

Lesson 11

Definitions

12th Grade



1.	circumvent	SIR kum vent	to get around something, to outwit, to frustrate; to avoid
	Synonyms >>		
	The witness tried unsuccessfully to circumvent the subject.		
	Derivatives >>	circumventer, circumventor, circumvention, circumventive, circumvented, circumventing	
2.	clemency	KLEM un see	leniency
	Synonyms >>		
	Governors are usually allowed to grant clemency to deserving prisoners.		
	Derivatives >>	clemencies, clement, clemently	
3.	communal	kuh MYOON ul	pertaining to a group or community
	Synonyms >>		
	A hermit does not enjoy communal situations.		
	Derivatives >>	commune, communed, communing, communally, communalism, communalist, communalization,	
4.	compliance	kum PLY uns	a yielding; acquiescence
	Synonyms >>		
	We intend to be in full compliance with the court order.		
	Derivatives >>	compliant, compliantly, compliancy, compliant, complianceness, compliably	
5.	conceit	kun SEET	excessively high opinion of one's own worth or ability
	Synonyms >>		
	The conceited girl suddenly found herself with no friends.		
	Derivatives >>	conceited, conceitedly	
6.	confound	kon FOUND	to cause one to become confused
	Synonyms >>		
	I am confounded by the tax forms of the IRS.		
	Derivatives >>	confounded, confoundedly, confounding, confounds	
7.	conjecture	kun JEK chur	an inference or conclusion drawn or deduced by surmise or guesswork
	Synonyms >>	supposition, surmise, guess	
	The theory that the scientist offered was only a matter of conjecture.		
	Derivatives >>	conject, conjector, conjectural, conjecturally, conjectured, conjecturing, conjecturer	
8.	convocation	kon vo KAY shun	an assembly where there is a coming together
	Synonyms >>		
	We always start the college fall semester with a general convocation.		
	Derivatives >>	convocational, convoke, convoker	
9.	corrupt	kuh RUPT	to ruin or destroy morally
	Synonyms >>	abase, debase, debauch, demean, deprave, pervert, vitiate	
	Drug dealers deliberately try to corrupt young children.		
	Derivatives >>	corrupter, corruptive, corruptly, corrup[tness, corruptible, corruptibility, corruption	
10.	crave	KRAVE	to desire intensely
	Synonyms >>		
	During the man's diet, he began to crave sweets.		
	Derivatives >>	craved, craving, cravingly, cravingness	

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. | circumvent | a. | to desire intensely |
| _____ | 2. | clemency | b. | leniency |
| _____ | 3. | communal | c. | high opinion of one's own worth or ability |
| _____ | 4. | compliance | d. | pertaining to a group or community |
| _____ | 5. | conceit | e. | a yielding; acquiescence |
| _____ | 6. | confound | f. | to ruin or destroy morally |
| _____ | 7. | conjecture | g. | to get around something, to outwit; to avoid |
| _____ | 8. | convocation | h. | to cause one to become confused |
| _____ | 9. | corrupt | i. | an inference or conclusion drawn by guesswork |
| _____ | 10. | crave | j. | an assembly where there is a coming together |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | dearth | a. | a lack, a scarcity |
| _____ | 2. | diligent | b. | instructing and improving spiritually or morally |
| _____ | 3. | discretion | c. | still in existence |
| _____ | 4. | divination | d. | happy or delightful |
| _____ | 5. | ecstasy | e. | to restrict by shackling or chaining |
| _____ | 6. | edifying | f. | to thrive, to grow well |
| _____ | 7. | extant | g. | extreme happiness |
| _____ | 8. | felicitous | h. | characterized by steady, attentive and energetic effort |
| _____ | 9. | fetter | i. | ability to act on one's power of individual decision |
| _____ | 10. | flourish | j. | foretelling the future by means of magic |

Sentence Completion Test

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circumvent	clemency	communal	compliance	conceit
confound	conjecture	convocation	corrupt	crave

1. The teachers were called together at the beginning of school for a _____; the general meeting was an annual event.
2. The theory which the scientist offered was only a matter of _____ and was not scientifically valid since it was based on guesswork.
3. We tried to acquiesce and yield to the other party's demand; we wanted to be in full _____ with the court's order.
4. Fortunately, the young boy was put only on probation; the judge treated his case with _____ and decided not to commit him to prison.
5. The small group decided they wanted to live in a _____ environment to get the sense of a dedicated community.
6. Calculus is so difficult that it can _____ even very intelligent people who are not easily confused.
7. The girl was extremely proud, flaunting her opinion of her own high worth; such _____ is not always a becoming trait.
8. As discontent began to grow in the crowd, authorities tried to _____ any trouble by breaking up the group; they wanted to avoid a crisis before the situation became any more inflamed.
9. The drug dealer deliberately tried to destroy the morals of the young man, to ruin and to _____ him.
10. Early in her pregnancy, the woman began having strong desires for certain foods; she especially began to _____ strawberries and pickles.

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diligent	discretion	divinations	ecstasy	edifying
extant	felicitous	fret	galling	gambol

11. At the judge's _____ you are jailed or set free; he makes his own individual decisions about each case and is not easily influenced by other people.
12. After years of _____ study, Frank saw his earnest effort pay off when he graduated from high school.
13. I was in a state of _____ as we flew over the Grand Canyon; never before had I been so excited about seeing something so incredible.
14. During the days of the early settlers, many people believed that innocent girls could forecast the future; these _____ they believed to be extremely accurate.
15. Homesteaders in the Old West were _____ during events like weddings; there were too few happy events in lives plagued by rampaging Indians and harassed by continual drought.
16. Although the heroine over-acted, she did not stop the morally uplifting play from _____ me.
17. Those California redwood trees still in existence are some of the oldest _____ trees in the world.
18. The young child laughed with glee as he began to skip and _____ around the room.
19. The child's behavior was absolutely _____; I can't recall having been so irritated before.
20. Even if you are annoyed or worried, you should try not to _____ over such things.