

Lesson 37

Definitions



1.	assimilate	uh SIM uh late	to take in and incorporate as one's own, to absorb
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to reject
	He assimilated many new experiences on his trip to the Orient.		
	Derivatives >>	assimilated, assimilating, assimilation, assimilationist, assimilative, assimilatory, assimilativeness, assimilator	
2.	begrudge	buh GRUJ	to give reluctantly, to envy a possession or one's enjoyment
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to give willingly
	She did not begrudge the money spent on her child's education.		
	Derivatives >>	begrudged, begrudging, begrudgingly	
3.	bulwark	BOOL wark	a strong defense or something that defends
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> weakness
	Nuclear arms are our bulwark against invasion.		
	Derivatives >>	bulwarks	
4.	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	
5.	conglomerate	kun GLOM ur it	a mixture of many things
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> separated elements
	When the three companies merged, a giant conglomerate was formed.		
	Derivatives >>	conglomerated, conglomerating, conglomeratic, conglomeritic, conglomeration	
6.	dissolution	dis uh LOO shun	disintegration, decomposition and dispersion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> integration
	The dissolution of the partnership caused him much grief.		
	Derivatives >>	dissolute, dissolutely, dissoluteness, dissolutive, dissoluble	
7.	dither	DITH ur	a state of trembling excitement or fear; vacillation; a trembling; vibration
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> action with assurance
	I am in a dither about whose offer to accept to the prom.		
	Derivatives >>	dithered, dithering, dithery	
8.	evocative	eh VOK uh tiv	calling forth, calling to mind
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> forgetful
	The play was evocative in that it made me recall my youth.		
	Derivatives >>	evocatively, evocativeness, evocatory, evocator, evocation, evoke	
9.	frenetic	fruh NET ik	frenzied, frantic
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> calm; serene
	The mother became frenetic when the chicken bone lodged in her baby's throat.		
	Derivatives >>	frenetically, frenetical	
10.	grisly	GRIS lee	ghastly, inspiring fear
	Synonyms >>	gruesome, lurid, macabre	Antonym >> attractive
	The scene of the car accident was a grisly sight.		
	Derivatives >>	grisliness, grisliest	
11.	ignoble	ig NO bul	of lowly origin, without honor
	Synonyms >>	abject, mean, sordid	Antonym >> noble; grand; lofty
	I do not like his ignoble ideas.		
	Derivatives >>	ignobility, ignobleness, ignobly	

12.	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		
13.	intercede	in ter SEDE	to intervene and to act as a mediator	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	to stand aside
	I will intercede on your behalf in your dispute with your boss if you believe it will do some good.			
	Derivatives >>	interceder, intercession, intercessional, intercessive, intercessor, intercessorial		
14.	lugubrious	loo GOO bree us	excessively mournful	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	rejoicing
	The woman shed lugubrious tears at the funeral of her husband and daughter.			
	Derivatives >>	lugubriosity, lugubriously, lugubriousness		
15.	mutinous	MYOOT un us	rebellious, unruly	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	agreeable; compatible
	The crew grew mutinous because they thought they might sail right off the edge of the earth.			
	Derivatives >>	mutiny, mutinously, mutinousness, mutinize, mutinies		
16.	paragon	PAIR uh gon	a model of excellence or perfection	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	The minister was a paragon of virtue in all his affairs.			
	Derivatives >>	paragonize		
17.	perennial	puh REN ee ul	lasting for many years	
	Synonyms >>	constant, incessant, perpetual, unremitting	Antonym >>	annual
	The Dallas Cowboys were often a perennial favorite to win the Super Bowl.			
	Derivatives >>	perennially		
18.	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		
19.	pucker	PUK ur	to gather into wrinkles or irregular folds	
	Synonyms >>	wrinkle, furrow, contract	Antonym >>	to straighten
	His lips puckered into a low whistle when he heard her name.			
	Derivatives >>	puckered, puckering, puckerer, puckery		
20.	retrograde	REH truh grade	moving backward	
	Synonyms >>	withdrawing, receding, backward	Antonym >>	moving forward
	That particular object is moving in retrograde motion.			
	Derivatives >>	retrograded, retrograding, retrogradely, retrogradingly		
21.	skewed	SKYOOD	not straight, crooked, slanting	
	Synonyms >>	asymmetrical	Antonym >>	straight
	The telescope did not work because of the skewed alignment of the mirrors.			
	Derivatives >>	skew, skewness		
22.	supersede	soo pur SEDE	to replace, to cause to be displaced or set aside	
	Synonyms >>	displace, supplant	Antonym >>	
	This new law will supersede all previous laws.			
	Derivatives >>	supersedure, supersedence		
23.	translucence	trans LOO suns	the quality of allowing passage of light but not a clear view	
	Synonyms >>	limpidity, transparency	Antonym >>	opaqueness; darkness
	Because of the translucence of the water, I could see a body but could not tell whose it was.			
	Derivatives >>	translucency, translucent, translucently		
24.	verdant	VUR dunt	fresh and green	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	barren
	The verdant golf course was in great shape for the tournament.			
	Derivatives >>	verdancy		
25.	zany	ZAY nee	comical and outlandish	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	solemn
	The zany clown made the children laugh.			
	Derivatives >>	zanies, zanyism		

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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

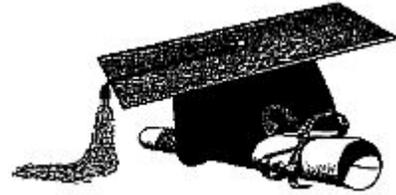
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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | assimilate | a. | to urge; to drive forward |
| _____ | 2. | begrudge | b. | affording ample space |
| _____ | 3. | bulwark | c. | to absorb |
| _____ | 4. | commodious | d. | frenzied; frantic |
| _____ | 5. | conglomerate | e. | disintegration; decomposition |
| _____ | 6. | dissolution | f. | a strong defense |
| _____ | 7. | dither | g. | of lowly origin; without honor |
| _____ | 8. | evocative | h. | nervous agitation; excitement |
| _____ | 9. | frenetic | i. | to give reluctantly |
| _____ | 10. | grisly | j. | calling to mind |
| _____ | 11. | ignoble | k. | mixture of many things |
| _____ | 12. | impel | l. | menacing; causing fear or awe |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | intercede | a. | lasting for many years |
| _____ | 2. | lugubrious | b. | moving backward |
| _____ | 3. | mutinous | c. | model of excellence; perfect example |
| _____ | 4. | paragon | d. | to intervene; to act as mediator |
| _____ | 5. | perennial | e. | excessively mournful |
| _____ | 6. | potent | f. | to replace; to cause to be replaced |
| _____ | 7. | pucker | g. | powerful |
| _____ | 8. | retrograde | h. | fresh and green |
| _____ | 9. | skewed | i. | rebellious; unruly |
| _____ | 10. | supersede | j. | not straight; crooked; slanting |
| _____ | 11. | translucence | k. | comical and outlandish |
| _____ | 12. | verdant | l. | to gather into irregular folds |
| _____ | 13. | zany | m. | quality of allowing passage of light |

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Sentence Completion



assimilate	begrudge	bulwark	commodious
conglomerate	dissolution	dither	evocative
frenetic	grisly	ignoble	impel

1. The father would never _____ his children's request for money; he was never reluctant to give to them.
2. The _____ ballroom gave us ample room for dancing.
3. The man's _____ pace in the race became even more hurried after he had a flat tire and fell one minute behind the leading car.
4. His _____ ideas betrayed his lowly origin and his lack of honor.
5. As the partnership began to disintegrate, he knew that the _____ of the company was at hand.
6. After the accident she began to tremble, and by the time the police arrived, she was in a real _____.
7. The _____ passage in the book brought back to my mind the days of my youth in which I had faced a similar situation.
8. The decaying body was a _____ sight; I never expected to see anything so ghastly.
9. Perhaps receiving that failing grade will _____ him to study more; we have tried to urge him ourselves without success.
10. Germany's poor naval powers made the sea the United States' greatest _____ it became our strongest defense.
11. The book is a _____ that contains poems, short stories, essays and even a few recipes.
12. As soon as the patient can _____ the medicine, he will begin to regain his strength; it will take an hour for his body to absorb the chemicals.

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intercede	lugubrious	mutinous	paragon	perennial
potent	pucker	retrograde	skewed	supercede
translucence	verdant	zany		

13. The captain was not able to pacify the _____ crew before they attacked him and took over the ship.
14. The _____ clown was delightful to watch; he was both comical and outlandish.
15. The woman's _____ wailing and crying seemed a little excessive for the mourning of a mere acquaintance.
16. I have hired a lawyer to _____ with the court on my behalf; it appears that I am going to need a mediator.
17. Cousin Billy, whom we once considered a _____ of virtue, was just convicted of tax evasion; he obviously was not the shining example who we thought he was.
18. The Lakers were the _____ NBA champions of the 1980s, winning the title year after year.
19. The _____ of the jellyfish was amazing; we could see light shining right through its thin, veil-like substance.
20. The doctor gave Sally the most _____ medicine available, a very powerful antibiotic.
21. The _____ lines on the graph caused a misinterpretation of the figures; had the lines been straight, the reading would have been more accurate.
22. The _____ pasture was fresh and green in the morning.
23. This new model of transistor will _____ last year's model, replacing it within six weeks.
24. As soon as the girl tasted the lemon flavor, she started to _____ her lips, drawing them up into cute little wrinkles.
25. Sometimes this business appears to be going in _____; instead of moving forward, we seem to be going backward.

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Definitions



1.	abrogate	AB ruh gayt	to abolish, to do away with
	Synonyms >>	annul, invalidate, negate, nullify	Antonym >> to establish
	The king abrogated the law passed by the parliament.		
	Derivatives >>	abrogable, abrogation, abrogative, abrogator, abrogated, abrogating	
2.	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	
3.	barbarism	BAR buh riz um	the incorrect usage of words or forms of language
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> acceptable diction
	The English teacher cringed at the gross barbarism in the paper.		
	Derivatives >>	barbarous, barbarously, barbarousness	
4.	colloquial	kuh LOW kwee ul	informal (speech)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> formal
	Term papers are not to contain colloquial expressions.		
	Derivatives >>	colloquially, colloquy	
5.	compatriot	kum PAY tree ut	a fellow countryman
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> traitor
	The Lewis and Clark expedition was a journey of two compatriots exploring the unknown regions.		
	Derivatives >>	compatriotism	
6.	defuse	dee FYOOZ	to remove or to lessen danger or hostility
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to intensify, to escalate
	The crisis was defused when the army pulled back.		
	Derivatives >>	defused, defusing	
7.	effrontery	eh FRUN tuh ree	extreme boldness, audacity
	Synonyms >>	cheek, chutzpah, gall, hardihood, nerve, temerity	Antonym >> diffidence
	I can't believe you had the effrontery to say such a rude thing to your parents.		
	Derivatives >>	effronteries	
8.	egregious	eh GREE jus	very bad, shocking, conspicuously bad
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> good
	Skipping class is an egregious error.		
	Derivatives >>	egregiously, egregiousness	
9.	gambol	GAM bul	to playfully skip or leap
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to trudge
	The young child laughed with glee as he began to gambol around the room.		
	Derivatives >>	gamboled, gamboling	
10.	hemophilia	hee muh FIL ee uh	a hereditary disease where blood does not coagulate to stop bleeding
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Getting a slight cut is dangerous for him because of his hemophilia; a small cut can cause him to bleed to death.		
	Derivatives >>	hemophile, hemophiliac, hemophilic, hemophiloid	
11.	immunity	eh MYOO neh tee	resistance (usually to a disease)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lack of resistance
	One's immunity to disease is lowered when one is fatigued.		
	Derivatives >>	immunities, immunist, immune, immuned, immunization, immunize, immunizing	

12.	impale	im PALE	to pierce, to fix on a pointed instrument	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	Shish kebab can be prepared by impaling meat and vegetables on a skewer.			
	Derivatives >>	impaled, impalement		
13.	knotty	NOT ee	so complicated that it can probably not be solved; full of knots	
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, complex, intricate, recondite	Antonym >>	easy to solve; uncomplicated
	A contest's knotty problems leave contestants disheartened. The knotty trees added an eerie feeling to the night.			
	Derivatives >>	knotted, knoter, knottily		
14.	libertarian	lib ur TAR ee un	one who favors absolute liberty and free will	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	Libertarians want less governmental control over their lives.			
	Derivatives >>	libertarianism		
15.	mired	MYRD	stuck or entangled	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	unhampered
	Teachers seem to be mired with excessive paperwork.			
	Derivatives >>	mire		
16.	noxious	NOK shus	harmful, unwholesome	
	Synonyms >>	baneful, deleterious, detrimental, pernicious	Antonym >>	harmless; wholesome
	Is that noxious odor coming from that noisome outhouse?			
	Derivatives >>	noxiously, noxiousness		
17.	palatable	PAL uh tuh bul	agreeable to the taste, acceptable	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	distasteful
	I have never found it very palatable that girls in school can wear miniskirts but not shorts.			
	Derivatives >>	palatableness, palatability, palatably		
18.	palliate	PAL ee ate	to ease pain, guilt or intensity	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	to intensify
	The doctor attempted to palliate the patient's suffering by prescribing drugs.			
	Derivatives >>	palliated, palliating, palliation, palliative, palliator, palliatory		
19.	pallor	PAL ur	extreme paleness usually relating to the face	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	ruddy color
	The strange disease left the man with a sickly pallor.			
	Derivatives >>	pallors		
20.	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		
21.	skulk	SKULK	to move in a sneaky, furtive, or stealthy manner	
	Synonyms >>	lurk, slink, sneak	Antonym >>	to be open; to lack secrecy
	The burglar skulked about on the balcony.			
	Derivatives >>	skulker, skulked, skulking, skulks		
22.	tarry	TARE ee	to delay in coming or going, to linger	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	to depart promptly
	Please do not tarry; I want you to be here on time.			
	Derivatives >>	tarriness, tarried, tarries		
23.	tawdry	TAH DREE	cheap and gaudy in appearance	
	Synonyms >>	garish, meretricious	Antonym >>	refined
	It was in bad taste to wear such tawdry jewelry to the funeral.			
	Derivatives >>	tawdriness, tawdrily		
24.	temerity	tuh MER uh tee	boldness that is foolhardy	
	Synonyms >>	audacity, cheek, chutzpah, effrontery, gall, hardihood, nerve	Antonym >>	reserve
	I can't believe that he has the temerity to talk back to his commanding officer.			
	Derivatives >>	temerariousness, temerarious, temerariouly		
25.	utopian	yoo TOE pee un	having the characteristics of an ideally perfect place	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	Dorothy thought that Oz was a utopian place until she found out that the Wizard was a fake.			
	Derivatives >>	utopianism, utopianist, utopianize, utopia		

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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. | abrogate | a. | a fellow countryman |
| _____ | 2. | adamant | b. | to abolish; to do away with |
| _____ | 3. | barbarism | c. | very bad; shocking |
| _____ | 4. | colloquial | d. | resistance |
| _____ | 5. | compatriot | e. | inflexible; immovable |
| _____ | 6. | defused | f. | to pierce; to fix on a pointed instrument |
| _____ | 7. | effrontery | g. | incorrect usage of words |
| _____ | 8. | egregious | h. | extreme boldness; audacity |
| _____ | 9. | gambol | i. | disease of uncontrolled bleeding |
| _____ | 10. | hemophilia | j. | informal (speech) |
| _____ | 11. | immunity | k. | to run; to frolic; to leap about; to hop |
| _____ | 12. | impale | l. | removed; lessened danger or hostility |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | pernicious | a. | stuck or entangled |
| _____ | 2. | knotty | b. | to linger; to delay in coming |
| _____ | 3. | libertarian | c. | to move in a furtive or sneaky manner |
| _____ | 4. | mired | d. | harmful; unwholesome |
| _____ | 5. | noxious | e. | extreme paleness in the face |
| _____ | 6. | palatable | f. | like an ideally perfect place |
| _____ | 7. | palliate | g. | one who favors absolute liberty |
| _____ | 8. | pallor | h. | boldness that is foolhardy |
| _____ | 9. | skulk | i. | agreeable to the taste |
| _____ | 10. | tarry | j. | very destructive; deadly |
| _____ | 11. | tawdry | k. | to ease pain, guilt, or intensity |
| _____ | 12. | temerity | l. | cheap and gaudy in appearance |
| _____ | 13. | utopian | m. | so complicated that it is unsolvable |

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Sentence Completion



abrogate	adamant	barbarism	colloquial
compatriot	defused	effrontery	egregious
gambol	hemophilia	immunity	impaled

1. The teacher was _____ and inflexible about not letting the student _____ about the room since his movements were a great distraction to the other students.
2. The boy made an _____ error when he used such _____ in his English paper; his shocking mistake stemmed from the incorrect use of words in his writing.
3. The council decided to _____ the law immediately; by doing away with it at that time, they would avoid problems later.
4. Because term papers require formal writing, English teachers do not accept papers that contain _____ expressions.
5. When the man fell on the picket fence, he was _____ by one of the wooden slats as it pierced his body.
6. Hopefully these shots will grant you _____ to the disease, and you will have more resistance to illnesses.
7. We could not tolerate the _____ of the child; he was rude, audacious and bold.
8. The _____ would not stay long in the small village; he was anxious to get to the capital and engage in the affairs of government, his first love.
9. The man's death was caused by his _____; he bled to death from a small cut because his blood could not coagulate.
10. The insurrection was effectively _____ when the authorities decided to listen to the prisoners' grievances; after that, all danger of hostility was removed.

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knotty	libertarian	mired	noxious	palatable
palliate	pallor	pernicious	skulk	tarry
tawdry	temerity	utopian		

11. The _____ envisioned a world where government was not needed at all; the _____ society would be so ideally perfect that men would not need to be ruled.
12. The woman did not _____ in the park; she stayed only five minutes before she left.
13. The man tried to _____ the woman's anger by listening to her grievances, but instead of lessening her hostility, he merely aggravated it.
14. I was appalled that she had the _____ to wear such a _____ dress to church; I didn't think she was so bold as to wear such cheap and gaudy attire.
15. We were sickened by the _____ fumes and tried to escape the repulsive odor as quickly as possible.
16. The food set before us was not _____; it certainly was not acceptable to my taste.
17. The king revoked the _____ law passed by Parliament because he realized the harm that it could cause.
18. The man's death had been expected; his flesh had turned a pale color, assuming the _____ consistent with blood loss.
19. Unable to move, the prince's horse was _____ in the thicket, entangled in vines up to his neck. The rider could see no solution to the _____ problem of freeing it.
20. The man surrounded himself with sneaky spies whose job was to _____ about, looking for traitors.

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Definitions



1.	air	AIR	to make a public utterance		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to conceal
	I intend to air my views to the school board and to anybody who will listen.				
	Derivatives >>	airs, airing, aired			
2.	augury	AW gyuh ree	an omen or prophecy		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Several auguries were revealed to Caesar before his death.				
	Derivatives >>	augur, auguries, augured			
3.	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			
4.	connoisseur	kon uh SUR	a person who is able to be a judge in matters of art or taste		
	Synonyms >>	critic, aesthete		Antonym >>	
	My sister knows so much about wine that she might be considered a connoisseur.				
	Derivatives >>	connoisseurs, connoisseurship			
5.	debauchery	deh BAH chuh ree	moral corruption		
	Synonyms >>	abasement, corruption, debasement, depravity, perversion,		Antonym >>	temperance
	Certainly a minister would say that group sex is an example of debauchery.				
	Derivatives >>	debauch, debaucher, debauchment, debauchee			
6.	declivity	deh KLIV uh tee	downward slope		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	ascending slope
	The declivity of the mountain made climbing it quite hazardous.				
	Derivatives >>	declivous, declivitous			
7.	diatribe	DIE uh tribe	bitter denunciation or criticism, anathema		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	acclaim; praise
	The new actress could not take the vicious diatribes of the critics.				
	Derivatives >>	diatribes			
8.	disencumber	dis en KUM bur	to free from burdens, to extricate		
	Synonyms >>	disembarrass, extricate		Antonym >>	to entangle; to snare
	We are trying to disencumber ourselves from financial debts.				
	Derivatives >>	disencumberment, disencumbrance			
9.	ebullient	eh BUL yunt	overflowing with excitement, showing enthusiasm		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	staid, stoic
	She was ebullient about going to the prom.				
	Derivatives >>	ebullience, ebullieny, ebulliently			
10.	fly-by-night	FLY by nite	one who is temporary and usually unreliable		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	permanent
	It is not wise to hire a fly-by-night for an important position.				
	Derivatives >>	fly-by-nighter			
11.	foliage	FOE lee ij	leaves of a plant, leafage		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The trees will soon come alive with green foliage.				
	Derivatives >>	foliages, foliar, foliaceous			

12.	germinate	JUR muh nate	to sprout, to begin to grow, to evolve
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to die
		It takes about two weeks for some plants to germinate.	
	Derivatives >>	germinal, germinability, germinable, germinally	
13.	gratis	GRAH tis	free
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> earned
		The gratis appearance of the artist allowed more funds for the charity ball.	
	Derivatives >>	gratitude, gratuitous, gratuitously	
14.	hues	HYOOZ	colors
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		A rainbow has many hues.	
	Derivatives >>	hue, hueless, hued	
15.	impromptu	im PROMP too	without prior preparation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> prepared
		Politicians must be good at delivering impromptu speeches.	
	Derivatives >>	impromptus, impromptued, impromptuing	
16.	kudos	KOO doze	awards or honors
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> demerits
		She deserves kudos for her work in building the museum.	
	Derivatives >>	kudize, kudized, kudizing	
17.	lachrymose	LAK ruh mose	tearful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dry-eyed
		She was very lachrymose at the funeral of her father.	
	Derivatives >>	lachrymable, lachrymal, lachrymation, lachrymator, lachrymatory, lachrymosely, lachrymosity	
18.	legerdemain	lej ur duh MANE	sleight of hand, deception or trickery resulting from use of the hands
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		A magician must be able to perform feats of legerdemain.	
	Derivatives >>	legerdermains	
19.	lurid	LOOR id	sensational, gruesome and causing shock or horror
	Synonyms >>	grisly, ghastly, macabre	Antonym >>
		The tabloid published every lurid detail of the ax murder.	
	Derivatives >>	luridity, luridness	
20.	muse	MYOOZ	to ponder
	Synonyms >>	meditate, ruminare	Antonym >>
		I have often mused about life on a tropical island.	
	Derivatives >>	mused, museful, musefully, museless, musing	
21.	Philistine	FILL eh steen	a narrow-minded person who opposes or is indifferent to cultural values
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> an open-minded person
		There are so many Philistines in this town that a bond issue for an art museum would never pass.	
	Derivatives >>	Philistine, Philistinism	
22.	rectitude	REK teh tood	state of moral integrity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> depravity
		When the preacher's rectitude was questioned, many left his congregation.	
	Derivatives >>	rectitudinous, rectitudinously	
23.	rend	REND	to tear violently, to split
	Synonyms >>	cleave, rive	Antonym >> to unify
		He tried to rend the flag as a protest against the war.	
	Derivatives >>	rent, rended, rending, rends	
24.	schism	SIZ um	a division of a group into two discordant groups
	Synonyms >>	breach, faction, discord, disharmony	Antonym >> unification
		The club lost half its members because of a schism in the body.	
	Derivatives >>	schismatic, schisms, schismatical, schismatically, schimatist, schimatize	
25.	uproarious	up ROAR ee us	making great noise (not necessarily negative)
	Synonyms >>	tumultuous	Antonym >> soft, quiet
		The Beatles usually played to uproarious crowds.	
	Derivatives >>	uproariously, uproariousness, uproar	

Lesson 39

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. | air | a. | cluster of leaves |
| _____ | 2. | augury | b. | to sprout, begin to grow, or evolve |
| _____ | 3. | beguile | c. | to deceive; to mislead |
| _____ | 4. | connoisseur | d. | a judge in matters of art |
| _____ | 5. | debauchery | e. | bitter denunciation; criticism |
| _____ | 6. | declivity | f. | to make a public utterance |
| _____ | 7. | diatribe | g. | showing enthusiasm |
| _____ | 8. | disencumber | h. | moral corruption |
| _____ | 9. | ebullient | i. | downward slope |
| _____ | 10. | fly-by-night | j. | omen or prophecy |
| _____ | 11. | foliage | k. | to free from burdens |
| _____ | 12. | germinate | l. | temporary, usually unreliable person |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | gratis | a. | tearful |
| _____ | 2. | hues | b. | making great noise |
| _____ | 3. | impromptu | c. | to tear violently; to split |
| _____ | 4. | kudos | d. | gruesome; shocking |
| _____ | 5. | lachrymose | e. | sleight of hand; trickery |
| _____ | 6. | legerdemain | f. | colors |
| _____ | 7. | lurid | g. | free |
| _____ | 8. | muse | h. | narrow-minded person |
| _____ | 9. | Philistine | i. | without prior preparation |
| _____ | 10. | rectitude | j. | to ponder |
| _____ | 11. | rend | k. | state of moral integrity |
| _____ | 12. | schism | l. | awards or honors |
| _____ | 13. | uproarious | m. | division into two discordant groups |

Lesson 39

Sentence Completion



airing	augury	beguiled	connoisseur
debauchery	declivity	diatribe	ebullient
fly-by-night	foliage	germinate	legerdemain

1. The children looked down the _____, grasping tightly the sleds they had made; the snow bank looked steeper than they had first imagined.
2. Once the seed had begun to _____, the sprout quickly began to develop _____, bright green leaves laced in white.
3. Because he was a _____ of foods, he was often invited to grand feasts to pass his expert judgment on the quality of food.
4. I soon learned that to pay more money for a reputable firm to do the work was better than to hire _____ organizations; too many times customers are cheated and the unreliable business leaves town without doing any work.
5. As the sinner confessed his _____ to the congregation, his expression conveyed his extreme sorrow for his degradation and corruption.
6. The _____ crowd was so enthusiast that hearing a conversation in the midst of such excitement was virtually impossible.
7. Although the Greeks believed in free speech and in _____ the differences between people in open debate, some among them were too narrow minded to appreciate this freedom of speech.
8. The crowd was _____ by the magician's _____; his sleight-of-hand was so fast that it deceived all eyes.
9. Card reading is an _____ by which people attempt to make prophecies about the future.
10. The criminal bitterly denounced the judge who sentenced him, and with each _____ that he uttered, the bailiff tightened his grip.

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disencumber	gratis	hues	impromptu	kudos
lachrymose	lurid	muse	Philistines	rectitude
rend	schisms	uproarious		

11. The man's _____ sighs conveyed his sorrow and despair at losing his family; his tears were many, but they could not bring his loved ones back.
12. Among the _____ the minister received for his _____ was a plaque honoring his moral integrity.
13. The warrior began to _____ the beast into small pieces with his sword; then he took off his armor to _____ himself so that his long climb would be less awkward.
14. On the spur of the moment we decided to go to a movie; our _____ selection was a horror film that was so _____ that it shocked us.
15. We were surprised when the man offered to do the work for us _____; we had expected to pay for the job, but he wanted to do it free of charge.
16. The painting was done in the most _____; reds and blues were predominant, but other colors were included as well.
17. The gypsy woman carefully laid out the cards that she had prepared for the auguries of the future, and then she sat silently in contemplation of them and began to _____.
18. The money will never be raised for the cultural center in this town because of all the _____; those people are narrow-minded and indifferent to cultural values.
19. The _____ crowd applauded and yelled loudly at the outdoor concert; they were not in the least concerned about the noise that they were making.
20. Two major _____ and several other minor divisions have separated the people into many groups.

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Definitions



1.	append	uh PEND	to add in a supplementary manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to detach, to delete
	His long-winded discourse was appended by a final summary of important points.		
	Derivatives >>	appendage, appendant, appendance, appended	
2.	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	
3.	ardent	AR dunt	expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous
	Synonyms >>	fervent, fervid, passionate, perfervid	Antonym >> unmoved; perfunctory
	He was ardent in his support of civil rights.		
	Derivatives >>	ardently	
4.	cloister	KLOI stur	to seclude or to confine
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to display; to exhibit; to make
	The wealthy magnate led a cloistered life in his retirement.		
	Derivatives >>	cloistered, cloisterlike, cloistering	
5.	constrict	kun STRIKT	to tighten or to make narrow
	Synonyms >>	compress, condense, contract, deflate	Antonym >> to distend
	Strangling constricts the windpipe and keeps air from reaching the lungs.		
	Derivatives >>	constriction, constrictive, constrictor, constricted, constricting	
6.	disentangle	dis en TANG gul	to unravel, extricate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to enmesh; to tie up
	The referee tried to disentangle the players to see who had the ball.		
	Derivatives >>	disentanglement, disentangler	
7.	fanaticism	fuh NAT eh siz um	enthusiasm or zeal that is excessively irrational
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> apathy; lack of zeal
	The Nazis engendered fanaticism among their followers.		
	Derivatives >>	fanatical, fanatic, fanatically, fanaticalness	
8.	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	
9.	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	
10.	forestalled	fore STAWLD	prevented or delayed beforehand
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> assisted
	The sandbag dam forestalled the advance of the water.		
	Derivatives >>	forestall, forestaller, forestallment	
11.	gnarl	NARL	to twist extensively
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> smooth and straighten
	After riding the motorcycle all day, her hair was so gnarled by the wind that it was difficult to comb.		
	Derivatives >>	gnarled, gnarly	

12.	hoary	HORE ee	white with age		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	young
		The hoary old man had many wrinkles.			
	Derivatives >>	hoarier, hoariest			
13.	infernal	in FER nul	relating to hell		
	Synonyms >>	hellish, diabolical, fiendish		Antonym >>	heavenly
		It is not nice to wish that someone go to the infernal regions.			
	Derivatives >>	infernally, inferno			
14.	jaunty	JON tee	stylish and lively in manner or appearance		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	depressed
		The woman walked with a jaunty step that gave clear evidence to her sprightly personality.			
	Derivatives >>	jauntily, jauntiness, jauntingly			
15.	malefactor	MAL uh fak tur	a criminal		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	law-abiding citizen
		The candidate for attorney general said that he will see that all malefactors are locked up.			
	Derivatives >>	malefaction, malefactress, maleficence, malefice, maleficent			
16.	matriarchy	MAY tree ar kee	a family or state headed or ruled by a female		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	patriarchy
		The old woman is the matriarch of the family.			
	Derivatives >>	matriarch, matriarchal, matriarchate			
17.	multifarious	mul tuh FARE ee us	great in variety, diverse		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	limited in variety
		He is valuable because of his multifarious talents.			
	Derivatives >>	multifariously, multifariousness			
18.	musty	MUS tee	smelling of damp or decay, malodorous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	fragrant
		The old house was pervaded by an offensive, musty odor.			
	Derivatives >>	mustily, mustiness			
19.	obstreperous	ub STREP ur us	marked by aggressive noisiness; stubbornly defiant		
	Synonyms >>	vociferous, clamorous, strident, boisterous		Antonym >>	quiet and docile
		The obstreperous blaring of the radio was quite annoying.			
	Derivatives >>	obstreperousness, obstreperously			
20.	precipice	PRES uh pis	a very steep cliff or mass of rock, the brink of something dangerous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	cavern
		Some mountain climbers enjoy climbing a steep precipice.			
	Derivatives >>	precipices			
21.	precipitous	preh SIP eh tus	marked by great rapidity, haste, or lack of caution		
	Synonyms >>	hasty, sudden, rash; steep, sheer		Antonym >>	gradual
		Her precipitous behavior led her to make silly mistakes. The precipitous slope rose before us.			
	Derivatives >>	precipitously, precipitousness, precipice			
22.	progeny	PROJ uh nee	children, descendants, offspring		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		He was proud of all his progeny, but he loved the oldest child the most.			
	Derivatives >>	progenitor, progenitorial, progenitorship, progeniture			
23.	replicate	REP luh kate	to repeat, to copy, or to duplicate		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to make an original
		I always try to replicate the moves of my tennis pro when I am taking a lesson.			
	Derivatives >>	replication, replica, repliant			
24.	ruminare	ROO muh nate	to consider for a long time at a slow pace, to ponder		
	Synonyms >>	meditate, muse, ponder		Antonym >>	to consider fleetingly
		We will have to go elsewhere if you ruminate about your decision for a long period.			
	Derivatives >>	ruminatingly, ruminator, ruminative, ruminant, ruminantly			
25.	unobtrusive	un ob TRUE siv	not readily noticeable, inconspicuous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	noticeable; obvious
		He is very unobtrusive sitting over there in the corner.			
	Derivatives >>	unobtrusiveness, unobtrusively			

Lesson 40

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

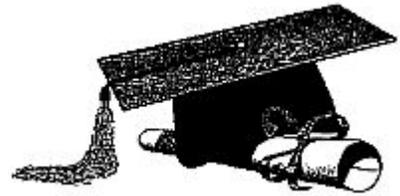
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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | append | a. | state of agitation; commotion |
| _____ | 2. | apprise | b. | a false appearance |
| _____ | 3. | ardent | c. | to tighten or to make narrow |
| _____ | 4. | cloister | d. | to unravel; to extricate |
| _____ | 5. | constrict | e. | prevented; delayed beforehand |
| _____ | 6. | disentangle | f. | expressing strong feelings; impassioned |
| _____ | 7. | fanaticism | g. | to seclude or to confine |
| _____ | 8. | feint | h. | to twist extensively |
| _____ | 9. | ferment | i. | to inform or to give notice |
| _____ | 10. | forestalled | j. | white with age; very old |
| _____ | 11. | gnarl | k. | excessive, irrational enthusiasm |
| _____ | 12. | hoary | l. | to add in a supplementary manner |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | infernal | a. | to repeat; to copy; to duplicate |
| _____ | 2. | jaunty | b. | relating to hell |
| _____ | 3. | malefactor | c. | aggressively noisy; defiant |
| _____ | 4. | matriarchy | d. | smelling of damp or decay |
| _____ | 5. | multifarious | e. | inconspicuous |
| _____ | 6. | musty | f. | marked by great haste; sudden |
| _____ | 7. | obstreperous | g. | criminal |
| _____ | 8. | precipice | h. | great variety; diverse |
| _____ | 9. | precipitous | i. | to ponder |
| _____ | 10. | progeny | j. | a very steep cliff |
| _____ | 11. | replicate | k. | stylish or lively in appearance |
| _____ | 12. | ruminare | l. | children; descendants; offspring |
| _____ | 13. | unobtrusive | m. | state or family ruled by a female |

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Sentence Completion



appended	apprised	ardent	cloistered
constricted	disentangle	fanaticism	feint
fermented	hoary	infernal	musty

1. The nun had been secluded for a long time, _____ from early youth until her hair was _____ with age.
2. _____ to the end of the report about the terrorists' _____ was a note describing how they became so excessively zealous.
3. I _____ my husband of the situation, informing him of how our baby had gotten caught in the barbed wire and how I managed to _____ her.
4. Many prohibitionists believed that brandy was the work of the devil, but what they thought to be an _____ drink was just the further distillation of _____ wine.
5. The minister entered his religious service because of an _____ and zealous desire to help to improve other people's lives.
6. Because the flow of air into the basement was _____ when we closed the vent, the room soon became permeated with that _____ pungent smell of things slightly damp.
7. The fighter viewed every movement of his opponent as a possible _____ and was prepared for such false appearances; consequently, he was not fooled by any fake punches and was able to win the fight.

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forestalled	gnarled	jaunty	malefactor	matriarchs
multifarious	obstreperous	precipice	precipitously	progeny
replicate	ruminant	unobtrusive		

8. The _____ group of men varied in the extreme; some showed the _____ appearance of the newest and most fashionable style, while others had the slovenly look of skid row bums.
9. In many societies, households are headed by women, and these _____ make most of the decisions for their _____, especially for those children too young to make their own decisions.
10. A wise chess player will _____ over move, sometimes pondering for more than an hour on one single play.
11. The difference between the original painting and the forgery was _____ and hard to see; to _____ such a work involved copying even the style of brush strokes.
12. It would be rather ill-considered to jump over the edge of a mountain without knowing whether there was a ledge on the other side or a _____ extending downward thousands of feet.
13. Though a criminal for most of his life, the _____ had a sudden change of heart and was working to redeem himself in the hearts of his earlier victims.
14. With a total lack of caution, the diver hastily jumped _____ from the rocky ledge into the tiny pool far below.
15. The _____ crowd became more aggressive and more defiant as every moment passed; I knew there would be a riot soon.
16. We _____ the bulldozers by draining them of gas, effectively slowing them down; and as they blocked the road, traffic was _____ behind them in furious knots.

Lesson 41

Definitions



1.	amulet	AM yew let	a charm or ornament worn to protect against evil
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> hex
	The princess wore the amulet to protect herself.		
	Derivatives >>	amulets	
2.	aviary	A vee air ee	a place for keeping birds
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Many birds were in the aviary.		
	Derivatives >>	aviaries	
3.	burnish	BUR nish	to make shiny or to polish by rubbing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to tarnish
	Burnished metal is usually very reflective.		
	Derivatives >>	burnisher, burnishes, burnished, burnishing	
4.	circumvent	SIR kum vent	to get around something, to outwit, to frustrate; to avoid
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to confront
	The witness tried unsuccessfully to circumvent the subject.		
	Derivatives >>	circumventer, circumventor, circumvention, circumventive, circumvented, circumventing	
5.	epitome	eh PIT uh mee	a summary or brief representation of something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	That student is the epitome of the successful graduate.		
	Derivatives >>	epitomator, epitomical, epitomic, epitomist, epitomize, epitomizer	
6.	evanescent	ev uh NES unt	fleeting; impermanent
	Synonyms >>	ephemeral, fugitive, transient, transitory	Antonym >> permanent
	The evanescent sounds of applause are not what keeps the artist performing.		
	Derivatives >>	evanescence, evanesce, evanescently	
7.	fester	FES tur	to cause increased poisoning, to inflame or to corrupt
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to heal
	The wound will fester if it is not given some medical attention.		
	Derivatives >>	festered, festering	
8.	itinerant	eye TIN ur unt	traveling from place to place
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> settled
	The itinerant preacher ministered throughout the state.		
	Derivatives >>	itinerancy, itineracy, itinerantly, itinerarium, itinerary, itinerate, itineration	
9.	knoll	NOLE	a small round hill
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> mountain
	The young deer stood upon the knoll and looked out over the pond that lay beneath him.		
	Derivatives >>	knolls	
10.	magnate	MAG nate	a person of power and influence
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> pauper
	He was a film magnate who had great power to create a star.		
	Derivatives >>	magnateship	
11.	mural	MYOOR ul	a painting on a wall or ceiling
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The artist was commissioned to paint a mural on the wall.		
	Derivatives >>	muralist, murals	

12.	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			
13.	overt	oh VURT	open to view		
	Synonyms >>	conspicuous		Antonym >>	secret; hidden
	In an overt attempt to take over the corporation, he offered \$50 per share for stock in the company.				
	Derivatives >>	overtly, overtness			
14.	pinnacle	PIN uh kul	the peak or highest point		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	low point
	His career reached its pinnacle during the season when he hit sixty home runs.				
	Derivatives >>	pinnacled, pinnacling, pinnacles			
15.	preeminence	pree EM uh nuns	superiority to all others		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	inferiority
	Receiving a Nobel prize signifies preeminence in a field.				
	Derivatives >>	preeminent, preeminency, preeminently			
16.	prurient	PROOR ee unt	arousing an unwholesome desire or interest (usually related to sex)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	pure
	Pornography arouses prurient interests.				
	Derivatives >>	prurience, pruriency, pruriently			
17.	puritanical	pyoor eh TAN eh kul	marked by severe or rigid morality		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	satanical
	The girl's father was so puritanical he would not allow her to date until she was eighteen years old.				
	Derivatives >>	puritanic, puritan, puritanically, puritanicalness, puritanism, puritanize			
18.	scale	SKALE	to climb up or over		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to climb down
	Who was the first woman to scale Mt. Everest?				
	Derivatives >>	scaled, scaling			
19.	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			
20.	subjective	sub JEK tiv	coming from an individual's mind		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	objective
	I scored poorly on the subjective essay exam because my teacher disagreed with my opinion.				
	Derivatives >>	subjectively, subjectiveness, subjectivism, subjectivity, subjectivize, subjectivization			
21.	summary (adj.)	SUM uh ree	condensed and concise		
	Synonyms >>	compendious, laconic, pithy, succinct, terse		Antonym >>	detailed
	The judge asked for a summary conclusion since time was short.				
	Derivatives >>	summarily, summability, summariness, summarize, summation, summational			
22.	tenure	TEN yur	the period of holding something		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Under his tenure at the space administration, not one astronaut was injured.				
	Derivatives >>	tenurial, tenurially			
23.	unfathomable	un FATH um uh bul	not capable of being understood		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	understandable
	The solution to the mystery was unfathomable in the beginning.				
	Derivatives >>	unfathomableness, unfathomably, unfathomed			
24.	valid	VAL id	well-grounded, justifiable		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unjustified
	I found his reasons valid, and I accepted his statement.				
	Derivatives >>	validate, validation, validatory, validity, validly, validness			
25.	wily	WILE ee	cunning, crafty		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	"Wily as a fox" is an expression that means a person is very crafty at some activity.				
	Derivatives >>	wile, wiled, wiling, wilier, wiliest			

Lesson 41

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

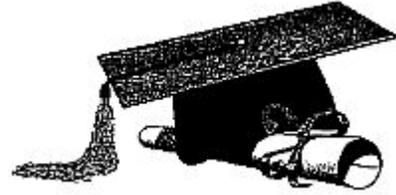
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|-------|-----|-------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | amulet | a. | to cause increased poisoning |
| _____ | 2. | aviary | b. | traveling from place to place |
| _____ | 3. | burnish | c. | brief representative of the whole |
| _____ | 4. | circumvent | d. | a place for keeping birds |
| _____ | 5. | epitome | e. | to make shiny by rubbing |
| _____ | 6. | evanescent | f. | a person of power and influence |
| _____ | 7. | fester | g. | marked by severe morality |
| _____ | 8. | itinerant | h. | fleeting; ephemeral; transient |
| _____ | 9. | knoll | i. | a painting on a wall or ceiling |
| _____ | 10. | magnate | j. | a small, round hill |
| _____ | 11. | mural | k. | charm to protect against evil |
| _____ | 12. | puritanical | l. | to get around something; to outwit |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | overt | a. | to climb up or over |
| _____ | 2. | pinnacle | b. | reserved; upright in manner |
| _____ | 3. | preeminence | c. | condensed and concise |
| _____ | 4. | prurient | d. | the peak or highest point |
| _____ | 5. | omnipotent | e. | well-grounded; justifiable |
| _____ | 6. | scale | f. | coming from an individual's mind |
| _____ | 7. | staid | g. | open to view |
| _____ | 8. | subjective | h. | not capable of being understood |
| _____ | 9. | summary | i. | superiority to all others |
| _____ | 10. | tenure | j. | having unlimited power |
| _____ | 11. | unfathomable | k. | cunning; crafty |
| _____ | 12. | valid | l. | period of holding something |
| _____ | 13. | wily | m. | arousing an unwholesome desire |

Lesson 41

Sentence Completion



amulet	aviary	burnished	circumvent
epitome	evanescent	fester	itinerant
knoll	magnate	mural	omnipotent

1. The _____ hung about the neck of the queen, and the copper sheen that reflected from its _____ surface sparkled in the sun.
2. On the _____ that overlooked the valley was an _____ that housed rare birds; it was an interesting concept to put a bird house on top of a small hill.
3. Pete Rose was the _____ of the American baseball player, representing the dreams of many young ball players behind him; yet his fame was fleeting and his fortune _____.
4. As discontent began to _____ in the crowd, authorities tried to _____ any trouble by breaking up the group; they wanted to avoid a crisis before the situation became any more inflamed.
5. The artistic _____ of our courthouse wall was painted by an _____ artist who left town as soon as he finished it.
6. The business _____ considered himself _____ because he had the power to fire any employee at all.

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overt	pinnacle	preeminence	prurient	puritanical
scale	staid	subjective	summary	tenure
unfathomable	valid	wily		

7. The _____ thief was too clever to steal in an _____ and open manner; instead he picked pockets.
8. In explaining why he wanted to climb Mt. Everest, the explorer said, "I wish to _____ this mountain because it is the world's highest _____."
9. The fact that he received the highest award possible conveys his _____ in the field; he is obviously superior to all others and is a most outstanding individual.
10. The old woman, upright, reserved and _____, had gained a great amount of wisdom through her years and experiences.
11. The President of the United States holds office for four years; then he must be reelected if he wishes another _____.
12. The woman's _____ speech made her sound extremely rigid and moral.
13. The young man's _____ interests in the girl are heightened by the skimpy clothes she wears; he is consumed with an unwholesome desire for her company.
14. The teacher made a _____ evaluation of the child's paper, to be reviewed again for a more comprehensive judgment; at the moment, though, she had to offer concise comments.
15. Your opinion is merely _____, not based on facts at all; it is just something you picked out of your mind, reflecting your emotions.
16. His statement about that theory is not _____; the facts that we have gathered point to a contrary conclusion and prove his words are not justifiable.
17. The fact that in some countries the AIDS virus infects more than 50% of the population is practically _____, but as hard as it is to believe, the fact is true.

Lesson 42

Definitions



1.	abnegate	AB nuh gayt	to surrender or to relinquish (a right, belief, or idea)
	Synonyms >>	forgo	Antonym >> to admit, to accept
	He asked the committee to abnegate its right to rule on the issue.		
	Derivatives >>	abnegated, abnegating, abnegates, abnegation, abnegator	
2.	chronic	KRON ik	marked by long duration or by frequent recurrence over a long period
	Synonyms >>	unending, habitual, inveterate	Antonym >> transitory
	The chain smoker is often plagued by a chronic cough.		
	Derivatives >>	chronical, chronically, chronicity	
3.	forsake	fore SAKE	to quit or to leave entirely; to depart or to withdraw from
	Synonyms >>	leave, desert, abandon	Antonym >>
	The father was not about to forsake his children in their time of need.		
	Derivatives >>	forsaken, forsook, forsaking, forsakes, forsakenly, forsakenness, forsaker	
4.	frugal	FROO gul	avoiding spending money unnecessarily
	Synonyms >>	thrifty, economical	Antonym >> wasteful
	He is so frugal because he is trying to save money for college.		
	Derivatives >>	frugality, frugality, frugally	
5.	gravitate	GRAV eh tate	to move toward something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to move away from something
	People tend to gravitate toward others with similar interests.		
	Derivatives >>	grivated, gravitating, gravitation, gravitater, gravitational, gravitationally, gravity	
6.	guise	GIZE	costume or outward appearance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> true appearance
	In the guise of a banker, the FBI agent investigated a counterfeit money case.		
	Derivatives >>	guised, guising	
7.	illicit	eh LIS it	illegal
	Synonyms >>	unlawful, illegitimate	Antonym >> legal
	Gambling is an illicit activity in many states.		
	Derivatives >>	illicitness, illicitly	
8.	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	
9.	incensed	in SENS D	really mad
	Synonyms >>	enraged, infuriated, angered	Antonym >> pleased
	The teacher was incensed when she found out that some of her trusted students had cheated on the exam.		
	Derivatives >>	incense, incensing, incensement	
10.	indigent	IN deh junt	very poor, impoverished
	Synonyms >>	destitute, impecunious	Antonym >> affluent, wealthy
	It is hard to believe that Joe is homeless and indigent when he used to be president of a savings and loan thrift.		
	Derivatives >>	indigence, indigently	
11.	insuperable	in SOO pur uh bul	incapable of being surmounted; incapable of being vanquished
	Synonyms >>	unsurpassable, impassable, invincible	Antonym >> easily overcome, surmountable
	These are the insuperable heroes who fought for our country.		
	Derivatives >>	insuperability, insuperableness, insuperably	

12.	intuitive	in TOO eh tiv	known without rational thought
	Synonyms >>	instinctive	Antonym >>
	Her feelings that something bad was about to happen were strictly intuitive; she had no basis for them.		
	Derivatives >>	intuitively, intuitiveness, intuitivism, intuitivist, intuition, intuitionless, intuitional, intuitually, intuitionalism	
13.	irreverent	eh REV ur unt	showing a lack of respect
	Synonyms >>	disrespectful	Antonym >> respectful
	It is irreverent to wear a hat inside of a church.		
	Derivatives >>	irreverence,irreverently	
14.	malfeasant	mal FEE zunt	one who is guilty of misbehavior or wrongdoing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> law-abiding citizen
	The criminal had been a malfeasant since early childhood.		
	Derivatives >>	malfeasance	
15.	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	
16.	maverick	MAV er ik	an independent individual who does not go along with the group
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> conformist
	Eccentric billionaire Howard Hughes was a maverick in the fields of movie-making and airplane construction.		
	Derivatives >>		
17.	plunderer	PLUN dur ur	one who robs or loots or otherwise takes things by force
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	In a war situation, invading armies are sometimes seen as little more than plunderers.		
	Derivatives >>	plunder,plunderable,plunderingly, plunderous, plunderage	
18.	predator	PRED uh tur	one that preys, plunders, or destroys
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A hawk is a predator because it survives by attacking other animals.		
	Derivatives >>	predatism, predatory, predatorily, predatoriness	
19.	revelry	REV ul ry	loud and boisterous partying or merrymaking
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	On the night of the election, there was much revelry at the governor's victory party.		
	Derivatives >>	revelries	
20.	sanguine	SANG gwin	very confident
	Synonyms >>	optimistic, hopeful, sure	Antonym >> afraid
	The candidate had sanguine expectations for his election to the senate.		
	Derivatives >>	sanguineness,sanguineous, sanguinary	
21.	taut	TAUT	tightly drawn, having no slack
	Synonyms >>	tight	Antonym >>
	As the convicted man fell from the scaffold, the rope became taut around his neck.		
	Derivatives >>	tautly, tautness, tauten	
22.	thwart	THWART	to effectively oppose or to stop
	Synonyms >>	foil, frustrate, baffle, balk, circumvent	Antonym >>
	We were able to thwart the invading forces with bombing by our superior air force.		
	Derivatives >>	thwarted, thwartedly, thwarter, thwarting	
23.	timorous	TIM ur us	apprehensive, worried, or fearful
	Synonyms >>	timid	Antonym >>
	If one has to walk through a mine field, he should do so with timorous steps.		
	Derivatives >>	timorously, timorousness	
24.	vitriolic	vi tree OL ik	very caustic and sarcastic
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> kind; harmless
	A teacher should avoid vitriolic remarks in the classroom.		
	Derivatives >>		
25.	vulnerable	VUL nur uh bul	susceptible to injury or attack
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> protected
	A fighter is vulnerable if he does not keep up his guard.		
	Derivatives >>	vulnerability, vulnerableness, vulnerably	

Lesson 42

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. | abnegate | a. | showing lack of respect |
| _____ | 2. | chronic | b. | incapable of being surmounted |
| _____ | 3. | forsake | c. | to move toward something |
| _____ | 4. | frugal | d. | to depart; to withdraw from |
| _____ | 5. | gravitate | e. | illegal |
| _____ | 6. | guise | f. | to surrender or to relinquish |
| _____ | 7. | illicit | g. | one who takes things by force |
| _____ | 8. | incensed | h. | costume or outward appearance |
| _____ | 9. | indigent | i. | very poor; impoverished |
| _____ | 10. | insuperable | j. | really angry |
| _____ | 11. | irreverent | k. | marked by a long duration |
| _____ | 12. | plunderer | l. | avoid spending money needlessly |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | intuitive | a. | incapable of being broken into |
| _____ | 2. | impregnable | b. | loud and boisterous partying |
| _____ | 3. | malfeasant | c. | to oppose or stop effectively |
| _____ | 4. | malign | d. | to speak evil of; to slander |
| _____ | 5. | maverick | e. | very caustic; sarcastic |
| _____ | 6. | predator | f. | knowing without rational thought |
| _____ | 7. | revelry | g. | tightly drawn; having no slack |
| _____ | 8. | sanguine | h. | apprehensive; worried; fearful |
| _____ | 9. | taut | i. | one who is guilty of misbehavior |
| _____ | 10. | thwart | j. | susceptible to injury or attack |
| _____ | 11. | timorous | k. | one who preys or destroys |
| _____ | 12. | vitriolic | l. | very confident |
| _____ | 13. | vulnerable | m. | one not going along with the group |

Lesson 42

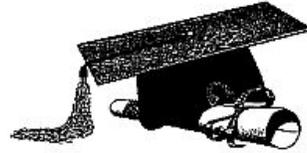
Sentence Completion



abnegated	chronic	forsake	frugal
gravitate	guise	illicit	incensed
indigent	maverick	plunderer	revelry

1. The young woman seemed to _____ toward men who were independent-minded; she often found herself moving toward a _____ who did not go along with the group.
2. When the _____ at the party continued to grow in volume, the neighbor became very angry; she was _____ that such loud and boisterous partying was keeping her awake.
3. Because the family is practically _____, each member is extremely _____; being so poor makes it critical for them to avoid spending money unnecessarily.
4. The old man legally _____ his right to manage his own affairs and surrendered it to his son.
5. It would be nice if you would _____ your _____ complaining; in other words, give up your incessant griping!
6. Dressed in the _____ of a pumpkin, the young man won the award for best costume.
7. The criminal was finally caught and put into jail as a result of his many _____ acts; he was guilty of engaging in fifteen different illegal activities.
8. Genghis Khan, leader of the Mongols, was a _____; he and his men invaded many villages, stealing, destroying and ravaging.

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impregnable	insuperable	intuitively	irreverent	malfasant
malign	predator	sanguine	taut	thwart
timorous	vitriolic	vulnerable		

9. The _____ seemed to know _____ on which animals he could prey and destroy; this he knew without experience, without rational thought.
10. The king had absolute confidence in his _____ castle and his _____ army; the former could never be taken by assault, and the latter could never be vanquished.
11. For you to _____ his character by calling him a _____ is misleading; he has never been found guilty of any wrongdoing, and you are wrong to injure his reputation.
12. It was useless to try to _____ the unruly group's actions; they were _____ in the church, and we could not effectively stop them from showing a lack of respect.
13. The woman's _____ appearance was a reflection of her absolute confidence in the man's ability to do the job effectively; she remained optimistic and hopeful to the end.
14. The girl was _____ to the group's _____ attack; because she was shy, she was especially susceptible to their sarcastic remarks.
15. As the terrorist drew the rope _____ in his hands, the young girl burst into _____ sobs, afraid that he would put the tightly drawn rope around her neck.

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	

Lesson 43

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

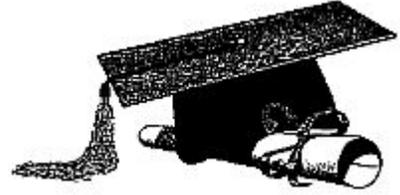
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|-------|-----|----------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | apogee | a. | to quote an authority |
| _____ | 2. | betoken | b. | to slow down |
| _____ | 3. | cite | c. | to give a sign of |
| _____ | 4. | communal | d. | 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 |

Lesson 43

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.

Lesson 44

Definitions



1.	abrasive	uh BRAY siv	harsh, causing irritation, rough
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> kind; soothing
	His mother was disturbed by his rude and abrasive behavior.		
	Derivatives >>	abrasion	
2.	appease	uh PEES	to pacify, to be conciliatory in a manner that sacrifices principles
	Synonyms >>	conciliate, mollify, placate, propitiate	Antonym >> to incense
	The woman tried to appease her husband when he became so angry.		
	Derivatives >>	appeased, appeasing, appeasement, appeasable, appeaser	
3.	bewail	buh WALE	to deplore, to express deep sorrow
	Synonyms >>	bemoan, lament	Antonym >> to rejoice in
	He bewailed the passing of his grandfather whom he loved and admired.		
	Derivatives >>	bewailed, bewailing	
4.	cleft	CLEFT	a space or opening made by cleavage, a split
	Synonyms >>	fissure, crevice, crack, rift, cranny, chasm, crevasse	Antonym >>
	The cleft in the mountain side was so great that it could not be crossed.		
	Derivatives >>		
5.	countermand	koun ter MAND	to revoke, to cancel, or to reverse
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to approve; to validate
	When the President awoke from surgery, he countermanded some orders issued by the Vice President.		
	Derivatives >>	countermandable, countermanded, countermanding	
6.	defraud	deh FRAWD	to deal with deceptively
	Synonyms >>	cozen, swindle	Antonym >> to deal with honestly
	Some defense contractors have defrauded the government out of millions of dollars.		
	Derivatives >>	defrauded, defrauding, defraudation, defraudment	
7.	disavowal	dis uh VOW ul	denial
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> acknowledgment
	His disavowal of the charges against him made the jury wonder if he was really guilty.		
	Derivatives >>	disavow	
8.	eclipse	eh KLIPS	to cast a shadow upon; to darken; to make dim or obscure by comparison
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to make prominent or obvious
	President Bush's successes in foreign policy were eclipsed by domestic failures in the public eye.		
	Derivatives >>	eclipsed, eclipsing, ecliptic, ecliptically, ecliptical	
9.	ellipsis	eh LIP sis	omission of words necessary for complete construction
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	If (it is) possible, (you) come early.		
	Derivatives >>	ellipses	
10.	fussbudget	FUS buj it	one who fusses
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> a serene person; a pacifist
	My sister is earning a reputation as a fussbudget because she constantly complains.		
	Derivatives >>	fussbudgety	
11.	idolatry	eye DOLL uh tree	worship of idols, excessive devotion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> irreverence; indifference
	The idolatry of rock stars by some teenagers can be dangerous.		
	Derivatives >>	idolatrous, idolatry, idolatrously, idolatrousness, idolater	

12.	malicious	muh LISH us	motivated by hate or deliberate intent to harm
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> kind
	The malicious boy burned down the school.		
	Derivatives >>	maliciousness, malice, maliciously, malicious	
13.	mote	MOTE	a particle or speck of dust
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A single mote with radioactive properties can have a cancerous effect on humans.		
	Derivatives >>		
14.	optimum	OP tuh mum	most favorable, best or greatest degree attainable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> least favorable
	The operation must be performed under optimum conditions.		
	Derivatives >>	optima, optimums, optimize, optimization, optimity	
15.	personification	pur son uh fuh KAY	attribution of personal qualities
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Through the personification in the poem the trees seem to be human.		
	Derivatives >>	personify, personificative, personificator, personifier	
16.	pertinacity	pur tuh NAS eh tee	stubborn persistence or act of refusing to yield on an opinion or belief
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> vacillation
	Because of his pertinacity, the fighter was able to go the entire twelve rounds and win the fight.		
	Derivatives >>	pertinacious, pertinaciously, pertinaciousness	
17.	prate	PRATE	to talk idly or foolishly at great length
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to speak about serious matters
	We want a speaker who will talk of important issues, not one who will prate about himself.		
	Derivatives >>	prater, prated, prating	
18.	precept	PREE sept	a rule guiding conduct or imposing a standard
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A favorite precept by which many people live is "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."		
	Derivatives >>	preceptist, preceptive	
19.	repulse	reh PULSE	to repel or to rebuff (usually with rudeness)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to impress
	His offensive language repulsed the girl; it did not impress her.		
	Derivatives >>	repulsive, repulsion, repulsively, repulsiveness	
20.	scribe	SKRIBE	a journalist, a public secretary or clerk
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Sportswriters are often referred to as scribes.		
	Derivatives >>	scribal	
21.	sophistry	SOF eh stree	practice of intentionally misleading arguments that seem to be plausible
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Arguing that the Bible supports segregation is sophistry.		
	Derivatives >>	sophists, sophistical, sophist, sophister, sophistic, sophistically, sophisticalness	
22.	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	
23.	traducer	truh DOOS ur	one who slanders or speaks falsely about someone
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> one who praises or extols
	After hearing the gossip, the woman confronted the traducer face to face to stop the vicious slander.		
	Derivatives >>	traduce, traducement, traduction	
24.	venturesome	VEN chur sum	being bold and taking risks
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> cautious
	Columbus was venturesome in seeking to find India by sailing west.		
	Derivatives >>	venturesomely, venturesomeness, venture	
25.	waylay	WAY lay	to ambush or to attack unexpectedly
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The police tried to waylay the criminal.		
	Derivatives >>	waylaid, waylaying, waylays	

Lesson 44

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

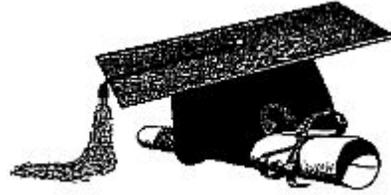
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|-------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. abrasive | a. a space; a split |
| _____ | 2. appease | b. one who fusses |
| _____ | 3. bewail | c. to deceive |
| _____ | 4. cleft | d. omission of words |
| _____ | 5. countermand | e. harsh; causing irritation |
| _____ | 6. defraud | f. motivated by hate |
| _____ | 7. disavowal | g. to deplore; to express deep sorrow |
| _____ | 8. eclipse | h. excessive devotion |
| _____ | 9. ellipsis | i. to pacify |
| _____ | 10. fustigate | j. to revoke, cancel, or reverse |
| _____ | 11. idolatry | k. denial |
| _____ | 12. malicious | l. to cast a shadow; to darken |

Exercise B

- | | | |
|-------|--------------------|--|
| _____ | 1. mote | a. to talk idly or foolishly at length |
| _____ | 2. optimum | b. to ambush or attack unexpectedly |
| _____ | 3. personification | c. a particle or speck of dust |
| _____ | 4. pertinacity | d. the use of misleading arguments |
| _____ | 5. prate | e. to repel or rebuff |
| _____ | 6. precept | f. most favorable condition |
| _____ | 7. repulse | g. entreaty; asking for a favor |
| _____ | 8. scribe | h. being bold and taking risks |
| _____ | 9. sophistry | i. one who slanders |
| _____ | 10. supplication | j. attribution of personal qualities |
| _____ | 11. traducer | k. persistence; determination |
| _____ | 12. venturesome | l. journalist; public secretary |
| _____ | 13. waylay | m. a rule for guiding conduct |

Lesson 44

Sentence Completion



abrasive	appease	bewailed	cleft
countermand	defrauded	disavowal	eclipse
ellipsis	fussbudget	idolatry	mote

1. The suspect's incessant _____ of the theft charge made him seem even more guilty, but he continued to deny his connection to the crime.
2. Nothing could _____ the woman since she had been _____ by the company; she had been cheated out of her savings and could now face destitution and homelessness.
3. The man was cold and _____ in his treatment of the woman; consequently, she avoided his harsh words and irritation manner.
4. The sentence actually sounded more sophisticated with the _____, but for some readers it was hard to understand with some of the words missing.
5. Her eye began to water profusely when a _____ flew into it; it is interesting how a mere speck of dust can cause such irritation to a sensitive part of our bodies.
6. The lack of a leader brought the countrymen much distress; they had become almost totally dependent on their general, whose death they _____.
7. The primitive tribe had a simple kind of _____ in which they worshipped various statues of gods.
8. Janice is such a _____ that she will complain about anything and everything.
9. As soon as the leader was freed from the rebels, he began to _____ several of the orders of his enemy; he canceled them as quickly as possible.
10. The most difficult part of the climb was trying to cross a _____ in the mountain; the fissure was so wide that we had to build a bridge.
11. The man's foul language and rude behavior could _____ all the nice things he has done for others; people are likely to let the bad things cast a shadow upon the good ones.

Lesson 44



malicious	optimum	personification	pertinacity	prate
precept	repulse	scribe	sophistry	supplication
traded	venturesome	waylay		

12. The man was cruel and _____, seeming not to care at all whom he hurt; certainly his malevolence would one day return to him.
13. The _____ of the trees in the poem was not original; they were brought to life, whispering and speaking as in many other previous poems.
14. The _____ of this course, its guiding rule, is that you must learn your vocabulary words.
15. The small community lifted their humble voices in _____ to beg God to send rain for their crops.
16. Boldly taking risks, Indiana Jones is a most _____ character.
17. In order for this experiment to work, we must have an _____ environment; if we do not have the most favorable conditions, we cannot assure its success.
18. Belching at dinner is sure to _____ your new girlfriend; hopefully she won't be so repelled that she refuses to come to your house again.
19. The robbers set up an ambush to _____ unsuspecting travelers.
20. We found out that the politician had _____ his opponent by making false accusations against him.
21. We were deceived by the _____ of the con man; his approach seemed so plausible that we never considered that he was actually trying to mislead us.
22. The testimony in court was recorded by a public secretary; a _____ is a necessary part of the staff because written court records are very important.
23. As soon as the woman reached the lectern, she began to _____, and I knew we were in for an hour-long session of insignificant chatter.
24. I was surprised at his _____; he stubbornly refused to yield his position on the issue.

Lesson 45

Definitions



1.	appreciate	uh PREE she ate	to increase in value		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to decrease in value
		My home has appreciated in value by \$10,000.			
	Derivatives >>	appreciation, appreciator, appreciated, appreciating, appreciative, appreciatively, appreciativeness, appreciatory			
2.	bigot	BIG ut	one who is utterly intolerant of any creed or belief differing from his own		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	open-minded person
		He is such a bigot that he will not even listen to our point of view.			
	Derivatives >>	bigoted, bigotedly, bigotry, bigotries			
3.	chaff	CHAF	material separated from the seed after threshing, worthless matter		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		Chaff is the residue from the threshing process of separating seed.			
	Derivatives >>	chaffless, chafflike			
4.	cliché	klee SHAY	an overworked expression, a trite statement		
	Synonyms >>	platitude		Antonym >>	unusual or original statement
		"That dog won't hunt" used to be a clever way to say that an idea was bad, but due to overuse, it is now a cliché.			
	Derivatives >>				
5.	couple	KUH pul	to join or to link together		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to separate
		If you will couple the beads, you will have a longer necklace.			
	Derivatives >>	coupled, couples, coupling			
6.	discretion	deh SKRESH un	ability to act on one's own power of individual decision		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The judge has wide discretion in the bail that he sets.			
	Derivatives >>	discretionary, discretionally, discretionary			
7.	emollient	eh MOL yunt	something that soothes or softens		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	irritant
		Lotions are emollients used to ease the pain of sunburn.			
	Derivatives >>	emollient, emolliently			
8.	fatalistic	fate uh LIS tik	belief that events are predetermined and cannot be altered		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		Giving up because you believe you're doomed to failure is a fatalistic attitude.			
	Derivatives >>	fatalist, fatalism, fatalistically			
9.	gamely	GAME lee	in a positive and spirited approach to a task, with unyielding spirit		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	without courage
		He approached the task with a gamely attitude, exhibiting his positive and unyielding spirit.			
	Derivatives >>	gameness			
10.	idiosyncrasy	id ee uh SING kruh see	a characteristic habit or mannerism that is peculiar to an individual		
	Synonyms >>	peculiarity, quirk		Antonym >>	
		Scratching his hand whenever he was nervous was an idiosyncrasy of the man.			
	Derivatives >>	idiosyncratic, idiosyncratically			
11.	ignominy	IG nuh min ee	disgraceful or dishonorable conduct		
	Synonyms >>	disgrace, disrepute, infamy		Antonym >>	honor
		Treason is an ignominy.			
	Derivatives >>	ignominious, ignominiously, ignominiousness			

12.	indices	IN deh seez	plural of index, guides		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	There are many indices in the library for you to use in your research.				
	Derivatives >>	index, indexical, indexically, indexless			
13.	infidel	IN feh dul	a person who has no religious faith; unbeliever		
	Synonyms >>	atheist		Antonym >>	believer
	The lack of religious values in society today point to the great numbers of infidels.				
	Derivatives >>	infidelity			
14.	malingering	muh LING gur	to pretend or to feign illness to avoid work or duty		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to perform dutifully
	Soldiers sometimes malingering in order to avoid going into battle.				
	Derivatives >>	malingering, malingered, malingering			
15.	motley	MOT lee	exhibiting great diversity of elements; heterogeneous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	homogenous
	The rally for environmental concerns drew a motley crowd.				
	Derivatives >>	motleys			
16.	ossify	OS uh fie	to change or to harden into bone, to be rigidly conventional		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to soften
	This particular type of tree ossifies with age.				
	Derivatives >>	ossified, ossifying, ossifier, ossificatory, ossification			
17.	pestilence	PES tuh lens	a deadly epidemic disease; something considered harmful or evil		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	something harmless
	The bubonic plague was a pestilence that killed thousands of people.				
	Derivatives >>	pestilent, pestilently, pestilential, pestilentially, pestilentialness			
18.	preciosity	pres ee OS eh tee	meticulousness, extreme fastidiousness		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	lack of concern; indifference
	English gentlemen are known for their preciosity.				
	Derivatives >>	preciosities			
19.	scurry	SKUR ee	to hurry about, to scamper		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to dawdle; to move slowly
	The robbers scurried when they heard the police siren.				
	Derivatives >>	scurried, scurrying			
20.	sophomoric	sof uh MORE ik	immature and poorly informed		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	profound
	Intentional crying is a sophomoric attempt to gain sympathy.				
	Derivatives >>	sophomorical, sophomorically			
21.	surly	SUR lee	churlishly rude or bad-tempered; unfriendly, hostile		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	courteous
	The discourteous boy had a surly manner of speaking.				
	Derivatives >>	surlier, surliest, surlily, surliness			
22.	transgression	trans GRESH un	violation of a law or command; sin		
	Synonyms >>	contravention, disobedience, trespass		Antonym >>	obedience; upholding of the law
	Breaking the law is a transgression.				
	Derivatives >>	transgress, transgressive, transgressively, transgressor			
23.	vent	VENT	to give utterance to		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to repress
	He vented his opinions only at the end of the speech.				
	Derivatives >>	vented, venting			
24.	verify	VER eh fie	to prove the truth of; to confirm; to substantiate		
	Synonyms >>	authenticate, validate		Antonym >>	
	You should verify your results before you present them.				
	Derivatives >>	verified, verifying, verifiability, verifiableness, verifiable			
25.	wheedle	HWEED ul	to try to convince by flattery, to coax, to cajole		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	She is able to wheedle whatever she desires from the men she dates.				
	Derivatives >>	wheedling, wheedled, wheedles			

Lesson 45
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

- _____ 1. appreciate
- _____ 2. bigot
- _____ 3. chaff
- _____ 4. cliché
- _____ 5. couple
- _____ 6. discretion
- _____ 7. emollient
- _____ 8. fatalistic
- _____ 9. gamely
- _____ 10. idiosyncrasy
- _____ 11. ignominy
- _____ 12. indices

- a. something that smoothes
- b. to join or to link together
- c. trite, overworked expression
- d. dishonorable conduct
- e. ability to act on one's own
- f. belief that events are predetermined
- g. material separated from seed
- h. plural of index; guides
- i. to increase in value
- j. unyielding; spirited; positive
- k. peculiarity; quirk
- l. person who is intolerant of any creed of belief differing from his own

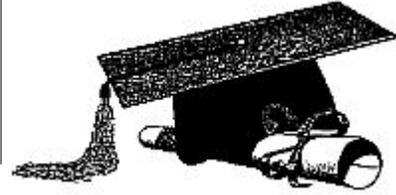
Exercise B

- _____ 1. infidel
- _____ 2. malinger
- _____ 3. motley
- _____ 4. ossify
- _____ 5. pestilence
- _____ 6. preciousity
- _____ 7. scurry
- _____ 8. sophomoric
- _____ 9. surly
- _____ 10. transgression
- _____ 11. vent
- _____ 12. verify
- _____ 13. wheedle

- a. violation of a law; a sin
- b. atheist; one who has no faith
- c. to hurry about; to scamper
- d. churlishly rude; unfriendly; hostile
- e. to confirm; to prove the truth of
- f. to pretend in order to avoid work
- g. to give utterance to
- h. something harmful or evil
- i. to try to convince by flattery
- j. heterogeneous
- k. meticulousness; fastidious refinement
- l. to change or to harden into bone
- m. immature; poorly informed

Lesson 45

Sentence Completion



appreciated	bigot	chaff	cliché
couple	discretion	emollient	fatalistic
gamely	idiosyncrasy	ignominy	indices

- Without even thinking of the danger involved, the fireman _____ rushed into the burning house to save the baby; his positive and spirited approach helped him to save the child.
- The lists of periodicals and of films are the _____ that are most frequently used by students in their research.
- The cost of that house has _____ greatly over the past few years; most of that increase in value can be attributed to inflation.
- Many of the prisoners of war never lost hope; they simply refused to accept their fates as inalterable or to adopt a _____ attitude.
- At the judge's _____ you are jailed or set free; he makes his own individual decisions about each case and is not easily influenced by other people.
- The famous politician's career was quickly ruined by the _____ of his spying against the United States; such disgraceful and dishonorable conduct blackens a reputation.
- To join the two links of chain, Joe said he would _____ them by welding one to the other.
- It is not a good idea to put a _____ into a formal essay for your English class; that teacher does not like trite expressions.
- After the men cleaned up the _____, they wanted an _____ for their rough hands; the material separated from the seed after threshing irritated their skin, and they needed something to soothe it.
- Do not expect any understanding from that _____; he is totally intolerant of any beliefs that differ from his own.
- The woman was teased because of her _____ of always whistling while she worked in the garden, a characteristic habit from her childhood.

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infidel	malingered	motley	ossify	pestilence
preciosity	scurry	sophomoric	surly	transgression
vent	verify	wheedle		

12. Pretending to be sick when he was actually quite fit, the man _____ at the hospital to avoid going to work.
13. The salesman continued to try to _____ me into buying his product long after I had tired of his flattery.
14. Many English gentlemen are known for their _____; they are extremely meticulous and fastidious about practically everything.
15. This old wood will _____ and will harden into what we call “petrified wood.”
16. When I turned on the light, rats began to _____ everywhere; they even scampered under our feet.
17. You have an immature, _____ sense of humor.
18. Because he has no religious faith, he can aptly be called an _____ or unbeliever.
19. His group of followers was a _____ crew, drawn from the rich as well as the poor, from the educated as well as the illiterate, from the beautiful as well as the ugly.
20. The entire country was plagued with a _____ that took the lives of one-third of the population; it was the most deadly epidemic in the century.
21. We found the boy’s _____ behavior to be disgustingly rude and bad tempered.
22. This document will _____ your eligibility for the contest; it will be sufficient proof for the authorities.
23. The young man was sent to prison for his violation of the law; his _____ was not viewed lightly by the judge or the jury.
24. Sometimes it is better to _____ one’s anger rather than to keep it bottled up inside; it is necessary to give utterance to some things.

Lesson 46

Definitions



1.	accrue	uh KREW	to accumulate, to gather, or to grow as interest on money
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to become less
	If you leave the money in the bank, it will accrue interest, and you will have more money.		
	Derivatives >>	accrual, accrued, accruing, accrument	
2.	bilk	BILK	to cheat
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to deal honestly with
	The con artist bilked the elderly lady out of her life savings.		
	Derivatives >>	bilker, bilked	
3.	coda	KO duh	a concluding portion of a musical or dramatic work
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The composition had a coda that was in itself delightful.		
	Derivatives >>	codas	
4.	coven	KUV un	an assembly of witches
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The ritual was being performed by a coven of witches.		
	Derivatives >>	covens	
5.	dotard	DOE turd	a senile person
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> youth
	Talking to the dotard was difficult because he often forgot where he was.		
	Derivatives >>	dotards, dotage	
6.	emotive	eh MOE tive	characterized by or relating to emotion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Love is one of the emotive capacities of man.		
	Derivatives >>	emotively, emotiveness, emotivity	
7.	fission	FISH un	splitting into parts
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> process of joining
	Nuclear fission is a source of great energy.		
	Derivatives >>	fissioned, fissioning, fissionability, fissionable	
8.	floe	FLOW	a large sheet of floating ice
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The tanker had to be careful to avoid the ice floe in the ocean.		
	Derivatives >>	floes	
9.	garnish	GAR nish	to decorate
	Synonyms >>	adorn, deck, embellish, ornament	Antonym >> to remove decoration
	Parsley is used to garnish many dinners.		
	Derivatives >>	garnished, garnishing, garnishes, garnishable, garnishment	
10.	imbibe	im BIBE	to absorb or to drink in
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to exude
	It is dangerous to imbibe too much alcohol.		
	Derivatives >>	imbibes, imbibed, imbibition, imbibitional, imbiber	
11.	incarcerate	in KAR suh rate	to put into prison
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to set free
	The judge told the convicted murderer that he would be incarcerated in the state prison.		
	Derivatives >>	incarceration, incarcerator, incarcerated, incarcerating	

12.	malodorous	mal OH dur us	foul-smelling, highly improper
	Synonyms >>	fetid, fusty, musty, noisome, putrid, rancid, rank	Antonym >> aromatic
	Insider trading is a malodorous practice that should be punished.		
	Derivatives >>	malodor, malodorant	
13.	mottled	MOT uld	marked with spots of different color
	Synonyms >>	spotted, blotched	Antonym >> evenly colored
	The floor was covered with mottled linoleum.		
	Derivatives >>	mottle, mottles, mottlings	
14.	noisome	NOI sum	unwholesome, having a bad smell
	Synonyms >>	fetid, fusty, malodorous, musty, putrid, rancid, rank	Antonym >> wholesome
	An outhouse can be a noisome building.		
	Derivatives >>	noisomeness, noisomely	
15.	ostensible	os TEN suh bul	apparent or avowed
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The ostensible purpose of going to Las Vegas was the convention; however, the real purpose was to gamble.		
	Derivatives >>	ostensibly, ostensive, ostensibly, ostentation, ostentatious	
16.	pensive	PEN siv	deeply thoughtful
	Synonyms >>	meditative, reflective	Antonym >> thoughtless
	The philosopher was often in a pensive mood.		
	Derivatives >>	pensively, pensiveness	
17.	petty	PET ee	small and insignificant
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> significant; prodigious
	Put your petty grievances aside and settle this matter.		
	Derivatives >>	pettiness, pettily	
18.	purveyors	pur VAY ur	one who provides or procures
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The purveyors were able to get all sorts of things for their Army division.		
	Derivatives >>	purveyance, purveyor	
19.	resourceful	reh SORS ful	acting effectively (usually in difficult situations)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unable to cope or adapt
	It will take a resourceful person to get out of this mess.		
	Derivatives >>	resourcefully, resourcefulness	
20.	scuttle	SKUT ul	to sink (usually a ship)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to preserve
	In war a captain of a ship might scuttle his vessel rather than have it captured and used by the enemy.		
	Derivatives >>	scuttled, scuttling	
21.	solvent	SOL vunt	able to pay debts
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> broke; in debt
	I have become solvent now that I have received a raise in salary.		
	Derivatives >>	solvency, solvently	
22.	spangle	SPANG gul	a small circular piece of glittering material used for decorating garments
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Her dress was decorated with multi-colored spangles.		
	Derivatives >>	spangled, spangly	
23.	transmutation	trans myoo TAY shun	a change into something different
	Synonyms >>	metamorphosis	Antonym >>
	The alchemist was interested in the transmutation of iron into gold.		
	Derivatives >>	transmute, transmutability, transmutationist, transmutative	
24.	versatile	VUR suh til	capable of doing many things; having many uses
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unadaptable
	Colleges are seeking versatile students who will be active in many areas of collegiate life.		
	Derivatives >>	versatilely, versatileness, versatility	
25.	whelp	HWELP	a young offspring of a mammal
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> parent
	We saw the tracks of the mother wolf and two large whelps.		
	Derivatives >>	whelpless	

Lesson 46

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. | accrue | a. | to put into prison |
| _____ | 2. | bilk | b. | splitting into parts |
| _____ | 3. | coda | c. | an assembly of witches |
| _____ | 4. | coven | d. | to decorate |
| _____ | 5. | dotard | e. | to cheat one |
| _____ | 6. | emotive | f. | foul-smelling; highly improper |
| _____ | 7. | fission | g. | conclusion to a musical work |
| _____ | 8. | floe | h. | to absorb or ding in |
| _____ | 9. | garnish | i. | characterized by emotion |
| _____ | 10. | imbibe | j. | a senile person |
| _____ | 11. | incarcerate | k. | a sheet of floating ice |
| _____ | 12. | malodorous | l. | to accumulate, gather, or collect |

Exercise B

- | | | | | |
|-------|-----|---------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | mottled | a. | deeply thoughtful |
| _____ | 2. | noisome | b. | to sink – usually a ship |
| _____ | 3. | ostensible | c. | acting effectively |
| _____ | 4. | pensive | d. | small circular piece of glitter |
| _____ | 5. | petty | e. | marked with different colors |
| _____ | 6. | purveyors | f. | small and insignificant |
| _____ | 7. | resourceful | g. | a young offspring of a mammal |
| _____ | 8. | scuttle | h. | apparent or avowed |
| _____ | 9. | solvent | i. | capable of doing many things |
| _____ | 10. | spangle | j. | a change into something different |
| _____ | 11. | transmutation | k. | one who provides or procures |
| _____ | 12. | versatile | l. | able to pay debts |
| _____ | 13. | whelp | m. | unwholesome; having a bad smell |

Lesson 46

Sentence Completion



accrue	bilked	coda	coven
dotard	emotive	fission	floe
garnished	imbibe	incarcerated	malodorous

1. The once barren room was now _____ with beautiful pictures and colorful wallpaper.
2. We watched the _____, a sheet of ice covering the pond, and marveled at the beauty of the scene.
3. In nature the _____ of atoms involves the splitting of various particles, but for man to duplicate nature, innumerable steps are required.
4. The old _____ was becoming senile, and he fell prey to a con man who _____ him out of his life's savings.
5. In Shakespeare's *Macbeth*, a _____ of three witches exerts a strong influence on the decisions of the play's main character.
6. The composer of the ballet included an exceptionally long _____ at the end of the first act; however, the choreographer liked it because it gave him more freedom in designing the dance routine.
7. One nice thing about having a savings account is that the money in the bank will _____ interest periodically, and you will have more money.
8. During her speech she became quite _____; her emotions were so aroused that she broke into tears.
9. You will foolishly jeopardize your career if you _____ alcohol during working hours; the company has a strict policy about drinking on the job.
10. Because the felon was _____ in a cell without ventilation or plumbing, the smells were soon so _____ that it was hard for him to breathe.

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mottled	noisome	ostensible	pensive	petty
purveyor	resourceful	scuttle	solvent	spangles
transmutation	versatile	whelp		

11. I disliked the man so much that even his _____, insignificant faults annoyed me greatly.
12. The smell of the decaying body was _____ and caused me to gag.
13. The Indians would sometimes deliberately _____ their canoes, sinking them in shallow water to hide them until they were needed.
14. Time and time again, Joe proved that he was quite _____, always acting skillfully in the most difficult situations.
15. The caterpillar's _____ from worm to butterfly is one of nature's common changes from one form of life to another.
16. This _____ baseball player can play several positions on the team; we are fortunate to have someone capable of doing so many things.
17. The bankrupt business was no longer _____; thus, its debts could not be paid.
18. We have names for the offspring of different mammals; the _____ of a bear is called a cub, while a newborn deer is called a fawn.
19. A "pusher" is nothing more than a provider or _____ of drugs.
20. Seth's pony is _____ with white and brown spots.
21. While the mayor's _____ purpose for going to the party was to visit with his political friends, the real reason, which was not apparent, was to try to secure a loan for his campaign.
22. Sally is such a deep thinker that she is often in a _____ mood.
23. The dress had _____ decorating it, making it glitter even in the dark.

Lesson 47

Definitions



1.	acerbic	uh SER bic	sour or bitter in mood or tone
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> kindly
	His cold sarcasm demonstrated his acerbic attitude.		
	Derivatives >>	acerbity	
2.	arboreal	are BORE ee ul	relating to a tree or the inhabiting of a tree
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The jungle is home for many arboreal animals other than monkeys.		
	Derivatives >>	arboreous, arborescent, arboretum, arborous	
3.	articulate	are TIK yuh late	to speak distinctly; expressing oneself clearly
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to speak indistinctly; to mumble
	An announcer must be articulate. A good politician must be able to articulate his views.		
	Derivatives >>	articulated, articulating, articulation, articulateness, articulative, articulately, articulator	
4.	befuddled	buh FUD uld	confused
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> clearheaded
	He was befuddled by the difficult math problem.		
	Derivatives >>	befuddle, befuddling	
5.	blunderbuss	BLUN der bus	a clumsy and careless person; an obsolete firearm with a bell muzzle
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> a poised and sophisticated person
	The girl made so many embarrassing remarks that she felt like a blunderbuss.		
	Derivatives >>	blunder, blunderer, blundering, blunderbusses	
6.	chortle	CHORE tul	to chuckle or to laugh from extreme happiness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to sneer
	The little child began to chortle when he saw the Disney characters on the screen.		
	Derivatives >>	chortler, chortled, chortling	
7.	coddle	KODD ul	to pamper, to treat with extreme care
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to abuse
	Mothers generally coddle their children when they are sick.		
	Derivatives >>	coddled, coddling	
8.	credible	KRED uh bul	reliable and believable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unbelievable
	It is important for a person's words to be credible.		
	Derivatives >>	credibility, credibleness, credibly	
9.	encumber	en CUM bur	to impede or to hinder; to hamper; to retard
	Synonyms >>	oppress, overload	Antonym >> to free
	Red tape encumbers all our attempts at action.		
	Derivatives >>	encumberingly, encumbrance, encumbrancer	
10.	enthraling	en THROL ing	captivating, spellbinding
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> boring
	Because the book was so enthraling, I stayed awake all night reading it.		
	Derivatives >>	enthral, enthralled, enthralingly, enthralment	
11.	flaccid	FLAK sid	lacking vigor or force; yielding to pressure for want of firmness and
	Synonyms >>	flabby	Antonym >> firm; stiff, not flabby
	The club was not very popular or effective because of its flaccid leadership.		
	Derivatives >>	flaccidly, flaccidity, flaccidness	

12.	influx	IN fluks	a flowing or coming in		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	outpouring
	Due to the humid weather, an influx of mosquitoes is expected.				
	Derivatives >>	influxion			
13.	marshal	MAR shul	to arrange in proper order; to usher or to lead		
	Synonyms >>	order, dispose; convoke		Antonym >>	to scatter
	Their host marshaled them into the room.				
	Derivatives >>	marshaled, marshaling, marshalcy, marshalship, marshaler			
14.	perishable	PER eh shuh bul	likely to decay or to spoil		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unlikely to deteriorate
	We have to move the perishable items to a cooler place.				
	Derivatives >>	perishability, perishableness, perishably, perishing, perishless, perishment			
15.	précis	PRAY see, pray SEE	an abstract or summary		
	Synonyms >>	digest, condensation		Antonym >>	complete work
	We merely read a précis of the story instead of the complete work.				
	Derivatives >>				
16.	pyromania	pie ruh MAY nee uh	uncontrollable impulse to ignite fires		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The arson was due to pyromania rather than a deliberate attempt to collect insurance money.				
	Derivatives >>	pyromancy, pyromaniac, pyromaniacal			
17.	query	KWEER ee	an inquiry		
	Synonyms >>	question, ask		Antonym >>	
	It is common for an author to send a query to a magazine editor to see if he will accept a manuscript.				
	Derivatives >>	queries, queried, queryingly, queryist			
18.	requite	reh KWITE	to make repayment or to return		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to withhold
	The girl suffered a broken heart from unrequited love.				
	Derivatives >>	requited, requiter, requital			
19.	scythe	SITHE	an instrument for cutting or mowing		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	We used a scythe to cut the exceedingly tall grasses.				
	Derivatives >>	scytheless, scythestone			
20.	sphinx	SFINGKS	a mysterious person or thing given to enigmatic questions or answers		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The man spoke in such riddles that he sounded like a sphinx.				
	Derivatives >>	sphingine, sphinxian, sphinx-like			
21.	synchronize	SING kruh nize	to make simultaneous; to operate at the same time		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to operate at different times
	We need to synchronize our watches with the clocks in the school.				
	Derivatives >>	synchronization, synchronous, synchronizer, synchronistic, synchronistically, synchronistical			
22.	travesty	TRAV eh stee	any grotesque or debased likeness or imitation		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The outcome of that court ruling was a travesty of justice.				
	Derivatives >>	travesties, travestied, travestyng			
23.	trek	TREK	a journey (usually slow and difficult), to migrate		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The men took a short trek through the mountains.				
	Derivatives >>	trekker, trekking			
24.	verve	VERV	energy, enthusiasm		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	sluggishness
	The winning cheerleader squad received special commendations for expressing great verve.				
	Derivatives >>	verves			
25.	winnow	WIN oh	to separate or to distinguish (valuable from worthless parts)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The lawyer tried to winnow falsehood from truth.				
	Derivatives >>	winnowed, winnowing, winnower			

Lesson 47

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. | acerbic | a. | sour or bitter in mood or tone |
| _____ | 2. | arboreal | b. | to pamper; to treat with extreme care |
| _____ | 3. | articulate | c. | flabby; lacking vigor or force |
| _____ | 4. | befuddled | d. | to speak distinctly |
| _____ | 5. | blunderbuss | e. | reliable and believable |
| _____ | 6. | chortle | f. | relating to a tree |
| _____ | 7. | coddle | g. | to impede; to hamper; to retard |
| _____ | 8. | credible | h. | captivating; spell-binding |
| _____ | 9. | encumber | i. | confused |
| _____ | 10. | enthralling | j. | a flowing or coming in |
| _____ | 11. | flaccid | k. | a clumsy and careless person |
| _____ | 12. | influx | l. | to chuckle from extreme happiness |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | marshal | a. | any grotesque likeness |
| _____ | 2. | perishable | b. | instrument for cutting or mowing |
| _____ | 3. | précis | c. | a journey; to mitigate |
| _____ | 4. | pyromania | d. | inquiry; question |
| _____ | 5. | query | e. | likely to decay or to spoil |
| _____ | 6. | requite | f. | to make simultaneous |
| _____ | 7. | scythe | g. | to arrange in proper order |
| _____ | 8. | sphinx | h. | energy; enthusiasm |
| _____ | 9. | synchronize | i. | abstract; summary |
| _____ | 10. | travesty | j. | to make repayment or to return |
| _____ | 11. | trek | k. | a mysterious, inscrutable person |
| _____ | 12. | verve | l. | to separate; to distinguish |
| _____ | 13. | winnow | m. | uncontrollable impulse to ignite fires |

Lesson 47

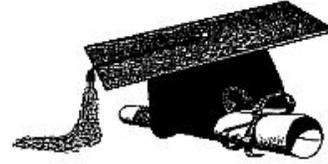
Sentence Completion



acerbic	arboreal	articulate	befuddled
blunderbuss	chortle	coddle	credible
encumber	enthraling	flaccid	influx

1. The woman began to _____ at the antics of the young man; he was trying to make her laugh by being silly.
2. The woman was such a _____ that she could not hold anything; she was always dropping things and making careless mistakes.
3. _____ animals are more likely to be found in trees where they live.
4. The police were _____ by the systematic murders, which had been deliberately planned to confuse the authorities.
5. After the king's funeral, the prince's mood became even more bitter and _____.
6. The speaker was very _____, believable for the accuracy of his word as well as for his _____ manner, which enabled him to express his opinions clearly.
7. The _____ of immigrants into the country was like a steady stream.
8. The skaters presented an _____ performance that held the audience spellbound captivating their attention for the duration of the show.
9. The young mother was so delighted to have a child that she had a tendency to _____ him, pampering him all the time.
10. It took only one week of paddling the canoe for her _____, flabby muscles to tone up.
11. The villain put the tree in the middle of the road in an attempt to _____ us; he wanted to impede our progress so that we couldn't catch him.

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marshal	perishable	précis	pyromania	query
requite	scythe	sphinx	synchronize	travesty
trek	verve	winnow		

12. You can _____ me by your presence at the community ball; that would mean more to me than any other repayment you could offer.
13. When the electricity failed, the _____ items in the refrigerator were ruined; they soon spoiled from the exposure to the heat.
14. The two men prepared to _____ their watches so that their alarms would ring simultaneously, warning both men at the same time.
15. In the days before mechanical harvesters, a farmer used a _____ to cut his wheat by hand.
16. The mentally unstable man suffers from _____ and was captured while starting a fire in an abandoned house.
17. My _____ through the city was exceptionally slow because of all the traffic lights; they added at least an hour to my journey.
18. I can see your enthusiasm in the _____ that you exhibit in all your actions.
19. As the lawyer sought permission to _____ the witness in private, the jury began to wonder just what he intended to ask.
20. The kindergarten teacher began to _____ the young students into the classroom, leading them in single file and arranging them in alphabetical order.
21. The professor brought a _____ of the story to class for the students to read; he felt that a summary was sufficient, and they wouldn't need to read the complete work.
22. In the fairy tale, the man was confronted by a _____ who asked him all sorts of mysterious questions that he couldn't understand.
23. The man's attempt to pretend that he was in love was a _____; he did a very poor job of imitating those emotions.
24. The woman began to _____ the clothes she would give away, putting the usable ones in one pile and the outgrown ones in the other.

Lesson 48

Definitions



1.	abject	ab JEKT	utterly hopeless, humiliating, or wretched; contemptible	
	Synonyms >>	debasing, degrading, despicable; miserable		Antonym >> exalted
	We were concerned about his health when we discovered that he was living in abject poverty.			
	Derivatives >>	abjection, abjectly, abjectness, abjectedness, abjective		
2.	aperture	AP uh ture	a hole or an opening	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> closure
	The farmer discovered an aperture in his fence that had allowed some cows to escape.			
	Derivatives >>	apertural, apertures, apertured		
3.	array	uh RAY	a large grouping of things; regular order or arrangement; to clothe	
	Synonyms >>	arrange, place; apparel, dress, attire; ornament, adorn,	Antonym >>	
	The group consisted of an impressive array of scholars.			
	Derivatives >>	arraying, arrays, arrayed, arrayal		
4.	bolt	BOLT	to move suddenly	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to move sluggishly
	We were surprised when the horse suddenly bolted.			
	Derivatives >>	bolter, boltlike, bolted		
5.	codicil	KODD uh sil	a supplement or an amendment (usually to a will)	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The boy was left a small inheritance by the codicil in his father's will.			
	Derivatives >>	codicillary		
6.	crescendo	kruh SHEN doe	a gradual increase in volume and intensity	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> decrescendo; decrease in sound
	The music began to crescendo into a loud blare.			
	Derivatives >>	crescendoeo, crescendoing		
7.	endow	en DOW	to provide with income or property, to supply with a talent or quality	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	I plan to endow a million dollars to my former college.			
	Derivatives >>	endowment, endowed		
8.	flower	FLOU ur	to develop fully	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to wither
	Her intellectual spirit flowered after she went to college.			
	Derivatives >>	flowered, flowers, flowering		
9.	genial	JEAN yul, JEAN ee ul	cordial; pleasantly warm	
	Synonyms >>	friendly, hearty, pleasant, agreeable, kindly	Antonym >> sullen	
	The woman has such a genial disposition that people love to be around her.			
	Derivatives >>	genially, genialness		
10.	germane	jer MANE	important to the issue at hand, pertinent	
	Synonyms >>	applicable, apposite, apropos, material	Antonym >> unimportant	
	The judge ruled that the testimony was germane to the trial and allowed it to be entered into the record.			
	Derivatives >>	germanely, germaneness		
11.	laggard	LAG urd	slow, sluggish	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> animated
	When that coach tells you to do something, do not be laggard.			
	Derivatives >>	laggardly, laggardness		

12.	martial	MAR shul	relating to war or a warrior	
	Synonyms >>	warlike		Antonym >>
		The martial tendencies of that hostile country are a concern to the people of the United States.		
	Derivatives >>	martialism, martialist, martially, martialness		
13.	nimble	NIM bul	quick in movement or resourcefulness	
	Synonyms >>	agile, spry		Antonym >> slow in movement
		In the circus, tight-rope walkers and jugglers have to be very nimble.		
	Derivatives >>	nimbler, nimblest, nimbleness, nimbly		
14.	palette	PAL it	board on which a painter mixes paints	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The artist mixed her colors on the palette rather than on the canvas.		
	Derivatives >>	palettes		
15.	philology	feh LOL uh jee	study of literature, especially language used in literature	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The study of philology is common among English majors.		
	Derivatives >>	philologist, philological, philologist, philogaster, philogastery, philologically, philologist, philologize		
16.	precognition	pree kog NISH un	knowing something before it happens	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> recollection
		I wish that I had a precognition of whether she would accept a date with me.		
	Derivatives >>	precognitive, precognize		
17.	quaint	KWAYNT	unusual in character or appearance	
	Synonyms >>	eccentric, peculiar, queer, unique		Antonym >> ordinary
		When we go to New England, we like to stay in a quaint old inn that gives us the flavor of the area.		
	Derivatives >>	quaintish, quaintly, quaintness		
18.	refrain (noun)	reh FRAIN	a recurring phrase or verse	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The congregation joined in singing the refrain of the hymn.		
	Derivatives >>	refrainment		
19.	resurge	reh SURJ	to rise again	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to remain quiescent
		Our football team's chances of a title will resurge if the coach drafts a good quarterback.		
	Derivatives >>	resurgence, resurgency, resurgent		
20.	searing	SEER ing	causing to wither or to dry up or to become scorched	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		One could easily die in the searing heat of the Mojave desert.		
	Derivatives >>	sear, seared, searingly		
21.	splice	SPLISE	to join	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to sever
		For Christmas, I am going to give my father an instrument to help him splice his home movies if they break.		
	Derivatives >>	spliced, splicing		
22.	syncopation	sing kuh PAY shun	the accenting of musical beats not normally accented	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The syncopation in the music made dancing fun.		
	Derivatives >>	syncopated, syncopate, syncopative, syncopator		
23.	trenchant	TREN chunt	incisive or keen ; caustic, cutting	
	Synonyms >>	sharp, biting, acute		Antonym >> soothing; kind
		His trenchant remarks can cut to the core.		
	Derivatives >>	trenchancy, trenchantly		
24.	vestiges	VES tij is	remnants, traces, remains	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The archaeologists were looking for vestiges of ancient Egyptian civilizations.		
	Derivatives >>	vestige, vestigial, vestigium		
25.	winsome	WIN sum	winning, engaging, or charming	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> repugnant; rude
		The young lady had a winsome smile that won her many friends.		
	Derivatives >>	winsomely, winsomeness		

Lesson 48

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

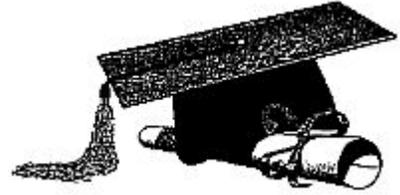
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|-------|-----|-----------|----|-------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | abject | a. | pertinent; important to the issue |
| _____ | 2. | aperture | b. | an increase in sound |
| _____ | 3. | array | c. | to move suddenly |
| _____ | 4. | bolt | d. | utterly hopeless; humiliating |
| _____ | 5. | codicil | e. | to develop fully |
| _____ | 6. | crescendo | f. | slow; sluggish |
| _____ | 7. | endow | g. | a large, impressive group of things |
| _____ | 8. | flower | h. | cordial; pleasantly warm |
| _____ | 9. | genial | i. | a hole or opening |
| _____ | 10. | germane | j. | relating to war or a warrior |
| _____ | 11. | laggard | k. | a supplement or amendment |
| _____ | 12. | martial | l. | to provide with income or property |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | nimble | a. | board on which a painter mixes paints |
| _____ | 2. | palette | b. | unusual in character or appearance |
| _____ | 3. | philology | c. | winning; engaging; charming |
| _____ | 4. | precognition | d. | to rise again |
| _____ | 5. | quaint | e. | remnants; traces; remains |
| _____ | 6. | refrain | f. | to join |
| _____ | 7. | resurge | g. | study of language in literature |
| _____ | 8. | searing | h. | an accent of the offbeat in music |
| _____ | 9. | splice | i. | knowledge before something happens |
| _____ | 10. | syncopation | j. | withering; drying up; scorching |
| _____ | 11. | trenchant | k. | a recurring phrase or verse |
| _____ | 12. | vestiges | l. | incisive; keen; caustic; cunning |
| _____ | 13. | winsome | m. | quick in movement and resourcefulness |

Lesson 48

Sentence Completion



abject	aperture	array	bolted
codicil	crescendo	endowed	flower
genial	germane	martial	nimble

- The facts that you just gave me do not appear to be _____ to the case, so perhaps you should explain to me just how they relate.
- Under the guidance of the new teacher, the musician began to _____, developing her talents beyond what we had hoped and blossoming into a great artist.
- The climax of the symphony was at the end when the music began to _____ to such a volume that we could feel the vibrations as the intensity grew.
- When I realized that the explosion was about occur, I _____ out of the room and ran down the hall as fast as I could.
- Because he was grateful, the elderly man wanted to add a _____ to his will, rewarding his nurse for her years of faithful service.
- We could see the action through an _____ in the fence; it wasn't a large hole, but it was big enough to see through.
- The university subsists largely from funds that were _____ by an anonymous benefactor; only a few people knew who gave the gift.
- In order to be efficient in _____ arts, the participants must be _____; these particular warriors have to move very quickly.
- It was no wonder that the small children suffered from malnutrition; they were living in wretched conditions of _____ poverty.
- We were amazed at the _____ of the stars in the sky; there seemed to be a much larger group of them than we normally see.
- It was pleasant visiting with the friendly woman; she was so _____ that liking her was easy.

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laggard	palette	philologists	precognition	quaint
refrain	resurge	searing	splice	syncopation
trenchant	vestiges	winsome		

12. The boy was not accepted on the track team because of his _____ movements; track is not a sport for someone who is slow and sluggish.
13. The artist mixed her colors on her _____ rather than on the canvas.
14. The _____ who study the literature of England pay particular attention to the hymns and understand that it is repetition of the _____ that unifies the songs.
15. We stayed in a _____ inn that was unique and unusual because of its old-world charm.
16. The _____ temperature of 110 degrees soon had all of the workers in a state of near heat exhaustion.
17. Many Europeans fear that a unified Germany will _____ to power, rising again as a dictator state.
18. The gypsy had a _____, foreknowledge that the peace of our valley would soon be shattered by war.
19. You should _____ the two reels of film so that they are joined together neatly.
20. Good jazz music has recognizable _____; the music characteristically accents beats not normally accented.
21. When these final _____ of the Cherokees vanish, the last traces of the tribe will be gone.
22. The woman's feelings were hurt by the _____ words shouted at her by the man; his caustic language cut her to the core.
23. You will certainly gain many friends with such a _____ smile; it is absolutely charming.

Lesson 49

Definitions



1.	adage	AD ij	a wise saying		
	Synonyms >>	proverb, maxim, motto		Antonym >>	
		"The early bird catches the worm" is an old adage.			
	Derivatives >>	adagial			
2.	bovine	BO vine	dull or sluggish like an ox or cow, relating to an ox or cow		
	Synonyms >>	indolent, slothful		Antonym >>	animated; energetic
		Get out of bed and quit being so bovine.			
	Derivatives >>	bovinely, bovinity			
3.	cognate	KOG nate	having a common ancestor, related in origin		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unrelated
		Cognate languages are those that developed from a common language.			
	Derivatives >>	cognition			
4.	corporeal	kor POR ee ul	relating to a physical, material body; tangible and palpable		
	Synonyms >>	bodily, material, substantial		Antonym >>	immaterial; not tangible
		The lawyers asked the man to list all his corporeal properties, his material assets which are visible or tangible.			
	Derivatives >>	corporealist, corporeality, corporealize, corporeally			
5.	cumbersome	KUM bur sum	difficult to handle, unwieldy		
	Synonyms >>	cumbrous, ponderous		Antonym >>	easily handled
		Carrying all of these books is a cumbersome task.			
	Derivatives >>	cumbersomely, cumbersomeness, cumbrous, cumbrously, cumbrousness			
6.	deterrent	deh TUR unt	something that discourages or keeps something from happening		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	incentive
		Some think that the death penalty is a deterrent to crime.			
	Derivatives >>	deterrently, deterrence, deterring, deter			
7.	disinterment	dis in TUR munt	removal from a grave or tomb		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	burial
		The family signed a court order for the relative's disinterment.			
	Derivatives >>	disinter			
8.	fluid (adj.)	FLOO id	smooth and effortless		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	jerky
		Most good golfers have a very fluid swing.			
	Derivatives >>	fluidify, fluidity, fluidization, fluidize			
9.	import	IM port	relative importance, significance		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	meaninglessness
		The full import of today's events will not be realized for years.			
	Derivatives >>	importance			
10.	inimical	eh NIM eh kul	having the disposition or temper of an enemy		
	Synonyms >>	hostile, unfriendly, harmful, adverse		Antonym >>	hospitable
		The child shuddered under the inimical glare of his father.			
	Derivatives >>	inimicable, inimically, inimicalness, inimicous			
11.	insentient	in SEN she unt	without sensation, lacking animation		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	capable of feeling
		The insentient woman sat immobilized when she heard of the girl's death.			
	Derivatives >>	insentience			

12.	integral	IN tuh grul	essential for completeness		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	nonessential
		We will not trade him because he is an integral part of our team.			
	Derivatives >>	integrality			
13.	lampoon	lam POON	a light and mocking satire; writing that ridicules in a malicious way		
	Synonyms >>	satire, ridicule		Antonym >>	to glorify
		The politician was lampooned by the cartoonists.			
	Derivatives >>	lampooner, lampoonery, lampoonist, lampooned, lampooning, lampoons			
14.	masochist	MAS uh kist	one who derives satisfaction from suffering pain		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	sadist
		Masochists enjoy inflicting pain on themselves, and sadists enjoy inflicting pain on others.			
	Derivatives >>	masochism, masochistic, masochistically			
15.	palisade	pal eh SADE	a fence made of stakes		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The soldiers built palisades for protection from the enemy.			
	Derivatives >>	palisading, palisado			
16.	phlegmatic	fleg MAT ik	not easily excited to action or emotion; apathetic; sluggish		
	Synonyms >>	stoical, cool, cold, uninterested, dull, torpid; unruffled,		Antonym >>	volatile; not sluggish
		Not taking part in the boisterous activities was typical of his phlegmatic behavior.			
	Derivatives >>	phlegmatical, phlegmatically, phlegmaticalness, phlegmaticness			
17.	preface	PREF is	an introductory statement or part; something preliminary or introductory		
	Synonyms >>	introduction, preamble, prologue		Antonym >>	epilogue
		The accident was a preface to a great scientific discovery.			
	Derivatives >>	prefaced, prefacing, prefacer			
18.	quake	KWAKE	to shake from shock or instability		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to remain motionless
		I began to quake in my boots when he pulled a gun.			
	Derivatives >>	quaked, quaking			
19.	reputable	REP yuh tuh bul	having a good reputation		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	disreputable; notorious; infamous
		The Better Business Bureau said that the company was reputable.			
	Derivatives >>	reputability, reputably, reputation, reputative, reputatively, repute, reputed, reputedly, reputeless			
20.	retraction	reh TRAK shun	the act of taking back or disavowing		
	Synonyms >>	abjure, forswear, recant, renounce		Antonym >>	reaffirmation
		He maintained that his story was true and refused to offer a retraction.			
	Derivatives >>	retractable, retract, retractile, retractor			
21.	seasoned	SEE zond	experienced		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	inexperienced
		This team needs a seasoned veteran to provide some leadership.			
	Derivatives >>	seasonable, seasonableness, seasonably			
22.	stagnant	STAG nunt	not flowing, foul from not moving		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	flowing
		The stagnant pond had a foul odor.			
	Derivatives >>	stagnate, stagnation, stagnantly, stagnancy, stagnance			
23.	synthetic	sin THET ik	artificial		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	authentic
		Many synthetic substances are better than the natural substances that they replaced.			
	Derivatives >>	synthetical, synthetically			
24.	vicissitude	veh SIS eh tood	a passing from one thing to another, change of luck		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		One can never get used to life's vicissitudes.			
	Derivatives >>	vicissitudinous			
25.	wispy	WIS pee	small in amount, fragile, or slight		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	substantial
		A baby hummingbird is a wispy little creature.			
	Derivatives >>	wispily, wispiness, wispish, wisps			

Lesson 49

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

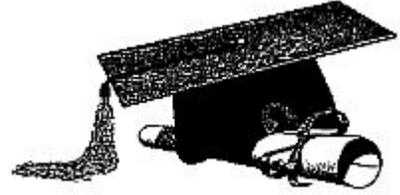
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|-------|-----|--------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | adage | a. | difficult to handle; unwieldy |
| _____ | 2. | bovine | b. | essential for completeness |
| _____ | 3. | cognate | c. | something that discourages |
| _____ | 4. | corporeal | d. | acting sluggishly like an ox or a cow |
| _____ | 5. | cumbersome | e. | hostile; unfriendly; harmful |
| _____ | 6. | deterrent | f. | removal from a grave or tomb |
| _____ | 7. | disinterment | g. | proverb; wise saying; maxim |
| _____ | 8. | fluid | h. | without sensation or animation |
| _____ | 9. | import | i. | relating to a physical, material body |
| _____ | 10. | inimical | j. | importance; significance |
| _____ | 11. | insentient | k. | smooth and effortless |
| _____ | 12. | integral | l. | having a common ancestor; related |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | lampoon | a. | having a good reputation |
| _____ | 2. | masochist | b. | not flowing; foul from not moving |
| _____ | 3. | palisade | c. | to shake from shock or instability |
| _____ | 4. | phlegmatic | d. | fence made of stakes |
| _____ | 5. | preface | e. | artificial |
| _____ | 6. | quake | f. | experienced |
| _____ | 7. | reputable | g. | light and mocking satire; to ridicule |
| _____ | 8. | retraction | h. | small in amount; fragile; slight |
| _____ | 9. | seasoned | i. | apathetic; sluggish |
| _____ | 10. | stagnant | j. | introductory statement |
| _____ | 11. | synthetic | k. | the act of taking back; disavowing |
| _____ | 12. | vicissitude | l. | change of luck |
| _____ | 13. | wispy | m. | one who gets satisfaction from suffering pain |

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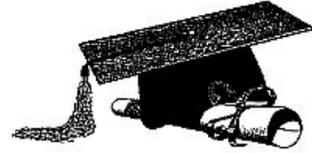
Sentence Completion



adage	bovine	cognate	corporeal
cumbersome	deterrent	disinterred	fluid
import	inimical	insentient	integral

1. The _____ of the meeting could not be overemphasized; the company's future would be determined by the outcome of this important event.
2. You will have little difficulty learning these _____ languages since they all originated from the same tongue and are related to each other.
3. Hoping to discourage criminals, some people view capital punishment as a _____ to crime, but others do not feel that it is effective in preventing crime.
4. The girl was a _____ dancer, moving smoothly to the sound of the melody.
5. Because the casket was accidentally buried in the wrong spot, it later had to be _____ so that it could be moved.
6. The local anesthetic rendered the man _____, incapable of feeling or movement.
7. The man's _____ movements were not conducive to haste; he was slow and sluggish, much like a cow might be on a hot summer day.
8. I found the bundle of books _____ and difficult to handle.
9. His ten years of experience make that quarterback an _____ part of the team, essential to its success.
10. The monks were not interested in their _____, physical bodies; their main concern was their spiritual lives.
11. The child shuddered under the _____ glare of his father, quite aware that the man had a disposition of an enemy.
12. I love the old _____ "When in doubt, do nothing;" it is a wise saying that has often kept me from making hasty decisions.

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lampoon	masochistic	palisade	phlegmatic	preface
quake	reputable	retraction	seasoned	stagnant
synthetic	vicissitudes	wispy		

13. The horror movie made me _____ in my shoes; it was so terrifying that I could not stop shaking.
14. Although the lady had a _____ job by day, gaining her much respect in the people's eyes, in the evening she frequently engaged in secret, _____ acts, deliberately inflicting pain upon herself.
15. In fear of an Indian attack, the colonists quickly cut down trees and built a protective _____ as a fort, encircling their community with the tall fence.
16. A few _____ clouds, slight and fragile, passed across the autumn moon.
17. The newspaper's _____ took back all of the information printed in yesterday's erroneous article.
18. The man was a _____ veteran and, as such, was extremely valuable to us; anyone with that much experience is essential.
19. The water level is so low that the creek has ceased to flow and has become foul and _____.
20. One of the by-products of space exploration is the creation of many _____ materials that we use in our daily lives; whereas we used to use only natural products, today we also make use of the artificial.
21. One mark of maturity is accepting life's _____; not everyone is able to accept changing situations very gracefully.
22. With his humorous, satiric personality, he is a great editor for the class _____.
23. The _____ attitude of some of these students is a perfect example of the apathy in our classrooms today; it is difficult to excite them to any action or emotion.
24. Be sure you read the _____ to the book before you begin the first chapter; it has some pertinent introductory information.

Lesson 50

Definitions



1.	adroit	uh DROW it	skillful, adept		
	Synonyms >>	clever, cunning, deft, dexterous, ingenious, ingenuity		Antonym >>	inept
		The magician was especially adroit in making the lion disappear.			
	Derivatives >>	adroitly, adroitness			
2.	broach	BROCH	to open up for the first time		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to close
		The man was reluctant to broach the subject of money for fear of beginning an argument.			
	Derivatives >>	broacher, broaches, broached, broaching			
3.	commission	kuh MISH un	to authorize or order; to send on a mission; to give a commission to		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to refuse to authorize
		The owners commissioned a painting for the hotel's lobby.			
	Derivatives >>	commissional, commissive, commissively, commissionaire, commissioned, commissioner			
4.	cupidity	kyoo PID uh tee	greed		
	Synonyms >>	avarice		Antonym >>	benevolence
		The cupidity of a miser cannot be satisfied.			
	Derivatives >>	cupidities			
5.	disjunction	dis JUNGK shun	act of disjoining		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	union
		The train wreck was caused by a disjunction of the tracks.			
	Derivatives >>	disjunctional, disjunctive, disjunctivity			
6.	dynamic	die NAM ik	producing an effect of energetic movement or progression		
	Synonyms >>	forceful, energetic		Antonym >>	
		The man gave a dynamic speech to the audience.			
	Derivatives >>	dynamically, dynamical			
7.	ensconce	en SKONS	to settle comfortably		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to uproot
		Before the game started, he ensconced himself in the easy chair.			
	Derivatives >>	ensconced, ensconcing			
8.	facsimile	fak SIM uh lee	a reproduction or exact copy		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	original
		The artist was commissioned to paint a facsimile of the masterpiece.			
	Derivatives >>	facsimiles, facsimilist, facsimilize			
9.	fulsome	FUL sum	excess to the point of disgust, extreme lavishness		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The woman's fulsome praise of her grandchildren was beginning to irritate the guests.			
	Derivatives >>	fulsomely, fulsomeness			
10.	germinal	JUR muh nul	being in the earliest stage of development		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	fully developed
		The project was still in its germinal stages when it was cancelled.			
	Derivatives >>	germinability, germinable, geminally, germinate			
11.	impoundment	im POUND munt	the act of being seized and held in the custody of the law		
	Synonyms >>	confinement		Antonym >>	
		The man was not happy when he had to deal with the impoundment of his car.			
	Derivatives >>	impound, impounded, impounding, impoundable			

12.	insufferable	in SUF ur uh bul	not to be endured; intolerable; unbearable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> tolerable; bearable
		The man's insufferable temper caused his wife to leave him.	
	Derivatives >>	insufferableness, insufferably	
13.	largess	lar JES, LAR jis	generous giving
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> miserliness
		The wealthy man was known by many charities for his largess.	
	Derivatives >>	largesse	
14.	pall	PAWL	to lose interest or attraction, to become wearisome
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		After the comedian's first bad jokes, his routine began to pall.	
	Derivatives >>		
15.	phobia	FOE bee uh	fear of something or a situation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		I have a phobia of close spaces.	
	Derivatives >>	phobias, phobic, phobic	
16.	premonition	pree muh NISH un	a forewarning; a feeling of anxiety over a future event
	Synonyms >>	presentiment	Antonym >>
		He had a vague premonition of danger.	
	Derivatives >>	premonitory	
17.	quash	KWOSH	to set aside or to suppress forcibly
	Synonyms >>	annul, abrogate, void; crush, quell	Antonym >>
		The dictator was able to quash the rebellion by shooting those who opposed him.	
	Derivatives >>		
18.	restitution	res teh TOO shun	restoration of or compensation for something taken from a rightful owner
	Synonyms >>	redress, amends, reparation	Antonym >>
		He agreed to make restitution to his neighbor for the damage that his dog did to his neighbor's yard.	
	Derivatives >>	restitutive, restitutory	
19.	retrenchment	reh TRENCH munt	the act of cutting down or off as by the reduction of expenses
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		Half of the workers were eliminated from the payroll by retrenchment.	
	Derivatives >>	retrench, retrenchable, retrencher	
20.	sedentary	SED un ter ee	characterized by a sitting posture
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> characterized by a standing position
		Because he could not stand, he looked for a sedentary occupation.	
	Derivatives >>	sedentarily, sedentariness	
21.	stand	STAND	a determined effort for or against something; a determined position taken
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		We must take a stand on this political issue.	
	Derivatives >>		
22.	table	TAY bul	to put aside or to postpone (usually relates to parliamentary procedure)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to consider immediately
		The Senate voted to table the bill that would raise taxes.	
	Derivatives >>	tabled, tabling, tables	
23.	turpitude	TUR puh tood	depravity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> principles
		Our country is seeing a rise in moral turpitude.	
	Derivatives >>	turpitudes	
24.	vignette	vin YET	a short descriptive literary sketch or a short scene from a movie
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		During the sesquicentennial, some television stations presented one-minute vignettes about the state's history.	
	Derivatives >>	vignetter, vignetting, vignettist	
25.	wistful	WIST ful	having unfulfilled longing or yearning
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> fulfilled; realistic
		It is a wistful dream for her to think that she can go to Hollywood and become a star.	
	Derivatives >>	wistfulness, wistfully	

Lesson 50

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

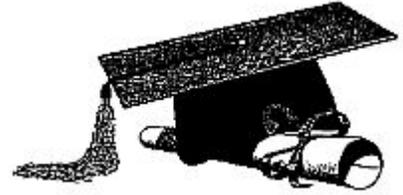
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|-------|-----|--------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | adroit | a. | skillful; adept |
| _____ | 2. | broach | b. | act of disjoining |
| _____ | 3. | commission | c. | intolerable; unbearable |
| _____ | 4. | cupidity | d. | to settle comfortably |
| _____ | 5. | disjunction | e. | a reproduction or exact copy |
| _____ | 6. | dynamic | f. | to open up for the first time |
| _____ | 7. | ensconce | g. | excess to the point of disgust |
| _____ | 8. | facsimile | h. | greed |
| _____ | 9. | fulsome | i. | seizure by the law |
| _____ | 10. | germinal | j. | to authorize; to order |
| _____ | 11. | impoundment | k. | forceful; energetic |
| _____ | 12. | insufferable | l. | the earliest state of development |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | largess | a. | to lose interest; to become wearisome |
| _____ | 2. | pall | b. | depravity |
| _____ | 3. | phobia | c. | generous giving |
| _____ | 4. | premonition | d. | a cutting down to reduce expenses |
| _____ | 5. | quash | e. | an obsessive fear of something |
| _____ | 6. | restitution | f. | to put aside or to postpone |
| _____ | 7. | retrenchment | g. | forewarning; feeling of anxiety |
| _____ | 8. | sedentary | h. | determined effort for or against |
| _____ | 9. | stand | i. | characterized by a sitting posture |
| _____ | 10. | table | j. | to set aside or to suppress forcibly |
| _____ | 11. | turpitude | k. | having unfulfilled yearning |
| _____ | 12. | vignette | l. | descriptive scene or sketch |
| _____ | 13. | wistful | m. | restoring of something taken from rightful owner |

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Sentence Completion



adroit	broach	commission	cupidity
disjunction	dynamic	ensconced	facsimile
fulsome	germinal	impoundment	insufferable

1. The aim of that _____ book was to energize people into movement toward their goals.
2. After the police towed the car away, the owner received a notice of its _____.
3. The man's _____ resulted in his imprisonment for theft; his love for money was so great that he was willing to steal.
4. Once Dad is settled, it is almost impossible to get him to move from his comfortable chair; he becomes so _____ in it that he would not even think of leaving it.
5. The _____ of the marriage was the result of two people growing apart from each other until they no longer wanted to stay joined.
6. The new concept was _____ barely taking hold in our imaginations as it was introduced.
7. I tried to _____ the subject of a loan to him, but I could not find the right words for discussing such an unpleasant topic.
8. The woman's _____ praise of the speaker disgusted me; I knew that she was insincere with her flattery.
9. When the woman lost the necklace, she had a _____ made, hoping that her husband would not notice the new one as a copy of the old.
10. I wish I were as _____ as that gymnast, but I can barely walk, much less jump about as he does.
11. The artist was given a _____ to paint a picture to hang in the building; the order was authorized by the bank's president himself.
12. We can no longer tolerate these _____ conditions; the filth is unbearable and cannot be endured.

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largess	pall	phobia	premonition	quash
restitution	retrenchment	sedentary	stand	table
turpitude	vignettes	wistful		

13. The wealthy man was known by many charities for his _____; he was a major contributor to many organizations.
14. The committee decided to delay action on the bill by voting to _____ it.
15. The fear of dogs is a common _____.
16. His background of poverty is no excuse for his _____; many other people from the same conditions have resisted becoming as depraved as he is.
17. After a few jokes, the comedian's routine began to _____ on us; we quickly lost interest and began to grow weary of his humor.
18. *Spoon River Anthology* is a collection of poetic _____, giving brief verbal sketches of deceased characters.
19. She has many _____ dreams; among them is the longing to visit Australia.
20. If the country's leader is able to _____ the invasion, he intends to demand that the offending country make _____ for the damage done to the lane; they can restore some buildings and simply pay money for other damages.
21. I could not shake the _____ that something bad was about to happen; my feeling of anxiety turned out to be a forewarning of the future.
22. Because of the financial disaster, we are forced to make a _____; by cutting our payroll, we can reduce our expenses and pull out of this depression.
23. Since she has a bad back and cannot stand long, she needs to find a _____ job, an occupation where she can sit at a desk most of the time.
24. I intend to take a _____ on the issue as soon as she brings it up; I am determined to state my position about the policy.

Lesson 51

Definitions



1.	advocacy	AD vuh kuh see	support of an idea or cause		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	opposition
	The nominee's advocacy of higher taxes may have cost him the election.				
	Derivatives >>	advocate, advocator, advocatory, advocated, advocating			
2.	artful	ART ful	skillful, clever, tricky		
	Synonyms >>	crafty, cunning, foxy, sly		Antonym >>	guileless
	The President was artful in negotiating the arms deal.				
	Derivatives >>	artfully, artfulness			
3.	askew	uh SKEW	out of line, slanted		
	Synonyms >>	crooked		Antonym >>	straight
	Please straighten any pictures that are hanging askew.				
	Derivatives >>				
4.	bucolic	byoo KOL ik	rustic, rural, unsophisticated; pastoral		
	Synonyms >>	georgic		Antonym >>	urban; sophisticated
	He yearned for a simple, bucolic life.				
	Derivatives >>	bucolical, bucolically			
5.	chaste	CHASTE	morally pure		
	Synonyms >>	pure, modest, decent		Antonym >>	immoral, tainted
	The king insisted that the woman who would become his wife be chaste.				
	Derivatives >>	chastely, chasteness, chastity			
6.	compost	KOM post	a composition of largely decaying matter used as fertilizer		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	A compost plant produces fertilizer from garbage.				
	Derivatives >>	composts			
7.	curmudgeon	kur MUJ un	a surly, ill-mannered person; a grumpy person -- usually an old man		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	placid person
	Grandpa, being dissatisfied with everything, has become a curmudgeon.				
	Derivatives >>	curmudgeonly			
8.	disrepute	dis reh PYOOT	disgrace, loss of reputation		
	Synonyms >>	ignominy, infamy		Antonym >>	esteem; dignity
	If he does not win the perjury case, he will be held in disrepute.				
	Derivatives >>	disreputability, disreputable, disreputably			
9.	foliated	FOE lee ay tid	split into thin layers		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Graphite has a foliated structure.				
	Derivatives >>	foliate, foliation			
10.	hydrophobia	high druh FOE bee uh	fear of water		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	He never learned to swim because of his hydrophobia.				
	Derivatives >>	hydrophobic, hydrophobicity, hydrophobous			
11.	junta	HOON tuh	a group of people who join in running a government (after a revolution)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	patriots
	In the early 1980s, Argentina was governed by a military junta composed of generals.				
	Derivatives >>	juntas, junto			

12.	latitude	LAT eh tood	freedom of action or opinion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lack of freedom
	College students are given much latitude in the selection of their courses.		
	Derivatives >>	latitudinal, latitudinally, latitudinarian	
13.	malediction	mal eh DIK shun	curse
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> blessing
	He uttered maledictions at his torturers.		
	Derivatives >>	maledictive, maledictory	
14.	nadir	NA dur	the lowest point
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> highest point
	The rejection of our proposal was the nadir of our hopes.		
	Derivatives >>	nadiral	
15.	palpable	PAL puh bul	tangible, perceptible, easily noticeable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	I do not see how I overlooked such a palpable miscalculation.		
	Derivatives >>	palpability, palpably, palpableness	
16.	phoenix	FEE niks	person of unmatched beauty; something rising from apparent destruction
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Like a phoenix, he was able to recover from bankruptcy and become a millionaire again.		
	Derivatives >>	phoenixity	
17.	pillage	PILL ij	to rob or to take by force, to plunder (especially in a war situation)
	Synonyms >>	despoil, devastate, ravage, sack, waste	Antonym >>
	In World War II, the Germans pillaged the Russians, and then the Russians pillaged the Germans.		
	Derivatives >>	pillager, pillaged, pillaging	
18.	prepossessing	pree puh ZES ing	pleasing or creating a favorable impression
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Shirley Temple was a popular child actress because of her prepossessing personality.		
	Derivatives >>	prepossess, prepossessingly, prepossession, prepossessionary	
19.	rabid	RAB id	raging, furious, fanatical
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> calm
	Philadelphia is known for its rabid sports fans.		
	Derivatives >>	rabid, rabidity, rabidly, rabidness, rabies, rabiform, rabious	
20.	sedulously	SEJ uh lus lee	very diligent, accomplishing with painstaking care
	Synonyms >>	assiduous, industrious	Antonym >> haphazardly
	It is very heartwarming when I can get a student to sedulously complete an assignment.		
	Derivatives >>	sedulous, sedulity, sedulousness	
21.	stark	STARK	harsh, grim, or desolate; extremely simple or severe
	Synonyms >>	dreary	Antonym >> luxuriant
	The stark landscape gave an ominous feeling.		
	Derivatives >>	starkly, starkness	
22.	tangible	TAN juh bul	capable of being touched; real or actual rather than imaginary
	Synonyms >>	palpable, corporeal; certain, genuine	Antonym >> imaginary; not able to be touched
	The man had no tangible assets such as a home or a car, but he had much to offer in terms of personality.		
	Derivatives >>	tangibility, tangibleness, tangibly	
23.	unassailable	un uh SALE uh bul	undisputable, not able to be attacked with success
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> disputable
	The arguments of the lawyer were unassailable; consequently, he won the case.		
	Derivatives >>	unassailably, unassailableness, unassailed	
24.	vile	VILE	wretchedly bad; highly offensive, unpleasant or objectionable
	Synonyms >>	repellent, mean, vicious, evil, iniquitous	Antonym >> good, elevated
	The politician fell victim to vile slander from his opponent.		
	Derivatives >>	viler, vilest, vilely, vileness	
25.	witticism	WIT eh siz um	a clever and witty remark
	Synonyms >>	pun	Antonym >> platitude
	The speaker's witticism will be remembered long after he is gone.		
	Derivatives >>	witty	

Lesson 51

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

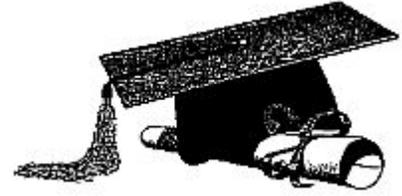
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| _____ | 1. | advocacy | a. | composition of decaying matter |
| _____ | 2. | artful | b. | rustic; rural; unsophisticated |
| _____ | 3. | askew | c. | disgrace; loss of reputation |
| _____ | 4. | bucolic | d. | fear of water |
| _____ | 5. | chaste | e. | a grumpy and ill-mannered person |
| _____ | 6. | compost | f. | skillful; clever; tricky |
| _____ | 7. | curmudgeon | g. | split into thin layers |
| _____ | 8. | disrepute | h. | out of line; slanted |
| _____ | 9. | foliated | i. | morally pure |
| _____ | 10. | hydrophobia | j. | tangible; perceptible |
| _____ | 11. | junta | k. | support of an idea or cause |
| _____ | 12. | palpable | l. | people joined in running a government |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|---------------|----|--------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | latitude | a. | very diligently |
| _____ | 2. | malediction | b. | capable of being touched |
| _____ | 3. | nadir | c. | to rob or to take by force |
| _____ | 4. | phoenix | d. | a curse |
| _____ | 5. | pillage | e. | raging; furious; fanatical |
| _____ | 6. | prepossessing | f. | lowest point |
| _____ | 7. | rabid | g. | indisputable |
| _____ | 8. | sedulously | h. | person of unmatched beauty |
| _____ | 9. | stark | i. | wretchedly bad; offensive |
| _____ | 10. | tangible | j. | desolate; extremely severe |
| _____ | 11. | unassailable | k. | a clever and witty remark |
| _____ | 12. | vile | l. | freedom of action or opinion |
| _____ | 13. | witticism | m. | pleasing; creating a good impression |

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Sentence Completion



advocacy	artful	askew	chaste
compost	curmudgeon	disrepute	foliated
hydrophobia	junta	latitude	witticisms

1. We were afraid the demarcation lines were _____, but we realized that even if they were slanted, they would still mark a boundary between the two sections of land.
2. With his increasing power, the governor found a greater _____ and freedom to act.
3. The military _____ took over the rule of the small island soon after the revolution.
4. The reputation of a _____ person is unlikely to fall into _____; someone who remains morally pure does not generally lose his good name.
5. Decaying leaves and bark make excellent _____ for future gardening needs.
6. The old _____ was always grumpy and ill-mannered when he spoke to other people.
7. The _____ plant had so many leaves that only rarely did sunshine reach the earth beneath it.
8. Most cats have a natural _____ that makes them terrified of water.
9. The comedian's _____ were so skilled and _____ that even those people being ridiculed in his jokes laughed with him.
10. His _____ of the right of free speech is shown by his support of the First Amendment.

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bucolic	malediction	nadir	palpable	phoenix
pillaging	prepossessing	rabid	sedulously	stark
tangible	unassailable	vile		

11. When we went into the country, we were enchanted by the _____ setting; there were trees, rivers and pastures of green grass all around us.
12. The followers of the fanatical cult were _____ believers of the new teachings.
13. He was embarrassed by the _____ error in his calculations; it was so obvious and easily perceived by everyone else that it made him look pretty silly.
14. The witch uttered one last _____ at her accusers before they hanged her; the curse that she spoke did, in fact, come true in later years.
15. The king's claim that his fortress was _____ was proven false when the bands of cutthroats conquered it, robbing and _____ the place.
16. In mythology the legend of the _____ is a story of a beautiful bird resurrected from destruction; thus anything today of unmatched beauty, rising from destruction, I called by that name.
17. The man _____ set out to tend the garden and to bring back to life what had withered away. His diligence and painstaking care would eventually pay off.
18. It was a pleasure to meet someone so polite and courteous, someone who had such a _____ personality.
19. The man had reached the _____ of degradation; in such a few short months, he had fallen to the lowest point of depravity.
20. They were confronted with the _____ reality of poverty when the father left; the harsh winters ahead painted a grim picture of their future.
21. If I am going to loan you the money, I want something _____ as collateral, something I can touch in case you default.
22. We were not impressed by the man's _____ language; it was offensive, unpleasant and objectionable.

Lesson 52

Definitions



1.	asperity	uh SPARE uh tee	sharpness (as in temper); harshness
	Synonyms >>	severity, raucousness	Antonym >>
	These remarks spoken with asperity stung the boys to whom they were directed.		
	Derivatives >>	asperities	
2.	buffeted	BUFF et id	struck repeatedly, battered
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> assuaged; soothed
	The winds buffeted the seamen all last night.		
	Derivatives >>	buffet, buffeting, buffeter, buffets	
3.	compunction	kum PUNGK shun	remorse, distress or anxiety over an anticipated action
	Synonyms >>	contrition, penitence	Antonym >>
	If you do not stop taking drugs, I will have no compunction about kicking you out of the house.		
	Derivatives >>	compunctionless, compunctious, compunctiously	
4.	cutlery	KUT luh ree	cutting instruments
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The salesman gave the woman a set of cutlery just for listening to his sales pitch.		
	Derivatives >>	cutler, cutleries	
5.	distant	DIS tunt	chilly in manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> cordial
	Her distant behavior made it difficult to talk to the woman; her chilly manner bordered on being rude.		
	Derivatives >>	distantly, distantness	
6.	dowager	DOW uh jur	a widow who holds a title from her husband, an elderly woman of society
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	That little resort town is a favorite place of many wealthy dowagers.		
	Derivatives >>	dowagers	
7.	entrench	en TRENCH	to fix firmly; to encroach
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to disestablish
	These formulas should be firmly entrenched in your mind before the test.		
	Derivatives >>	entrenched, entrenchment	
8.	glacial	GLAY shul	extremely cold or frigid
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> hot
	The men were nearly frozen by the glacial wind blowing so relentlessly on them.		
	Derivatives >>	glacially, glaciare, glaciation	
9.	improvidence	im PROV eh dunz	not providing for the future, not thrifty
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> foresight
	The improvidence of immediately spending one's paycheck could be costly in an emergency.		
	Derivatives >>	improvident, improvidently, improvidentially	
10.	intransigent	in TRAN seh junt	refusing to compromise
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> compromising; agreeable
	Since both labor and management are intransigent on the issue of profit-sharing, there will be a strike.		
	Derivatives >>	intransigence, intransigency, intransigentism, intransigently	
11.	leaven	LEV un	to introduce something that spreads throughout and modifies or enlivens
	Synonyms >>	infuse	Antonym >>
	The professor leavened his lecture with humorous anecdotes.		
	Derivatives >>	leavenless, leavening, leavened	

12.	matriculate	muh TRIK yuh late	to enroll or to admit to membership by enrolling, esp. in a college
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Though it took hours for the enrollment process, this young man has finally been matriculated.		
	Derivatives >>	matriculated, matriculating, matriculation, matriculator	
13.	methodical	muh THOD eh kul	proceeding in a regular or systematic order
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> haphazard
	The surgeon was very methodical in delivering the baby.		
	Derivatives >>	methodically, methodicalness	
14.	narcissistic	nar seh SIS tik	excessively loving oneself
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	"Stuck on herself" is a colloquial term meaning narcissistic. The narcissistic boy cared for no one but himself.		
	Derivatives >>	narcissism, narciss, narcissist, narcissistically	
15.	panache	puh NASH	a grand or flamboyant manner; verve; style; flare
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> drabness
	The actor who plays that role must have panache.		
	Derivatives >>		
16.	picayune	pik ee YOON	something of very small value, petty
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> significant
	The judge grew tired of the lawyer's picayune objections.		
	Derivatives >>	picayunish	
17.	prescient	PREE she unt	knowledge of events before they happen, foresight
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unaware
	He was led to his success in his experiment by some extraordinary prescient.		
	Derivatives >>	prescience, presciently	
18.	rail at	RAIL at	to condemn or to attack with abusive language
	Synonyms >>	berate, revile, upbraid, vituperation	Antonym >> to compliment
	Texas Congressmen will rail at any attempt to pass a bill that would be detrimental to the oil industry.		
	Derivatives >>	railed, railing	
19.	retrospection	re truh SPEK shun	a looking back or contemplation of the past
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A retrospection of his life will reveal that he always worked hard and tried to live by the Golden Rule.		
	Derivatives >>	retrospect, retrospect, retrospectively	
20.	reverie	REV uh ree	daydreaming
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> attentiveness
	Spring seems to lend itself to reverie.		
	Derivatives >>	reveries, reverist	
21.	seethe	SEETH	to boil , to be agitated
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to be at peace
	The nation seethed with anger when the terrorists took the men as hostages.		
	Derivatives >>	seething, seethingly	
22.	stately	STATE lee	dignified, majestic
	Synonyms >>	grand, grandiose, imposing, magnificent	Antonym >> humble
	The general's funeral procession was stately as it wound through the streets of the city.		
	Derivatives >>	stateliness, statlier, statelily	
23.	unctuous	UN GK choo us	characterized by excessive piousness or moralistic fervor
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The unctuous young man was determined to become a monk.		
	Derivatives >>	unctuosity, unctuousness, unctuously	
24.	vim	VIM	great vitality and energy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lethargy
	Although he is ninety years old, he still has much vim and vigor.		
	Derivatives >>	vims	
25.	wooden	WOOD un	stiff, clumsy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> graceful
	The dancer's wooden movements quickly eliminated her from the troupe.		
	Derivatives >>		

Lesson 52

Matching Test



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Exercise A

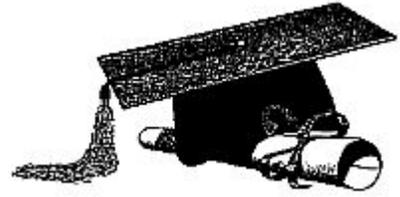
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| _____ | 1. asperity | a. refusing to compromise |
| _____ | 2. buffeted | b. chilly in manner |
| _____ | 3. compunction | c. cutting instruments |
| _____ | 4. cutlery | d. sharpness in temper; harshness |
| _____ | 5. distant | e. failure to provide for the future |
| _____ | 6. dowager | f. to infuse; to introduce something |
| _____ | 7. entrench | g. struck repeatedly; battered |
| _____ | 8. glacial | h. to fix firmly; to encroach |
| _____ | 9. improvidence | i. extremely cold or frigid |
| _____ | 10. intransigent | j. anxiety over anticipated action |
| _____ | 11. leaven | k. elderly woman of society |
| _____ | 12. matriculate | l. to enroll or admit for membership |

Exercise B

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| _____ | 1. methodical | a. proceeding in a systematic order |
| _____ | 2. narcissistic | b. something of very small value |
| _____ | 3. panache | c. to boil; to be agitated |
| _____ | 4. picayune | d. great vitality and energy |
| _____ | 5. prescient | e. daydreaming |
| _____ | 6. rail at | f. egocentric; obsessed with self-love |
| _____ | 7. retrospection | g. characterized by moralistic fervor |
| _____ | 8. reverie | h. grand, flamboyant manner |
| _____ | 9. seethe | i. a looking back at the past |
| _____ | 10. stately | j. stiff; clumsy |
| _____ | 11. unctuous | k. having foresight or prior knowledge |
| _____ | 12. vim | l. dignified; majestic |
| _____ | 13. wooden | m. to attack with abusive language |

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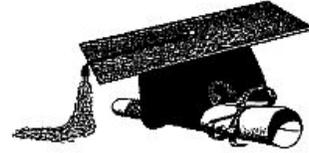
Sentence Completion



asperity	buffeted	compunction	cutlery
distant	dowager	entrench	glacial
improvidence	intransigent	leavened	rail at

1. Had I been more farsighted, I would have set aside some money to provide for the future; instead, I am constantly reminded of my _____ as I struggle to survive.
2. The _____ members of the committee have effectively stopped all progress simply because of their refusal to compromise.
3. The man was so occupied with his work that he seemed to be _____ to the rest of the workers; he was not trying to be chilly toward them but was simply preoccupied.
4. The elderly woman continued to _____ her daughter with a stream of abusive language, showing just how little the _____ understood the younger generation.
5. The wind that _____ the ship was like a punching bag was but a foreboding of the hurricane yet to come.
6. The chef had his own set of cutting instruments since he liked his _____ to be razor sharp.
7. The professor tried to _____ the concepts in the students' minds; he felt that it was necessary to fix the ideas firmly so that they would not be forgotten.
8. The seriousness of the situation was _____ with a few jokes; the humor spread throughout the group and enlivened the men a little.
9. The teacher seemed to have no _____ about giving the student a zero for cheating on the test; the instructor felt perfectly justified and was not distressed over the issue.
10. His sharply critical remarks revealed the _____ of his temper.
11. The _____ winds which blew from the north nearly froze us to death.

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matriculated	methodically	narcissistic	panache	picayune
prescient	retrospection	reverie	seethe	stately
unctuous	vim	wooden		

12. When my temper reaches the boiling point, I _____ with anger.
13. I set about the task of personal _____, looking back over my past, but soon I fell into a _____ of daydreams about my old friends.
14. The boy's stiff, _____ movements on the dance floor prevented his being nominated as the best dancer; indeed, he looked rather awkward.
15. Alex is full of _____ and vigor; I have never seen anyone with so much energy and vitality.
16. The aging actress was still so _____ that she spent hours a day admiring herself in front of the dressing room mirror.
17. The student approached his science research very _____, proceeding in a systematic, orderly fashion.
18. The judge grew tired of the lawyer's _____ objections over such petty details.
19. The woman was known for her _____; no one else had such flamboyant style.
20. The _____ remarks of the fortune teller were uncanny and somewhat frightening; it's strange to hear about things in the future spoken of as facts that have already happened.
21. The room was filled with the _____ music of the orchestra; such majestic sounds were fit for a king.
22. The monk was characterized by his _____ behavior as he was excessively pious and moral.
23. After enduring hour-long lines in the gymnasium, I have finally _____ in my freshmen year at the university.

Lesson 53

Definitions



1.	aggrandizement	uh GRAN diz munt	an increase, enlargement, or enhancement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> diminution
	The discovery led to the aggrandizement of the scientist's reputation.		
	Derivatives >>	aggrandize, aggrandizer, aggrandized, aggrandizing	
2.	astronomical	as trow NOM uh kul	inconceivably large
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> very small; miniscule
	The number of stars in the sky is astronomical.		
	Derivatives >>	astronomic, astronomically	
3.	by-line	BY line	a line at the head of a written article giving the writer's name
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The young writer looked anxiously at the article to see his name in the by-line.		
	Derivatives >>	byliner	
4.	concentration	kon sun TRAY shun	something that has been drawn together
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dispersion
	There is a concentration of insects on that rotten log.		
	Derivatives >>	concentrations	
5.	dashiki	da SHE kee	a loose and brightly colored tunic or garment
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The woman's dashiki was purple and gold.		
	Derivatives >>		
6.	diurnal	die UR nul	occurring during the day or daily
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> occurring at night, nocturnal
	Several of the events for graduation will be diurnal.		
	Derivatives >>	diurnally, diurnation	
7.	enmesh	en MESH	to entangle
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to free; to release
	They became enmeshed in an awful argument.		
	Derivatives >>	enmeshed, enmeshment	
8.	epicure	EP uh kyoor	a person who understands a lot about food and drink, a connoisseur
	Synonyms >>	gastronome, gourmet, gourmand	Antonym >> ascetic
	The extravagant party was enjoyed most by the epicure who indulged in sensual delight.		
	Derivatives >>	epicureal, epicurial, epicurean, epicureanism, epicureous, epicurism,	
9.	ford	FORD	to cross a body of water by wading
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	In order to get to the other side, we have to ford the stream.		
	Derivatives >>	forded, fording, fords, fordless	
10.	impugn	im PYOON	to assail or to attack one's honor or integrity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to speak well of
	After the death of his father, many relatives impugned his claims to his inheritance.		
	Derivatives >>	impugnable, impugnation, impugment	
11.	legacy	LEG uh see	a gift by will, something handed down by an ancestor or predecessor
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Most presidents wonder what their legacy to the country will be.		
	Derivatives >>	legacies	

12.	maxim	MAK sim	a saying of proverbial nature; a general truth or principle; rule of conduct
	Synonyms >>	proverb	Antonym >>
	The maxim "a penny saved is a penny earned" is a favorite with many people.		
	Derivatives >>	maxims, maximist	
13.	nascent	NAS unt, NAY sunt	recently coming into existence
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> established; old
	The country was characterized by nascent revolutionary tendencies.		
	Derivatives >>	nascence, nascency	
14.	papyrus	puh PIE rus	ancient paper made from a papyrus plant
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	My assignment is to research ancient cultures that wrote on papyrus.		
	Derivatives >>	papyraceous, papyrological, papyrologist	
15.	pigeonhole	PIJ un hole	to assign to a category
	Synonyms >>	assort, sort, classify	Antonym >>
	Since he writes comedies, mysteries, and musicals, it is difficult to pigeonhole his writing style.		
	Derivatives >>		
16.	prestidigitation	pres tuh dij eh TAY	sleight of hand, manual dexterity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Most magicians are skilled in prestidigitation.		
	Derivatives >>	prestidigitator, prestidigitatorial, prestidigitatory, prestigation, prestigiator	
17.	rarefy	RARE uh fie	to make less dense; to make more spiritual, refined, or abstruse
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to make denser; to condense
	Their thoughts are refined and rarefied through interaction with each other.		
	Derivatives >>	rarefier, rarefied, rarefiable, rarefactive, rarefaction	
18.	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	
19.	seminal	SEM uh nul	having the character of an originative power, principle, or source
	Synonyms >>	original, germinative	Antonym >>
	Our country was based on the seminal ideas of freedom for all.		
	Derivatives >>	seminality, seminally	
20.	stilted	STIL ted	artificially formal, stiff, pompous
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> genuine
	The demeanor of English royalty seems stilted to many Americans.		
	Derivatives >>	stiltedly, stiltedness	
21.	swatch	SWOCH	a sample piece from some cloth or other item
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	He brought a book of swatches to help me choose the material for the curtains.		
	Derivatives >>	swatches	
22.	tart	TART	sharp or sour taste
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sweet
	I like a tart mustard on my hot dog.		
	Derivatives >>	tartly, tartish	
23.	unflappable	un FLAP uh bul	not easily upset
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> easily upset
	A candidate needs to be unflappable when he meets the press.		
	Derivatives >>		
24.	visceral	VIS ur ul	dealing with coarse or base emotions; earthly, crude
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	J.D. Salinger often used a visceral writing style in his work.		
	Derivatives >>	viscerally	
25.	yoke (verb)	YOKE	to fit or to join with a harness; to connect or to join together
	Synonyms >>	couple	Antonym >> to uncouple
	Our mule does not like it when we yoke it to the harness.		
	Derivatives >>	yoked, yoking, yokeless	

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Matching Test



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Exercise A

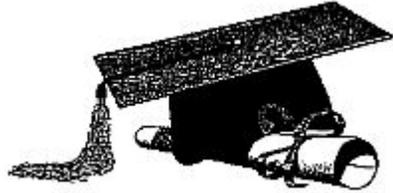
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| <p>_____ 1. aggrandizement</p> <p>_____ 2. astronomical</p> <p>_____ 3. by-line</p> <p>_____ 4. concentration</p> <p>_____ 5. dashiki</p> <p>_____ 6. diurnal</p> <p>_____ 7. enmesh</p> <p>_____ 8. epicure</p> <p>_____ 9. ford</p> <p>_____ 10. impugn</p> <p>_____ 11. legacy</p> <p>_____ 12. maxim</p> | <p>a. connoisseur</p> <p>b. to assail or to attack one's honor</p> <p>c. notification of the author's name</p> <p>d. a gift by will</p> <p>e. to entangle</p> <p>f. increase; enlargement</p> <p>g. a loose, brightly-colored tunic</p> <p>h. a proverb; a general truth</p> <p>i. occurring during the day</p> <p>j. inconceivably large</p> <p>k. to cross a body of water by wading</p> <p>l. something drawn together</p> |
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Exercise B

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| <p>_____ 1. nascent</p> <p>_____ 2. papyrus</p> <p>_____ 3. pigeonhole</p> <p>_____ 4. prestidigitation</p> <p>_____ 5. rarefy</p> <p>_____ 6. rhapsodize</p> <p>_____ 7. seminal</p> <p>_____ 8. stilted</p> <p>_____ 9. swatch</p> <p>_____ 10. tart</p> <p>_____ 11. unflappable</p> <p>_____ 12. visceral</p> <p>_____ 13. yoke</p> | <p>a. ancient paper made from a plant</p> <p>b. to make less dense</p> <p>c. not easily upset</p> <p>d. to express overly enthusiastically</p> <p>e. to fit or to join together</p> <p>f. sleight of hand; manual dexterity</p> <p>g. to assign to a category</p> <p>h. artificially stiff; formal; pompous</p> <p>i. sample piece from cloth</p> <p>j. recently coming into existence</p> <p>k. sharp or sour in taste</p> <p>l. original; germanitive</p> <p>m. dealing with coarse, base emotions</p> |
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Sentence Completion



aggrandizement	astronomical	by-line	concentration
dashiki	diurnal	enmesh	epicure
ford	impugned	maxim	swatch

1. Lunch is a _____ meal that occurs every day at noon, while dinner is regarded as a nocturnal meal occurring in the evening.
2. There seemed to be a _____ of rebels in the middle of the crowd; they had gathered there to incite the larger group into rebellious action.
3. Surprisingly the _____ in the river that normally afforded clear passage was blocked with a wall of thorns ready to _____ and entangle any trespasser.
4. _____ numbers of facts are stored in computers each year; so many are collected that they start to overpower our ability to analyze them.
5. The proverb “Insist on yourself: never imitate” is a favorite _____ of Ralph Waldo Emerson.
6. The seamstress lifted the _____, and from the African robe she cut a _____ of material, only a small piece from the hem.
7. The politician’s constituents _____ him by falsely accusing him of embezzlement.
8. Not even an _____ could find fault with the feast which was prepared for the party.
9. The man soon realized that with his job came _____ that gave him power and glory beyond his imagination.
10. The writer puts his _____ at the top of each story that he has written to identify it as his own.

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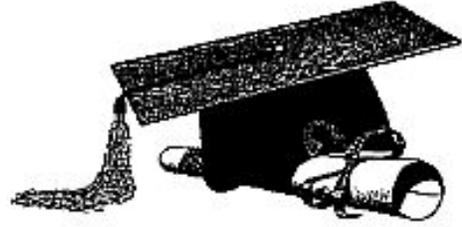


legacy	nascent	papyrus	pigeonhole	prestidigitation
rarefied	rhapsodize	seminal	stilted	tart
unflappable	visceral	yoke		

11. The millionaire left quite a _____ for his children; his reputation as a philanthropist and benefactor to the poor was known throughout the world.
12. Their thoughts are refined and _____ through interaction with each other, as though their wits are sharpened through their conversations.
13. His _____ personality began to bloom after his psychotherapy brought him out of the shell in which he had lived so long.
14. Always somewhat overly enthusiastic, she could _____ for an hour over the slightest thing.
15. The relish has a _____, sour taste that is especially good on a hot dog.
16. The ancient Egyptians wrote on a peculiar kind of paper called _____.
17. The “Blues” were the _____ source from which rock music originated.
18. It is difficult to assign that writer to a particular category since he writes so many kinds of things; such people are difficult to _____.
19. The woman’s _____ speech made her sound artificially formal and quite pompous.
20. The woman simply refuses to change or to be easily upset about things; she is totally _____.
21. We will have to _____ the oxen to the harness if we expect them to help us with the plowing; if we join them together, the task of turning the soil will not take too long.
22. The book dealt with crude language and base emotions; personally, I do not care for such _____ material.
23. We were all entertained by the magician’s _____; his tricks and sleight of hand were amazing.

Lesson 54

Definitions



1.	attenuate	uh TEN you ate	to make thin or to lessen the force or magnitude
	Synonyms >>	lessen, weaken, rarefy	Antonym >> to enlarge, to dilate
	The poor acoustics in the auditorium attenuated the force of his performance.		
	Derivatives >>	attenuated, attenuant, attenuating, attenuation, attenuator, attenuated	
2.	calcified	KAL suh fide	inflexible, hardened
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> flexible; pliable
	His views have become calcified, and trying to talk to him about it is foolish.		
	Derivatives >>	calcify, calcifying, calcification, calciferous	
3.	concomitant	kon KOM uh tunt	something that accompanies or exists concurrently with something else
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unassociated
	The Miss America Pageant and its concomitant events provide the beauties with many new experiences.		
	Derivatives >>	concomitance, concomitancy, concomitantly	
4.	divination	div uh NAY shun	foretelling the future by means of magic
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The prophet was known for his accuracy in divination.		
	Derivatives >>	divinator, divinatory, divine, divination, divined	
5.	epithet	EP uh thet	a term or phrase describing or characterizing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The "sultan of swat" is an epithet describing Babe Ruth.		
	Derivatives >>	epithetic, epithetical, epithetize	
6.	foremost	FORE most	first in rank, time, place, or position
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lowest in rank
	Learning these vocabulary words is foremost in importance.		
	Derivatives >>	foremostly	
7.	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	
8.	impute	im PYOOT	to blame or to charge
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	His bizarre actions have been imputed to mental derangement.		
	Derivatives >>	imputability, imputable, imputableness, imputably, imputation, imputational, imputatively, imputativeness	
9.	influence	IN floo uns	authority, prestige
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> powerlessness
	Because he has much influence with the President, his friendship should be sought.		
	Derivatives >>	influenceability, influenceable, influences, influenced, influencing	
10.	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	
11.	mellifluous	muh LIF loo us	sweetly or smoothly flowing; sweet-sounding
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harsh sounding
	The singer has a mellifluous voice.		
	Derivatives >>	mellifluousness, mellifluously, mellifluent, millifluence, mellifluently	

12.	monastic	muh NAS tik	seclusion or simplicity of life	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The hermit led a very monastic life.			
	Derivatives >>	monk, monastical, monastically, monasticism, monastery, monasterial		
13.	necromancy	NEK ruh man see	communicating with spirits, black magic	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The members of the tribe believed that the witch doctor could perform feats of necromancy.			
	Derivatives >>	necromancing, necromancer, necromant, necromantically, necromantical, necromantic		
14.	onus	OH nus	something distasteful to bear that involves considerable difficulty	
	Synonyms >>	burden; blame; stigma		Antonym >> easy and pleasant task
	The job of caring for the elderly will become the onus of the younger generation.			
	Derivatives >>	onus, onus probandi (burden of proof)		
15.	parasite	PAIR uh site	an organism that lives on another organism but contributes nothing	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> self-sufficient individual
	A tapeworm is a commonly known parasite that lives in humans.			
	Derivatives >>	parasital, parasitic, parasitary, parasitical, parasitically		
16.	potentate	POTE un tate	a monarch, very powerful ruler, sovereign	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	There are many countries in the Middle East that are ruled by a potentate.			
	Derivatives >>	potentates		
17.	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		
18.	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		
19.	ribald	RIB uld	vulgarily humorous, profane	
	Synonyms >>	coarse, gross, obscene, vulgar		Antonym >> high-minded
	It is uncharacteristic of a priest to tell a ribald joke.			
	Derivatives >>	ribaldly, ribaldrous, ribaldry		
20.	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		
21.	stint	STINT	to limit to a certain amount; to be frugal	
	Synonyms >>	confine, restrain		Antonym >> to be wasteful
	Don't stint on the food when you prepare for the party.			
	Derivatives >>	stinted, stinting, stintedly, stintedness, stinter, stintingly, stintless		
22.	theatrical	the AT ruh kul	overly dramatic, exaggerated in behavior	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> unaffected
	You do not need to be so theatrical to make your point.			
	Derivatives >>	theater, theatrics, theatricalism, theatricality, theatricalization		
23.	unnerve	un NURV	to cause to lose composure	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to strengthen
	I became unnerved when he started talking badly about my mother.			
	Derivatives >>	unnerving, unnerves		
24.	visionary	VIZH uh ner ee	a dreamer; one who is impractical	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> a practical person
	Only a visionary would believe that a perfect society is possible.			
	Derivatives >>	visionariness		
25.	zenith	ZEE nith	the highest point overhead, peak	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> lowest point
	With that award-winning film, she reached the zenith of her career.			
	Derivatives >>	zeniths, zenithal		

Lesson 54

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

- _____ 1. attenuated
- _____ 2. calcified
- _____ 3. concomitant
- _____ 4. divination
- _____ 5. epithet
- _____ 6. foremost
- _____ 7. goad
- _____ 8. impute
- _____ 9. influence
- _____ 10. mellifluous
- _____ 11. monastic
- _____ 12. necromancy

- a. to urge on in a negative sense
- b. first in rank, time, position, or place
- c. secluded; simple in life
- d. sweet-sounding
- e. made thin; lessened; weakened
- f. to blame or to charge
- g. accompanying; concurrent; associated
- h. communication with spirits
- i. foretelling the future by magic
- j. inflexible; hardened
- k. authority; prestige
- l. a describing or characterizing term

Exercise B

- _____ 1. inveterate
- _____ 2. onus
- _____ 3. parasite
- _____ 4. potentate
- _____ 5. primeval
- _____ 6. ravenous
- _____ 7. ribald
- _____ 8. sententious
- _____ 9. stint
- _____ 10. theatrical
- _____ 11. unnerve
- _____ 12. visionary
- _____ 13. zenith

- a. vulgar in humor; profane
- b. firmly established; habitual
- c. given to excessive moralizing
- d. overly dramatic
- e. very powerful ruler; monarch
- f. urgently eager for food; voracious
- g. a dreamer; one who is impractical
- h. to cause one to lose composure
- i. something difficult to bear; stigma
- j. the highest point; peak
- k. organism that lives off another one
- l. to be frugal
- m. ancient; relating to the earliest ages

Lesson 54

Sentence Completion



attenuated	calcify	concomitant	divinations
epithets	foremost	goaded	imputed
influence	inveterate	mellifluous	monastic

1. To shift the blame from himself, he _____ others, saying that they were responsible for the mistake.
2. Several distinguishing _____ were suggested to describe the traits of the famous characters.
3. During the days of the early settlers, many people believed that innocent girls could forecast the future; these _____ they believed to be extremely accurate.
4. Firmly entrenched in his falsehoods, the _____ liar was soon incapable of telling the truth.
5. Rebellion is usually _____ with a change in government; this association is seen in both the French and American revolutions.
6. He was known as the _____ authority on the subject; with this reputation as the best in his field, he was able to exert _____ on many groups, using his prestige in a positive way.
7. We foolishly _____ the bull by yelling at it, unaware that the gate separating the angry animal from us was rusty and could break easily.
8. As people become older, their bones begin to _____, becoming harder and more brittle, but more susceptible to breaking since they lose all of their pliancy.
9. The _____ rule called for the man to live in seclusion and simplicity.
10. When the boy received a sudden inheritance, it _____ his desire to win scholarships; the fact that he no longer needed the money seemed to lessen the force of his desire to win the competitions.
11. We were soothed by the sweet-sounding music; the _____ melody was perhaps the only thing that could have calmed us.

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necromancy	onus	parasite	potentate	primeval
ravenous	ribald	sententious	stint	theatrical
unnerved	visionary	zenith		

12. Her performance in that film is the best she has ever done; it marks the _____ of her career.
13. The wizard was not alarmed at the danger he faced by trying to contact evil spirits during his practice of _____.
14. Mistletoe, though associated with both kissing and Christmas, is really a _____ that kills the trees on which it grows.
15. In Shakespeare's day, patrons at _____ productions such as the play *Twelfth Night* expected an occasional _____, profane joke from the actors, and they were not offended by it.
16. The ancient king, a very powerful _____, surrounded himself with strong supporters.
17. Ancient civilizations, such as that of Egypt, are _____.
18. The man was a _____, dreaming about impractical solutions to difficult problems.
19. Because the sight of blood had always caused her to lose her composure, the lady was _____ by the accident.
20. Students often consider homework to be a real _____, a burden that limits their time.
21. Tim's _____ appetite always kept him on the lookout for "All You Can Eat" restaurants.
22. The _____ statements of the political candidate were condemned as overly moralistic by the news media.
23. She had enough money that she didn't have to _____ on food or decorations for the party; she was not limited at all to what she could spend.

Lesson 55

Definitions



1.	alchemist	AL kuh mist	one who practices medieval chemistry or tries to change metals into gold
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The alchemist wanted to change iron into gold.		
	Derivatives >>	alchemistic, alchemical, alchemize, alchemy, alchemic, alchemical, alchemically	
2.	amalgam	uh MAL gum	a combination of different elements
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> individual units
	His personality is a strange amalgam of different traits.		
	Derivatives >>	amalgamate, amalgamable, amalgamative, amalgamator, amalgamation	
3.	august	aw GUST	inspiring reverence or admiration
	Synonyms >>	majestic, venerable, eminent	Antonym >> meek and lowly
	The crowd was overwhelmed by the august performance of the religious drama.		
	Derivatives >>	augustness, augustly	
4.	caldron	KAL drun	a large kettle used for boiling
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The witches stirred their brew in a large caldron.		
	Derivatives >>	caldrons	
5.	conduit	KON doo it	a pipe or tube for conveying water or other fluids, flume
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The water ran through a conduit to the outside of the building.		
	Derivatives >>		
6.	document	DOK yu munt	to support with references or citations
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to leave unsupported
	The lawyer must document instances of bad conduct if a sound case is to be made against the criminal.		
	Derivatives >>	documents, documenting, documentive	
7.	forensic	fuh REN sik	pertaining to debate or argument
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Many students take debate classes in preparation for the forensic competitions.		
	Derivatives >>	forensical	
8.	inaugural	in AH gyur ul	the beginning, the first of a series
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> final
	After the President of the United States takes the oath of office, he makes his inaugural address.		
	Derivatives >>	inaugurate, inaugurated, inaugurating, inauguration, inaugurator	
9.	invidious	in VID ee us	causing animosity or resentment; hateful; offensive
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> pleasant; soothing; kind
	We were quite resentful about the man's invidious remarks.		
	Derivatives >>	invidiously, invidiousness	
10.	mellow	MEL oh	pleasingly mild
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harsh
	The orchestra played soft and mellow music.		
	Derivatives >>	mellowy, mellowed	
11.	nettle	NET ul	to arouse displeasure, impatience, or anger in
	Synonyms >>	irritate, incite, provoke, vex	Antonym >> to placate
	The small boys deliberately tried to nettle their big sister.		
	Derivatives >>	nettles, nettled, nettling, nettler, nettlesome	

12.	pare	PAIR	to reduce or to lessen		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to supplement
	We hope to pare our expenses by staying in inexpensive hotels.				
	Derivatives >>	pared, pares, paring			
13.	placebo	pluh SEE boe	substance with no medication given to humor a patient		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Sugar pills are sometimes a placebo given to a hypochondriac.				
	Derivatives >>	placebos			
14.	privation	pry VAY shun	the condition of lacking basic necessities of life		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	abundance
	Children in many parts of the world face severe privation.				
	Derivatives >>	privational, privative, privatively			
15.	protuberance	pro TOO buh runs	the state of bulging beyond the surrounding area; protrusion		
	Synonyms >>	projection		Antonym >>	indentation
	The woman was embarrassed by the protuberance of her lower jaw.				
	Derivatives >>	protuberancy, protuberant, protuberantly			
16.	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			
17.	reprehensible	rep reh HEN suh bul	deserving blame or reprimand		
	Synonyms >>	blameworthy, censurable, condemnable, reprobatory		Antonym >>	praiseworthy
	Some think that kissing on the first date is reprehensible conduct.				
	Derivatives >>	reprehend, reprehensibility, reprehensibly, reprehension, reprehensive, reprehensory			
18.	rife	RIFE	common in occurrence, abundant		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	rare
	The AIDS virus is rife among intravenous drug-users.				
	Derivatives >>	rifely, rifeness			
19.	serendipity	ser un DIP eh tee	the faculty for making desirable discoveries by accident		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Finding the road to his house was a case of serendipity.				
	Derivatives >>				
20.	solace	SOL is	to comfort or to cheer		
	Synonyms >>	soothe, mitigate, assuage		Antonym >>	to deride; to harass
	The Red Cross attempted to solace the flood victims.				
	Derivatives >>	solaceful, solacement, solacer, solaced, solacing			
21.	stipend	STY pend	normal salary		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	bonus
	The normal stipend for a good quarterback is a half million dollars a year.				
	Derivatives >>	stipendiary, stipendium, stipendless			
22.	teeming	TEEM ing	filled to overflowing; present in a large amount		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	deserted
	The damp field is teeming with mosquitoes.				
	Derivatives >>	teem, teemful, teemfulness, teemingly, teemless			
23.	unremitting	un reh MIT ing	constant, incessant		
	Synonyms >>	perennial, perpetual		Antonym >>	sporadic
	I need some medicine for my unremitting headache.				
	Derivatives >>	unremitted, unremitting, unremittingly, unremittingly			
24.	vitiated	VISH ee ate id	impaired, corrupted, or made ineffective		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	strengthened
	My agreement with him was vitiated when I found that he was stealing assets.				
	Derivatives >>	vitate, vitiating, vitiator			
25.	zephyr	ZEF ur	a gentle breeze, the west wind		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	tornado
	The girl's long hair gently rose and fell at the hand of the zephyr.				
	Derivatives >>	zephyrs, zephyrous			

Lesson 55
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

- | | | | | |
|-------|-----|-----------|----|-----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | alchemist | a. | large kettle used for boiling |
| _____ | 2. | amalgam | b. | beginning; first of a series |
| _____ | 3. | august | c. | inspiring reverence or admiration |
| _____ | 4. | caldron | d. | common in occurrence; abundant |
| _____ | 5. | conduit | e. | hateful; offensive |
| _____ | 6. | document | f. | medieval chemist |
| _____ | 7. | forensic | g. | to support with references |
| _____ | 8. | inaugural | h. | to arouse displeasure or anger in |
| _____ | 9. | invidious | i. | combination of different elements |
| _____ | 10. | mellow | j. | pipe used for conveying fluids |
| _____ | 11. | nettle | k. | pertaining to debate or argument |
| _____ | 12. | rife | l. | pleasingly mild |

Exercise B

- | | | | | |
|-------|-----|---------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | pare | a. | to reduce or to lessen |
| _____ | 2. | placebo | b. | normal salary |
| _____ | 3. | privation | c. | sate of bulging out |
| _____ | 4. | protuberance | d. | impaired; corrupted |
| _____ | 5. | refractory | e. | to comfort or to cheer |
| _____ | 6. | reprehensible | f. | unmanageable; unruly |
| _____ | 7. | serendipity | g. | constant; incessant |
| _____ | 8. | solace | h. | lacking the basic necessities |
| _____ | 9. | stipend | i. | deserving blame or reprimand |
| _____ | 10. | teeming | j. | gentle breeze; west wind |
| _____ | 11. | unremitting | k. | finding something by accident |
| _____ | 12. | vitiated | l. | filled to overflowing |
| _____ | 13. | zephyr | m. | substance with no medication given merely to humor a patient |

Lesson 55

Sentence Completion



alchemist	amalgam	august	caldron
conduit	document	forensic	inaugural
mellow	nettle	protuberance	rife

1. Unlike the uproarious young man we had seen earlier, this man was mild mannered, _____ and serene.
2. Our school is _____ with dropouts; they are so abundant that everyone knows at least one student who has left school without graduating.
3. The student's preparation for the debate was not good; _____ activities require much work in order to ensure success.
4. Before the man made his final statement, he wanted to _____ his facts with references that he had discovered while looking for support of his information.
5. Whichever method an _____ uses to try to turn lead into gold, he will soon learn that an _____ of the two will never combine into the desired product.
6. In the witches' _____ bubbled a stew of dubious origin, but its simmering could not be heard above the screams of the old women.
7. People would often _____ poor Ned, teasing him about the _____ extending from his nose.
8. The president gave a wonderful _____ address; marking the beginning of his term; it was the first of many speeches to come.
9. The actor gave an _____ performance which inspired admiration from every listener.
10. The water has stopped flowing because the _____ is clogged; the pipe will have to be cleaned out in order to allow any fluid to pass through it again.

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pared	invidious	placebo	privation	refractory
reprehensible	serendipity	solace	stipend	teeming
unremitting	vitiated	zephyr		

11. There was great animosity and resentment directed toward the man because of his _____ remarks.
12. The honey-laced hive was _____ with bees; there seemed to be thousands upon thousands of the insects.
13. After he discovered my salary, he realized that his own _____ was not sufficient to meet the needs of a lawyer of his caliber.
14. The gentle _____ blew softly over the field of tall grass.
15. Shoplifting is a _____ crime; many people who are guilty of it receive as their reprimand a prison term to be served.
16. Even though he lost his money, the man took _____ in the fact that he was well equipped to make more.
17. James is headstrong and _____, refusing to submit to any authority.
18. The lady was extremely overweight, but she had an _____ urge to eat that she could not control and that was constantly with her.
19. Those people have no money and no homes; consequently, they suffer great _____ as they do without the basic necessities of life.
20. The poker players reduced my funds; they gradually _____ the \$70 I had started with to a mere \$20 before I finally gave up and went home.
21. Too many regulations have _____ the school district, making it ineffective as an organization.
22. We actually discovered by accident that we were able to find the correct road without a map. It was just an example of _____.
23. The doctor appeased the man by giving him a _____; the substance had no curative powers, but the man believed that it was real medicine.

Lesson 56

Definitions



1.	allay	uh LAY	to put fear, doubt, anger, or suspicion to rest; to quiet; to relieve
	Synonyms >>	soften, assuage, soothe, mollify, temper, ease, mitigate,	Antonym >> to aggravate
	In order to allay the patient's pain, the nurse administered a pain reliever.		
	Derivatives >>	allayed, allaying, allayer	
2.	aura	AW ruh	a distinctive quality about a person, thing, or place
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Those at the inauguration ceremony had the aura of greatness.		
Derivatives >>	auras, aural		
3.	calipers	KAL uh purs	an instrument used to measure distances or diameters
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	We learned in drafting class to measure distances with calipers.		
	Derivatives >>	caliper	
4.	congenital	kun JEN uh tul	existing at birth or dating from birth
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> acquired
	Due to the abuse of drugs, hundreds of babies are born with congenital birth defects each year.		
	Derivatives >>	congenitally	
5.	defunct	deh FUNGKT	no longer existing, dead
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> existing
	That company went bankrupt and is now defunct.		
	Derivatives >>	defunction, defunctive	
6.	dolt	DOLT	a dull, stupid person; blockhead
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Hearing stupid statements from such a dolt is not surprising.		
	Derivatives >>	doltish, doltishly, doltishness	
7.	epochal	EP uh kul	pertaining to an epoch (a period of time marked by distinctive events)
	Synonyms >>	significant, important	Antonym >> insignificant
	His marriage was an epochal event in his life.		
	Derivatives >>	epoch, epochally	
8.	foment	foe MENT	to instigate, to stir up, to promote the growth of
	Synonyms >>	abet, incite, instigate	Antonym >> to calm; to sedate
	The raid on the armory was an attempt to foment revolution.		
	Derivatives >>	fomentation, fomenter, foments, fomenting, fomented	
9.	formidable	FORE meh duh bul	menacing, causing fear or awe
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harmless; unimportant
	That retired boxer was a formidable opponent in his time.		
	Derivatives >>	formidability, formidableness, formidably	
10.	grievous	GREE vus	characterized by severe suffering or sorrow, serious or grave
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> minor
	You made a grievous error when you spoke to your parents in such a horrible fashion.		
	Derivatives >>	grievously, grievousness	
11.	inauspicious	in ah SPISH us	unfavorable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> promising good results
	I was disheartened by the inauspicious occasion of his death.		
	Derivatives >>	inauspiciously	

12.	iota	eye OH tuh	very small quantity		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	large quantity
	There is not one iota of evidence that I committed the crime.				
	Derivatives >>	iotas			
13.	melodeon	muh LOW dee un	a small reed organ		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Music poured forth from the melodeon after he put in a nickel.				
	Derivatives >>	melodeons			
14.	neuter	NOO tur, NYOO tur	neither masculine nor feminine in gender, neutral		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The worker bee is neuter.				
	Derivatives >>	neuters, neuterly, neuterness, neutered, neutering			
15.	parity	PAIR eh tee	the state of being equal		
	Synonyms >>	likeness		Antonym >>	inequality
	Parity must exist between power and responsibility.				
	Derivatives >>	parities			
16.	plaintive	PLANE tiv	mournful and expressing sorrow		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	joyful
	The dog moaned in a plaintive manner when her puppies were taken.				
	Derivatives >>	plaintively, plaintiveness			
17.	proffer	PROF ur	to present for acceptance		
	Synonyms >>	offer, tender		Antonym >>	
	We found the terms of the loan proffered by the banker to be very satisfactory.				
	Derivatives >>	profferer			
18.	rile	RILE	to make angry, to arouse resentment		
	Synonyms >>	irritate		Antonym >>	to soothe
	The boy would often try to rile his sister and instigate an argument.				
	Derivatives >>	riley, riled, riling, riles			
19.	serrated	sur RAY ted	having an edge that is notched or toothed like a saw		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	smooth and even
	Some trees have leaves that are serrated, and others have leaves that are smooth on the edges.				
	Derivatives >>	serrate			
20.	superb	soo PURB	of very high quality		
	Synonyms >>	resplendent, sublime		Antonym >>	grossly inferior
	The superb beauty of the Grand Canyon completely overwhelmed me.				
	Derivatives >>	superbity, superbly, superbness			
21.	titter	TIT ur	to snicker or to giggle nervously		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to frown
	The girls tittered while they waited for the boys to ask them to dance.				
	Derivatives >>	tittered, tittering, titters			
22.	unsung	un SUNG	not celebrated in verse or song or otherwise praised		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	celebrated
	Wars are full of unsung heroes who give their lives for their country.				
	Derivatives >>				
23.	vanguard	VAN gard	the forefront in any movement, field, or activity		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	This innovative school is a vanguard in the field of education.				
	Derivatives >>	vanguardism, vanguardist			
24.	vituperation	vie too puh RAY shun	abusive remarks		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	praise; commendation
	He expressed his contempt with vituperation.				
	Derivatives >>	vituperate, vituperative, vituperator, vituperatory, vituperous			
25.	warp	WARP	to become bent or twisted		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to straighten
	The wood was old and warped by water and wind.				
	Derivatives >>	warped, warpage			

Lesson 56

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. | allay | a. | a dull or stupid person |
| _____ | 2. | aura | b. | characterized by suffering; serious |
| _____ | 3. | calipers | c. | to put fear, doubt, or anger to rest |
| _____ | 4. | congenital | d. | menacing; causing fear or awe |
| _____ | 5. | defunct | e. | significant; pertaining to an era |
| _____ | 6. | dolt | f. | existing at birth |
| _____ | 7. | epochal | g. | very small quantity |
| _____ | 8. | foment | h. | no longer existing; dead |
| _____ | 9. | formidable | i. | unfavorable |
| _____ | 10. | grievous | j. | to instigate; to stir up |
| _____ | 11. | inauspicious | k. | distinctive quality |
| _____ | 12. | iota | l. | instrument used to measure distance |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|-------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | melodeon | a. | of very high quality |
| _____ | 2. | neuter | b. | abusive remark |
| _____ | 3. | parity | c. | neither masculine nor feminine |
| _____ | 4. | plaintive | d. | the forefront in any movement |
| _____ | 5. | proffer | e. | to make angry; to arouse resentment |
| _____ | 6. | rile | f. | mournful or expressing sorrow |
| _____ | 7. | serrated | g. | a small reed organ |
| _____ | 8. | superb | h. | not celebrated or praised |
| _____ | 9. | titter | i. | to become bent or twisted |
| _____ | 10. | unsung | j. | the state of being equal |
| _____ | 11. | vanguard | k. | having an edge that is notched |
| _____ | 12. | vituperation | l. | to present for acceptance |
| _____ | 13. | warp | m. | to snicker or to giggle nervously |

Lesson 56

Sentence Completion



allay	aura	calipers	congenital
defunct	dolt	epochal	fomenting
formidable	grievous	inauspicious	iota

1. It will be necessary to update this computer system because in five years it will be _____.
2. There was severe suffering and sorrow as a result of the _____ actions of the boys; their behavior brought serious condemnation.
3. The scientist used _____ to measure the radius of the circle.
4. The jury could tell that the man was lying; they knew that there was not an _____ of truth in his testimony.
5. A menacing fear overcame us all as we entered the presence of the _____ witch doctor.
6. The woman had an _____ of sophistication about her; it was a distinctive quality that set her apart from all others.
7. The girl has a _____ condition, but because it has been with her since birth, she has adjusted to it quite well.
8. The rebel promoted the fires of discontent, stirring up the people and _____ revolution.
9. Whenever the child cried out in the night, his mother would go to him and _____ his fears by telling him stories until he was calm and serene again.
10. When John acted dull and stupid, his father scolded him and told him not to act like such a _____.
11. The marriage of her daughter was an _____ event in her life; few periods in life are as monumental as weddings.
12. His luck had run out on the _____ day of his accident; such unfavorable occurrences are not happy times.

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melodeon	neuter	parity	plaintive	proffer
riled	serrated	superb	titter	unsung
vanguard	vituperation	warp		

13. If you don't like the book, just say so; there is no need for _____ and abasement.
14. The organ-like sound came from a little man in the corner playing the _____.
15. Many people consider the newborn baby a _____ since he has few developed sexual differences that distinguish masculinity from femininity.
16. The _____ edge of the sword was especially dangerous, as each of the small teeth was like a separate blade.
17. The widow's _____ cries revealed her sorrow at her husband's death.
18. When Sara began to _____, we joined her and began to giggle, also.
19. The heat has caused my tennis racket to _____ so badly that it is too twisted to use.
20. Peace will exist only when there is military _____; there must be some semblance of equality between the superpowers.
21. _____ by the heckler's intense sarcasms, the angry comedian sprang from the stage and throttled the man.
22. Because the emphasis of the game was not on individual players, Bill's vital contributions were not publicized; but as far as the players themselves were concerned, he was the _____ hero of the football team.
23. We wanted to _____ additional rewards to the man if he would help to get us out of the alien country; for his assistance, we would give him a large sum of money.
24. That company was a _____ in the computer industry; it was in the forefront of the field from the very beginning.
25. The performance of the man was _____; his playing was of the highest quality.

Lesson 57

Definitions



1.	acumen	uh KEW men	mental sharpness
	Synonyms >>	insight, discernment	
	Antonym >>	lack of perceptiveness	
	Several past Presidents have been known for their political acumen.		
2.	allegory	AL uh gore ee	symbolical narrative; treatment of one subject under the guise of another
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>		
	Authors frequently discuss sensitive political issues through the use of allegory.		
3.	autocrat	AW toe krat	a person with unlimited influence and authority (usually a negative word)
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>		
	The people wanted to overthrow the despotic autocrat.		
4.	conjecture	kun JEK chur	an inference or conclusion drawn or deduced by surmise or guesswork
	Synonyms >>	supposition, surmise, guess	
	Antonym >>	verified statement	
	The theory that the scientist offered was only a matter of conjecture.		
5.	conspicuous	kun SPIK yoo us	obvious, noticeable, attracting attention
	Synonyms >>	prominent, remarkable, salient, striking	
	Antonym >>	veiled; hidden	
	The wife of the president was conspicuous by her absence.		
6.	domicile	DOM eh sile	home or residence, abode
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>		
	Because he works on both coasts, he has two domiciles.		
7.	excoriate	ik SKOR ee ate	to strongly denounce or to censure
	Synonyms >>	revile, berate	
	Antonym >>	to praise	
	Prior to passing sentence on the convicted man, the judge excoriated him for stealing from the church.		
8.	gaunt	GAWNT	very thin, emaciated, angular
	Synonyms >>	lank, lean, rawboned, spare	
	Antonym >>	rotund, corpulent	
	Prisoners in World War II concentration camps became gaunt from lack of nutrition.		
9.	incapacitate	in kuh PAS eh tate	to make incapable or unfit; to deprive of capacity
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	to aid; to make capable	
	A serious illness will incapacitate him, and we will be unable to go on with the journey.		
10.	iridescence	ear eh DES uns	the quality of exhibiting rainbow-like colors, brilliant appearance
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	dullness; darkness	
	The iridescence of the room with all the mirrors and chandeliers was magnificent.		
11.	licentious	lie SEN shus	lacking moral or sexual restraint, wanton
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	restrained	
	His licentious behavior caused him to lose his honored position in society.		
	Derivatives >>	licentiously, licentiousness	

12.	menagerie	muh NAJ uh ree	a collection of live wild animals on exhibition, a varied mixture
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Her collection of glass figurines was a beautiful menagerie.		
	Derivatives >>	menagerist, menageries	
13.	nihilist	NIE uh list	one who believes in total rejection of established laws and institutions
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> traditionalist; one who believes in
	The anarchist was a true nihilist who hated much more than governmental restrictions.		
	Derivatives >>	nihilism, nihilistic, nihility	
14.	pastiche	pa STEESH	a hodgepodge
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> concert; union
	The poem is nothing more than a pastiche of images, allusions, and symbols.		
	Derivatives >>	pasticheur, pasticcio	
15.	plausible	PLAH zuh bul	seemingly acceptable, believable, or possible
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unbelievable
	We need someone to develop a plausible solution to this problem.		
	Derivatives >>	plausibleness, plausibly, plausibility	
16.	profundity	pruh FUN deh tee	profound knowledge, intellectual depth
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> shallowness; stupidity
	Einstein had a profundity that was admired by all.		
	Derivatives >>	profound, profoundly, profoundness	
17.	refuge	REF yooj	shelter or place of protection
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dangerous place
	Reservations were supposed to be places of refuge for Indians.		
	Derivatives >>	refuges	
18.	rivulet	RIV yuh let	a small stream, brook
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> river
	The small rivulet had almost dried up for lack of rain.		
	Derivatives >>	rivulets	
19.	serpentine	SUR pen teen	resembling a serpent, wily or tempting; diabolical
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> straight
	The line of dancers moved and swayed in a serpentine manner.		
	Derivatives >>	serpentinaely, serpentinaely, serpentine	
20.	stoke	STOKE	to stir up, to amply feed
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to smother
	He stoked the fire so it would give off more heat.		
	Derivatives >>	stoked, stoking	
21.	stooped	STOOPD	bent forward from the middle of the back
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> erect
	Some farm workers become stooped from many years of bending over in the fields.		
	Derivatives >>	stoop, stooping, stoops	
22.	temperate	TEM pur ut	exercising self-control
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> extreme
	Seeing the devastating effects of alcohol on his father, he was temperate in his own liquor consumption.		
	Derivatives >>	temperance, temperately, temperateness	
23.	trowel	TROU ul	flat bladed hand tool used to work with mortar or to dig holes for plants
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A bricklayer must have great expertise in using a trowel.		
	Derivatives >>	troweled, troweling, trowels	
24.	unwieldy	un WEEL dee	difficult to manage due to size
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> of manageable size
	I was not able to move the unwieldy cabinet by myself.		
	Derivatives >>	unwieldily, unwieldiness, unwieldly	
25.	vivify	VIV uh fie	to make more lively
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to dull; to quiet
	The clown began his antics to try to vivify the audience.		
	Derivatives >>	vivid, vividity, vivific, vivificate, vivification	

Lesson 57

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

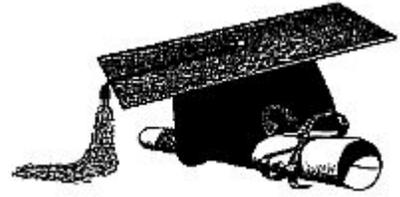
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|-------|-----|--------------|----|-----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | acumen | a. | obvious; noticeable |
| _____ | 2. | allegory | b. | lacking moral or sexual restraint |
| _____ | 3. | autocrat | c. | symbolic narrative |
| _____ | 4. | conjecture | d. | rainbow-like colors; brilliance |
| _____ | 5. | conspicuous | e. | very thin; emaciated; angular |
| _____ | 6. | domicile | f. | mental sharpness |
| _____ | 7. | excoriate | g. | a collection of animals |
| _____ | 8. | gaunt | h. | home or residence |
| _____ | 9. | incapacitate | i. | person with unlimited authority |
| _____ | 10. | iridescence | j. | to make incapable or unfit |
| _____ | 11. | licentious | k. | conclusion drawn by guesswork |
| _____ | 12. | menagerie | l. | to denounce strongly; to censure |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | nihilist | a. | resembling a serpent; diabolical |
| _____ | 2. | pastiche | b. | shelter or place of protection |
| _____ | 3. | plausible | c. | tool used to work with mortar |
| _____ | 4. | profundity | d. | exercising self-control |
| _____ | 5. | refuge | e. | a hodgepodge |
| _____ | 6. | rivulet | f. | to make more lively |
| _____ | 7. | serpentine | g. | bent forward for middle of back |
| _____ | 8. | stoke | h. | seemingly acceptable; believable |
| _____ | 9. | stooped | i. | difficult to manage because of size |
| _____ | 10. | temperate | j. | profound knowledge |
| _____ | 11. | trowel | k. | small stream or brook |
| _____ | 12. | unwieldy | l. | to stir up; to feed amply |
| _____ | 13. | vivify | m. | one who believes in rejection of laws and institutions |

Lesson 57

Sentence Completion



acumen	allegory	autocrat	conjecture
conspicuous	domicile	excoriate	gaunt
incapacitated	iridescence	licentious	menagerie

- Known for his political _____, the man began to _____ the practices of the ruling party; because of his mental sharpness, the people listened to his denouncing and censuring with some determination to alter their actions.
- The dictator was a selfish _____ whose word was law and whose people lived close to starvation with bones showing through the skin of their _____ bodies.
- It was easy to see the ring on her hand; it was made _____ by the _____ of the gem when exposed to light.
- The politician's _____ acts with the prostitute caused him to be removed from office; the public would not condone his wanton behavior.
- Her collection of figurines was quite a _____, a varied mixture of clowns and dancers.
- The author discussed the subject of economics under the guise of a farm through the use of _____.
- We tried to make the journey, but we were _____ by the flu; when we became sick, we were incapable of traveling.
- The theory which the scientist offered was only a matter of _____ and was not scientifically valid since it was based on guesswork.
- The man regarded the fabulously decorated as mansion his home, frequently referring to it as his _____.

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nihilist	pastiche	plausible	profundity	refuge
rivulet	serpentine	stoke	stooped	temperate
trowel	unwieldy	vivify		

10. Parker's Stream, a _____ which feeds into the Trinity River, wanders like a snake in _____ fashion for five miles.
11. The bricklayer was _____ from frequently bending over to scoop up cement with his _____ and smoothing the mortar on the courses of bricks.
12. The collection of glass is a mere hodgepodge, a _____ of cut pieces and broken pieces.
13. Because the man has such an intellectual depth, it is not likely that anyone else here can match his _____.
14. His _____ price in his physical adroitness prevented his asking anyone for help in moving the _____ bulk, regardless of how unmanageable it was.
15. After the boys were taught to properly _____ a fire so that it would give off more heat, they spent the entire night stirring and feeding it.
16. Although _____ with regard to food and drink, Joe had no self control when he gambled.
17. In order to make the audience livelier, the clown began a routine of ridiculous antics; one way or another, he would _____ the spectators.
18. We could not offer a _____ excuse for our behavior, so our parents were unwilling to believe us.
19. The anarchist was a power-mad _____; he would not be happy until he saw a total rejection of established laws and institutions from all the people.
20. This wildlife _____ will offer safety to many endangered species.

Lesson 58

Definitions



1.	aplomb	uh PLUM	a handling of something with confidence and composure; self-assurance
	Synonyms >>	assurance, self-possession, poise	Antonym >> undignified behavior
		The debutante handled herself with aplomb at the ball.	
	Derivatives >>	aplombs	
2.	automaton	aw TOM uh ton	a creature acting in a mechanical way with no indication of intelligence
	Synonyms >>	robot	Antonym >>
		Television often produces dull, unthinking human automatons.	
	Derivatives >>	automatous, automatons	
3.	berate	buh RATE	to engage in intense and long scolding or condemnation
	Synonyms >>	upbraid, rail, vituperate	Antonym >> to praise
		That teacher will berate any student who is constantly tardy.	
	Derivatives >>	berated, berating, berates	
4.	cascade	kas KADE	a steep waterfall or series of waterfalls, a continuous series
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> trickle of water
		The canoe disappeared under the cascade of water into the hidden passageway in the cliff.	
	Derivatives >>	cascaded, cascading	
5.	celerity	suh LER uh tee	quickness (usually in accomplishing a task)
	Synonyms >>	alacrity	Antonym >> slowness
		Teachers like students who act with celerity in completing assignments.	
	Derivatives >>	celeritous, celerities	
6.	circuitous	sir KYOO uh tus	indirect, roundabout
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> straightforward
		Sometimes taxi drivers seem to take a circuitous route.	
	Derivatives >>	circuitously, circuitousness	
7.	delimits	deh LIM it	fixes or defines the limit or boundary of something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		The fence he built delimits his property.	
	Derivatives >>	delimitate, delimiter, delimitation, delimitative, delimited, delimiting	
8.	discriminating	deh SKRIM uh nay ting	drawing fine distinctions, picky
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> uncritical
		Since he has discriminating tastes, the wine must be selected carefully.	
	Derivatives >>	discriminate, discriminability, discriminable, discriminably, discriminant, discriminated	
9.	dormer	DOR mur	a gabled extension of an attic room; window in such an extension
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
		The cat perched on the roof of the dormer and looked down below.	
	Derivatives >>	dormers	
10.	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 >>	execrableness, execrably, execrate, execration, execrative, execratively, execrator	
11.	forswear	fore SWARE	to renounce and to repudiate
	Synonyms >>	abjure, renounce, recant, retract	Antonym >> to embrace eagerly
		I had such a hangover this morning that I am going to forswear drinking.	
	Derivatives >>	forsovere, forswear, forsworn, forswearing	

12.	grotto	GROT oh	cave		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The bandits hid in a grotto and were not discovered.				
	Derivatives >>	grottoed			
13.	limpid	LIM pid	clear, transparent		
	Synonyms >>	translucent		Antonym >>	abstruse; opaque
	Many liked the author's limpid writing style because it was easy to understand.				
	Derivatives >>	limpidity, limpidness			
14.	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			
15.	pathogenic	path uh JEN ik	disease-producing		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	harmless; healthy
	That strain of bacteria is a pathogenic strain that causes tuberculosis.				
	Derivatives >>	pathogenicity, pathogeny, pathogenetic			
16.	plumage	PLOO mij	feathers of a bird		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The plumage of the peacock is beautiful.				
	Derivatives >>	plumages, plumaged, plumassier, plumate, plume			
17.	progenitor	pro JEN eh tur	related ancestor; forefather		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	George Washington is one of the progenitors of the United States.				
	Derivatives >>	progenitorial, progenitorship, progeny			
18.	regimen	REJ uh men	the regular process, procedure, or system of doing something		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unsystematic activity
	The boxer's training regimen is very strenuous.				
	Derivatives >>	regiment, regimental, regimentally, regimentation, regiminal			
19.	rotund	roe TUND	very plump, round		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	gaunt
	Picture Henry the VIII if you want to visualize a rotund individual.				
	Derivatives >>	rotundity, rotundly, rotundate			
20.	ruffianism	RUF ee un is um	rowdy or tough behavior		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	gentle behavior
	The ruffianism of the boys in school did not go unnoticed by their angry principal.				
	Derivatives >>	ruffian, ruffianish, ruffianize, ruffianly			
21.	shepherd (verb)	SHEP urd	to guide, to guard, or to tend to		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to neglect
	The young man was able to shepherd the group of people safely out of the dangerous situation.				
	Derivatives >>	shepherding, shepherdless, shepherdlike			
22.	stratum	STRAY tum, STRAT	a horizontal layer		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The geologist said that this stratum is composed of limestone.				
	Derivatives >>	stratums			
23.	tensile	TEN sul	capable of being stretched		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	inelastic
	The material could be made to fit several sizes because it was tensile.				
	Derivatives >>	tensibility, tensible, tensibleness, tensibly			
24.	unwitting	un WIT ing	not intentional, without knowledge		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	conscious
	Because her day-to-day routine was so precise and obvious, she was an unwitting tool of the thief.				
	Derivatives >>	unwittingly, unwittingness			
25.	vogue	VOGE	popular fashion		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unfashionable
	Miniskirts are in vogue again.				
	Derivatives >>	voguish			

Lesson 58

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. | aplomb | a. | drawing fine distinctions; critical |
| _____ | 2. | automaton | b. | confidence; poise; self-assurance |
| _____ | 3. | berate | c. | to renounce and to repudiate |
| _____ | 4. | cascade | d. | indirect; roundabout |
| _____ | 5. | celerity | e. | garbled extension of an attic room |
| _____ | 6. | circuitous | f. | steep waterfall |
| _____ | 7. | delimits | g. | cave |
| _____ | 8. | discriminating | h. | to engage in intense scolding |
| _____ | 9. | dormer | i. | extremely bad; deserving of hate |
| _____ | 10. | execrable | j. | quickness in accomplishing a task |
| _____ | 11. | forswear | k. | fixes or defines a limit or boundary |
| _____ | 12. | grotto | l. | robot; mechanical creature |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | limpid | a. | feathers of a bird |
| _____ | 2. | meritorious | b. | very plump; round |
| _____ | 3. | pathogenic | c. | popular fashion |
| _____ | 4. | plumage | d. | related ancestor; forefather |
| _____ | 5. | progenitor | e. | deserving of praise or honor |
| _____ | 6. | regimen | f. | rowdy or tough behavior |
| _____ | 7. | rotund | g. | not intentional; without knowledge |
| _____ | 8. | ruffianism | h. | clear; transparent |
| _____ | 9. | shepherd | i. | to guide, guard, or tend to |
| _____ | 10. | stratum | j. | regular process or procedure |
| _____ | 11. | tensile | k. | disease-producing |
| _____ | 12. | unwitting | l. | capable of being stretched |
| _____ | 13. | vogue | m. | a horizontal layer |

Lesson 58

Sentence Completion



aplomb	automaton	berate	cascade
celerity	circuitous	delimits	discriminating
dormer	execrable	forswore	grotto

1. The man began an intense scolding of the child and continued to _____ him even though the boy was remorseful.
2. The farmer's fence _____ the boundary of his property; anything beyond that belongs to someone else.
3. Once they had pledged eternal allegiance to the king, but now they _____ these oaths as they learned of his many errors.
4. The debutante handled herself with _____ at the ball; she was always confident and poised.
5. Although the animal could have made distinctions in her choice of places to live, in the end she was not very _____, settling on a dark _____ that a bear had used for a den the previous year.
6. Although the man moved with _____ when he recognized the danger, even his quick actions could not save the child as she was swept down the river and over the _____.
7. The _____ whirled across the dance floor with an uncanny amount of grace for a robot.
8. She took a _____ route since she did not want to go straight home; her roundabout journey gave her additional time to think.
9. Looking up at the gabled windows of the house, James waved at the elusive shadow in the _____, but no one was there to see him.
10. Joe's manners are so _____ that we hate to have him over for dinner; he behaves so badly that he is embarrassing to us.

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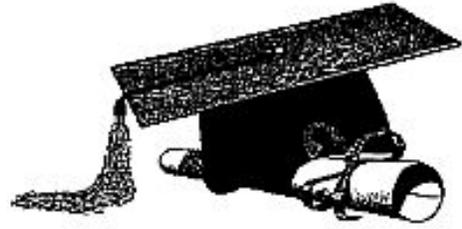


limpid	meritorious	pathogenic	plumage	progenitor
regimen	rotund	ruffian	shepherd	stratum
tensile	unwittingly	vogue		

11. Because of his _____ behavior, the student received many awards of honor.
12. We crossed a _____ stream, clear as crystal, through which we could see to the very bottom.
13. She was _____ conned by the criminal; he acted the part of a gentleman, so she never saw him as the _____ that he really was.
14. It was rare for an undisturbed _____ of rock to exist in a geologically unstable area because these layers of rock are easily upset by the uncertain shifting of the earth.
15. The man was so committed to his daily _____ of exercise that he would follow his regular pattern of jogging even in the rain and snow.
16. Bubble gum is a _____ material; once it is chewed, it can be stretched.
17. The peacock's _____ was a brilliant display of red and blue feathers.
18. The old man had gained so much weight in his last years that he was _____, somewhat resembling a round, pudgy ball.
19. Jonathan was told to _____ the group until help arrived; he was to guard them and tend to them as well as he could under the circumstances.
20. These children in the slums are living in a _____ environment, constantly being exposed to filth and hunger as well as other conditions that cause disease.
21. The large mainframe computer was the _____ of the modern lap top version, but the real forefather of all calculating machines was the abacus.
22. What is in _____ today may be out of fashion tomorrow.

Lesson 59

Definitions



1.	ambience	AM bee uns	a surrounding or pervading atmosphere
	Synonyms >>	environment	Antonym >>
	The girl was hesitant to move out into the world and away from the ambience of exclusively female friendships.		
	Derivatives >>	ambient, ambiances	
2.	awry	uh RYE	with a turn or twist to one side; away from the expected direction
	Synonyms >>	askew, amiss, wrong	Antonym >> aligned
	Our plans have suddenly gone awry.		
	Derivatives >>		
3.	catacomb	KAT uh kome	an underground tunnel or area with holes for graves
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Poe delighted in setting one of his masterpieces in a catacomb.		
	Derivatives >>	catacombs	
4.	consecrate	KON suh krate	to dedicate or to declare sacred
	Synonyms >>	devote, hallow	Antonym >> to profane
	Ministers customarily consecrate their lives to serving God.		
	Derivatives >>	consecrated, consecrating, consecratory, consecrator, consecration	
5.	demarcation	dee mar KAY shun	a setting or marking of a boundary
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Latitudinal or longitudinal lines are often used as demarcation lines between states or countries.		
	Derivatives >>	demarcate, demarcated, demarcating, demarcator	
6.	diorama	die uh RAM uh	a three-dimensional miniature scene with painted model figures
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The student built a diorama for his project.		
	Derivatives >>	dioramic	
7.	exhume	ig ZOOM	to dig something buried out of the earth; to revive after neglect
	Synonyms >>	disinter	Antonym >> to bury
	The court issued an order to exhume the body for an autopsy.		
	Derivatives >>	exhumed, exhuming, exhumation, exhumers	
8.	failing (noun)	FAY ling	a fault or defect
	Synonyms >>	foible, fragility, vice	Antonym >> strength
	His main failing is his refusal to admit that he is sometimes wrong.		
	Derivatives >>	failings	
9.	forte	FORE tay	a strong point of a person; that in which one excels
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Judging from the poorly baked chicken, cooking is not her forte.		
	Derivatives >>		
10.	icon	EYE kon	a picture, image, or other representation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Different programs on some computer menus are represented by icons.		
	Derivatives >>	iconic, iconical, iconically, iconicity	
11.	inexorable	in EK sur uh bul	relentless, cannot be persuaded to change one's course of action
	Synonyms >>	inflexible, obdurate, adamant	Antonym >> flexible; changeable; yielding
	The archeologist was inexorable in his pursuit of the buried city.		
	Derivatives >>	inexorability, inexorableness, inexorably	

12.	itinerary	eye TIN uh rer ee	proposed route of a journey		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		Our itinerary will place us in New Orleans during Mardi Gras.			
	Derivatives >>	itinerancy, itineracy, itinerant, itinerantly, itinerarium, itinerated, itinerating, itineration			
13.	lineage	LEN ee ij	line of descent or tradition		
	Synonyms >>	background, ancestry		Antonym >>	
		The girl traced her lineage to a family in the American revolution.			
	Derivatives >>	lineages			
14.	metaphysical	met uh FIZ eh kul	highly abstract or abstruse; relating to what is conceived as transcendent		
	Synonyms >>	preternatural		Antonym >>	
		The spiritualist was engrossed in the metaphysical realm and cared nothing for earthly realities.			
	Derivatives >>	metaphysic, metaphysically			
15.	noncombatant	non kum BAT unt	civilian, one not engaged in combat		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	warrior
		World War II was a war in which many noncombatants were killed.			
	Derivatives >>	noncombatants			
16.	peal	PEEL	a loud ringing (usually of bells)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The church bells pealed at noon to celebrate the wedding of Prince Charles and Lady Diana.			
	Derivatives >>	pealed, pealing			
17.	phalanx	FAY langks	a close arrangement of people or things		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	scattering
		When the rain began to pour down, the stadium became a phalanx of umbrellas.			
	Derivatives >>	phalanxes, phalanges			
18.	pneumatic	noo MAT ik	pertaining to air or gas		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		A pneumatic drill uses compressed air.			
	Derivatives >>	pneumatics, pneumatism, pneumatization, pneumatize			
19.	propinquity	pro PING kweh tee	nearness; kinship		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The farm's propinquity to the chemical plant was blamed for the rise in cancer among the family members.			
	Derivatives >>	propinquant, propinquous			
20.	remit	reh MIT	to send or to transmit (usually money)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to collect
		The phone company called and said that we needed to remit our payment or our service would be cut off.			
	Derivatives >>	remitment, remittable, remittal, remittance, remittee			
21.	rout	ROUT	to gouge out or to make a furrow in; to expel by force		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The wood craftsman took his tools and began to rout a furrow into the wood in the shape of a heart.			
	Derivatives >>	router, routed, routing			
22.	shrill	SHRIL	high-pitched or piercing (sound)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	muted
		The shrill sounds of the sirens pierced the night.			
	Derivatives >>	shriller, shrillest, shrilling, shrillness, shrilly			
23.	strife	STRIFE	vigorous or bitter conflict, discord, or antagonism		
	Synonyms >>	difference, disagreement, contrariety, opposition; fight		Antonym >>	
		The disagreement caused much strife between the two people.			
	Derivatives >>	strifeful, strifeless			
24.	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			
25.	voluptuous	vuh LUP choo us	pleasurable to the senses, sensuous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	plain; homely
		Bob Hope always took voluptuous women with him when he entertained soldiers overseas.			
	Derivatives >>	voluptuosity, voluptuousness, voluptuate, voluptuously			

Lesson 59

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

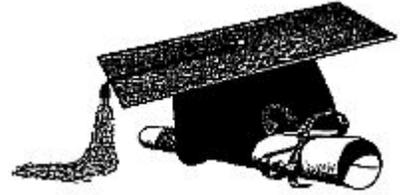
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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | ambience | a. | surrounding atmosphere |
| _____ | 2. | awry | b. | picture; image; representation |
| _____ | 3. | catacomb | c. | a fault or defect |
| _____ | 4. | consecrate | d. | 3-dimensional miniature scene |
| _____ | 5. | demarcation | e. | to dedicate or to declare sacred |
| _____ | 6. | diorama | f. | strong point of a person |
| _____ | 7. | exhume | g. | relentless; inflexible; adamant |
| _____ | 8. | failing | h. | a setting or marking of a boundary |
| _____ | 9. | forte | i. | proposed route of a journey |
| _____ | 10. | icon | j. | turned or twisted to one side |
| _____ | 11. | inexorable | k. | to dig up; to disinter |
| _____ | 12. | itinerary | l. | underground tunnel with holes for graves |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | lineage | a. | to send or to transmit (usually money) |
| _____ | 2. | metaphysical | b. | nearness; kinship |
| _____ | 3. | noncombatant | c. | high-pitched; piercing (sound) |
| _____ | 4. | peal | d. | highly abstract; transcendent |
| _____ | 5. | phalanx | e. | pertaining to air or gas |
| _____ | 6. | pneumatic | f. | vigorous or bitter conflict |
| _____ | 7. | propinquity | g. | loud ringing, usually of bells |
| _____ | 8. | remit | h. | to expel by force |
| _____ | 9. | rout | i. | line of descent or tradition |
| _____ | 10. | shrill | j. | outcome; final result |
| _____ | 11. | strife | k. | civilian; one not engaged in combat |
| _____ | 12. | upshot | l. | pleasurable to the senses |
| _____ | 13. | voluptuous | m. | close arrangement of people or things |

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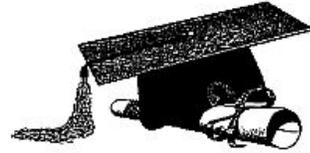
Sentence Completion



ambience	awry	catacombs	consecrate
demarcation	diorama	exhume	failing
forte	icons	inexorable	itinerary

1. The man's chief weakness was for wine; it was a _____ that later cost him both his job and his family.
2. The bodies were buried in the _____ that were dug beneath the city.
3. For his project, the child created a _____, a miniature scene representative of a larger one.
4. The church will _____ the new sanctuary, holding a prayer service there to dedicate its use to the Almighty.
5. The Egyptian restaurant's desert-like _____ was spoiled by the poor food; in short, the atmosphere and surroundings did not matter when the food was so awful.
6. The line of _____ that separated the two countries were soon to be redrawn; a new treaty going into effect was to mark off a new boundary.
7. Part of our initial _____ was to travel Germany, but we had to change our proposed route for the journey and skip that country.
8. The man was absolutely _____ in his determination to win the race; once he had made up his mind, he could not be persuaded to change his course of action.
9. Even though we tried to keep everything going in the proper direction, our plans soon went _____, and we had to admit that we were wrong.
10. Because a doubt arose about the true cause of death after the man had already been buried, the court issued an order to _____ his body for an autopsy.
11. Sam's true _____ is in math; he really excels in that area.
12. The screen had different _____, small pictures to represent the software available on the computer.

Lesson 59



lineage	metaphysical	noncombatant	peal	phalanx
pneumatic	propinquity	remit	routed	shrill
strife	upshot	voluptuous		

13. Regardless of the fact that the man did not receive a bill, he chose to _____ payment for the merchandise he had received.
14. Though one might think the loud ringing would be disturbing, the _____ of the bell actually produced a tranquil and serene feeling over the community.
15. Her _____ has been traced back to her most notable ancestor, Anne Boleyn.
16. The philosopher's abstract, _____ language was unintelligible to all but the most transcendent-minded followers.
17. In order to inflate the tire with air, I used a _____ pump.
18. Our dog began to bark as soon as the _____, high-pitched sound of the sirens began.
19. The _____ of the game is that we lost; the final result was 42-7.
20. The woman's reputation as a _____ model resulted from the sensuous pictures taken of her.
21. The _____ of soldiers marched quickly, their close formation bearing down on the _____ who had chosen not to enter the war.
22. The neighbors were concerned because of the _____ of the nuclear plant to their homes; they feared that the nearness of the facility would in some way endanger their health.
23. The marital discord and conflict between the man and woman was incredible; such _____ eventually drove them apart.
24. The troops _____ the invading army and expelled them from the fort.

Lesson 60

Definitions



1.	balm	BALLM	a soothing substance or one that gives relief
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> irritant
	The balm caused the pain of the sunburn to subside and then to diminish.		
	Derivatives >>	balmily, balminess, balmy, balms, balmed, balming	
2.	conservatory	kun SIR vuh tor ee	a greenhouse or place where plants are raised; a school for music and art
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The flower show will be held at the conservatory on the fair grounds.		
	Derivatives >>	conservatories	
3.	demur	deh MUR	to hesitate, to delay, to object
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to proceed, to agree, to accede
	To demur at this time might cause the whole operation to be destroyed.		
	Derivatives >>	demurred, demurring	
4.	demure	deh MYOOR	serious, reserved, coy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> flagrant
	Hollywood often portrays gentlemen as handsome and demure.		
	Derivatives >>	demurer, demurest, demurely	
5.	expiate	EK spee ate	to atone or to make amends for a sin or a crime
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to hold grudges
	The judge asked him to expiate his crime by doing one hundred hours of community service.		
	Derivatives >>	expiation, expiational, expiative, expiator, expiatory	
6.	fountainhead	FOUN tun hed	principal source or origin
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A quick glance into his extravagant lifestyle shows the fountainhead of his motivation to save his business.		
	Derivatives >>	fountainheads	
7.	furrow	FUR ow	to make wrinkles or grooves
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to make plain
	The man's furrowed brow showed his deep concern.		
	Derivatives >>	furrowed, furrowing	
8.	hallmark	HALL mark	a distinguishing characteristic or trait
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Honesty is the hallmark of a good judge.		
	Derivatives >>	hallmarks	
9.	inclement	in KLEM unt	stormy, severe
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> calm; favorable
	The weatherman said that our area should prepare for some inclement weather.		
	Derivatives >>	inclemency, inclemently, inclementness	
10.	jaded	JAY did	weary from overuse, surfeited
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> fresh
	Jaded with the hedonistic life of a playboy, he decided to look for a more altruistic existence.		
	Derivatives >>	jade, jadedly, jadedness	
11.	juxtapose	JUK stuh poze	to place close together or side by side
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to set far apart
	The huts in the village were never closely juxtaposed as one would imagine.		
	Derivatives >>	juxtaposed, juxtaposition, juxtapositional	

12.	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	
13.	mince	MENS	to restrain one's speech or to euphemize in order to show politeness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	He does not like to mince words and thus will tell you bluntly what he thinks.		
	Derivatives >>	minced, mincing, mincer	
14.	monolithic	mon uh LITH ik	massive and rigidly fixed uniformly
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Some argue that communism is monolithic, and others say that there are many types of communism.		
	Derivatives >>	monolith, monolithism	
15.	obeisance	oh BAY suns	an attitude of respect; a gesture made in token of respect
	Synonyms >>	reverence, deference, homage, honor	Antonym >> disrespect; irreverence
	The obeisance of the crowd characterized their respect for the speaker.		
	Derivatives >>	obeisant, obeisantly	
16.	peccadillo	pek uh DILL oh	a slight offense, a small fault
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The I. R. S. does not consider failure to pay taxes a mere peccadillo.		
	Derivatives >>	peccadilloes	
17.	polemicist	puh LEM eh sist	one skilled in argument and in refuting attacks
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	It is vital that a politician be a polemicist so he can present and defend the positions of his constituency.		
	Derivatives >>	polemist, polemicize, polemics, polemic, polemical	
18.	propound	pruh POUND	to put forth for discussion or analysis
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to remove from consideration
	The scientist was asked to propound a hypothesis during the discussion.		
	Derivatives >>	propounder	
19.	renege	reh NIG	to go back on one's word
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to keep one's word
	Because he has reneged on his promise, I will no longer trust his word.		
	Derivatives >>	reneged, reneging, reneger	
20.	repast	reh PAST	a meal
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The governor showed the dignitaries into a large hall for a sumptuous repast.		
	Derivatives >>	repasts, repasted, repasting	
21.	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	
22.	sieve	SIV	a utensil for sifting or straining
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The manager complained that his second baseman fielded ground balls like a sieve.		
	Derivatives >>	sieving	
23.	tether	TETH ur	to fasten or to confine as with a rope
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to free
	The man was tethered to the wall with chains.		
	Derivatives >>	tethered, tethering	
24.	urban	UR bun	having to do with a city or characteristic of a city
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> rural
	Since he has grown up on a farm, I am worried about his attending an urban college.		
	Derivatives >>	urbanism, urbanist, urbanistic, urbanize, urbanization	
25.	vouchsafe	VOUCH safe	to grant in a condescending manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to refuse to grant
	I can vouchsafe you a large return on your investment.		
	Derivatives >>	vouchsafement	

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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

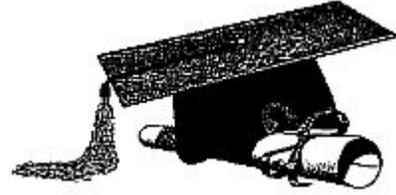
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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | balm | a. | principal source or origin |
| _____ | 2. | conservatory | b. | soothing, relieving substance |
| _____ | 3. | demur | c. | stormy; severe |
| _____ | 4. | demure | d. | to atone for a sin or crime |
| _____ | 5. | expiate | e. | to stand idly; to linger aimlessly |
| _____ | 6. | fountainhead | f. | to hesitate, delay, or object |
| _____ | 7. | furrow | g. | wearry from overuse |
| _____ | 8. | hallmark | h. | to make wrinkles or grooves |
| _____ | 9. | inclement | i. | greenhouse; school for music or art |
| _____ | 10. | jaded | j. | to place close together |
| _____ | 11. | juxtapose | k. | serious; reserved; coy |
| _____ | 12. | loiter | l. | distinguishing characteristic or trait |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|------------|----|--------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | mince | a. | one skilled in argument |
| _____ | 2. | monolithic | b. | to fasten or confine with rope |
| _____ | 3. | obeisance | c. | to go back on one's word |
| _____ | 4. | peccadillo | d. | an attitude of respect; homage |
| _____ | 5. | polemicist | e. | to restrain one's speech |
| _____ | 6. | propound | f. | essential or early element or skill |
| _____ | 7. | renege | g. | utensil for sifting or straining |
| _____ | 8. | repast | h. | massive and rigidly fixed uniformity |
| _____ | 9. | rudiment | i. | having to do with the city |
| _____ | 10. | sieve | j. | to put forth for discussion |
| _____ | 11. | tether | k. | slight offense; small fault |
| _____ | 12. | urban | l. | a meal |
| _____ | 13. | vouchsafe | m. | to grant or give |

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Sentence Completion



balm	conservatory	demur	demure
expiate	fountainhead	furrows	hallmark
inclement	jaded	juxtaposed	loiter

1. The images were _____ so closely to each other that the two pictures seemed to merge and form a collage.
2. The doctor expected a quick disappearance of the rash after he applied the _____ to the affected area.
3. Because the city council did not want vagabonds to _____ around the public buildings, they passed an ordinance against people lingering idly in public places.
4. The student filled his essay with _____ expressions instead of trying to find new and fresh images for his writing.
5. The _____ of those who receive such high grades is diligent study habits and careful preparation.
6. The shy girl was so _____ that he even asked her father to _____ talking about her when she was in an earshot.
7. The conditions of poverty and destitution were the _____ of her despair; all her unhappiness originated from her environment.
8. The baseball game was called off after four innings due to _____ weather; the rain was pouring down too hard for the game to continue.
9. From the air, the deep _____ of the plowed fields appeared to be no larger than wrinkles in a sheet of paper.
10. Although he felt he could never _____ his guilt, his talks with his sister convinced her that he had already atoned for his past crimes.
11. He will study at Boston's most famous school of music, a _____ in New England.

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mince	monolithic	obeisance	peccadillo	polemicist
propound	reneged	repast	rudiments	sieve
tether	urban	vouchsafed		

12. The giant stone statues of human faces on Easter Island are ancient _____ structures.
13. It was difficult for the shy girl to _____ a hypothesis for the experiment, but once she gathered her nerve, she was able to put forth her theory for discussion and analysis.
14. The _____ was delightful, a meal only slightly lessened by the _____ of serving a red wine with fish; but only a connoisseur would consider it a crime to eat fish with red wine instead of fight.
15. The basic skills of math are the _____ you must master in order to move on to more difficult courses.
16. The children used their mother's _____ to sift the sand.
17. Terry is so skilled in winning arguments that we call him our class _____.
18. My boss _____ my job, but I did not like the condescending manner of his guarantee.
19. The _____ of the boy was apparent in the respectful manner by which he dealt with his father.
20. The girl went back on her promise as she _____ on the deal; apparently her word was not as honorable as we had believed.
21. In order to secure the boat, the man began to _____ the vessel to the dock with a very large rope.
22. Because we were sick of _____ life, we moved to the country and settled in a small community.
23. The man did not _____ words when he began to berate the boy; there was no restraint in his scolding of the child.

Lesson 61

Definitions



1.	afoot	uh FOOT	developing or in the process of happening
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> on hold
	The eclipse of the sun caused him to think that something bizarre was afoot.		
	Derivatives >>		
2.	anachronism	uh NAK ruh neh sum	an error in chronology; a chronological misplacing of persons or events
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> something chronologically correct
	The movie, though entertaining, was not historically accurate and was full of glaring anachronisms.		
	Derivatives >>	anachronic, anachronical, anachronically, anachrously, anachronisms, anachronistic, anachronistical	
3.	barb	BARB	a critical or caustic remark
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> kind remark
	He started the speech with a few barbs for his opponent.		
	Derivatives >>	barbs	
4.	ensorious	sen SORE ee us	critical
	Synonyms >>	carping, captious	Antonym >> complimentary
	The artist was hurt by the censorious remarks of the critic.		
	Derivatives >>	censor, censoriously, censoriousness, censorial, censorship	
5.	disinclination	dis in kluh NAY shun	a desire to avoid, aversion
	Synonyms >>	hesitance, loathing, reluctance	Antonym >> eagerness
	I have a disinclination to go to Europe this summer since the dollar is worth less.		
	Derivatives >>	disincline, disinclined	
6.	droll	DROLE	odd or whimsical
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> serious
	The droll expression on the man's face revealed his sense of humor.		
	Derivatives >>	drollery, drollingly, drolliness	
7.	extant	EK stunt	still in existence
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> inexistent
	Although his books are illegal, many are extant and available on the black market.		
	Derivatives >>		
8.	fractious	FRAK shus	unruly
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> manageable; easy to handle
	The fractious students started a food fight.		
	Derivatives >>	fractiously, fractiousness	
9.	franchise	FRAN chize	the right to vote
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> denial of the right to vote
	We have laws to guarantee the franchise of every citizen so that he may vote.		
	Derivatives >>	franchised, franchising, franchisement, franchiser	
10.	harbingers	HAR bin jers	things that precede and forecast
	Synonyms >>	forerunners, heralds, precursors	Antonym >>
	Thick fur on a wooly worm is a harbinger of a cold winter.		
	Derivatives >>	harbinger	
11.	inconsequential	in kon suh KWEN shul	not significant, unimportant
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> pivotal; important
	Since his team was ahead, the fact that the quarterback's last pass was intercepted was inconsequential.		
	Derivatives >>	inconsequential, inconsequentially, inconsequentiality	

12.	jargon	JAR gon	language used by a special group that is usually strange and confusing
	Synonyms >>	dialect, vernacular, lingo	Antonym >>
	In making transactions, the traders on the stock market floor used a jargon which we could not understand.		
	Derivatives >>	jargonal, jargonistic, jargonish, jargonesque, jargonist, jargoneer, jargonize, jargonizing, jargonization	
13.	mettle	MET ul	courage or spirit
	Synonyms >>	resolution, tenacity	Antonym >> lack of courage
	A crisis like this would test anyone's mettle.		
	Derivatives >>	mettles, mettled, mettlesome	
14.	obviates	OB vee ates	makes unnecessary, prevents as a result of anticipating
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> instigates; begins
	I hope that this settlement obviates any further contact between us.		
	Derivatives >>	obviated, obviable, obviation, obviative	
15.	opalescent	oh puh LES unt	showing or reflecting an iridescent light
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dull
	She was even more beautiful against the opalescent sky.		
	Derivatives >>	opalescence, opalescently, opalesque	
16.	peevish	PEE vish	fretful, obstinate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> tranquil; peaceful
	With a peevish gesture, Jane slammed the book shut.		
	Derivatives >>	peevishly, peevishness, peeve, peeved	
17.	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	
18.	polyphony	puh LIF uh nee	music in which two or more independent melodies are sounded together
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> homophony
	Most of the music heard today is based on polyphony.		
	Derivatives >>	polyphonic, polyphonist	
19.	propriety	pruh PRY eh tee	correct conduct
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> indecorum
	Those who attend the club meetings should conduct themselves with propriety.		
	Derivatives >>	proprieties	
20.	renunciation	reh nun see A shun	the act of renouncing; ascetic self-denial
	Synonyms >>	sacrifice, rejection, repudiation	Antonym >>
	The board member made a renunciation of his chairmanship.		
	Derivatives >>	renunciate, renunciant, renunciative, renunciatory	
21.	repress	reh PRES	to restrain, to hold back
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to release
	I feel that I need to repress my desires for him since he obviously does not like me.		
	Derivatives >>	repressed, repression, repressive, repressiveness	
22.	scanty	SKAN tee	less than or barely sufficient, meager
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> copious; abundant
	Because the details of the incident are so scanty, we are not able to make any firm conclusions at this time.		
	Derivatives >>	scantiness, scantily, scantly	
23.	simper	SIM pur	a silly or self-conscious smile, smirk
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> frown
	The young man made the silly remark with a simper.		
	Derivatives >>	simperer, simpering, simpered, simperingly	
24.	sublimate	SUB luh mate	to refine or to transform a primitive impulse into one socially acceptable
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	We are going to try to sublimate his natural rebelliousness into concern for righting the wrongs of mankind.		
	Derivatives >>	sublimation, sublimator	
25.	urbane	ur BANE	having a refined manner, suave and elegant
	Synonyms >>	diplomatic, politic	Antonym >> boorish; unrefined
	Southern gentlemen and English noblemen are known for their urbane manners.		
	Derivatives >>	urbanely	

Lesson 61

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

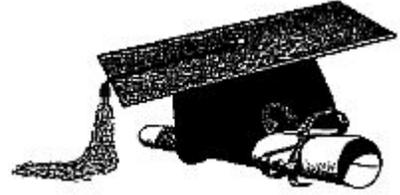
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|-------|-----|-----------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | afoot | a. | unruly |
| _____ | 2. | anachronism | b. | odd or whimsical sense of humor |
| _____ | 3. | barb | c. | desire to avoid; aversion |
| _____ | 4. | disinclination | d. | things that precede or forecast |
| _____ | 5. | droll | e. | developing |
| _____ | 6. | extant | f. | not significant; unimportant |
| _____ | 7. | fractious | g. | the right to vote |
| _____ | 8. | franchise | h. | an error in chronology |
| _____ | 9. | harbingers | i. | courage or spirit |
| _____ | 10. | inconsequential | j. | a critical or caustic remark |
| _____ | 11. | jargon | k. | still in existence |
| _____ | 12. | mettle | l. | strange, confusing language of a particular group |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | censorious | a. | music with melodies sounded together |
| _____ | 2. | obviates | b. | having a refined manner; suave |
| _____ | 3. | opalescent | c. | fretful; obstinate |
| _____ | 4. | peevish | d. | less than or barely significant |
| _____ | 5. | perpetuate | e. | correct conduct |
| _____ | 6. | polyphony | f. | reflecting an iridescent light |
| _____ | 7. | propriety | g. | critical |
| _____ | 8. | renunciation | h. | to refine into acceptability |
| _____ | 9. | repress | i. | to restrain; to hold back |
| _____ | 10. | scanty | j. | makes unnecessary |
| _____ | 11. | simper | k. | ascetic self-denial |
| _____ | 12. | sublimate | l. | a silly or self-conscious smile; a smirk |
| _____ | 13. | urbane | m. | to prolong the existence of something |

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Sentence Completion



afoot	anachronism	barbs	ensorious
disinclination	droll	extant	fractious
franchise	harbinger	inconsequential	jargon

1. As soon as the politician heard the _____ from his opponent, he knew a slanderous encounter was _____.
2. A red sky is said to be a _____ of an approaching storm.
3. The child seemed oblivious to the _____ remarks that the critical teacher made about his unacceptable behavior.
4. The unruly, _____ crowd was unwilling to sit quietly; their _____ to be silent eventually drove the performers away.
5. Stan's _____ sense of humor was not appreciated by everyone; it was too odd and whimsical for most people.
6. Those California redwood trees still in existence are some of the oldest _____ trees in the world.
7. One _____ in the movie about the Old West was the telephone that rang during one scene; they didn't have telephones at that particular time in history.
8. When we heard the _____ being used by the speaker, we had to consult a dictionary; fortunately it had the definitions for the strange and technical language that the man used.
9. We have laws in America to guarantee the _____ of every citizen; the right to vote is a freedom that we want to protect.
10. His comments to the woman were _____; they were trivial and had no significance whatsoever.

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mettle	obviated	opalescent	peevish	perpetuate
polyphony	propriety	renunciation	repress	scanty
simper	sublimated	urbane		

11. Those who attended the meeting conducted themselves with _____; the name of our club was at stake, and it was important to behave as properly as possible.
12. The _____ gentleman was noticed by everyone because of his sophistication and good breeding.
13. I was looking forward to choosing from an abundance of desserts but discovered, to my dismay, that there was only a _____ selection of pies and cakes.
14. It was hard to _____ my fears about the upcoming trial, but for my friend's sake I tried to restrain my anxiety and hold back my emotions.
15. The disciple of the guru wrote down all his master's teachings and was able to _____ those ideas for centuries through the written word.
16. The _____ jewel shined brightly as the king gave it to his trusty servant as payment for his allegiance.
17. Since the picture identified all those present at the meeting, it _____ the necessity for keeping a list of who was there.
18. The playoffs will test the _____ of the young team; their courage and spirit will either grow and lead them to victory, or it will fail them and they will lose.
19. The obstinate child was _____ and fretful.
20. The symphony is based on a _____ of several independent melodies which are sounded together.
21. A silly smile crossed the man's face when he heard his name called; the _____ revealed his self-consciousness.
22. Jack has _____ his primitive impulse of hostility into a more socially acceptable form: ambition.
23. The monk's vows included a _____ of ordinary civilian life, renouncing his family and denying his acquaintances with old friends.

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Definitions



1.	abode	uh BODE	a home		
	Synonyms >>	dwelling, residence, domicile		Antonym >>	
	Even though the house is small, he is proud of his humble abode.				
	Derivatives >>				
2.	analgesic	an el GEE sik	causing insensitivity to pain		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	A dentist uses a variety of analgesic drugs.				
	Derivatives >>	analgesia			
3.	centrifuge	SEN truh fyooj	an apparatus used for separating materials by the use of centrifugal force		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	When milk is put into a centrifuge, the cream is separated and can be removed.				
	Derivatives >>	centrifugal, centrifugally			
4.	contusion	kun TOO shun	a bruise, an injury that does not break the skin		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	I suffered a severe contusion on my leg while playing soccer.				
	Derivatives >>	contuse, contused, contusing, contusive			
5.	dereliction	der uh LIK shun	conscious or willful neglect		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The private was charged with dereliction of duty when he was found asleep at his guard post.				
	Derivatives >>	derelict, derelictly, derelictness			
6.	dross	DROSE	waste material		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Separating gold from the dross by hand is backbreaking labor.				
	Derivatives >>	drosser, drossy, drossier, drossiest			
7.	extradite	EK struh dite	to surrender a prisoner from one jurisdiction to another		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Officials in Israel wanted our government to extradite the accused war criminal to their country.				
	Derivatives >>	extraditable, extradition			
8.	histrionic	his tree ON iks	overly theatrical		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Your histrionics do not sway my opinion.				
	Derivatives >>	histrionical, histrionically			
9.	incorporeal	in kor POR ee ul	having no material or tangible form		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The man was horrified by the incorporeal sights he saw in the haunted house.				
	Derivatives >>	incorporeality, incorporeally, incorporeity, incorporeous			
10.	jaundiced	JON dist	prejudiced, having a hostile attitude resulting from distorted reasoning		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	His jaundiced viewpoint toward the rich stemmed from his youth of abject poverty.				
	Derivatives >>	jaundice			
11.	lexicon	LEK suh kon	a dictionary or alphabetical listing of the words of a profession or subject		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	We looked in many lexicons before we found the definition of that arcane word.				
	Derivatives >>	lexical, lexically, lexically, lexicographer, lexicography, lexicographically, lexicologist, lexicology			

12.	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		
13.	oculist	OK yuh list	a doctor who specializes in treatment of the eyes	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		The eye disease had to be treated by an oculist.		
	Derivatives >>	ocular, ocularly, oculogetic, oculomotor, ocular		
14.	pejorative	peh JOR uh tiv	downgrading, disparaging	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> approbatory
		I do not mean to sound pejorative when I say that he is ruthless on the basketball court.		
	Derivatives >>	pejorate, pejoration, pejoratively		
15.	pontificate	pon TIF uh kate	to speak in a self-important manner; to speak pompously	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to speak humbly
		One would think that my dad were the Pontiff himself, the way he pontificates about his achievements.		
	Derivatives >>	pontifical, pontificalibus, pontificality, pontification, pontificator		
16.	pragmatic	prag MAT ik	practical, dealing with facts	
	Synonyms >>	realistic		Antonym >>
		He was not very pragmatic when he dealt with finances.		
	Derivatives >>	pragmatical, pragmaticality, pragmatically, pragmaticalness, pragmaticism		
17.	proscribe	pro SCRIBE	to denounce or to condemn, to forbid	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		We will proscribe anyone who comes to the rally with the opponent's campaign buttons on his shirt.		
	Derivatives >>	proscript, proscription, proscriptive, proscriptiveness, proscriptively		
18.	reparation	rep uh RAY shun	compensation to one who has suffered	
	Synonyms >>	redress, amends, restitution		Antonym >>
		Vietnam is seeking reparations from the United States for the damage that it suffered during the war.		
	Derivatives >>	reparative, reparatory		
19.	ruse	ROOZ	clever trick, subterfuge	
	Synonyms >>	artifice, feint, stratagem, trick, wile		Antonym >>
		Ferris thought it a clever ruse to put pillows under his bed covers to make his parents believe he was sleeping.		
	Derivatives >>	ruses		
20.	sinecure	SIE nuh kyoor, SIN uh	an office or position requiring little work	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		In many cases the position of vice-president is a sinecure.		
	Derivatives >>	sinecureship, sinecurism, sinecurist		
21.	soliloquy	suh LIL uh kwee	a speech or dramatic monologue made to oneself to reveal thoughts	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> conversation; dialogue
		Hamlet's soliloquy in the graveyard is a popular piece to memorize.		
	Derivatives >>	soliquist, soliloquize, soliloquizer, soliloquizingly		
22.	submissive	sub MIS iv	yielding or surrendering oneself to the will of another	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> rebellious
		I am very submissive to the demands and requests of my parents because I feel that they know best.		
	Derivatives >>	submission, submiss, submissionist, submissively, submissiveness		
23.	threadbare	THRED bare	very worn	
	Synonyms >>	shabby, dilapidated, haggard		Antonym >> brand new; in excellent condition
		The clown's coat was old and threadbare, with holes in the sleeves.		
	Derivatives >>			
24.	tidings	TIE dings	information or news	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
		I bring good tidings from the central office. Tomorrow is a holiday.		
	Derivatives >>	tiding		
25.	utter	UT ur	to express by speaking	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to leave unspoken
		The teacher told me not to utter another word.		
	Derivatives >>	utters, uttered, uttering, utterance		

Lesson 62

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

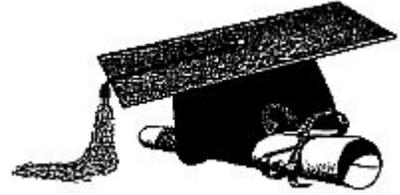
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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | abode | a. | overly theatrical |
| _____ | 2. | analgesic | b. | conscious or willful neglect |
| _____ | 3. | centrifuge | c. | bruise; an injury |
| _____ | 4. | contusion | d. | having no material or tangible form |
| _____ | 5. | dereliction | e. | causing insensitivity to pain |
| _____ | 6. | dross | f. | shining or gleaming without sparkling |
| _____ | 7. | extradite | g. | release prisoner from jurisdiction |
| _____ | 8. | histrionic | h. | a home |
| _____ | 9. | incorporeal | i. | dictionary; alphabetical listing of words |
| _____ | 10. | jaundiced | j. | apparatus for separating things |
| _____ | 11. | lexicon | k. | waste material |
| _____ | 12. | lustrous | l. | prejudiced; hostile attitude resulting from distorted reasoning |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | oculist | a. | speak in a self-important manner |
| _____ | 2. | pejorative | b. | clever trick; subterfuge |
| _____ | 3. | pontificate | c. | information or news |
| _____ | 4. | pragmatic | d. | to denounce or condemn; to forbid |
| _____ | 5. | proscribe | e. | very worn |
| _____ | 6. | reparation | f. | downgrading; disparaging |
| _____ | 7. | ruse | g. | talking to oneself; monologue |
| _____ | 8. | sinecure | h. | practical; dealing with facts |
| _____ | 9. | soliloquy | i. | office or position requiring little work |
| _____ | 10. | submissive | j. | to express by speaking |
| _____ | 11. | threadbare | k. | doctor specializing in eye treatment |
| _____ | 12. | tidings | l. | yielding; surrendering |
| _____ | 13. | utter | m. | compensation to one who has suffered |

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Sentence Completion



abode	analgesic	centrifuge	contusion
dereliction	dross	extradite	histrionics
incorporeal	jaundiced	lexicon	threadbare

1. Sam's _____ term for all non-Texans was "Yankees;" he obviously thought all Texans were far superior to inhabitants of other states and was prejudiced against any who were of "foreign stock."
2. The man lived in an humble _____ and wore _____ clothes; both his home and his worn suits indicated his state of poverty.
3. Because his head hurt so much that he could not stand it, he asked for an _____ to deaden the pain.
4. The ghost's _____ form was not visible on the film of the haunted house.
5. Publishers consider most manuscripts submitted to them to be pure _____, the waste material of bad writers.
6. The girl was lucky to escape the accident with only a minor _____; a bruise is much better than a broken bone or a deep cut requiring stitches.
7. After he was captured in Wisconsin, the state of Iowa filed a lawsuit to _____ the suspect back to the state to stand trial.
8. In our science class we learned how to use a _____, a device which separates different substances by making use of a particular type of force.
9. The guard was charged with _____ of duty when he was found asleep at his guard post; his superiors considered his act one of willful or conscious neglect.
10. If you do not know the meaning of the word, you might consult a _____; most dictionaries will have the definitions of that particular word.
11. Although the heroine overacted in the play, her _____ did not take away from the pleasure we received from watching the production.

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lustrous	oculist	pejorative	pontificate	pragmatic
proscribe	reparation	ruse	sinecure	soliloquy
submissive	tidings	utter		

12. The pearls were magnificent; their _____ glow set them apart from other gems that sparkle more.
13. Behind other's backs, she often speaks of them in _____ terms, but she would not dare to use such disparaging language to their faces.
14. The class president rose in anger and began to _____ everyone who had voted to impeach him; when he finally sat down, he had denounced almost everyone in the room.
15. Sam is so practical and _____ that his motto is "If it works, I like it."
16. The prophet began to _____ a parable, speaking figuratively of the future.
17. She was as _____ to her father's wishes as if she were his slave.
18. George was the bearer of good _____ when he brought the news of the birth of his new son, and because it was his first, we forgave the way he began to _____ in his self-important, pompous manner about the arrival.
19. The _____ prescribed drops to sooth the irritation in the woman's eyes.
20. In some states, the criminal is ordered to make a _____ to his victim; he has to compensate the one who has suffered as a result of his crime.
21. James thought it was a clever _____ to put pillows under his covers to make his parents believe he was sleeping, while he was really outside playing.
22. The highlight of the play was the hero's _____, spoken in the garden while he was alone with no one to hear him except the audience.
23. Many people consider the office of vice president a _____ since it is often viewed as a position that requires little work.

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Definitions



1.	analogous	uh NAHL uh gus	alike or similar in certain respects that permits one to draw an analogy
	Synonyms >>	like	Antonym >> unrelated
	The wings of a bird and those of an airplane are analogous.		
	Derivatives >>	analogously, analogize, analogy	
2.	baseness	BASE ness	the quality of lacking higher values
	Synonyms >>	vileness, servility, unworthiness	Antonym >>
	We were shocked at the criminal's baseness.		
	Derivatives >>	base, baser, basest, basely	
3.	carnal	KAR nul	marked by sexuality that is often frank and unrelieved by higher emotions
	Synonyms >>	bodily, corporeal, worldly, fleshly, sensual, crude	Antonym >> spiritual
	The man's carnal actions prompted his dismissal from the social gathering.		
	Derivatives >>	carnalist, carnality, carnalize	
4.	convalescence	kon vuh LES uns	the gradual recovery of health and strength after illness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The athlete's convalescence was dependent on following his doctor's orders.		
	Derivatives >>	convalesce, convalescent, convalescently	
5.	derivative	deh RIV uh tiv	something that comes from another thing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> original
	The word "denotative" is a derivative of the word "denote."		
	Derivatives >>	derive, derivable, derivability, derivate, derivately, derivational, derivationist, derivatist	
6.	dub	DUB	to honor with a new title
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	I dub thee a knight of the Round Table.		
	Derivatives >>	dubbed, dubbing, dubs, dubber	
7.	extrapolation	ik strap uh LAY shun	inference or prediction based on past data
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> proof
	The theory derived from the experiment was merely an extrapolation; it could not be proved.		
	Derivatives >>	extrapolate, extrapolative, extrapolator, extrapolatory	
8.	fraught	FRAWT	involving; full of; accompanied by
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lacking
	This mission is an undertaking fraught with danger.		
	Derivatives >>		
9.	hermetic	hur MET ik	airtight
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> permeable
	It is important to preserve fruits and vegetables in a container with a hermetic seal in order to prevent spoilage.		
	Derivatives >>	hermetical, hermetically, hermetism, hermetist	
10.	incrustation	in kruh STAY shun	being covered with a crust, state of being encrusted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The incrustation of deleterious habits has become the focal point for many self-help groups.		
	Derivatives >>	incrustate, incrustated, incrustating	
11.	inextricable	in EKS truh kuh bul	not able to be disentangled
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> separable
	The kite string is in such an inextricable mess that you might as well throw it all away.		
	Derivatives >>	inextricability, inextricableness, inextricably	

12.	jocose	joe KOSE	given to jokes and jesting		
	Synonyms >>	witty, facetious, jocular		Antonym >>	
	The teacher was not amused by the jocose remarks of the class clown.				
	Derivatives >>	jocosely, jocoseness, jocosity			
13.	maelstrom	MALE strum	a turbulent whirlpool		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	It is dangerous to swim close to a dam because of maelstroms.				
	Derivatives >>	maelstroms			
14.	mnemonic	nee MON ik	assisting or intended to assist the memory		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	A string tied around the finger is a mnemonic device.				
	Derivatives >>	mnemonics, mnemotechnical, mnemotechnically			
15.	pendant	PEN dunt	something suspended, hanging down from something		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Her pendant earrings were in the shape of oil derricks.				
	Derivatives >>	pendants			
16.	portal	PORE tul	a doorway (especially a large one)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	She stood for a moment in the portal before stepping into the room.				
	Derivatives >>	portaled, portals			
17.	proselytizer	PROS uh leh tize ur	one who causes another to convert from one belief or faith to another		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	His conversion to that religion inspired him to become a proselytizer to others.				
	Derivatives >>	proselyte, proselyter, proselytical, proselytism, proselytist, proselytistic, proselytization			
18.	saboteur	sab uh TUR	one that destroys property or normal operations (usually in a war effort)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Saboteurs sneak behind enemy lines and blow up power lines and bridges.				
	Derivatives >>	sabotage			
19.	sleeper	SLEE pur	a possible winner of a contest that is given little chance to win		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	predicted winner
	That horse paid such good odds because he was a real sleeper.				
	Derivatives >>	sleepers			
20.	subterranean	sub tuh RAY nee un	below ground		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	above ground
	The subterranean tunnel connected the two buildings.				
	Derivatives >>	subterraneous, subterraneanly			
21.	superlative	suh PUR luh tiv	of the highest kind or order; surpassing all others		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The professor's superlative writings earned him a fellowship and a research grant.				
	Derivatives >>	superlatively, superlativeness			
22.	tome	TOME	a book that is a large volume		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	I have purchased the history of England in ten tomes.				
	Derivatives >>	tomes			
23.	vacuity	va KYOO eh tee	emptiness as in lack of intelligence		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The vacuities of their faces showed that they knew nothing about the subject.				
	Derivatives >>	vacuities			
24.	wan	WAHN	very pale and sickly		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	full of vitality
	I knew that something very serious was wrong by his wan appearance.				
	Derivatives >>	wanned, wanning			
25.	wanderlust	WAHN dur lust	a strong impulse to travel		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The wanderlust inside me was so strong that I could not keep from traveling during the summer.				
	Derivatives >>	wanderlustful			

Lesson 63
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

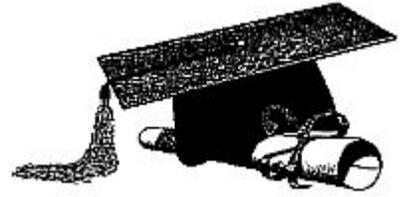
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|-------|-----|---------------|----|------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | analogous | a. | airtight |
| _____ | 2. | baseness | b. | to honor with a new title |
| _____ | 3. | maelstrom | c. | prediction based on past data |
| _____ | 4. | convalescence | d. | being covered with a hard coating |
| _____ | 5. | derivative | e. | quality of lacking higher values |
| _____ | 6. | dub | f. | given to jokes and jesting |
| _____ | 7. | extrapolation | g. | a turbulent whirlpool |
| _____ | 8. | fraught | h. | not able to be disentangled |
| _____ | 9. | hermetic | i. | gradual recovery of health |
| _____ | 10. | incrustation | j. | involving; full of; accompanied by |
| _____ | 11. | inextricable | k. | showing a similarity or likeness |
| _____ | 12. | jocose | l. | one thing that comes from another |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | carnal | a. | something suspended |
| _____ | 2. | mnemonic | b. | of the highest order |
| _____ | 3. | pendant | c. | emptiness, as in lack of intelligence |
| _____ | 4. | portal | d. | worldly; fleshly; corporeal |
| _____ | 5. | proselytizer | e. | one who destroys property |
| _____ | 6. | saboteur | f. | below ground |
| _____ | 7. | sleeper | g. | doorway – especially a large one |
| _____ | 8. | subterranean | h. | strong impulse to travel |
| _____ | 9. | superlative | i. | intended to assist the memory |
| _____ | 10. | tome | j. | very pale and sickly |
| _____ | 11. | vacuity | k. | book that is a large volume |
| _____ | 12. | wan | l. | surprise winner of a contest |
| _____ | 13. | wanderlust | m. | one who causes another to convert from one belief to another |

Lesson 63

Sentence Completion



analogous	baseness	carnal	convalescence
derivative	dub	extrapolation	fraught
hermetic	incrusted	inextricable	jocose

1. The _____ of their relationship lies in the fact that it is strictly a _____ one, rooted only in sexuality and lacking any spiritual dimension.
2. A simile is an _____ comparison which shows the likeness between one thing and another.
3. We are in an _____ position of being hopelessly entangled in these vines, and we cannot break loose without some help.
4. To prevent the entry of germs, the scientist insisted upon a _____ seal for the container.
5. His prediction regarding the outcome of the experiment was pure _____; everything influencing his judgment was based on past data, not new ideas.
6. My theory is actually a _____ of Dr. Kelly's experiment, since the idea comes from the work he has already done in the field.
7. The mother was shocked to see her small child _____ from head to foot with layers of mud.
8. When the king chooses to _____ a man a knight, he also honors him with the title "Sir."
9. Sam's _____ personality and memory for good jokes make him an excellent candidate for a comedian.
10. We were hopeful that his _____ would not take longer than six weeks; that was generally the amount of time needed for the return of health and strength after such a serious illness.
11. The woman was _____ with anxiety when she learned of her son's disappearance; she was full of fear and worry.

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maelstrom	mnemonic	pendant	portal	proselytizer
saboteur	sleeper	subterranean	superlative	tome
vacuity	wan	wanderlust		

12. The student carried the heavy _____ to his desk and started to read the voluminous book, knowing it would take a while to read so many hundreds of pages.
13. The _____ sneaked behind the enemy lines and blew up the fuel dump; then he looked for other ways he could destroy enemy property, retarding their advance.
14. The swimmer was warned about going too far from shore because of a recurring _____ that could endanger him; if he got trapped in the circular whirlpool, he might drown before being able to break away from the current.
15. When Alvin became a _____ for a new religion, it caused a split in his family; one half accepted his conversion to the new beliefs, while the other half objected to it.
16. A beautiful gold _____ hung from a chain around her neck.
17. She hung a wreath on the _____ of her house, so that everyone who came to her door could see it.
18. Although we thought he had no chance of winning the race, Jack proved to be the _____ who upset all of the favorites for the victory.
19. Jerry had a desire to travel that was difficult to satisfy; his _____ had taken him to Europe several times.
20. The pale cave dweller emerged from his _____ hideout after six months of being underground; his _____ complexion attested to the fact that he was sickly.
21. His stern expression concealed the _____ of his mind; actually he was not thinking at all, and his mind was empty for the moment.
22. The new author is fantastic; he has a _____ style and a technique that surpasses that of all other writers.
23. The best way to memorize things is to use a _____ device.

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Definitions



1.	ancillary	AN suh ler ee	aiding or accessory, subordinate to the main thing, supplementary
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> primary
	While the main assault will be here, ancillary attacks will occur all along the coast.		
	Derivatives >>	ancillaries	
2.	bedlam	BED lum	a place or scene of wild and mad uproar; an extremely confusing scene
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> a peaceful and calm scene
	After the arousing speech, the meeting became utter bedlam.		
	Derivatives >>	bedlamer, bedlamite	
3.	convocation	kon vo KAY shun	an assembly where there is a coming together
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	We always start the college fall semester with a general convocation.		
	Derivatives >>	convocational, convoke, convoker	
4.	desist	deh ZIST, deh SIST	to cease from doing something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to go on
	The soldiers were ordered to cease and desist, or else be fired upon.		
	Derivatives >>	desistance, desition, desisted, desisting	
5.	ductile	DUK tul	capable of being fashioned into a new form
	Synonyms >>	pliable, pliant, malleable, adaptable	Antonym >> unmalleable
	The crowd seemed like a ductile mass easily swayed in any direction.		
	Derivatives >>	ductible, ductilely, ductility	
6.	exude	ig ZOOD	to come out gradually in drops through pores or small openings
	Synonyms >>	ooze out; emit	Antonym >> to absorb
	Small beads of sweat were exuding from his forehead.		
	Derivatives >>	exuded, exuding, exudes	
7.	fruition	froo ISH un	state of realization or accomplishment
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The doctor saw the fruition of his dream when the new hospital was finally built.		
	Derivatives >>	fruitive	
8.	hidebound	HIDE bound	having very dry skin that adheres tightly to the underlying flesh
	Synonyms >>	inflexible	Antonym >> flexible; moist, flexible skin
	The man's hidebound attitude kept him from listening objectively to both sides of her story.		
	Derivatives >>	hideboundness	
9.	inculcate	in KUL kate, IN kul	to teach persistently and earnestly
	Synonyms >>	instill, infix, implant, ingrain	Antonym >>
	Many parents try to inculcate virtue in their young children.		
	Derivatives >>	inculcated, inculcating, inculcative, inculcation, inculcatory, inculcator	
10.	jubilee	JOO buh lee	a period of rejoicing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> season of mourning
	The year of jubilee was a time of happiness and celebrating.		
	Derivatives >>	jubilance, jubilant, jubilantly, jubilarian, jubilate, jubilation, jubilize	
11.	malady	MAL eh dee	a disease or unwholesome condition
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> good health
	The poor old woman seems to suffer one malady after another.		
	Derivatives >>	maladies	

12.	materialize	muh TEER ee uh lize	to become real, to appear, to take a form or shape
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to fade away
	Our problems materialized after Dad lost his job.		
	Derivatives >>	materialization, materializer, materializes, materialized, materializing	
13.	mobile (noun)	MO bul, MO beel	a construction consisting of parts that move as a result of air currents
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The geometry classroom was decorated with many mobiles hanging from the ceiling.		
	Derivatives >>	mobiles	
14.	omnipresent	om nuh PREZ unt	present everywhere at all times
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Christians believe in an omnipresent deity.		
	Derivatives >>	omnipresence, omnipresently	
15.	percipient	pur SIP ee unt	very perceptive, discerning
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unperceptive; ignorant
	The play was reviewed by the city's foremost percipient critic.		
	Derivatives >>	percipience, percipiency	
16.	posterity	pah STER uh tee	future generations, all descendants of a person
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> forebears
	They wanted to write a declaration of independence that would last for all posterity.		
	Derivatives >>	posterities	
17.	protagonist	pro TAG uh nist	the leading character of a drama or other literary work
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The protagonist of this story gets the smartest girl.		
	Derivatives >>	protagonism	
18.	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	
19.	sleuth	SLOOTH	one that searches out and investigates obscure information
	Synonyms >>	detective	Antonym >>
	Sherlock Holmes is a sleuth of worldwide renown.		
	Derivatives >>	sleuthed, sleuthing, sleuths	
20.	sully	SUL ee	to tarnish, to dirty, or to soil
	Synonyms >>	defile	Antonym >> to purify; to make clean
	Tabloid newspapers have been known to sully a person's good name with little or no documentation.		
	Derivatives >>	sullied, sullyng, sullies, sulliable	
21.	tier	TEER	one of a series of rows or levels
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Our symphony seats are on the third tier of the auditorium.		
	Derivatives >>	tiers	
22.	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	
23.	venal	VEEN ul	capable of being bribed or corrupted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> honest; upright
	Venal politicians are an affront to democracy.		
	Derivatives >>	venality, venally, venalness	
24.	wane	WANE	to decrease in size, degree, or power
	Synonyms >>	abate, subside, ebb	Antonym >> to grow stronger
	The bodybuilder's strength began to wane when he quit lifting weights.		
	Derivatives >>	waned, waning	
25.	wary	WARE ee	watchful or on one's guard; cautious; careful
	Synonyms >>	alert, vigilant, guarded, circumspect, prudent	Antonym >> rash
	The speaker was wary of grammatical errors.		
	Derivatives >>	warier, wariest, warily, wariness	

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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. | ancillary | a. | ooze out; emit |
| _____ | 2. | bedlam | b. | an assembly; coming together |
| _____ | 3. | convocation | c. | period of rejoicing |
| _____ | 4. | desist | d. | pliable; pliant; malleable |
| _____ | 5. | ductile | e. | aid or accessory; supplementary |
| _____ | 6. | exude | f. | ingrain; instill |
| _____ | 7. | fruition | g. | having very dry skin; inflexible |
| _____ | 8. | hidebound | h. | to become real; to appear |
| _____ | 9. | inculcate | i. | place or scene of wild uproar |
| _____ | 10. | jubilee | j. | to cease from doing something |
| _____ | 11. | malady | k. | state of realization |
| _____ | 12. | materialize | l. | disease or unwholesome condition |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| _____ | 1. | mobile | a. | investigator of obscure facts |
| _____ | 2. | omnipresent | b. | discerning; very productive |
| _____ | 3. | percipient | c. | capable of being corrupted |
| _____ | 4. | posterity | d. | leading character of a literary work |
| _____ | 5. | protagonist | e. | alert; cautious; careful |
| _____ | 6. | sanctify | f. | capable of being moved |
| _____ | 7. | sleuth | g. | one of a series of rows or levels |
| _____ | 8. | sully | h. | to tarnish, to dirty, or to soil |
| _____ | 9. | tier | i. | present everywhere at all times |
| _____ | 10. | vagabond | j. | future generations; descendants |
| _____ | 11. | venal | k. | vagrant; truant; tramp |
| _____ | 12. | wane | l. | to set apart for sacred use |
| _____ | 13. | wary | m. | to decrease in size, degree, or power |

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Sentence Completion



ancillary	bedlam	convocation	desist
ductile	exuded	fruition	hidebound
inculcate	jubilee	materialized	sanctified

- After the vision of the Virgin Mary _____ in front of the building, the priests _____ the location of the appearance with a blessing, making it a sacred place.
- The teachers were called together at the beginning of school for a _____; the general meeting was an annual event.
- The father's attitude prevented any flexibility in his decision to forbid his daughter to date until she turned eighteen.
- Although he ignored his parents' please to stop shoplifting, he had to _____ when the deputy arrested him and put him in jail.
- Our attention will be on the convention, but supplementary to that will be the _____ meetings which will be held throughout the city.
- With the accomplishment of winning her first marathon behind her, Phyllis saw her dream of becoming a world-class runner come to _____.
- The potter fashioned the pliable, _____ mass of clay into many new forms.
- The entire family gathered to rejoice at our grandparents' fiftieth wedding _____.
- The convention had reached a state of _____; everything was confusing and in a mad uproar.
- The man _____ a most horrible odor; from every pore of his body, drops of sweat carried the smell.
- The book was intended to _____ its readers; the author earnestly wanted to teach others his philosophy.

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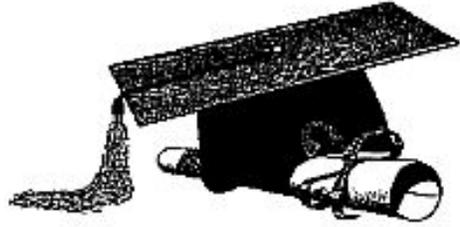


malady	mobile	omnipresent	percipient	posterity
protagonist	sleuth	sully	tiers	vagabonds
venal	wane	wary		

12. The doctor assured us that the child's _____ was temporary and that the disease would not be hard to cure.
13. Among the homeless, there are many _____, those people who prefer an unsettled life to one of responsibility.
14. The _____ was anxious to begin looking for clues to solve the crime as he enjoyed searching for obscure information.
15. Even though it was an hour before it began to decrease in power, we waited for the storm to _____ before we ventured outside.
16. The small infant was fascinated watching the _____ hanging above his crib; his father had made the moving object very colorful for the child.
17. The earth's atmosphere is _____, surrounding us everywhere we go.
18. The doctor is very _____ in discerning the cause of a disease.
19. There are two _____ of seats in this auditorium; the different levels provide a seating choice for the patrons.
20. The man wanted to leave more than money for his _____; he wanted to leave a love for honor and justice to his descendants.
21. The corrupt judge was a most _____ man, readily accepting bribes without regard for justice or honor.
22. I was especially impressed by the hero of the novel; he is probably the most memorable _____ I know in all literature.
23. She did not intend to _____ the man's reputation when she spoke about him; however, gossip can often tarnish or dirty a person's name.
24. Since I was home alone, I was _____ of strange noises; it is better to be cautious and careful than bold and over-confident.

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Definitions



1.	a cappella	ah kuh PEL luh	without accompaniment by an instrument
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> accompanied
	The girl had to sing acappella when her piano accompanist did not appear at the audition.		
	Derivatives >>		
2.	aberration	ab uh RAY shun	the act of straying from the right or usual course; deviation from truth
	Synonyms >>	wandering, deviation, divergence, abnormality, eccentricity	Antonym >> common occurrence
	This particular rule is an aberration of our usual standards.		
	Derivatives >>	aberrant, aberrance, aberrancy, aberrational	
3.	anecdote	AN ek dote	a short story of an interesting or amusing incident
	Synonyms >>	story, tale, narrative	Antonym >>
	A raconteur is a person who is very good at telling anecdotes.		
	Derivatives >>	anecdotal, anecdotal, anecdotic, anecdotal, anecdotalist, anecdotaly, anecdotaly	
4.	cherubic	chuh ROO bic	innocent, wholesome, angelic
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> fiendish
	The cherubic expression on the child's face concealed his guilt.		
	Derivatives >>	cherub, cherubs, cherubim, cherubically	
5.	coquette	ko KET	a woman who flirts with men without sincere affection
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> prude
	The young woman flirted coquettishly with the man.		
	Derivatives >>	coquetry, coquet, coquetted, coqueting, coquettish, coquettishly, coquettishness	
6.	cosmetology	koz muh TOL uh jee	use of cosmetics in treating the hair, skin, or nails
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	I am studying cosmetology so that I can get a job in a beauty salon.		
	Derivatives >>	cosmetologist, cosmetologies	
7.	despoil	deh SPOIL	to take possessions by force, to plunder
	Synonyms >>	devastate, pillage, ravage, sack, waste	Antonym >> to replenish
	Residents of occupied areas during a war are often despoiled.		
	Derivatives >>	despoiler, despoilment, despoliation	
8.	dulcet	DUL sit	pleasing to the ear, melodious, euphonious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harsh; cacophonous
	I was soothed by the dulcet tones of the violin.		
	Derivatives >>	dulcetly, dulcify	
9.	facile	FAS il	easy, achieved with little difficulty
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> difficult; complicated
	I cannot offer a facile solution to such a difficult problem.		
	Derivatives >>	facilely, facileness	
10.	fissure	FISH ur	a narrow opening produced by cleavage or separation of parts; cleft
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The men built a bridge across the fissure in the mountain.		
	Derivatives >>	fissured, fissuring, fissural, fissureless	
11.	flaunt	FLONT	to show off, to display ostentatiously
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to hide
	The woman was obviously trying to flaunt the new diamond ring on her finger.		
	Derivatives >>	flaunted, flaunting, flauter, flauntingly, flaunty	

12.	fugitive	FYOO jeh tiv	a person who is elusive or hard to find, wandering
	Synonyms >>	ephemeral, evanescent, fleeting, transient, transitory	Antonym >> firmly established
	The criminal became a fugitive who spent his life running from the law.		
	Derivatives >>	fugitate, fugitation, fugitives, fugitively, fugitiveness, fugitivity	
13.	juncture	JUNGK chur	a point of joining
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> separation
	His new book emphasizes the importance of the juncture of poetry and music into a new art form.		
	Derivatives >>	junctural, junctional	
14.	malapropism	MAL eh prop iz um	a word that is used incorrectly in a ridiculous manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Archie Bunker is known for his malapropisms.		
	Derivatives >>	malapropos, malaprop, malapropian	
15.	metamorphosis	met uh MORE fuh	a complete change of form or structure; a complete change in appearance
	Synonyms >>	mutation, transmutation	Antonym >> stasis
	The metamorphosis of tadpoles into frogs is an amazing process.		
	Derivatives >>	metamorphous, metamorphic	
16.	modicum	MOD eh kum	limited quantity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> abundance
	I insist on at least a modicum of decorum.		
	Derivatives >>	modicums	
17.	omniscience	om NISH uns	state of being all-knowing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Only God has omniscience, although my husband thinks he has it.		
	Derivatives >>	omniscient, omniscieny, omnisciently	
18.	perdition	pur DISH un	eternal damnation, utter ruin
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> salvation
	The church warns against pursuing hedonistic and worldly things and risking eternal perdition.		
	Derivatives >>	perditions	
19.	postscript	POSTskript	a message appended at the end of a letter
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Sometimes a person will add information in a postscript when he forgets to include it in the letter.		
	Derivatives >>	postscripts	
20.	protean	PRO tee un	very versatile; capable of great change
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> stale; unchanging; limited in scope
	The protean actor was the backbone of the company as he was able to star in any production with ease.		
	Derivatives >>		
21.	repose	reh POSE	to lie or to be at rest; the state of being at rest; absence of movement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> action; movement; activity
	When in repose, her little face looks remarkably calm.		
	Derivatives >>	reposal, reposed, reposing, reposedly, reposedness, reposeful, reposefully, reposefulness	
22.	slough	SLUF	to cast off
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to grasp; to hold tenaciously
	He sloughs off criticism like water off a duck's back.		
	Derivatives >>	sloughs, sloughy	
23.	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	
24.	titanic	tie TAN ik	massive, enormous in scope
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> puny
	Poverty is a titanic problem in the valley.		
	Derivatives >>	titan, titanian, titanically	
25.	wanton	WAHN tun	immoral, lewd
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> moral
	He had to drop out of the presidential race when his wanton behavior was exposed.		
	Derivatives >>	wantonly, wantonness	

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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. a cappella | a. | wandering; deviation from truth |
| _____ | 2. aberration | b. | one who flirts without sincerity |
| _____ | 3. anecdote | c. | easy; achieved with little difficulty |
| _____ | 4. cherubic | d. | to show off; to display ostentatiously |
| _____ | 5. coquette | e. | use of cosmetics in treating hair, etc. |
| _____ | 6. cosmetology | f. | short story of an amusing incident |
| _____ | 7. despoil | g. | pleasing to the ear; melodious |
| _____ | 8. dulcet | h. | innocent appearing; wholesome |
| _____ | 9. facile | i. | to take possessions by force |
| _____ | 10. fissure | j. | a narrow opening; cleft |
| _____ | 11. flaunt | k. | an elusive person; hard to find |
| _____ | 12. fugitive | l. | without instrumental accompaniment |

Exercise B

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|-------|------------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. juncture | a. | state of being all-knowing |
| _____ | 2. malapropism | b. | message appended at the end of a letter |
| _____ | 3. metamorphosis | c. | to break or to force apart |
| _____ | 4. modicum | d. | complete change in appearance |
| _____ | 5. omniscience | e. | massive, enormous scope |
| _____ | 6. perdition | f. | to cast off |
| _____ | 7. postscript | g. | very versatile; capable of change |
| _____ | 8. protean | h. | eternal damnation; utter ruin |
| _____ | 9. repose | i. | a point of joining |
| _____ | 10. slough | j. | limited quantity |
| _____ | 11. sunder | k. | word used in ridiculous meaning |
| _____ | 12. titanic | l. | state of being at rest |
| _____ | 13. wanton | m. | immoral; lewd |

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Sentence Completion

a capella

aberration

anecdote

cherubic

coquette

cosmetology

despoiled

dulcet

facile

flaunt

fugitive

modicum

1. The _____ expression on the child's angelic face revealed to everyone her sweet nature.
2. The cookbook featured _____ recipes for children and beginning cooks.
3. The girl was aptly called a _____; she did, in fact, constantly flirt with men.
4. I despised the way the woman tried to show off all the time; she would _____ her wealth in front of everyone, wearing gaudy rings and ostentatious clothes just to prove how rich she was.
5. The absence of instrumental accompaniment did not lessen the quality of the performance; when the choir sang _____, it was beautiful.
6. The natural wilderness of the jungles was _____ by the ruinous introduction of slash and burn agriculture.
7. She found life as a _____ intolerable; she always seemed to be on the run, moving from place to place trying to escape the law.
8. There is no sweeter music to my ear than the _____ sound of the twelve-string guitar.
9. Although Sue is a student of _____, she has only a _____ of skill at applying her own makeup; hopefully her studies will give her considerably more knowledge.
10. The man entertained us with a cute _____ about his trip to the zoo; it was an amusing story he told us and was actually quite interesting.
11. The school was extremely strict and would not tolerate any _____ of the rules; a deviation from their normal procedures was grounds for dismissal.

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fissure	juncture	malapropism	metamorphosis	omniscience
perdition	postscript	protean	repose	slough
sundered	titanic	wanton		

12. He can _____ off criticism like water from a duck's back; I never saw anyone so impervious to abusive remarks.
13. The funniest _____ I ever heard from my child was when he called the tea strainer a "tea stringer."
14. The fortune teller offered to prove her _____ by telling us about ourselves; she claimed to know everything.
15. Many world religions do not believe in a place of _____; thus, they do not accept the idea of "burning in Hell."
16. The two railroad tracks joined at St. Louis, which was to be considered the _____ of the East and the West.
17. The C-137 cargo airplane, the largest in the world, is _____ in size.
18. The _____ at the bottom of the letter read "P.S. Don't forget to write."
19. The _____ actor was the most versatile of the entire troupe, capable of changing from one character to another in an instant's notice.
20. The Puritans considered Hester Prynne a _____ woman; they saw her as being immoral and lewd.
21. The force of the tidal wave _____ the boat from its anchor and broke it into pieces.
22. The butterfly undergoes a beautiful _____, changing from an inconspicuous caterpillar to a colorful insect with wings.
23. There was a serene expression on the child's face as she lay in _____, but when she was not lying at rest, she looked quite animated.
24. The _____ in the rock was larger than expected; we needed a bridge to cross the opening in the ground.