw her. She was ..... about the large hall.  
(a) rambling (b) ranging (c) stalking (d) stepping
- Q10 The poor boy ..... the fields all alone looking for some privacy.  
(a) stalked (b) roamed (c) prowled (d) strayed

*Synonyms for wander*

- Q1 Alan spent his childhood ..... the seas and oceans with his father, who was captain of a ship.  
(a) ranging (b) wandering (c) going (d) straying
- Q2 Hungry lions have been ..... the desert for a long time now.  
(a) walking (b) straying (c) ranging (d) pacing
- Q3 Be careful when you go to the forest, because there are wolves ..... all over for prey.  
(a) walking (b) going (c) striding (d) prowling
- Q4 The pirates ..... all over the Pacific in search of rich victims.  
(a) sauntered (b) ranged (c) went (d) strode
- Q5 You'd better get back to work instead of ..... nervously up and down the corridors.  
(a) pacing (b) ranging (c) strolling (d) staggering
- Q6 Ann didn't want to leave the house as she was afraid that thieves were ..... in the dark.  
(a) walking (b) strolling (c) prowling (d) ranging
- Q7 My doctor advised me to ..... every day for at least half an hour.  
(a) stride (b) walk (c) wander (d) range
- Q8 It was so funny to see her ..... over a puddle.  
(a) striding (b) walking (c) prowling (d) pacing
- Q9 I'm afraid there are no cabs; we'll have to ..... to the center.  
(a) stray (b) wander (c) walk (d) stalk
- Q10 Arthur received an award, and when they called his name he ..... proudly from the audience to get to the stage.  
(a) prowled (b) paced (c) strode (d) stalked

*Synonyms for beat*

- Q1 You have no right to treat me this way and ..... me like an animal!  
(a) strike (b) beat (c) spank (d) pound
- Q2 Brian came home very angry and started shouting at the kids and ..... the table.  
(a) spanking (b) beating (c) pounding (d) thrashing
- Q3 I hate her habit of ..... the kids for no particular reason.  
(a) knocking (b) pounding (c) striking (d) spanking
- Q4 The soldier was ..... in the arm by a bullet.  
(a) pounded (b) struck (c) beaten (d) knocked
- Q5 I've ..... my head on the door two times already.  
(a) beaten (b) slapped (c) slammed (d) hit
- Q6 Give me a hand, please. I need you to ..... those two eggs in a bowl.  
(a) beat (b) strike (c) hit (d) knock
- Q7 Although the icy wind was ..... their faces, they kept on walking.  
(a) hitting (b) whipping (c) striking (d) slapping
- Q8 Lightning ..... his favourite oak tree, the one which he used to climb as a child.  
(a) struck (b) whipped (c) beat (d) knocked
- Q9 My heart ..... at the thought of seeing my brother after his three years' absence.  
(a) knocked (b) whipped (c) pounded (d) hit
- Q10 We took John to the hospital because thugs ..... him while he was walking in the park late last night.  
(a) thrashed (b) slapped (c) knocked (d) broke

*Synonyms for 'solitary' and 'single'*

- Q1 I know how to enjoy my privacy, and I never really feel ....., even when there is nobody around.  
(a) single (b) alone (c) solitary (d) apart
- Q2 Marion went all ..... on this journey. All the rest of the family decided to stay home.  
(a) solitary (b) lonely (c) unaccompanied (d) alone
- Q3 At the end of such a busy day, John only wanted to take a ..... walk. He didn't want to see people around him for a while.  
(a) solitary (b) lonely (c) single (d) lonesome
- Q4 It was the crying of the baby next door that made her feel even more ..... and depressed.  
(a) single (b) lone (c) lonesome (d) solitary
- Q5 After his mother's death, Peter used to spend long ..... hours at the bar.  
(a) single (b) solitary (c) alone (d) lonesome
- Q6 I feel so ..... since my sister got married and moved in with her husband.  
(a) lonely (b) single (c) apart (d) solitary
- Q7 Lately one can see a lot of ..... children on a flight.  
(a) lonely (b) lonesome (c) unaccompanied (d) single
- Q8 Jane knew that her husband had been having an affair for quite a while, but she never said a ..... word about it.  
(a) lonely (b) single (c) alone (d) solitary
- Q9 He can afford the best suite in the hotel, but he always takes a(n) ..... room.  
(a) lonesome (b) unaccompanied (c) single (d) solitary
- Q10 Jason thoroughly enjoyed his ..... dinner.  
(a) lonely (b) solitary (c) lonesome (d) single

*Synonyms for 'mistake' and 'blunder'*

- Q1 There must be some .....; I think we have come to the wrong house.  
(a) miscue (b) fault (c) mistake (d) slip
- Q2 The train crash was due to a ..... of the engine-driver, and many people died because of his carelessness.  
(a) blunder (b) slip (c) misunderstanding (d) inaccuracy
- Q3 You shouldn't worry about this; it was only a ..... of the tongue and no one really noticed.  
(a) misunderstanding (b) slip (c) mistake (d) blunder
- Q4 I am telling you from personal experience — don't go there on holiday. It will be a(n) .....!  
(a) error (b) misunderstanding (c) blunder (d) mistake
- Q5 All the information was lost because of an ..... in the computers.  
(a) incorrectness (b) inaccuracy (c) error (d) inexactness
- Q6 He paid a lot of money for the high quality machinery, but a lot of technical ..... started to appear in the long run.  
(a) errors (b) blunders (c) slips (d) gaffes
- Q7 It is the first time Jason has written a love letter, so no wonder he made a few ..... of the pen out of excitement.  
(a) blunders (b) slips (c) mistakes (d) errors
- Q8 Julia married a wealthy old man when she was only eighteen because all she wanted was to be rich. Years later she realized it was a big .....  
(a) error (b) blunder (c) inaccuracy (d) mistake
- Q9 At the beginning of our marriage we had some ....., but little by little we smoothed them away.  
(a) mistakes (b) faults (c) misunderstandings (d) gaffes
- Q10 What he did was inappropriate to his social status; as the president of the country, he didn't realize what a(n) ..... he had made.  
(a) mistake (b) error (c) misunderstanding (d) gaffe

*Synonyms for 'threat' and 'danger'*

- Q1 The operation on his heart was successful, and the patient is now out of .....
- (a) danger (b) peril (c) crisis (d) threat
- Q2 This was Brian's first voyage as a sailor, and he was not sure if he was ready to face the ..... of the ocean.
- (a) adventures (b) insecurities (c) perils (d) crisis
- Q3 Since you live in a region of tornadoes and hurricanes, think about insuring your property against all .....
- (a) dangers (b) risks (c) threats (d) uncertainties
- Q4 Going into the jungle all alone at night seems like a real ..... to me.
- (a) harm (b) threat (c) chance (d) adventure
- Q5 The football fan stopped throwing stones because of the policeman's ..... to arrest him.
- (a) risk (b) danger (c) peril (d) threat
- Q6 I hope you realize that as a climber you will be exposed to the severe ..... of the mountains.
- (a) perils (b) adventures (c) harms (d) injuries
- Q7 Your life is in constant ..... if you always drive as fast as this.
- (a) crisis (b) adventure (c) danger (d) insecurity
- Q8 This military operation is a ..... to national security.
- (a) chance (b) peril (c) harm (d) threat
- Q9 A lot of countries from the third world live under the constant ..... of famine.
- (a) venture (b) peril (c) threat (d) harm
- Q10 These are the usual ..... of the desert — scorpions, snakes, heat, lack of water, etc.
- (a) risks (b) harms (c) uncertainties (d) crises

*Synonyms for 'profit' and 'benefit'*

- Q1 If you are interested in making a quick ....., you won't make do so running a Chinese restaurant in this town.  
(a) compensation (b) payment (c) favour (d) profit
- Q2 The ..... of living in a big city rather than in a village are that there are more interesting jobs, more cinemas and more places where you can have fun.  
(a) advantages (b) reasons (c) profits (d) effects
- Q3 I saved up all my pay to spend what I thought was a cheap two-week holiday in Brazil, but in the end I spent the equivalent of three months' .....  
(a) fees (b) benefits (c) earnings (d) capitals
- Q4 My family recently bought a small china shop, and we hope for some ..... from our investment.  
(a) profit (b) advantage (c) compensation (d) help
- Q5 What is the ..... of studying Old English nowadays, when no one speaks it or uses it?  
(a) help (b) earning (c) point (d) affect
- Q6 This shop sells jeans for 50 dollars, thereby making a(n) ..... of about 30 dollars as the outlay is only 20 dollars a pair.  
(a) advantage (b) profit (c) account (d) capital
- Q7 The ..... of these new school rules is that they are a help to both students and teachers: all know exactly what their duties are.  
(a) gain (b) earning (c) income (d) benefit
- Q8 Although this construction company makes a good profit, it has to pay out considerable sums in ..... to workers who are injured.  
(a) benefit (b) compensation (c) payment (d) income
- Q9 The Browns don't have any reason to complain about the rising cost of living because both husband and wife have substantial .....  
(a) benefits (b) advantages (c) incomes (d) fees
- Q10 One of the great ..... to the students when they go on a mountain walk is that they learn a lot about wildflowers.  
(a) benefits (b) returns (c) supports (d) profits

*Synonyms for 'task' and 'duty'*

- Q1 Hi, Dave. I'm calling to see if you have any ..... for the weekend. We could go out and have some fun if you like.  
(a) plans (b) aims (c) targets (d) ambitions
- Q2 Hi, Mario. I do actually have a homework ..... to do. The deadline's Monday and I'm afraid I'll have to do it during the weekend, so I'll be quite busy.  
(a) work (b) assignment (c) job (d) duty
- Q3 What's the ..... of your homework? What's the topic you've got to write about?  
(a) object (b) subject (c) subjective (d) argument
- Q4 Well, it's for my architecture course. I've got to write something about the interior ..... of luxury hotels. You know, the way they look inside: furniture, colours, etc.  
(a) theme (b) strategy (c) design (d) pattern
- Q5 Dave, I can help you if you want. I'm very good at drawing and I could make some ..... for you to show what it looks inside, just quick drawings without too much detail.  
(a) sketches (b) scratches (c) plans (d) paintings
- Q6 Mario, that's great. I was thinking of asking you but I didn't want to take up your time. It's not a particularly easy ..... having to do this sort of homework and I'm not really keen on it, either.  
(a) goal (b) task (c) effort (d) role
- Q7 Oh no, on the contrary. I'd love to help you. Drawing is a hobby of mine, so don't worry. I'll look on it as a pleasure rather than a(n) .....
- (a) chore (b) purpose (c) affair (d) action
- Q8 In that case, why don't you comeover so that I can explain to you exactly the main ..... of my homework?  
(a) intention (b) purpose (c) end (d) goal
- Q9 We can work out a ..... a bit at a time  
(a) plan (b) design (c) formula (d) method
- Q10 For the ..... we've got to complete, it'll be easier and more fun if we do it together. And maybe afterwards we could go out and enjoy ourselves.  
(a) programs (b) assignments (c) schedules (d) series

*Synonyms for walk*

- Q1 Marian was very exhausted at the end of the day so she ..... slowly along the beach on her way back home.  
(a) paced (b) stalked (c) walked (d) strode
- Q2 When they were younger, they used to ..... in the park with their kids every weekend.  
(a) stagger (b) stroll (c) meander (d) halt
- Q3 As Brian is having his summer vacation he is ..... about the village all day long.  
(a) striding (b) staggering (c) walking (d) sauntering
- Q4 The man was very worried about his wife being so late and he was ..... nervously up and down the sitting-room.  
(a) striding (b) pacing (c) walking (d) sauntering
- Q5 As it had no choice trying to escape from the vulture, the doe ..... quickly over the streamlet.  
(a) strode (b) paced (c) strayed (d) meandered
- Q6 Now, after he had won the coveted prize, Jason ..... into the room smiling.  
(a) strode (b) blundered (c) stalked (d) paced
- Q7 They spent their first day as a married couple ..... about the streets of Venice as tourists.  
(a) striding (b) gadding (c) tottering (d) wandering
- Q8 He soon retired and will finally have enough time to ..... over the country.  
(a) mosey (b) roam (c) gad (d) stride
- Q9 It got very dark in the forest, so they easily ..... from the path and got lost.  
(a) strayed (b) moved (c) walked (d) meandered
- Q10 Her friends left her all alone in a strange town and she ..... about unaccompanied all day long.  
(a) staggered (b) stalked (c) strayed (d) gadded

*Synonyms for abandon*

- Q1 He thought he could make it but after considering the complicated situation, he ..... all hope.  
(a) deserted (b) abandoned (c) quitted (d) resigned
- Q2 Brian got so upset and for the first time in his life his presence of mind ..... him.  
(a) left (b) resigned (c) deserted (d) forsook
- Q3 Sometimes good friends will ..... you just when you need them.  
(a) quit (b) surrender (c) resign (d) forsake
- Q4 I think you should ..... school and get a job.  
(a) abandon (b) quit (c) desert (d) leave
- Q5 Although he was very sick, he didn't even try to ..... drinking.  
(a) desert (b) give up (c) leave (d) surrender
- Q6 The doctor told the patient that he should ..... smoking.  
(a) retreat (b) quit (c) surrender (d) depart
- Q7 Despite current problems, they hadn't ..... their commitment to the idea.  
(a) left (b) given up (c) departed (d) deserted
- Q8 The soldiers were exhausted and they finally ..... the city to the enemy.  
(a) gave up (b) deserted (c) surrendered (d) resigned
- Q9 Joseph said he would accept the agreement only on the condition that the manager would ..... his office position.  
(a) cede (b) abandon (c) resign (d) depart
- Q10 What time does the plane ..... exactly?  
(a) desert (b) depart (c) abandon (d) retreat

*Synonyms for exchange*

- Q1 I am very pleased to find out that you have ..... for the better.  
(a) altered (b) changed (c) shifted (d) transformed
- Q2 Till his last day Jacob was not sure whether he should ..... his will.  
(a) modify (b) alter (c) shift (d) vary
- Q3 She had been planning this trip for a long time but the unexpected death of her father ..... her plans.  
(a) transformed (b) modified (c) changed (d) altered
- Q4 This is my favourite dress but since I've lost a lot of weight it needs to be ..... before I put it on.  
(a) altered (b) changed (c) modified (d) exchanged
- Q5 Don't you ever try to ..... the blame on me again, please!  
(a) move (b) shift (c) exchange (d) switch
- Q6 The manager decided to ..... the terms of our agreement.  
(a) mutate (b) modify (c) exchange (d) transform
- Q7 John finds it hard to find a permanent job; he's been ..... from one job to another for as long as I can remember.  
(a) changing (b) deviating (c) shifting (d) varying
- Q8 Marriage completely ..... his character.  
(a) converted (b) mutated (c) transformed (d) shifted
- Q9 The prime objective of this business meeting is to ..... ideas about the latest project of the company.  
(a) exchange (b) shift (c) change (d) vary
- Q10 If the wind doesn't ..... to the west, it will be impossible for the cyclists to make it to the finish.  
(a) change (b) deviate (c) shift (d) move

*Synonyms for stagger and walk*

- Q1 He was sad at the sight of the old woman ..... down to the store every morning.  
(a) hobbling (b) pacing (c) striding (d) staggering
- Q2 My head ..... at the thought of jumping out of an airplane.  
(a) moves (b) weaves (c) reels (d) falters
- Q3 The sailor came out of the pub so drunk that he ..... all the way to the ship.  
(a) stumbled (b) walked (c) staggered (d) paced
- Q4 All of a sudden the teacher felt dizzy, he ..... for a second and fell down.  
(a) staggered (b) tottered (c) stumbled (d) limped
- Q5 The footballer twisted his ankle and ..... to the bench to take a seat.  
(a) staggered (b) strayed (c) lurched (d) tottered
- Q6 The lights went out and Jane ..... about the room looking for a candle to burn.  
(a) lurched (b) blundered (c) stumbled (d) stalked
- Q7 The heavily loaded wagon ..... along the old cobbled road.  
(a) blundered (b) lumbered (c) staggered (d) lurched
- Q8 The little boy ..... and almost fell down while chasing the ball, but he regained his balance again.  
(a) blundered (b) staggered (c) stumbled (d) limped
- Q9 They were experiencing the first storm since the voyage started, the wind was so fast that the ship ..... and people from the deck started falling out of it in the open sea.  
(a) careened (b) staggered (c) faltered (d) reeled
- Q10 Although this antique clock hasn't been working for ages now it looks to me that its big hand is ..... from time to time.  
(a) reeling (b) lurching (c) vacillating (d) straying

*Synonyms for beat*

- Q1 Jacob called the police and the emergency, because his neighbour ..... his wife black and blue.  
(a) pounded (b) beat (c) hit (d) crashed
- Q2 Mr Willow is the eldest in the family but no one ever listens to him. Every time he wants to get attention, he has to ..... the table a heavy blow.  
(a) strike (b) beat (c) slap (d) whip
- Q3 After trying hard for a long time, the soldier finally managed to ..... the target.  
(a) slap (b) whip (c) hit (d) beat
- Q4 She heard his feet ..... on the thick carpet upstairs.  
(a) pounding (b) hitting (c) slapping (d) crashing
- Q5 If I see him, I swear I will ..... him for what he has done.  
(a) thrash (b) crash (c) strike (d) whip
- Q6 The fast wind was ..... the window-pane and that sound was driving her crazy.  
(a) hitting (b) whipping (c) pounding (d) slapping
- Q7 Mary is a very calm and patient mother but lately she often ..... her naughty son.  
(a) crashes (b) whips (c) spansks (d) pounds
- Q8 Joan heard the clock ..... midnight and realized that she had forgotten about their appointment.  
(a) strike (b) hit (c) beat (d) pound
- Q9 The naughty boy ..... the hedge to frighten the horses.  
(a) whipped (b) thrashed (c) slapped (d) beat
- Q10 The woman was standing on a rock, desperately looking at the waves ..... the shore.  
(a) hitting (b) whipping (c) slapping (d) beating

*Synonyms for alone and lonesome*

- Q1 All the other people at the party had gathered together in small groups, having the time of their life, and only she was left standing .....
- (a) single (b) removed (c) lonely (d) alone
- Q2 After the good news of my promotion I felt like walking in the park, but not ....., and my sister was the only one I felt like walking with.
- (a) alone (b) solitary (c) lonesome (d) single
- Q3 Joan's husband abandoned her unexpectedly, leaving her ..... and uncertain about the future.
- (a) single (b) lonely (c) alone (d) unaccompanied
- Q4 She hates Christmas because she feels so sad and ..... despite all the people coming by to greet her.
- (a) single (b) lonesome (c) apart (d) detached
- Q5 As the path was very narrow and dangerous, the guide told them they should walk in ..... file.
- (a) alone (b) solitary (c) single (d) detached
- Q6 He was walking along the streets which were usually so crowded, but that afternoon for some reason they looked .....
- (a) lonely (b) lonesome (c) desolate (d) detached
- Q7 Marion didn't imagine she could ever enjoy those ..... walks in the mountain.
- (a) single (b) solitary (c) lonesome (d) alone
- Q8 Her mind was occupied by one ..... thought and that was to leave this family forever.
- (a) lonely (b) alone (c) single (d) detached
- Q9 Finally they found what they were looking for, it was the house of their dreams- two storeys, a beautiful green garden and a ..... garage.
- (a) lonely (b) detached (c) lonesome (d) alone
- Q10 The nights were the worst part for she was haunted by ..... thoughts which were killing her.
- (a) alone (b) lonely (c) lonesome (d) single

*Synonyms for danger*

- Q1 In winter months there is always a ..... of catching cold.  
(a) danger (b) peril (c) jeopardy (d) hazard
- Q2 The Arctic bears are able to survive the ..... of the blizzards.  
(a) jeopardy (b) perils (c) hazard (d) risks
- Q3 Since you have bought a brand new house I think you should insure it for all .....
- (a) hazards (b) risks (c) perils (d) crises
- Q4 There was a ..... he would do the wrong thing because he saw the reward but not the risk of crime.  
(a) peril (b) jeopardy (c) danger (d) hazard
- Q5 Pregnant women do not seem to realize that smoking and drinking expose their babies to a serious health .....
- (a) danger (b) jeopardy (c) hazard (d) crisis
- Q6 This old car has no brakes — you drive it at your .....
- (a) danger (b) chance (c) peril (d) hazard
- Q7 Children who are left unsupervised are at ..... of dropping out of school.  
(a) peril (b) danger (c) risk (d) chance
- Q8 Her inexperienced lawyer put the result of the case in .....
- (a) risk (b) hazard (c) crisis (d) jeopardy
- Q9 If you want to swim beyond that point you have to do it at your own ..... because no one will take responsibility for whatever happens to you.  
(a) peril (b) jeopardy (c) hazard (d) risk
- Q10 Firemen put their life in ..... in order to save people's life.  
(a) risk (b) jeopardy (c) crisis (d) chance

*Synonyms for error and fault*

- Q1 I haven't done this and you are making a terrible ..... in suspecting me.  
(a) error (b) mistake (c) blunder (d) gaffe
- Q2 Elizabeth realized that it had been a ..... to take her daughter to the house where her father was killed some years before.  
(a) mistake (b) slip (c) fault (d) misunderstanding
- Q3 The accident was due to the ..... of the driver.  
(a) slip (b) error (c) blunder (d) lapse
- Q4 Without her glasses she made a ..... and filled in the wrong form.  
(a) error (b) blunder (c) lapse (d) fault
- Q5 Jacqueline is a good secretary but lately she often makes ..... in such simple things as typing and uploading information.  
(a) blunders (b) errors (c) faults (d) misunderstandings
- Q6 My literature teacher speaks so quickly that he often makes ..... of the tongue.  
(a) mistakes (b) faults (c) slips (d) blunders
- Q7 Don't even think of shifting the blame on me, please! It's not my ..... for what happened.  
(a) fault (b) error (c) gaffe (d) misunderstanding
- Q8 I wouldn't call this a bad mistake, it is simply a ..... of the pen.  
(a) error (b) blunder (c) gaffe (d) slip
- Q9 It is written here that I have a sister but there must be some ..... because I am an only child.  
(a) error (b) misunderstanding (c) fault (d) slip
- Q10 He was in a coma for more than two weeks after the accident but now he has woken up and the doctors say he has a ..... of memory. He can hardly remember what had happened.  
(a) gaffe (b) lapse (c) slip (d) error

*Synonyms for robber and burglar*

- Q1 All vehicles driving through this wild godforsaken region have been attacked by .....  
(a) trespassers (b) robbers (c) burglars (d) bandits
- Q2 I am a little afraid to go on a honeymoon holiday in this mountain because the area is notorious for the ..... who attack and rob people.  
(a) robbers (b) bandits (c) felons (d) thieves
- Q3 If I were you I wouldn't buy this old house because it's not safe against ..... Anyone could easily break through these old wooden doors.  
(a) bandits (b) felons (c) burglars (d) trespassers
- Q4 How could you possibly think of moving to live in this neighbourhood! It's full of ..... and too dangerous for the children to play outside.  
(a) bandits (b) robbers (c) intruders (d) burglars
- Q5 This deserted ship was used by ..... many years ago. They stored here the goods they had taken illegally from one country to another.  
(a) smugglers (b) criminals (c) bandits (d) intruders
- Q6 Even nowadays ..... are still ranging the oceans and no one can feel safe against them.  
(a) smugglers (b) pirates (c) trespassers (d) thieves
- Q7 This is private property and we are not supposed to go beyond this point because they will prosecute us as .....  
(a) bandits (b) trespassers (c) thieves (d) felons
- Q8 This is a new store and there are cameras all over the place to watch for .....  
(a) felons (b) intruders (c) shoplifters (d) trespassers
- Q9 She is thinking of blocking up the bedroom window because ..... have got into the house through it a couple of times so far.  
(a) trespassers (b) burglars (c) robbers (d) felons
- Q10 The accountant of the bank turned out to be one of the masked ..... who rushed armed into the building and took all the money from the safe.  
(a) thieves (b) burglars (c) robbers (d) smugglers

*Synonyms for kill and murder*

- Q1 The fire spread all over the antique bookshop and ..... all the valuable books and manuscripts in it.  
(a) killed (b) destroyed (c) liquidated (d) removed
- Q2 The plague in the nineteenth century was a terrible disease that ..... millions of people.  
(a) killed (b) murdered (c) executed (d) destroyed
- Q3 Since Alice retired, she has been deprived of some favorite diversions — business meetings, business trips and cocktail parties. The humdrum routine of her present life is literally ..... her.  
(a) destroying (b) killing (c) demolishing (d) crashing
- Q4 In the Middle Ages, bandits and criminals were publicly ..... by hanging.  
(a) killed (b) assassinated (c) executed (d) slain
- Q5 The Mafia often kidnaps children of the rich, demands money for their safe return, and then ..... them anyway.  
(a) assassinates (b) executes (c) murders (d) destroys
- Q6 The president of the country was ..... because nobody liked his hostile politics.  
(a) killed (b) ruined (c) slain (d) assassinated
- Q7 Because of a lack of evidence, the judge dismissed the case against the man accused of ..... the senator.  
(a) murdering (b) executing (c) dispatching (d) assassinating
- Q8 Thousands of cows and other cattle were ..... because of the anthrax epidemic a few years ago.  
(a) slaughtered (b) killed (c) executed (d) liquidated
- Q9 A lot of American Indians were ..... after white men settled in the New World.  
(a) executed (b) killed (c) massacred (d) dispatched
- Q10 Angela has been a Mafia informant for many years now. Knowing that the Mafia is fond of ..... its enemies, she demands and is paid exorbitant amounts of money to do this dirty job.  
(a) assassinating (b) liquidating (c) slaughtering (d) executing

*Synonyms for business and employment*

- Q1 Joshua and Michael inherited a small company from their father. Their ..... is packing meat and selling it wholesale.  
(a) employment (b) appointment (c) craft (d) business
- Q2 Marylyn was heartbroken when she found out that her husband had been having an ..... with his secretary for a long time.  
(a) occupation (b) involvement (c) affair (d) engagement
- Q3 Peter is a blacksmith by ..... but presently he is unemployed.  
(a) business (b) career (c) occupation (d) art
- Q4 I noticed that you visit Holland very often. Do you go there on ..... or for pleasure?  
(a) work (b) job (c) calling (d) business
- Q5 Stay out of this problem and do not interfere, please! It's none of your .....!  
(a) job (b) business (c) action (d) work
- Q6 We are proud that all our students graduated and found ..... in good companies and at good wages.  
(a) employment (b) commerce (c) calling (d) duty
- Q7 This orchestra is one of the best in the country and they have many concert ..... each month.  
(a) engagements (b) duties (c) missions (d) affairs
- Q8 Samantha truly believes that it is her ..... to become a doctor. She feels she was born for it.  
(a) job (b) calling (c) engagement (d) appointment
- Q9 Although I don't feel it as my calling, I have decided to choose my mother's ..... and become a lawyer. I know this will make her happy.  
(a) business (b) profession (c) trade (d) employment
- Q10 Julia is a young lawyer and she has just got her first promotion but she is resolved to make a distinguished ..... in the legal profession.  
(a) calling (b) career (c) art (d) pursuit

*Synonyms for see and watch*

- Q1 The tourists stood there ..... at the lovely scenery. One could see the admiration in their eyes.  
(a) peering (b) gazing (c) staring (d) seeing
- Q2 Some animals and birds find no difficulty moving at night as they have the ability to ..... in the dark.  
(a) watch (b) look (c) view (d) see
- Q3 As Kathryn was in a hurry and so hungry she simply ..... at the menu and ordered a sandwich and some salad.  
(a) noticed (b) glanced (c) flashed (d) saw
- Q4 They decided to spend a romantic night sleeping on the beach and ..... at the stars.  
(a) glimpsing (b) noting (c) focusing (d) gazing
- Q5 As Jeremy had never been in a city like New York before, he just stood in front of the tall skyscrapers with his mouth open and ..... at them.  
(a) viewed (b) gaped (c) peeped (d) concentrated
- Q6 When Julia saw her husband with another woman, she was so shocked that she could do nothing but ..... at him in disbelief.  
(a) watch (b) peer (c) gaze (d) stare
- Q7 This man was their only hope and when he let them down they all ..... at him in alarm.  
(a) stared (b) fancied (c) observed (d) viewed
- Q8 Brian had a feeling that the black Ford had been following him. He ..... in the rearview mirror to see if the car was still behind him.  
(a) remarked (b) glanced (c) noticed (d) gaped
- Q9 The kids were told off many times for ..... through the keyhole while their parents were having an argument in the bedroom.  
(a) surveying (b) browsing (c) peeping (d) detecting
- Q10 He ..... at his wife when she actually dared to oppose him.  
(a) peeped (b) glared (c) perceived (d) glimpsed

*Synonyms for speak and shout*

- Q1 I heard the teacher ..... my name from the class register.  
(a) cry (b) call (c) scream (d) pronounce
- Q2 I don't like our Chemistry teacher because he's always ..... at us.  
(a) shouting (b) roaring (c) talking (d) voicing
- Q3 Did you hear somebody ..... from the kitchen? I think they want us to come.  
(a) saying (b) crying (c) calling (d) yawning
- Q4 You don't have to ..... at me! I can hear you, I'm not deaf!  
(a) shut up (b) utter (c) yell (d) whisper
- Q5 We had to ..... at each other at the party last night because the music was so loud it wasn't possible to have a normal conversation.  
(a) speak (b) murmur (c) shout (d) mutter
- Q6 Although David entered the office quite happily, he let out a ..... the moment he caught sight of the dead body lying on the floor.  
(a) cry (b) yawn (c) scream (d) call
- Q7 The football fans ..... with excitement immediately they saw their favourite players.  
(a) screamed (b) whispered (c) muttered (d) sighed
- Q8 There were times when Dorothy's naughty little son drove her crazy and that's when she ..... at him.  
(a) screamed (b) yelled (c) mumbled (d) called
- Q9 The children were ..... with laughter in the schoolyard at the sight of one of the teachers trying to catch the school guinea pig.  
(a) shrinking (b) shrieking (c) piercing (d) sobbing
- Q10 The little girl ..... out in pain when the dentist pulled out her tooth.  
(a) roared (b) hollered (c) exclaimed (d) cried

# *English Synonyms*

(Answer Keys)

*Synonyms for quit*

- A1 The train to Rotterdam departs at 6 pm sharp.  
answer: (c) departs
- A2 Have you heard that Mrs Andrews resigned from the board of directors?  
answer: (d) resigned
- A3 This exercise was very difficult and I finally gave up.  
answer: (d) gave up
- A4 Disloyal sailors often desert their ship.  
answer: (c) desert
- A5 You have to quit smoking because it's not good for you!  
answer: (b) quit
- A6 The teacher asked the noisy students to quit talking.  
answer: (c) quit
- A7 My best friend deserted me in a time of need.  
answer: (b) deserted
- A8 He easily abandoned his career.  
answer: (c) abandoned
- A9 Why did Jason abandon his wife?  
answer: (c) abandon
- A10 Cuckoos usually desert their nests.  
answer: (b) desert

*Synonyms for adapt*

A1 Children usually adjust quickly to all changes.

answer: (d) adjust

A2 I can't adapt to this climate yet.

answer: (c) adapt

A3 I like this coat very much because it matches my shoes; they are the same colour.

answer: (b) matches

A4 I don't want to accommodate my plans to yours again!

answer: (a) accommodate

A5 Jane isn't sure if she can adapt to the new situation.

answer: (c) adapt

A6 This music really fits my mood.

answer: (a) fits

A7 You will accept the idea only if you adjust your mind to it.

answer: (c) adjust

A8 These trousers are my size; they fit me perfectly.

answer: (c) fit

A9 Can you fit the pieces of the jigsaw?

answer: (b) fit

A10 This plan suits me quite well.

answer: (d) suits

*Synonyms for change*

- A1 This lock is broken, so we have to change it.  
answer: (a) change
- A2 You can't wear this dress; it's too big and the tailor has to alter it a bit.  
answer: (c) alter
- A3 I don't really like this dress; let's change it for another one.  
answer: (b) change
- A4 Why did you change your mind?  
answer: (c) change
- A5 He doesn't have a regular job; he shifts from one job to another.  
answer: (a) shifts
- A6 Excuse me, where can I exchange dollars for euros?  
answer: (b) exchange
- A7 I think she will change her opinion after you talk to her.  
answer: (d) change
- A8 Don't shift the blame onto your brother!  
answer: (b) shift
- A9 Electricity can be transformed into light.  
answer: (d) transformed
- A10 The two sisters are very close; they exchange letters every week.  
answer: (c) exchange

*Synonyms for move*

- A1 My mother was wandering down the hall lost in thought.  
answer: (d) wandering
- A2 Homeless people often wander about the streets.  
answer: (c) wander
- A3 Every day after work Brian and Joan walk together back home.  
answer: (b) walk
- A4 My mother was very angry; she couldn't stop pacing up and down the hallway.  
answer: (c) pacing
- A5 Don't forget to walk the dog today!  
answer: (a) walk
- A6 I think this puppy is lost because it has strayed from its mother.  
answer: (d) strayed
- A7 Why is this man staggering? Is he drunk?  
answer: (d) staggering
- A8 Why are you limping? Is your leg hurt?  
answer: (d) limping
- A9 The old woman stumbled in front of the shop and fell down.  
answer: (c) stumbled
- A10 Be careful please, because you can easily stray in the dark and lose the way.  
answer: (a) stray

*Synonyms for walk*

A1 You look tired. Let's walk around for a while!

answer: (d) walk

A2 Will you walk me home, please?

answer: (a) walk

A3 The night is very hot, and those who can't sleep are strolling in the streets.

answer: (b) strolling

A4 Stop pacing up and down like that! Are you nervous?

answer: (b) pacing

A5 The bus station is very close; you can walk to it.

answer: (d) walk

A6 The small lamb was lost because it had strayed from its flock.

answer: (a) strayed

A7 Where is your brother? Don't tell me he is wandering in the mountains again.

answer: (d) wandering

A8 Why are you pacing around me so nervously? Is there anything you want to tell me?

answer: (a) pacing

A9 Watch the signs if you don't want to stray from the road and get lost.

answer: (b) stray

A10 If you are not so tired, we can walk home instead of taking the bus.

answer: (a) walk

*Synonyms for beat and strike*

A1 Your heart beats really fast!

answer: (c) beats

A2 Don't strike all the matches from this matchbox, please!

answer: (b) strike

A3 Never hit me in the face again!

answer: (d) hit

A4 When she saw him, her heart began to pound.

answer: (c) pound

A5 Can you whip the eggs for me, please? I'm making a Christmas cake.

answer: (d) whip

A6 I feel so sorry for the poor horse! Stop whipping it, please!

answer: (a) whipping

A7 John slapped his mother in the face for the first time in his life.

answer: (a) slapped

A8 Strike while the iron is hot!

answer: (b) Strike

A9 I think I heard a drum beating.

answer: (d) beating

A10 The father was furious and pounded the table.

answer: (c) pounded

*Synonyms for lonely and alone*

- A1 Annette never leaves her five-year-old son alone at home.  
answer: (b) alone
- A2 Mother tries to hide it, but we know that she is a lonely woman.  
answer: (c) a lonely
- A3 We have no neighbours because our house stands alone on a hill.  
answer: (a) alone
- A4 After his wife's death, his evenings have been long and solitary.  
answer: (c) solitary
- A5 Marion doesn't see anyone. She leads a lonesome life.  
answer: (b) lonesome
- A6 For a long time now, we have been looking for a detached house to live in.  
answer: (c) a detached
- A7 He didn't say a single word to defend himself.  
answer: (a) a single
- A8 Do you know if she is married or single?  
answer: (c) single
- A9 You can't lift this heavy suitcase alone.  
answer: (b) alone
- A10 Mr Redding didn't like to be alone at meals.  
answer: (c) alone

*Synonyms for mistake and error*

- A1 It is a(n) mistake to argue with your friends.  
answer: (c) mistake
- A2 The new assistant made a blunder, and as a result all the accounts were messed up.  
answer: (d) blunder
- A3 Don't blame yourself; it's not your fault!  
answer: (a) fault
- A4 The engineer was quick to point out the technical errors in the drawing.  
answer: (c) errors
- A5 I can understand your Spanish in spite of the grammar mistakes you make.  
answer: (a) mistakes
- A6 Sorry, I didn't mean to say that; it was a(n) slip of the tongue.  
answer: (a) slip
- A7 Whose fault is it that the pizza delivery's late? Yours, I'm afraid.  
answer: (c) fault
- A8 Your composition is full of mistakes.  
answer: (b) mistakes
- A9 You will make a terrible blunder in introducing her to your parents.  
answer: (a) blunder
- A10 The child broke the expensive vase, but it was his mother's fault for letting him play close to it.  
answer: (c) fault

*Synonyms for robber and thief*

- A1 The robbers attacked the owner of the house and disappeared with the expensive painting.  
answer: (a) robbers
- A2 Two masked robbers got out of the black car, rushed into the bank pointing their guns and carried away more than 50,000 dollars.  
answer: (d) robbers
- A3 Michael was attacked by bandits in the dark street, and they took his wallet.  
answer: (c) bandits
- A4 A burglar had broken the back door and stolen my gold necklace.  
answer: (c) burglar
- A5 The ship was attacked by pirates near a deserted island.  
answer: (c) pirates
- A6 Look! The attic window is broken; the burglar probably got inside this way.  
answer: (b) burglar
- A7 I think that woman is a shoplifter. I saw her put a souvenir in her bag without paying for it.  
answer: (d) shoplifter
- A8 The bandits stopped the car, pointed a gun at the driver and took all his money and documents.  
answer: (b) bandits
- A9 There is a thief in this office. Small things from my desk disappear very often.  
answer: (b) thief
- A10 A thief took Judith's suitcase while she was sleeping in the train.  
answer: (c) thief

*Synonyms for trip and journey*

- A1 The Smiths decided to go to Scotland for a short trip. They have already booked return bus tickets.  
answer: (b) trip
- A2 An archeological expedition was organized to investigate the remains of the ancient settlement which had recently been found near the capital.  
answer: (c) expedition
- A3 My trip to work takes about fifty minutes by car.  
answer: (a) trip
- A4 If you are planning a holiday in Amsterdam, you'd better go by plane; otherwise it is a three-day journey by bus from Bulgaria to Holland.  
answer: (a) journey
- A5 Roger entered the Guinness Book of World Records, having spent more than three months all alone in an open boat during his voyage across the Pacific.  
answer: (d) voyage
- A6 Julia chose to spend her holiday in Africa. Her package tour included hiking in the jungle, sailing down the Nile, and going on a sightseeing safari to observe lions, elephants and other wildlife.  
answer: (a) safari
- A7 My idea of a perfect honeymoon is to go on a world tour and visit many interesting places. As you can see, I have already marked some of those places on the map.  
answer: (d) tour
- A8 Being a young scientist, Joshua is really excited to be going on his first expedition to the North Pole, where he will do research on walruses.  
answer: (b) expedition
- A9 This holiday company arranges lots of excursions for groups of people to go into the mountains and picnic by the river.  
answer: (c) excursions
- A10 One of my daughter's favourite movies is 'The Voyages of Sinbad the Sailor', which tells of the exciting experiences of Sinbad at sea.  
answer: (a) Voyages

*Synonyms for adapt*

- A1 This book is very difficult for children aged ten, so I'm afraid you will have to adapt it.  
answer: (c) adapt
- A2 This machinery needs to be adjusted before putting it into operation.  
answer: (b) adjusted
- A3 Students usually find it very easy to adapt to college life.  
answer: (b) adapt
- A4 I will have to find a way to accommodate myself to the new requirements.  
answer: (c) accommodate
- A5 The picture on the television is not very clear; probably something needs to be adjusted.  
answer: (b) adjusted
- A6 It's been months since he moved to the North, but he can't acclimatize himself yet.  
answer: (c) acclimatize
- A7 This plan of yours really suits me!  
answer: (a) suits
- A8 We are happy to inform you that you are the candidate who best suits our qualifications.  
answer: (c) suits
- A9 I admit it's been a hard thing to do, but I finally reconciled my way of thinking with yours.  
answer: (a) reconciled
- A10 I like those shoes very much; I wish they fit me.  
answer: (b) fit

*Synonyms for 'change' and 'shift'*

A1 I know that they have changed their address, but I don't have the new one.

answer: (b) changed

A2 Marina had to change her opinion if she wanted to please her parents.

answer: (d) change

A3 I've lost a lot of weight over the last couple of months, and most of my clothes need to be altered.

answer: (a) altered

A4 This political change will completely transform the structure of the city administration.

answer: (b) transform

A5 If you change your voice, she will not recognize you on the phone.

answer: (a) change

A6 If these shoes don't fit you, we can exchange them for another pair.

answer: (c) exchange

A7 Since she was in a hurry, we only managed to exchange a few words.

answer: (b) exchange

A8 I'm afraid this letter sounds rather rude. Can you please modify it to make it more polite?

answer: (c) modify

A9 That was the worst experience in her life, and not surprisingly it transformed her completely.

answer: (b) transformed

A10 After months of practice, she finally learned how to transform clay into beautiful sculptures.

answer: (c) transform

*Synonyms for fit and adapt*

- A1 The plot of this book is very difficult to understand. Do you think it can be adapted for the stage?  
answer: (a) adapted
- A2 Joan moved to Australia more than a year ago, but she hasn't been able to fit into that new world yet.  
answer: (b) fit
- A3 Mary adjusted her skirt and left the room proudly.  
answer: (c) adjusted
- A4 She admired his ability to adapt himself to new things.  
answer: (b) adapt
- A5 The lawyer tried hard to accommodate his statements to the facts.  
answer: (c) accommodate
- A6 We bought a new piano stool for our son, but it turned out to be too high for him and needs to be adjusted.  
answer: (b) adjusted
- A7 Why don't we meet in front of the cinema tomorrow afternoon? What time will suit you?  
answer: (b) suit
- A8 The light suddenly went out and I couldn't see anything, but little by little my eyes adapted to the darkness.  
answer: (a) adapted
- A9 The soldiers found it hard to adapt themselves to the hot dry climate.  
answer: (b) adapt
- A10 I like the idea of becoming your partner, and what's more, this business really suits me.  
answer: (c) suits

*Synonyms for surrender*

A1 The young scientist abandoned his career for the sake of his children, who lost their mother in a car accident.

answer: (b) abandoned

A2 The island was so quiet that it looked like all living creatures had deserted it.

answer: (c) deserted

A3 Antoinette couldn't possibly believe that he deserted her at the party like that.

answer: (a) deserted

A4 Joshua was preparing to leave his wife without warning her.

answer: (c) leave

A5 This war will continue unless we surrender.

answer: (d) surrender

A6 You can't just quit school like that. You aren't old enough to find a job and support yourself.

answer: (a) quit

A7 It will become very complicated if Mr Conrad resigns his office, because there's no one who can replace him in this position.

answer: (b) resigns

A8 For once in your life, please understand that you have to give up drinking because it's killing you.

answer: (a) give up

A9 After her husband's death, Marion was desperate and surrendered all hope for a better future.

answer: (c) surrendered

A10 They went to court only to abandon their claim.

answer: (c) abandon

*Synonyms for walk and go*

- A1 Elephants range the wild African jungle.  
answer: (a) range
- A2 The girls were sauntering about the village, wasting time.  
answer: (c) sauntering
- A3 She had a feeling that there was a wild animal prowling in the bushes.  
answer: (b) prowling
- A4 Follow the yellow line; don't stray from it or you will get lost!  
answer: (a) stray
- A5 A moment later I saw her stride into the room, proud of her success.  
answer: (a) stride
- A6 All day long the hunters were roaming the mountains.  
answer: (d) roaming
- A7 It's your turn today to walk the dog!  
answer: (c) walk
- A8 The boss rambled restlessly around the office.  
answer: (c) rambled
- A9 Although it was dark, I think I saw her. She was rambling about the large hall.  
answer: (a) rambling
- A10 The poor boy roamed the fields all alone looking for some privacy.  
answer: (b) roamed

*Synonyms for wander*

- A1 Alan spent his childhood ranging the seas and oceans with his father, who was captain of a ship.  
answer: (a) ranging
- A2 Hungry lions have been ranging the desert for a long time now.  
answer: (c) ranging
- A3 Be careful when you go to the forest, because there are wolves prowling all over for prey.  
answer: (d) prowling
- A4 The pirates ranged all over the Pacific in search of rich victims.  
answer: (b) ranged
- A5 You'd better get back to work instead of pacing nervously up and down the corridors.  
answer: (a) pacing
- A6 Ann didn't want to leave the house as she was afraid that thieves were prowling in the dark.  
answer: (c) prowling
- A7 My doctor advised me to walk every day for at least half an hour.  
answer: (b) walk
- A8 It was so funny to see her striding over a puddle.  
answer: (a) striding
- A9 I'm afraid there are no cabs; we'll have to walk to the center.  
answer: (c) walk
- A10 Arthur received an award, and when they called his name he strode proudly from the audience to get to the stage.  
answer: (c) strode

*Synonyms for beat*

A1 You have no right to treat me this way and beat me like an animal!

answer: (b) beat

A2 Brian came home very angry and started shouting at the kids and pounding the table.

answer: (c) pounding

A3 I hate her habit of spanking the kids for no particular reason.

answer: (d) spanking

A4 The soldier was struck in the arm by a bullet.

answer: (b) struck

A5 I've hit my head on the door two times already.

answer: (d) hit

A6 Give me a hand, please. I need you to beat those two eggs in a bowl.

answer: (a) beat

A7 Although the icy wind was whipping their faces, they kept on walking.

answer: (b) whipping

A8 Lightning struck his favourite oak tree, the one which he used to climb as a child.

answer: (a) struck

A9 My heart pounded at the thought of seeing my brother after his three years' absence.

answer: (c) pounded

A10 We took John to the hospital because thugs thrashed him while he was walking in the park late last night.

answer: (a) thrashed

*Synonyms for 'solitary' and 'single'*

- A1 I know how to enjoy my privacy, and I never really feel alone, even when there is nobody around.  
answer: (b) alone
- A2 Marion went all alone on this journey. All the rest of the family decided to stay home.  
answer: (d) alone
- A3 At the end of such a busy day, John only wanted to take a solitary walk. He didn't want to see people around him for a while.  
answer: (a) solitary
- A4 It was the crying of the baby next door that made her feel even more lonesome and depressed.  
answer: (c) lonesome
- A5 After his mother's death, Peter used to spend long lonesome hours at the bar.  
answer: (d) lonesome
- A6 I feel so lonely since my sister got married and moved in with her husband.  
answer: (a) lonely
- A7 Lately one can see a lot of unaccompanied children on a flight.  
answer: (c) unaccompanied
- A8 Jane knew that her husband had been having an affair for quite a while, but she never said a single word about it.  
answer: (b) single
- A9 He can afford the best suite in the hotel, but he always takes a(n) single room.  
answer: (c) single
- A10 Jason thoroughly enjoyed his solitary dinner.  
answer: (b) solitary

*Synonyms for 'mistake' and 'blunder'*

- A1 There must be some mistake; I think we have come to the wrong house.  
answer: (c) mistake
- A2 The train crash was due to a blunder of the engine-driver, and many people died because of his carelessness.  
answer: (a) blunder
- A3 You shouldn't worry about this; it was only a slip of the tongue and no one really noticed.  
answer: (b) slip
- A4 I am telling you from personal experience — don't go there on holiday. It will be a(n) mistake!  
answer: (d) mistake
- A5 All the information was lost because of an error in the computers.  
answer: (c) error
- A6 He paid a lot of money for the high quality machinery, but a lot of technical errors started to appear in the long run.  
answer: (a) errors
- A7 It is the first time Jason has written a love letter, so no wonder he made a few slips of the pen out of excitement.  
answer: (b) slips
- A8 Julia married a wealthy old man when she was only eighteen because all she wanted was to be rich. Years later she realized it was a big mistake.  
answer: (d) mistake
- A9 At the beginning of our marriage we had some misunderstandings, but little by little we smoothed them away.  
answer: (c) misunderstandings
- A10 What he did was inappropriate to his social status; as the president of the country, he didn't realize what a(n) gaffe he had made.  
answer: (d) gaffe

*Synonyms for 'threat' and 'danger'*

- A1 The operation on his heart was successful, and the patient is now out of danger.  
answer: (a) danger
- A2 This was Brian's first voyage as a sailor, and he was not sure if he was ready to face the perils of the ocean.  
answer: (c) perils
- A3 Since you live in a region of tornadoes and hurricanes, think about insuring your property against all risks.  
answer: (b) risks
- A4 Going into the jungle all alone at night seems like a real adventure to me.  
answer: (d) adventure
- A5 The football fan stopped throwing stones because of the policeman's threat to arrest him.  
answer: (d) threat
- A6 I hope you realize that as a climber you will be exposed to the severe perils of the mountains.  
answer: (a) perils
- A7 Your life is in constant danger if you always drive as fast as this.  
answer: (c) danger
- A8 This military operation is a threat to national security.  
answer: (d) threat
- A9 A lot of countries from the third world live under the constant threat of famine.  
answer: (c) threat
- A10 These are the usual risks of the desert — scorpions, snakes, heat, lack of water, etc.  
answer: (a) risks

*Synonyms for 'profit' and 'benefit'*

A1 If you are interested in making a quick profit, you won't make do so running a Chinese restaurant in this town.

answer: (d) profit

A2 The advantages of living in a big city rather than in a village are that there are more interesting jobs, more cinemas and more places where you can have fun.

answer: (a) advantages

A3 I saved up all my pay to spend what I thought was a cheap two-week holiday in Brazil, but in the end I spent the equivalent of three months' earnings.

answer: (c) earnings

A4 My family recently bought a small china shop, and we hope for some profit from our investment.

answer: (a) profit

A5 What is the point of studying Old English nowadays, when no one speaks it or uses it?

answer: (c) point

A6 This shop sells jeans for 50 dollars, thereby making a(n) profit of about 30 dollars as the outlay is only 20 dollars a pair.

answer: (b) profit

A7 The benefit of these new school rules is that they are a help to both students and teachers: all know exactly what their duties are.

answer: (d) benefit

A8 Although this construction company makes a good profit, it has to pay out considerable sums in compensation to workers who are injured.

answer: (b) compensation

A9 The Browns don't have any reason to complain about the rising cost of living because both husband and wife have substantial incomes.

answer: (c) incomes

A10 One of the great benefits to the students when they go on a mountain walk is that they learn a lot about wildflowers.

answer: (a) benefits

*Synonyms for 'task' and 'duty'*

- A1 Hi, Dave. I'm calling to see if you have any plans for the weekend. We could go out and have some fun if you like.  
answer: (a) plans
- A2 Hi, Mario. I do actually have a homework assignment to do. The deadline's Monday and I'm afraid I'll have to do it during the weekend, so I'll be quite busy.  
answer: (b) assignment
- A3 What's the subject of your homework? What's the topic you've got to write about?  
answer: (b) subject
- A4 Well, it's for my architecture course. I've got to write something about the interior design of luxury hotels. You know, the way they look inside: furniture, colours, etc.  
answer: (c) design
- A5 Dave, I can help you if you want. I'm very good at drawing and I could make some sketches for you to show what it looks inside, just quick drawings without too much detail.  
answer: (a) sketches
- A6 Mario, that's great. I was thinking of asking you but I didn't want to take up your time. It's not a particularly easy task having to do this sort of homework and I'm not really keen on it, either.  
answer: (b) task
- A7 Oh no, on the contrary. I'd love to help you. Drawing is a hobby of mine, so don't worry. I'll look on it as a pleasure rather than a(n) chore.  
answer: (a) chore
- A8 In that case, why don't you comeover so that I can explain to you exactly the main purpose of my homework?  
answer: (b) purpose
- A9 We can work out a plan a bit at a time  
answer: (a) plan
- A10 For the assignments we've got to complete, it'll be easier and more fun if we do it together. And maybe afterwards we could go out and enjoy ourselves.  
answer: (b) assignments

*Synonyms for walk*

- A1 Marian was very exhausted at the end of the day so she strode slowly along the beach on her way back home.  
answer: (d) strode
- A2 When they were younger, they used to stroll in the park with their kids every weekend.  
answer: (b) stroll
- A3 As Brian is having his summer vacation he is sauntering about the village all day long.  
answer: (d) sauntering
- A4 The man was very worried about his wife being so late and he was pacing nervously up and down the sitting-room.  
answer: (b) pacing
- A5 As it had no choice trying to escape from the vulture, the doe strode quickly over the streamlet.  
answer: (a) strode
- A6 Now, after he had won the coveted prize, Jason strode into the room smiling.  
answer: (a) strode
- A7 They spent their first day as a married couple wandering about the streets of Venice as tourists.  
answer: (d) wandering
- A8 He soon retired and will finally have enough time to roam over the country.  
answer: (b) roam
- A9 It got very dark in the forest, so they easily strayed from the path and got lost.  
answer: (a) strayed
- A10 Her friends left her all alone in a strange town and she gaddled about unaccompanied all day long.  
answer: (d) gaddled

*Synonyms for abandon*

A1 He thought he could make it but after considering the complicated situation, he abandoned all hope.

answer: (b) abandoned

A2 Brian got so upset and for the first time in his life his presence of mind deserted him.

answer: (c) deserted

A3 Sometimes good friends will forsake you just when you need them.

answer: (d) forsake

A4 I think you should quit school and get a job.

answer: (b) quit

A5 Although he was very sick, he didn't even try to give up drinking.

answer: (b) give up

A6 The doctor told the patient that he should quit smoking.

answer: (b) quit

A7 Despite current problems, they hadn't given up their commitment to the idea.

answer: (b) given up

A8 The soldiers were exhausted and they finally surrendered the city to the enemy.

answer: (c) surrendered

A9 Joseph said he would accept the agreement only on the condition that the manager would resign his office position.

answer: (c) resign

A10 What time does the plane depart exactly?

answer: (b) depart

*Synonyms for exchange*

- A1 I am very pleased to find out that you have changed for the better.  
answer: (b) changed
- A2 Till his last day Jacob was not sure whether he should alter his will.  
answer: (b) alter
- A3 She had been planning this trip for a long time but the unexpected death of her father changed her plans.  
answer: (c) changed
- A4 This is my favourite dress but since I've lost a lot of weight it needs to be altered before I put it on.  
answer: (a) altered
- A5 Don't you ever try to shift the blame on me again, please!  
answer: (b) shift
- A6 The manager decided to modify the terms of our agreement.  
answer: (b) modify
- A7 John finds it hard to find a permanent job; he's been shifting from one job to another for as long as I can remember.  
answer: (c) shifting
- A8 Marriage completely transformed his character.  
answer: (c) transformed
- A9 The prime objective of this business meeting is to exchange ideas about the latest project of the company.  
answer: (a) exchange
- A10 If the wind doesn't shift to the west, it will be impossible for the cyclists to make it to the finish.  
answer: (c) shift

*Synonyms for stagger and walk*

- A1 He was sad at the sight of the old woman hobbling down to the store every morning.  
answer: (a) hobbling
- A2 My head reels at the thought of jumping out of an airplane.  
answer: (c) reels
- A3 The sailor came out of the pub so drunk that he staggered all the way to the ship.  
answer: (c) staggered
- A4 All of a sudden the teacher felt dizzy, he tottered for a second and fell down.  
answer: (b) tottered
- A5 The footballer twisted his ankle and lurched to the bench to take a seat.  
answer: (c) lurched
- A6 The lights went out and Jane blundered about the room looking for a candle to burn.  
answer: (b) blundered
- A7 The heavily loaded wagon lumbered along the old cobbled road.  
answer: (b) lumbered
- A8 The little boy stumbled and almost fell down while chasing the ball, but he regained his balance again.  
answer: (c) stumbled
- A9 They were experiencing the first storm since the voyage started, the wind was so fast that the ship careened and people from the deck started falling out of it in the open sea.  
answer: (a) careened
- A10 Although this antique clock hasn't been working for ages now it looks to me that its big hand is vacillating from time to time.  
answer: (c) vacillating

*Synonyms for beat*

- A1 Jacob called the police and the emergency, because his neighbour beat his wife black and blue.  
answer: (b) beat
- A2 Mr Willow is the eldest in the family but no one ever listens to him. Every time he wants to get attention, he has to strike the table a heavy blow.  
answer: (a) strike
- A3 After trying hard for a long time, the soldier finally managed to hit the target.  
answer: (c) hit
- A4 She heard his feet pounding on the thick carpet upstairs.  
answer: (a) pounding
- A5 If I see him, I swear I will thrash him for what he has done.  
answer: (a) thrash
- A6 The fast wind was whipping the window-pane and that sound was driving her crazy.  
answer: (b) whipping
- A7 Mary is a very calm and patient mother but lately she often spanks her naughty son.  
answer: (c) spanks
- A8 Joan heard the clock strike midnight and realized that she had forgotten about their appointment.  
answer: (a) strike
- A9 The naughty boy thrashed the hedge to frighten the horses.  
answer: (b) thrashed
- A10 The woman was standing on a rock, desperately looking at the waves beating the shore.  
answer: (d) beating

*Synonyms for alone and lonesome*

- A1 All the other people at the party had gathered together in small groups, having the time of their life, and only she was left standing alone.  
answer: (d) alone
- A2 After the good news of my promotion I felt like walking in the park, but not alone, and my sister was the only one I felt like walking with.  
answer: (a) alone
- A3 Joan's husband abandoned her unexpectedly, leaving her lonely and uncertain about the future.  
answer: (b) lonely
- A4 She hates Christmas because she feels so sad and lonesome despite all the people coming by to greet her.  
answer: (b) lonesome
- A5 As the path was very narrow and dangerous, the guide told them they should walk in single file.  
answer: (c) single
- A6 He was walking along the streets which were usually so crowded, but that afternoon for some reason they looked desolate.  
answer: (c) desolate
- A7 Marion didn't imagine she could ever enjoy those solitary walks in the mountain.  
answer: (b) solitary
- A8 Her mind was occupied by one single thought and that was to leave this family forever.  
answer: (c) single
- A9 Finally they found what they were looking for, it was the house of their dreams- two storeys, a beautiful green garden and a detached garage.  
answer: (b) detached
- A10 The nights were the worst part for she was haunted by lonesome thoughts which were killing her.  
answer: (c) lonesome

*Synonyms for danger*

- A1 In winter months there is always a danger of catching cold.  
answer: (a) danger
- A2 The Arctic bears are able to survive the perils of the blizzards.  
answer: (b) perils
- A3 Since you have bought a brand new house I think you should insure it for all risks.  
answer: (b) risks
- A4 There was a danger he would do the wrong thing because he saw the reward but not the risk of crime.  
answer: (c) danger
- A5 Pregnant women do not seem to realize that smoking and drinking expose their babies to a serious health hazard.  
answer: (c) hazard
- A6 This old car has no brakes — you drive it at your peril.  
answer: (c) peril
- A7 Children who are left unsupervised are at risk of dropping out of school.  
answer: (c) risk
- A8 Her inexperienced lawyer put the result of the case in jeopardy.  
answer: (d) jeopardy
- A9 If you want to swim beyond that point you have to do it at your own risk because no one will take responsibility for whatever happens to you.  
answer: (d) risk
- A10 Firemen put their life in jeopardy in order to save people's life.  
answer: (b) jeopardy

*Synonyms for error and fault*

- A1 I haven't done this and you are making a terrible mistake in suspecting me.  
answer: (b) mistake
- A2 Elizabeth realized that it had been a mistake to take her daughter to the house where her father was killed some years before.  
answer: (a) mistake
- A3 The accident was due to the blunder of the driver.  
answer: (c) blunder
- A4 Without her glasses she made a blunder and filled in the wrong form.  
answer: (b) blunder
- A5 Jacqueline is a good secretary but lately she often makes errors in such simple things as typing and uploading information.  
answer: (b) errors
- A6 My literature teacher speaks so quickly that he often makes slips of the tongue.  
answer: (c) slips
- A7 Don't even think of shifting the blame on me, please! It's not my fault for what happened.  
answer: (a) fault
- A8 I wouldn't call this a bad mistake, it is simply a slip of the pen.  
answer: (d) slip
- A9 It is written here that I have a sister but there must be some misunderstanding because I am an only child.  
answer: (b) misunderstanding
- A10 He was in a coma for more than two weeks after the accident but now he has woken up and the doctors say he has a lapse of memory. He can hardly remember what had happened.  
answer: (b) lapse

*Synonyms for robber and burglar*

- A1 All vehicles driving through this wild godforsaken region have been attacked by bandits.  
answer: (d) bandits
- A2 I am a little afraid to go on a honeymoon holiday in this mountain because the area is notorious for the bandits who attack and rob people.  
answer: (b) bandits
- A3 If I were you I wouldn't buy this old house because it's not safe against burglars. Anyone could easily break through these old wooden doors.  
answer: (c) burglars
- A4 How could you possibly think of moving to live in this neighbourhood! It's full of bandits and too dangerous for the children to play outside.  
answer: (a) bandits
- A5 This deserted ship was used by smugglers many years ago. They stored here the goods they had taken illegally from one country to another.  
answer: (a) smugglers
- A6 Even nowadays pirates are still ranging the oceans and no one can feel safe against them.  
answer: (b) pirates
- A7 This is private property and we are not supposed to go beyond this point because they will prosecute us as trespassers.  
answer: (b) trespassers
- A8 This is a new store and there are cameras all over the place to watch for shoplifters.  
answer: (c) shoplifters
- A9 She is thinking of blocking up the bedroom window because burglars have got into the house through it a couple of times so far.  
answer: (b) burglars
- A10 The accountant of the bank turned out to be one of the masked robbers who rushed armed into the building and took all the money from the safe.  
answer: (c) robbers

*Synonyms for kill and murder*

- A1 The fire spread all over the antique bookshop and destroyed all the valuable books and manuscripts in it.  
answer: (b) destroyed
- A2 The plague in the nineteenth century was a terrible disease that killed millions of people.  
answer: (a) killed
- A3 Since Alice retired, she has been deprived of some favorite diversions — business meetings, business trips and cocktail parties. The humdrum routine of her present life is literally killing her.  
answer: (b) killing
- A4 In the Middle Ages, bandits and criminals were publicly executed by hanging.  
answer: (c) executed
- A5 The Mafia often kidnaps children of the rich, demands money for their safe return, and then murders them anyway.  
answer: (c) murders
- A6 The president of the country was assassinated because nobody liked his hostile politics.  
answer: (d) assassinated
- A7 Because of a lack of evidence, the judge dismissed the case against the man accused of assassinating the senator.  
answer: (d) assassinating
- A8 Thousands of cows and other cattle were slaughtered because of the anthrax epidemic a few years ago.  
answer: (a) slaughtered
- A9 A lot of American Indians were massacred after white men settled in the New World.  
answer: (c) massacred
- A10 Angela has been a Mafia informant for many years now. Knowing that the Mafia is fond of liquidating its enemies, she demands and is paid exorbitant amounts of money to do this dirty job.  
answer: (b) liquidating

*Synonyms for business and employment*

- A1 Joshua and Michael inherited a small company from their father. Their business is packing meat and selling it wholesale.  
answer: (d) business
- A2 Marylyn was heartbroken when she found out that her husband had been having an affair with his secretary for a long time.  
answer: (c) affair
- A3 Peter is a blacksmith by occupation but presently he is unemployed.  
answer: (c) occupation
- A4 I noticed that you visit Holland very often. Do you go there on business or for pleasure?  
answer: (d) business
- A5 Stay out of this problem and do not interfere, please! It's none of your business!  
answer: (b) business
- A6 We are proud that all our students graduated and found employment in good companies and at good wages.  
answer: (a) employment
- A7 This orchestra is one of the best in the country and they have many concert engagements each month.  
answer: (a) engagements
- A8 Samantha truly believes that it is her calling to become a doctor. She feels she was born for it.  
answer: (b) calling
- A9 Although I don't feel it as my calling, I have decided to choose my mother's profession and become a lawyer. I know this will make her happy.  
answer: (b) profession
- A10 Julia is a young lawyer and she has just got her first promotion but she is resolved to make a distinguished career in the legal profession.  
answer: (b) career

*Synonyms for see and watch*

- A1 The tourists stood there gazing at the lovely scenery. One could see the admiration in their eyes.  
answer: (b) gazing
- A2 Some animals and birds find no difficulty moving at night as they have the ability to see in the dark.  
answer: (d) see
- A3 As Kathryn was in a hurry and so hungry she simply glanced at the menu and ordered a sandwich and some salad.  
answer: (b) glanced
- A4 They decided to spend a romantic night sleeping on the beach and gazing at the stars.  
answer: (d) gazing
- A5 As Jeremy had never been in a city like New York before, he just stood in front of the tall skyscrapers with his mouth open and gaped at them.  
answer: (b) gaped
- A6 When Julia saw her husband with another woman, she was so shocked that she could do nothing but stare at him in disbelief.  
answer: (d) stare
- A7 This man was their only hope and when he let them down they all stared at him in alarm.  
answer: (a) stared
- A8 Brian had a feeling that the black Ford had been following him. He glanced in the rearview mirror to see if the car was still behind him.  
answer: (b) glanced
- A9 The kids were told off many times for peeping through the keyhole while their parents were having an argument in the bedroom.  
answer: (c) peeping
- A10 He glared at his wife when she actually dared to oppose him.  
answer: (b) glared

*Synonyms for speak and shout*

A1 I heard the teacher call my name from the class register.

answer: (b) call

A2 I don't like our Chemistry teacher because he's always shouting at us.

answer: (a) shouting

A3 Did you hear somebody calling from the kitchen? I think they want us to come.

answer: (c) calling

A4 You don't have to yell at me! I can hear you, I'm not deaf!

answer: (c) yell

A5 We had to shout at each other at the party last night because the music was so loud it wasn't possible to have a normal conversation.

answer: (c) shout

A6 Although David entered the office quite happily, he let out a scream the moment he caught sight of the dead body lying on the floor.

answer: (c) scream

A7 The football fans screamed with excitement immediately they saw their favourite players.

answer: (a) screamed

A8 There were times when Dorothy's naughty little son drove her crazy and that's when she yelled at him.

answer: (b) yelled

A9 The children were shrieking with laughter in the schoolyard at the sight of one of the teachers trying to catch the school guinea pig.

answer: (b) shrieking

A10 The little girl cried out in pain when the dentist pulled out her tooth.

answer: (d) cried