

Lesson 43

Definitions



1.	apogee	AP uh jee	the highest or most distant point; the climax
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lowest point
	The apogee of environmental concern has yet to be seen.		
	Derivatives >>	apogeal, apogean, apogaic	
2.	betoken	buh TOE kun	to give a sign of
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to hide; to conceal
	His good actions betokened a kind heart.		
	Derivatives >>	betokened	
3.	cite	SITE	to quote an authority
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to allude to
	The lawyer cited many precedents in supporting his case.		
	Derivatives >>	cited, citing, citable, citeable	
4.	communal	kuh MYOON ul	pertaining to a group or community
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> individual
	A hermit does not enjoy communal situations.		
	Derivatives >>	commune, communed, communing, communally, communalism, communalist, communalization	
5.	coterie	KO tuh ree	a small group that shares interests
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> individual
	Fraternities and sororities were formed from coteries.		
	Derivatives >>	coteries	
6.	decelerate	dee SEL uh rate	to slow down
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to speed up
	Before you reach the intersection, you should decelerate.		
	Derivatives >>	decelerator, deceleration, decelerated, decelerating	
7.	despairing	deh SPARE ing	hopeless, despondent, discouraged
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> hopeful
	The woman's despairing tears touched the hearts of many.		
	Derivatives >>	despair, despaired, despairful, despairfully, despairingly, despairingness	
8.	disapprobation	dis ap ruh BAY shun	disapproval, condemnation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sanction
	The unruly child faced the disapprobation of his parents when they learned of his behavior.		
	Derivatives >>	disapprobative, disapprobatory	
9.	extemporaneous	ik stem puh RAY nee	made with little or no preparation, not planned
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> planned
	Our club president gets into trouble sometimes when he makes extemporaneous remarks.		
	Derivatives >>	extemporaneity, extemporally, extemporaneously, extemporaneousness	
10.	extrinsic	ik STRIN sik	not inherent, external
	Synonyms >>	alien, extraneous, foreign	Antonym >> essential
	Monetary reward and physical punishment are both forms of extrinsic motivation.		
	Derivatives >>	extrinsical, extrinsically	
11.	fallible	FAL uh bul	capable of making an error
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> not likely to be erroneous
	All humans are fallible because none are perfect.		
	Derivatives >>	fallibilism, fallibilist, fallibilistic, fallibility, fallibleness, fallibly	

12.	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	
13.	implicit	im PLIS it	understood but not directly expressed
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> obscure
	His implicit remarks left no doubt as to what he meant.		
	Derivatives >>	implicitly, implicitness, implicity	
14.	iniquity	eh NIK weh tee	gross injustice; wickedness; wicked act
	Synonyms >>	perverseness, evil, baseness, wrong	Antonym >>
	The iniquity of the criminal caused disgust even among his friends.		
	Derivatives >>	iniquitous, iniquitousness, iniquitously	
15.	intrinsic	in TRIN sik	belonging to or pertaining to the essential nature of a thing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> extraneous
	Although the intrinsic value of this ring is small, its sentimental value is great since it is from my first love.		
	Derivatives >>	intrinsically, intrinsicalness, intrinsic	
16.	kinetic	keh NET ik	pertaining to motion; characterized by movement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> immobile
	The mobile is a form of kinetic sculpture.		
	Derivatives >>	kinetically	
17.	moratorium	mor uh TORE ee um	a suspension of activity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> period of activity
	The major nuclear nations have passed a moratorium on nuclear weapons testing.		
	Derivatives >>	moratory	
18.	opprobrium	uh PRO bree um	disgrace and reproach as a result of bad conduct
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> praise
	A person dealing in drugs frequently faces social opprobrium.		
	Derivatives >>	opprobrious, opprobriate, opprobriously, opprobriousness, opprobry	
19.	puerile	PYOO uh ril, PYOOR	childish, immature
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> mature
	One puerile student can be a source of constant disturbance in a classroom.		
	Derivatives >>	puerility, puerilism, puerility	
20.	pulchritude	PUL kreh tood	beauty, comeliness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ugliness
	Members of the drill team must have talent and pulchritude.		
	Derivatives >>	pulchritudinous	
21.	reprise	reh PRIZE	a recurrence, renewal, or resumption of an action
	Synonyms >>	recapitulation, repetition	Antonym >>
	The battle was noted for the reprise of attacks by the enemy.		
	Derivatives >>	reprisal, reprised, reprising	
22.	scathing	SKAY thing	bitterly severe; harmful, injurious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harmless
	The critics gave a scathing review of the play.		
	Derivatives >>	scathingly	
23.	supplant	suh PLANT	to take the place of
	Synonyms >>	displace, supersede	Antonym >>
	Republicans have supplanted the Democrats as the dominant political party in several counties.		
	Derivatives >>	supplantation, supplanter, supplanted, supplanting	
24.	topicality	top uh KAL eh tee	subject of current interest
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Around April 15 each year, paying taxes is an item of topicality.		
	Derivatives >>	topic, topical, topically	
25.	waver	WAY vur	to show indecision or to vacillate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to stand firm
	I have convinced him to waver from his previous decision.		
	Derivatives >>	wavers, wavered, wavering, waveringly, wavery	

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Matching Test



Directions: Choose the definition that best matches the meaning of the vocabulary word. Place the answer of your choice in the space provided.

Exercise A

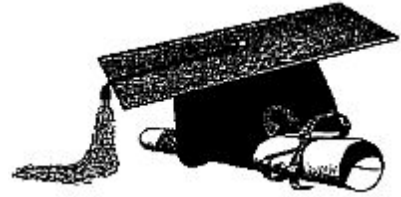
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|-------|-----|----------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | apogee | a. | to quote an authority |
| _____ | 2. | betoken | b. | to slow down |
| _____ | 3. | cite | c. | to give a sign of |
| _____ | 4. | communal | d. | state of refinement |
| _____ | 5. | coterie | e. | not inherent; external |
| _____ | 6. | decelerate | f. | pertaining to a group or community |
| _____ | 7. | despairing | g. | hopeless; despondent; discouraged |
| _____ | 8. | disapprobation | h. | highest or most distant point |
| _____ | 9. | extemporaneous | i. | disapproval; condemnation |
| _____ | 10. | extrinsic | j. | small group that shares interests |
| _____ | 11. | fallible | k. | made with no preparation |
| _____ | 12. | gentility | l. | capable of making an error |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | implicit | a. | a suspension of activity |
| _____ | 2. | iniquity | b. | recurrence; renewal of action |
| _____ | 3. | intrinsic | c. | disgrace from bad conduct |
| _____ | 4. | kinetic | d. | pertaining to motion |
| _____ | 5. | moratorium | e. | to show indecision or to vacillate |
| _____ | 6. | opprobrium | f. | bitterly severe; harmful |
| _____ | 7. | puerile | g. | gross injustice; wickedness |
| _____ | 8. | pulchritude | h. | currently interesting |
| _____ | 9. | reprise | i. | beauty; comeliness |
| _____ | 10. | scathing | j. | understood; not directly expressed |
| _____ | 11. | supplant | k. | childish; immature |
| _____ | 12. | topical | l. | to take the place of |
| _____ | 13. | waver | m. | pertaining to the essential nature of a thing |

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Sentence Completion



apogee	betoken	cite	communal
coterie	decelerate	despairing	disapprobation
extemporaneous	extrinsic	fallible	gentility

1. I offered my son an _____ reward of a higher allowance for better grades, but I also hoped he would profit internally by becoming a better student.
2. Jane belongs to a _____ that, as a group, shares an interest in wine making.
3. The boy expected the condemnation and disapproval of his father; he had been long accustomed to the man's _____.
4. The woman was overcome with _____ tears when she learned of the death of her dog; a sense of hopelessness and futility consumed her.
5. The princess was to _____ her love and admiration for the knight with the scarf.
6. Knowing that he was _____ and imperfect, the king was wary; if he made mistakes with this decision, his kingdom could suffer inalterably.
7. The student decided to quote an authority in his research paper, but he was not sure how to _____ the information correctly.
8. Because of his natural ability to speak with little or no preparation, the man gave a wonderful _____ speech regarding the rights of men.
9. The _____ of the man was obvious from his refined accent and excellent manners; he was, indeed, a true gentleman.
10. We watched the cars _____ as they approached the curve; if they did not slow down, they would overturn.
11. The small group decided they wanted to live in a _____ environment to get the sense of a dedicated community.
12. We had reached the _____ of the convention when we heard the president's speech; it was truly the climax of the event.

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implicit	iniquity	intrinsic	kinetic	moratorium
opprobrium	puerile	pulchritude	reprise	scathing
supplant	topicality	waver		

13. The woman screamed at her rival, "I know you are trying to _____ me, but you will never take my place!"
14. Kim always seems to _____ in her decisions; never standing firm, she vacillates and changes her mind more than any girl I know.
15. Just when we thought the argument was settled, she began again with a _____ of accusations and caustic remarks, obviously looking for a resumption of the fight.
16. Sam's _____ behavior has caused his classmates to shun him; even they cannot stand his immature actions.
17. The woman winning the beauty pageant has a _____ which exceeds that of all the other contestants.
18. His gambling conviction has caused his career to end in _____ and disgrace.
19. The government official asked the community to support a _____ on price increases; if there was a concentrated effort in his suspension of activity, the economic crisis could be lessened.
20. The essential nature of a thing is what is most important; for that reason we consider the _____ value rather than the outward appearance.
21. His message to us was clear, though it was _____ and not directly spoken.
22. We were shocked by his _____; his wicked acts were evil and base.
23. The most outstanding work in the art show was a piece of _____ sculpture; it was a mobile whose movement as regulated by heat.
24. He made the most _____ criticism I ever heard; in his appraisal he was both bitter and injurious.
25. The subject of capital punishment has been an item of _____ for many years; the interest in the matter never seems to decline.