Terms of Tempo Pre-Test for Instrumental Music

Choose the closest meaning of the terms listed below:

1. Accelerando
   a. fast, lively
   b. suddenly faster
   c. gradually increasing in speed
   d. string-like

2. Adagio
   a. slow, restful
   b. the same tempo
   c. a piece for strings only
   d. medium speed

3. Ritardando
   a. in the same manner
   b. gradually slower
   c. slow
   d. suddenly slower

4. Presto
   a. very fast, quick
   b. at a moderate tempo
   c. pressing forward
   d. gradually faster

5. Andante
   a. lively
   b. slow
   c. moderate, walking speed
   d. slightly uneven tempo

6. L’istesso Tempo
   a. alternating tempos
   b. pushing ahead
   c. the same speed as before
   d. dragging, slowing

7. Vivace
   a. very slow
   b. lively, brisk
   c. at a moderate tempo
   d. staccato, separated

8. Poco più mosso
   a. little movement, slow
   b. little by little
   c. a little slower
   d. a little faster

9. Grave
   a. very slow, soloms
   b. light, bouncy
   c. to hold the notes a long time
   d. moderate to slow

10. Largo
    a. moderately slow
    b. slowly
    c. slow, broad
    d. humorously

11. Rubato
    a. using flexible tempo
    b. accelerating quickly
    c. back to the original tempo
    d. without regard to style

12. Stringendo
    a. slowing gradually
    b. with reluctance
    c. string it out
    d. hastening the tempo

13. Allegro
    a. fast and loud
    b. loud and exciting
    c. fast, lively
    d. medium tempo

14. Meno mosso
    a. with a lilting feel
    b. in a swing style
    c. with increased speed
    d. less motion, slightly slower

15. Moderato
    a. with moderation
    b. moderately fast
    c. at a moderate rate of speed
    d. moderately slow

16. Non troppo
    a. tripping along
    b. no tempo change
    c. not too much
    d. not troubled

17. a tempo
    a. choose any speed
    b. back to original tempo
    c. the next faster/slower tempo
    d. the speed of any piece

18. Larghetto
    a. dull, boring
    b. rushing forward
    c. somewhat slow, not as slow as Largo
    d. quickly and with joy

19. Molto
    a. more
    b. much, very
    c. less
    d. gradually slower

20. Rallentando
    a. getting faster
    b. relentless
    c. louder, broader
    d. gradually slower

21. Allargando (allarg.)
    a. gradually speed up
    b. large in volume
    c. becoming slower more stately
    d. the largest note values

22. Allegretto
    a. moderately fast
    b. lightly, with feeling
    c. faster than Allegro
    d. in the style of a march