

# Lesson 32

## Definitions

11<sup>th</sup> Grade



1.	<b>archipelago</b>	are kuh PEL uh go	a group of islands
	Synonyms >>		
	The sailors were excited when they reached the archipelago.		
	Derivatives >>	archipelagic	
2.	<b>boon</b>	BOON	favorable; a blessing, a benefit
	Synonyms >>		
	Hiring that young man was a boon for our company.		
	Derivatives >>	boons, boonless	
3.	<b>buffoon</b>	buh FOON	a clown, a silly or stupid person
	Synonyms >>		
	Only a buffoon would stand on the table during the Christmas dinner.		
	Derivatives >>	buffoonery, buffoonish	
4.	<b>chicanery</b>	sheh KAY nuh ree	unethical methods, trickery
	Synonyms >>		
	The lawyer used chicanery to get the witness off guard in his testimony.		
	Derivatives >>	chicaner, chicane, chicaned, chicaning, chicaneries	
5.	<b>raucous</b>	RAH kus	loud and boisterous, harsh, disorderly
	Synonyms >>	stentorian, strident	
	The raucous crowd at the fight threw chairs into the ring to show disagreement with the decision.		
	Derivatives >>	raucously, raucousness, raucid, raucity	
6.	<b>repugnant</b>	reh PUG nunt	disgusting, offensive
	Synonyms >>	abhorrent, invidious, obnoxious, repellent	
	It is repugnant to spit on the sidewalk.		
	Derivatives >>	repugnancy, repugnantly, repugnatorial, repugnance	
7.	<b>satiric</b>	suh TER ik	characterized by satire (a branch of literature ridiculing vice or folly)
	Synonyms >>	sarcastic, sardonic, ironic	
	The political cartoonist was known for his satiric drawings.		
	Derivatives >>	satire, satirical, satirically, satirism, satirist, satirize, satirizer	
8.	<b>sporadic</b>	spo RAD ik	occasionally occurring
	Synonyms >>	infrequent, rare, scarce, uncommon	
	While there are sporadic showers, the summers in the western part of Texas are usually hot and dry.		
	Derivatives >>	sporadically, sporadicity	
9.	<b>terrestrial</b>	teh RES tree ul	of the earth or pertaining to the earth
	Synonyms >>		
	Humans are terrestrial beings.		
	Derivatives >>	terrestrially, terrain	
10.	<b>ungainly</b>	un GANE lee	awkward
	Synonyms >>		
	Boys who grow very fast are sometimes ungainly.		
	Derivatives >>	ungainliness	

# Matching Test

## Lesson 32

11<sup>th</sup> grade



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

- |       |     |             |    |   |
|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1.  | archipelago | a. | awkward   |
| _____ | 2.  | boon        | b. | favorable; a blessing, a benefit                      |
| _____ | 3.  | buffoon     | c. | of the earth or pertaining to the earth               |
| _____ | 4.  | chicanery   | d. | disgusting, offensive                                 |
| _____ | 5.  | raucous     | e. | a clown, a silly or stupid person                     |
| _____ | 6.  | repugnant   | f. | unethical methods, trickery                           |
| _____ | 7.  | satiric     | g. | characteristic of literature ridiculing vice or folly |
| _____ | 8.  | sporadic    | h. | loud and boisterous, harsh, disorderly                |
| _____ | 9.  | terrestrial | i. | a group of islands                                    |
| _____ | 10. | ungainly    | j. | occasionally occurring                                |

### Exercise B

- |       |     |                |    |  |
|-------|-----|----------------|----|--|
| _____ | 1.  | antiquity      | a. | polite and courteous behavior                                |
| _____ | 2.  | civility       | b. | changing unpredictably, fickle                               |
| _____ | 3.  | deft           | c. | marked by showing zealous devotion to the rites of religion  |
| _____ | 4.  | heretical      | d. | skillful, adroit   |
| _____ | 5.  | irreproachable | e. | contrary to church doctrine or accepted beliefs or standards |
| _____ | 6.  | mercurial      | f. | to give formal approval                                      |
| _____ | 7.  | nuance         | g. | the quality of being ancient; ancient times                  |
| _____ | 8.  | pious          | h. | slightly connected, divergent                                |
| _____ | 9.  | ratify         | i. | a subtle distinction or difference                           |
| _____ | 10. | tangential     | j. | faultless, not discreditable                                 |

# Sentence Completion Test

## Lesson 32

11<sup>th</sup> Grade



archipelago

boon

buffoon

chicanery

raucous

repugnant

satiric

sporadic

terrestrial

ungainly

1. The audience laughed at the antics of the \_\_\_\_\_; like most other clowns, he, too, elicited much laughter.
2. The group of islands made a delightful picture; seeing the \_\_\_\_\_ against the setting sun was a memorable experience.
3. The \_\_\_\_\_ young horse wobbled about as he tried to stand; even when he finally made it, he was so awkward that he was laughable.
4. The actor's sarcastic monologue ridiculed all of the political candidates; however, none of them seemed to take offense at the \_\_\_\_\_ comments.
5. His \_\_\_\_\_ behavior is so disgusting that I cannot stand to be around him.
6. Hiring that extraordinary young man has been a \_\_\_\_\_ for our company; we are suddenly experiencing growth and prosperity.
7. My little brother is loud and boisterous at home, but his \_\_\_\_\_ behavior is not tolerated at school.
8. My interest in school is \_\_\_\_\_; it occurs just before each grading period ends.
9. Unable to fly, the kiwi is a \_\_\_\_\_ bird, which is confined to earth.
10. Some unethical lawyers try to use \_\_\_\_\_ to confuse witnesses in their testimonies so that they can be tricked into saying something incriminating.

# Sentence Completion Test

## Lesson 32

11<sup>th</sup> Grade



affluent

congenial

dispatch

expurgate

garner

nuance

pious

sagacious

slovenly

spiteful

11. The \_\_\_\_\_ of flavor cannot be described adequately; the distinction is so subtle that it eludes description.
12. These houses belong to the more \_\_\_\_\_ people of the city, people who abound in wealth.
13. The man is both sociable and \_\_\_\_\_; his friendship is sought by all.
14. The girl was hurt by his \_\_\_\_\_ remarks; his intent to harm her often caused him to be malicious.
15. Some people are annoyed by his \_\_\_\_\_ attitude, but he is simply devoted to his religion and does not really intend to offend anyone with his zeal.
16. The \_\_\_\_\_ man was dressed in rags and covered with dirt and filth.
17. Because I will need to \_\_\_\_\_ all of my money in order to buy that house, I should start saving now.
18. Editors often try to \_\_\_\_\_ objectionable material in stories before they go to the publisher.
19. The king vowed to promptly \_\_\_\_\_ his trusty messenger on a secret errand.
20. While some young people often appear to be fools, older men use their wisdom and gain a reputation for being \_\_\_\_\_.