3.4 Closest in Meaning: 1-hour Pack

about 60 minutes

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In each question a word is given in capital letters, followed by five words labelled A) to E). Decide which one of the five words is closest in meaning to the word in capital letters and write down that letter. Only one answer is correct in each question. Some of the wrong answers may look similar in meaning to the given word, so read every option carefully before you decide. Study the worked example before you begin, then work through the questions in order.

Worked example. Choose the word closest in meaning to SMALL. A) large B) tiny C) tall D) heavy E) wide **Answer: B.** 'Tiny' means very small in size, so it is closest in meaning to 'small'. 'Large' is the opposite. 'Tall', 'heavy' and 'wide' each describe a different single dimension or property, not overall size, so none of them means the same as 'small'.

1 Choose the word closest in meaning to OBSTINATE.

- ☐ A) stubborn
- ☐ B) flexible
- ☐ C) obedient
- ☐ D) shy
- ☐ E) determined

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2 Choose the word closest in meaning to SPRINT.

- ☐ A) spoil
- ☐ B) run
- ☐ C) repair
- ☐ D) combine
- ☐ E) separate

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3 Choose the word closest in meaning to KIND.

- ☐ A) considerate
- ☐ B) cheeky
- ☐ C) intelligent
- ☐ D) cruel
- ☐ E) merciless

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4 Choose the word closest in meaning to SLUMBER.

- ☐ A) drag
- ☐ B) slash
- ☐ C) prohibit
- ☐ D) sleep
- ☐ E) save

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5 Choose the word closest in meaning to FEAR.

- ☐ A) exit
- ☐ B) dread
- ☐ C) sorrow
- ☐ D) bottom
- ☐ E) tour

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6 Choose the word closest in meaning to MERCILESS.

- ☐ A) conceited
- ☐ B) messy
- ☐ C) false
- ☐ D) harsh
- ☐ E) incorrect

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7 Choose the word closest in meaning to NOTION.

- ☐ A) thought
- ☐ B) kid
- ☐ C) vacation
- ☐ D) dwelling
- ☐ E) defeat

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8 Choose the word closest in meaning to OFFER.

- ☐ A) hang
- ☐ B) donate
- ☐ C) punch
- ☐ D) depart
- ☐ E) devise

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9 Choose the word closest in meaning to VERBOSE.

- ☐ A) silent
- ☐ B) wordy
- ☐ C) brief
- ☐ D) clear
- ☐ E) confusing

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10 Choose the word closest in meaning to GLITTER.

- ☐ A) scatter
- ☐ B) yell
- ☐ C) hide
- ☐ D) burrow
- ☐ E) shine

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11 Choose the word closest in meaning to DOCILE.

- ☐ A) leisurely
- ☐ B) prosperous
- ☐ C) sweet
- ☐ D) cluttered
- ☐ E) tame

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12 Choose the word closest in meaning to TIRED.

- ☐ A) bashful
- ☐ B) scared
- ☐ C) exhausted
- ☐ D) uneasy
- ☐ E) important

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13 Choose the word closest in meaning to NUISANCE.

- ☐ A) war
- ☐ B) bother
- ☐ C) companion
- ☐ D) silence
- ☐ E) robber

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14 Choose the word closest in meaning to GIVE.

- [ ] A) grab
- [ ] B) suppose
- [ ] C) giggle
- [ ] D) donate
- [ ] E) take

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15 Choose the word closest in meaning to SORROWFUL.

- [ ] A) peaceful
- [ ] B) bright
- [ ] C) unhappy
- [ ] D) sure
- [ ] E) tame

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16 Choose the word closest in meaning to LITTLE.

- [ ] A) likely
- [ ] B) skinny
- [ ] C) risky
- [ ] D) tiny
- [ ] E) wrong

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17 Choose the word closest in meaning to CRAFTY.

- [ ] A) cross
- [ ] B) burning
- [ ] C) ideal
- [ ] D) powerful
- [ ] E) cunning

---

18 Choose the word closest in meaning to DRINK.

- [ ] A) sip
- [ ] B) gleam
- [ ] C) drop
- [ ] D) burrow
- [ ] E) let

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19 Choose the word closest in meaning to RUDE.

- ☐ A) genuine
- ☐ B) insolent
- ☐ C) respectful
- ☐ D) bright
- ☐ E) polite

---

20 Choose the word closest in meaning to MISERABLE.

- ☐ A) calm
- ☐ B) considerate
- ☐ C) sad
- ☐ D) humble
- ☐ E) scruffy

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21 Choose the word closest in meaning to BIG.

- ☐ A) immense
- ☐ B) miniature
- ☐ C) bitter
- ☐ D) brainy
- ☐ E) tiny

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22 Choose the word closest in meaning to FOLLOW.

- ☐ A) repair
- ☐ B) blame
- ☐ C) pester
- ☐ D) bellow
- ☐ E) pursue

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23 Choose the word closest in meaning to PESTER.

- ☐ A) mutter
- ☐ B) retreat
- ☐ C) doze
- ☐ D) irritate
- ☐ E) stuff

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24 Choose the word closest in meaning to SCORCHING.

- [ ] A) dim
- [ ] B) boring
- [ ] C) happy
- [ ] D) merry
- [ ] E) hot

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25 Choose the word closest in meaning to NEAT.

- [ ] A) expensive
- [ ] B) visible
- [ ] C) tidy
- [ ] D) soundless
- [ ] E) new

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26 Choose the word closest in meaning to NOISY.

- [ ] A) deafening
- [ ] B) headstrong
- [ ] C) huge
- [ ] D) clever
- [ ] E) normal

---

27 Choose the word closest in meaning to AMIABLE.

- [ ] A) hostile
- [ ] B) shy
- [ ] C) arrogant
- [ ] D) friendly
- [ ] E) cheerful

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28 Choose the word closest in meaning to SNATCH.

- [ ] A) scare
- [ ] B) seize
- [ ] C) link
- [ ] D) spin
- [ ] E) ruin

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29 Choose the word closest in meaning to BURGLAR.

- ☐ A) din
- ☐ B) day
- ☐ C) robber
- ☐ D) thought
- ☐ E) path

---

30 Choose the word closest in meaning to PRAISE.

- ☐ A) advance
- ☐ B) tease
- ☐ C) prohibit
- ☐ D) compliment
- ☐ E) mumble

---

31 Choose the word closest in meaning to TIMID.

- ☐ A) shy
- ☐ B) loud
- ☐ C) tired
- ☐ D) massive
- ☐ E) present

---

32 Choose the word closest in meaning to SLOPPY.

- ☐ A) dark
- ☐ B) glum
- ☐ C) reckless
- ☐ D) slender
- ☐ E) concealed

---

33 Choose the word closest in meaning to LEISURELY.

- ☐ A) terrible
- ☐ B) pleased
- ☐ C) lean
- ☐ D) asleep
- ☐ E) slow

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34 Choose the word closest in meaning to DARING.

- [ ] A) gentle
- [ ] B) tidy
- [ ] C) caring
- [ ] D) heroic
- [ ] E) immaculate

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35 Choose the word closest in meaning to FREEZING.

- [ ] A) frosty
- [ ] B) tasty
- [ ] C) dazzling
- [ ] D) narrow
- [ ] E) flawless

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36 Choose the word closest in meaning to RETICENT.

- [ ] A) talkative
- [ ] B) rude
- [ ] C) shy
- [ ] D) confident
- [ ] E) reserved

---

37 Choose the word closest in meaning to MATE.

- [ ] A) holiday
- [ ] B) pal
- [ ] C) robber
- [ ] D) truth
- [ ] E) success

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38 Choose the word closest in meaning to AFRAID.

- [ ] A) few
- [ ] B) loyal
- [ ] C) terrified
- [ ] D) affluent
- [ ] E) cheerful

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39 Choose the word closest in meaning to SPIN.

- ☐ A) twist
- ☐ B) spot
- ☐ C) lug
- ☐ D) revolve
- ☐ E) clean

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40 Choose the word closest in meaning to SOLID.

- ☐ A) appalling
- ☐ B) rigid
- ☐ C) stupid
- ☐ D) solitary
- ☐ E) generous

---

41 Choose the word closest in meaning to ABUNDANT.

- ☐ A) wily
- ☐ B) above
- ☐ C) uneasy
- ☐ D) plentiful
- ☐ E) boiling

---

42 Choose the word closest in meaning to SNUG.

- ☐ A) cramped
- ☐ B) tall
- ☐ C) fresh
- ☐ D) inside
- ☐ E) neat

---

43 Choose the word closest in meaning to GIANT.

- ☐ A) dreary
- ☐ B) far
- ☐ C) ordinary
- ☐ D) vacant
- ☐ E) large

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44 Choose the word closest in meaning to CERTAIN.

- ☐ A) celebrated
- ☐ B) sure
- ☐ C) cunning
- ☐ D) private
- ☐ E) amusing

---

45 Choose the word closest in meaning to STEAL.

- ☐ A) rob
- ☐ B) forbid
- ☐ C) terrify
- ☐ D) strew
- ☐ E) mend

---

46 Choose the word closest in meaning to POWERFUL.

- ☐ A) calm
- ☐ B) hideous
- ☐ C) poorly
- ☐ D) mighty
- ☐ E) sad

---

47 Choose the word closest in meaning to COMPANION.

- ☐ A) hush
- ☐ B) question
- ☐ C) friend
- ☐ D) ship
- ☐ E) reward

---

48 Choose the word closest in meaning to GUESS.

- ☐ A) gulp
- ☐ B) bend
- ☐ C) rob
- ☐ D) quiver
- ☐ E) suppose

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49 Choose the word closest in meaning to SLASH.

- ☐ A) smash
- ☐ B) slice
- ☐ C) devise
- ☐ D) rise
- ☐ E) thump

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50 Choose the word closest in meaning to SCATTER.

- ☐ A) alarm
- ☐ B) strew
- ☐ C) leap
- ☐ D) bound
- ☐ E) pester

---

51 Choose the word closest in meaning to FAST.

- ☐ A) quick
- ☐ B) famished
- ☐ C) alive
- ☐ D) unhurried
- ☐ E) sluggish

---

52 Choose the word closest in meaning to ERROR.

- ☐ A) nuisance
- ☐ B) residence
- ☐ C) blunder
- ☐ D) terror
- ☐ E) plot

---

53 Choose the word closest in meaning to BRAVE.

- ☐ A) brainy
- ☐ B) cramped
- ☐ C) cowardly
- ☐ D) heroic
- ☐ E) obstinate

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54 Choose the word closest in meaning to CARRY.

- [ ] A) win
- [ ] B) create
- [ ] C) hurry
- [ ] D) transport
- [ ] E) begin

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55 Choose the word closest in meaning to UNTRUTH.

- [ ] A) fib
- [ ] B) holiday
- [ ] C) enemy
- [ ] D) truth
- [ ] E) chief

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56 Choose the word closest in meaning to BLEND.

- [ ] A) shrink
- [ ] B) borrow
- [ ] C) smile
- [ ] D) ascend
- [ ] E) mix

---

57 Choose the word closest in meaning to APPLAUD.

- [ ] A) wash
- [ ] B) approach
- [ ] C) begin
- [ ] D) hold
- [ ] E) compliment

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58 Choose the word closest in meaning to ROTATE.

- [ ] A) revolve
- [ ] B) attach
- [ ] C) rob
- [ ] D) pester
- [ ] E) notice

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59 Choose the word closest in meaning to DREAD.

- [ ] A) front
- [ ] B) mound
- [ ] C) terror
- [ ] D) lane
- [ ] E) success

---

60 Choose the word closest in meaning to ISOLATED.

- [ ] A) protected
- [ ] B) orderly
- [ ] C) broken
- [ ] D) solitary
- [ ] E) rare

---

61 Choose the word closest in meaning to STUFF.

- [ ] A) advance
- [ ] B) hurry
- [ ] C) load
- [ ] D) quarrel
- [ ] E) stare

---

62 Choose the word closest in meaning to TEDIOUS.

- [ ] A) dull
- [ ] B) pure
- [ ] C) rough
- [ ] D) major
- [ ] E) cautious

---

63 Choose the word closest in meaning to QUARREL.

- [ ] A) fall
- [ ] B) argue
- [ ] C) donate
- [ ] D) mock
- [ ] E) quiver

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64 Choose the word closest in meaning to REFUSE.

- ☐ A) reveal
- ☐ B) mumble
- ☐ C) accept
- ☐ D) reject
- ☐ E) approach

---

65 Choose the word closest in meaning to GLAD.

- ☐ A) closed
- ☐ B) pleased
- ☐ C) glossy
- ☐ D) untidy
- ☐ E) truthful

---

66 Choose the word closest in meaning to SOAKED.

- ☐ A) hideous
- ☐ B) shiny
- ☐ C) solid
- ☐ D) old
- ☐ E) damp

---

67 Choose the word closest in meaning to OBVIOUS.

- ☐ A) evident
- ☐ B) sturdy
- ☐ C) murky
- ☐ D) cheap
- ☐ E) hazardous

---

68 Choose the word closest in meaning to DIRTY.

- ☐ A) difficult
- ☐ B) old
- ☐ C) grubby
- ☐ D) pure
- ☐ E) immaculate

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69 Choose the word closest in meaning to SPLENDID.

- ☐ A) speedy
- ☐ B) hushed
- ☐ C) plump
- ☐ D) marvellous
- ☐ E) calm

---

70 Choose the word closest in meaning to PURE.

- ☐ A) puny
- ☐ B) spotless
- ☐ C) false
- ☐ D) terrified
- ☐ E) unwell

---

71 Choose the word closest in meaning to JUMP.

- ☐ A) leap
- ☐ B) hasten
- ☐ C) hold
- ☐ D) damage
- ☐ E) gather

---

72 Choose the word closest in meaning to SINCERE.

- ☐ A) probable
- ☐ B) bumpy
- ☐ C) genuine
- ☐ D) deafening
- ☐ E) simple

---

73 Choose the word closest in meaning to EXTENDED.

- ☐ A) renowned
- ☐ B) glad
- ☐ C) crowded
- ☐ D) brainy
- ☐ E) prolonged

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74 Choose the word closest in meaning to OUTING.

- ☐ A) opponent
- ☐ B) ending
- ☐ C) journey
- ☐ D) avenue
- ☐ E) holiday

---

75 Choose the word closest in meaning to NAP.

- ☐ A) punch
- ☐ B) deceive
- ☐ C) come
- ☐ D) doze
- ☐ E) join

---

76 Choose the word closest in meaning to QUARREL.

- ☐ A) quiver
- ☐ B) fight
- ☐ C) yell
- ☐ D) ban
- ☐ E) import

---

77 Choose the word closest in meaning to INVENT.

- ☐ A) create
- ☐ B) stuff
- ☐ C) let
- ☐ D) compliment
- ☐ E) chuckle

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Mark scheme · 3.4 Closest in Meaning: 1-hour Pack

Question 1

A) stubborn - means refusing to change one's mind or way of doing things, the same core meaning as 'obstinate'. **B1**

Answer: A) stubborn

Question 2

B) run - 'run' means almost the same as 'sprint' **B1**

Answer: B) run

Question 3

A) considerate - 'considerate' means almost the same as 'kind' **B1**

Answer: A) considerate

Question 4

D) sleep - 'sleep' means almost the same as 'slumber' **B1**

Answer: D) sleep

Question 5

B) dread - 'dread' means almost the same as 'fear' **B1**

Answer: B) dread

Question 6

D) harsh - 'harsh' means almost the same as 'merciless' **B1**

Answer: D) harsh

Question 7

A) thought - 'thought' means almost the same as 'notion' **B1**

Answer: A) thought

Question 8

B) donate - 'donate' means almost the same as 'offer' **B1**

Answer: B) donate

Question 9

B) wordy - means using more words than are needed, the same core meaning as 'verbose'. **B1**

Answer: B) wordy

Question 10

E) shine - 'shine' means almost the same as 'glitter' **B1**

Answer: E) shine

Question 11

E) tame - 'tame' means almost the same as 'docile' **B1**

Answer: E) tame

Question 12

C) exhausted - 'exhausted' means almost the same as 'tired' **B1**

Answer: C) exhausted

Question 13

B) bother - 'bother' means almost the same as 'nuisance' **B1**

Answer: B) bother

Question 14

D) donate - 'donate' means almost the same as 'give' **B1**

Answer: D) donate

Question 15

C) unhappy - 'unhappy' means almost the same as 'sorrowful' **B1**

Answer: C) unhappy

Question 16

D) tiny - 'tiny' means almost the same as 'little' **B1**

Answer: D) tiny

Question 17

E) cunning - 'cunning' means almost the same as 'crafty' **B1**

Answer: E) cunning

Question 18

A) sip - 'sip' means almost the same as 'drink' **B1**

Answer: A) sip

Question 19

B) insolent - 'insolent' means almost the same as 'rude' **B1**

Answer: B) insolent

Question 20

C) sad - 'sad' means almost the same as 'miserable' **B1**

Answer: C) sad

Question 21

A) immense - 'immense' means almost the same as 'big' **B1**

Answer: A) immense

Question 22

E) pursue - 'pursue' means almost the same as 'follow' **B1**

Answer: E) pursue

Question 23

D) irritate - 'irritate' means almost the same as 'pester' **B1**

Answer: D) irritate

Question 24

E) hot - 'hot' means almost the same as 'scorching' **B1**

Answer: E) hot

Question 25

C) tidy - 'tidy' means almost the same as 'neat' **B1**

Answer: C) tidy

Question 26

A) deafening - 'deafening' means almost the same as 'noisy' **B1**

Answer: A) deafening

Question 27

D) friendly - means pleasant and easy to get along with, the same core meaning as 'amiable'. **B1**

Answer: D) friendly

Question 28

B) seize - 'seize' means almost the same as 'snatch' **B1**

Answer: B) seize

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Question 29

C) robber - 'robber' means almost the same as 'burglar' **B1**

Answer: C) robber

Question 30

D) compliment - 'compliment' means almost the same as 'praise' **B1**

Answer: D) compliment

Question 31

A) shy - 'shy' means almost the same as 'timid' **B1**

Answer: A) shy

Question 32

C) reckless - 'reckless' means almost the same as 'sloppy' **B1**

Answer: C) reckless

Question 33

E) slow - 'slow' means almost the same as 'leisurely' **B1**

Answer: E) slow

Question 34

D) heroic - 'heroic' means almost the same as 'daring' **B1**

Answer: D) heroic

Question 35

A) frosty - 'frosty' means almost the same as 'freezing' **B1**

Answer: A) frosty

Question 36

E) reserved - means unwilling to reveal thoughts or feelings, the same core meaning as 'reticent'. **B1**

Answer: E) reserved

Question 37

B) pal - 'pal' means almost the same as 'mate' **B1**

Answer: B) pal

Question 38

C) terrified - 'terrified' means almost the same as 'afraid' **B1**

Answer: C) terrified

Question 39

D) revolve - 'revolve' means almost the same as 'spin' **B1**

Answer: D) revolve

Question 40

B) rigid - 'rigid' means almost the same as 'solid' **B1**

Answer: B) rigid

Question 41

D) plentiful - 'plentiful' means almost the same as 'abundant' **B1**

Answer: D) plentiful

Question 42

A) cramped - 'cramped' means almost the same as 'snug' **B1**

Answer: A) cramped

Question 43

E) large - 'large' means almost the same as 'giant' **B1**

Answer: E) large

Question 44

B) sure - 'sure' means almost the same as 'certain' **B1**

Answer: B) sure

Question 45

A) rob - 'rob' means almost the same as 'steal' **B1**

Answer: A) rob

Question 46

D) mighty - 'mighty' means almost the same as 'powerful' **B1**

Answer: D) mighty

Question 47

C) friend - 'friend' means almost the same as 'companion' **B1**

Answer: C) friend

Question 48

E) suppose - 'suppose' means almost the same as 'guess' **B1**

Answer: E) suppose

Question 49

B) slice - 'slice' means almost the same as 'slash' **B1**

Answer: B) slice

Question 50

B) strew - 'strew' means almost the same as 'scatter' **B1**

Answer: B) strew

Question 51

A) quick - 'quick' means almost the same as 'fast' **B1**

Answer: A) quick

Question 52

C) blunder - 'blunder' means almost the same as 'error' **B1**

Answer: C) blunder

Question 53

D) heroic - 'heroic' means almost the same as 'brave' **B1**

Answer: D) heroic

Question 54

D) transport - 'transport' means almost the same as 'carry' **B1**

Answer: D) transport

Question 55

A) fib - 'fib' means almost the same as 'untruth' **B1**

Answer: A) fib

Question 56

E) mix - 'mix' means almost the same as 'blend' **B1**

Answer: E) mix

Question 57

E) compliment - 'compliment' means almost the same as 'applaud' **B1**

Answer: E) compliment

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Question 58

A) revolve - 'revolve' means almost the same as 'rotate' **B1**

Answer: A) revolve

Question 59

C) terror - 'terror' means almost the same as 'dread' **B1**

Answer: C) terror

Question 60

D) solitary - 'solitary' means almost the same as 'isolated' **B1**

Answer: D) solitary

Question 61

C) load - 'load' means almost the same as 'stuff' **B1**

Answer: C) load

Question 62

A) dull - 'dull' means almost the same as 'tedious' **B1**

Answer: A) dull

Question 63

B) argue - 'argue' means almost the same as 'quarrel' **B1**

Answer: B) argue

Question 64

D) reject - 'reject' means almost the same as 'refuse' **B1**

Answer: D) reject

Question 65

B) pleased - 'pleased' means almost the same as 'glad' **B1**

Answer: B) pleased

Question 66

E) damp - 'damp' means almost the same as 'soaked' **B1**

Answer: E) damp

Question 67

A) evident - 'evident' means almost the same as 'obvious' **B1**

Answer: A) evident

Question 68

C) grubby - 'grubby' means almost the same as 'dirty' **B1**

Answer: C) grubby

Question 69

D) marvellous - 'marvellous' means almost the same as 'splendid' **B1**

Answer: D) marvellous

Question 70

B) spotless - 'spotless' means almost the same as 'pure' **B1**

Answer: B) spotless

Question 71

A) leap - 'leap' means almost the same as 'jump' **B1**

Answer: A) leap

Question 72

C) genuine - 'genuine' means almost the same as 'sincere' **B1**

Answer: C) genuine

Question 73

E) prolonged - 'prolonged' means almost the same as 'extended' **B1**

Answer: E) prolonged

Question 74

C) journey - 'journey' means almost the same as 'outing' **B1**

Answer: C) journey

Question 75

D) doze - 'doze' means almost the same as 'nap' **B1**

Answer: D) doze

Question 76

B) fight - 'fight' means almost the same as 'quarrel' **B1**

Answer: B) fight

Question 77

A) create - 'create' means almost the same as 'invent' **B1**

Answer: A) create

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