

TEXTBOOK EXERCISE

Q.1 Why couldn't the Girl describe the killer? (34 Times)

Too Frightened to Describe Anything

Answer. The Girl could not describe the killer because she could not see him very well in the dark. Moreover, she was too frightened to describe anything properly. She could not even remember how the man was dressed, or that if he was tall or short.

Q.2 What were the circumstances that forced the Girl to leave her car? OR (35 Times)
What was the condition of the Girl when she ran out of gas? (2 Times)
Why did the Girl leave her car? (Heat Lightning) OR (1 Time)
Why could the Girl continue her travel in her own car? OR (1 Time)
What happened to the Girl on her way back home? OR (1 Time)
What happened to the Girl while coming from the party? OR (1 Time)
From where was the Girl coming when her car ran out of gas? OR (1 Time)
Why was the Girl walking alone at midnight? OR (2 Times)
Why did the Girl come out on a stormy night? OR (1 Time)
What was the Girl doing in the stormy weather? OR (1 Time)

Her Car Ran out of Gas

Answer. The circumstances that forced the Girl to leave her car were that her car ran out of gas. She was coming from a party late at night. She thought that she had enough gas to reach home. So, she left her car on the road and started walking alone, hoping to get a bus to get home. She was quite normal when she ran out of gas.

Q.3 Why did the Girl ask for help from the First Man? OR (27 Times)
Why did the Girl consider the First Man her helper? OR (14 Times)
Why did the Girl prefer to stay with the First Man on the arrival of the bus? OR (3 Times)
Why did the Girl decline the Second Man's offer to go with him to bus? (1 Time)

The Girl Thought First Man Her Helper

Answer. The Girl asked for help from the First Man because she thought he was a passenger and was waiting for the bus. When she reached the bus station, the First Man was already there. She, therefore, considered the First Man her saviour and preferred to stay with him on the arrival of the bus. She declined the Second Man's offer to go with him.

Q.4 What was the condition of the weather? OR (24 Times)
How was the weather like when the play started? (Heat Lightning) OR (2 Times)
What were the weather conditions on the night the Girl was out? OR (2 Times)
Describe the atmosphere when the play starts. (Heat Lightning) OR (1 Time)
What is the significance of rain, lightning and thunder in the play "Heat Lightning"? OR (4 Times)
What is the significance of storm in the play "Heat Lightning"? (3 Times)
How does the bad weather add to the terrible atmosphere of the play "Heat Lightning"? (1 Time)
What is the scene outside the room, Heat Lightning? (1 Time)

Flashes of Lightning and Crashes of Thunder

Answer. The condition of the weather was dreadful when the play started. It was raining very heavily. There were flashes of lightning and crashes of thunder. It was a stormy night. The significance of storm is manifold. Rain, lightning and thunder add to the terror and help to create a melodrama. They help make a situation highly emotional and tense.

Q.5 Why did the Second Man accuse the First Man of lying? (16 Times)

The Second Man had Seen a Girl

Answer. The Second Man accused the First Man of lying because he thought that the First Man was cheating him. The First Man had tried to give him the impression that there was no one else in the waiting-room. The Second Man had actually seen the Girl in the room but the First Man didn't want her to be noticed.

Q.6 Does the Girl become suspicious of the First Man as the play progresses? (23 Times)

OR

Why/How did the First Man encourage the Girl to go to the police office? (3 Times)

OR

Why is the First Man so keen about the Girl's affair? (2 Times)

The Girl does not Become Suspicious

Answer. The Girl does not become suspicious of the First Man as the play progresses. She considers him her protector throughout the play. She discovers the truth when she sees him take her flashlight from his coat pocket. The First Man encourages her to go to the police because he wants to find out if she can describe the killer.

Q.7 What is the Girl's impression about the Second Man? (27 Times)

How did the Second Man mitigate the fear of the Girl? OR (2 Times)

What advice did the Second Man give to the Girl to get over her fear of lightning?

OR

(1 Time)

How does the Girl behave when it crashes and thunders? OR (2 Times)

Why does the Girl scream when the lightning flashes? OR (1 Time)

Why was the Girl frightened when she saw the Second Man? OR (2 Times)

Why did the Girl think ill of the Second Man? OR (1 Time)

What was the reaction of the Girl on seeing the Second Man? OR (1 Time)

How does the Girl feel in the company of the Second Man? OR (1 Time)

What is the reason for the Girl's suspicious attitude? (1 Time)

The Girl Thinks the Second Man is the Killer

Answer. The Girl's impression about the Second Man is that he is the killer. She feels scared and nervous in the company of the Second Man. When it crashes and thunders, she screams and feels terribly upset. The Second Man, however, helps her to mitigate her nervousness. He advises her to overcome her fears by facing them.

Q.8 Why didn't the Girl accompany the Second Man? (20 Times)

Why did the Girl refuse to go with the Second Man? (1 Time)

The Girl Believed the Second Man was the Killer

Answer. The Girl did not accompany the Second Man because she believed that he was the killer. She thought that he was the man who had chased her all the way till she reached the bus station. She was terribly scared of the Second Man, and she thought he would kill her, too.

SHORT ANSWER QUESTIONS FROM PAST PAPERS

- Q.1** What are the factors that played a role in saving the Girl? OR (12 Times)
 Who saved the life of the Girl in the play, 'Heat Lightning'? OR (4 Times)
 Narrate the escape-scene of the Girl in the 'Heat Lightning'. (2 Times)

The Second Man and the Dog

Answer. The factors that played a role in saving the Girl were the Second Man and the dog. The Second Man left the bus station, so the Girl realized that he was not a killer. When the First Man revealed himself as the killer, a dog came there just by chance to save itself from the storm. The dog seized the man and forced him to run away.

- Q.2** How did the Girl realize the truth that First Man was the killer? OR (11 Times)
 How did the Girl identify the actual killer? OR (3 Times)
 How did the Girl recognize the First Man to be the killer? OR (3 Times)
 How did the Girl come to know the reality of the First Man? (1 Time)

The Girl Saw her Flashlight

Answer. The Girl realized the truth and identified the actual killer when she saw the First Man taking her flashlight from his coat pocket. It was her flashlight that she had dropped in her great terror. Besides, she was puzzled when the second man left the bus station and got on the bus.

- Q.3** What type of play "Heat Lightning" is? (6 Times)

A Good Melodrama

Answer. "Heat Lightning" is a melodrama. There are all the components necessary to create a melodrama – a dimly-lit bus station, a storm accompanied by flashes of lightning, and the promise of violent action. There is terror from the outset. As is the case with good melodrama, theme and characterization are secondary.

- Q.4** What was the condition of the Girl when she entered the bus station? OR (6 Times)
 Why was the Girl so afraid? OR (1 Time)
 What did the Girl tell the First Man at the bus station? (1 Time)
 What was the Man dragging out of the car? (1 Time)

Awfully Scared and Nervous

Answer. The condition of the Girl was terrible when she entered the bus station. Her clothes were wet and muddy, and her hair was untidy. She was sobbing and was awfully scared and nervous. She told him that she had seen a man dragging a dead body out of his car.

- Q.5** Why did the Girl not want to go to the police? OR (5 Times)
 Why did the Girl refuse to go to the police station? OR (4 Times)
 Why does the Girl not report her matter to the police? OR (3 Times)
 Why is the Girl afraid of going to the police station? (1 Time)

Unable to Give Any Specific Details

Answer. The Girl did not want to go to the police because she said that she was unable to give any specific details about the killer. She added that she did not remember how the killer was dressed. She could not identify the killer or describe his appearance.

Q.6 What did the Girl see in the flash of lightning? (4 Times)

Second Man's Face Pressed against the Glass

Answer. The Girl saw a man's face in the flash of lightning. She thought that it was the killer who had been chasing her all the way to the bus station. She screamed when she saw the Second Man's face pressed against the glass outside the door. The man wanted to enter the waiting room, but the door was locked.

Q.7 How does the Second Man look? OR (3 Times)
What type of person was the Second Man? (1 Time)

A Nondescript Sort of Person

Answer. The Second Man is a nondescript sort of person. He is tall, nice-looking and about thirty years of age. He is a friendly guy. He is smart and intelligent. He is a carefree chap with a good sense of humor.

Q.8 How did the Girl succeed in escaping from the killer? OR (3 Times)
What does the dog do? OR (1 Time)
How does the Girl escape from the Man finally? OR (1 Time)
How does the dog save the life of the Girl? OR (1 Time)
What is the role of dog in "Heat Lightning"? OR (1 Time)
How is the Girl saved in the end? (1 Time)

The Dog Seized the Man

Answer. The Girl first succeeded in escaping from the killer when she ran away from his car and reached the bus station. She succeeded in escaping from the killer for the second time when a dog came there by chance to save itself from the storm. The dog seized the man and forced him to run away.

Q.9 What did the Girl see when she got near the car? OR (3 Times)
What did the Girl see while walking along the road-side? OR (2 Times)
Why did the Girl get afraid and started running? OR (2 Times)
What horrible scene did the Girl see when she reached near the car? (1 Time)

Dead Body of a Girl

Ans When the Girl got near the car while walking along the road, she saw a man pulling something out of the car. She could not understand at first what it was. But then she saw the dead body of a girl whose hair dragged in the mud. The Girl got afraid and started running to save her life.

Q.10 What was the thing the Second Man was afraid of during his childhood? (2 Times)

Fear of Lightning

Answer. The thing the Second Man was afraid of during his childhood was lightning. He got over the fear of lightning all by himself. He also encouraged the Girl to overcome her fears. He said that she would never get over her fears if she did not face them.

- Q.11 Describe the scene of the play “Heat Lightning”. OR (2 Times)**
How can you describe the bus station in 'Heat Lightning'? OR (1 Time)
Describe the setting of the play ‘Heat Lightning’. (1 Time)

Dull Interior of a Bus Station

Answer. When the curtain rises the stage is bare. We see a dull interior of a bus station along a deserted highway. There are two long benches: one faces the audience and the other faces the rear wall. A door leads out onto the road. It has a single glass pane. The room is lit by an overhanging light.

- Q.12 What did the Girl do when the Second Man left the bus station? (2 Times)**

That the Second Man was Not the Killer

Answer. The Girl realized that the Second Man was not the killer when he left the bus station. She thought that if he had been the killer, he would have stayed there. She was sure that he was not the killer; otherwise, he would not have left the bus station.

- Q.13 Why does the First Man push the Girl to women’s room when there is knocking at the door? OR (2 Times)**
What does the First Man do when someone knocks at the door? (1 Time)

First Man does not Want to be Suspected

Answer. The First Man pushes the Girl to women’s room when there is knocking at the door because he does not want to be suspected or arrested. He is, in fact, the killer and he does not want to be identified or get into trouble.

- Q.14 What did the Girl do when she saw the flashlight in the hands of the First Man? OR (1 Time)**
Why did the Girl lock the door? (1 Time)

The Girl Locked the Door

Answer. The Girl ran up to the door and pulled at it when she saw the flashlight in the hands of the First Man. She bolted the door before the Man came near her. The Man had actually revealed his true identity and she had discovered that he was the killer.

- Q.15 Why do you think the Second Man says that the Girl is smarter than the First Man? (1 Time)**

The First Man does not Understand a Simple Thing

Answer. The Second Man says that the Girl is smarter than the First Man because the latter does not understand a simple thing. The Second Man says that if the bus were on time, he would have missed it, so he was lucky. He, therefore, thinks that the First Man is not as intelligent as the Girl.

- Q.16 Why did the Girl go to the bus station? (Heat Lightning) OR (1 Time)**
How did the Girl save herself from the chasing man? (1 Time)

To Save Herself from the Killer

Answer. The Girl went to bus station to save herself from the killer. She had seen a man pulling out a dead body from his car and ran away to save herself. She wanted to reach the bus station as soon as possible in order to save herself from the killer.

- Q.17 How did the Girl think that someone was chasing her? OR (1 Time)**
What did the Girl hear when she was running? (1 Time)

The Girl Heard Water Splashing

Answer. The Girl thought that someone was chasing her because she continued to hear the water splashing under the killer's feet as he ran after her. So, she ran wildly in order to get out of his reach and reached the bus station.

- Q.18 How did the First Man pacify the Girl? OR (1 Time)**
How did the First Man console the Girl? OR (1 Time)
What does the First Man do when the Girl is about to faint? (1 Time)

He Offered Her a Chewing Gum

Answer. The First Man tried to pacify and console the Girl by different means. He offered her a chewing gum to cheer her up. When she was about to faint, he pushed ahead of the Second Man and led her down to the bench.

- Q.19 Why was the car man chasing the Girl? (1 Time)**

To Wipe out Any Evidence against Him

Answer. The car man was chasing the Girl because she had seen him pulling out a dead body from his car. He did not want her to go to the police to report against him. He, therefore, chased her in order to kill her and wipe out any evidence against him.

- Q.20 How did the Girl reach the bus station and what does she lose on the way? (1 Time)**

Running All the Way through the Woods

Answer. The Girl reached the bus station running all the way from the tragic scene. She circled round and round hoping that she would lose him. But she kept hearing him behind her. She dropped her flashlight and lost it in her panic.

- Q.21 How did the Second Man come on the scene? OR (1 Time)**
Why is the Second Man happy about the bus being late? OR (1 Time)
Why does the bus come late? (1 Time)

Just by Chance

Answer. The Second Man came on the scene just by chance. The Second Man was happy about the bus being late because if it were on time, he would have missed it. The bus came late because of the terrible weather.

- Q.22 Describe the appearance of the Man whom the Girl sees in the waiting room. (1 Time)**
OR (1 Time)
Briefly describe the Man who enters the stage when the curtain rises? OR (1 Time)
Who enters the room when the curtain rises? (1 Time)

A Pleasant Looking Man

Answer. When the curtain rises, a Man enters from the “Men’s” room. He is a pleasant looking man of about thirty-five. We do not learn anything more about his appearance as the play progresses. However, the Second Man says that the First Man is not as intelligent as the Girl is.

Q.23 What happens to the light in the room with each flash of lightning? (1 Time)

Light Dims to the Point of Going Out

Answer. The light in the room with each flash of lightning dims almost to the point of going out. But then it somehow struggles back to its full strength. This situation adds to the terror that prevails at the bus station.

Q.24 How did the Second Man persuade the Girl to accompany him? (1 Time)

By Winning Her Confidence

Ans. The Second Man tried to persuade the Girl to accompany him but failed. He tried to win her confidence by assuring her that they would have the whole matter to themselves. The Girl, however, refused to go with him because she thought that he was the killer.

Q.25 Why did the Man let the Second Man come in? OR (1 Time)
Why did the First Man allow the Second Man to enter the room? (1 Time)

The Second Man Rattled the Door

Answer. The Man allowed the Second Man to come in because the latter was knocking at the door very badly. The Man did not want to open the door because he did not want to be suspected or get into trouble. But the Second Man rattled the door so badly that the Man had to let him in.

Q.26 Why did the Girl let out a muffled cry? OR (1 Time)
What was the condition of the Girl when the light went out? (1 Time)

Second Man Started Moving towards Her

Answer. The Girl let out a muffled cry when the Second Man started moving toward her. She was pressed against the window in fear. When there were a brilliant flash of lightning and a crack of thunder and the light in the room went out, she let out a muffled cry.

Q.27 How many characters are there in the play? (1 Time)

Three Characters

Answer. There are three characters in the play: the First Man, the Second Man and the Girl. The First Man is the killer; the Second Man is the passenger; the Girl is the witness who has seen the dead body. There is also an important role of the dog that saves the life of the Girl from the killer.

Q.28 How did the Second Man come to know that the First Man and the Girl were not going to the same destination? (1 Time)

The Second Man Asked Them Where They were Going

Answer. The Second Man came to know that the First Man and the Girl were not going to the same destination when he asked them where they were going. The First Man said that he had early business in town and the Girl said that she was at a party and was going home.

Q.29 Name the writer of the play “Heat Lightning”. (1 Time)

Robert F. Carroll

Answer. The writer of the play “Heat Lightning” is Robert F. Carroll. Carroll was awarded a large number of awards for his literary achievements.

Q.30 What did the Second Man think of the scene of lightning? (1 Time)

One of the Beautiful Sights

Answer. The Second Man thought that the scene of lightning was one of the beautiful sights in the world. He said that if one looked at the scene of lightning, it appeared just like a big Fourth of July, which is the Independence Day in the United States.

MCQS TEXTBOOK EXERCISE

1. **The bus was late due to _____.** (8 Times)

(a) rush	(c) storm
(b) accident	(d) change in schedule.
2. **The Girl was coming from _____.** (5 Times)

(a) a party	(c) a tour
(b) a hill station	(d) a meeting
3. **The Girl was afraid of _____.** (7 Times)

(a) a policeman	(c) a friend
(b) a killer	(d) a passenger
4. **She thought of reaching home but _____.** (1 Time)

(a) her car broke down	(c) the brakes failed
(b) her car ran out of gas	(d) the road was blocked
5. **She saw the man dragging out of his car _____.** (6 Times)

(a) the corpse of a woman	(c) a sack
(b) a statue	(d) a dog
6. **Why did she circle round and round into the woods?** (5 Times)

(a) to escape the killer	(c) to reach a safe place
(b) to cheat a man	(d) to save herself
7. **“You couldn’t think of something that might give them a lead” means _____.**

(a) to find a culprit	(c) to find a treasure
(b) to persecute	(d) to give clue
8. **She saw in the flash of lightning _____.** (10 Times)

(a) a dog	(c) a bus
(b) a car	(d) a man’s face
9. **The difference between the ages of the two men is of _____.** (1 Time)

(a) ten years	(c) five years
(b) two years	(d) one year
10. **If people were smart they wouldn’t be out _____.** (3 Times)

(a) on a day like this	(c) on a holiday
(b) on a tour	(d) on a night like this

ANSWER KEY

1.	C	2.	A	3.	B	4.	B	5.	A	6.	A	7.	D	8.	D	9.	C	10.	D
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MCQS FROM PAST PAPERS

1. **The Girl's life was saved by:** (6 Times)
 (a) the Second Man (c) the thunder
 (b) the First Man (d) a dog
 (a) a police officer (c) a dog
 (b) a busy boy (d) a beggar
 (a) the Second Man (c) a dog
 (b) the driver (d) a policeman
2. **The interior of the bus station was:** (3 Times)
 (a) deserted (c) pleasant
 (b) drab (d) comfortable
3. **From where was the Girl coming?** (3 Times)
 (a) hotel (c) party
 (b) office (d) college
 (a) party (c) match
 (b) theatre (d) tour
 (a) talk show (c) cinema
 (b) theatre (d) party
 (a) school (c) church
 (b) party (d) hotel
4. **Who is after the Girl in "Heat Lightning"?** (3 Times)
 (a) her brother (c) a dog
 (b) her friend (d) the killer
 (a) her husband (c) a thief
 (b) a dog (d) the killer
5. **How does the First Man look like?** (2 Times)
 (a) arrogant (c) clown
 (b) boorish (d) pleasant
6. **What does the Girl take with her from her car?** (2 Times)
 (a) a computer (c) a flashlight
 (b) a pistol (d) a book
7. **The dog saved the life of?** (2 Times)
 (a) the First Man (c) the Girl
 (b) the Second Man (d) the killer
8. **How much a way was the Girl from home?** (2 Times)
 (a) two miles (c) eight miles
 (b) five miles (d) ten miles
9. **The Girl was saved by _____.** (1 Time)
 (a) the army (c) the policeman
 (b) the dog (d) the boy
10. **Who finally rescued the Girl in "Heat Lightning"?** (1 Time)
 (a) the police (c) First Man
 (b) the dog (d) Second Man

11. **How far was the Girl going?** (1 Time)
 (a) four miles (c) eight miles
 (b) twelve miles (d) sixteen miles
12. **The Girl could see a man's face pressed against the:** (1 Time)
 (a) wall (c) glass outside
 (b) pillar (d) the door
13. **The lightning _____ the light in the room.** (1 Time)
 (a) strengthens (c) dims
 (b) brightens (d) intensifies
14. **Which door reads 'Men'?** (1 Time)
 (a) up center (c) up left
 (b) up right (d) upside
15. **Who is the actual murderer?** (1 Time)
 (a) the First Man (c) the Third Man
 (b) the Second Man (d) the Fourth Man
16. **The Girl in "Heat Lightning" did not want to go to:** (1 Time)
 (a) party (c) bus station
 (b) police station (d) railway station
17. **The Girl after locking the car started walking.** (1 Time)
 (a) down the road (c) towards bus station
 (b) up the street (d) into hotel
18. **What was the condition of the Girl when she rushed into bus station?** (1 Time)
 (a) shouting (c) sobbing
 (b) trembling (d) slamming
19. **The bus station was situated along a:** (1 Time)
 (a) motorway (c) road
 (b) a river (d) deserted highway
20. **How does the Girl recognize the First Man as the killer?** (1 Time)
 (a) by his dress (c) by his hat
 (b) by his face (d) by her flashlight
21. **How does the Girl recognize the actual murderer?** (1 Time)
 (a) on seeing the car (c) on seeing her flashlight
 (b) on seeing the bus (d) on seeing the dog
22. **What is the condition of the hair of the Girl in "Heat Lightning"?** (1 Time)
 (a) well combed (c) silky
 (b) disheveled (d) sleek
23. **Who seized the Man with its sharp teeth?** (1 Time)
 (a) cat (c) wolf
 (b) dog (d) lion
24. **How many passengers are there in the bus?** (1 Time)
 (a) one (c) three
 (b) two (d) four
25. **The sound of heavy _____ can be heard outside.** (1 Time)
 (a) dust storm (c) rain
 (b) hurricane (d) flood
26. **What is the colour of the over-hanging light in the bus station?** (1 Time)
 (a) dull blue (c) dull red
 (b) dull yellow (d) dull green

27. **The Girl is about _____ years old.** (1 Time)
 (a) 22 (c) 24
 (b) 23 (d) 25
28. **Which thing the Second Man was afraid of?** (1 Time)
 (a) storm (c) lightning
 (b) witches (d) darkness
29. **The Man picks up a discarded _____.** (1 Time)
 (a) newspaper (c) letter
 (b) magazine (d) chair
30. **The Arab interior of a bus station along a deserted highway in the ____.** (1 Time)
 (a) west (c) Middle East
 (b) midwest (d) north
31. **What did the Girl drop and ran away?** (1 Time)
 (a) keys of the car (c) her purse
 (b) the flashlight (d) her necklace
32. **How old is the Second Man?** (1 Time)
 (a) 30 years (c) 20 years
 (b) 40 years (d) 50 years

ANSWER KEY

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.
D/C /C	B	C/A/ D/B	D/D	D	C	C	C	B	B	C	C	C	C	A	B
17.	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.	23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31.	32.
A	C	D	D	C	B	B	A	C	D	B	C	A	B	B	A

MORE MCQS FOR PRACTICE

1. **How is the night when the scene of 'Heat Lightning' takes place?**
 (a) calm (c) stormy
 (b) hot (d) pleasant
2. **What does the First Man read casually?**
 (a) the bus schedule (c) his diary
 (b) a novel (d) a discarded newspaper
3. **What is the condition of the Girl's clothes in 'Heat Lightning'?**
 (a) They are wet and muddy. (c) They are neat and clean.
 (b) They are creased and tidy. (d) They are new and bright.
4. **Why does the Girl stop her car on the way?**
 (a) She wants to have rest. (c) She wants to walk.
 (b) She runs out of gas. (d) She wants to enjoy the rain.
5. **What does the Girl see pulled off into a lane?**
 (a) a truck (c) a bus
 (b) a jeep (d) a car
6. **What does the First Man ask the Girl to do?**
 (a) to go to the police (c) to wait at the bus station
 (b) to go with him to his house (d) to search for the killer

7. **The Girl does not want to go to the police because she _____.**
 (a) hates the killer (c) is afraid of the storm
 (b) is in a hurry (d) cannot identify the killer
8. **Why does the Second Man want to come in?**
 (a) to save himself from the storm (c) to help the Girl
 (b) to find out the Girl (d) to seize the killer
9. **What forces the First Man to run away?**
 (a) the bus driver (c) the Second Man
 (b) the Girl (d) a dog
10. **Who is the author of "Heat Lightning"?**
 (a) Robert F. Carroll (c) Core Vidal
 (b) William Saroyan (d) Tennessee Williams

ANSWER KEY

1.	C	2.	D	3.	A	4.	B	5.	D	6.	A	7.	D	8.	A	9.	D	10.	A
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SYNONYMS FROM PAST PAPERS

1. **Her hair is disheveled.** (11 Times)
 (a) thin (b) thick (c) untidy (d) discolored
 (a) neat (b) untidy (c) tidy (d) crass
 (a) disordered (b) black (c) grey (d) shiny
 (a) arranged (b) disordered (c) managed (d) stopped
 (a) combed (b) arranged (c) untidy (d) set
 (a) disordered (b) plentiful (c) bright (d) pretty
2. **The Girl lets out a muffled cry.** (9 Times)
 (a) willful (b) delightful (c) suppressed (d) loud
 (a) loud (b) suppressed (c) shrill (d) excited
 (a) miserable (b) tangled (c) very loud (d) suppressed
 (a) loud (b) faint (c) tragic (d) mischievous
3. **The door rattles viciously.** (8 Times)
 (a) violently (b) forcibly (c) mildly (d) carefully
 (a) violently (b) weakly (c) slowly (d) noisily
 (a) noisily (b) slowly (c) violently (d) weakly
 (a) carefully (b) forcibly (c) mildly (d) violently
 (a) violently (b) peacefully (c) quietly (d) silently
 (a) softly (b) violently (c) slowly (d) unexpectedly
 (a) unexpectedly (b) strangely (c) violently (d) gently
 (a) consciously (b) slowly (c) violently (d) thunderingly
4. **The Girl was scared.** (8 Times)
 (a) calm (b) frightened (c) pacified (d) satisfied
 (a) contented (b) happy (c) sad (d) terrified

- (a) frightened (b) calm (c) happy (d) alert
 (a) avoided (b) escaped (c) frightened (d) spare
 (a) lucky (b) hesitant (c) terrified (d) crazy
5. **The Girl shudders at her own thoughts.** (7 Times)
 (a) murmurs (b) trembles (c) laughs (d) jumps
 (a) ponders (b) trembles (c) trembles (d) wonders
 (a) trembles (b) laughs (c) cries (d) weeps
 (a) smiles (b) trembles (c) smears (d) delivers
 (a) dances (b) catches (c) looks (d) quivers
6. **The Girl looked stunned.** (7 Times)
 (a) stunt (b) stupid (c) confused (d) sturdy
 (a) shocked (b) pleased (c) surprised (d) praised
 (a) beautiful (b) dangerous (c) confused (d) delighted
 (a) angry (b) amazed (c) sad (d) crazy
7. **He picks up discarded newspaper.** (5 Times)
 (a) abandoned (b) caught (c) solved (d) overlooked
 (a) new (b) fresh (c) weekly (d) useless
 (a) displaced (b) cheap (c) old (d) expensive
 (a) decorated (b) rejected (c) painted (d) gathered
8. **The Man rattles the door viciously.** (5 Times)
 (a) opens (b) breaks (c) looks inside (d) clatters
 (a) closes (b) opens (c) damages (d) shakes
9. **There is a drab interior of a bus station.** (5 Times)
 (a) dull (b) dry (c) decorated (d) deshaped
 (a) dark (b) shining (c) neat (d) cheerless
 (a) dull (b) simple (c) decorated (d) gay
 (a) music (b) deserted (c) busy (d) dull
 (a) chair less (b) hairless (c) careless (d) cheerless
10. **The Second Man is nondescript sort of a person.** (5 Times)
 (a) ugly (b) indescribable (c) delightful (d) frightening
 (a) uncultured (b) uneducated (c) unintelligent (d) uninteresting
 (a) pleasant (b) fortunate (c) unclassified (d) unusual
 (a) nonsense (b) pessimistic (c) non-serious (d) ordinary
11. **He glances back at the door.** (4 Times)
 (a) leaves (b) sees (c) touches (d) smells
 (a) knocks (b) pulls (c) looks (d) puts
12. **The Man was dragging the corpse in the mud.** (4 Times)
 (a) hiding (b) burying (c) pulling (d) tearing
 (a) pulling (b) dropping (c) covering (d) smearing
13. **The Girl looks at the light and begins sobbing again.** (4 Times)

- (a) weeping (b) talking (c) laughing (d) wondering
 (a) smiling (b) weeping (c) laughing (d) running
 (a) running (b) crying (c) walking (d) laughing
14. **The Man peers out.** (3 Times)
 (a) breaks (b) gazes (c) lifts (d) throws
15. **Man: No one can come in. Now try to calm yourself.** (3 Times)
 (a) cover (b) relax (c) avoid (d) enjoy
16. **Her hair dragged in mud.** (2 Times)
 (a) fell (b) pushed (c) pulled (d) put
17. **A large bus schedule is on the wall.** (2 Times)
 (a) picture (b) programme (c) model (d) fare
 (a) window (b) chart of details (c) fare (d) stop
18. **Your flashlight for instance. You can identify it.** (2 Times)
 (a) lightning (b) example (c) use (d) explanation
 (a) benefit (b) for example (c) reality (d) common sense
19. **One bench stage faces the rear wall.** (2 Times)
 (a) front (b) upper (c) back (d) long
 (a) middle (b) front (c) back (d) side
20. **The dog seizes the man with its sharp teeth.** (2 Times)
 (a) attacks (b) takes hold (c) cuts (d) smells
 (a) cuts (b) smells (c) grasps (d) attacks
21. **I could hear the water splashing under his feet.** (2 Times)
 (a) sound of water (b) hissing of leaves (c) sound of birds (d) wind
 (a) slipping (b) running (c) moving (d) water sound
22. **The Girl moves away suspiciously.** (2 Times)
 (a) sharply (b) swiftly (c) doubtfully (d) angrily
23. **The Girl felt that she was going to faint.** (2 Times)
 (a) lose consciousness (b) die (c) shriek (d) be afraid
24. **I noticed a car pulled off into a lane.** (2 Times)
 (a) called (b) observed (c) drove (d) threw
25. **The light feebly struggles back to its strength.** (2 Times)
 (a) dimly (b) strongly (c) specially (d) interestingly
26. **The Girl's clothes are wet and muddy.** (1 Time)
 (a) colorful (b) dirty (c) precious (d) pretty
27. **She ran crazy-like all over the road.** (1 Time)
 (a) sane (b) delightful (c) helpful (d) insane

28. The Girl slams the door. (1 Time)
 (a) buys (b) shuts with force (c) opens (d) paints
29. I was not conscious of lying about anything. (1 Time)
 (a) aware (b) hateful (c) delightful (d) lover
30. The storm probably slowed it down. (1 Time)
 (a) suddenly (b) practically (c) surely (d) presumably
31. The drab interior of a bus station along a deserted highway. (1 Time)
 (a) outside (b) superior (c) inside (d) inferior
32. The Girl comes out to pat the dog. (1 Time)
 (a) praise (b) caress (c) treat (d) feel
33. He goes through the paper causally. (1 Time)
 (a) inspects (b) finds (c) reads (d) criticizes
34. The Girl slammed the door. (1 Time)
 (a) opened (b) knocked (c) banged (d) burnt
35. The Second Man says that he is hell. (1 Time)
 (a) intelligent (b) delightful (c) agreeable (d) upsetting
36. The Girl saw the rear light burning. (1 Time)
 (a) dim (b) back (c) side (d) head
37. The lightning illuminates the up Centre door. (1 Time)
 (a) rattles (b) opens (c) lights up (d) darkness
38. Nevertheless you have got to go to the police. (1 Time)
 (a) just the same (b) for all that (c) though (d) however
39. One bench in the room faces the audience. (1 Time)
 (a) actions (b) spectators (c) killers (d) soldiers
40. The First Man shakes his head to convey 'no'. (1 Time)
 (a) bows (b) moves (c) turns (d) arouses

ANSWER KEY

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.	7.	8.	9.	10.	11.
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12.	13.	14.	15.	16.	17.	18.	19.	20.	21.	22.
C/A	A/B/B	B	B	C	B/B	B/B	C/C	B/C	A/D	C
23.	24.	25.	26.	27.	28.	29.	30.	31.	32.	33.
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34.	35.	36.	37.	38.	39.	40.				
C	D	B	C	D	B	B				

MORE SYNONYMS FOR PRACTICE

- She sobs and rushes to the Man.**
 (a) weeps (c) exclaims
 (b) jumps (d) hurries
- I'll bet she's smarter than you are.**
 (a) taller (c) cleverer
 (b) prettier (d) thinner
- He strolls up toward the Center door.**
 (a) walks (c) bangs
 (b) slams (d) runs
- There is a hum of a motor in the distance.**
 (a) clamour (c) splash
 (b) low sound (d) sharp sound
- There is a piercing light of the flashlight.**
 (a) dull (c) dim
 (b) soft (d) sharp
- The Second Man said that he was imagining things.**
 (a) realizing (c) checking
 (b) dreaming (d) deciding
- Somebody has been bothering her.**
 (a) punishing (c) admiring
 (b) pleasing (d) disturbing
- You'll never get over being afraid of things.**
 (a) continue (c) end
 (b) overcome (d) start
- This is dreadful.**
 (a) terrible (c) intriguing
 (b) pleasing (d) stunning
- There is a bus station along a deserted highway.**
 (a) empty (c) stony
 (b) sandy (d) grassy

ANSWER KEY

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