

# Lesson 26

## Definitions

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1.	<b>culpable</b>	KUL puh bul	deserving blame; guilty
	Synonyms >>		
	He was culpable for his children's constant bad behavior.		
	Derivatives >>	culpability, culpableness, culpably	
2.	<b>decadent</b>	DEK uh dunt	decaying
	Synonyms >>	declined, degenerated	
	Drugs, prostitution, and crime are signs of a decadent society.		
	Derivatives >>	decadently, decadence, decadency	
3.	<b>entreaty</b>	en TREE tee	a plea, an earnest request
	Synonyms >>	adjuration, appeal, suit, importunity, supplication	
	The lawyer made a lengthy entreaty to the jury before they retired to chambers.		
	Derivatives >>	entreat, entreatingly, entreatment	
4.	<b>fatuous</b>	FACH oo us	foolish, silly in an obnoxious way, inane
	Synonyms >>	asinine, silly, simple	
	The woman was fatuous to think that she needed three thousand pairs of shoes.		
	Derivatives >>	fatuously, fatuity, fatuitous, fatuitousness	
5.	<b>indulgent</b>	in DUL junt	lenient, especially toward oneself
	Synonyms >>		
	The boy did not learn respect from his indulgent parents.		
	Derivatives >>	indulge, indulged, indulging, indulgence, indulgently, indulger	
6.	<b>ineptness</b>	in EPT nes	lack of competence or judgment
	Synonyms >>	gauche, maladroit	
	The evidence of his ineptness as a coach is his poor win-loss record.		
	Derivatives >>	inept, ineptly, ineptitude	
7.	<b>ingrate</b>	IN grate	an ungrateful person
	Synonyms >>		
	I was stunned when I didn't even receive a "thank you" from the ingrate.		
	Derivatives >>	ingrateful	
8.	<b>inundate</b>	IN un date	to flood, to overflow
	Synonyms >>		
	The television station was inundated with phone calls when the basketball game was interrupted.		
	Derivatives >>	inundable, inundant, inundation, inundator, inundatory	
9.	<b>miser</b>	MY zur	one who lives in wretched circumstances to save and hoard money
	Synonyms >>	niggard, skinflint, tightwad, pinchpenny	
	The old miser lived in a shack but was actually a millionaire.		
	Derivatives >>	miserly, miserliness	
10.	<b>parody</b>	PEAR uh dee	a humorous or satirical imitation of a serious piece of literature or writing
	Synonyms >>		
	The imitation of the masterpiece was nothing but pure parody.		
	Derivatives >>		

# Matching Test

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Directions: Choose the definition that best matches the meaning of the vocabulary word. Place the answer of your choice in the space provided.

### Exercise A

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| <p>_____ 1. culpable</p> <p>_____ 2. decadent</p> <p>_____ 3. entreaty</p> <p>_____ 4. fatuous</p> <p>_____ 5. indulgent</p> <p>_____ 6. ineptness</p> <p>_____ 7. ingrate</p> <p>_____ 8. inundate</p> <p>_____ 9. miser</p> <p>_____ 10. parody</p> | <p>a. decaying; characterized by a loss of morality</p> <p>b. deserving blame; guilty</p> <p>c. an ungrateful person</p> <p>d. lenient, especially toward oneself</p> <p>e. lack of competence or judgment</p> <p>f. foolish, silly in an obnoxious way, inane</p> <p>g. a plea, an earnest request</p> <p>h. one who lives in wretched circumstances to hoard money</p> <p>i. to flood, to overflow</p> <p>j. a humorous or satirical imitation of a serious piece of literature or writing</p> |
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### Exercise B

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| <p>_____ 1. adulation</p> <p>_____ 2. adversity</p> <p>_____ 3. chimera</p> <p>_____ 4. crass</p> <p>_____ 5. introspective</p> <p>_____ 6. meticulous</p> <p>_____ 7. metonymy</p> <p>_____ 8. onomatopoeia</p> <p>_____ 9. sated</p> <p>_____ 10. virtuoso</p> | <p>a. extreme praise or admiration</p> <p>b. one skilled in the fine arts as an accomplished musician</p> <p>c. misfortune, unfavorable happening</p> <p>d. a fantasy; a horrible creature of the imagination</p> <p>e. satisfied fully, indulged to excess</p> <p>f. taking great care</p> <p>g. the quality of examining one's own mind or thoughts</p> <p>h. crude, and unrefined</p> <p>i. a figure of speech in which the name of one object is substituted for something closely related to it.</p> <p>j. a figure of speech in which natural sounds are imitated in the sounds of words such as "buzz" and "hiss"</p> |
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# Sentence Completion Test

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culpable	decadent	entreaty	fatuous	indulgent
ineptness	ingrate	inundated	miser	parody

1. Contrary to the emotional \_\_\_\_\_ for help that was delivered by the last speakers, this woman's plea was rational but without sincerity.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ did not even say "thank you" when I gave him my life savings.
3. The society had become so \_\_\_\_\_ that morality was a thing of the past, and people could not count on laws that had previously been part of their culture.
4. You will never prove me \_\_\_\_\_ of the crime; I am not guilty and do not deserve the blame.
5. The girl's \_\_\_\_\_ remarks were so silly that we nearly laughed her out of the room.
6. The comedian's skit was a \_\_\_\_\_ of the recent inaugural address; although it was intended to be funny, not many people laughed.
7. His \_\_\_\_\_ as a teacher was reflected in his students' poor test scores and in his inability to maintain discipline in class.
8. The reason the girl cannot lose any weight is that she is so \_\_\_\_\_ when it comes to food; she is so lenient with herself that she eats until she is stuffed at every meal.
9. It was strange to see the old \_\_\_\_\_ give money to the cause; he was usually so tight with his money that he wouldn't let go of a single penny.
10. The bridge collapsed when it was \_\_\_\_\_ by the flood waters.

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adulation	adversity	chimera	exonerate	induce
introspective	metonymy	plagiarize	terse	virtuoso

11. He is not the \_\_\_\_\_ your fears have made him out to be; he is no monster.
12. That author's style is concise; he wastes no words in his \_\_\_\_\_, succinct sentences.
13. His new sonnet caused the poet to receive praise and \_\_\_\_\_ from many of his readers.
14. No matter how great \_\_\_\_\_ seems to be, it is better to fight against misfortune and hardship than to give in to it.
15. Being an avid opera fan, I cherish the memory of the operatic \_\_\_\_\_ who recently passed away.
16. The girl became rather \_\_\_\_\_ when she heard the news; she began to examine her own mind and thoughts about how she would deal with the information.
17. In the speech he tried to \_\_\_\_\_ a change in the people's attitude, but nothing he said could incite them to action.
18. The student carried the heavy books to his table and started to \_\_\_\_\_, stealing not only the words of the author but the ideas as well.
19. The witness took the stand with the hope that he could \_\_\_\_\_ his friend from conviction of the crime.
20. The poem uses \_\_\_\_\_ when it refers to "the white house" to mean "the president."