

Tom Sawyer

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Definitions



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1.	adherent	ad HEER unt	a follower of something such as a leader, party, philosophy, or profession
	Synonyms >>	disciple, follower, partisan	
		Antonym >> dissenter	
	He is an adherent of the Democratic party.		
2.	alacrity	uh LAK ruh tee	prompt and cheerful response
	Synonyms >>	celerity	
		Antonym >> indolence	
I accepted his invitation to the prom with alacrity.			
3.	allusion	uh LOO shun	implied or indirect reference; hinting at
	Synonyms >>		
		Antonym >>	
Her allusion to the literary figure made the point she wanted.			
4.	animosity	an uh MAH suh tee	harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred
	Synonyms >>	animus, antagonism, antipathy, enmity, hostility, rancor	
		Antonym >> love	
I have a lot of animosity for him, since he attempted to steal my girlfriend.			
5.	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.			
6.	auspicious	aw SPISH us	favorable
	Synonyms >>	propitious	
		Antonym >> ill-omened	
Making an "A" on the first test was an auspicious way to begin the year.			
7.	blanch	BLANCH	to take the color out of, to bleach, to make white
	Synonyms >>		
		Antonym >> to color	
It is popular to blanch new blue jeans before wearing them.			
8.	boisterous	BOY stir ous	rowdy, rough, and stormy
	Synonyms >>	blatant, clamorous, obstreperous, strident, vociferous	
		Antonym >> serene	
The boisterous child was running through the store screaming and laughing.			
9.	clamor	KLAM ur	loud noise or shouting
	Synonyms >>		
		Antonym >> quiet	
The clamor finally subsided when the children went to bed.			
10.	clandestine	klan DES tin	secret
	Synonyms >>	covert, furtive, stealthy, surreptitious, underhanded	
		Antonym >> open; obvious	
The C.I.A. is involved in clandestine activities.			
11.	conflagration	kon fluh GRAY shun	a large fire
	Synonyms >>		
		Antonym >> small flame	
Some believe that the earth will be destroyed by a large conflagration.			
	Derivatives >>	conflagrations, conflagrant, conflagrate, conflagrator, conflagratory	

12.	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.	
	Derivatives >>	conject, conjector, conjectural, conjecturally, conjectured, conjecturing, conjecturer	
13.	contempt	kun TEMPT	scorn, extreme dislike or disdain
	Synonyms >>	despicableness, pitiableness, scurviness	Antonym >> respect
		The man treated the gossiping woman with contempt; talking about other people was beneath his dignity.	
	Derivatives >>	contemptible, contemptuous	
14.	derision	deh REH zhun	scoffing at, mockery, ridicule
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> applause
		The boy received much derision for his plaid gym shorts.	
	Derivatives >>	derisive, derisiveness, derisively, derisory	
15.	desolate	DES uh lit	deserted, without inhabitants, barren
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> populous
		Some of the western states have large areas that are desolate.	
	Derivatives >>	desolately, desolateness, desolater, desolating, desolation	
16.	despotic	deh SPOT ik	ruling oppressively and absolutely; tyrannical
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ruling democratically
		Americans do not like despotic behavior.	
	Derivatives >>	despotic, despotically, despotism, despotist, despotize, despot	
17.	disconcerting	dis kun SUR ting	upsetting, frustrating
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> refreshing; calming
		That he has not responded to the medicine is disconcerting.	
	Derivatives >>	disconcert, disconcerted, disconcertedness, disconcerting, disconcertingly, disconcertingness, disconcertment	
18.	discord	DIS kord	lack of agreement, tension, strife
	Synonyms >>	contention, dissension, variance	Antonym >> harmony; agreement
		There is a lot of discord in the nation over the issue of abortion.	
	Derivatives >>	discordance, discordancy, discordant, discordantly, discordantness	
19.	disdain	dis DANE	intense dislike; to treat with scorn or contempt, to reject as unworthy
	Synonyms >>	(to be) arrogant, haughty, high-handed, insolent, lordly,	Antonym >> favor, admiration; to love
		Never having had to do manual labor, he disdained the idea of becoming a cotton picker.	
	Derivatives >>	disdained, disdaining, disdain, disdainful, disdainfully, disdainfulness	
20.	ecstasy	EK stuh see	extreme happiness
	Synonyms >>	rapture, transport	Antonym >> wretchedness
		The music was so beautiful that it put the crowd into a state of ecstasy.	
	Derivatives >>	ecstatic, ecstatic, ecstatically	
21.	edifying	ED uh fie ing	instructing and improving spiritually or morally
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> heinous; nefarious
		Visiting the cathedral was an edifying experience.	
	Derivatives >>	edification, edificatory, edify, edifier, edifyingness	
22.	effusion	eh FYOO zhun	a pouring forth (usually overdone in writing or speech)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> restraint; reserve
		The effusion of profane language in his speech offended many.	
	Derivatives >>	effuse, effusive, effusiveness, effusively	
23.	ensconce	en SKONS	to settle comfortably
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to uproot
		Before the game started, he ensconced himself in the easy chair.	
	Derivatives >>	ensconced, ensconcing	
24.	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	
25.	exalt ,<<exaltig	ig ZALT	to glorify, to praise, to raise in rank
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to defame; to deprecate
		The woman was exalted for her successes in the field of science.	
	Derivatives >>	exalted, exalting, exalts, exaltation, exaltedly, exaltedness, exalter	

26.	felicitous	feh LIS eh tus	happy or delightful	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> sad; gloomy; morose
	Her marriage was a felicitous occasion.			
	Derivatives >>	felicitate, felicific, felicitation, felicitously, felicitousness, felicity		
27.	fetter	FET ur	to restrict by shackling or chaining	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> to liberate
	The convict was fettered to prevent his escape.			
	Derivatives >>	fettered, fettering		
28.	foliage	FOE lee ij	leaves of a plant, leafage	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The trees will soon come alive with green foliage.			
	Derivatives >>	foliages, foliar, foliaceous		
29.	forbearance	fore BARE uns	patience, lenience	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> impatience
	Because he is so young, we must have forbearance in dealing with him.			
	Derivatives >>	forbear, forbearant, forbearer, forbearing, forbearingly, forbearingsness, forbore		
30.	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		
31.	frivolous	FRIV uh lus	lacking in seriousness or importance	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> serious; sober
	A teacher should limit frivolous behavior in the classroom.			
	Derivatives >>	frivolity, frivolousness, frivolously		
32.	furtive	FUR tiv	secret in an underhanded way, stealthy	
	Synonyms >>	clandestine, covert, stealthy, surreptitious, underhanded		Antonym >> bold
	During the test, he made some furtive glances at other classmates' papers.			
	Derivatives >>	furtively, furtiveness		
33.	gravity	GRAV eh tee	seriousness, importance	
	Synonyms >>	earnestness, sedateness, sobriety, solemnity, staidness		Antonym >> unimportance
	The gravity of the situation was heightened by the death of the president .			
	Derivatives >>	grave, graver, gravely		
34.	guile	GILE	deceitfulness, duplicity	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> openness; candor
	The woman was the unfortunate victim of guile and deceit when she lost her money to that swindler.			
	Derivatives >>	guileful, guilefully, guilefulness, guileness, guilelessly, guilelessness, guilery		
35.	hilarity	heh LAR eh tee	boisterous merriment, mirth	
	Synonyms >>	glee, jollity		Antonym >> gloominess
	The party was marked by great hilarity.			
	Derivatives >>	hilarious, hilariously, hilariousness		
36.	illustrious	eh LUS tree us	notably outstanding, famous	
	Synonyms >>	celebrated, distinguished, eminent, noted, renowned		Antonym >> infamous
	I was impressed by the illustrious personage at the ball.			
	Derivatives >>	illustriously, illustriousness		
37.	impudent	IM pyuh dunt	disrespectful, characterized by improper bold behavior	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> respectful
	The student's impudent act of using profanity toward Mrs. Dove caused him to be expelled.			
	Derivatives >>	impudence, impudency, impudently, impudentness, impudicity		
38.	incantation	in kan TAY shun	a spell, written or recited formula of words designed for a particular effect	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The purpose of the witch doctor's incantations was to scare evil spirits.			
	Derivatives >>	incant, incantational, incantatory		
39.	infallible	in FAL uh bul	incapable of error	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> erroneous; fallacious
	Since everyone makes mistakes, no human is infallible.			
	Derivatives >>	infallibilism, infallibilist, infallibility, infallibleness, infallibly		

40.	inundate	IN un date	to flood, to overflow
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to drain
	The television station was inundated with phone calls when the basketball game was interrupted.		
	Derivatives >>	inundable, inundant, inundation, inundator, inundatory	
41.	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	
42.	jingoist	JING go ist	an extreme patriot, usually calls for a belligerent foreign policy
	Synonyms >>	chauvinist, nationalist	Antonym >> traitor
	The jingoist was in the streets, loudly urging the public toward aggression against the foreign power.		
	Derivatives >>	jingoism, jingoish, jingoistic, jingoistically	
43.	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 >>	jubilation, jubilant, jubilantly, jubilarian, jubilate, jubilation, jubilize	
44.	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	
45.	labyrinthine	lab uh RIN thin	like a maze, very convoluted and intricate
	Synonyms >>	mazy	Antonym >>
	The senator vowed to unravel the labyrinthine welfare bureaucracy.		
	Derivatives >>	labyrinth, labyrinthal, labyrinthical, labyrinthian, labyrinthic, labyrinthically	
46.	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	
47.	magnanimity	mag nuh NIM eh tee	having a lofty, generous, and courageous spirit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> greed; stinginess
	The magnanimity of the king endeared him to his subjects.		
	Derivatives >>	magnanimous, magnanimously, magnanimousness	
48.	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	
49.	metaphorically	met uh FOR ik lee	compared nonliterally
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> literally
	Metaphorically speaking, he is drowning in oil.		
	Derivatives >>	metaphor, metaphorical, metaphoricalness, metaphoricist, metaphoricize	
50.	mirth	MURTH	gladness and merriment usually accompanied by laughter
	Synonyms >>	glee, hilarity, jollity	Antonym >> sadness
	The party was a source of mirth and gaiety.		
	Derivatives >>	mirthful, mirthfully, mirthfulness, mirthless, mirthlessly, mirthlessness	
51.	mortify	MORE tuh fie	to humiliate, to wound pride, to experience shame
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to calm; to soothe
	It would simply mortify me to have someone say such shameful things about my family.		
	Derivatives >>	mortifyingly, mortifier, mortified, mortifiedly, mortification	
52.	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	
53.	oblivion	uh BLIV ee un	state of being forgotten
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> remembrance
	Until the singer's recent hit, his career had fallen into a state of oblivion.		
	Derivatives >>	oblivious, obliviously	

54.	obtrude	ub TROOD	to thrust out, to thrust forward
	Synonyms >>	intrude	Antonym >> to hold in; to recoil
	It is often rude to obtrude one's opinions upon another when no invitation for them has been given.		
	Derivatives >>	obtrusive, obtruder, obtrusion, obtrusively, obtrusiveness	
55.	odious	OH dee us	deserving hate or contempt
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> respectable
	Pornography is an odious business.		
	Derivatives >>	odiously, odiousness, odium	
56.	ominous	OM uh nus	threatening
	Synonyms >>	fateful, portentous	Antonym >> harmless; non-threatening
	The ominous clouds were harbingers of the tornado.		
	Derivatives >>	ominously, ominousness	
57.	omniscience	om NISH uns	state of being all-knowing
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Only God has omniscience, although my husband thinks he has it.		
	Derivatives >>	omniscient, omniscency, omnisciently	
58.	opulence	OP yuh luns	wealth, affluence, abundance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> meagerness, scarcity
	Until the recent decline in the price of oil, the Hunt name was synonymous with opulence.		
	Derivatives >>	opulent, opulently	
59.	ostentatious	os ten TAY shus	showy, pretentious
	Synonyms >>	pompous	Antonym >> modest
	The ostentatious socialite wore her mink fur coat even during the warmest days of August.		
	Derivatives >>	ostentation, ostentate, ostentatiously, ostentatiousness, ostentative	
60.	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	
61.	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	
62.	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	
63.	ponderous	PON dur us	very heavy, unwieldy from weight
	Synonyms >>	cumbersome, cumbrous	Antonym >> lightweight
	The ponderous furniture was hard to move, and thus became a burden.		
	Derivatives >>	ponderosity, ponderously, ponderousness	
64.	portent	PORE tent	a sign or forewarning
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The stock market crash was a portent of the coming of a depression.		
	Derivatives >>	portentive, portentous, portentously, portentousness	
65.	precarious	pre KARE ee us	dangerous, risky, not a secure situation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> safe
	It seems that a tightrope walker is often in a precarious situation.		
	Derivatives >>	precariously, precariousness	
66.	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	
67.	prevalent	PREV uh lunt	generally or widely accepted, current, or practiced
	Synonyms >>	prevailing, victorious, dominant	Antonym >> limited, uncommon
	The state of lethargy is a prevalent problem in education.		
	Derivatives >>	prevalence, prevalently	

68.	prodigy	PROD eh jee	one with exceptional talents or powers; an extraordinary accomplishment
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ordinary occurrence
	Mozart was considered a child prodigy since he had great musical talents at a very early age.		
	Derivatives >>	prodigies	
69.	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	
70.	reconcile	REK un sile	to reestablish friendship, to resolve a dispute
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to alienate
	The family will never be the same until Mom and Grandma reconcile their differences.		
	Derivatives >>	reconcilability, reconcilable, reconcilableness, reconcilably, reconcileness, reconciliation, reconcile	
71.	relish	REL ish	to take great pleasure or delight in
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to detest
	I relish the thought of graduating from high school and getting out on my own.		
	Derivatives >>	relishable, relished, relishing	
72.	revere	reh VERE	to honor, to regard with respect
	Synonyms >>	adore, venerate, worship	Antonym >> to despise
	Nearly all Catholics revere the Pope.		
	Derivatives >>	reverence, reverent, reverentness, reverential, reverentiality, reverentially	
73.	sinuous	SIN yoo us	bending in and out in a serpentine or wavy form
	Synonyms >>	winding, intricate, complex	Antonym >> straight
	The land was covered with a sinuous system of canals and irrigation ditches.		
	Derivatives >>	sinuosity, sinuously, sinuousness	
74.	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 >>	soliloquist, soliloquize, soliloquizer, soliloquizingly	
75.	stealthy	STEL the	acting in a secret and sneaky way--this is a negative term
	Synonyms >>	clandestine, covert, furtive, surreptitious, underhanded	Antonym >> open; indiscreet
	The secret organization moves by stealth to gather information on its enemies.		
	Derivatives >>	stealthyful, stealthfully, stealthily, stealthiness, stealth	
76.	sublime	suh BLIME	exalted, noble, uplifting
	Synonyms >>	resplendent, superb	Antonym >>
	The romantic dinner, which included delicious food, soft music, and a beautiful setting, was simply sublime.		
	Derivatives >>	sublimely, sublimeness, sublimer	
77.	subterranean	sub tuh RAY nee un	below ground
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> above ground
	The subterranean tunnel connected the two buildings.		
	Derivatives >>	subterraneous, subterraneanly	
78.	sumptuous	SUMP choo us	lavish, luxurious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> paltry
	I like to go to my mother's house on Thanksgiving Day because we always have a sumptuous feast.		
	Derivatives >>	sumptuously, sumptuosity, sumptuousness	
79.	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	
80.	tempestuous	tem PES choo us	turbulent, stormy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> calm
	The mayoral candidates had a tempestuous debate in which they exchanged many personal accusations.		
	Derivatives >>	tempestuously, tempestuousness, tempest	
81.	transparent	trans PARE unt	quality of being able to be seen through, clear
	Synonyms >>	limpid, translucent	Antonym >> opaque
	Glass is a transparent substance.		
	Derivatives >>	transparently, transparentness, transparency	

82.	trifling	TRY fling	not significant, frivolous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	important; significant
		Some think that watching MTV is a trifling experience.			
	Derivatives >>	trifle, trifled, trifling, trifles			
83.	venerate	VEN uh rate	to honor, to revere		
	Synonyms >>	adore, worship		Antonym >>	
		Although I did not always agree with President Kennedy, I venerate his memory.			
	Derivatives >>	veneration, venerational, venerator, venerable, venerability			
84.	vexation	vek SAY shun	discomfort or distress		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	pleasantry
		The young children were a source of vexation to their nervous, neurotic mother.			
	Derivatives >>	vex, vexatious, vexedly, vexedness, vexingly			
85.	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			
86.	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			
87.	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			

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| 1. adherent | 30. formidable | 59. ostentatious |
| 2. alacrity | 31. frivolous | 60. palpable |
| 3. allusion | 32. furtive | 61. perennial |
| 4. animosity | 33. gravity | 62. plausible |
| 5. appease | 34. guile | 63. ponderous |
| 6. auspicious | 35. hilarity | 64. portent |
| 7. blanch | 36. illustrious | 65. precarious |
| 8. boisterous | 37. impudent | 66. precipice |
| 9. clamor | 38. incantation | 67. prevalent |
| 10. clandestine | 39. infallible | 68. prodigy |
| 11. conflagration | 40. inundate | 69. ravenous |
| 12. conjecture | 41. inveterate | 70. reconcile |
| 13. contempt | 42. jingoist | 71. relish |
| 14. derision | 43. jubilee | 72. revere |
| 15. desolate | 44. juncture | 73. sinuous |
| 16. despotic | 45. labyrinthine | 74. soliloquy |
| 17. disconcerting | 46. lugubrious | 75. stealthy |
| 18. discord | 47. magnanimity | 76. sublime |
| 19. disdain | 48. menagerie | 77. subterranean |
| 20. ecstasy | 49. metaphorically | 78. sumptuous |
| 21. edifying | 50. mirth | 79. supplication |
| 22. effusion | 51. mortify | 80. tempestuous |
| 23. ensconce | 52. mutinous | 81. transparent |
| 24. evanescent | 53. oblivion | 82. trifling |
| 25. exalt | 54. obtrude | 83. venerate |
| 26. felicitous | 55. odious | 84. vexation |
| 27. fetter | 56. ominous | 85. voluptuous |
| 28. foliage | 57. omniscience | 86. wistful |
| 29. forbearance | 58. opulence | 87. zephyr |

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2. derision
3. ponderously
4. alacrity
5. evanescent
6. ecstasies
7. felicity
8. discordant
9. allusions
10. vexation
11. disconcerted
12. exaltation
13. prodigy
14. guileful
15. venerable
16. relish
17. despotisms
18. supplication
19. mirth
20. fetters
21. odious
22. mortified
23. adherent
24. disdain
25. perennial
26. furtive
27. animosity
28. portentous
29. juncture
30. jubilant
31. ostentation
32. zephyr
33. frivolity
34. illustrious
35. appease
36. infallible
37. incantation
38. ensconced
39. sublimity
40. stealthily
41. lugubrious
42. jingoes
43. impudence
44. blanched
45. plausible
46. formidable
47. inveterate
48. metaphorically
49. clandestinely
50. foliage
51. obtrude
52. conflagration
53. ravenous
54. sumptuously
55. hilarity
56. soliloquized
57. reverent
58. menagerie
59. reconciliation
60. gravity
61. wistfully
62. prevalent
63. opulent
64. edification
65. voluptuous
66. boisterous
67. tempestuous
68. forbearance
69. contemptuous
70. omniscient
71. desolation
72. palpable
73. auspicious
74. labyrinth
75. ominous
76. precarious
77. sinuous
78. subterranean
79. oblivion
80. precipice
81. clamorous
82. effusive
83. magnanimous
84. conjectured
85. mutinous
86. trifle
87. inundation

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Vocabulary Test 1

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

Exercise A

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| _____ 1. | adherent | a. | harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred |
| _____ 2. | alacrity | b. | loud noise or shouting |
| _____ 3. | allusion | c. | secret |
| _____ 4. | animosity | d. | implied or indirect reference, hinting at |
| _____ 5. | appease | e. | rowdy, rough and stormy |
| _____ 6. | auspicious | f. | to pacify, being conciliatory and sacrificing principles |
| _____ 7. | blanch | g. | to take the color out of, bleach, make white |
| _____ 8. | boisterous | h. | a follower of something such as a leader |
| _____ 9. | clamor | i. | favorable |
| _____ 10. | clandestine | j. | prompt and cheerful response |

Exercise B

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|-----------|---------------|----|--|
| _____ 11. | conflagration | a. | deserted, without inhabitants |
| _____ 12. | conjecture | b. | large fire |
| _____ 13. | contempt | c. | ruling oppressively and absolutely |
| _____ 14. | derision | d. | to dislike intensely, treat with scorn or contempt |
| _____ 15. | desolate | e. | lack of agreement, tension, strife |
| _____ 16. | despotic | f. | an inference or conclusion drawn from guesswork |
| _____ 17. | disconcerting | g. | upsetting, frustrating |
| _____ 18. | discord | h. | extreme happiness |
| _____ 19. | disdain | i. | scorn, extreme dislike or disdain |
| _____ 20. | ecstasy | j. | scoffing at, mockery, ridicule |

Exercise C

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|-----------|-------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | edifying | a. | to restrict by shackling or chaining |
| _____ 22. | effusion | b. | happy or delightful |
| _____ 23. | ensconce | c. | cluster of leaves |
| _____ 24. | evanescent | d. | patience, lenience |
| _____ 25. | exalt | e. | instructing and improving spiritually or morally |
| _____ 26. | felicitous | f. | to glorify, praise, raise in rank |
| _____ 27. | fetter | g. | a pouring forth, usually overdone in writing or speech |
| _____ 28. | foliage | h. | fleeting |
| _____ 29. | forbearance | i. | to settle comfortably |

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Vocabulary Test 2

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

Exercise A

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|-----------|-------------|----|--|
| _____ 1. | formidable | a. | deceitfulness, duplicity |
| _____ 2. | frivolous | b. | disrespectful, characterized by improper bold behavior |
| _____ 3. | furtive | c. | seriousness, importance |
| _____ 4. | gravity | d. | a spell of written or recited words |
| _____ 5. | guile | e. | secret in an underhanded way, stealthy |
| _____ 6. | hilarity | f. | notably outstanding, famous |
| _____ 7. | illustrious | g. | menacing, causing fear or awe |
| _____ 8. | impudent | h. | incapable of error |
| _____ 9. | incantation | i. | boisterous merriment, mirth |
| _____ 10. | infallible | j. | lacking in seriousness or importance |

Exercise B

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|-----------|----------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | inundate | a. | a point of joining |
| _____ 12. | inveterate | b. | a collection of live wild animals; a varied mixture |
| _____ 13. | ingoist | c. | to flood, overflow |
| _____ 14. | jubilee | d. | having a lofty, generous and courageous spirit |
| _____ 15. | juncture | e. | a period of rejoicing |
| _____ 16. | labyrinthine | f. | excessively mournful |
| _____ 17. | lugubrious | g. | firmly established, habitual, deep-rooted |
| _____ 18. | magnanimity | h. | compared nonliterally |
| _____ 19. | menagerie | i. | like a maze, very convoluted and intricate |
| _____ 20. | metaphorically | j. | an extreme patriot or nationalist |

Exercise C

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|-----------|-------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | mirth | a. | rebellious, unruly |
| _____ 22. | mortify | b. | deserving of hate or contempt |
| _____ 23. | mutinous | c. | state of being forgotten |
| _____ 24. | oblivion | d. | threatening |
| _____ 25. | obtrude | e. | to humiliate, wound pride, experience shame |
| _____ 26. | odious | f. | state of being all-knowing |
| _____ 27. | ominous | g. | to thrust out, to thrust forward |
| _____ 28. | omniscience | h. | wealth, affluence, abundance |
| _____ 29. | opulence | i. | gladness and merriment accompanied by laughter |

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Vocabulary Test 3

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

Exercise A

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|-----------|--------------|----|---|
| _____ 1. | ostentatious | a. | seemingly acceptable, believable or possible |
| _____ 2. | palpable | b. | showy, pretentious |
| _____ 3. | perennial | c. | a person with exceptional talents or powers |
| _____ 4. | plausible | d. | very heavy, unwieldy from weight |
| _____ 5. | ponderous | e. | a very steep cliff ; the brink of something dangerous |
| _____ 6. | portent | f. | tangible, perceptible, easily noticeable |
| _____ 7. | precarious | g. | generally or widely accepted, current or practiced |
| _____ 8. | precipice | h. | dangerous, risky, not a secure situation |
| _____ 9. | prevalent | i. | lasting for many years |
| _____ 10. | prodigy | j. | a sign or forewarning |

Exercise B

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|-----------|--------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | ravenous | a. | bending in and out in a serpentine form; complex |
| _____ 12. | reconcile | b. | below ground |
| _____ 13. | relish | c. | to reestablish friendship; to resolve a dispute |
| _____ 14. | revere | d. | exalted, noble, uplifting |
| _____ 15. | sinuous | e. | to honor, to regard with respect |
| _____ 16. | soliloquy | f. | acting in a secret and sneaky way |
| _____ 17. | stealthy | g. | urgently eager for food; craving for satisfaction |
| _____ 18. | sublime | h. | lavish, luxurious |
| _____ 19. | subterranean | i. | talking to oneself; a dramatic monologue |
| _____ 20. | sumptuous | j. | to take great pleasure or delight in |

Exercise C

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|-----------|--------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | supplication | a. | quality of being able to see through something clear |
| _____ 22. | tempestuous | b. | to honor, revere |
| _____ 23. | transparent | c. | having unfulfilled longing or yearning |
| _____ 24. | trifling | d. | begging, humbly asking for a favor |
| _____ 25. | venerate | e. | a gentle breeze, the west wind |
| _____ 26. | vexation | f. | pleasurable to the senses, sensuous |
| _____ 27. | voluptuous | g. | not significant, frivolous |
| _____ 28. | wistful | h. | discomfort or distress |
| _____ 29. | zephyr | i. | turbulent, stormy |

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Test 1

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

Test 2

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

Test 3

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