

# **Antigone**

  

## **by Sophocles**

### **Definitions**



# Antigone

## Definitions



1.	<b>accord</b>	uh KORD	agreement, state of harmony
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> disharmony; disagreement
	We are in accord concerning the method of handling this problem.		
	Derivatives >>	accordable, accorder, accordance, accordant	
2.	<b>appease</b>	uh PEES	to pacify, to be conciliatory in a manner that sacrifices principles
	Synonyms >>	conciliate, mollify, placate, propitiate	Antonym >> to incense
	The woman tried to appease her husband when he became so angry.		
	Derivatives >>	appeased, appeasing, appeasement, appeasable, appeaser	
3.	<b>augury</b>	AW gyuh ree	an omen or prophecy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Several auguries were revealed to Caesar before his death.		
	Derivatives >>	augur, auguries, augured	
4.	<b>baseness</b>	BASE ness	the quality of lacking higher values
	Synonyms >>	vileness, servility, unworthiness	Antonym >>
	We were shocked at the criminal's baseness.		
	Derivatives >>	base, baser, basest, basely	
5.	<b>beguile</b>	buh GUYL	to deceive, to mislead, to persuade with charm
	Synonyms >>	delude	Antonym >> to enlighten
	We sometimes allow ourselves to be beguiled by flatterers.		
	Derivatives >>	beguiled, beguiling, beguilement, beguiler	
6.	<b>belie</b>	buh LIE	to contradict, to give a false impression
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to support; to agree with
	Her first words appeared to belie all the wonderful things I had heard about her.		
	Derivatives >>	belied, belying, belier	
7.	<b>bequeath</b>	buh KWEETH	to hand down, to give or to leave in a will
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to keep; to horde
	I bequeathed my gym shorts to my brother after I graduated from high school.		
	Derivatives >>	bequeathal, bequest, bequeathed	
8.	<b>champion</b>	CHAM pee un	to defend or to support
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to persecute
	The senator championed the cause of the homeless.		
	Derivatives >>	championship, championless, championlike, championed, championing	
9.	<b>chasten</b>	CHAY sun	to discipline, to use punishment to correct behavior
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chastise, chide, rebuke, reproach	Antonym >> to reward
	I was chastened by my mother for not cleaning up my room.		
	Derivatives >>	chastened, chastening, chastener	
10.	<b>daunt</b>	DAWNT	to intimidate, to dismay
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to hearten
	I am not daunted by your threats.		
	Derivatives >>	dauntless, dauntlessly, dauntlessness	
11.	<b>defile</b>	deh FILE	to make dirty, to desecrate, to pollute
	Synonyms >>	contaminate, taint	Antonym >> to enhance
	The gang defiled the school with obscene graffiti.		
	Derivatives >>	defilement, defiler, defiling, defilingly	

12.	<b>desolate</b>	DES uh lit	deserted, without inhabitants, barren
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> populous
	Some of the western states have large areas that are desolate.		
	Derivatives >>	desolately, desolateness, desolater, desolating, desolation	
13.	<b>edifying</b>	ED uh fie ing	instructing and improving spiritually or morally
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> heinous; nefarious
	Visiting the cathedral was an edifying experience.		
	Derivatives >>	edification, edificatory, edify, edifier, edifyingness	
14.	<b>fertile</b>	FUR till	capable of reproducing
	Synonyms >>	fecund, fruitful, prolific	Antonym >> unproductive
	The fertile soil was ready for planting.		
	Derivatives >>	fertilely, fertility, fertilness, fertility	
15.	<b>giddy</b>	GID ee	dizzy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> levelheaded
	I became giddy after drinking the champagne at the reception.		
	Derivatives >>	giddify, giddily, giddiness	
16.	<b>gravity</b>	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	
17.	<b>grievous</b>	GREE vus	characterized by severe suffering or sorrow, serious or grave
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> minor
	You made a grievous error when you spoke to your parents in such a horrible fashion.		
	Derivatives >>	grievously, grievousness	
18.	<b>guile</b>	GILE	deceitfulness, duplicity
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> openness; candor
	The woman was the unfortunate victim of guile and deceit when she lost her money to that swindler.		
	Derivatives >>	guileful, guilefully, guilefulness, guileness, guilelessly, guilelessness, guilery	
19.	<b>haughty</b>	HAW tee	arrogant, excessively proud and vain
	Synonyms >>	disdainful, high-handed, insolent, lordly, supercilious	Antonym >> humble
	Being quarterback of the football team does not give him the right to be haughty.		
	Derivatives >>	haughtily, haughtiness	
20.	<b>heedless</b>	HEED les	disregarding, thoughtless
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> aware; concerned; attentive
	He walked on, heedless of the signs warning about the mine field.		
	Derivatives >>	heed, heeded, heeding, heeds, heedlessly, heedful, heedfully	
21.	<b>ignoble</b>	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	
22.	<b>impel</b>	im PEL	to urge or to drive forward (usually with moral pressure)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to restrain
	I will impel him to study more often in order to pass this class.		
	Derivatives >>	impelling, impellment, impeller, impelled	
23.	<b>infernal</b>	in FER nul	relating to hell
	Synonyms >>	hellish, diabolical, fiendish	Antonym >> heavenly
	It is not nice to wish that someone go to the infernal regions.		
	Derivatives >>	infernally, inferno	
24.	<b>ingenuity</b>	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	
25.	<b>insolence</b>	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	

26.	<b>inviolable</b>	in VIE uh luh bul	secure from violation or from being profaned
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> destructible
	The numerous guards attempt to make the President inviolable.		
	Derivatives >>	inviolate, inviolability, invioableness, invioably, inviolacy, inviolateness, inviolately, inviolated, inviolating	
27.	<b>lament</b>	luh MENT	to mourn or to express sorrow in a demonstrative manner
	Synonyms >>	bemoan, bewail, deplore	Antonym >> to rejoice
	She lamented the death of her father in a very lachrymose manner.		
	Derivatives >>	lamented, lamenting, lamentation, lamentable	
28.	<b>lineage</b>	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	
29.	<b>loathe</b>	LOETH	to detest
	Synonyms >>	abhor, abominate	Antonym >> to adore
	The fact that I loathe your brother does not mean that we cannot be friends.		
	Derivatives >>	loathful, loathing, loathingly, loathness, loathsome	
30.	<b>malady</b>	MAL eh dee	a disease or unwholesome condition
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> good health
	The poor old woman seems to suffer one malady after another.		
	Derivatives >>	maladies	
31.	<b>marred</b>	MARD	something damaged or defaced
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> perfect
	The inauguration was marred by outbursts from demonstrators		
	Derivatives >>	mar, mars, marring	
32.	<b>muse</b>	MYOOZ	to ponder
	Synonyms >>	meditate, ruminate	Antonym >>
	I have often mused about life on a tropical island.		
	Derivatives >>	mused, museful, musefully, museless, musing	
33.	<b>opprobrium</b>	uh PRO bree um	disgrace and reproach as a result of bad conduct
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> praise
	A person dealing in drugs frequently faces social opprobrium.		
	Derivatives >>	opprobrious, opprobriate, opprobriously, opprobriousness, opprobry	
34.	<b>perishable</b>	PER eh shuh bul	likely to decay or to spoil
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unlikely to deteriorate
	We have to move the perishable items to a cooler place.		
	Derivatives >>	perishability, perishableness, perishably, perishing, perishless, perishment	
35.	<b>piety</b>	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	
36.	<b>plumage</b>	PLOO mij	feathers of a bird
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The plumage of the peacock is beautiful.		
	Derivatives >>	plumages, plumaged, plumassier, plumate, plume	
37.	<b>portal</b>	PORE tul	a doorway (especially a large one)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	She stood for a moment in the portal before stepping into the room.		
	Derivatives >>	portaled, portals	
38.	<b>portent</b>	PORE tent	a sign or forewarning
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The stock market crash was a portent of the coming of a depression.		
	Derivatives >>	portentive, portentous, portentously, portentousness	
39.	<b>quell</b>	KWELL	to quiet or to put down a disturbance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to foment; to incite
	Fortunately, the principal was able to quell the food fight in the cafeteria.		
	Derivatives >>	quelled, quelling, quells	

40.	<b>rend</b>	REND	to tear violently, to split		
	Synonyms >>	cleave, rive		Antonym >>	to unify
	He tried to rend the flag as a protest against the war.				
	Derivatives >>	rent, rended, rending, rends			
41.	<b>repress</b>	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			
42.	<b>requite</b>	reh KWITE	to make repayment or to return		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to withhold
	The girl suffered a broken heart from unrequited love.				
	Derivatives >>	requited, requiter, requital			
43.	<b>revere</b>	reh VERE	to honor, to regard with respect		
	Synonyms >>	adore, venerate, worship		Antonym >>	to despise
	Nearly all Catholics revere the Pope.				
	Derivatives >>	reverence, reverent, reverentness, reverential, reverentiality, reverentially			
44.	<b>rue</b>	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			
45.	<b>sovereign</b>	SOV rin	possessed of controlling power		
	Synonyms >>	predominant, paramount, preponderant		Antonym >>	without power
	The king is sovereign within his country.				
	Derivatives >>	sovereignly, sovereignty, sovranity			
46.	<b>summon</b>	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			
47.	<b>tarry</b>	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			
48.	<b>temperate</b>	TEM pur ut	exercising self-control		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	extreme
	Seeing the devastating effects of alcohol on his father, he was temperate in his own liquor consumption.				
	Derivatives >>	temperance, temperately, temperateness			
49.	<b>tempestuous</b>	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			
50.	<b>transcended</b>	tran SEND ed	surpassed, exceeded		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	His actions in the crisis transcended the call of duty.				
	Derivatives >>	transcend, transcendence, transcendency, transcendent, transcendental, transcendentalistic			
51.	<b>trifling</b>	TRY fling	not significant, frivolous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	important; significant
	Some think that watching MTV is a trifling experience.				
	Derivatives >>	trifle, trifled, trifling, trifles			
52.	<b>unwitting</b>	un WIT ing	not intentional, without knowledge		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	conscious
	Because her day-to-day routine was so precise and obvious, she was an unwitting tool of the thief.				
	Derivatives >>	unwittingly, unwittingness			
53.	<b>utter</b>	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			

<b>54.</b>	<b>vexation</b>	vek SAY shun	discomfort or distress
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> pleasantry
	The young children were a source of vexation to their nervous, neurotic mother.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vex, vexatious, vexedly, vexedness, vexingly	
<b>55.</b>	<b>warranted</b>	WOR un ted	justified
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> unjustified
	The jury felt that the death penalty was warranted because of the heinous nature of the crime.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	warrant, warrantable, warrantableness, warrantably	
<b>56.</b>	<b>wheedle</b>	HWEED ul	to try to convince by flattery, to coax, to cajole
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b>
	She is able to wheedle whatever she desires from the men she dates.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	wheedling, wheedled, wheedles	
<b>57.</b>	<b>woe</b>	WOE	great sorrow, grief, or misfortune
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> happiness
	The woe she suffered at his death continued through months of depression.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	woes, woebegone, woeful, woebegoneness, woefully, woefulness	

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|---------------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. accord     | 15. giddy     | 29. loathing    | 43. reverence   |
| 2. appease    | 16. grave     | 30. malady      | 44. rue         |
| 3. augury     | 17. grievous  | 31. marred      | 45. sovereign   |
| 4. baseness   | 18. guiled    | 32. muses       | 46. summoned    |
| 5. beguiled   | 19. haughty   | 33. opprobrious | 47. tarry       |
| 6. belies     | 20. heedful   | 34. perished    | 48. temperate   |
| 7. bequeathed | 21. ignoble   | 35. piety       | 49. tempestuous |
| 8. champion   | 22. impelled  | 36. plumage     | 50. transcends  |
| 9. chastened  | 23. infernal  | 37. portals     | 51. trifling    |
| 10. dauntless | 24. ingenuity | 38. portent     | 52. unwittingly |
| 11. defile    | 25. insolence | 39. quell       | 53. utter       |
| 12. desolate  | 26. inviolate | 40. rending     | 54. vexed       |
| 13. edifying  | 27. lament    | 41. repressed   | 55. warrant     |
| 14. fertile   | 28. lineage   | 42. requite     | 56. wheedling   |
|               |               |                 | 57. woe         |

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| 2. ingenuity    | 16. heedful   | 30. unwittingly | 44. champion    |
| 3. edifying     | 17. trifling  | 31. inviolate   | 45. baseness    |
| 4. bequeathed   | 18. insolence | 32. chastened   | 46. wheedling   |
| 5. woe          | 19. infernal  | 33. impelled    | 47. opprobrious |
| 6. grievous     | 20. giddy     | 34. perished    | 48. warrant     |
| 7. ignoble      | 21. requite   | 35. vexed       | 49. tarry       |
| 8. plumage      | 22. dauntless | 36. portals     | 50. lineage     |
| 9. haughty      | 23. desolate  | 37. accord      | 51. muses       |
| 10. tempestuous | 24. malady    | 38. guiled      | 52. augury      |
| 11. summoned    | 25. utter     | 39. fertile     | 53. rending     |
| 12. lament      | 26. rue       | 40. belies      | 54. defile      |
| 13. beguiled    | 27. quell     | 41. transcends  | 55. temperate   |
| 14. reverence   | 28. marred    | 42. grave       | 56. sovereign   |
|                 |               |                 | 57. repressed   |



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## Vocabulary Test 1

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

accord	appease	augury	baseness	beguiled
belies	bequeathed	champion	chastened	dauntless
defile	desolate	edifying	fertile	giddy

1. It was obvious that the two parties were not in \_\_\_\_\_ with each other; since they did not agree on any of the major points of the proposal, their only hope was to \_\_\_\_\_ the opposition by conceding to a few of their demands and hope to pacify them in that way.
2. The great height made Gidget \_\_\_\_\_, and she dizzily reeled about the observation deck.
3. I found the religious instruction especially \_\_\_\_\_ morally.
4. Most modern people regard belief in omens, fortune-telling, and \_\_\_\_\_ as superstition.
5. The inscription on the tomb indicated that punishment would be in store for anyone caught desecrating the burial ground: "Those who \_\_\_\_\_ the tomb will be \_\_\_\_\_."
6. Chemical waste has rendered the once \_\_\_\_\_ land unproductive and barren.
7. Your pious talk \_\_\_\_\_ your true \_\_\_\_\_; you want people to see you as good, but your lack of any spiritual values contradicts you.
8. The boy was completely \_\_\_\_\_ by his girlfriend's charm; she could mislead him in any way she wanted.
9. My father \_\_\_\_\_ this house to me in his will.
10. The evacuation of all inhabitants left Dallas \_\_\_\_\_.
11. The \_\_\_\_\_ policeman could not be intimidated by the lawbreaker's gunfire.
12. She is the lawyer who will \_\_\_\_\_ my cause and will defend me in court.

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## Vocabulary Test 2

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

gravity	grievous	guile	haughty	heedful
ignoble	impelled	infernal	ingenuity	insolent
inviolable	lament	lineage	loathing	malady

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the situation was reflected in the doctor's face; he was unable to find a cure for the patient's \_\_\_\_\_ and was afraid of losing him to the disease.
2. In tracing his \_\_\_\_\_ for a family tree, Babbit learned that his ancestry included the writer Sinclair Lewis.
3. The traitor suffered a \_\_\_\_\_ punishment for his \_\_\_\_\_ deed; behaving in such a dishonorable fashion requires a severe reprimand.
4. Besides being \_\_\_\_\_ and conceited, Jim has a reputation for being rude and \_\_\_\_\_.
5. As I witnessed the masses of people \_\_\_\_\_ their dead, I was \_\_\_\_\_ to try to stop the senseless murder of more victims.
6. If I had been more \_\_\_\_\_ of his deception, I would not have been deceived by his \_\_\_\_\_ and underhandedness a second time.
7. Through \_\_\_\_\_ and cleverness, Thomas A. Edison became a great inventor.
8. A politician's reputation is never \_\_\_\_\_, and he must never assume that he is secure from attack.
9. My \_\_\_\_\_ of oysters is matched only by my detest of escargot.
10. In his description of \_\_\_\_\_ things, Dante portrayed the depths of Hell as cold rather than hot.

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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

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. marred
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. muses
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. opprobrium
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. perishable
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. piety
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. plumage
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. portal
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. portent
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. quell
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. rend
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. repress
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. requite
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. revere

- a. disgrace and reproach as a result of bad conduct
- b. a doorway - especially a large one
- c. devotion and reverence to God
- d. to quiet or to put down a disturbance
- e. damaged or defaced
- f. to restrain; to hold back
- g. to honor; to regard with respect
- h. ponders
- i. to make repayment or return
- j. likely to decay or spoil
- k. to tear violently
- l. a sign or forewarning
- m. feathers of a bird

### Exercise B

- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. rue
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. sovereign
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. summon
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. tarry
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. temperate
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. tempestuous
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. transcended
- \_\_\_\_\_ 21. trifling
- \_\_\_\_\_ 22. unwitting
- \_\_\_\_\_ 23. utter
- \_\_\_\_\_ 24. vexation
- \_\_\_\_\_ 25. warranted
- \_\_\_\_\_ 26. wheedle
- \_\_\_\_\_ 27. woe

- a. surpassed; exceeded
- b. exercising self-control
- c. to express by speaking
- d. great sorrow, grief, or misfortune
- e. possessed of controlling power
- f. to delay in coming or going; to linger
- g. discomfort or distress
- h. not intentional; without knowledge
- i. to call together; to send for
- j. justified
- k. to try to convince by flattery; coax; cajole
- l. not significant; frivolous
- m. to be sorry for; to regret
- n. turbulent; stormy

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## Test 1

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|-----|-------------------|-----|-------------------|
| 1.  | accord, appease   | 12. | champion          |
| 2.  | giddy             | 13. | gravity, malady   |
| 3.  | edifying          | 14. | lineage           |
| 4.  | augury            | 15. | grievous, ignoble |
| 5.  | defile, chastened | 16. | haughty, insolent |
| 6.  | fertile           | 17. | lament, impelled  |
| 7.  | belies, baseness  | 18. | heedful, guile    |
| 8.  | beguiled          | 19. | ingenuity         |
| 9.  | bequeathed        | 20. | inviolable        |
| 10. | desolate          | 21. | loathing          |
| 11. | dauntless         | 22. | infernal          |

## Test 2

### EXERCISE A

- E
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- D
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- F
- I
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### EXERCISE B

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- E
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