

Billy Budd

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1.	abbreviate	uh BREEV ee ate	to shorten, to diminish
	Synonyms >>	shorten, abridge, curtail, retrench	
	Antonym >>	protract	
	Due to his abbreviated stay, we did not really get to know him.		
2.	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.		
3.	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.		
4.	abstracted	ab STRAK ted	removed in thought from the immediate situation, lost in one's own mind
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	attentive	
	The child, thinking of Christmas, had an abstracted look on his face.		
5.	accent	AK sent	to stress, to give prominence to; emphasize
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	avoid emphasizing	
	In the job interview, I accented my experience.		
6.	accord	uh KORD	agreement, state of harmony
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	disharmony; disagreement	
	We are in accord concerning the method of handling this problem.		
7.	acerbic	uh SER bic	sour or bitter in mood or tone
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>	kindly	
	His cold sarcasm demonstrated his acerbic attitude.		
8.	acquiesce	AK wee es	to give in, to comply
	Synonyms >>	accede, agree, assent, consent, subscribe	
	Antonym >>	to object; to disagree	
	I was so desperate that I had to acquiesce to his demands.		
9.	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.		
10.	adjunct	AD junkt	something joined or added to a thing but not necessarily a part of it
	Synonyms >>		
	Antonym >>		
	An adjunct professor is one who is associated with a college faculty only in a temporary or auxiliary manner.		
11.	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		

12.	aesthetic	uh THEH tic	relating or pertaining to a sense of beauty or art
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	He is considered to have aesthetic tastes because he loves beauty and the arts.		
	Derivatives >>	aesthete, aesthetical, aesthetically, aesthetician, aestheticism, aesthetics	
13.	alacrity	uh LAK ruh tee	prompt and cheerful response
	Synonyms >>	celerity	Antonym >> indolence
	I accepted his invitation to the prom with alacrity.		
	Derivatives >>	alacritous	
14.	alloy	AL oh ee	a substance that is a mixture of metals
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	This alloy is less expensive than pure gold since it is composed of a mixture of metals.		
	Derivatives >>	alloyed, alloying, alloyage	
15.	allusion	uh LOO shun	implied or indirect reference; hinting at
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Her allusion to the literary figure made the point she wanted.		
	Derivatives >>	allusions, allude, alluded	
16.	ambiguous	am BIG yew us	having more than one meaning; unclear, uncertain
	Synonyms >>	cryptic, enigmatic, equivocal, obscure	Antonym >> clear; certain
	Finding an ambiguous test question is frustrating, since more than one answer could be correct.		
	Derivatives >>	ambiguity, ambiguously, ambiguousness	
17.	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	
18.	anchor	ANG kur	to secure firmly
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to release from restraint
	Anchor the boat to the dock.		
	Derivatives >>	anchored, anchoring, anchors	
19.	animosity	an uh MAH suh tee	harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred
	Synonyms >>	animus, antagonism, antipathy, enmity, hostility, rancor	Antonym >> love
	I have a lot of animosity for him, since he attempted to steal my girlfriend.		
	Derivatives >>	animus	
20.	antecedent	an tuh SEE dunt	preceding a cause
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> following; later
	The argument between the two men was antecedent to the fight which followed.		
	Derivatives >>	antecedence, antecedency, antecede, antecedently	
21.	antipathy	an TIP uh thee	a dislike, distaste, or enmity
	Synonyms >>	animosity, animus, antagonism, hostility, rancor	Antonym >> propensity; amity
	The woman's obvious antipathy toward snakes surfaced when she came into contact with the slithering reptile.		
	Derivatives >>	antipathetic, antipathic, antipathist, antipathize, antipathies	
22.	antiquity	an TIK wuh tee	the quality of being ancient; ancient times
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Many scholars spend years studying the records left from antiquity.		
	Derivatives >>	antiquities, antiquarian	
23.	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	
24.	apprehend	a pre HEND	to seize, arrest, take into custody; to understand; become aware of
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> turn loose
	Fortunately the police apprehended the man who stole my television.		
	Derivatives >>	apprehender, apprehensible, apprehensibility, apprehension	
25.	approbation	ap row BAY shun	official approval, praise, commendation
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> disapprobation, disapproval
	We initiated the attack with the approbation of the general.		
	Derivatives >>	approbate, approbated, approbating, approbative, approbatory, approbateness	

26.	arduous	AR juh us	very difficult to accomplish or to achieve, very demanding (task)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> easy; not difficult
	Training to be a gymnast is an arduous activity.		
	Derivatives >>	arduously, arduousness	
27.	arid	AIR id	very dry
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> moist
	The desert is an arid place.		
	Derivatives >>	aridity, aridness, aridly	
28.	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	
29.	ascendancy	uh SIN dun see	domination; growing power
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> decline
	The United States would not patiently submit to the ascendancy of Hitler.		
	Derivatives >>	ascendance, ascend, ascendant, ascension, ascending, ascended	
30.	ascetic	uh SET ik	one who leads a life of self-denial and contemplation; absent of luxury
	Synonyms >>	austere, severe, stern	Antonym >> sensual
	The rich playboy could not understand the ascetic life led by the monk.		
	Derivatives >>	ascetical, asceticism, ascetically	
31.	astute	uh STOOT	shrewd, perspicacious, perceptive
	Synonyms >>	sagacious	Antonym >> undiscerning
	One must be astute to do a geometry proof.		
	Derivatives >>	astutely, astuteness	
32.	audacity	aw DAS uh tee	excessive boldness, rashness, daring
	Synonyms >>	cheek, chutzpah, effrontery, gall, hardihood, temerity	Antonym >> meekness
	I was surprised that he had the audacity to approach the Queen.		
	Derivatives >>	audacious, audaciousness, audaciously	
33.	augment	awg MENT	to make greater or to supplement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to diminish
	We must try to augment our savings this year.		
	Derivatives >>	augmentable, augments, augmentation, augmentative, augmented	
34.	augury	AW gyuh ree	an omen or prophecy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Several auguries were revealed to Caesar before his death.		
	Derivatives >>	augur, auguries, augured	
35.	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.		
	Derivatives >>	auspiciously, auspiciousness	
36.	austere	aw STEER	strict, stern; unadorned, ascetic
	Synonyms >>	severe	Antonym >> indulgent
	Pioneers usually led an austere existence.		
	Derivatives >>	austereness, austere, austerity	
37.	avarice	AV uh ris	greed for wealth
	Synonyms >>	cupidity	Antonym >> generosity
	Avarice and gluttony are two vices that can destroy lives.		
	Derivatives >>	avaricious, avariciously, avariciousness	
38.	baleful	BALE ful	destructive, deadly
	Synonyms >>	malign, sinister	Antonym >> benign
	War is a baleful experience for many.		
	Derivatives >>	bale, balefully, balefulness	
39.	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, balm, balmed, balming	

40.	breadth	BREDTH	the width of something, comprehensive quality
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> narrowness
	The breadth of his knowledge about art is amazing.		
	Derivatives >>	breadths, breadthen, breadthened, breadthening	
41.	bulwark	BOOL wark	a strong defense or something that defends
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> weakness
	Nuclear arms are our bulwark against invasion.		
	Derivatives >>	bulwarks	
42.	buoyant	BOY unt	capable of floating; cheerful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> likely to sink
	Because the log was buoyant, it stayed afloat. The girl's buoyant spirit made her pleasant company.		
	Derivatives >>	buoyancy, buoyance, buoyantly, buoyantness, buoy	
43.	calamity	kuh LAM uh tee	a serious event causing distress or misfortune
	Synonyms >>	cataclysm, catastrophe	Antonym >> good fortune
	The earthquake in Mexico was a calamity.		
	Derivatives >>	calamitous, calamitously, calamitousness	
44.	cant	KANT	secret jargon or slang
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The rites of the Masons are characterized by their cant.		
	Derivatives >>	cants, canted, canting	
45.	capricious	kuh PRISH us	changing suddenly, fickle
	Synonyms >>	inconstant, mercurial, unstable	Antonym >> stable
	Her capricious moods are difficult to anticipate.		
	Derivatives >>	caprice, capriciously, capriciousness	
46.	castigate	KAS tuh gate	to punish or to subdue by punishment; to criticize with drastic severity
	Synonyms >>	punish, chastise	Antonym >> to salute
	The psychologist suggested that the father might begin to castigate his unruly son for his belligerent behavior.		
	Derivatives >>	castigated, castigating, castigates, castigation, castigator, castigatory	
47.	caustic	KAW stik	sarcastically biting, acrid
	Synonyms >>	mordant, scathing	Antonym >> kind; gentle
	Critics are known for their caustic remarks about movies that they do not like.		
	Derivatives >>	caustically, causticity	
48.	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	
49.	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	
50.	clandestine	klan DES tin	secret
	Synonyms >>	covert, furtive, stealthy, surreptitious, underhanded	Antonym >> open; obvious
	The C.I.A. is involved in clandestine activities.		
	Derivatives >>	clandestinely, clandestineness	
51.	clemency	KLEM un see	leniency
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harshness
	Governors are usually allowed to grant clemency to deserving prisoners.		
	Derivatives >>	clemencies, clement, clemently	
52.	colloquial	kuh LOW kwee ul	informal (speech)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> formal
	Term papers are not to contain colloquial expressions.		
	Derivatives >>	colloquially, colloquy	
53.	combustible	kum BUS tuh bul	capable of burning
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unable to burn
	One needs to be careful when cleaning with combustible liquids.		
	Derivatives >>	combustibility, combustibleness, combustibly, combusive	

54.	commensurate	kuh MEN sur it	equal		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	disproportionate; unequal
	I hope that I get a reward that is commensurate with what I have found.				
	Derivatives >>	commensurately, commensuration, commensurable, commensurability, commensurably			
55.	compliance	kum PLY uns	a yielding; acquiescence		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	rebellion
	We intend to be in full compliance with the court order.				
	Derivatives >>	compliant, compliantly, compliancy, compliable, compliablensness, compliably			
56.	conceit	kun SEET	excessively high opinion of one's own worth or ability		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	humility
	The conceited girl suddenly found herself with no friends.				
	Derivatives >>	conceited, conceitedly			
57.	confound	kon FOUND	to cause one to become confused		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to distinguish between
	I am confounded by the tax forms of the IRS.				
	Derivatives >>	confounded, confoundedly, confounding, confounds			
58.	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			
59.	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.				
	Derivatives >>	conspicuity, conspicuously, conspicuousness			
60.	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			
61.	contentious	kun TEN shus	quarrelsome, stirring controversy		
	Synonyms >>	bellicose, belligerent, pugnacious		Antonym >>	congenial; harmonious
	My contentious child will not listen to any form of reason.				
	Derivatives >>	contentiously, contentiousness, contention			
62.	contest	kun TEST	to compete, to attempt to disprove		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to accept without dispute
	I contest your statement about his lack of courage.				
	Derivatives >>	contested, contesting, contests			
63.	conventional	kun VEN shun ul	customary, standard established behavior		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unorthodox
	In some places it is conventional for families to arrange marriages for their children.				
	Derivatives >>	conventionalism, conventionalist, conventionality, conventionalization, conventionally			
64.	converge	kun VERJ	to move together		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to move apart
	The cars converged at the intersection at the same time and crashed.				
	Derivatives >>	converged, converging, convergence, convergency, convergent			
65.	corpulence	KOR pyuh luns	state of being very fat		
	Synonyms >>	obesity		Antonym >>	emaciation
	Overeating will lead to corpulence.				
	Derivatives >>	corpulent, corpulently			
66.	corroboration	kuh rob uh RAY shun	confirmation		
	Synonyms >>	authentication, substantiation, validation, verification		Antonym >>	refutation
	Fortunately, I had some corroboration for my whereabouts on the night of the crime.				
	Derivatives >>	corroborate, corroborated, corroborating, corroboratory, corroboratively, corroborator			
67.	credulous	KREJ uh lus	believing on slight evidence, gullible		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	suspicious
	Because the lady's horoscope said that she should stay inside, the credulous woman did not go to work.				
	Derivatives >>	credulously, credulousness, credulity			

68.	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	
69.	cynical	SIN uh kul	given to faultfinding, sneering, and sarcasm; exhibiting mocking disbelief
	Synonyms >>	misanthropic, pessimistic, misogynic	Antonym >>
	Some people are so cynical they sneer at everything that would make life worthwhile.		
	Derivatives >>	cynic, cynically, cynicism	
70.	dearth	DERTH	a lack, a scarcity
	Synonyms >>	paucity	Antonym >> adequate supply
	The dearth of water in the arid country led to numerous deaths.		
	Derivatives >>	dearths	
71.	decorum	deh KOR um	appropriate conduct, correct and proper behavior
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> impropriety
	The students' decorum at the dance was excellent.		
	Derivatives >>	decorous, decorously, decorousness	
72.	deference	DEF ur uns	courteous going along with the opinions or wishes of another
	Synonyms >>	homage, reverence, respect	Antonym >> disrespect
	In deference to your wishes, I will not see him again.		
	Derivatives >>	deferential, deferentially, deferentiality	
73.	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	
74.	depravity	deh PRAV eh tee	moral corruption, a wicked or perverse act
	Synonyms >>	abasement, corruption, debasement, debauchery, perversion,	Antonym >> noble behavior
	The depravity of his behavior shocked everyone.		
	Derivatives >>	deprave, depraver, depravement, depraved	
75.	deprecate	DEP ruh kate	to disapprove regretfully, to belittle, to express mild disapproval
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to endorse
	Do not deprecate her act unless you fully understand her situation.		
	Derivatives >>	deprecating, deprecatingly, deprecative, deprecatively, deprecatory, deprecated, deprecating	
76.	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	
77.	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	
78.	dexterous	DEK struss	skillful and active with the hands; manually adroit and skillful
	Synonyms >>	deft, handy	Antonym >> clumsy
	The machine shop advertised for a dexterous worker.		
	Derivatives >>	dexterity, dexterously, dexterousness, dextral	
79.	din	DEN	loud and discordant noises, cacophony
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> euphony
	The din in the senate was so great that I could not hear the speaker.		
	Derivatives >>	dins, dinned, dinning	
80.	discern	deh SURN	to differentiate between two or more things
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to ignore; to be oblivious; to
	Because of the fog, I was barely able to discern the landing strip.		
	Derivatives >>	discerner, discernible, discernable, discernibleness, discernibly, discernably, discerningly, discernment	
81.	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	

82.	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, disdainer, disdainful, disdainfully, disdainfulness	
83.	disillusioned	dis uh LOO shund	disenchanted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> enchanted
	The disillusioned people too quickly believed the words of their leader.		
	Derivatives >>	disillusion, disillusionize, disillusionment, disillusionive, disillusioning	
84.	dispatch	deh SPATCH	to send away with promptness or speed; speed, quickness
	Synonyms >>	haste, expediency	Antonym >> to delay; slowness, inefficiency
	The officer dispatched his troops to the scene of conflict.		
	Derivatives >>	dispatched, dispatching, dispatches	
85.	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	
86.	docile	DOS ul	easily managed, obedient, passive
	Synonyms >>	amenable, tractable	Antonym >> unruly; unmanageable
	The dog was docile until the doorbell rang.		
	Derivatives >>	docible, docibility, docilely, docility	
87.	dogma	DOG muh	a system of beliefs or principles
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The foreigner was anxious to learn the dogma of the church since he had never been exposed to it.		
	Derivatives >>	dogmatic	
88.	drawl	DRAWL	to speak slowly with long drawn-out vowels
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> speak rapidly
	Many people in the South speak with a drawl.		
	Derivatives >>	drawling, drawlingly, drawly, draws	
89.	dubious	DOO be us	doubtful; not clear
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> distinct, doubtless, assured
	Since he had not read the document, he was a little dubious about signing his name to it.		
	Derivatives >>	dubiously, dubiousness, dubitable, dubitancy, dubitate, dubitation, dubitative, dubiety	
90.	efface	eh FASE	to erase, to wear away
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to make conspicuous
	The date on the coin has been effaced.		
	Derivatives >>	effaceable, effacement, effacer	
91.	elicit	eh LIS it	to bring out a response, to evoke
	Synonyms >>	educe, extort, extract	Antonym >> to inhibit
	I would like to elicit your participation in the blood drive.		
	Derivatives >>	elicitable, elicitate, elicitation	
92.	elucidate	eh LOO seh date	to make clear, to explain
	Synonyms >>	explicate, expound	Antonym >> to confuse
	I will try to elucidate some of the important changes in the tax code.		
	Derivatives >>	elucidation, elucidative, elucidatory, elucidator	
93.	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	
94.	enervation	en er VAY shun	weakness
	Synonyms >>	emasculation	Antonym >> strength
	A poor diet will cause enervation.		
	Derivatives >>	enervate, enervated, enervator	
95.	engender	en JEN der	to cause, to produce, to create
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to squelch
	His angry words engendered strife in his relationship with his wife.		
	Derivatives >>	engendered, engenderer, engenders, engendering	

96.	enigmatic	en ig MAT ik	mysterious, inexplicable, puzzling
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, cryptic, equivocal, obscure, recondite	Antonym >> clear
	The disappearance of Amelia Earhart is an enigma to this day.		
	Derivatives >>	enigma, enigmatical, enigmatically, enigmatize	
97.	enmity	EN muh tee	absolute hatred
	Synonyms >>	animosity, animus, antagonism, antipathy, hostility, rancor	Antonym >> love; admiration
	I have a lot of enmity for people who provide illegal drugs to children.		
	Derivatives >>	enmities	
98.	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	
99.	equivocal	eh KWIV uh kul	ambiguous (usually intended to mislead)
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, cryptic, enigmatic, obscure, recondite	Antonym >> clear; straightforward
	His speech was difficult to understand because of all his equivocal statements.		
	Derivatives >>	equivocacy, equivocality, equivocally, equivocalness, equivocate, equivocation, equivocator, equivocity	
100.	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	
101.	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	
102.	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	
103.	fervid	FUR vid	ardent, burning, impassioned
	Synonyms >>	fervent, passionate, perfervid	Antonym >> indifferent
	The evangelist is a fervid crusader against sin.		
	Derivatives >>	fervidity, fervidly, fervidness	
104.	finesse	feh NESS	delicate skill
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> clumsiness
	A successful diplomat must have finesse when dealing with representatives of other countries.		
	Derivatives >>	finessed, finessing	
105.	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	
106.	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	
107.	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	
108.	fraudulent	FRAW due lunt	deceitful; portrayed as genuine but is really an imposter
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> genuine
	The lawyer used the fraudulent document as evidence of fraud.		
	Derivatives >>	fraud, fraudulent, fraudulence, fraudulently, fraudulentness	
109.	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	

110.	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	
111.	harbor	HAR bur	to give shelter or refuge
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to turn away
	It is illegal to harbor an escaped convict.		
	Derivatives >>	harbors, harbored, harboring, harborage	
112.	harmonious	har MON ee us	showing accord; melodious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> discordant
	We were soothed by the harmonious sounds of the symphony.		
	Derivatives >>	harmony, harmonic, harmoniously, harmoniousness, harmonist, harmonistic	
113.	heed	HEED	to give attention to
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> pay no attention to
	People who do not heed the warnings of the weatherman about the hurricane may die.		
	Derivatives >>	heeded, heeding, heedfully, heedless, heedlessly	
114.	heretical	huh RET eh kul	contrary to church doctrine or accepted beliefs or standards
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sacred
	His heretical statements were offensive to many believers.		
	Derivatives >>	heretic, heretically, hereticalness, hereticate, heretication, hereticator	
115.	homage	HOM ij	a reverential regard; respect shown by external action
	Synonyms >>	honor, reverence, deference, obeisance	Antonym >> disrespect
	The people went to pay homage to their respected leader.		
	Derivatives >>	homages, homager	
116.	hues	HYOOZ	colors
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	A rainbow has many hues.		
	Derivatives >>	hue, hueless, hued	
117.	hypocrite	HIP uh krit	one who is insincere or deceitful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sincere person
	Saying one thing and then doing the other is the mark of a hypocrite.		
	Derivatives >>	hypocrites, hypocritical, hypocritically, hypocritical, hypocrisy	
118.	iconoclast	eye KON uh klast	one who attacks established beliefs or institutions
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> disciple
	The church is constantly under attack by iconoclasts.		
	Derivatives >>	iconoclasm, iconoclastic, iconoclastically	
119.	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	
120.	ignominy	IG nuh min ee	disgraceful or dishonorable conduct
	Synonyms >>	disgrace, disrepute, infamy	Antonym >> honor
	Treason is an ignominy.		
	Derivatives >>	ignominious, ignominiously, ignominiousness	
121.	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	
122.	impetuous	im PECH oo us	violent, hasty, rash, impulsive
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> reserved
	His impetuous behavior caused him to make many mistakes.		
	Derivatives >>	impetuosity, impetuously, impetuousness, impetus	
123.	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, implicitness	

124.	import	IM port	relative importance, significance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> meaninglessness
	The full import of today's events will not be realized for years.		
	Derivatives >>	importance	
125.	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	
126.	incipient	in SIP ee unt	beginning to come into being, the early stage of something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> waning
	He is not able to recognize his own incipient drug problem.		
	Derivatives >>	incipiative, incipiency, incipience, incipiently	
127.	incongruity	in kon GROO eh tee	nonconformity, disagreement, incompatibility
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> agreement
	The incongruity between the two stories led me to doubt the accuracy of either report.		
	Derivatives >>	incongruent, incongruently, incongruence, incongruous, incongruously, incongruousness	
128.	indignation	in dig NAY shun	anger as a result of something unjust
	Synonyms >>	fury, ire, rage, wrath	Antonym >> serenity
	I have much indignation about the light sentence given to the drunk driver who ran over my child .		
	Derivatives >>	indignant, indignantly, indignance, indignify, indignities	
129.	induce	in DOOS, in DYOOS	to bring on or to bring about
	Synonyms >>	cause, effect, influence, persuade, prevail	Antonym >> to impede
	His personality changes were induced by drugs.		
	Derivatives >>	induced, inducing, inducement, inducer	
130.	indulgent	in DUL junt	lenient, especially toward oneself
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harsh; strict
	The boy did not learn respect from his indulgent parents.		
	Derivatives >>	indulge, indulged, indulging, indulgence, indulgently, indulger	
131.	ineffable	in EF uh bul	incapable of being expressed in speech or words
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> easily expressed
	Her delight in being selected as a cheerleader was ineffable.		
	Derivatives >>	ineffability, ineffableness, ineffably	
132.	ingenuity	in juh NOO eh tee	cleverness, inventiveness, resourcefulness
	Synonyms >>	adroitness, cunning, deftness, dexterity	Antonym >> lack of cleverness
	He showed much ingenuity in his unique way of solving the problem.		
	Derivatives >>	ingenious, ingeniously, ingeniousness	
133.	ingratiate	in GRAY she ate	to make an effort to gain good favor with someone
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to alienate
	He tried to ingratiate himself with the girl's parents by always being polite.		
	Derivatives >>	ingratiating, ingratiatingly, ingratiation, ingratiatory	
134.	innate	eh NATE	existing from birth, inborn
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> learned
	He has innate athletic talents that cannot be taught.		
	Derivatives >>	innated, innately, innateness, innatism, innative	
135.	innumerable	in NUM er uh bul	very many; more than can be counted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> very few
	There are innumerable ways to succeed in life.		
	Derivatives >>	innumerability, innumerably, innumeros	
136.	inordinate	in OR duh nit	exceeding reasonable limits, excessive
	Synonyms >>	exorbitant, extravagant, extreme, immoderate	Antonym >> small
	It is a sign of trouble when a student has an inordinate number of absences.		
	Derivatives >>	inordinately, inordinateness, inordination	
137.	insatiable	in SAY shuh bul	incapable of being satisfied
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> capable of being satisfied
	She became quite fat because of her insatiable desire for chocolate.		
	Derivatives >>	insatiability, insatiableness, insatiably, insatiate, insatiated, insatiately, insatiateness, insatiety	

138.	insolence	IN suh luns	insulting or contemptuous behavior
	Synonyms >>	arrogance, haughtiness, high-handedness, impertinence	Antonym >>
	His insolence and lack of respect for his mother are shocking.		
	Derivatives >>	insolent, insolently, insolency, insolentness	
139.	insubordination	in suh bor duh NAY shun	disobedience to authority
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> obedience
	The student was reprimanded for his insubordination to the teacher.		
	Derivatives >>	insubordinate, insubordinately	
140.	intensify	in TEN suh fie	to strengthen
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to weaken
	We will intensify our position by getting more documentation to support our views.		
	Derivatives >>	intensification, intensifier, intensified, intensifying, intensifies	
141.	interloper	IN tur lope ur	one who interferes in the affairs or with the rights of others
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ascetic; hermit
	As the man tried to work out his difficulties a busy-body interloper jumped in and made matters worse.		
	Derivatives >>	interlope	
142.	intractable	in TRAK tuh bul	stubborn, difficult to manage
	Synonyms >>	headstrong, recalcitrant, refractory, unruly, willful	Antonym >> manageable; agreeable
	The intractable child was a discipline problem in every class.		
	Derivatives >>	intractability, intractableness, intractably	
143.	intrepid	in TREP id	fearless
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> afraid
	The intrepid fireman rushed into the burning house and saved the baby.		
	Derivatives >>	intrepidity, intrepidly, intrepidness	
144.	invulnerable	in VIE uh luh bul	secure from violation or from being profaned
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> destructible
	The numerous guards attempt to make the President invulnerable.		
	Derivatives >>	invulnerable, invulnerability, invulnerableness, invulnerably, invulneracy, invulnerateness, invulnerately, invulnerable, invulnerating	
145.	irascible	uh RAS uh bul	irritable, easily angered, cranky, cross
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> impassive; imperturbable
	Just about anything could set off his irascible temper.		
	Derivatives >>	irascibleness, irascibly, irascibility	
146.	irrigate	EAR uh gate	to wet, to supply with water
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to dry out
	We will irrigate the fields by diverting water from the stream.		
	Derivatives >>	irrigable, irrigation, irrigational, irrigated, irrigating	
147.	jeopardize	JEH pur dize	to expose to danger
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> shelter
	You may jeopardize your dog's life if you keep him outside when the weather is extremely cold.		
	Derivatives >>	jeopardized, jeopardizing, jeopard, jeoparded, jeoparding, jeopardy	
148.	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	
149.	junction	JUNGK chur	a point of joining
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> separation
	His new book emphasizes the importance of the junction of poetry and music into a new art form.		
	Derivatives >>	junctional, junctional	
150.	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	
151.	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	

152.	laconic	luh KON ik	using a minimum of words; concise to the point of seeming rude
	Synonyms >>	compendious, concise, pithy, succinct, summary, terse	Antonym >> verbose
	After the loss, the coach's remarks were laconic.		
	Derivatives >>	laconian, laconical, laconically, laconicism, laconism	
153.	latent	LATE unt	not visible, dormant
	Synonyms >>	abeyant, quiescent	Antonym >> obvious
	Sometimes a teacher can cause latent talents to emerge.		
	Derivatives >>	latency	
154.	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	
155.	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	
156.	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	
157.	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	
158.	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	
159.	malice	MAL is	desire to harm others
	Synonyms >>	malevolence, malignity, spite, spleen	Antonym >> concern
	His death was caused by malice and was not accidental.		
	Derivatives >>	maliceful, malicious, maliciously, maliciousness	
160.	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	
161.	marred	MARD	something damaged or defaced
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> perfect
	The inauguration was marred by outbursts from demonstrators		
	Derivatives >>	mar, mars, marring	
162.	melancholy	MEL un kol ee	depression of spirits
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> happiness
	After Dad lost his job, he fell into a state of melancholy.		
	Derivatives >>	melancholia, melancholic, melancholiac, melancholically, melancholily, melancholiness, melancholious	
163.	migratory	MY gruh tor ee	moving from place to place, wandering, transient
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> stationary
	The migratory whooping cranes always return to Padre Island.		
	Derivatives >>	migrate, migratorial, migrator, migration, migrationist	
164.	mitigate	MIT uh gate	to cause to become less harsh or hostile; to make less severe
	Synonyms >>	allay, alleviate, assuage, lighten	Antonym >> to intensify; to aggravate
	He apologized in order to mitigate her dislike for him.		
	Derivatives >>	mitigation, mitigatedly, mitigative, mitigator, mitigatory	
165.	monotony	moh NOT uh nee	sameness
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> diversity
	There is so much monotony in my life that I need a change		
	Derivatives >>	monotoness, monotonous, monotonously, monotonousness, monotonist	

166.	muted	MYOO tid	toned down or silenced	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	amplified
	The conductor wanted the music to be muted at one spot in the performance.			
	Derivatives >>	mute, mutedly, mutely, muteness		
167.	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		
168.	oblique	uh BLEEK	slanting, indirect, evasive, devious, misleading	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	direct
	Because of the suspect's oblique answers, our interrogation of him led us in the wrong direction.			
	Derivatives >>	obliquate, obliquation, obliquely, obliqueness, obliquely		
169.	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, obviously		
170.	obscure	uh SKYOOOR	difficult to see, vague	
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, cryptic, enigmatic, equivocal, recondite	Antonym >>	clear; apparent
	Because the meaning of the play was obscure, I was unable to enjoy it.			
	Derivatives >>	obscuration, obscurative, obscuredly, obscurely, obscurement, obscureness, obscurity		
171.	ornate	or NATE	excessively decorated	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	austere, bare
	The ornate Christmas tree provided us with many hours of pleasure.			
	Derivatives >>	ornately, ornateness, ornature		
172.	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		
173.	pacifistic	pas uh FIS tik	opposed to war or use of force	
	Synonyms >>	appeased, conciliated, mollified, placated, propitiated	Antonym >>	martial
	The man refused to fight because of his pacifistic beliefs.			
	Derivatives >>	pacifist, pacifier, pacifism, pacifistically, pacify		
174.	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		
175.	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		
176.	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		
177.	parry	PAIR ee	to deflect or to ward off a blow	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	The champion boxer won the match because he was able to parry his opponent's blows so successfully.			
	Derivatives >>	parried, parrying		
178.	pedantry	PED un tree	act of showing off learning in a manner that is needless and unimaginative	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	
	The teacher's lectures are a demonstration of pedantry without scholarship.			
	Derivatives >>	pedantic, pedantical, pedantically, pedanticism, pedant		
179.	peevish	PEE vish	fretful, obstinate	
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>	tranquil; peaceful
	With a peevish gesture, Jane slammed the book shut.			
	Derivatives >>	peevishly, peevishness, peeve, peevied		

180.	perfunctory	pur FUNGK tuh ree	acting routinely with little interest or care
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> concerned; diligent
	Due to his perfunctory manner of inspecting the factory, he did not notice some serious problems.		
	Derivatives >>	perfunctorily, perfunctoriness, perfunctorious, perfunctoriously	
181.	personification	pur son uh fuh KAY shun	attribution of personal qualities
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Through the personification in the poem the trees seem to be human.		
	Derivatives >>	personify, personificative, personificator, personifier	
182.	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	
183.	peruse	puh ROOZ	to read or to examine
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to skim
	My lawyer says he has not had time to peruse the contract.		
	Derivatives >>	perusal, perusable, perused, perusing	
184.	piety	PIE eh tee	devotion and reverence to God
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> irreverence
	The man was noted for his piety and devotion to the church.		
	Derivatives >>	pietism, pietist, pietistic, pietistically	
185.	pithy	PITH ee	concise and meaningful
	Synonyms >>	compendious, laconic, succinct, summary, terse	Antonym >> long and drawn out
	Due to great demands on his time, the President needs memos that he must read to be pithy.		
	Derivatives >>	pithier, pithiest, pith	
186.	poignant	POIN yunt	piercing, incisive, and keen
	Synonyms >>	piquant, pungent, racy	Antonym >> dull
	The man's poignant words struck the very heart of the matter.		
	Derivatives >>	poignance, poignancy, poignantly	
187.	precocious	preh KOE shus	exceptionally early in development or occurrence
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> backward
	A child prodigy is a young person who is very precocious.		
	Derivatives >>	precociousness, precosity, precociously	
188.	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	
189.	presumptuous	preh ZUMP choo us	brazenly overstepping bounds, arrogant
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> humble
	It was presumptuous of him to think that I would loan him the money.		
	Derivatives >>	presume, presumer, presumption, presumptive, presumptively, presumptuously, presumptuousness	
190.	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	
191.	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	
192.	prodigious	pruh DIJ us	extraordinary in bulk, quantity, or degree, great in size, enormous
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> puny; minuscule
	His prodigious appetite allowed him to eat the entire turkey.		
	Derivatives >>	prodigiously, prodigiousness	
193.	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	

194.	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	
195.	prolific	pro LIF ik	abundantly fruitful, marked by great productivity
	Synonyms >>	fecund, fertile	Antonym >> barren; unfruitful
	Since he has written a great number of books in a short period, Stephen King is known as a prolific writer.		
	Derivatives >>	proliferation, proliferate, proliferative, proliferous, proliferously	
196.	prosaic	pro ZAY ik	commonplace, uninspired, banal
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> imaginative
	Because his writings are so prosaic, I find them boring and unimaginative.		
	Derivatives >>	prosaical, prosaically, prosaicness, prosaicism, prosaism, prosaist	
197.	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	
198.	prostration	pros TRAY shun	a stretching out due to lacking vitality and being completely overcome
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> vitality
	During late summer football practices, players sometimes suffer from heat prostration.		
	Derivatives >>	prostrate, prostrator, prostrating	
199.	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	
200.	prudent	PROOD unt	wise and careful about practical matters
	Synonyms >>	judicious, sage, sane, sapient	Antonym >> indiscreet; incautious
	In the city, it is prudent to have locks on all doors and windows.		
	Derivatives >>	prudence, prudential, prudently	
201.	pugnacious	pug NAY shus	looking for a fight, combative, belligerent
	Synonyms >>	bellicose, contentious, quarrelsome	Antonym >> peaceful
	There are many pugnacious punks at the high school that bully other students.		
	Derivatives >>	pugnaciously, pugnaciousness, pugnacity	
202.	punctilious	pungk TILL ee us	stressing precise following of instructions, details, codes or conduct
	Synonyms >>	meticulous, scrupulous	Antonym >> lachadaisical
	The boss insists that we be punctilious in following company policy.		
	Derivatives >>	punctiliously, punctiliousness	
203.	purse	PURS	to pucker or to tighten one's lips
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The angrier he got, the more he pursed his lips.		
	Derivatives >>	pursed, pursing	
204.	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	
205.	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	
206.	recapitulation	ree kuh pich uh LAY shun	a summary
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	It is usually a good idea for a teacher to give a recapitulation of the previous day's topics.		
	Derivatives >>	recapitulate, recapitulationist, recapitulative, recapitulatory, recapitulatively	
207.	reciprocal	reh SIP ruh kul	mutual, interacting
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	We have made a reciprocal trade agreement whereby we will sell the country grain and it will sell us copper.		
	Derivatives >>	reciprocality, reciprocally, reciprocating, reciprocation, reciprocalive, reciprocator, reciprocatory, reciprocity	

208.	recluse	REK loos	a person who lives in solitude, a hermit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> cosmopolitan
	Howard Hughes is the most famous recluse of the century.		
	Derivatives >>	reclusion, reclusive	
209.	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	
210.	refuge	REF yooj	shelter or place of protection
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dangerous place
	Reservations were supposed to be places of refuge for Indians.		
	Derivatives >>	refuges	
211.	reiterate	ree IT uh rate	to repeat
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to fail to repeat
	I hope that I am not becoming redundant by again reiterating the key facts.		
	Derivatives >>	reiteration, reiteratedly, reiterative, reiteratively	
212.	rejoinder	reh JOIN dur	an answer to a reply
	Synonyms >>	reply	Antonym >> a question
	Her remarks drew a sharp rejoinder from the man.		
	Derivatives >>	rejoin, rejoinders	
213.	remuneration	reh myoo nuh RAY shun	the act of paying for a service, loss, or expense
	Synonyms >>	compensation, reimbursement	Antonym >>
	The man sought remuneration for his expenses from his boss.		
	Derivatives >>	remunerate, remunerative, remunerator, remuneratively, remunerativeness	
214.	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	
215.	reproach	reh PROCH	to blame for something; a disgrace
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chasten, chastise, chide, rebuke, reprove	Antonym >> to praise; accolade
	Her conduct was so good that it was beyond reproach.		
	Derivatives >>	reproachable, reproachful, reproachfully, reproachfulness, reproachingly	
216.	reprove	reh PROOV	to scold or to rebuke for a misdeed usually with kindly intent
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chastise, chide, rebuke, reproach	Antonym >> to approve; to applaud
	A teacher sometimes needs to reprove a student for talking during class.		
	Derivatives >>	reprovable, reprovably, reproving, reproved, reproves, reproof	
217.	repugnant	reh PUG nunt	disgusting, offensive
	Synonyms >>	abhorrent, invidious, obnoxious, repellent	Antonym >> appealing
	It is repugnant to spit on the sidewalk.		
	Derivatives >>	repugnancy, repugnantly, repugnatorial, repugnance	
218.	resolute	REZ uh loot	characterized by a decided purpose
	Synonyms >>	staunch, steadfast, determined, resolved, faithful, firm	Antonym >>
	The business was run by a resolute man who set his mind on a goal and followed through with it.		
	Derivatives >>	resoluter, resolutelest, resolutely, resoluteness, resolution, resolutionary, resolutioner, resolute	
219.	resonant	REZ uh nunt	echoing, continuing to sound
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The resonant sounds of the cello make it a pleasing instrument.		
	Derivatives >>	resonance, resonate, resonantly, resonator	
220.	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, reverentially, reverentially	
221.	rigor	RIG ur	strictness, severity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> laxity
	Calculus and physics are courses that require rigor in study habits.		
	Derivatives >>	rigorism, rigorist, rigoristic, rigorous, rigorously, rigorouslyness	

222.	rue	ROO	to be sorry for, to regret		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to consider happily
	He will rue the day that he tangles with me.				
	Derivatives >>	rueful, ruefully, ruefulness, rues			
223.	ruminate	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			
224.	rustic	RUS tik	relating to the country		
	Synonyms >>	rural, coarse		Antonym >>	urban; relating to the city
	The rustic cabin in the mountains was small but comfortable.				
	Derivatives >>	rustical, rustically, rusticate, rustication, rusticator			
225.	sagacious	suh GAY shus	wise, shrewd, very discerning		
	Synonyms >>	astute, perspicacious		Antonym >>	ignorant; uninformed; undiscerning
	The sagacious freshman knew not to buy an elevator pass from the senior attempting a clever ruse.				
	Derivatives >>	sagaciate, sagaciously, sagaciousness, sagacity			
226.	satiric	suh TER ik	characterized by satire (a branch of literature ridiculing vice or folly)		
	Synonyms >>	sarcastic, sardonic, ironic		Antonym >>	
	The political cartoonist was known for his satiric drawings.				
	Derivatives >>	satire, satirical, satirically, satirism, satirist, satirize, satirizer			
227.	savory	SAY vuh ree	appetizing		
	Synonyms >>	palatable, toothsome		Antonym >>	unappetizing
	My mother is known for her savory meals.				
	Derivatives >>	savor, savored, savorer, savorily, savoriness, savoringly, savorous, savor some			
228.	scrupulous	SKROO pyuh lus	very principled, very careful and conscientious		
	Synonyms >>	meticulous, punctilious		Antonym >>	unprincipled
	The scrupulous police officer never took a bribe, and he ceaselessly tried to prevent crime.				
	Derivatives >>	scruple, scrupulosity, scrupulousness, scrupulously			
229.	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			
230.	sentinel	SEN tuh nul	one who keeps guard as a sentry		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	The oak trees hovered over the house as sentinels.				
	Derivatives >>	sentineled, sentineling, sentinels			
231.	sequester	seh KWES tur	to seclude		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to allow to mingle freely
	Because of the publicity about the case and the defendant, the judge decided to sequester the jury.				
	Derivatives >>	sequestered, sequestrable, sequestrant, sequestration, sequestrator			
232.	serene	suh REEN	calm, placid		
	Synonyms >>	tranquil		Antonym >>	agitated
	The mountain on a clear spring morning is a serene setting.				
	Derivatives >>	serenely, sereneness, serenity			
233.	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			
234.	sordid	SOR did	filthy, foul		
	Synonyms >>	abject, ignoble, mean		Antonym >>	nice; harmless
	The sordid details of the brutal ax murder sickened the jurors.				
	Derivatives >>	sordidness, sordidly			
235.	spiritual	SPIR it u ul	concerned with the soul of God; not material or tangible		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	worldly
	She has spiritual qualities of faith and hope.				
	Derivatives >>	spiritualism, spiritualist, spirituality, spiritualistically, spiritualization, spiritualize			

236.	spontaneous	spɒn TAY nee us	having no external cause, acting on impulse
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> planned
	He knew exactly what I was thinking because my reaction was so spontaneous.		
	Derivatives >>	spontaneously, spontaneousness, spontaneity	
237.	sporadic	spo RAD ik	occasionally occurring
	Synonyms >>	infrequent, rare, scarce, uncommon	Antonym >> constant
	While there are sporadic showers, the summers in the western part of Texas are usually hot and dry.		
	Derivatives >>	sporadically, sporadicity	
238.	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	
239.	stoic	STOW ik	a stoical person; not showing passion or feeling, indifference, impassive
	Synonyms >>	apathetic, phlegmatic, stolid	Antonym >> impassioned; ardent
	The umpire remained quite stoic despite the manager's screaming and the intense booing of the crowd.		
	Derivatives >>	stoical, stoically, stoicism	
240.	subterranean	sub tuh RAY nee un	below ground
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> above ground
	The subterranean tunnel connected the two buildings.		
	Derivatives >>	subterraneous, subterraneanly	
241.	subtle	SUT ul	delicate, elusive, not obvious
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> obvious; gross; blunt
	To avoid being obtrusive in the elegant restaurant, he used subtle gestures to call the waiter to his table.		
	Derivatives >>	subtilist, subtlety, subtilization, subtilize, subtilizer, subtleness, subtlety	
242.	summon	SUM un	to call together, to send for or to request to appear
	Synonyms >>	convene, convoke, muster	Antonym >> to turn away
	I am frightened because I have been summoned to the principal's office.		
	Derivatives >>	summoner, summons	
243.	supple	SUP ul	easily bent, elastic, pliable
	Synonyms >>	resilient	Antonym >> rigid
	Her supple bones allowed her to perform strange feats in gymnastics.		
	Derivatives >>	suppler, supplest	
244.	symmetry	SIM eh tree	balanced proportions
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lack of balance
	The symmetry of the gardens of Versailles creates a beautiful and balanced atmosphere.		
	Derivatives >>	symmetrical, symmetric, symmetrically, symmetricalness, symmetrization, symmetrize	
245.	tacit	TAS it	understood, silent, not spoken, implicit
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> spoken; verbalized
	We have a tacit agreement that the goods are delivered only after payment is made.		
	Derivatives >>	tacitly, tacitness, taciturn	
246.	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	
247.	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, temerariously	
248.	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	
249.	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	

250.	tinge	TINJ	to add a bit of color; to affect slightly; a slight coloration
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to blanch
	I wanted to add a tinge of red to the picture. The roses tinged the air with their fragrance.		
	Derivatives >>	tingent, tinged, tinging, tinges	
251.	transcended	tran SEND ed	surpassed, exceeded
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	His actions in the crisis transcended the call of duty.		
	Derivatives >>	transcend, transcendence, transcendency, transcendent, transcendental, transcendentalistic	
252.	transient	TRAN shunt	quickly passing, fleeting
	Synonyms >>	ephemeral, evanescent, fugitive, transitory	Antonym >> enduring; everlasting
	The moment of happiness she enjoyed was merely transient; soon she was depressed again.		
	Derivatives >>	transience, transiently, transiency, transience	
253.	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	
254.	trifling	TRY fling	not significant, frivolous
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> important; significant
	Some think that watching MTV is a trifling experience.		
	Derivatives >>	trifle, trifled, trifling, trifles	
255.	trivia	TRIV ee uh	insignificant matters
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> important matters
	The English teacher is looking for substance, not trivia, in themes.		
	Derivatives >>	trivial, triviality, trivialization, trivialize, trivially	
256.	unadulterated	un uh DUL ter ay ted	pure; unmixed; uncorrupted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> impure
	The unadulterated substance was costly since it was so pure.		
	Derivatives >>	unadulterate, unadulteratedly	
257.	unimpeachable	un im PEE chuh bul	not to be called into question, exempt from liability
	Synonyms >>	irreproachable, blameless	Antonym >> liable; full of blame
	The man had an unimpeachable reputation and was considered by all to be extremely trustworthy.		
	Derivatives >>	unimpeachableness, unimpeachably, unimpeached	
258.	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	
259.	unsightly	un SITE ly	unattractive
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> attractive
	The garage has so much junk stacked up in it that it is quite unsightly.		
	Derivatives >>	unsightliness	
260.	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	
261.	usurp	yoo SURP	to take possession or authority over something without right
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to acquiesce
	The younger son tried to usurp the throne from the rightful heir.		
	Derivatives >>	usurpation, usurpative, usurpatory, usurpature	
262.	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	
263.	vehement	VEE uh munt	forcefully expressing emotion or conviction
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> meek
	He vehemently denied that he had said those harsh words.		
	Derivatives >>	vehemence, vehemency, vehemently	

264.	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	
265.	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	
266.	vigilant	VIJ uh lunt	very alert, watchful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unconcerned; inattentive
	I have been vigilant in trying to find the thief.		
	Derivatives >>	vigilance, vigilantly, vigilantness, vigil	
267.	vindicated	VIN duh kay ted	cleared of accusations or charges
	Synonyms >>	absolved, acquitted, exculpated, exonerated	Antonym >> accused
	I am willing to go to trial and believe that I will be vindicated of all charges.		
	Derivatives >>	vindicate, vindication, vindicative, vindicator, vindicatory, vindictive, vindictively, vindictiveness	
268.	virtuous	VIR choo us	having excellent morals; righteous
	Synonyms >>	ethical, noble	Antonym >> depraved
	One would expect nuns to be very virtuous.		
	Derivatives >>	virtuously, virtuousness, virtue	
269.	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 >>	vitiate, vitiation, vitiator	
270.	vivid	VIV id	bright, distinct, and clear
	Synonyms >>	graphic	Antonym >> lackluster
	I have vivid memories of my trip to Europe.		
	Derivatives >>	vividly, vividness, vividity, vivific, vivificate, vivification, vivifier, vivify	
271.	voluminous	vuh LOO muh nus	marked by great volume or size
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> slight
	There are voluminous writings about most of our presidents.		
	Derivatives >>	voluminosity, voluminosly, voluminousness	
272.	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	
273.	vulgarity	vul GAR eh tee	something offensive to good taste and refinement
	Synonyms >>	coarseness, grossness, obscenity, ribaldness	Antonym >> refinement
	She chose to ignore the vulgarity of his crude remark.		
	Derivatives >>	vulgar, vulgarian, vulgarism, vulgarization, vulgarize, vulgarizer	
274.	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	
275.	warranted	WOR un ted	justified
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unjustified
	The jury felt that the death penalty was warranted because of the heinous nature of the crime.		
	Derivatives >>	warrant, warrantable, warrantableness, warrantably	
276.	willful	WIL ful	unruly, self-willed in an obstinate manner
	Synonyms >>	intractable, recalcitrant, refractory	Antonym >> obedient
	The teacher did not like his willful behavior of violating class rules.		
	Derivatives >>	wilful, willfully, wilfully, willfulness, wilfulness	
277.	wilt	WILT	to become limp ; to droop or weaken
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> revive
	The plant began to wilt in the hot sun.		
	Derivatives >>	wilted, wilting, wilts	

278.	zeal	ZEEL	enthusiasm, fervor
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> lack of enthusiasm
	To the delight of his students, he brought great zeal to the teaching profession.		
	Derivatives >>	zeals, zealous, zealot, zealous, zealotism, zealotry	
279.	zealot	ZEL ot	one who embraces a cause and supports it with vigor
	Synonyms >>	enthusiast	Antonym >> one without enthusiasm or passion
	The man was known as a religious zealot, as he never stopped trying to convert others to his beliefs.		
	Derivatives >>	zealous, zealotism, zealotry, zealous, zealously	

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2. abnegate	37. avarice	72. deference	107. foremost
3. abrogate	38. baleful	73. demur	108. fraudulent
4. abstracted	39. balm	74. depravity	109. garnish
5. accent	40. breadth	75. deprecate	110. gravity
6. accord	41. bulwark	76. derivative	111. harbor
7. acerbic	42. buoyant	77. despairing	112. harmonious
8. acquiesce	43. calamity	78. dexterous	113. heed
9. adherent	44. cant	79. din	114. heretical
10. adjunct	45. capricious	80. discern	115. homage
11. adroit	46. castigate	81. disconcerting	116. hues
12. aesthetic	47. caustic	82. disdain	117. hypocrite
13. alacrity	48. celerity	83. disillusioned	118. iconoclast
14. alloy	49. cite	84. dispatch	119. ignoble
15. allusion	50. clandestine	85. divination	120. ignominy
16. ambiguous	51. clemency	86. docile	121. impale
17. analogous	52. colloquial	87. dogma	122. impetuous
18. anchor	53. combustible	88. drawl	123. implicit
19. animosity	54. commensurate	89. dubious	124. import
20. antecedent	55. compliance	90. efface	125. impute
21. antipathy	56. conceit	91. elicit	126. incipient
22. antiquity	57. confound	92. elucidate	127. incongruity
23. appreciate	58. conjecture	93. endow	128. indignation
24. apprehend	59. conspicuous	94. enervation	129. induce
25. approbation	60. contempt	95. engender	130. indulgent
26. arduous	61. contentious	96. enigmatic	131. ineffable
27. arid	62. contest	97. enmity	132. ingenuity
28. articulate	63. conventional	98. epithet	133. ingratiate
29. ascendancy	64. converge	99. equivocal	134. innate
30. ascetic	65. corpulence	100. evanescent	135. innumerable
31. astute	66. corroboration	101. evocative	136. inordinate
32. audacity	67. credulous	102. fatalistic	137. insatiable
33. augment	68. cumbersome	103. fervid	138. insolence
34. augury	69. cynical	104. finesse	139. insubordination
35. auspicious	70. dearth	105. foment	140. intensify

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142. intractable	177. parry	212. rejoinder	247. temerity
143. intrepid	178. pedantry	213. remuneration	248. tempestuous
144. inviolable	179. peevish	214. repress	249. tier
145. irascible	180. perfunctory	215. reproach	250. tinge
146. irrigate	181. personification	216. reprove	251. transcended
147. jeopardize	182. pertinacity	217. repugnant	252. transient
148. jocose	183. peruse	218. resolute	253. transmutation
149. juncture	184. piety	219. resonant	254. trifling
150. juxtapose	185. pithy	220. revere	255. trivia
151. labyrinthine	186. poignant	221. rigor	256. unadulterated
152. laconic	187. precocious	222. rue	257. unimpeachable
153. latent	188. preeminence	223. ruminant	258. unobtrusive
154. latitude	189. presumptuous	224. rustic	259. unsightly
155. lineage	190. prevalent	225. sagacious	260. uproarious
156. lustrous	191. primeval	226. satiric	261. usurp
157. magnanimity	192. prodigious	227. savory	262. utter
158. magnate	193. prodigy	228. scrupulous	263. vehement
159. malice	194. profundity	229. sententious	264. vexation
160. malign	195. prolific	230. sentinel	265. vicissitude
161. marred	196. prosaic	231. sequester	266. vigilant
162. melancholy	197. proselytizer	232. serene	267. vindicated
163. migratory	198. prostration	233. shrill	268. virtuous
164. mitigate	199. protuberance	234. sordid	269. vitiated
165. monotony	200. prudent	235. spiritual	270. vivid
166. muted	201. pugnacious	236. spontaneous	271. voluminous
167. mutinous	202. punctilious	237. sporadic	272. vouchsafe
168. oblique	203. purse	238. stipend	273. vulgarity
169. oblivion	204. purveyors	239. stoic	274. wanton
170. obscure	205. query	240. subterranean	275. warranted
171. ornate	206. recapitulation	241. subtle	276. willful
172. ostentatious	207. reciprocal	242. summon	277. wilt
173. pacifistic	208. recluse	243. supple	278. zeal
174. palliate	209. rectitude	244. symmetry	279. zealot
175. pallor	210. refuge	245. tacit	

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| 1. prosaic | 41. elicited | 81. intrepid | 121. vexed |
| 2. spontaneous | 42. ignoble | 82. temerity | 122. credulous |
| 3. homage | 43. rectitude | 83. garnished | 123. query |
| 4. symmetric | 44. impute | 84. conspicuous | 124. ascetic |
| 5. lustrous | 45. accordance | 85. irascibility | 125. revering |
| 6. prostrated | 46. corroborate | 86. arduous | 126. ruminating |
| 7. tempestuous | 47. unadulterated | 87. cant | 127. cynical |
| 8. foremost | 48. vitiated | 88. jocosely | 128. laconically |
| 9. scruples | 49. latitude | 89. antiquity | 129. pursed |
| 10. demur | 50. uproar | 90. cite | 130. pithy |
| 11. acquiescence | 51. harmony | 91. allusions | 131. reiteration |
| 12. reproach | 52. conventional | 92. pedantic | 132. usurping |
| 13. intractable | 53. dispatched | 93. migratory | 133. vehemently |
| 14. corpulence | 54. epithet | 94. equivocal | 134. discerning |
| 15. prudence | 55. proselytizing | 95. preeminence | 135. enigma |
| 16. disconcerted | 56. combustion | 96. protuberance | 136. antipathy |
| 17. alacrity | 57. transmuting | 97. drawl | 137. ingenuity |
| 18. adjuncts | 58. calamitous | 98. fraud | 138. profound |
| 19. aridity | 59. pacified | 99. pallor | 139. evocative |
| 20. irrigating | 60. insolence | 100. hue | 140. juxtaposition |
| 21. rueful | 61. pugnacious | 101. tinge | 141. adherence |
| 22. celerity | 62. magnates | 102. incongruous | 142. labyrinth |
| 23. hypocrite | 63. unsightly | 103. accent | 143. derive |
| 24. approbation | 64. parry | 104. dearth | 144. unimpeachably |
| 25. abbreviated | 65. iconoclasm | 105. tarry | 145. spiritual |
| 26. rejoinder | 66. ornate | 106. antecedents | 146. importance |
| 27. rigor | 67. savored | 107. refuge | 147. recluse |
| 28. repressing | 68. sagacious | 108. harboring | 148. depravity |
| 29. decorum | 69. contest | 109. oblivion | 149. dogmas |
| 30. reproof | 70. anchor | 110. din | 150. obscure |
| 31. endowed | 71. buoying | 111. prodigious | 151. alloy |
| 32. dexterity | 72. abrogation | 112. vulgar | 152. auspicious |
| 33. vicissitude | 73. innumerable | 113. deference | 153. acerbity |
| 34. fatalist | 74. insatiate | 114. austere | 154. avaricious |
| 35. conceit | 75. apprehend | 115. converging | 155. sordid |
| 36. analogous | 76. sporadic | 116. compliant | 156. innate |
| 37. rustic | 77. vigilance | 117. astutely | 157. wantonness |
| 38. ambiguous | 78. mutinies | 118. ingratiating | 158. engendered |
| 39. subtly | 79. ascendancy | 119. punctiliousness | 159. malignity |
| 40. lineage | 80. prolific | 120. heedful | 160. contentions |

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These words which appear in *Billy Budd* have been identified as words or derivatives of words that have appeared on past SAT tests. They are listed here in the order in which they appear in the novel.

161.	remunerated	201.	sententious	241.	elucidation
162.	vindicated	202.	utter	242.	sentinels
163.	mitigated	203.	impetuous	243.	monotonous
164.	marred	204.	finesse	244.	resolute
165.	malice	205.	oblique	245.	enervate
166.	ineffability	206.	melancholy	246.	palliating
167.	appreciating	207.	incipient	247.	primeval
168.	supple	208.	evanescence	248.	clemency
169.	disdain	209.	mute	249.	conjecture
170.	aesthetic	210.	precocity	250.	stoical
171.	despaired	211.	subterranean	251.	shrill
172.	trivial	212.	warranted	252.	unobtrusive
173.	willfully	213.	summons	253.	cumbersome
174.	conveyed	214.	jeopardizes	254.	fervid
175.	contempt	215.	indignant	255.	sequestration
176.	interlopers	216.	presumption	256.	bale
177.	satirically	217.	dubious	257.	stipend
178.	implicit	218.	palpable	258.	transcending
179.	foment	219.	zeal	259.	prevalent
180.	zealots	220.	ostentatious	260.	abstract
181.	wilt	221.	insubordination	261.	heretic
182.	animosity	222.	adroit	262.	tiered
183.	disillusion	223.	augury	263.	perfunctory
184.	inordinate	224.	breadths	264.	ignominious
185.	trifles	225.	vividly	265.	poignantly
186.	clandestine	226.	deprecation	266.	resonant
187.	enmity	227.	virtuous	267.	voluminously
188.	piety	228.	colloquy	268.	caustically
189.	reciprocal	229.	recapitulated	269.	pertinacity
190.	commensurate	230.	impale	270.	articulate
191.	bulwarks	231.	intensifying	271.	capricious
192.	tacitly	232.	divined	272.	prodigy
193.	confounded	233.	grave	273.	docility
194.	castigate	234.	transient	274.	serenity
195.	magnanimity	235.	junction	275.	audacity
196.	forbear	236.	personified	276.	indulged
197.	perused	237.	abnegation	277.	peevish
198.	balmy	238.	latent	278.	induced
199.	effacing	239.	repugnance	279.	inviolable
200.	vouchsafing	240.	augment		

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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. | abbreviate | a. | removed in thought; not attentive |
| _____ 2. | abnegate | b. | something joined to a thing but not part of it |
| _____ 3. | abrogate | c. | to abolish |
| _____ 4. | abstracted | d. | to stress; to give prominence |
| _____ 5. | accent | e. | to shorten |
| _____ 6. | accord | f. | a follower of something; a partisan |
| _____ 7. | acerbic | g. | agreement; state of harmony |
| _____ 8. | acquiesce | h. | to give in; to comply |
| _____ 9. | adherent | i. | to surrender or relinquish |
| _____ 10. | adjunct | j. | sour or bitter in mood or tone |

Exercise B

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|-----------|------------|----|--|
| _____ 11. | adroit | k. | prompt and cheerful response |
| _____ 12. | aesthetic | l. | a substance that is a mixture of metals |
| _____ 13. | alacrity | m. | harsh feelings; enmity |
| _____ 14. | alloy | n. | relating to a sense of beauty or art |
| _____ 15. | allusion | o. | something preceding a cause |
| _____ 16. | ambiguous | p. | implied or indirect reference |
| _____ 17. | analogous | q. | skillful; adept |
| _____ 18. | anchor | r. | to secure firmly |
| _____ 19. | animosity | s. | having more than one meaning |
| _____ 20. | antecedent | t. | showing a likeness that permits one to draw an analogy |

Exercise C

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|-----------|-------------|----|---|
| _____ 21. | antipathy | a. | a dislike or distaste; enmity |
| _____ 22. | antiquity | b. | domination; growing power |
| _____ 23. | appreciate | c. | to speak distinctly |
| _____ 24. | apprehend | d. | the quality of being ancient |
| _____ 25. | approbation | e. | very dry |
| _____ 26. | arduous | f. | difficult to accomplish |
| _____ 27. | arid | g. | to increase in value |
| _____ 28. | articulate | h. | official approval; praise |
| _____ 29. | ascendancy | i. | a person who leads a life of self-denial; austere |
| _____ 30. | ascetic | j. | to seize or arrest |

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Vocabulary Test 2

Directions: Choose the letter of the word that best fits the meaning of the definition given.

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|-----------|--|---------------|------------|-------------|
| _____ 1. | shrewd; perspicacious; perceptive | | | |
| | a. capricious | b. buoyant | c. austere | d. astute |
| _____ 2. | excessive boldness; daring | | | |
| | a. balm | b. audacity | c. augury | d. calamity |
| _____ 3. | favorable; lucky | | | |
| | a. clandestine | b. auspicious | c. baleful | d. caustic |
| _____ 4. | destructive; deadly | | | |
| | a. clandestine | b. auspicious | c. baleful | d. caustic |
| _____ 5. | a soothing substance that gives relief | | | |
| | a. balm | b. audacity | c. augury | d. calamity |
| _____ 6. | to make greater or to supplement | | | |
| | a. castigate | b. cite | c. augment | d. cant |
| _____ 7. | the width of something; comprehensive quality | | | |
| | a. avarice | b. celerity | c. breadth | d. bulwark |
| _____ 8. | strict; stern | | | |
| | a. capricious | b. buoyant | c. austere | d. astute |
| _____ 9. | an omen or prophecy | | | |
| | a. balm | b. audacity | c. augury | d. calamity |
| _____ 10. | a strong defense; something that defends | | | |
| | a. avarice | b. celerity | c. breadth | d. bulwark |
| _____ 11. | greed for wealth | | | |
| | a. avarice | b. celerity | c. breadth | d. bulwark |
| _____ 12. | changing suddenly; fickle | | | |
| | a. capricious | b. buoyant | c. austere | d. astute |
| _____ 13. | to punish or subdue | | | |
| | a. castigate | b. cite | c. augment | d. cant |
| _____ 14. | secret jargon or slang | | | |
| | a. castigate | b. cite | c. augment | d. cant |
| _____ 15. | sarcastically biting statement; acrid | | | |
| | a. clandestine | b. auspicious | c. baleful | d. caustic |
| _____ 16. | quickness in accomplishing a task | | | |
| | a. avarice | b. celerity | c. breadth | d. bulwark |
| _____ 17. | a serious event causing distress or misfortune | | | |
| | a. balm | b. audacity | c. augury | d. calamity |
| _____ 18. | to quote an authority | | | |
| | a. castigate | b. cite | c. augment | d. cant |
| _____ 19. | secret; furtive | | | |
| | a. clandestine | b. auspicious | c. baleful | d. caustic |
| _____ 20. | capable of floating; cheerful | | | |
| | a. capricious | b. buoyant | c. austere | d. astute |

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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. | clemency | a. | excessively high opinion of one's worth |
| _____ 2. | colloquial | b. | scorn; contempt |
| _____ 3. | combustible | c. | going along with |
| _____ 4. | commensurate | d. | leniency |
| _____ 5. | compliance | e. | to cause one to become confused |
| _____ 6. | conceit | f. | equal |
| _____ 7. | confound | g. | an inference or conclusion drawn on guesswork |
| _____ 8. | conjecture | h. | informal (speech) |
| _____ 9. | conspicuous | i. | obvious; noticeable |
| _____ 10. | contempt | j. | capable of burning |

Exercise B

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|-----------|---------------|----|--|
| _____ 11. | contentious | k. | given to faultfinding and sarcasm |
| _____ 12. | contest | l. | difficult to handle; unwieldy |
| _____ 13. | conventional | m. | quarrelsome; belligerent |
| _____ 14. | converge | n. | believing on slight evidence; gullible |
| _____ 15. | corpulence | o. | confirmation |
| _____ 16. | corroboration | p. | to compete; to attempt to disprove |
| _____ 17. | credulous | q. | state of being very fat |
| _____ 18. | cumbersome | r. | a lack; scarcity |
| _____ 19. | cynical | s. | customary, standard behavior |
| _____ 20. | dearth | t. | to move together |

Exercise C

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|-----------|------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | decorum | a. | something that comes from another thing |
| _____ 22. | deference | b. | hopeless |
| _____ 23. | demur | c. | to disapprove or belittle |
| _____ 24. | depravity | d. | skillful and active with the hands; deft |
| _____ 25. | deprecate | e. | moral corruption |
| _____ 26. | derivative | f. | appropriate conduct |
| _____ 27. | despairing | g. | to hesitate or delay |
| _____ 28. | dexterous | h. | loud and discordant |
| _____ 29. | din | i. | reverence; a showing of respect |
| _____ 30. | discern | j. | to differentiate differences in two or more things |

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Vocabulary Test 4

Directions: Choose the letter of the word that best fits the meaning of the definition given.

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|-----------|--|------------------|---------------|------------------|
| _____ 1. | easily managed; passive | | | |
| | a. docile | b. dubious | c. enigmatic | d. disconcerting |
| _____ 2. | to bring out a response | | | |
| | a. elucidate | b. elicit | c. efface | d. engender |
| _____ 3. | a system of beliefs or principles | | | |
| | a. epithet | b. enervation | c. disdain | d. dogma |
| _____ 4. | to make clear; to explain | | | |
| | a. elucidate | b. elicit | c. efface | d. engender |
| _____ 5. | to speak slowly with long drawn out vowels | | | |
| | a. endow | b. dispatch | c. drawl | d. equivocal |
| _____ 6. | intense dislike | | | |
| | a. epithet | b. enervation | c. disdain | d. dogma |
| _____ 7. | doubtful | | | |
| | a. docile | b. dubious | c. enigmatic | d. disconcerting |
| _____ 8. | disenchanted | | | |
| | a. divination | b. disillusioned | c. evanescent | d. enmity |
| _____ 9. | upsetting; frustrating | | | |
| | a. docile | b. dubious | c. enigmatic | d. disconcerting |
| _____ 10. | to erase; to wear away | | | |
| | a. elucidate | b. elicit | c. efface | d. engender |
| _____ 11. | to send away with promptness | | | |
| | a. endow | b. dispatch | c. drawl | d. equivocal |
| _____ 12. | to provide with income or property | | | |
| | a. endow | b. dispatch | c. drawl | d. equivocal |
| _____ 13. | foretelling the future by means of magic | | | |
| | a. divination | b. disillusioned | c. evanescent | d. enmity |
| _____ 14. | a term describing or characterizing | | | |
| | a. epithet | b. enervation | c. disdain | d. dogma |
| _____ 15. | mysterious; puzzling | | | |
| | a. docile | b. dubious | c. enigmatic | d. disconcerting |
| _____ 16. | fleeting | | | |
| | a. divination | b. disillusioned | c. evanescent | d. enmity |
| _____ 17. | to cause; to produce; to create | | | |
| | a. elucidate | b. elicit | c. efface | d. engender |
| _____ 18. | positive hatred; ill will | | | |
| | a. divination | b. disillusioned | c. evanescent | d. enmity |
| _____ 19. | ambiguous; usually intended to mislead | | | |
| | a. endow | b. dispatch | c. drawl | d. equivocal |
| _____ 20. | weakness | | | |
| | a. epithet | b. enervation | c. disdain | d. dogma |

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Vocabulary Test 5

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

Exercise A

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|-----------|-------------|----|--------------------------------------|
| _____ 1. | evocative | a. | calling forth; calling to mind |
| _____ 2. | fatalistic | b. | to instigate; to stir up |
| _____ 3. | fervid | c. | seriousness; importance |
| _____ 4. | finesse | d. | delicate skill |
| _____ 5. | foment | e. | patience; lenience |
| _____ 6. | forbearance | f. | belief that events are predetermined |
| _____ 7. | foremost | g. | to decorate |
| _____ 8. | fraudulent | h. | first in rank, time, or position |
| _____ 9. | garnish | i. | deceitful |
| _____ 10. | gravity | j. | ardent; burning; impassioned |

Exercise B

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|-----------|------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | harbor | k. | disgraceful or dishonorable conduct |
| _____ 12. | harmonious | l. | to give attention to |
| _____ 13. | heed | m. | of lowly origins; sordid |
| _____ 14. | heretical | n. | contrary to church doctrine |
| _____ 15. | homage | o. | one who attacks established beliefs or institutions |
| _____ 16. | hues | p. | showing accord; melodious |
| _____ 17. | hypocrite | q. | one who is insincere or deceitful |
| _____ 18. | iconoclast | r. | a reverential regard; respect |
| _____ 19. | ignoble | s. | colors |
| _____ 20. | ignominy | t. | to give shelter or refuge |

Exercise C

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|-----------|-------------|----|---------------------------------------|
| _____ 21. | impale | a. | nonconformity; incompatibility |
| _____ 22. | impetuous | b. | beginning to come into being |
| _____ 23. | implicit | c. | to pierce with a pointed stick |
| _____ 24. | import | d. | to blame or charge |
| _____ 25. | impute | e. | anger as a result of something unjust |
| _____ 26. | incipient | f. | violent; hasty |
| _____ 27. | incongruity | g. | relative importance; significance |
| _____ 28. | indignation | h. | to bring on or bring about |
| _____ 29. | induce | i. | understood but not directly expressed |
| _____ 30. | indulgent | j. | lenient towards oneself |

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Vocabulary Test 6

Directions: Choose the letter of the word that best fits the meaning of the definition given.

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|-----------|---|---------------|---------------|----------------|--------------------|
| _____ 1. | to pierce and fix on a pointed instrument | a. intensify | b. impute | c. induce | d. impale |
| _____ 2. | violent; hasty; rash | a. implicit | b. impetuous | c. indulgent | d. incipient |
| _____ 3. | cannot be expressed in speech or words | a. innate | b. ineffable | c. innumerable | d. insatiable |
| _____ 4. | cleverness; inventiveness | a. ingratiate | b. inordinate | c. ingenuity | d. indignation |
| _____ 5. | understood but not directly expressed | a. implicit | b. impetuous | c. indulgent | d. incipient |
| _____ 6. | anger as a result of something unjust | a. ingratiate | b. inordinate | c. ingenuity | d. indignation |
| _____ 7. | to bring about | a. intensify | b. impute | c. induce | d. impale |
| _____ 8. | relative importance; significance | a. import | b. insolence | c. incongruity | d. insubordination |
| _____ 9. | lenient towards oneself | a. implicit | b. impetuous | c. indulgent | d. incipient |
| _____ 10. | to blame or charge | a. intensify | b. impute | c. induce | d. impale |
| _____ 11. | nonconformity; disagreement | a. import | b. insolence | c. incongruity | d. insubordination |
| _____ 12. | beginning to come into being; early stages of something | a. implicit | b. impetuous | c. indulgent | d. incipient |
| _____ 13. | to make an effort to gain good favor with someone | a. ingratiate | b. inordinate | c. ingenuity | d. indignation |
| _____ 14. | existing from birth; inborn | a. innate | b. ineffable | c. innumerable | d. insatiable |
| _____ 15. | insulting or contemptuous behavior | a. import | b. insolence | c. incongruity | d. insubordination |
| _____ 16. | very many; more than can be counted | a. innate | b. ineffable | c. innumerable | d. insatiable |
| _____ 17. | disobedience to authority | a. import | b. insolence | c. incongruity | d. insubordination |
| _____ 18. | exceeding reasonable limits | a. ingratiate | b. inordinate | c. ingenuity | d. indignation |
| _____ 19. | to strengthen | a. intensify | b. impute | c. induce | d. impale |
| _____ 20. | incapable of being satisfied | a. innate | b. ineffable | c. innumerable | d. insatiable |

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Vocabulary Test 7

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

Exercise A

- | | | | |
|-----------|-------------|----|---|
| _____ 1. | interloper | a. | to expose to danger |
| _____ 2. | intractable | b. | given to jokes and jesting |
| _____ 3. | intrepid | c. | to wet; to supply water |
| _____ 4. | inviolable | d. | a point of joining |
| _____ 5. | irascible | e. | irritable; easily angered |
| _____ 6. | irrigate | f. | one who interferes with others' affairs |
| _____ 7. | jeopardize | g. | secure from violation |
| _____ 8. | jocose | h. | to place close together or side by side |
| _____ 9. | juncture | i. | stubborn; difficult to manage |
| _____ 10. | juxtapose | j. | fearless |

Exercise B

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|-----------|--------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | labyrinthine | a. | a person of power and influence |
| _____ 12. | laconic | b. | having a lofty, generous spirit |
| _____ 13. | latent | c. | desire to harm others |
| _____ 14. | latitude | d. | like a maze; convoluted and intricate |
| _____ 15. | lineage | e. | shining or gleaming |
| _____ 16. | lustrous | f. | to utter injuriously misleading reports about |
| _____ 17. | magnanimity | g. | use of a minimum of words; concise |
| _____ 18. | magnate | h. | line of descent or tradition |
| _____ 19. | malice | i. | not visible; dormant |
| _____ 20. | malign | j. | freedom of action or opinion |

Exercise C

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|-----------|------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | marred | a. | sameness |
| _____ 22. | melancholy | b. | to cause to become less harsh or hostile |
| _____ 23. | migratory | c. | toned down or silenced |
| _____ 24. | mitigate | d. | rebellious; unruly |
| _____ 25. | monotony | e. | moving from place to place; wandering |
| _____ 26. | muted | f. | slanting; indirect; evasive |
| _____ 27. | mutinous | g. | something damaged or defaced |
| _____ 28. | oblique | h. | state of being forgotten |
| _____ 29. | oblivion | i. | difficult to see; vague |
| _____ 30. | obscure | j. | depression of spirits |

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Vocabulary Test 8

Directions: Choose the letter of the word that best fits the meaning of the definition given.

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|-----------|---|-----------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------|
| _____ 1. | to ease pain or guilt | a. parry | b. palliate | c. peruse | d. palpable |
| _____ 2. | extreme paleness of the face | a. ostentatious | b. pallor | c. pacifistic | d. pedantry |
| _____ 3. | excessively decorated | a. poignant | b. presumptuous | c. ornate | d. perfunctory |
| _____ 4. | capable of being touched; perceptible; noticeable | a. parry | b. palliate | c. peruse | d. palpable |
| _____ 5. | showy; pretentious | a. ostentatious | b. pallor | c. pacifistic | d. pedantry |
| _____ 6. | to ward off a blow | a. parry | b. palliate | c. peruse | d. palpable |
| _____ 7. | opposed to war | a. ostentatious | b. pallor | c. pacifistic | d. pedantry |
| _____ 8. | act of showing off learning in a manner that is unimaginative | a. ostentatious | b. pallor | c. pacifistic | d. pedantry |
| _____ 9. | fretful; obstinate | a. precocious | b. prevalent | c. pithy | d. peevish |
| _____ 10. | to read or examine | a. parry | b. palliate | c. peruse | d. palpable |
| _____ 11. | devotion and reverence to God | a. piety | b. personification | c. pertinacity | d. preeminence |
| _____ 12. | acting routinely with little interest or care | a. poignant | b. presumptuous | c. ornate | d. perfunctory |
| _____ 13. | concise and meaningful | a. precocious | b. prevalent | c. pithy | d. peevish |
| _____ 14. | attribution of personal qualities | a. piety | b. personification | c. pertinacity | d. preeminence |
| _____ 15. | piercing; incisive; keen | a. poignant | b. presumptuous | c. ornate | d. perfunctory |
| _____ 16. | stubborn persistence | a. piety | b. personification | c. pertinacity | d. preeminence |
| _____ 17. | exceptionally early in development | a. precocious | b. prevalent | c. pithy | d. peevish |
| _____ 18. | superior to all others | a. piety | b. personification | c. pertinacity | d. preeminence |
| _____ 19. | brazenly overstepping bounds; arrogant | a. poignant | b. presumptuous | c. ornate | d. perfunctory |
| _____ 20. | generally accepted or practiced | a. precocious | b. prevalent | c. pithy | d. peevish |

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Vocabulary Test 9

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

Exercise A

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|-----------|--------------|----|---|
| _____ 1. | primeval | a. | a person with exceptional talents |
| _____ 2. | prodigious | b. | one who converts from one belief to another |
| _____ 3. | prodigy | c. | extraordinary in bulk; enormous |
| _____ 4. | profundity | d. | stretched out due to being overcome |
| _____ 5. | prolific | e. | ancient |
| _____ 6. | prosaic | f. | projection; protrusion |
| _____ 7. | proselytizer | g. | commonplace |
| _____ 8. | prostration | h. | wise and careful about practical matters |
| _____ 9. | protuberance | i. | abundantly fruitful |
| _____ 10. | prudent | j. | profound knowledge; intellectual depth |

Exercise B

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|-----------|----------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | pugnacious | a. | inquiry |
| _____ 12. | punctilious | b. | summary |
| _____ 13. | purse | c. | one who provides or procures |
| _____ 14. | purveyor | d. | mutual; interacting |
| _____ 15. | query | e. | looking for a fight; combative; belligerent |
| _____ 16. | recapitulation | f. | stressing precise following of directions |
| _____ 17. | reciprocal | g. | to pucker or tighten one's lips |
| _____ 18. | recluse | h. | a person who lives in solitude; a hermit |
| _____ 19. | rectitude | i. | shelter or place of protection |
| _____ 20. | refuge | j. | state of moral integrity |

Exercise C

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|-----------|--------------|----|--|
| _____ 21. | reiterate | a. | to honor; to regard with respect |
| _____ 22. | rejoinder | b. | echoing; continuing to sound |
| _____ 23. | remuneration | c. | to repeat |
| _____ 24. | repress | d. | characterized by a decided purpose; determined |
| _____ 25. | reproach | e. | an answer to a reply |
| _____ 26. | reprove | f. | disgusting; offensive |
| _____ 27. | repugnant | g. | the act of paying for a service |
| _____ 28. | resolute | h. | to scold or rebuke with kindly intent |
| _____ 29. | resonant | i. | to blame for something; a disgrace |
| _____ 30. | revere | j. | to restrain; to hold back |

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Answer Key

Vocabulary Test 1

1. e	2. i	3. c	4. a	5. d	6. g	7. j
8. h	9. f	10. b	11. q	12. n	13. k	14. l
15. p	16. s	17. t	18. r	19. m	20. o	21. a
22. d	23. g	24. j	25. h	26. f	27. e	28. c
29. b	30. i					

Vocabulary Test 2

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

Vocabulary Test 3

1. d	2. h	3. j	4. f	5. c	6. a	7. e
8. g	9. i	10. b	11. m	12. p	13. s	14. t
15. q	16. o	17. n	18. l	19. k	20. r	21. f
22. i	23. g	24. e	25. c	26. a	27. b	28. d
29. h	30. j					

Vocabulary Test 4

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

Vocabulary Test 5

1. a	2. f	3. j	4. d	5. b	6. e	7. h
8. i	9. g	10. c	11. t	12. p	13. l	14. n
15. r	16. s	17. q	18. o	19. m	20. k	21. c
22. f	23. i	24. g	25. d	26. b	27. a	28. e
29. h	30. j					

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Answer Key

Vocabulary Test 6

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

Vocabulary Test 7

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

Vocabulary Test 8

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

Vocabulary Test 9

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