

PHRASE & IDIOMS

1. ✓ What is the meaning of 'White Elephant'?- **Medical (2014-15)** পরবর্ত্তি মঙ্গলালয়ের সাইফার অফিসার-২০১৭
 (a) An elephant of white colour (b) A black marketer **26th BCS**
 (c) A very costly or troublesome possession. (d) A hoarder **Ans: c**
Medical (2014-15)
2. ✓ The idiom 'Without issue' means
 (a) no mother (b) illiterate **Ans: c**
 (c) childless (d) no wealth **Medical (2014-15)**
3. ✓ Which one will be the appropriate phrase to fill up the gap of the sentence "He showed ___ when the danger came"? **Medical (2012-13)**
 (a) Cold feel (b) Cold war **Ans: d**
 (c) Cold water (d) Cold shoulder **Medical (2012-13)**
4. ✓ The words "Block Head" means -
 (a) Foolish (b) A quiet person **Ans: a**
 (c) Clever (d) A dangerous person **Medical (2011-12)**
5. ✓ Which of the following phrase is having the correct meaning?
 (a) Square Meal: A nutritious meal
 (b) Under the water: If good luck is willing
 (c) Take a dive: Undecided until the end at the last minute. **Ans: a**
 (d) Straight and narrow: Accomplishment of three successes or wins **Medical (2011-12)**
6. ✓ A person whose "head" is in the "Clouds" is
 (a) a day dreamer (b) useless **Ans: a**
 (c) proud (d) an aviator **Medical (2008-09)**
7. ✓ Which of the following phrase is having the correct meaning?
 (a) In the pink: In good health and ready to go (b) Lock and load: To be less than fully prepared **Ans: a**
 (c) Drop the hammer: Get ready (d) Loose cannon: Directly from the source **Medical (2008-09)**
8. ✓ Which of the following phrase is having the correct meaning?
 (a) Take a dive: Undecided until the end, at the last minute. **Ans: c**
 (b) Straight and narrow: Accomplishment of three successes or wins. **Medical (2008-09)**
 (c) Square meal: A nutritious meal. (d) Under the water: If good luck is willing.
9. ✓ Which of the following phrase is having correct Bangla meaning?
 (a) Down to the wire: প্রতিযোগিতায় উদ্দেশ্য প্রণোদিতভাবে হারা
 (b) Knock wood: ভাগ্য সুপ্রসন্ন হলে (c) Pass the buck: কারো মতামত উল্লেখ করা **Ans: b**
 (d) Drop the hammer: পুরোপুরি প্রস্তুত না হওয়া **Medical (2008-09)**
10. ✓ Which of the following phrase is having the correct Bangla meaning?
 (a) At the end at my rope: অত্যন্ত মুঞ্চকর (b) By the short hairs: অস্বস্তি তে বা লজ্জায় পড়া
 (c) One for the road: চলে যাওয়া কোন মতামত বিবেচনা করা (d) Tongue in cheek: শিক্ষনবিশ হিসেবে গ্রহণ করা **Ans: c**
Medical (2008-09)
11. ✓ Which of the following idiom contain correct English meaning?
 (a) A rear bird: See a solution (b) In the twinkle of an eye: Eventually **Ans: c**
 (c) Keep the flag flying: Keep surviving (d) A piece of cake: An integral part **11th BCS & Medical-2006**
12. ✓ "Hold water" means -
 (a) store water (b) patience **Ans: d**
 (c) keep water for the dry season (d) bear examination. **Medical-2006**
13. ✓ A person whose "head" is in the "clouds" is
 (a) an aviator (b) a day dreamer **Ans: b**
 (c) useless (d) proud

- ✓ 14. "In the right" means-
 (a) Wisely placed. (b) Rightly served.
 (c) Appropriate. (d) Correct.
Medical-1999
Ans: c
- ✓ 15. The correct meaning of "a bird's eye view" is-
 (a) false hope (b) a cursory glance
 (c) eye witness (d) false story
Medical-1995
Ans: b
- ✓ 16. Which of the following is the appropriate bangla of that idiom/phrase?
 (a) Bring about: প্রকাশ করা (b) Bring out: খটানো
 (c) Bring up: স্মরণ করা (d) Bring down: নত করা।
Dental-2007-08
Ans: d
- ✓ 17. "With open arms" means-
 (a) long arm (b) warmly
 (c) two arm (d) one
Dental-2004
Ans: b
- ✓ 18. The phrase 'Achilles' heel' means:
 (a) A strong point (b) A weak point
 (c) A permanent solution (d) A serious idea
37th BCS
Ans: b
- ✓ 19. "To do away with" means-
 (a) To repeat (b) to start
 (c) to get rid of (d) to drive off
36th BCS
Ans: c
- ✓ 20. The idiom "Put up with" means—
 (a) stay together (b) tolerate
 (c) keep trust (d) protect
 ব্যাখ্যা: Put up with অর্থ সহ্য করা।
33rd BCS
Ans: b
- ✓ 21. The expression 'take into account' means —
 (a) count numbers (b) consider
 (c) think seriously (d) assess
 ব্যাখ্যা: 'Take into account' অর্থ বিবেচনায় আনা।
33rd BCS
Ans: b
- ✓ 22. To 'raise one's brow' indicate-
 (a) annoyance (b) Disapproval
 (c) Indifference (d) Surprise
 ব্যাখ্যা: To 'raise one's brows' indicates both surprise and disapproval
32nd BCS
Ans: b/d
- ✓ 23. Choose the one that best expresses its meaning 'To end in smoke'-
 (a) To create fire (b) To go through suffering
 (c) To come to nothing (d) To see fire
 ব্যাখ্যা: End in smoke অর্থ ব্যর্থতায় পর্যবসিত হওয়া অর্থাৎ Come to nothing.
31st BCS
Ans: c
- ✓ 24. To keep one's head —
 (a) to save oneself (b) to be self respectful
 (c) to keep calm (d) none to these
30th BCS
Ans: c
- ✓ 25. To put the cart before the horse —
 (a) to offer a person what he cannot eat (b) to force a person to do something
 (c) to raise obstinate (d) to reverse the natural order of thing
30th BCS
Ans: d
- ✓ 26. "To read between the lines" means-
 (a) To read carefully (b) To read only some lines
 (c) To read quickly to save time (d) To read carefully to find out any hidden meaning.
30th BCS / 17th BCS
Ans: d
- ✓ 27. "To get along with" means—
 (a) To adjust (b) to accompany
 (c) to interest (d) to walk
28th BCS
Ans: a

28. Explain the meaning of 'Bring to pass.'

- (a) cause to destroy
(c) cause to carry out

- (b) cause to happen
(d) cause to convince

27th BCS

Ans: b

29. 'Through thick and thin' means-

- (a) under all conditions
(c) not clear in understanding

- (b) to make thick and thin
(d) of great density

27th BCS

Ans: a

30. 'Prior to' means-

- (a) after
(c) immediately

- (b) before
(d) during the period of

27th BCS

Ans: b

31. Out and out means ____

- (a) Not at all
(c) Thoroughly

- (b) Brave
(d) Whole heartedly

26th BCS, 11th BCS

Ans: c

32. Maiden speech means ____

- (a) Late speech
(c) Final speech

- (b) Early speech
(d) First speech

26th BCS, 23rd BCS

Ans: d

33. ____ your shoes before entering the mosque.

- (a) Put out
(c) Put away

- (b) Put off
(d) Put on

26th BCS

Ans: b

34. The expression 'after one's own heart' means ____.

- (a) to be in low spirit
(c) to one's own liking

- (b) with complete devotion
(d) to be in high spirit.

25th BCS

Ans: c

35. Choose the appropriate meaning of the idiom "Swan song" ____.

- (a) first work
(c) middle work

- (b) last work
(d) early work

23rd BCS

Ans: b

36. The word "Dilly dally" means ____.

- (a) to dilute
(c) repeat

- (b) wait impatiently
(d) waste time.

20th BCS

Ans: d

37. A "Bull market" that share prices are ____.

- (a) Falling
(c) moving

- (b) Rising
(d) Static

17th BCS

Ans: b

38. When a person says, He's all in it means ____

- (a) He is very tired
(c) He has finished packing

- (b) He has arrived
(d) He has got everything

17th BCS

Ans: a

39. The meaning of the expression "Bottom Line" ____

- (a) The final step
(c) The last line of a book

- (b) The end of a road.
(d) The essential point

15th BCS, A Unit-2011-12, RU

Ans: d

40. What is the meaning of the idiom 'A round dozen'?

- (a) a little less than a dozen
(c) a full dozen

- (b) a little more than a dozen.
(d) round about a dozen.

14th BCS

Ans: c

41. You should show good manners in the company of young ladies which is the appropriate phrase for the underlined expression above?

- (a) behave gently
(c) behaves yourself

- (b) Practice
(d) do not talk rudely

14th BCS

Ans: a

42. What is the meaning of "Soft soap" -

- (a) Flatter for self motives
(c) To speak high of other

- (b) To speak ill of others
(d) To recognize other good deeds

14th BCS

Ans: a

43. To meet trouble half way-
 (a) To be puzzled
 (c) To be disappointed
 (b) To get nervous
 (d) To bear up
 14th BCS
 Ans: a
 14th BCS
44. Dog days means-
 (a) a period of being carefree
 (c) a period of misfortune
 (b) a period of having ruthless flings.
 (d) hot weather.
 Ans: d
 (B-Unit, D.U (2014-15))
45. To "catch off guard" means-
 (a) to neglect duty
 (c) to be on guard
 (b) to get someone when he/she is careless
 (d) to substitute a guard
 Ans: b
 Medical (2013-14)
46. "Food loose and fancy free" means -
 (a) Imaginative
 (c) Whose foot is lost
 (b) Unemployed
 (d) Free to enjoy oneself
 Ans: d
 D-Unit, D.U (2013-14)
47. 'To lose heart' is-
 (a) to lose courage
 (c) to fall in love
 (b) to have a heart attack
 (d) to be without passion
 Ans: a
 C-Unit, D.U (2013-14)
48. 'A piece of cake' means-
 (a) A result that is still unclear and can go either way
 (b) A hidden or secret strength
 (c) A task that can be accomplished very easily
 (d) A very mild punishment
 Ans: c
 B-Unit, D.U (2013-14)
49. An "apple of discord" means-
 (a) a beautiful object
 (c) a favourite thing
 (b) an object of dispute
 (d) a delicious fruit
 Ans: b
 A-Unit, D.U (2012-13)
50. The idiom 'let things slide' means-
 (a) ignore
 (c) reveal a secret
 (b) lose gradually
 (d) set free
 Ans: a
 A-Unit, D.U (2012-13)
51. The expression 'to look after' means-
 (a) to take care
 (c) to imitate
 (b) to follow
 (d) to gaze
 Ans: a
 A-Unit, D.U (2012-13)
52. Meaning of the expression "bottom of my heart"?
 (a) close to my heart
 (c) lower part of my heart
 (b) core of my heart
 (d) close to my liver
 Ans: b
 A-Unit, D.U (2011-12)
53. "Leave no stone unturned."
 (a) Heavy stone
 (c) Impossible
 (b) Rare stone
 (d) Try every possible means
 Ans: d
 B-Unit, D.U (2010-11)
54. "Lend me your ears" means
 (a) let me cheek your ears
 (c) listen to me
 (b) let me whisper into your ears
 (d) come close to me
 Ans: c
 C-Unit, D.U (2011-12)
55. BAD BLOOD
 (a) Wrong blood
 (c) Enmity
 (b) Poisonous
 (d) Friendship
 (e) Affinity
 Ans: c
 D-Unit, D.U (2011-12)
56. At a low ebb -means
 (a) Increasing
 (c) Still
 (b) Decreasing
 (d) Invalid
 Ans: b
 B-Unit, D.U (2010-11)
57. "Lend me your ears" means
 (a) let me cheek your ears
 (c) listen to me
 (b) let me whisper into your ears
 (d) come close to me
 Ans: c
 D-Unit, D.U (2010-11)
58. The phrase 'in high spirits' means
 (a) tensed
 (c) worried
 (b) cheerful
 (d) vibrant
 Ans: b

59. The phrase "give a hand" means-
 (a) to help
 (c) to shake hands
B-Unit, D.U (2009-10)
60. "He has left the country for good" means
 (a) he has left the country for his own good
 (c) he has left his country permanently
B-Unit, D.U (2009-10)
61. "To wash one's dirty linen in public"
 (a) to quarrel in the open
 (c) to wash one's clothes in the open
A-Unit, D.U (2010-11)
62. "To smell a rat"
 (a) to smell a bad smell
 (c) to misunderstand
C-Unit, D.U (2012-13/A-Unit, D.U (2010-11)
63. "Put something off:
 (a) tolerate something
 (c) postpone or cancel a meeting or an engagement
A-Unit, D.U 2008-09
64. The workers demanded their wages _____.
 (a) Hand and hand
 (c) In a body
 (b) Heart and soul
 (d) Head and soul
IER- D.U 2009-10
65. "To get out of hand"
 (a) to go far away
 (c) to get out of control.
 (b) to get out of range
 (d) to get free
A-Unit, D.U 2008-09
66. "To nurse a grudge"
 (a) to bear ill will
 (c) to be feverish
 (b) to look after carefully
 (d) to be ready to cure.
A-Unit, D.U 2007-08
67. "To hit the roof"
 (a) to climb very high
 (c) to be very angry
 (b) to do something dangerous
 (d) to be very happy
A-Unit, D.U 2005-06
68. Sixes and sevens ____
 (a) Early evening
 (c) Six o'clock to seven o'clock
 (b) A game played by six seven persons
 (d) Confused or disorganized
A-Unit, D.U 2005-06
69. Kith and Kin ____
 (a) Family and friends
 (c) Immediate family
 (b) close friends
 (d) Ancestors
B-Unit, D.U. (2008-09)
70. The phrase "by all means" means
 (a) meaningful
 (c) by hook or by crook
 (b) uncertainty
 (d) certainly
C-Unit, D.U. (2006-07)
71. Food obsessed person.
 (a) A person who is much interested in food
 (c) A person who is overweight due to overeating
 (e) A fat person who dislikes food.
 (b) A person who dislikes food
 (d) A fat person who likes food
A-Unit, D.U. (2006-07)
72. 'Home maker'
 (a) A person who builds home
 (c) A male who is a servant in a home
 (e) A housewife
 (b) A person who designs home
 (d) A lady who is a servant in a home
A-Unit, D.U. (2006-07)
73. 'Pivotal question'
 (a) The relevant question
 (c) A question for future
 (e) An unimportant question
 (b) The question which was asked before
 (d) The most important question
A-Unit, D.U. (2006-07)

74. 'It's lighter on your purse'
 (a) It is not heavy
 (c) it is cheap
 (e) Your purse is empty
C-Unit,D.U.(2006-07)
Ans:c
75. In smoke
 (a) come to nothing
 (c) destruct
 (b) catch fire
 (d) imagine
C-Unit,D.U.(2006-07)
Ans:a
76. Smell a rat
 (a) bad smell (b) presence of a thief
 (c) make difficult
 (d) develop an imaginary character
 (e) suspect something
C-Unit,D.U.(2006-07)
Ans:e
77. Turn a deaf ear
 (a) be attentive
 (c) speak loudly
 (b) disregard
 (d) be caring
 (e) be vocal
C-Unit,D.U.(2006-07)
Ans:b
78. In the good book of
 (a) attractive offer
 (c) found financial condition
 (b) correct account
 (d) in favour with (e) prospective
C-Unit,D.U.(2004-05)
Ans:d
79. By and large
 (a) Very large
 (c) Everywhere
 (b) False
 (d) Mostly
 (e) Far away
C-Unit,D.U.(2004-05)
Ans:d
80. A hard nut to crack
 (a) Honest
 (c) Strong person
 (b) Difficult person
 (d) Active person
 (e) Corrupt
C-Unit,D.U.(2004-05)
Ans:b
81. A man of straw.
 (a) Thin
 (c) Good for nothing
 (b) Healthy
 (d) Active
 (e) Fortunate
C-Unit,D.U.(2004-05)
Ans:c
82. Hole and corner
 (a) Foolish
 (c) Hollow
 (b) Secrecy
 (d) Crack
 (e) Frank
C-Unit,D.U.(2000-01),R.U.(2009-10)
Ans:b
83. At daggers drawn means—
 (a) very slowly
 (c) on the point of fighting
 (b) in disorder
 (d) at a standstill
C-Unit,D.U.(1998-99)
Ans:c
84. Olive Branch means—
 (a) Ingredient of cooking oil
 (c) Symbol of flattery
 (b) Oil made of olive fruit
 (d) Symbol of peace
D-Unit, D.U 2008-09
Ans:d
85. The phrase "look up to" most probably means
 (a) revere
 (c) glance
 (b) search
 (d) find
D-Unit, D.U 2007-08
Ans:a
86. "hitting below the belt" means:
 (a) doing something unfair in a competition
 (c) striking someone in the abdomen
 (b) injuring someone fatally
 (d) beating someone in a competition
D-Unit, D.U 06-07
Ans:a
87. He visits us now and again. Here "now and again" stand for
 (a) Every day
 (c) many times
 (b) occasionally
 (d) often
D-Unit, D.U 2006-07
Ans:b
88. "To meet one's Waterloo" means:
 (a) to die fighting
 (c) to meet a strong adversary
 (b) to meet one's final defeat
 (d) to fulfill a strong desire
D-Unit, D.U 2004-05
Ans:b
89. The Idiom 'man does not live by bread alone' means
 (a) Man is never content
 (c) Man needs water too
 (b) Man needs other things too
 (d) Hunger is a relative concept
Ans:b

90. "Hard and fast" means _____
 (a) Deep (b) Obvious
 (c) Honest (d) Spirited
 IER-D.U. 2006-07
 Ans: b
91. What is the meaning of the underlined words
 'The king rules his subjects with a high hand.'
 (a) Oppressively (b) Harshly
 (c) Courageously (d) Sympathetically
 IER-D.U. (2005-06)
 Ans: a
92. "Heart and soul" means _____
 (a) Half heartedly (b) Intensely
 (c) Doubtfully (d) Energetically
 IER-D.U. (1997-98)
 Ans: b
93. 'Gradually the waves that break on shore wash away the land.'
 (a) Here and there (b) Now and then
 (c) Little by little (d) Time after time
 IER-D.U. (1996-97)
 Ans: b
94. Find out the correct meaning of the phrase, 'In a nutshell'.
 (a) Likely (b) In a fix
 (c) In brief (d) In fulfillment (e) In unfulfilment
 EMBA(DU)-2010
 Ans: c
95. 'Call to mind' means -
 (a) request (b) attended
 (c) fantasize (d) remember
 Jagannath University (2015-2016)
 Ans: d
96. The idiom 'a hot potato' means-
 (a) a burnt potato (b) an old issue
 (c) a current issue (d) a potato just backed
 Jagannath Uni. 2010-11
 Ans: c
97. 'Hire a man' means-
 (a) to bring a man (b) to lend a man
 (c) to call a man (d) to employ a man
 Jagannath Uni. 2010-11
 Ans: d
98. 'She works at a snail's pace' means
 (a) She works steadily (b) she works slowly
 (c) she works smoothly (d) she works thoughtfully
 Jagannath Uni. 2010-11
 Ans: b
99. "To leave no stone unturned" means -
 (a) To remain idle (b) To try in all possible ways
 (c) To work hard (d) To apply unfair means to achieve something
 Jagannath Uni. 2008-09
 Ans: B
100. Choose the right meaning of the idiom: *stand up for*:
 (a) endure (b) promote
 (c) substitute (d) defend
 Jagannath Uni. 2006-07
 Ans: d
101. 'Life is not a bed of roses' means
 (a) Life is not poetic (b) Life is uneven
 (c) Life is hard (d) Life is incomplete
 Jagannath Uni. 2006-07
 Ans: c
102. The correct of 'to put up with'
 (a) to accept (b) to tolerate
 (c) to encourage (d) to provide with board and lodging
 Jagannath Uni. 2006-07
 Ans: b
103. Call it a day.
 (a) open an event (b) fix an appointment
 (c) spent the time (d) finish work.
 Jagannath Uni. 2005-06/ PKB-2014
 Ans: d
104. "To sit on the fence" is to
 (a) to be on guard (b) to remain neutral
 (c) to take an elevated position (d) to keep quiet
 Chittagong University (2015-2016)
 Ans: b
105. What is the meaning of 'Herculean task'?
 (a) simple task (b) manageable task
 (c) a very difficult task (d) an easy job
 Ans: c

106. "To kick the bucket" means to-
 (a) neglect
 (c) spoil
 (b) begin
 (d) quarrel
 (e) die
Chittagong University (2015-2016)
Chittagong Uni. 2003-04
Ans: e
107. "Fight shy of" means-
 (a) adopt
 (c) avoid
 (b) snatch
 (d) at the sight of
Chittagong Uni. 2006-07
Ans: c
108. "To get wind of something" means ____
 (a) to hear of something
 (c) to clear up something
 (b) to puncture something
 (d) to taste something
 (e) to dislike something
Chittagong Uni. 2006-07
Ans: a
109. "To move heaven and earth to do something," is:
 (a) to drop face
 (c) to have a fist to fry
 (d) to leave no stone unturned
 (b) to get pie in the sky
 (e) to get money for jam
Chittagong Uni. 2006-07
Ans: d
110. "A foregone conclusion" means ____
 (a) false hope
 (c) an anticipated result
 (b) an uneasy situation
 (d) quite familiar
 (e) quite unfamiliar
Rajshahi University (2015-2016)
Ans: c
111. "Cut and dry" means -
 (a) humorous
 (c) secret
 (b) fixed
 (d) brief
Rajshahi University (2015-2016)
Ans: b
112. "go wrong" means -
 (a) to turn upside down.
 (c) to become unmanageable
 (b) to expect a mistake
 (d) to stop working correctly
Rajshahi University (2015-2016)
Ans: d
113. Choose the correct meaning of the idiom 'To beg the question'-
 (a) to raise objections
 (c) to refer to
 (b) to be discussed
 (d) to take for granted
Rajshahi Uni.(2015-2016)
Ans: a
114. "To pay lip service" is to -
 (a) pay careful attention
 (c) remain faithful
 (b) serve by words only
 (d) attach no value
Rajshahi University (2015-2016)
Ans: b
115. He is ____ in English.
 (a) carrying the day
 (c) in the dark
 (b) linked to
 (d) at home
Rajshahi University (2014-15)
Ans: d
116. Pass away means-
 (a) erase
 (c) disappear
 (b) fall
 (d) die
Rajshahi University (2014-15)
Ans: d
117. "Catch sight of" means-
 (a) see for a moment
 (c) discover
 (b) paying attention
 (d) become popular
Rajshahi University (2014-15)
Ans: a
118. "Take one to task" means-
 (a) ostracize
 (c) flatter
 (b) rebuke
 (d) praise
Rajshahi Uni.(2010-11)
Ans: b
119. He agreed to the plan of his own accord-
 (a) enthusiastically
 (c) helpful
 (b) reluctantly
 (d) useless
Rajshahi Uni.(2010-11)
Ans: a
120. "To pull strings" means-
 (a) to speed up
 (c) to start something
 (b) to tease someone
 (d) to exert hidden influence
Rajshahi Uni.(2007-08)
Ans: d
121. "Pros and cons" means ____
 (a) good and bad
 (c) advantages and disadvantages
 (b) merits and demerits
 (d) all
Rajshahi Uni. 2003-04
Ans: d

122. "Dead against" means _____
 (a) Broadly (b) Slowly (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Strongly (d) None *Ans:c*
123. "Cock and bull story" means _____
 (a) a long wonderful story (b) a fable (Rajshahi Uni. 2004-05)
 (c) a tragic story (d) a false story *Ans:d*
124. "Catch a tartar" means _____
 (a) People of Turkey (b) A cruel person (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Friendly atmosphere (d) Meet a very powerful or powerful person *Ans:d*
125. "Go all out" means _____
 (a) Expose everything (b) Try hard (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Everybody unsuccessful (d) To harm *Ans:b*
126. "Few and far between" means _____
 (a) Distant thing (b) In frequent (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Very few (d) In between *Ans:c*
127. "All at once" means _____
 (a) slowly (b) quickly (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Gradually (d) suddenly *Ans:d*
128. "Cat's sleep" means _____
 (a) sleep frequently (b) be dismissed (Rajshahi Uni. 2004-05)
 (c) pretension of sleep (d) sleep at night *Ans:c*
129. The murder was carried out in _____.
 (a) cold hand (b) cold head (Rajshahi Uni. 2004-05)
 (c) cold blood (d) cold swing *Ans:c*
130. "Salt of Life" stands for -
 (a) Valuable thing (b) Saline Water (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Sodium Chloride (d) Sorrows of life *Ans:a*
131. The appropriate meaning of phrase "Cope with"
 (a) to tolerate (b) to stand for (Rajshahi Uni. 2006-07)
 (c) to pull on with (d) to put up with *Ans:a*
132. "To flog a dead horse" means—
 (a) to fight for a lost cause (b) to take interest in an obsolete subject (National Uni.(2013-14))
 (c) to act in a foolish way (d) to treat an incurable patient *Ans:b*
133. All his dreams were nipped in the bud.—here "nipped in the bud" means - Jagannath
 (a) fulfilled (b) were like buds of flower (D-Unit)(2012-13)
 (c) cherished well (d) destroyed at the beginning *Ans:d*
 Jahangirnagar University (2014-15)
134. "Eat one's word" means-
 (a) Scholar (b) Wordless (Rajshahi Uni. 2005-06)
 (c) Cry (d) Apologize *Ans:d*
134. The underlined part in "I can move mountains for her" means:
 (a) walk long (b) try hard (Jahangirnagar Uni.(2010-11))
 (c) do anything (d) climb hills *Ans:c*
135. What is the meaning of the idiom "Draw up"?
 (a) Finish (b) Interpret (Jahangirnagar Uni.(2009-10))
 (c) Draft (d) Discover *Ans:c*
136. What is the meaning of the idiom "Fall out"?
 (a) Deviate (b) Sick (Jahangirnagar Uni.(2009-10))
 (c) Quarrel (d) Slump *Ans:c*

National University (2014-15)

137. Maiden voyage is closest in meaning to-
 (a) inaugural (b) longest
 (c) most elegant (d) help
 National Uni. 2010-11 *Ans:a*
138. Fill the phrase "To _____ one's own canoe."
 (a) Pedal (b) peddle
 (c) paddle (d) pandle
 National Uni. 2003-04 *Ans:c*
139. To pay lip service to someone is to -
 (a) remain faithful (b) pay careful attention
 (c) show only outward respect (d) attach on value
 National Uni. 2003-04 *Ans:c*
140. "To breathe one's last" means ____
 (a) to sleep (b) to breathe fast
 (c) to suffer (d) to die
 N.Uni. 2002-03 *Ans:d*
141. Which phrase contains words opposed to each other its meaning?
 (a) hopes and aspiration (b) bullets and bayonets
 (c) reproduction and death (d) heat and warmth
 N.Uni. 2002-03 *Ans:c*
142. "Throw cold water" means ?
 (a) wash properly (b) punish
 (c) discourage (d) extinguish fire
 প্রাথমিক সহকারী শিক্ষক-২০১৩/Sahajalal Uni. (2006-07) *Ans:c*
143. He is not as pious as people make out. What does the phrase "make out" refers to in this sentence?
 (a) claim (b) disobey
 (c) misunderstand (d) suspect
 Sahajalal Uni. (2005-06) *Ans:d*
144. Choose the meaning of the phrase 'Go Beyond'.
 (a) Overcome (b) Sit for
 (c) Leave the place (d) Exceed
 Islami Uni. 2010-11 *Ans:d*
145. "Free and easy" means ____
 (a) Openly (b) Frankly
 (c) Unrestrained (d) None
 Islamic Uni (2005-06) *Ans:b*
146. A 'Bear market' means that share prices are ____
 (a) moving (b) rising
 (c) falling (d) static
 Islamic Uni (2005-06) *Ans:a*
147. 'Beggard description' means-
 (a) miserable life (b) the life of a beggar
 (c) indescribable (d) unnecessary
 Islamic Uni (2004-05) *Ans:c*
148. 'All at once' means ____
 (a) Verbally (b) Suddenly
 (c) Gradually (d) None
 Islamic Uni (2004-05) *Ans:b*
149. What is the meaning of the words 'red letter day'?
 (a) Bright day (b) Memorable day
 (c) Miserable day (d) Burning day
 Islamic Uni (2004-05) *Ans:b*
150. The idiom 'Watch out for' stands for ____
 (a) Looking at something (b) Watching something
 (c) Be cautious (d) Inspecting
 Khulna Uni. (2005-2006) *Ans:d*
151. Do not nurse a grudge against him.
 (a) to look after carefully (b) to bear ill will
 (c) to be ready to admire (d) to be reluctant
 Jagannath Uni. 2005-06 *Ans:d*
152. Which one has closest meaning of the idiom, "Better-half."
 (a) Good partner (b) Well wisher
 (c) Husband (d) Good lover (e) wife
 KUET(2012-13) *Ans:e*

153. 'Wild goose chase' means-
 (a) an adventure
 (b) chasing will goose
 (c) an imaginary attempt
 (d) a work without success
 Kazi Nazrul Uni. (2012-13) **Ans: d**
154. The phrase 'Donkey work' means-
 (a) very simple work
 (b) manual labour
 (c) a serious
 (d) the hard and boring part of a job
 Chittagong Uni. (2012-13) **Ans: d**
155. Crocodile tears
 (a) false sorrow
 (b) cry coldly
 (c) carry out
 (d) to finish
 জনস্বাস্থ্য প্রকৌশল অধিদপ্তরের উপ-সহকারী-২০১৫/ **Khulna University (2014-15)** **Ans: a**
156. The last straw
 (a) small amount of money
 (b) very light thing
 (c) last relative alive
 (d) small but additional burden
Khulna University (2014-15) **Ans: d**
157. 'Maiden Speech' means
 (a) Final Speech
 (b) First Speech
 (c) Last Speech
 (d) Important Speech
 সংস্থাপন মন্ত্রণালয় (সহকারী পরিচালক)-২০১৬/ ডাক বিভাগের পোস্টাল অপারেটর-২০১৬ **Ans: b**
158. 'Get over' means-
 (a) Proceed
 (b) overcome
 (c) disclose
 (d) send
 পররাষ্ট্র মন্ত্রণালয়ের সাহায্যকারী অফিসার-২০১৬ **Ans: b**
159. 'Blockbuster' means.
 (a) a large solid piece of stone
 (b) a device to cut off of a person's head as a punishment
 (c) something that makes movement difficult
 (d) a book or film that is very successful, especially because it is exciting
 পিটিআই (PTI) এর ইন্সট্রাক্টর -২০১৬ **Ans: d**
160. 'Ten to one' means-
 (a) very uncertain
 (b) very likely
 (c) almost impossible
 (d) not possible at all
 ১৩তম বেসরকারি শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন (ফুল-২) (MTRC)-২০১৬ **Ans: b**
161. 'Feel at home' - এর সমার্থক কোনটি?
 (a) proficient
 (b) calm and quite
 (c) familiar
 (d) free and easy
 ডাক বিভাগের পোস্টাল অপারেটর-২০১৬ **Ans: d**
162. 'Dog days' Means-
 (a) a period of being carefree
 (b) a period of misfortune
 (c) days when dogs breed
 (d) hot weather
 পল্লী উন্নয়ন ও সমবায় মন্ত্রণালয় উপ-সহকারী পরিচালক-২০১৬ **Ans: d**
163. SOS stands for-
 (a) Sound of Sea
 (b) Save Our Souls
 (c) Son of Samson
 (d) Sunrays of Sunset
 পল্লী উন্নয়ন ও সমবায় মন্ত্রণালয় উপ-সহকারী পরিচালক-২০১৬ **Ans: b**
164. He blew out the match.
 (a) caught up
 (b) passed
 (c) kicked
 (d) extinguished
Gas Transmission Company Ltd. (GTCL)-2016 **Ans: d**
165. A taxi run into the back of a bus.
 (a) caught up
 (b) passed
 (c) met
 (d) collided
Ans: d
166. To be in dribs and drabs
 (a) without fail
 (b) with much ease
 (c) in small quantities
 (d) with great difficulty
 বিমান বাংলাদেশ এয়ারলাইন্স -২০১৬ **Ans: c**
167. He is proud of his-
 (a) bad blood
 (b) blue blood
 (c) block head
 (d) broken reed
 ১৩তম বেসরকারি শিক্ষক নিবন্ধন (ফুল-২) (MTRC)-২০১৬ **Ans: b**