

## Set no-33

1. **From hand to mouth**

- (a) hand and mouth
- (b) from life to death
- (c) just able to make both ends meet
- (d) something harmful

2. **To be on the horns of a dilemma**

- (a) to be in a fix
- (b) to be in state
- (c) to be utterly sore
- (d) to be in danger

3. **To be under a cloud**

- (a) to be hidden
- (b) to be suspicious
- (c) to be in the dark
- (d) to be in disgrace

4. **To beat a retreat**

- (a) to take rest
- (b) to withdraw
- (c) to fight the enemy
- (d) to hide from the enemy

5. **To break the ice**

- (a) to start the work
- (b) to break the news
- (c) to break a painful silence
- (d) to keep cool

6. **Paint the town red**

- (a) cause disturbance in the town
- (b) decide to fight and shed
- (c) by noisy merry making
- (d) blood

7. **Throws down the gauntlet**

- (a) show readiness to leave the place
- (b) put several conditions
- (c) throw the challenge
- (d) assault and abuse

8. **Bee in one's bonnet**

- (a) a peculiar habit of confusing others
- (b) an obsession about something
- (c) an unreliable and inconsistent way of behaving
- (d) a result of senseless action

9. **End in smoke**

- (a) bear no fruit

- (b) benefit the poor and downtrodden
- (c) produce good results
- (d) motivate to produce

**10. Take to one's heel**

- (a) take revenge
- (b) take to flight
- (c) take shelter in a thick jungle
- (d) To run away

**Answer**

1. (c) 2. (a) 3. (b) 4. (b) 5.(c)  
6. (c) 7. (c) 8. (b) 9(a) 10. (d)