Directions: Choose the best meaning or synonym of the underlined word in each sentence.

1. Every Christian's path is **beset** by peril.
   
   A. bested
   B. frightened
   C. surrounded
   D. chased

2. The power failure at 8 P.M. caused **consternation** among the barangay's residents.
   
   A. dismay
   B. deliberation
   C. disability
   D. distaste

3. The **consensus** among the congressmen was that the bill would not be passed.
   
   A. divided
   B. controversy
   C. gathering
   D. agreement

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4. **Tempestuous** times preceded the EDSA People Power Revolution.

A. emotionally charged  
B. temperate  
C. trying  
D. peaceful

5. Imelda Marcos was known for her **ostentatious** extravagance.

A. oscillating  
B. loud  
C. wealthy  
D. showy

6. Some believe that the treatment for modern-day depression is complete **abstinence** from social media use.

A. absence  
B. avoidance  
C. sickness  
D. prescription

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7. Filipino revolutionary heroes made a **vehement** protest against Spanish colonization.

A. veiled  
B. verified  
C. impassioned  
D. voracious

8. The **consolidated** revenues of his two companies declined during the pandemic.

A. advertised  
B. united  
C. divided  
D. met

9. Noel waited in agony as his wife went through the **throes** of childbirth.

A. struggle  
B. study  
C. wake  
D. theater

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10. Mary Grace Cafe is a favorite rendezvous for all the titas of Manila.

A. hidden retreat  
B. hiding place  
C. meeting place  
D. dining room

11. Lola Mona Lisa is so old that her health has regressed to the point that she may die any time soon.

A. remembered  
B. alluded  
C. deteriorated  
D. progressed

12. The garrulous taxi driver annoyed most of his passengers especially the introverted ones.

A. talkative  
B. gracious  
C. sickly  
D. grey

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13. A less scrupulous plumber could easily have unnecessarily replaced the drainpipes and run up the cost.

A. afraid  
B. employed  
C. careful  
D. infamous

14. President Ronald Drump's efforts to rescind the law were useless.

A. revive  
B. change  
C. repeal  
D. rescue

15. The governor has a vindictive attitude toward his ex-wife who cheated on him.

A. vindicated  
B. troublesome  
C. weak  
D. vengeful

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16. The vice-president took power in the **interim** period before the election.

A. interval  
B. interception  
C. interaction  
D. insertion

17. Noemi is furious at her friend who **bamboozled** her into investing in a pyramid scheme.

A. immoral  
B. duped  
C. amoral  
D. honest

18. The country's air pollution guidelines are not as **stringent** as the climate change advocates want them to be.

A. lax  
B. flexible  
C. strict  
D. tolerant

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19. The Spanish colonizers **subjugated** the native population of the Philippines in order to introduce Christianity.

A. liberated  
B. subdued  
C. frightened  
D. digressed

20. Paulo wanted to become a doctor because of his desire to **mitigate** misery in the world.

A. aggravate  
B. intensify  
C. finish  
D. alleviate