

Great Expectations

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1.	abeyance	uh BAY uns	suspension of action
	Synonyms >>	dormancy, latency, quiescence	Antonym >> activity
	The meeting was held in abeyance until the chairperson arrived.		
	Derivatives >>	abeyant	
2.	acquiesce	AK wee es	to give in, to comply
	Synonyms >>	accede, agree, assent, consent, subscribe	Antonym >> to object; to disagree
	I was so desperate that I had to acquiesce to his demands.		
	Derivatives >>	acquiescence, acquiescent, acquiescingly, acquiescently	
3.	adamant	AD uh munt	inflexible, immovable, obstinate
	Synonyms >>	inexorable, obdurate	Antonym >> pliant
	The man was adamant in his decision to seek a political office.		
	Derivatives >>	adamantine, adamantive, adamancy, adamantly	
4.	affable	AF uh bul	friendly, courteous, amiable
	Synonyms >>	cordial, genial, gracious, sociable	Antonym >> surly; aloof; unfriendly
	He had a very affable nature, always saying "Hello" to everyone.		
	Derivatives >>	affability, affableness, affably	
5.	affinity	uh FIN uh tee	a likeness, a natural relationship, a kinship
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> repulsion
	Having suffered himself, he felt an affinity for the homeless.		
	Derivatives >>	affinitive	
6.	amiable	A mee uh bul	friendly, sociable, and congenial; civil and urbane
	Synonyms >>	good-natured, obliging, complaisant	Antonym >>
	She was blessed with having such an amiable friend who was almost always good-natured and obliging.		
	Derivatives >>	amiableness, amiably, amicable, amicability, amiability	
7.	animosity	an uh MAH suh tee	harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred
	Synonyms >>	animus, antagonism, antipathy, enmity, hostility, rancor	Antonym >> love
	I have a lot of animosity for him, since he attempted to steal my girlfriend.		
	Derivatives >>	animus	
8.	apprise	uh PRIZE	to inform or to give notice
	Synonyms >>	acquaint, notify	Antonym >> to fail to inform
	People who are arrested have to be apprised of their rights.		
	Derivatives >>	apprised, apprising, apprizer	
9.	approbation	ap row BAY shun	official approval, praise, commendation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> disapprobation, disapproval
	We initiated the attack with the approbation of the general.		
	Derivatives >>	approve, approbated, approbating, approbative, approbatory, approbateness	
10.	ascend	uh SEND	to move upward, to rise from a lower station
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to descend; to go down
	The climbers ascended the mountain.		
	Derivatives >>	ascendancy, ascendancy, ascendant, ascension, ascending, ascended	
11.	assiduous	uh SIJ you us	marked by careful and unremitting attention, constant in application
	Synonyms >>	industrious, sedulous, diligent	Antonym >> desultory; lazy
	He worked assiduously at studying geometry for weeks before he felt prepared to take the final exam.		
	Derivatives >>	assiduously, assiduousness	

12.	audacity	aw DAS uh tee	excessive boldness, rashness, daring
	Synonyms >>	cheek, chutzpah, effrontery, gall, hardihood, temerity	Antonym >> meekness
	I was surprised that he had the audacity to approach the Queen.		
	Derivatives >>	audacious, audaciousness, audaciously	
13.	augment	awg MENT	to make greater or to supplement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to diminish
	We must try to augment our savings this year.		
	Derivatives >>	augmentable, augments, augmentation, augmentative, augmented	
14.	avarice	AV uh ris	greed for wealth
	Synonyms >>	cupidity	Antonym >> generosity
	Avarice and gluttony are two vices that can destroy lives.		
	Derivatives >>	avaricious, avariciously, avariciousness	
15.	beguile	buh GUYL	to deceive, to mislead, to persuade with charm
	Synonyms >>	delude	Antonym >> to enlighten
	We sometimes allow ourselves to be beguiled by flatterers.		
	Derivatives >>	beguiled, beguiling, beguilement, beguiler	
16.	benevolence	buh NEV uh lunz	kindness, generosity, charity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> antagonism; avarice; malevolence
	His benevolence was shown when he set up soup kitchens for the poor.		
	Derivatives >>	benevolent, benevolently	
17.	blighted	BLIE ted	destroyed or caused by decline or decay
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> good; healthy; wholesome
	The blighted fruit had to be separated from the rest.		
	Derivatives >>	blight	
18.	blithe	BLIETH	lighthearted, joyous, glad, cheerful, free of spirit
	Synonyms >>	jocund, jolly, jovial	Antonym >> morose
	Her blithe spirit provided an air of gaiety at the meeting.		
	Derivatives >>	blithely, blithesome, blithesomely, blithesomeness	
19.	candid	KAN did	blunt, sincere honesty
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> reserved
	His candid responses to the questions surprised us all.		
	Derivatives >>	candidly, candidness	
20.	clemency	KLEM un see	leniency
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harshness
	Governors are usually allowed to grant clemency to deserving prisoners.		
	Derivatives >>	clemencies, clement, clemently	
21.	commodious	kuh MO dee us	affording ample space and room; adapted to or suitable for use
	Synonyms >>	capacious, ample, serviceable	Antonym >> cramped and crowded
	The room was of a commodious, well-proportioned size.		
	Derivatives >>	commodiously, commodiousness, commodity	
22.	complacency	kum PLAY sun see	the state of being self-satisfied
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dissatisfaction
	Considering that he is failing, it is curious to see his sense of complacency.		
	Derivatives >>	complacent, complacently, complacence, complaisant, complaisance, complaisantly	
23.	conciliate	kun SIL ee ate	to reconcile, to pacify, to renew a friendship
	Synonyms >>	appease, mollify, placate, propitiate	Antonym >> to estrange
	My husband tried to conciliate me with a gift of roses.		
	Derivatives >>	conciliated, conciliating, conciliator, conciliatoriness, conciliatorily	
24.	conflagration	kon fluh GRAY shun	a large fire
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> small flame
	Some believe that the earth will be destroyed by a large conflagration.		
	Derivatives >>	conflagrations, conflagrant, conflagrate, conflagrator, conflagratory	
25.	contempt	kun TEMPT	scorn, extreme dislike or disdain
	Synonyms >>	despicableness, pitiableness, scurviness	Antonym >> respect
	The man treated the gossiping woman with contempt; talking about other people was beneath his dignity.		
	Derivatives >>	contemptible, contemptuous	

26.	contrite	kun TRITE	extremely apologetic, remorseful, repentant
	Synonyms >>	penitent	Antonym >> unrepentant
	Her contrite tears were not enough to convince her father not to spank her for her disobedience.		
	Derivatives >>	contritely, contriteness, contrition	
27.	copious	KO pee us	abundant
	Synonyms >>	ample	Antonym >> sparse
	I always take copious notes in my history class.		
	Derivatives >>	copiousness, copiously	
28.	corrugated	KOR uh gay ted	bent into folds
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> smooth
	A corrugated box absorbs shock and helps to protect its contents.		
	Derivatives >>	corrugate, corrugating	
29.	cupidity	kyoo PID uh tee	greed
	Synonyms >>	avarice	Antonym >> benevolence
	The cupidity of a miser cannot be satisfied.		
	Derivatives >>	cupidities	
30.	derision	deh REH zhun	scoffing at, mockery, ridicule
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> applause
	The boy received much derision for his plaid gym shorts.		
	Derivatives >>	derisive, derisiveness, derisively, derisory	
31.	desolate	DES uh lit	deserted, without inhabitants, barren
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> populous
	Some of the western states have large areas that are desolate.		
	Derivatives >>	desolately, desolateness, desolater, desolating, desolation	
32.	despicable	des PIK uh bul	very bad, contemptible
	Synonyms >>	pitiable, scurvy	Antonym >> likable
	Acting like a bully is despicable.		
	Derivatives >>	despicability, despicableness, despicably	
33.	despondency	deh SPON dun see	depression, dejection
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> blithe hopefulness
	Because he thought that he had failed the test, he felt great despondency.		
	Derivatives >>	despondent, despondence, despondently, desponding, despondingly	
34.	dexterous	DEK struss	skillful and active with the hands; manually adroit and skillful
	Synonyms >>	deft, handy	Antonym >> clumsy
	The machine shop advertised for a dexterous worker.		
	Derivatives >>	dexterity, dexterously, dexterousness, dextral	
35.	diffidence	DIF eh duns	shyness, reserve, unassertiveness
	Synonyms >>	bashfulness, modesty	Antonym >> confidence
	Because of his diffidence, he would not ask any girl to the prom.		
	Derivatives >>	diffidency, diffident, diffidently, diffidentness	
36.	discern	deh SURN	to differentiate between two or more things
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to ignore; to be oblivious; to
	Because of the fog, I was barely able to discern the landing strip.		
	Derivatives >>	discerner, discernible, discernable, discernibleness, discernibly, discernably, discerningly, discernment	
37.	disconcerting	dis kun SUR ting	upsetting, frustrating
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> refreshing; calming
	That he has not responded to the medicine is disconcerting.		
	Derivatives >>	disconcert, disconcerted, disconcertedness, disconcerting, disconcertingly, disconcertingness, disconcertment	
38.	discrepant	deh SKREP unt	disagreeing, inconsistent
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> same; consistent
	The auditor became suspicious when he found the discrepant accounts.		
	Derivatives >>	discrepancy, discrepantly	
39.	disdain	dis DANE	intense dislike; to treat with scorn or contempt, to reject as unworthy
	Synonyms >>	(to be) arrogant, haughty, high-handed, insolent, lordly,	Antonym >> favor, admiration; to love
	Never having had to do manual labor, he disdained the idea of becoming a cotton picker.		
	Derivatives >>	disdained, disdain, disdainful, disdainfully, disdainfulness	

40.	disparage	deh SPAR ij	to degrade, to speak of someone or something in a derogatory manner
	Synonyms >>	belittle, decry, deprecate	Antonym >> to praise profusely
	His disparaging remarks about me caused the committee to give the job to another person.		
	Derivatives >>	disparagement, disparager, disparagingly	
41.	disparity	deh SPAR eh tee	inequality, the condition or fact of being unequal in age, rank, or degree
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> similarity
	The couple got married even though there was a great disparity in their ages.		
	Derivatives >>	disparate, disparately, disparateness, disparatum	
42.	dissipation	dis uh PAY shun	wasteful spending, squandering
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> collection
	Even though he inherited a million dollars, I expect quick dissipation of his fortune.		
	Derivatives >>	dissipate, dissipated, dissipatedly, dissipatedness, dissipater, dissipative	
43.	edifying	ED uh fie ing	instructing and improving spiritually or morally
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> heinous; nefarious
	Visiting the cathedral was an edifying experience.		
	Derivatives >>	edification, edificatory, edify, edifier, edifyingness	
44.	engender	en JEN der	to cause, to produce, to create
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to squelch
	His angry words engendered strife in his relationship with his wife.		
	Derivatives >>	engendered, engenderer, engenders, engendering	
45.	entreaty	en TREE tee	a plea, an earnest request
	Synonyms >>	adjuration, appeal, suit, importunity, supplication	Antonym >> denial
	The lawyer made a lengthy entreaty to the jury before they retired to chambers.		
	Derivatives >>	entreat, entreatingly, entreatment	
46.	exalt	ig ZALT	to glorify, to praise, to raise in rank
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to defame; to deprecate
	The woman was exalted for her successes in the field of science.		
	Derivatives >>	exalted, exalting, exalts, exaltation, exaltedly, exaltedness, exalter	
47.	execrable	EK suh kruh bul	extremely bad, deserving of hate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> admirable
	The cheerleader told a joke about the drill team that was so execrable that he was suspended for three days.		
	Derivatives >>	execrable, execrably, execrate, execration, execrative, execratively, execrator	
48.	extricate	EK struh kate	to free, to disentangle
	Synonyms >>	disembarrass, disencumber	Antonym >> to snare
	He could not extricate himself from the trap.		
	Derivatives >>	extrication, extricated, extricable	
49.	feint	FAYNT	a false appearance, a fake punch to occupy defenses allowing a real blow.
	Synonyms >>	artifice, ruse, stratagem, trick, wile	Antonym >>
	Fooled by his opponent's feint, the boxer dropped his guard and was knocked down.		
	Derivatives >>	feign, feigned, feigning, feignedly, feigner	
50.	felicitous	feh LIS eh tus	happy or delightful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sad; gloomy; morose
	Her marriage was a felicitous occasion.		
	Derivatives >>	felicitate, felicific, felicitation, felicitously, felicitousness, felicity	
51.	ferment	FUR ment	state of agitation, commotion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> peace; calm
	During the Civil War, much of the country was in a state of ferment.		
	Derivatives >>	fermentability, fermentable, fermental, fermentation, fermentative, fermenter	
52.	fortuitous	fore TOO eh tus	something that happens by accident or chance (usually good)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> predetermined
	Being picked first in the lottery is a fortuitous experience.		
	Derivatives >>	fortuitously, fortuitousness, fortuity	
53.	frivolous	FRIV uh lus	lacking in seriousness or importance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> serious; sober
	A teacher should limit frivolous behavior in the classroom.		
	Derivatives >>	frivolity, frivolousness, frivolously	

54.	gentility	jen TIL eh tee	state of refinement, member of the upper class or gentry
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> boorishness
	Southern gentlemen were proud of their gentility.		
	Derivatives >>	gentilities	
55.	gluttonous	GLUT uh nus	greedy for food and drink
	Synonyms >>	rapacious, ravenous, voracious	Antonym >> temperate
	I am so gluttonous that I would have great difficulty dieting.		
	Derivatives >>	glutton, gluttonize, gluttonously, gluttonousness	
56.	goad	GODE	to urge on in a negative sense
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to dissuade
	He was goaded by his friends to take drugs.		
	Derivatives >>	goaded, goading	
57.	guileless	GILE les	without deceit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> deceitful
	The voting public looks for a leader who is guileless; they want one who is full of integrity.		
	Derivatives >>	guileful, guilefulness, guileness, guilelessly, guilelessness, guilery	
58.	hackneyed	HAK need	trite, banal, lacking freshness
	Synonyms >>	threadbare	Antonym >> inventive; fresh
	The teacher instructed her students to avoid hackneyed phrases and instead to use something fresh and new.		
	Derivatives >>		
59.	ignominy	IG nuh min ee	disgraceful or dishonorable conduct
	Synonyms >>	disgrace, disrepute, infamy	Antonym >> honor
	Treason is an ignominy.		
	Derivatives >>	ignominious, ignominiously, ignominiousness	
60.	impel	im PEL	to urge or to drive forward (usually with moral pressure)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to restrain
	I will impel him to study more often in order to pass this class.		
	Derivatives >>	impelling, impellment, impeller, impelled	
61.	imperious	im PEER ee us	extremely overbearing
	Synonyms >>	domineering, imperative, masterful, preemptory	Antonym >> meek
	The imperious behavior of the dictator led to his overthrow.		
	Derivatives >>	imperiously, imperiousness	
62.	impertinent	im PUR tuh nunt	insolently rude, not within the proper bounds of good taste or manners
	Synonyms >>	intrusive, meddlesome, obtrusive, officious	Antonym >> reverent; respectful
	His impertinent remarks did not help his case in the eyes of the jury.		
	Derivatives >>	impertinence, impertinency, impertinently, impertinentness	
63.	impetuous	im PECH oo us	violent, hasty, rash, impulsive
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> reserved
	His impetuous behavior caused him to make many mistakes.		
	Derivatives >>	impetuosity, impetuously, impetuousness, impetus	
64.	impregnable	im PREG nuh bul	incapable of being taken by assault, of being broken into or escaped from
	Synonyms >>	unconquerable, unassailable	Antonym >> easily conquered
	The warriors felt secure in the impregnable fortress.		
	Derivatives >>	impregnability, impregnableness, impregnably	
65.	incongruity	in kon GROO eh tee	nonconformity, disagreement, incompatibility
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> agreement
	The incongruity between the two stories led me to doubt the accuracy of either report.		
	Derivatives >>	incongruent, incongruently, incongruence, incongruous, incongruously, incongruousness	
66.	indignation	in dig NAY shun	anger as a result of something unjust
	Synonyms >>	fury, ire, rage, wrath	Antonym >> serenity
	I have much indignation about the light sentence given to the drunk driver who ran over my child .		
	Derivatives >>	indignant, indignantly, indignance, indignify, indignities	
67.	induce	in DOOS, in DYOOS	to bring on or to bring about
	Synonyms >>	cause, effect, influence, persuade, prevail	Antonym >> to impede
	His personality changes were induced by drugs.		
	Derivatives >>	induced, inducing, inducement, inducer	

68.	infallible	in FAL uh bul	incapable of error
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> erroneous; fallacious
	Since everyone makes mistakes, no human is infallible.		
	Derivatives >>	infallibilism, infallibilist, infallibility, infallibleness, infallibly	
69.	infamous	IN fuh mus	having a reputation of the worst kind, vicious, notoriously bad
	Synonyms >>	disreputable, ignominious	Antonym >> illustrious
	The Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor was an infamous act.		
	Derivatives >>	infamously, infamy, infamies	
70.	ingenuity	in juh NOO eh tee	cleverness, inventiveness, resourcefulness
	Synonyms >>	adroitness, cunning, deftness, dexterity	Antonym >> lack of cleverness
	He showed much ingenuity in his unique way of solving the problem.		
	Derivatives >>	ingenious, ingeniously, ingeniousness	
71.	ingrate	IN grate	an ungrateful person
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> grateful person
	I was stunned when I didn't even receive a "thank you" from the ingrate.		
	Derivatives >>	ingrateful	
72.	inscrutable	in SKROO tuh bul	difficult to understand; mysterious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> clear; readable; understandable
	He had us all confused with his inscrutable smile.		
	Derivatives >>	inscrutableness, inscrutably, inscrutability	
73.	insolence	IN suh luns	insulting or contemptuous behavior
	Synonyms >>	arrogance, haughtiness, high-handedness, impertinence	Antonym >>
	His insolence and lack of respect for his mother are shocking.		
	Derivatives >>	insolent, insolently, insolency, insolentness	
74.	inveterate	in VET ur it	firmly established, habitual, deep-rooted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> readily changeable
	Because he had been an inveterate workaholic, he had trouble adjusting his lifestyle when he retired.		
	Derivatives >>	inveterately, inveterateness	
75.	lament	luh MENT	to mourn or to express sorrow in a demonstrative manner
	Synonyms >>	bemoan, bewail, deplore	Antonym >> to rejoice
	She lamented the death of her father in a very lachrymose manner.		
	Derivatives >>	lamented, lamenting, lamentation, lamentable	
76.	languid	LANG gwid	slow, sluggish, listless, weak
	Synonyms >>	lethargic, stuporous, torpid	Antonym >> animated
	The old man's walk was languid, each pace requiring great effort.		
	Derivatives >>	languidly, languidness, languish, languisher, languishing, languishment	
77.	latent	LATE unt	not visible, dormant
	Synonyms >>	abeyant, quiescent	Antonym >> obvious
	Sometimes a teacher can cause latent talents to emerge.		
	Derivatives >>	latency	
78.	loiter	LOI tur	to stand idly or to linger aimlessly
	Synonyms >>	dally, dawdle, procrastinate	Antonym >> to hasten
	The police did not want people to loiter around the scene of the shooting.		
	Derivatives >>	loitering, loiteringly	
79.	lustrous	LUS trus	shining or gleaming without sparkling
	Synonyms >>	bright, brilliant, luminous, radiant	Antonym >> dull
	That gem is valuable because of its lustrous glow.		
	Derivatives >>	lustrously, lustrousness	
80.	magnanimity	mag nuh NIM eh tee	having a lofty, generous, and courageous spirit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> greed; stinginess
	The magnanimity of the king endeared him to his subjects.		
	Derivatives >>	magnanimous, magnanimously, magnanimousness	
81.	malevolence	muh LEV uh lens	ill will or evil intentions
	Synonyms >>	malice, malignity, spite, spleen	Antonym >> benevolence
	The old man's malevolence was obvious when he removed the girl from his will.		
	Derivatives >>	malevolent, malevolently	

82.	malice	MAL is	desire to harm others
	Synonyms >>	malevolence, malignity, spite, spleen	Antonym >> concern
	His death was caused by malice and was not accidental.		
	Derivatives >>	maliceful, malicious, maliciously, maliciousness	
83.	malign	muh LINE	to utter injuriously misleading reports about
	Synonyms >>	traduce, asperse, vilify, calumniate, defame	Antonym >> to extol
	Several old gossips in the neighborhood had maligned the woman.		
	Derivatives >>	malignance, malignancy, malignant, malignantly	
84.	melancholy	MEL un kol ee	depression of spirits
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> happiness
	After Dad lost his job, he fell into a state of melancholy.		
	Derivatives >>	melancholia, melancholic, melancholiac, melancholically, melancholily, melancholiness, melancholious	
85.	meritorious	mer eh TOR ee us	deserving of honor or praise
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	As a result of his meritorious behavior, the soldier was given a medal.		
	Derivatives >>	meritoriously, meritoriousness	
86.	mollify	MOL eh fie	to soothe or to appease, to assuage
	Synonyms >>	conciliate, pacify, placate, propitiate	Antonym >> to aggravate
	The woman promised to buy candy in order to mollify her screaming child.		
	Derivatives >>	mollification, mollifyingly, mollifier, mollifiable	
87.	monotony	moh NOT uh nee	sameness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> diversity
	There is so much monotony in my life that I need a change		
	Derivatives >>	monotoness, monotonous, monotonously, monotonousness, monotonist	
88.	moribund	MORE eh bund	close to death
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The moribund man asked to see a priest.		
	Derivatives >>	moribundity	
89.	morose	muh ROSE	being sullen or gloomy
	Synonyms >>	crabbed, glum, saturnine, sulky, surly	Antonym >> cheerful
	He was very morose after his wife left him.		
	Derivatives >>	morosely, moroseness, morosity	
90.	mortify	MORE tuh fie	to humiliate, to wound pride, to experience shame
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to calm; to soothe
	It would simply mortify me to have someone say such shameful things about my family.		
	Derivatives >>	mortifyingly, mortifier, mortified, mortifiedly, mortification	
91.	obdurate	OB doo rit	extremely stubborn, unwilling to accept advice
	Synonyms >>	inflexible, inexorable, adamant	Antonym >> tractable
	She was obdurate in her refusal to listen to our concerns about her cocaine problem.		
	Derivatives >>	obdurately, obdurateness, obduration, obdure, obduracy	
92.	obscure	ub SKYOOR	difficult to see, vague
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, cryptic, enigmatic, equivocal,	Antonym >> clear; apparent
	Because the meaning of the play was obscure, I was unable to enjoy it.		
	Derivatives >>	obscuration, obscurative, obscuredly, obscurely, obscurement, obscureness, obscurity	
93.	obsequious	ub SEE kwee us	overly attentive, like a sycophant, servile
	Synonyms >>	slavish, subservient	Antonym >> disinterested
	I believe that his obsequious behavior toward his grandmother is to ensure being included in the will.		
	Derivatives >>	obsequence, obsequent, obsequence, obsequiously, obsequiousness, obsequity	
94.	obstinate	OB stuh nit	unyielding regardless of reason or logic
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> yielding
	He will not accept advice on many things because of his obstinate attitude.		
	Derivatives >>	obstinacy, obstinancy, obstinance, obstinately, obstinateness, obstination	
95.	obtrude	ub TROOD	to thrust out, to thrust forward
	Synonyms >>	intrude	Antonym >> to hold in; to recoil
	It is often rude to obtrude one's opinions upon another when no invitation for them has been given.		
	Derivatives >>	obtrusive, obtruder, obtrusion, obtrusively, obtrusiveness	

96.	obtuse	ub TUSE	dull of mind, insensitive, stupid
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> intelligent
	His obtuse response to the question showed that he did not understand the nature of the discussion.		
	Derivatives >>	obtusely, obtuseness, obtusion, obtusity	
97.	odious	OH dee us	deserving hate or contempt
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> respectable
	Pornography is an odious business.		
	Derivatives >>	odiously, odiousness, odium	
98.	ominous	OM uh nus	threatening
	Synonyms >>	fateful, portentous	Antonym >> harmless; non-threatening
	The ominous clouds were harbingers of the tornado.		
	Derivatives >>	ominously, ominousness	
99.	omnipotent	om NIP uh tunt	having unlimited power
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> limited
	A President who feels that he is omnipotent is not serving the country.		
	Derivatives >>	omnipotence, omnipotency, omnipotently	
100.	ostentatious	os ten TAY shus	showy, pretentious
	Synonyms >>	pompous	Antonym >> modest
	The ostentatious socialite wore her mink fur coat even during the warmest days of August.		
	Derivatives >>	ostentation, ostentate, ostentatiously, ostentatiousness, ostentative	
101.	penitent	PEN eh tunt	showing or feeling regret for wrongdoing, repentant
	Synonyms >>	compunctual, contrite, remorseful	Antonym >> unrepentant
	He became penitent when he realized that his prank resulted in serious injury.		
	Derivatives >>	penitence, penitency, penitential	
102.	pernicious	pur NISH us	very destructive or harmful, deadly
	Synonyms >>	baneful, deleterious, detrimental, noxious	Antonym >> harmless, benign
	Shooting heroin is a pernicious habit.		
	Derivatives >>	perniciously, perniciousness	
103.	perpetuate	pur PECH oo ate	to prolong the existence of something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to destroy
	The Audubon Society works to perpetuate the species of many threatened birds.		
	Derivatives >>	perpetuation, perpetuator, perpetuity, perpetual, perpetually	
104.	perspicacious	pur spu KAY shus	having clear insight, shrewd, very perceptive
	Synonyms >>	astute, sagacious	Antonym >> ignorant; stupid
	The perspicacious detective was able to determine the perpetrator of the crime.		
	Derivatives >>	perspicaciously, perspicaciousness, perspicacity	
105.	placid	PLAS id	peaceful, calm
	Synonyms >>	serene, tranquil	Antonym >> disturbed
	The wilderness is usually a placid place where one can relax.		
	Derivatives >>	placidity, placidly, placidness	
106.	ponderous	PON dur us	very heavy, unwieldy from weight
	Synonyms >>	cumbersome, cumbrous	Antonym >> lightweight
	The ponderous furniture was hard to move, and thus became a burden.		
	Derivatives >>	ponderosity, ponderously, ponderousness	
107.	potent	POTE unt	powerful, having a strong effect
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ineffectual
	They gave me a potent pain killer to stop the throbbing sensation in my leg.		
	Derivatives >>	potence, potency	
108.	primeval	pry MEE vul	ancient, relating to the earliest ages
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> recently developed
	The archeologist discovered a primeval urn that dated to 600 B.C.		
	Derivatives >>	primevally	
109.	prodigious	pruh DIJ us	extraordinary in bulk, quantity, or degree, great in size, enormous
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> puny, minuscule
	His prodigious appetite allowed him to eat the entire turkey.		
	Derivatives >>	prodigiously, prodigiousness	

110.	prudent	PROOD unt	wise and careful about practical matters
	Synonyms >>	judicious, sage, sane, sapient	Antonym >> indiscreet; incautious
	In the city, it is prudent to have locks on all doors and windows.		
	Derivatives >>	prudence, prudential, prudently	
111.	pungent	PUN junt	sharp or irritating to the taste or smell, acrid
	Synonyms >>	piquant, poignant, racy	Antonym >> sweet; pleasant
	There was a pungent odor in the stockyard.		
	Derivatives >>	pungence, pungency, pungently	
112.	querulous	KWER uh lus	constantly complaining, whining
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> uncomplaining
	Amy irritates me when she constantly speaks in her querulous voice.		
	Derivatives >>	querulously, querulousness, querulist, querulent	
113.	ravenous	RAV uh nus	urgently eager for food; craving satisfaction or gratification
	Synonyms >>	voracious, gluttonous, rapacious	Antonym >> sated; satisfied; full
	The boy had a ravenous appetite and ate everything on the table.		
	Derivatives >>	ravenously, ravenousness	
114.	refractory	reh FRAK tuh ree	unmanageable, stubborn with respect to authority
	Synonyms >>	headstrong, intractable, recalcitrant, unruly, willful	Antonym >> obedient
	A refractory child should be removed from the classroom.		
	Derivatives >>	refractorily, refractoriness	
115.	remonstrate	reh MON strate	to protest, to make objections
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to agree; to acquiesce
	I must remonstrate about the treatment of the residents of the rest home.		
	Derivatives >>	remonstrance, remonstrancer, remonstrant, remonstrantly, remonstratingly, remonstration, remonstrative	
116.	reproach	reh PROCH	to blame for something; a disgrace
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chasten, chastise, chide, rebuke,	Antonym >> to praise; accolade
	Her conduct was so good that it was beyond reproach.		
	Derivatives >>	reproachable, reproachful, reproachfully, reproachfulness, reproachingly	
117.	repudiate	reh PYOO dee ate	to reject, to disown, to disavow
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to adopt
	He announced that he would repudiate all debts that had been created by his wife.		
	Derivatives >>	repudiation, repudiationist, repudiator	
118.	repugnant	reh PUG nunt	disgusting, offensive
	Synonyms >>	abhorrent, invidious, obnoxious, repellent	Antonym >> appealing
	It is repugnant to spit on the sidewalk.		
	Derivatives >>	repugnancy, repugnantly, repugnatorial, repugnance	
119.	reticence	RET uh sunt	restraint in speech, reluctance to speak
	Synonyms >>	reserve, taciturnity	Antonym >> candor
	A lawyer must have great reticence in discussing matters that could violate his client's rights.		
	Derivatives >>	reticency, reticent, reticently	
120.	revere	reh VERE	to honor, to regard with respect
	Synonyms >>	adore, venerate, worship	Antonym >> to despise
	Nearly all Catholics revere the Pope.		
	Derivatives >>	reverence, reverent, reverentness, reverential, reverentiality, reverentially	
121.	rhapsodize	RAP suh dize	to express in an overly enthusiastic manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to drone
	He felt his Super Bowl trip was the greatest thing since the wheel and rhapsodized about it for weeks.		
	Derivatives >>	rhapsodist, rhapsodic, rhapsodically, rhapsodical, rhapsodistic	
122.	rudiment	ROO duh munt	an essential element or skill, also the early stages of development
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Because he was not good at the rudiments of English, he had difficulty with his research paper.		
	Derivatives >>	rudimental, rudimentarily, rudimentariness, rudimentary, rudimentation	
123.	rue	ROO	to be sorry for, to regret
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to consider happily
	He will rue the day that he tangles with me.		
	Derivatives >>	rueful, ruefully, ruefulness, rues	

124.	sagacious	suh GAY shus	wise, shrewd, very discerning
	Synonyms >>	astute, perspicacious	
		Antonym >>	ignorant; uninformed; undiscerning
	The sagacious freshman knew not to buy an elevator pass from the senior attempting a clever ruse.		
	Derivatives >>	sagaciate, sagaciously, sagaciousness, sagacity	
125.	sanctify	SANGK tuh fie	to set apart for sacred use, to make holy, to purify
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to taint
	A priest sanctifies water by blessing it.		
	Derivatives >>	sanctification, sanctified, sanctifier, sanctity, sanctitude	
126.	sententious	sen TEN shus	given to excessive moralizing
	Synonyms >>	expressive, pithy, epigrammatic	Antonym >>
	The sententious expression "contentment breeds happiness" is not readily accepted by everyone.		
	Derivatives >>	sententiously, sententiousness	
127.	servile	SUR vil, SUR vile	overly submissive
	Synonyms >>	obsequious, slavish, subservient	Antonym >> authoritative
	Having complete devotion and submissiveness for the sheik, the women of the harem were very servile.		
	Derivatives >>	servilely, servilism, servility, servitude	
128.	slovenly	SLUV un lee	messy, untidy, careless
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> fastidious
	A person with slovenly work habits will likely lose his job.		
	Derivatives >>	slovenry, slovenness, slovenliness	
129.	spurn	SPURN	to reject or to refuse with hostility
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to embrace
	The woman had always viewed the man with disdain and would spurn his attempts at friendship forever.		
	Derivatives >>	spurner, spurned, spurning	
130.	staid	STADE	reserved and upright in manner or behavior, sedate
	Synonyms >>	earnest, grave, sober, solemn	Antonym >> boisterous
	The staid and uninteresting old maid behaved with utmost decorum in all situations.		
	Derivatives >>	staidness	
131.	stupefy	STOO puh fie	to dull the senses as to put into a stupor
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to excite
	That boring lecture would stupefy anyone with any intelligence.		
	Derivatives >>	stupefyingly, stupefaction, stupefacient, stupefactive	
132.	sublime	suh BLIME	exalted, noble, uplifting
	Synonyms >>	resplendent, superb	Antonym >>
	The romantic dinner, which included delicious food, soft music, and a beautiful setting, was simply sublime.		
	Derivatives >>	sublimely, sublimeness, sublimer	
133.	subtle	SUT ul	delicate, elusive, not obvious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> obvious; gross; blunt
	To avoid being obtrusive in the elegant restaurant, he used subtle gestures to call the waiter to his table.		
	Derivatives >>	subtilist, subtily, subtilization, subtilize, subtilizer, subtleness, subtlety	
134.	sunder	SUN dur	to break or to force apart; to become parted or disunited
	Synonyms >>	separate, sever, divorce	Antonym >> to fuse
	The concerned parents attempted to sunder the girl's relationship with the violent young man.		
	Derivatives >>	sundered, sundering, sunders	
135.	supercilious	soo pur SIL ee us	haughty, vain and arrogant
	Synonyms >>	disdainful, high-handed, insolent, lordly	Antonym >> servile
	I do not like your arrogant and supercilious attitude toward poor people.		
	Derivatives >>	superciliously, superciliousness	
136.	supplication	sup luh KAY shun	begging, humbly asking for a favor
	Synonyms >>	adjuration, beseechment, entreaty, imploration, importunity	Antonym >>
	I am going to see the Governor to make a supplication for a pardon for my brother.		
	Derivatives >>	supplicate, supplicatingly, supplicator, supplicatory	
137.	tacit	TAS it	understood, silent, not spoken, implicit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> spoken; verbalized
	We have a tacit agreement that the goods are delivered only after payment is made.		
	Derivatives >>	tacitly, tacitness, taciturn	

138.	terse	TERS	concise
	Synonyms >>	compendious, laconic, pithy, succinct, summary	Antonym >> long-winded
	The president gave a terse statement dismissing the charges of the opposing party.		
	Derivatives >>	tersely, terseness	
139.	trepidation	trep eh DAY shun	fear, trembling, agitation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> fearlessness
	Since I did not have time to study, I have a lot of trepidation about this examination.		
	Derivatives >>	trepidate, trepidant, trepid, trepidly, trepidity	
140.	ungainly	un GANE lee	awkward
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> agile
	Boys who grow very fast are sometimes ungainly.		
	Derivatives >>	ungainliness	
141.	untenable	un TEN uh bul	not able to be defended
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> defensible
	Taking a bribe is an untenable act for a politician.		
	Derivatives >>	untenability, untenableness	
142.	upshot	UP shot	outcome, final result
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> initial step
	The upshot of the riot is that some are dead, and many are wounded.		
	Derivatives >>	upshots	
143.	vagabond	VAG uh bond	one who leads an unsettled, irresponsible or disreputable life
	Synonyms >>	vagrant, truant, tramp, hobo, bum	Antonym >>
	During the winter months the library is often a warm resting place for the vagabond.		
	Derivatives >>	vagabonds, vagabondage, vagabondia	
144.	vanquished	VAN kwishd	conquered, overpowered
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> submitted
	Hitler's armies vanquished Poland with aid from Russia.		
	Derivatives >>	vanquishable, vanquisher, vanquishment	
145.	vestiges	VES tij is	remnants, traces, remains
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The archaeologists were looking for vestiges of ancient Egyptian civilizations.		
	Derivatives >>	vestige, vestigial, vestigium	
146.	vexation	vek SAY shun	discomfort or distress
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> pleasantry
	The young children were a source of vexation to their nervous, neurotic mother.		
	Derivatives >>	vex, vexatious, vexedly, vexedness, vexingly	
147.	vigilant	VIJ uh lunt	very alert, watchful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unconcerned; inattentive
	I have been vigilant in trying to find the thief.		
	Derivatives >>	vigilance, vigilantly, vigilantness, vigil	
148.	virtuous	VIR choo us	having excellent morals; righteous
	Synonyms >>	ethical, noble	Antonym >> depraved
	One would expect nuns to be very virtuous.		
	Derivatives >>	virtuously, virtuousness, virtue	
149.	vogue	VOGE	popular fashion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unfashionable
	Miniskirts are in vogue again.		
	Derivatives >>	voguish	
150.	vulgarity	vul GAR eh tee	something offensive to good taste and refinement
	Synonyms >>	coarseness, grossness, obscenity, ribaldness	Antonym >> refinement
	She chose to ignore the vulgarity of his crude remark.		
	Derivatives >>	vulgar, vulgarian, vulgarism, vulgarization, vulgarize, vulgarizer	
151.	zeal	ZEEL	enthusiasm, fervor
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lack of enthusiasm
	To the delight of his students, he brought great zeal to the teaching profession.		
	Derivatives >>	zeals, zealless, zealot, zealotic, zealotism, zealotry	

152.	zealot	ZEL ot	one who embraces a cause and supports it with vigor
	Synonyms >>	enthusiast	Antonym >> one without enthusiasm or passion
	The man was known as a religious zealot, as he never stopped trying to convert others to his beliefs.		
	Derivatives >>	zealotic, zealotism, zealotry, zealous, zealously	

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3. adamant	41. disparity	79. lustrous	117. repudiate
4. affable	42. dissipation	80. magnanimity	118. repugnant
5. affinity	43. edifying	81. malevolence	119. reticence
6. amiable	44. engender	82. malice	120. revere
7. animosity	45. entreaty	83. malign	121. rhapsodize
8. apprise	46. exalt	84. melancholy	122. rudiment
9. approbation	47. execrable	85. meritorious	123. rue
10. ascend	48. extricate	86. mollify	124. sagacious
11. assiduous	49. feint	87. monotony	125. sanctify
12. audacity	50. felicitous	88. moribund	126. sententious
13. augment	51. ferment	89. morose	127. servile
14. avarice	52. fortuitous	90. mortify	128. slovenly
15. beguile	53. frivolous	91. obdurate	129. spurn
16. benevolence	54. gentility	92. obscure	130. staid
17. blighted	55. gluttonous	93. obsequious	131. stupefy
18. blithe	56. goad	94. obstinate	132. sublime
19. candid	57. guileless	95. obtrude	133. subtle
20. clemency	58. hackneyed	96. obtuse	134. sunder
21. commodious	59. ignominy	97. odious	135. supercilious
22. complacency	60. impel	98. ominous	136. supplication
23. conciliate	61. imperious	99. omnipotent	137. tacit
24. conflagration	62. impertinent	100. ostentatious	138. terse
25. contempt	63. impetuous	101. penitent	139. trepidation
26. contrite	64. impregnable	102. pernicious	140. ungainly
27. copious	65. incongruity	103. perpetuate	141. untenable
28. corrugated	66. indignation	104. perspicacious	142. upshot
29. cupidity	67. induce	105. placid	143. vagabond
30. derision	68. infallible	106. ponderous	144. vanquished
31. desolate	69. infamous	107. potent	145. vestiges
32. despicable	70. ingenuity	108. primeval	146. vexation
33. despondency	71. ingrate	109. prodigious	147. vigilant
34. dexterous	72. inscrutable	110. prudent	148. virtuous
35. diffidence	73. insolence	111. pungent	149. vogue
36. discern	74. inveterate	112. querulous	150. vulgarity
37. disconcerting	75. lament	113. ravenous	151. zeal
38. discrepant	76. languid	114. refractory	152. zealot

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6. impelled	44. monotonous	82. supplicant	120. assiduity
7. desolation	45. stupefied	83. guileless	121. rueful
8. prodigiously	46. superciliously	84. magnanimous	122. copious
9. conciliatory	47. ponderous	85. avaricious	123. obsequious
10. blithe	48. fermenting	86. complacent	124. ingenuity
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13. omnipotent	51. trepidation	89. odious	127. frivolity
14. imperiously	52. indignant	90. zealous	128. ingrate
15. lament	53. potent	91. rudiments	129. untenable
16. execrating	54. subtle	92. acquiesced	130. repudiate
17. sunder	55. mollified	93. diffidence	131. repugnance
18. morbidity	56. impertinent	94. cupidity	132. extricate
19. perspicuity	57. malevolent	95. obtuseness	133. engendered
20. placid	58. benevolent	96. mortification	134. feign
21. penitent	59. inscrutably	97. infamous	135. blighted
22. affinity	60. exalted	98. ungainly	136. rhapsody
23. candid	61. zeal	99. pernicious	137. tacit
24. loiter	62. sanctified	100. pungent	138. prudent
25. luster	63. amiable	101. commodious	139. animosity
26. contempt	64. sagacious	102. slovenly	140. ominously
27. disdain	65. morose	103. disparity	141. virtuous
28. vulgar	66. malignant	104. gentility	142. sententious
29. spurn	67. induce	105. discrepancy	143. vestige
30. insolently	68. vanquished	106. ravenous	144. obdurate
31. perpetual	69. vagabond	107. goaded	145. abeyance
32. ascend	70. vexation	108. contrition	146. apprised
33. despicable	71. disparagement	109. impetuously	147. despondent
34. ignominiously	72. disconcerted	110. primeval	148. discern
35. obstinacy	73. obscure	111. latent	149. querulous
36. adamantine	74. hackney	112. approbation	150. ostentations
37. reticence	75. sublime	113. conflagration	151. malice
38. obtrusive	76. audacious	114. languidly	152. beguiled

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Vocabulary Test 1

Directions: Match the word in the left column with the correct definition in the right column.

Exercise A

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | abeyance | a. | to inform or give notice |
| _____ | 2. | acquiesce | b. | inflexible, immovable, obstinate |
| _____ | 3. | adamant | c. | official approval, praise, commendation |
| _____ | 4. | affable | d. | likeness, a natural relationship, kinship |
| _____ | 5. | affinity | e. | suspension of action |
| _____ | 6. | assiduous | f. | to move upward, to rise from a lower station |
| _____ | 7. | animosity | g. | harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred |
| _____ | 8. | apprise | h. | to give in, comply |
| _____ | 9. | approbation | i. | diligent, marked by careful unremitting attention |
| _____ | 10. | ascend | j. | friendly, courteous, amiable |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|------------|----|--|
| _____ | 11. | amiable | a. | greed for wealth |
| _____ | 12. | audacious | b. | destroyed or decayed |
| _____ | 13. | augmented | c. | friendly, sociable and congenial; civil and urbane |
| _____ | 14. | avarice | d. | deceived, misled, persuaded with charm |
| _____ | 15. | beguiled | e. | lighthearted, joyous, glad, cheerful, free spirit |
| _____ | 16. | benevolent | f. | excessively bold, very rash, daring |
| _____ | 17. | blighted | g. | leniency |
| _____ | 18. | blithe | h. | kind, generous, charitable |
| _____ | 19. | candid | i. | made greater or supplemented |
| _____ | 20. | clemency | j. | blunt, sincerely honest |

Exercise C

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|-------|-----|---------------|----|---|
| _____ | 21. | commodious | a. | tending to reconcile, pacify, or renew a friendship |
| _____ | 22. | complacent | b. | abundant |
| _____ | 23. | conciliatory | c. | self-satisfied |
| _____ | 24. | conflagration | d. | a large fire |
| _____ | 25. | contempt | e. | scoffing at, mockery, ridicule |
| _____ | 26. | contritions | f. | affording ample space and room, suitable for use |
| _____ | 27. | copious | g. | greed |
| _____ | 28. | corrugated | h. | scorn, extreme dislike or disdain |
| _____ | 29. | cupidity | i. | bent into folds |
| _____ | 30. | derision | j. | apologies, remorse |

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Vocabulary Test 2

Directions: Choose the letter of the definition that **best** fits the meaning of the word in **bold** type.

- _____ 1. a **desolate** town
a. deserted b. small c. dirty d. large and polluted
- _____ 2. a **despicable** habit
a. contemptible b. embedded c. broken d. intolerable
- _____ 3. to be in a state of **despondency**
a. action b. unconsciousness c. depression d. extreme joy
- _____ 4. a **dexterous** magician
a. popular b. deceitful c. entertaining d. manually skillful
- _____ 5. a trait of **diffidence**
a. argumentativeness b. shyness c. friendliness d. intellect
- _____ 6. to **discern** a difference
a. report b. detect c. understand d. ignore
- _____ 7. a **disconcerting** thought
a. frustrating b. enjoyable c. sad d. intriguing
- _____ 8. **discrepant** remarks
a. hostile b. praiseworthy c. inconsistent d. haughty
- _____ 9. to treat someone with **disdain**
a. kindness b. dignity c. contempt d. intent to harm
- _____ 10. to **disparage** someone's reputation
a. degrade b. support c. envy d. research
- _____ 11. a **disparity** in two answers
a. similarity b. inequality c. humor d. animosity
- _____ 12. **dissipation** of funds
a. gathering b. disbursement c. squandering d. counting
- _____ 13. an **edifying** experience
a. horrifying b. instructional c. sobering d. calm and peaceful
- _____ 14. to **engender** understanding
a. predict b. prohibit c. yearn for d. produce
- _____ 15. to make an **entreaty** on someone's behalf
a. presentation b. accusation c. plea d. preliminary statement
- _____ 16. to **exalt** a friend's accomplishment
a. be jealous of b. praise c. copy d. denounce
- _____ 17. an **execrable** act
a. exceptional b. extremely bad c. dangerous d. noble
- _____ 18. to **extricate** oneself
a. harm b. commit c. free d. explain
- _____ 19. to be fooled by a **feint**
a. false appearance b. quack c. obscure passage d. enemy
- _____ 20. a **felicitous** occasion
a. morose b. happy c. holiday d. celebrated

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Vocabulary Test 3

Directions: Choose the letter of the definition that **best** fits the meaning of the word in **bold** type.

- _____ 1. a state of **ferment**
a. agitation b. happiness c. depression d. understanding
- _____ 2. a **fortuitous** occasion
a. difficult b. chance c. festive d. religious
- _____ 3. a **frivolous** attitude
a. sarcastic b. hostile c. accepting d. lack of seriousness
- _____ 4. a trait of **gentility**
a. friendliness b. refinement c. forgetfulness d. rebelliousness
- _____ 5. a **gluttonous** appetite
a. unfulfilled b. selective c. greedy d. small
- _____ 6. to **goad** someone into doing something
a. urge b. trick c. flatter d. bribe
- _____ 7. a **guileless** leader
a. tyrannical b. immature c. without deceit d. rude and unrefined
- _____ 8. a **hackneyed** expression
a. useful b. trite c. rare d. disgusting
- _____ 9. to be guilty of **ignominy**
a. fraud b. treason c. silence d. disgraceful conduct
- _____ 10. to **impel** a person into action
a. follow b. urge c. trick d. bribe
- _____ 11. an **imperious** dictator
a. overbearing b. communist c. important d. ineffective
- _____ 12. an **impertinent** child
a. sickly b. rude c. intelligent d. overly friendly
- _____ 13. an **impetuous** decision
a. important b. ruthless c. difficult d. hasty
- _____ 14. an **impregnable** wall
a. weak b. original c. unconquerable d. rebuilt
- _____ 15. **incongruity** in answers
a. harmony b. disagreement c. authority d. intelligence
- _____ 16. to be overcome with **indignation**
a. rage b. fatigue c. jealousy d. ecstasy
- _____ 17. to **induce** a change in behavior
a. regret b. cause c. perceive d. respect
- _____ 18. to be **infallible**
a. hostile b. unreplaceable c. incapable of error d. predictable
- _____ 19. an **infamous** character
a. well known b. interesting c. disgraceful d. popular
- _____ 20. **ingenuity** in solving problems
a. cleverness b. difficulty c. laziness d. haste

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Vocabulary Test 4

Directions: Match the word in the left column with the correct definition in the right column.

Exercise A

- _____ 1. ingrate
- _____ 2. inscrutable
- _____ 3. insolence
- _____ 4. inveterate
- _____ 5. lament
- _____ 6. languid
- _____ 7. latent
- _____ 8. loiter
- _____ 9. lustrous
- _____ 10. magnanimity

- a. firmly established, habitual, deep-rooted
- b. to stand idly or linger aimlessly
- c. an ungrateful person
- d. shining or gleaming without sparkling
- e. not visible, dormant
- f. difficult to understand; mysterious
- g. having a lofty, generous, and courageous spirit
- h. mourn or express sorrow in a demonstrative manner
- i. slow, sluggish, listless, weak
- j. insulting or contemptuous behavior

Exercise B

- _____ 11. malevolence
- _____ 12. obdurate
- _____ 13. malign
- _____ 14. melancholy
- _____ 15. meritorious
- _____ 16. mollify
- _____ 17. monotony
- _____ 18. moribund
- _____ 19. morose
- _____ 20. mortify

- a. deserving of honor or praise
- b. being sullen or gloomy
- c. wishing ill will or evil on someone
- d. close to death
- e. depression of spirits
- f. sameness
- g. extremely stubborn, unwilling to accept advice
- h. humiliate, wounded pride, experience shame
- i. soothe or appease, assuage
- j. to utter injuriously misleading reports about

Exercise C

- _____ 21. malice
- _____ 22. obscure
- _____ 23. obsequious
- _____ 24. obstinate
- _____ 25. obtrude
- _____ 26. obtuse
- _____ 27. odious
- _____ 28. ominous
- _____ 29. omnipotent
- _____ 30. ostentatious
- _____ 31. penitent

- a. showy, pretentious
- b. dull of mind, insensitive, stupid
- c. overly attentive, like a sycophant, servile
- d. deserving of hate or contempt
- e. to thrust out, to thrust forward
- f. desire to harm others
- g. showing or feeling regret for wrongdoing, repentant
- h. having unlimited power
- i. unyielding regardless of reason or logic
- j. difficult to see, vague
- k. threatening

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Vocabulary Test 5

Directions: Match the word in the left column with the correct definition in the right column.

Exercise A

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|-------|-----|---------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | pernicious | a. | ancient, relating to the earliest ages |
| _____ | 2. | perpetuate | b. | very heavy, unwieldy from weight |
| _____ | 3. | perspicacious | c. | very destructive or harmful, deadly |
| _____ | 4. | placid | d. | urgently eager for food; craving for satisfaction |
| _____ | 5. | ponderous | e. | wise and careful about practical matters |
| _____ | 6. | potent | f. | peaceful, calm |
| _____ | 7. | primeval | g. | prolong the existence of something |
| _____ | 8. | ravenous | h. | sharp or irritating to the taste or smell; acrid |
| _____ | 9. | prudent | i. | powerful, having a strong effect |
| _____ | 10. | pungent | j. | having a clear insight, shrewd, very perceptive |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 11. | querulous | a. | disgusting, offensive |
| _____ | 12. | prodigious | b. | to blame for something, a disgrace |
| _____ | 13. | refractory | c. | constantly complaining, whining |
| _____ | 14. | remonstrate | d. | to express in an overly enthusiastic manner |
| _____ | 15. | reproach | e. | protest, make objections |
| _____ | 16. | repudiate | f. | to honor, to regard with respect |
| _____ | 17. | repugnant | g. | extraordinary in bulk, quantity, or degree; great in size |
| _____ | 18. | reticence | h. | restrained in speech, reluctance to speak |
| _____ | 19. | revere | i. | to reject, disown, disavow |
| _____ | 20. | rhapsodize | j. | unmanageable, stubborn with respect to authority |

Exercise C

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 21. | rudiment | a. | an essential element or skill; early stages of development |
| _____ | 22. | rue | b. | reject or refuse with hostility |
| _____ | 23. | sagacious | c. | overly submissive |
| _____ | 24. | sanctify | d. | to set apart for sacred use, to make holy, to purify |
| _____ | 25. | sententious | e. | exalted, noble, uplifting |
| _____ | 26. | servile | f. | be sorry for, regret |
| _____ | 27. | slovenly | g. | messy, untidy, careless |
| _____ | 28. | spurn | h. | to dull the senses as to put into a stupor |
| _____ | 29. | staid | i. | wise, shrewd, very discerning |
| _____ | 30. | stupefy | j. | given to excessive moralizing |
| _____ | 31. | sublime | k. | reserved and upright manner or behavior, sedate |

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Vocabulary Test 6

Exercise A

Directions: Select the word that **best** completes the following sentences

subtle	sunder	supercillious	supplication	tacit
terse	trepidation	ungainly	untenable	upshot

1. Some speakers are extremely _____ in their statements, unlike the verbose orators who take hours to say what could be said in a few minutes.
2. When people grow so vain and arrogant that they look down on other people, they develop a _____ attitude that is extremely distasteful to me.
3. We have only a _____ agreement concerning the arrangements; nothing was spoken between us or written on paper.
4. Gossip and defamation of character are _____ acts and should be avoided by all persons.
5. Her remarks were so _____, it was difficult to detect her true meaning.
6. The _____ baby horse had difficulty standing up by itself, much less running around the stable.
7. Because the friction grew so intense, the two groups decided to _____ their relationships with each other.
8. The convention was disorganized and unruly; the _____ of it all was that some delegates' votes were not counted in the election.
9. The soldiers went boldly into the battle in spite of the _____ they all felt.
10. If you are truly in need of support, make a _____ to your father for assistance and he will surely grant it to you.

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Vocabulary Test 6

Exercise B

Directions: Select the word that **best** completes the following sentences

vagabond	vanquished	vestiges	vexation	vigilant
virtuous	vogue	vulgarity	zeal	zealot

1. The archaeologists were looking for _____ of ancient Egyptian civilizations; any remnants or traces of the ancient people was of tremendous value.
2. The dresses in _____ today may not be so popular tomorrow; but one thing is sure: teenagers will follow the fashion of the day.
3. During World War II many smaller armies were _____ by the armies of Hitler.
4. We were shocked at the _____ we saw at the party; we expected only good taste and refinement in the guests, but were met with the most offensive behavior.
5. We have been _____ in watching for the arrival of the speaker; it is not possible that we missed him since we have been so alert.
6. If all students would approach their studies with as much _____ as you do, we would not have to worry about the falling standards in American education.
7. During the winter months, the public library is often a resting place for the _____ who has no permanent home.
8. The man was known as a religious _____, as he never stopped trying to convert others to his beliefs.
9. The holy men of the city are among the most _____ you will find; they are extremely careful to live righteous lives with excellent morals.
10. The disruptive children in the classroom were a constant source of _____ to the teacher; those few caused her much distress.

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Vocabulary Test 1

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| 1. e | 2. h | 3. b | 4. j | 5. d | 6. i | 7. g |
| 8. a | 9. c | 10. f | 11. c | 12. f | 13. i | 14. a |
| 15. d | 16. h | 17. b | 18. e | 19. j | 20. g | 21. f |
| 22. c | 23. a | 24. d | 25. h | 26. j | 27. b | 28. i |
| 29. g | 30. e | | | | | |

Vocabulary Test 2

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. a | 2. a | 3. c | 4. d | 5. b | 6. b | 7. a |
| 8. c | 9. c | 10. a | 11. b | 12. c | 13. b | 14. d |
| 15. c | 16. b | 17. b | 18. c | 19. a | 20. b | |

Vocabulary Test 3

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. a | 2. b | 3. d | 4. b | 5. c | 6. a | 7. c |
| 8. b | 9. d | 10. b | 11. a | 12. b | 13. d | 14. c |
| 15. b | 16. a | 17. b | 18. c | 19. c | 20. a | |

Vocabulary Test 4

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. c | 2. f | 3. j | 4. a | 5. h | 6. i | 7. e |
| 8. b | 9. d | 10. g | 11. c | 12. g | 13. j | 14. e |
| 15. a | 16. i | 17. f | 18. d | 19. b | 20. h | 21. f |
| 22. j | 23. c | 24. i | 25. e | 26. b | 27. d | 28. k |
| 29. h | 30. a | 31. g | | | | |

Vocabulary Test 5

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|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| 1. c | 2. g | 3. j | 4. f | 5. b | 6. i | 7. a |
| 8. d | 9. e | 10. h | 11. c | 12. g | 13. j | 14. e |
| 15. b | 16. i | 17. a | 18. h | 19. f | 20. d | 21. a |
| 22. f | 23. i | 24. d | 25. j | 26. c | 27. g | 28. b |
| 29. k | 30. h | 31. e | | | | |

Vocabulary Test 6

Exercise A

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| 1. terse | 6. ungainly |
| 2. supercilious | 7. sunder |
| 3. tacit | 8. upshot |
| 4. untenable | 9. trepidation |
| 5. subtle | 10. supplication |

Exercise B

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| 1. vestiges | 6. zeal |
| 2. vogue | 7. vagabond |
| 3. vanquished | 8. zealot |
| 4. vulgarity | 9. virtuous |
| 5. vigilant | 10. vexation |