

## ANAGRAMS - KEY

**Change the words in bold type so that the sentences make sense. Each of the words is an anagram of the correct word.**

1. Your knowledge of computer spreadsheets will be a big **seats** (\_\_\_\_ASSET\_\_) in this job.
2. So, your relationship is going through a difficult period? Perhaps **bedroom** (\_\_\_\_BOREDOM\_\_) is the problem, and you both need change and development.
3. They **design** (\_\_\_\_SIGNED\_\_) the contract, so it's a bit late to change their minds now.
4. The trouble is that you often **laid** (\_\_\_\_DIAL\_\_) the wrong number.
5. Do I detect a **thin** (\_\_\_\_HINT\_\_) of jealousy in your note?
6. He was a man of very strong **ladies** (\_\_\_\_IDEALS\_\_), but sadly he often failed to live up to them.
7. Now I know that you **idle** (\_\_\_\_LIED\_\_) about everything. I feel used and deceived. I hate you.
8. She remained interested in politics. After she became blind, she read everything in **liberal** (\_\_\_\_BRAILLE\_\_) she could lay her hands on.
9. Which would you prefer – the scenic **outer** (\_\_\_\_ROUTE\_\_), or the more direct one taking the inner ring-road?
10. She wore a pretty cotton trouser suit, pale yellow with thin black **priests** (\_\_\_\_STRIPES\_\_).
11. He was angry that we failed to discuss the wide **anger** (\_\_\_\_RANGE\_\_) of issues that he had raised in his report.
12. I want to study **remain** (\_\_\_\_MARINE\_\_) biology at university, because I love the sea.
13. It's a sort of theme restaurant. There's poetry on the walls, and the menu is written in **serve** (\_\_\_\_VERSE\_\_).
14. This analysis shows up **reveals** (\_\_\_\_SEVERAL\_\_) problems with our accounting system which will have to be sorted out.
15. Claudia **spider** (\_\_\_\_PRIDES\_\_) herself to the ability to handle insects and other creepy-crawlies without any fear whatsoever.

## DESCRIBING PEOPLE

Describe the people below using adjectives from the box.

Clumsy	cynical	dynamic	elegant	genuine	gullible	illiterate
intellectual	intimidating	skillful	superstitious	tolerant	tough	
versatile	weird					

1. Dustin Hoffman can take on almost any kind of role – comic, tragic, bizarre characters, everything. \_\_\_\_\_VERSATILE\_\_\_\_\_
2. My daughter believes absolutely everything you tell her. But she's only five. \_\_\_\_\_GULLIBLE\_\_\_\_\_
3. My grandfather can't read or write. He worked on the family farm from the age of seven. \_\_\_\_\_ILLITERATE\_\_\_\_\_
4. In my family we say that my brother has two left hands. He breaks everything. \_\_\_\_\_CLUMSY\_\_\_\_\_.
5. My wife only wears designer clothes, and they look perfect on her. \_\_\_\_\_ELEGANT\_\_\_\_\_
6. My mother is a thinker, always discussing issues and reading. \_\_\_\_\_INTELLECTUAL\_\_\_\_\_
7. My brother-in-law makes beautiful furniture. It's great to watch him working. \_\_\_\_\_SKILLFUL\_\_\_\_\_.
8. My aunt spends her life reading horoscopes, she carries lucky charms around with her, and she never, ever walks under a ladder! \_\_\_\_\_SUPERSTITIOUS\_\_\_\_\_
9. My father is an old-style communist, but he seems to get on with everybody, whatever their politics. \_\_\_\_\_TOLERANT\_\_\_\_\_
10. My niece is a bit strange. She goes around wearing all black clothes and purple lipstick. She listens to old heavy metal bands. \_\_\_\_\_WEIRD\_\_\_\_\_
11. My sister-in-law has had lots of trouble in her life, but she survives – and nobody pushes her around. \_\_\_\_\_TOUGH\_\_\_\_\_
12. With my uncle, "What you see is what you get". He never says anything unless he means it, and he really cares about people. \_\_\_\_\_GENUINE\_\_\_\_\_
13. My eldest son is always creating something. He's full of energy. \_\_\_\_\_DYNAMIC\_\_\_\_\_
14. My cousin Vinni always suspects everyone's motives. \_\_\_\_\_CYNICAL\_\_\_\_\_
15. My grandmother has terribly strong views on things, and not many people dare to contradict her. \_\_\_\_\_INTIMIDATING\_\_\_\_\_

## **COLLECTIVE NOUNS**

**What are the collective nouns for these things???**

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| 1. birds            | FLOCK      |
| 2. grapes           | BUNCH      |
| 3. actors in a play | CAST       |
| 4. people           | CROWD      |
| 5. cattle           | HERD       |
| 6. bees             | SWARM      |
| 7. wolves           | PACK       |
| 8. fish             | SHOAL      |
| 9. directors        | BOARD      |
| 10. ships           | FLEET      |
| 11. cards           | PACK       |
| 12. thieves         | GANG       |
| 13. flowers         | BUNCH      |
| 14. antique coins   | COLLECTION |
| 15. golf clubs      | SET        |

## **PHRASAL VERBS**

**Replace the words in brackets using a suitable phrasal verb from the box. Put the verb in the correct form.**

Come up with	drop in	get at	get down	get round	give away	go off
go out	go back	hand in	pass away	turn down		

1. Some idiot turned off the fridge, and the milk has GONE OFF.
2. He looked quite convincing dressed as a woman, but his moustache GAVE him AWAY.
3. The game of chess originates from India and GOES BACK about two thousand years.
4. I need a break. All this non-stop work is GETTING me DOWN.
5. What exactly are you GETTING AT? Have I done something wrong?
6. No, darling, it looks terrible. I think you'll find that purple spiky hair WENT OUT decades ago.
7. I was offered a great job in America, but I had to TURN it DOWN because I'm looking after my mother.
8. I know you're busy, but can't you just DROP IN for a minute and say hello to the guys?
9. She's brilliant. We spent weeks on this software problem, getting nowhere. Then she arrived and CAME UP WITH a solution straightaway.
10. How can we GET ROUND the problem of ever-staffing without actually sacking people?
11. It's too late to change your mind now. You've HANDED IN your resignation.
12. After my husband PASSED AWAY I was grief stricken for years – well, weeks, anyway.