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ONE WORD SUBSTITUTES

One word substitution is a process in which people use one word to replace a wordy phrase, to make the sentence structure more clear. The meaning is identical, yet the sentence is shorter. One word can often express the idea of a phrase or a clause and can help in writing or communicating precisely. For example a position for which no salary is paid is called 'honorary' and a person who can make himself at home in any country is called 'cosmopolitan'. Sometimes it is possible to express the idea of a phrase or even a clause with just one word.

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| 1. One who is out to subvert a government | Anarchist |
| 2. One who is recovering from illness | Convalescent |
| 3. One who is all powerful | Omnipotent |
| 4. One who is present everywhere | Omnipresent |
| 5. One who knows everything | Omniscient |
| 6. One who is easily deceived | Gullible |
| 7. One who does not make mistakes | Infallible |
| 8. One who can do anything for money | Mercenary |
| 9. One who has no money | Pauper |
| 10. One who changes sides | Turncoat |
| 11. One who works for free | Volunteer |
| 12. One who loves books | Bibliophile |
| 13. One who can speak two languages | Bilingual |
| 14. One who loves mankind | Philanthropist |
| 15. One who hates mankind | Misanthrope |
| 16. One who looks on the bright side of things | Optimist |
| 17. One who looks on the dark side of things | Pessimist |
| 18. One who doubts the existence of god | Agnostic |
| 19. One who pretends to be what he is not | Hypocrite |
| 20. One incapable of being tired | Indefatigable |
| 21. One who helps others Good | Samaritan |
| 22. One who copies from other writers | Plagiarist |
| 23. One who hates women | Misogynist |
| 24. One who knows many languages | Polyglot |
| 25. One who is fond of sensuous pleasures | Epicure |
| 26. One who thinks only of himself | Egoist |
| 27. One who thinks only of welfare of women | Feminist. |



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28. One who is indifferent to pleasure or pain	Stoic
29. One who is quite like a woman	Effeminate
30. One who has strange habits	Eccentric
31. One who speaks less	Reticent
32. One who goes on foot	Pedestrian
33. One who believes in fate	Fatalist
34. One who dies without a Will	Intestate
35. One who always thinks himself to be ill	Valetudinarian
36. A Government by the people	Democracy
37. A Government by a king or queen	Monarchy
38. A Government by the officials	Bureaucracy
39. A Government by the rich	Plutocracy
40. A Government by the few	Oligarchy
41. A Government by the Nobles	Aristocracy
42. A Government by one	Autocracy
43. Rule by the mob	<u>Mobocracy</u>
44. That through which light can pass	Transparent
45. That through which light cannot pass	Opaque
46. That through which light can partly pass	Translucent
47. A sentence whose meaning is unclear	Ambiguous
48. A place where orphans live	Orphanage
49. That which cannot be described	Indescribable
50. That which cannot be imitated	Inimitable
51. That which cannot be avoided	Inevitable
52. A position for which no salary is paid	Honorary
53. That which cannot be defended	Indefensible
54. Practice of having several wives	Polygamy
55. Practice of having several husbands	Polyandry
56. Practice of having one wife or husband	Monogamy
57. Practice of having two wives or husbands	Bigamy
58. That which is not likely to happen	Improbable
59. People living at the same time	Contemporaries
60. A book published after the death of its author	Posthumous
61. A book written by an unknown author	Anonymous



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62. A life history written by oneself	Autobiography
63. A life history written by somebody else	Biography
64. People who work together	Colleagues
65. One who eats too much	Glutton
66. That which cannot be satisfied	Insatiable
67. One who questions everything	Cynic
68. A flesh eating animal	Carnivorous
69. A grass eating animal	Herbivorous
70. One who lives in a foreign country	Immigrant
71. To transfer one's authority to another	Delegate
72. One who is a newcomer	Neophyte
73. That which is lawful	Legal
74. That which is against law	Illegal
75. One who is unmarried	Celibate
76. A game in which no one wins	Draw
77. A study of man	Anthropology
78. A study of races	Ethnology
79. A study of the body	Physiology
80. A study of animals	Zoology
81. A study of birds	Ornithology
82. A study of ancient things	Archaeology
83. A study of derivation of words	Etymology
84. Murder of a human being	Homicide
85. Murder of a father	Patricide
86. Murder of a mother	Matricide
87. Murder of an brother	Fatricide
88. Murder of an infant	Infanticide
89. Murder of self	Suicide
90. Murder of the king	Regicide
91. To free somebody from all blame	Exonerate
92. To write under a different name	Pseudonym
93. A thing no longer in use	Obsolete
94. A handwriting that cannot be read	Illegible
95. Words written on the tomb of a person	Epitaph



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96. One who is greedy for money	Avaricious
97. Something that cannot be imitated	Inimitable
98. One who doesn't know how to read and write	Illiterate
99. A person's peculiar habit	Idiosyncrasy
100. An animal who preys on other animals	Predator
101. Violating the sanctity of a church	Sacrilege
102. One who can throw his voice	Ventriloquist

You Tube Links:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OVsS5dTVbVI>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zz6B4vmDrE>

Activity Based Learning:

News Paper Reading:

Read a Passage in the news paper and explore the usage of single word substitution and find its correct meaning

MCQ :- Choose One word substitutes for the following

1. A government by the nobles
 - A. Autocracy
 - B. Democracy
 - C. Aristocracy
 - D. Bureaucracy
2. A person who believes that pleasure is the chief good
 - A. Sensual
 - B. Epicure
 - C. Stoic
 - D. Hedonist
3. A process involving too much official formality
 - A. Bureaucracy
 - B. Red-tapism
 - C. Diplomacy
 - D. Nepotism
4. The custom of having more than one husband at the same time



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- A. Bigamy
 - B. Debauchery
 - C. Polyandry
 - D. Polygamy
5. Life history of a person written by another
- A. Biography
 - B. Autobiography
 - C. Memoir
 - D. Bibliography
6. To cause troops etc. to spread out in readiness for battle
- A. Disperse
 - B. Collocate
 - C. Deploy
 - D. Align
7. A person who has no money to pay off his debts
- A. Pauper
 - B. Beggar
 - C. Debtor
 - D. Insolvent
8. Commencement of words with the same letter
- A. Alliteration
 - B. Oxymoron
 - C. Rhyme
 - D. Pun
9. To send an unwanted person out of the country
- A. Expatriate
 - B. Deport
 - C. Ostracise
 - D. Exclude
10. Anything written in a letter after it is signed
- A. Corrigendum



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- B. Postdiction
- C. Postscript
- D. Posterity
- 11. The policy of extending a country's empire and influence
 - A. Capitalism
 - B. Communism
 - C. Internationalism
 - D. Imperialism
- 12. Bringing about gentle and painless death from incurable disease
 - A. Euthanasia
 - B. Gallows
 - C. Suicide
 - D. Euphoria
- 13. Music sung or played at night below a person's window
 - A. Primo
 - B. Sonnet
 - C. Lyric
 - D. Serenade
- 14. To examine one's own thoughts and feelings
 - A. Reflection
 - B. Introspection
 - C. Retrospection
 - D. Meditation
- 15. A government run by a dictator
 - A. Autocracy
 - B. Theocracy
 - C. Democracy
 - D. Oligarchy
- 16. Strong and settled dislike between two persons
 - A. Apathy
 - B. Hatred
 - C. Antipathy



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D. Animosity

17. A person who does not believe in any religion

A. Pagan

B. Rationalist

C. Philatelist

D. Atheist

18. A short, usually amusing, story about some real person or event

A. Allegory

B. Antidote

C. Tale

D. Anecdote

19. A post without remuneration

A. Sinecure

B. Honorary

C. Involuntary

D. Voluntary

20. Government by a single person

A. Autocracy

B. Monarchy

C. Aristocracy

D. Plutocracy

21. A man of lax moral

A. Pirate

B. licentious

C. Vagabond

D. Ruffian

22. The short remaining end of a cigarette

A. Stub

B. Rag

C. Stump

D. Scrap

23. A small enclosure for cattle, sheep, poultry etc.



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- A. Lair
- B. Sty
- C. Cellar
- D. Pen