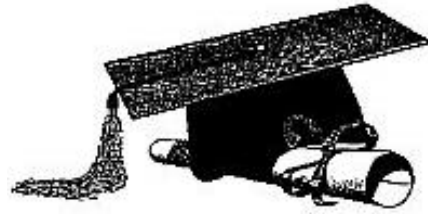


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Definitions

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1.	buoyant	BOY unt	capable of floating; cheerful
	Synonyms >>		
	Because the log was buoyant, it stayed afloat. The girl's buoyant spirit made her pleasant company.		
	Derivatives >>	buoyancy, buoyance, buoyantly, buoyantness, buoy	
2.	burnish	BUR nish	to make shiny or to polish by rubbing
	Synonyms >>		
	Burnished metal is usually very reflective.		
	Derivatives >>	burnisher, burnishes, burnished, burnishing	
3.	despondency	deh SPON dun see	depression, dejection
	Synonyms >>		
	Because he thought that he had failed the test, he felt great despondency.		
	Derivatives >>	despondent, despondence, despondently, desponding, despondingly	
4.	despotic	deh SPOT ik	ruling oppressively and absolutely; tyrannical
	Synonyms >>		
	Americans do not like despotic behavior.		
	Derivatives >>	despotical, despotically, despotism, despotist, despotize, despot	
5.	discern	deh SURN	to differentiate between two or more things
	Synonyms >>		
	Because of the fog, I was barely able to discern the landing strip.		
	Derivatives >>	discerner, discernible, discernable, discernibleness, discernibly, discernably, discerningly, discernment	
6.	forbearance	fore BARE uns	patience, lenience
	Synonyms >>		
	Because he is so young, we must have forbearance in dealing with him.		
	Derivatives >>	forbear, forbearant, forbearer, forbearing, forbearingly, forbearingsness, forbore	
7.	inveterate	in VET ur it	firmly established, habitual, deep-rooted
	Synonyms >>		
	Because he had been an inveterate workaholic, he had trouble adjusting his lifestyle when he retired.		
	Derivatives >>	inveterately, inveterateness	
8.	venerate	VEN uh rate	to honor, to revere
	Synonyms >>	adore, worship	
	Although I did not always agree with President Kennedy, I venerate his memory.		
	Derivatives >>	veneration, venerational, venerator, venerable, venerability	
9.	vista	VIS tuh	a distant view seen through an opening
	Synonyms >>		
	As he reached the forest, he saw vistas of stone passages leading in many directions.		
	Derivatives >>	vistaed, vistas	
10.	voluptuous	vuh LUP choo us	pleasurable to the senses, sensuous
	Synonyms >>		
	Bob Hope always took voluptuous women with him when he entertained soldiers overseas.		
	Derivatives >>	voluptuosity, voluptuousness, voluptuate, voluptuously	

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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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | buoyant | a. | to honor, to revere |
| _____ | 2. | burnish | b. | ruling oppressively and absolutely; tyrannical |
| _____ | 3. | despondency | c. | a distant view seen through an opening |
| _____ | 4. | despotic | d. | firmly established, habitual, deep-rooted |
| _____ | 5. | discern | e. | patience, lenience |
| _____ | 6. | forbearance | f. | depression, dejection |
| _____ | 7. | inveterate | g. | to differentiate between two or more things |
| _____ | 8. | venerate | h. | capable of floating; cheerful |
| _____ | 9. | vista | i. | pleasurable to the senses, sensuous |
| _____ | 10. | voluptuous | j. | to make shiny or to polish by rubbing |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1. | acuity | a. | difficult to understand; mysterious |
| _____ | 2. | affinity | b. | sharpness of perception |
| _____ | 3. | propensity | c. | very pale and sickly |
| _____ | 4. | capricious | d. | a person of power and influence |
| _____ | 5. | endow | e. | a likeness, a natural relationship, a kinship |
| _____ | 6. | impute | f. | changing suddenly, fickle |
| _____ | 7. | inscrutable | g. | preference, natural inclination |
| _____ | 8. | magnate | h. | capable of being shaped, influenced, or altered |
| _____ | 9. | malleable | i. | to blame or to charge |
| _____ | 10. | wan | j. | to provide with income or property, to supply with a talent or quality |

Sentence Completion Test

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buoyant	burnished	despondent	despotic	discern
forbearance	inveterate	venerate	vista	voluptuous

1. The _____ of the valley below was breathtaking; seen through the opening in the mountain pass, it was a glorious view.
2. Even though water was leaking in at an alarming rate, the vessel surprisingly remained _____.
3. The man was in utter depression; he was _____ as a result of his recent loss which had occurred in the stock market crash.
4. Firmly entrenched in his falsehoods, the _____ liar was soon incapable of telling the truth.
5. The teacher showed _____ toward the student's poor performance by being patient.
6. The woman's reputation as a _____ model resulted from the sensuous pictures taken of her.
7. Hitler's _____ rule was brought to an end after World War II.
8. On hot summer days it is difficult to _____ the difference between a puddle of water and heat waves produced on the road.
9. Because I _____ the memory of my father, I would never say bad things about him; I still honor him, even after his death.
10. The jewel hung about the neck of the queen, and the copper sheen that reflected from its _____ surface sparkled in the sun.

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acuity	obtuse	alacrity	capricious	endowed
fervent	imputed	penitent	predilection	torpid

11. We did, indeed, hear the story, but only in the most _____, unclear terms; we did not, therefore, really understand.
12. The woman made a _____ plea to the government to stop the practice of polluting the country's rivers with toxic waste; her impassioned words impressed the officials.
13. It was difficult to get the _____ girl to settle down and stay on one topic; her subjects of conversation changed as rapidly as her moods.
14. Because of my _____ for classical music, I buy season tickets to the symphony each year.
15. The students approached the task of solving the problem with _____; they were anxious to solve it promptly.
16. The wise man saw the situation with _____; his sharp perception always added to his wisdom.
17. Only after he had become truly _____ was he able to ask for forgiveness.
18. His _____ movements were the first indication that he was getting sick; because he is usually so active and full of vitality, we knew that something was wrong when he slowed down so much.
19. To shift the blame from himself, he _____ others, saying that they were responsible for the mistake.
20. The university subsists largely from funds that were _____ by an anonymous benefactor; only a few people knew who gave the gift.