

2026 Civil Service Exam of the Philippines Vocabulary Review

Vocabulary · Practice Test · 52 Questions

1. Select the best synonym for "ELOQUENT."

- A) Fluent
- B) Mute
- C) Silent
- D) Quiet

2. What is the meaning of "ALTRUISTIC"?

- A) Self-serving
- B) Generous
- C) Selfish
- D) Envious

3. Select the best antonym for "BENEVOLENT."

- A) Kind
- B) Cruel
- C) Generous
- D) Friendly

4. What is the meaning of "PRAGMATIC"?

- A) Idealistic
- B) Realistic
- C) Dreamy
- D) Theoretical

5. Choose the word that best completes the sentence: "Her ____ behavior at the party was surprising."

- A) Serious
- B) Frivolous
- C) Quiet
- D) Calm

6. Select the best synonym for "AMBIGUOUS."

- A) Definite
- B) Unclear
- C) Certain
- D) Precise

7. What is the meaning of "INDIGENOUS"?

- A) Imported
- B) Native
- C) Foreign
- D) Alien

8. What is the meaning of "TRANSPARENT" in the context of information?

- A) Hidden
- B) Clear
- C) Confusing
- D) Opaque

9. Choose the word that best completes the sentence: "His approach to the negotiation was very ____."

- A) Aggressive
- B) Diplomatic
- C) Hostile
- D) Angry

10. Select the best synonym for "UNPRECEDENTED."

- A) Typical
- B) Novel
- C) Common
- D) Ordinary

11. What is the meaning of "METICULOUS"?

- A) Careless
- B) Thorough
- C) Sloppy
- D) Hasty

12. Select the best antonym for "FRUGAL."

- A) Thrifty
- B) Wasteful
- C) Economical
- D) Saving

13. What is the meaning of "RESILIENT"?

- A) Weak
- B) Tough
- C) Fragile
- D) Delicate

14. Select the best synonym for "ARDUOUS."

- A) Easy
- B) Difficult
- C) Simple
- D) Pleasant

15. What is the meaning of "CONSENSUS"?

- A) Argument
- B) Agreement
- C) Disagreement
- D) Conflict

16. What is the meaning of "BUREAUCRACY"?

- A) A system of elected officials
- B) A complex system of administration
- C) A single leader
- D) A free market

17. Choose the word that best completes the sentence: "There was a moment of ____ before she answered."

- A) Confidence
- B) Hesitation
- C) Certainty
- D) Boldness

18. Select the best synonym for "INTEGRITY."

- A) Corruption
- B) Honesty
- C) Dishonesty
- D) Deceit

19. Select the best antonym for "IMPARTIAL."

- A) Fair
- B) Biased
- C) Just
- D) Objective

20. What is the meaning of "JURISDICTION"?

- A) A type of legal procedure
- B) The official power to make legal decisions and judgments
- C) A historical document
- D) A legal defense

21. Choose the word that best completes the sentence: "His style of leadership was rather ____."

- A) Democratic
- B) Dictatorial
- C) Collaborative
- D) Inclusive

22. Select the best synonym for "ETHICAL."

- A) Immoral
- B) Moral
- C) Dishonest
- D) Unprincipled

23. Select the best antonym for "ACCOMMODATE."

- A) Adjust
- B) Hinder
- C) Adapt
- D) Assist

24. What is the meaning of "RATIFY"?

- A) To reject formally
- B) To approve formally
- C) To ignore
- D) To oppose

25. Select the best synonym for "EXPEDITE."

- A) Postpone
- B) Speed up
- C) Delay
- D) Slow down

26. What is the meaning of "PROTOCOL"?

- A) A series of computer instructions
- B) A set of rules or procedures
- C) A type of scientific equipment
- D) A historical event

27. Choose the word that means "fear of crowds."

- A) Acrophobia
- B) Claustrophobia
- C) Agoraphobia
- D) Hydrophobia

28. What is the antonym of "AFFLUENT"?

- A) Prosperous
- B) Wealthy
- C) Poor
- D) Rich

29. Select the meaning of "BLASPHEMY."

- A) Worship
- B) Sacrilege
- C) Devotion
- D) Prayer

30. What does "CATEGORICAL" mean?

- A) Uncertain
- B) Absolute
- C) Vague
- D) Doubtful

31. Choose the synonym for "VERBOSE."

- A) Brief
- B) Wordy
- C) Concise
- D) Laconic

32. What is the meaning of "PARADIGM"?

- A) Model
- B) Example
- C) Anomaly
- D) Deviation

33. Select the word that means "fear of heights."

- A) Agoraphobia
- B) Claustrophobia
- C) Acrophobia
- D) Arachnophobia

34. Choose the word that means "a person who loves books."

- A) Bibliophile
- B) Misogynist
- C) Philanthropist
- D) Autocrat

35. Which word means "to give up a throne or power voluntarily"?

- A) Abdicate
- B) Resign
- C) Retire
- D) Abjure

36. What does "EPHEMERAL" mean?

- A) Lasting
- B) Fleeting
- C) Permanent
- D) Eternal

37. Choose the correct meaning of "OMNIPOTENT."

- A) All-seeing
- B) All-knowing
- C) All-powerful
- D) Everywhere

38. What does "SURREPTITIOUS" mean?

- A) Open
- B) Secret
- C) Obvious
- D) Public

39. Select the synonym for "TENACIOUS."

- A) Weak
- B) Persistent
- C) Yielding
- D) Lax

40. What is the meaning of "UBIQUITOUS"?

- A) Scattered
- B) Widespread
- C) Rare
- D) Limited

41. Choose the antonym of "PRAGMATIC."

- A) Realistic
- B) Idealistic
- C) Practical
- D) Sensible

42. What does "NOCTURNAL" mean?

- A) Monthly
- B) Active at night
- C) Active during the day
- D) Related to the sun

43. Choose the synonym for "DELETERIOUS."

- A) Beneficial
- B) Harmful
- C) Helpful
- D) Positive

44. What is the meaning of "ENIGMATIC"?

- A) Clear
- B) Mysterious
- C) Obvious
- D) Simple

45. Select the antonym of "FASTIDIOUS."

- A) Particular
- B) Careless
- C) Meticulous
- D) Scrupulous

46. What does "GREGARIOUS" mean?

- A) Lonely
- B) Sociable
- C) Reserved
- D) Introverted

47. Choose the correct meaning of "HIERARCHY."

- A) Equality
- B) A system of ranking
- C) Chaos
- D) Uniformity

48. What is the synonym for "INADVERTENT"?

- A) Deliberate
- B) Accidental
- C) Intentional
- D) Planned

49. Select the antonym of "JOVIAL"?

- A) Merry
- B) Gloomy
- C) Cheerful
- D) Happy

50. What does "KINETIC" mean?

- A) Stationary
- B) Relating to motion
- C) At rest
- D) Still

51. Choose the meaning of "LAUDABLE."

- A) Praiseworthy
- B) Blameworthy
- C) Unimportant
- D) Trivial

52. Select the correct definition based on context: "His voice was HARSH and grating."

- A) Soft and pleasant
- B) Loud and clear
- C) Unpleasant and rough
- D) Melodious