

Chapter 20. Words Often Confused

Exercise. A. Fill in the blanks with appropriate words:

1. Last evening, the police succeeded in arresting a _____ dacoit. (famous, notorious)
2. We enjoyed our trip to the _____ buildings of Hyderabad. (historic, historical)
3. Being intelligent is not enough; one should be _____ also. (industrial, industrious)
4. He is working as an _____ doctor, but he looks after the patients well. (honorary, honourable)
5. She _____ me of her help. (assured, insured)

B. Select words from the brackets to fill in the blanks:

1. Some _____ leaders of the country are involved in this case of corruption and their arrest seems to be _____. (eminent, imminent)
2. Mr Dev, the _____ Chief Minister of our state was a _____ by profession. (former, farmer)
3. The _____ poems he wrote are the most befitting _____ to him. (memorial, memorable)
4. Our Principal is a _____ person and all the students are _____ towards him. (respectful, respectable)

C. In some of these sentences one word has been spelt wrongly. Underline the word and write its correct spellings in the space provided:

1. We should peal an apple before eating it. _____

2. The patient had lain in bed for two days. _____

3. A large bail of cloth was lying in the boat. _____

4. One should not adapt unfair means to achieve success. _____

5. Sushil Kumar won a silver medal in the Olympic Games. _____