

# **A Separate Peace**

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## **Definitions**



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## Definitions



1.	<b>accolade</b>	AK uh layd	praise, an award
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  censure
	He received many accolades for being an excellent teacher.		
	Derivatives >>	accolades	
2.	<b>aesthetic</b>	uhs 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	
3.	<b>ambiguous</b>	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	
4.	<b>anarchist</b>	AN ar kist	one who believes in the absence of government or law
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  tyrant; monarch
	When the government fell and there was a total state of disorder, the anarchist was happy.		
	Derivatives >>	anarchy, anarchically, anarchical, anarchic, anarchism, anarchistic	
5.	<b>austere</b>	aw STEER	strict, stern; unadorned, ascetic
	Synonyms >>	severe	Antonym >>  indulgent
	Pioneers usually led an austere existence.		
	Derivatives >>	austereness, austere, austerity	
6.	<b>cache</b>	KASH	a hole or hiding place used to store supplies
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The child hid his treasured toy in a cache in the corner.		
	Derivatives >>	cached, caching	
7.	<b>cacophonous</b>	kuh KAH fuh nus	harsh sounding, having dissonance
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  euphonious; pleasant sounding
	An orchestra is cacophonous when it is tuning up.		
	Derivatives >>	cacophony	
8.	<b>cite</b>	SITE	to quote an authority
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  to allude to
	The lawyer cited many precedents in supporting his case.		
	Derivatives >>	cited, citing, citable, citeable	
9.	<b>collaborate</b>	kuh LAB uh rate	to work together
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  to work alone
	Sometimes singers who have never worked together will collaborate to make a new album.		
	Derivatives >>	collaborated, collaborating, collaboration, collaborationism, collaborationist, collaborative, collaborator	
10.	<b>compliance</b>	kum PLY uns	a yielding; acquiescence
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  rebellion
	We intend to be in full compliance with the court order.		
	Derivatives >>	compliant, compliantly, compliancy, compliant, compliability, compliably	
11.	<b>congeal</b>	kun JEEL	to solidify or to coagulate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>  to become fluid
	We waited three hours for the Jell-O to congeal.		
	Derivatives >>	congealing, congealed, congealment, congealative	

12.	<b>constrict</b>	kun STRIKT	to tighten or to make narrow
	Synonyms >>	compress, condense, contract, deflate	Antonym >> to distend
	Strangling constricts the windpipe and keeps air from reaching the lungs.		
	Derivatives >>	constriction, constrictive, constrictor, constricted, constricting	
13.	<b>contentious</b>	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	
14.	<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	
15.	<b>despairing</b>	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	
16.	<b>discern</b>	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	
17.	<b>disentangle</b>	dis en TANG gul	to unravel, extricate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to enmesh; to tie up
	The referee tried to disentangle the players to see who had the ball.		
	Derivatives >>	disentanglement, disentangler	
18.	<b>droll</b>	DROLE	odd or whimsical
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> serious
	The droll expression on the man's face revealed his sense of humor.		
	Derivatives >>	drollery, drollingly, drollness	
19.	<b>fervent</b>	FUR vent	ardent, showing great emotion, impassioned
	Synonyms >>	fervid, passionate, perfervid	Antonym >> indifferent
	I have a fervent love for that man.		
	Derivatives >>	fervency, fervently, ferventness, fervid, fervidly, fervidity, fervidness	
20.	<b>flourish</b>	FLUR ish	to thrive, to grow well
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to wither
	The company flourished after a new board of directors took control.		
	Derivatives >>	flourisher, flourishing, flourishingly, flourishy	
21.	<b>forbearance</b>	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, forbearingness, forbore	
22.	<b>formidable</b>	FORE meh duh bul	menacing, causing fear or awe
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harmless; unimportant
	That retired boxer was a formidable opponent in his time.		
	Derivatives >>	formidability, formidableness, formidably	
23.	<b>galvanize</b>	GAL vuh nize	to stimulate or to excite as if by an electric shock
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to calm; to soothe
	We are hoping that these new discoveries will galvanize the public support of our research.		
	Derivatives >>	galvanization, galvanized, galvanizer, galvanic	
24.	<b>hilarity</b>	heh LAR eh tee	boisterous merriment, mirth
	Synonyms >>	glee, jollity	Antonym >> gloominess
	The party was marked by great hilarity.		
	Derivatives >>	hilarious, hilariously, hilariousness	
25.	<b>impervious</b>	im PUR vee us	incapable of being entered or penetrated, not capable of being damaged
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> penetrable
	Because this watch is impervious to water, I can go swimming while wearing it.		
	Derivatives >>	imperviously, imperviousness	

26.	<b>implausible</b>	im PLAU zuh bul	not believable	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> believable
	His explanation of the accident is so implausible that no jury will believe him.			
	Derivatives >>	implausibility, implausibleness, implausibly		
27.	<b>innate</b>	eh NATE	existing from birth, inborn	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> learned
	He has innate athletic talents that cannot be taught.			
	Derivatives >>	innated, innately, innateness, innatism, innative		
28.	<b>insidious</b>	in SID ee us	treacherous or dangerous in a secret sort of way	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> harmless
	AIDS is insidious because one can have it and transmit it before showing symptoms of the disease.			
	Derivatives >>	insidiously, insidiousness		
29.	<b>languid</b>	LANG gwid	slow, sluggish, listless, weak	
	Synonyms >>	lethargic, stuporous, torpid		Antonym >> animated
	The old man's walk was languid, each pace requiring great effort.			
	Derivatives >>	languidly, languidness, languish, languisher, languishing, languishment		
30.	<b>latent</b>	LATE unt	not visible, dormant	
	Synonyms >>	abeyant, quiescent		Antonym >> obvious
	Sometimes a teacher can cause latent talents to emerge.			
	Derivatives >>	latency		
31.	<b>matriarchy</b>	MAY tree ar kee	a family or state headed or ruled by a female	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> patriarchy
	The old woman is the matriarch of the family.			
	Derivatives >>	matriarch, matriarchal, matriarchate		
32.	<b>mired</b>	MYRD	stuck or entangled	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> unhampered
	Teachers seem to be mired with excessive paperwork.			
	Derivatives >>	mire		
33.	<b>multifarious</b>	mul tuh FARE ee us	great in variety, diverse	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> limited in variety
	He is valuable because of his multifarious talents.			
	Derivatives >>	multifariously, multifariousness		
34.	<b>muted</b>	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		
35.	<b>opulence</b>	OP yuh luns	wealth, affluence, abundance	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> meagerness, scarcity
	Until the recent decline in the price of oil, the Hunt name was synonymous with opulence.			
	Derivatives >>	opulent, opulently		
36.	<b>parody</b>	PAIR uh dee	humorous or ridiculous imitation	
	Synonyms >>	burlesque, caricature, travesty		Antonym >> reverent imitation
	Many skits on "Saturday Night Live" are parodies of current events.			
	Derivatives >>	parodies		
37.	<b>portly</b>	PORT lee	heavy or rotund in a stately manner, stout	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> lean; slender; angular
	Winston Churchill was the portly prime minister of England during World War II.			
	Derivatives >>	portliness		
38.	<b>preeminence</b>	pree EM uh nuns	superiority to all others	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >> inferiority
	Receiving a Nobel prize signifies preeminence in a field.			
	Derivatives >>	preeminent, preeminency, preeminently		
39.	<b>prodigious</b>	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		

40.	<b>protrusion</b>	pro TROO zhun	something sticking out
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> indentation
	A large protrusion on his head was the result of being hit by the bat.		
	Derivatives >>	protusive, protusively, protusiveness	
41.	<b>pungent</b>	PUN junt	sharp or irritating to the taste or smell, acrid
	Synonyms >>	piquant, poignant, racy	Antonym >> sweet; pleasant
	There was a pungent odor in the stockyard.		
	Derivatives >>	pungence, pungency, pungently	
42.	<b>regimen</b>	REJ uh men	the regular process, procedure, or system of doing something
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unsystematic activity
	The boxer's training regimen is very strenuous.		
	Derivatives >>	regiment, regimental, regimentally, regimentation, regiminal	
43.	<b>resonant</b>	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	
44.	<b>reticence</b>	RET uh sunt	restraint in speech, reluctance to speak
	Synonyms >>	reserve, taciturnity	Antonym >> candor
	A lawyer must have great reticence in discussing matters that could violate his client's rights.		
	Derivatives >>	reticency, reticent, reticently	
45.	<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	
46.	<b>sentinel</b>	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	
47.	<b>serene</b>	suh REEN	calm, placid
	Synonyms >>	tranquil	Antonym >> agitated
	The mountain on a clear spring morning is a serene setting.		
	Derivatives >>	serenely, serenity, serenity	
48.	<b>solace</b>	SOL is	to comfort or to cheer
	Synonyms >>	soothe, mitigate, assuage	Antonym >> to deride; to harass
	The Red Cross attempted to solace the flood victims.		
	Derivatives >>	solaceful, solacement, solacer, solaced, solacing	
49.	<b>stealthy</b>	STEL the	acting in a secret and sneaky way--this is a negative term
	Synonyms >>	clandestine, covert, furtive, surreptitious, underhanded	Antonym >> open; indiscreet
	The secret organization moves by stealth to gather information on its enemies.		
	Derivatives >>	stealthyful, stealthfully, stealthily, stealthiness, stealth	
50.	<b>tacit</b>	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	
51.	<b>torpid</b>	TOR pid	sluggish, inactive, dull
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> active; animated
	He is always torpid on Sunday mornings.		
	Derivatives >>	torpor, torpidity, torpidness, torpify, torpidly, torpitude, torporific	
52.	<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	
53.	<b>undulant</b>	UN juh lunt	moving with or resembling a wavelike motion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> motionless
	Playing golf on an undulant terrain is usually difficult.		
	Derivatives >>	undulance, undulate, undulated, undulating, undulation, undulatory	

54.	<b>uproarious</b>	up ROAR ee us	making great noise (not necessarily negative)
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	tumultuous	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> soft, quiet
		The Beatles usually played to uproarious crowds.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	uproariously, uproariousness, uproar	
55.	<b>urbane</b>	ur BANE	having a refined manner, suave and elegant
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	diplomatic, politic	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> boorish; unrefined
		Southern gentlemen and English noblemen are known for their urbane manners.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	urbanely	
56.	<b>venerate</b>	VEN uh rate	to honor, to revere
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	adore, worship	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b>
		Although I did not always agree with President Kennedy, I venerate his memory.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	veneration, venerational, venerator, venerable, venerability	
57.	<b>vibrant</b>	VIE brunt	full of life
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> lifeless
		She was a vibrant young woman before she went into a coma.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vibrance, vibrancy, vibrantly	
58.	<b>vindicated</b>	VIN duh kay ted	cleared of accusations or charges
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	absolved, acquitted, exculpated, exonerated	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> accused
		I am willing to go to trial and believe that I will be vindicated of all charges.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vindicate, vindication, vindicative, vindicator, vindicatory, vindictive, vindictively, vindictiveness	
59.	<b>virtuoso</b>	vur choo OH so	one skilled in the fine arts as an accomplished musician, a savant
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> unskilled beginner
		Having played with some of the greatest symphonies in the world, he was known as a virtuoso.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	virtuosity	
60.	<b>vivid</b>	VIV id	bright, distinct, and clear
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	graphic	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> lackluster
		I have vivid memories of my trip to Europe.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vividly, vividness, vividity, vivific, vivificate, vivification, vivifier, vivify	
61.	<b>vulnerable</b>	VUL nur uh bul	susceptible to injury or attack
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> protected
		A fighter is vulnerable if he does not keep up his guard.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vulnerability, vulnerableness, vulnerably	

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| 1. accolade     | 16. discern     | 31. matriarchy   | 46. sentinel    |
| 2. aesthetic    | 17. disentangle | 32. mired        | 47. serene      |
| 3. ambiguous    | 18. droll       | 33. multifarious | 48. solace      |
| 4. anarchist    | 19. fervent     | 34. muted        | 49. stealthy    |
| 5. austere      | 20. flourish    | 35. opulence     | 50. tacit       |
| 6. cache        | 21. forbearance | 36. parody       | 51. torpid      |
| 7. cacophonous  | 22. formidable  | 37. portly       | 52. transcended |
| 8. cite         | 23. galvanize   | 38. preeminence  | 53. undulant    |
| 9. collaborate  | 24. hilarity    | 39. prodigious   | 54. uproarious  |
| 10. compliance  | 25. impervious  | 40. protrusion   | 55. urbane      |
| 11. congeal     | 26. implausible | 41. pungent      | 56. venerate    |
| 12. constrict   | 27. innate      | 42. regimen      | 57. vibrant     |
| 13. contentious | 28. insidious   | 43. resonant     | 58. vindicated  |
| 14. desolate    | 29. languid     | 44. reticence    | 59. virtuoso    |
| 15. despairing  | 30. latent      | 45. revere       | 60. vivid       |
|                 |                 |                  | 61. vulnerable  |

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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

- |           |             |    |  |
|-----------|-------------|----|--|
| _____ 1.  | accolade    | a. | harsh sounding, having dissonance                    |
| _____ 2.  | aesthetic   | b. | strict, stern, unadorned, ascetic                    |
| _____ 3.  | ambiguous   | c. | going along with, acquiescence                       |
| _____ 4.  | anarchist   | d. | praise, an award                                     |
| _____ 5.  | austere     | e. | one who believes in the absence of government or law |
| _____ 6.  | cache       | f. | a hole or hiding place used to store supplies        |
| _____ 7.  | cacophonous | g. | to quote an authority                                |
| _____ 8.  | cite        | h. | relating or pertaining to a sense of beauty or art   |
| _____ 9.  | collaborate | i. | work together  |
| _____ 10. | compliance  | j. | having more than one meaning, not a clear meaning    |

### Exercise B

- |           |             |    |  |
|-----------|-------------|----|--|
| _____ 11. | congeal     | k. | deserted, without inhabitants                      |
| _____ 12. | constrict   | l. | to solidify or coagulate                           |
| _____ 13. | contentious | m. | unravel, extricate                                 |
| _____ 14. | desolate    | n. | hopeless, feeling of futility                      |
| _____ 15. | despairing  | o. | ardent, showing great emotion, impassioned         |
| _____ 16. | discern     | p. | to tighten or make narrow                          |
| _____ 17. | disentangle | q. | odd or whimsical sense of humor                    |
| _____ 18. | droll       | r. | to thrive, to grow well                            |
| _____ 19. | fervent     | s. | to differentiate differences in two or more things |
| _____ 20. | flourish    | t. | quarrelsome, stirring controversy                  |

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## Vocabulary Test 2

**Directions:** Choose the letter of the definition that **best** fits the meaning of the word in **bold** type.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. to practice **forbearance**  
a. patience    b. continually    c. a musical instrument    d. good manners
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. a **formidable** opponent  
a. large    b. famous    c. menacing    d. unworthy
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. to **galvanize** the crowd  
a. disperse    b. excite    c. address    d. chastise
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. to be overcome with **hilarity**  
a. heat exhaustion    b. enemies    c. misery    d. boisterous merriment
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. an **impervious** wall  
a. dilapidated    b. incapable of being penetrated    c. modern    d. old
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. an **implausible** story  
a. unbelievable    b. humorous    c. horror    d. mysterious
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. an **innate** ability  
a. existing from birth    b. unusual    c. acquired    d. admired
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. an **insidious** disease  
a. incurable    b. harmless    c. dangerous and secret    d. contagious
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. **languid** movements  
a. sly    b. jerky    c. obnoxious    d. sluggish
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. **latent** talents  
a. unusual    b. uninhibited    c. dormant    d. varied
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. the **matriarch** of a family  
a. father    b. female head or ruler    c. financial head    d. preacher
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. to be **mired** in an argument  
a. entangled    b. winning    c. emotionally upset    d. convinced of a position
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. **multifarious** sources  
a. dangerous    b. varied    c. distasteful    d. unusual
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. a **muted** sound  
a. loud    b. toned down    c. pleasant    d. unpleasant
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. to live in a state of **opulence**  
a. poverty    b. ignorance    c. war    d. wealth
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. a **parody** of a poem  
a. ridiculous imitation    b. author    c. interpretation    d. publication
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. to be **portly** in size  
a. small    b. tall and skinny    c. stout    d. completely unmanageable
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. to achieve a state of **preeminence**  
a. wealth    b. infamy    c. serenity    d. most outstanding
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. a **prodigious** task  
a. dangerous    b. enormous    c. honorable    d. outstanding
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. a **protrusion** on the head  
a. something sticking out    b. decoration    c. wig    d. sore

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## Vocabulary Test 3

### Exercise A

**Directions:** Choose the word that **best** completes the meaning of each sentence.

pungent regimen resonant      reticence      revere  
sentinel      serene      solace      stealth      tacit

1. Because of the \_\_\_\_\_ odor coming from the adjacent chemical plant, we decided to move our picnic elsewhere.
2. The mighty tree stood as a \_\_\_\_\_ over the small cottage, as though it was protecting it from the brooding storm.
3. The relationship between the couple did not go quickly due to the man's \_\_\_\_\_; he simply was not inclined to talk very much, and that cut down severely on open communication between the two.
4. The mountain lake presented a \_\_\_\_\_ setting for our morning devotional; it set the mood of peace and calm that pervaded the entire day.
5. If you intend to lose weight safely, along with a diet, you must follow a strict \_\_\_\_\_ of daily exercise.
6. I had a \_\_\_\_\_ agreement with my dad that I would mow the lawn in return for getting to take the car out Saturday night; neither one of us felt the need to verbalize the arrangement.
7. The mark of an excellent violin is the \_\_\_\_\_ sound it produces, a tonal quality that the masters of long ago had perfected and which artisan today strive for.
8. It is good for a child to \_\_\_\_\_ his parents; honor and respect should be shown for one's elders.
9. The mysterious man entered the room with \_\_\_\_\_; he acted sneaky and sly from the beginning.
10. I can offer you little \_\_\_\_\_ since you failed due to a lack of effort on your part; you will have to find your comfort elsewhere.

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## Vocabulary Test 3

### Exercise B

**Directions:** Choose the word that **best** completes the meaning of each sentence.

torpid	transcended	undulant	uproarious	urbane	venerate
vibrant	vindicated	virtuoso	vivid	vulnerable	

11. The old woman was particularly \_\_\_\_\_ to strangers who tried to dupe her and get her money; she often believed the schemes presented to her were golden opportunities for making more money.
12. I still have a \_\_\_\_\_ picture in my mind of the beautiful scenery we saw in Europe; nothing can diminish the clarity of my memories of those days.
13. The soldier's actions during the battle \_\_\_\_\_ his call of duty; it was not necessary for him to risk his life by volunteering to go on the mission.
14. A memorial service was arranged in order to \_\_\_\_\_ the memory of the deceased musician whom so many had loved and honored.
15. After mowing the lawn on a hot summer day, I feel particularly \_\_\_\_\_ and like to lay around the house for the rest of the day.
16. She was not only a beautiful and intelligent woman, but she was also a \_\_\_\_\_ person, full of life and energy.
17. It was difficult to play golf on the \_\_\_\_\_ terrain; there were so many hills and dells, I almost became seasick just walking them.
18. The man knew that after his testimony, he would be \_\_\_\_\_ of all charges made against him; he knew he had not been guilty, and soon the rest of the world would know also.
19. Southern gentlemen and English noblemen are noted for their \_\_\_\_\_ manner; they have impeccable behavior.
20. We were honored to have the \_\_\_\_\_ present a concert for us; it was not often that we had the opportunity to hear someone so talented and accomplished playing in our small town.
21. The band soon discovered they were playing to an \_\_\_\_\_ crowd; there was continuous applauding and loud shouting throughout the evening.

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## Test 1

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| 1. d  | 2. h  | 3. j  | 4. e  | 5. b  | 6. f  | 7. a  |
| 8. g  | 9. i  | 10. c | 11. l | 12. p | 13. t | 14. k |
| 15. n | 16. s | 17. m | 18. q | 19. o | 20. r |       |

## Test 2

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

## Test 3

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| 1. punent    | 11. vulnerable  |
| 2. sentinel  | 12. vivid       |
| 3. reticence | 13. transcended |
| 4. serene    | 14. venerate    |
| 5. regimen   | 15. torpid      |
| 6. tacit     | 16. vibrant     |
| 7. resonant  | 17. undulant    |
| 8. revere    | 18. vindicated  |
| 9. stealth   | 19. urbane      |
| 10. solace   | 20. virtuoso    |
|              | 21. uproarious  |