ENGLISH QUIZ

Directions (1-15): In each of the question given below a/an idiom/phrase is given in bold which is then followed by five options which then try to decipher its meaning. Choose the option which gives the correct meaning of the phrases.

Q1. At the drop of a hat

- (a) completely
- (b) silently
- (c) instantly
- (d) delicately
- (e) smartly

Q2. Back to the drawing board

- (a) to start from the beginning after getting failed
- (b) to start doing hard work
- (c) to be determined in the sense to complete a task
- (d) to be the creator of one self's destiny
- (e) to be bold while expressing

Q3. Ball is in your court

- (a) to be fortunate
- (b) to survive in a chaotic environment
- (c) to be judgmental towards someone

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- (d) to have the opportunity to make the next decision
- (e) to get into trouble even after lots of efforts

Q4. Be glad to see the back of

- (a) enjoying the mistakes of someone
- (b) getting jealous after seeing the success of someone
- (c) ignorant to the good qualities of someone
- (d) getting happy after seeing the failure of someone
- (e) avoiding the main topic

Q5. Best thing since sliced bread

- (a) good news after a long time
- (b) the best alternative
- (c) a good idea or plan
- (d) a sorrowful story
- (e) a plan that seems to get failed

Q6. Caught between two stools

- (a) to be very fat
- (b) caught between two alternatives to chose
- (c) to be partial
- (d) caught between two major problems
- (e) to have no solution to the problem

Q7. Cross that bridge when you come to it

- (a) to do only when forced by someone
- (b) to act when necessary, not before it
- (c) to walk slowly
- (d) to be pressurized by someone who is not related to the matter
- (e) to be lazy

Q8. Don't give up the day job

- (a) to be brave
- (b) to end the proceedings
- (c) to start the proceedings of the day
- (d) to not to get tired
- (e) to not to do something professionally

Q9. Drastic times call for drastic measures

- (a) to be violent when at job
- (b) to be rude when exhausted
- (c) to take help of strong people
- (d) to take extreme steps at extremely hard times
- (e) to kill people in the war

Q10. Far cry from

- (a) very far
- (b) very different
- (c) very close
- (d) very much tough
- (e) very much irritating

Q11. Give the benefit of the doubt

- (a) to criticize someone without confirming
- (b) to appreciate even after the lots of mistakes
- (c) to believe someone without any proof
- (d) to praise the wrongdoings of someone
- (e) to raise the several questions

Q12. Keep something at bay

- (a) keep someone away from the material benefits of the world
- (b) keep someone alone
- (c) keep something away
- (d) beat someone to death
- (e) to make someone depressed

Q13. Let sleeping dogs lie

- (a) to not to disturb the things which can get you into trouble
- (b) to let the animals be at peace
- (c) to be a vegetarian
- (d) to not to speak on the issue on which you have little knowledge
- (e) to not to disturb someone who is sleeping

Q14. Make a long story short

- (a) talkative
- (b) not complete
- (c) come to the point
- (d) lack of knowledge
- (e) to lie

Q15. Off one's rocker

- (a) intelligent
- (b) crazy
- (c) talented
- (d) brave
- (e) naive

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- **1.** c
- 2. a
- 3. d
- 5. e
- 6. c
- 7. b
- 8. e
- 9. d
- 10. b
- 11. c
- **12.** c
- 13. a
- **14**. c
- 15. b