T ARE DOUBLE SYNONYMS?

are words which may be used to express the meanings of two or more words used fferent sentences.

aple: Choose from the given words below the two sentences I and II, that ! which can substitute the italicised words in both the sentences.

The Commissioner has issued strict orders to arrest the anti-social elements responsible for recent cases of burglary and chain snatching in the area.

fear you won't be able to rise to the occasion at this critical hour.

(c) suspect (d) apprehend (e) round up (b) presume tion: Clearly, 'apprehend' may be used to express both the meanings-to arrest' and ink with fear'.

e. the answer is (d).

PRACTICE SET

ctions: In each of the following questions, choose from the given words v the two sentences, that word which has the same meaning and can be used e same context as the part given in italics in both the sentences.

- I. The organisation was established at the beginning of this century.
- II. The little boy could not twist the cap off the bottle. (NABARD, 1994) (c) swing
- a) break (b) turn (d) crack (e) dawn

I. The story is so dramatic that one cannot guess the ultimate result.

- II. I could not understand the purpose of his visit.
- (a) motive
- (b) end
- (d) lot (c) consequence
- I. The truck was coming and its light was falling straight in my eyes.
- II. After the death of the manager. there was no one to properly guide the company.
- (a) correct (b) head (c) direct
- (d) hook (e) line
- Ashok has got a friendly disposition.
- II. The warm sunshine in the morning filled my heart with joy.
- a) joyous (b) pleasing (c) genial
- d) happy (e) congenial

(Bank P.O. 1991)

- I. I cannot endure such a loud noise any more.
- II. He preferred to consider the other view.
- a) bear (b) support (c) stand
- d) opinion (e) position
- during his sickness.

- II. Kanti's father advised him that IAS was a career worth (Bank P.O. 1990) attempting.
- (a) competing (b) trying
- (c) intending (d) contending
- (e) experimenting
- The document was declared void by the Court.
- II. I felt pity for the sickly person lying on the payement.
- (a) useless (b) defective (c) invalid
- (d) destitute (e) feeble
- Some of the edible oils have a high cholestrol level.
 - II. The forest authorities have failed to control poaching in that area.
 - (a) comprise (b) possess (c) restrain
 - (d) contain (e) suppress

(NABARD, 1994)

- 9. I. Just leave a small line to be filled in by the requisite word.
 - II. I expected you to rush to the place as soon as you heard the news.
 - (a) dash (b) blank (c) void
 - (d) bustle (e) intervene
- 10. I. He failed to produce any reason for his having behaved the way he did.
 - II. Man must live, struggle and die for a mission.
 - (a) target (b) goal (c) cause
 - (d) purpose (e) explanation
- I. He had a very difficult period 11. I. His understanding of the subject was really good.
 - II. Vijay had to hold on to the handle of the door with all his strength.

(a) make (b) power (c) pull

(d) seizure (e) grasp (R.B.I. 1991) These trees yield commercially

- valuable varieties of wood. II. The man who desires for many
 - things at a time gets none.

(a) barks (b) pines (c) trunks (d) yearns

- 13. I. The government decided to start a new series of lectures called the 'Honour Lecture Series'.
 - II. The decision to set up a new University in that town was welcomed by the people.
 - (a) manage (b) organise (c) institute
 - (d) build (e) plan (S.B.I.P.O. 1992)
- 14. I. The issue was finally settled, though with great difficulty.
 - II. Working women are given definite advantages over the men in our office.
 - (a) destined (b) fixed (c) installed
 - (d) negotiated (e) decided
- 15. I. Priya spends her leisure time reading novels.
 - II. Kamal had a lean body and could manage to squeeze into the little space available. (Bank P.O. 1990)
 - (b) relaxed (c) free (a) spare
 - (e) disjointed (d) thin
- 16. I. I found it difficult to find the man for I was not acquainted to the
 - II. The two articles had something common between them.
 - (a) similar (b) known (c) familiar
 - (d) resembling (e) same
- 17. I. The morning was clear and warm and not a single flake of snow was noticed.
 - II. Santosh Yadav was the first Indian woman to ascend the Mt. Everest.
 - (b) scale (c) level (a) climb
 - (e) pare (d) step
- 18. I. Mrs. Menon put all her jewellery in one box carelessly.
 - II. The equipment had to be stored in this ware house at short notice.
 - (a) stacked (b) dumped (c) stocked
 - (d) stowed (e) treasured (R.B.I. 1991)
- His was the only remark which was pertinent to the topic.
 - II.To check the insurgence of elements into anti-social

- country, several vigilance posts were set up along the border.
- (b) inspection (c) notice (a) view
- (d) assertion (e) observation
- I. He is frank in his dealings with others.
 - II. The offer for the job is still available. (Bank P.O. 1991)
 - (c) honest (a) due (b) open
 - (e) operating (d) plain
- 21. I. Mr. Roy soon earned great admiration from his fellow workers for his fair and frank dealings.
 - II. There was a substantial rise in the value of money with the sharp de-escalation of prices.
 - (b) resilience (a) acclamation
 - (d) appreciation (c) assessment
 - (e) encouragement
- 22. I. The stadium is so big that it can seat more than one lakh spectators.
 - II. Deepak is willing to adjust his itinerary with mine.
 - (b) arrange (c) view (a) hold
 - (d) participate (e) accomodate (NABARD, 1994)
- 23. I. Huge crowds flung into the hall as soon as the doors were opened.
 - II. As the dam broke, the water of the river flowed into the village and destroyed all crops.
 - (a) drained (b) poured (c) gushed
 - (d) threw (e) rained
- 24. I. Avinash was the first suspect in that case.
 - II. The driver decided to tune the engine before going to sleep that (S.B.I.P.O. 1992) day.
 - (c) counter (b) suffer (a) major
 - (e) complete (d) prime
- 25. I. The Government pleaded the terrorists to release the abducted ambassador.
 - II. Don't be so lavish in your habits.
 - (a) liberalise (b) liberate
 - (d) squander (e) discharge
- 26. I. Saurabh was going to the library when he met me.
 - II. The newspapers carried the news about the murder with a large (R.B.I. 1991) caption.
 - (a) starting (b) venturing (c) heading

(d) prefixing (e) beginning

27. I. I couldn't refuse to accept his proposal.

Our country is witnessing a steady fall in the moral standards of political leaders.

(a) retrograde (b) refute (c) droop

(d) decline (e) neglect

I. The tree was leaning towards the building.

II. I was willing to accept the first offer made by the shopkeeper.

(a) sloped (b) disposed [(c) bent

(d) forced (e) inclined

(Bank P.O. 1990)

29. I. The constables decided separate at the corner and approach the house from the two sides.

II. Shaloo was not willing to give her friend even a small portion of the cake she had.

(a) split (b) part (c) cut.

(d) break (e) divide

Stars emit light.

II. The poor farmer lived in a small hut.

(a) shred (b) shade (c) cote

(d) shed (e) dwell

1. I. I saw your photograph with that fat fellow.

II. I cannot do this work, was my instantaneous reply.

(a) plump (b) stout (c) bulky

(d) curt (e) prompt (Bank P.O. 1991) Literature is an imperishable and veritable arsenal where all weapons of wit and irony are stored.

II. The youth are the store-house of all that is vital and strength-giving in life.

(a) collection (b) godown (c) depository (d) heap

Sam's ready wit often got him out of tight spots.

II. The task they did was so different that the difference was apparent.

(a) sharp (b) clear (c) intelligible

(d) visible (e) transparent

(S.B.I.P.O. 1992)

The aviator was responsible for the fatal crash.

II. The ship was bound to sink but the captain continually attempted to steer the vessel out of danger.

(a) driver (b) guide (c) pilot

(d) navigate (e) voyage

35. I. The commander gave order to aim the guns at enemy positions.

II. It was interesting to see the line of ducklings following the man.

(a) retinue (b) array (c) target

(d) turn (e) train (NABARD, 1994)

36. I. Every confession must be made in the name of God.

II. The concept of not allowing entry into the public places or temples, merely owing to caste barriers, is against humanity.

(a) appearance (b) disclosure

(c) permission (d) admission (e) expression

37. I. I feel scared when I look at towering buildings.

II. Because of his arrogant behaviour, many people are offended with him. (Bank P.O. 1991)

(a) proud (b) lofty (c) haughty

(d) high (e) exalted

38. I. Be calm and composed in every

II. The invalid must be given desired attention.

(a) patient (b) mute

(c) sick (d) concerned 39. I. The distance from Amman to Bombay is too far to be covered by the A 320 planes

II. Ashish waited at the door for his father with a sad face. (R.B.I. 1991)

(a) bad (b) heavy (c) long

(d) unlucky. (e) heavy

40. I. The waiter pulled the teapoy towards the chair.

II. The advocate wrote up an agreement for the partners.

(a) dragged (b) hauled (c) made

(d) drew (e) arranged

(S.B.J.P.O. 1992) 41. I. She was sitting under the shadow of the tree.

> II. The customer wanted another colour of the paint on the kitchen wall of his house.

(a) fade (b) tint (c) cloud

(d) shade (e) reflection 42. I. His aloof behaviour is an indication of his arrogance.

II. During our field visits we visited remote parts of Rajasthan.

(a) inner (b) distant (c) far-off

(d) introvert (e) depressed

Double Synonyms

(Bank P.O. 1991)

43. I. I think this particular book gives you all the desired knowledge on this topic.

II. For packaging one needs to have an idea of the desired dimensions of the box in which a set of items is to be contained.

(a) text (b) yolume (c) matter

(d) edition (e) composition

Students started picking up their books when the bell rang.

II. There was a huge crowd at the Airport waiting for the President.

(a) arraying (b) collection (c) swarming (d) gathering

(e) numbering (Bank P.O. 1990)

45. I. I entreated before him several times but without any result.

The Minister asked the officers to put the scheme into operation.

(a) influence (b) expression (c) effect (e) conduct (d) consequence

People are worried about the growing corruption in our society.

Inspite of all the provocations, he maintained utmost patientce.

(a) restrained (b) exercised

(c) sustained (d) inflicted (e) aggrieved (NABARD, 1994)

The place of joining of three rivers-Ganga, Yamuna Saraswati is considered a sacred place.

II. Marriage provides a happy bond between souls.

(a) connection (b) union (c) linkage

(e) coordination (d) conjunction 48. I. The message was written on a

piece of paper. II. Gautam got into a fight with his

classmate. (S.B.J.P.O. 1992)

(a) grab (b) box (c) scrap

(d) brush (e) fist

49. I. The officer lost his sense of and integrity managed embezzle a large amount of money from the public funds.

The remarks he made in the presence of members of the Board were really not opportune.

(a) defalcate (b) opine (c) proper

(e) appropriate (d) divest

50. I. Sachin managed to hold the ball even though he had to run a long distance.

II. Anshul said that the plan was not as simple as I was making it out and there was some trap in it.

(a) take (b) catch .(c) grab

(d) bring (e) clutch (R.B.L 1991) 51. I. The Management did not find her suitable for the job of a receptionist.

> II. Kanak failed to arrange the parts of the machine properly.

(a) fit (b) harbour (c) adjust

(d) deploy (e) harness

52. I. Marriage is not only a meeting of two individuals in the physical and social sense, but a spiritual union between two souls.

They have executed a deed to transfer their property rights in favour of the organisation of which they have been dedicated members for years.

(a) harmony (b) unison (c) bond

(e) agreement (d) treaty

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1. (b)	2. (b)	3. (c)	4. (b)	5. (c)	6. (b)	7. (c)	8. (d)	9. (a)	10. (c)
11. (e)	12. (b)	13. (c)	14. (e)	15. (a)	16. (c)	17. (b)	18. (b)	19. (e)	20. (b)
21. (d)	z2. (e)	23. (b)	24. (d)	25. (c)	26. (c)	27. (d)	28. (e)	29. (b)	30. (<i>d</i>)
31. (b)	32. (c)	33. (a)	34. (c)	35. (e)	36. (<i>d</i>)	37. (b)	38. (a)	39. (c)	40. (<i>d</i>)
41. (d)	42. (b)	43. (b)	44. (<i>d</i>)	45. (c)	46. (b)	47. (b)	48. (c)	49. (e)	50. (b)
51. (a)	52. (c)					:			