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Section One: What meaning is closest to that of the Greek element in **BOLD CAPITALS**?

1. at**TUNE** A. music B. tone C. stretch out D. key E. align
2. eli**XIR** A. harsh B. sand C. liquid D. medicinal E. pith
3. JEAL**ous** A. love B. hatred C. jealousy D. emotion E. close
4. ICHNEU**mon** A. race B. fish C. sea D. iron E. to see
5. **CENTR**ifugal A. to prick/stab B. the center C. base/bottom D. to turn
E. to be in the middle of
6. **HELI**um A. gas B. light C. inert D. sun E. star
7. ec**STAS**Y A. to stand B. crazed C. zany D. to run E. to be crazed
8. geo**GRAP**HER A. write B. read C. earth D. study E. law
9. cata**CLYS**M A. to wash away B. to smooth C. to read D. to stretch
E. to bend
10. **CARP**el A. fish B. carp C. fruit D. plant E. tree
11. over**TAX** A. assess B. meter C. pay D. tire out E. wear out
12. **MAG**ic A. trick B. illusion C. hand D. wizard E. wand
13. in**TONE** A. music B. tune C. mellow D. stretch out E. shape
14. **TAP**estry A. carpet B. embroidery C. sew D. stitch E. depict
15. **TELE**phone A. sound B. at a distance C. wire D. artificial E. modern
16. **GYNECO**logy A. daughter B. medicine C. woman D. wife E. birth
17. poly**ANDR**Y A. husband B. marriage C. tongue D. language E. learning
18. Amoral A. without B. inside C. outside D. within E. with
19. oleo**MARGA**RINE A. pearl B. butter C. oil D. water E. yellow
20. doxo**LOGY** A. speech B. hymn C. offering D. dismissal E. song

Section Two: What is the meaning of each of the following derivatives? Always consider the meanings of Greek elements when choosing your answer.

21. orthodoxy A. heresy B. correct teaching C. doctrine D. religion
22. titanic A. sea B. navy C. gigantic D. ocean
23. oxidize A. breathe out B. breathe in C. rust D. turn green
24. triskaidekaphobia *fear of* A. mountains B. the number thirteen
C. big spaces D. bridges
25. bibliophile *lover of* A. books B. learning C. religion D. music
26. polyglot *one who* A. has two wives B. has many husbands
C. speaks many languages D. has many books
27. dulcimer A. a type of musical instrument B. a sweet cake C. a type of candy
D. a melody
28. geotropism A. the tendency of a plant to grow toward the ground
B. the tendency of a plant to break through rocks in order to grow

53. *mega* A. large B. small C. right D. loud E. sound
54. *phot-* A. light B. paint C. nail D. draw E. limn
55. *tithemi-* A. touch B. put C. drag D. be powerful E. be religious
56. *ethnos* A. a people B. minority C. foreign D. a vision E. cooking
57. *thapto-* A. write B. demean C. describe D. death E. bury
58. *apo-* A. to B. from C. send D. man E. love
59. *oimos* A. road B. poem C. man D. home E. law
60. *pharmakon* A. druggist B. doctor C. prescription D. medicine E. instruction
61. *telos* A. accomplishment B. tax C. duty D. all of the above E. none of the above
62. *kophinos* A. burial B. urn C. pottery D. order E. basket
63. *phemi-* A. appear B. dissolve C. hear D. speak E. deny
64. *phalanx* A. finger B. attachment C. excrescence D. all of the above E. none of the above
65. *oligos* A. little, few B. rich, wealthy C. rule, reign D. oil, liquid E. none of the above
66. *meta-* A. large B. small C. beside D. beyond E. within
67. *em-* A. in, on B. measure C. in addition D. beyond E. thorough
68. *phiale* A. cup B. bowl C. drop D. tube E. love
69. *anemos* A. evil B. ill will C. wind D. storm E. river
70. *be-* A. be B. exist C. throw D. step E. mistake

Section Five: Which is not derived at least partially from the same *Greek* element from the rest?

71. A. piddling B. pediatrics C. orthopedics D. pedology E. encyclopedia
72. A. emblem B. parlance C. problem D. abolish E. parable
73. A. anecdote B. dote C. dose D. antidote E. dosage
74. A. hepatitis B. heptagon C. heptameter D. heptateuch E. heptahedron
75. A. surgery B. ergonomically C. surge D. energetically E. dramaturgy
76. A. tautology B. anthology C. mythology D. catalogue E. apology
77. A. decalogue B. deacon C. triskaidekaphobia D. dean E. decade
78. A. apotheosis B. theory C. theater D. theoretic E. All are from the same element.
79. A. breastplate B. plateau C. ectoplasm D. piazza E. platinum
80. A. corollary B. crown C. coronet D. coroner E. All are from the same element.

Section Six: Give the best response for each item. Always consider **Greek elements** when making your choice.

81. We marveled at the beautiful red blooms on the ____.
A. coreopsis B. ficus C. rhododendron D. phylum
82. The priest wanted to use the ____ from the offering basin to help to feed the poor.
A. food B. alms C. diocesan D. money E. diapason
83. Samuel Johnson, a great ____, produced an early English dictionary.

