

Lesson 17

Definitions

12th Grade



1.	excise	ik SIZE	to remove by cutting
	Synonyms >>		
	Hopefully, the doctor can excise the cancer from his liver.		
	Derivatives >>	excision, excisional	
2.	fetid	FET id	having an offensive smell, malodorous
	Synonyms >>	fusty, musty, noisome, putrid, rancid, rank	
	The dead body became fetid.		
	Derivatives >>	fetidly, fetidness, fetidity	
3.	harbor	HAR bur	to give shelter or refuge
	Synonyms >>		
	It is illegal to harbor an escaped convict.		
	Derivatives >>	harbors, harbored, harboring, harborage	
4.	impermeable	im PUR mee uh bul	not able to be penetrated, unable to be passed through
	Synonyms >>		
	Boats are coated with an impermeable substance that keeps water and moisture out.		
	Derivatives >>	impermeability, impermeabilization, impermeabilize, impermeableness, impermeably	
5.	incipient	in SIP ee unt	beginning to come into being, the early stage of something
	Synonyms >>		
	He is not able to recognize his own incipient drug problem.		
	Derivatives >>	incipiative, incipency, incipience, incipiently	
6.	insolvent	in SOL vunt	without money, broke
	Synonyms >>		
	Before Congress passed the legislation, many worried that the social security fund might become insolvent.		
	Derivatives >>	insolence, insolvency	
7.	jettison	JET eh sun	to discard or to cast off, many times relates to spacecraft
	Synonyms >>		
	The sailors were forced to jettison all excess weight in order to stay afloat.		
	Derivatives >>	jettisonable	
8.	obtrude	ub TROOD	to thrust out, to thrust forward
	Synonyms >>	intrude	
	It is often rude to obtrude one's opinions upon another when no invitation for them has been given.		
	Derivatives >>	obtrusive, obtruder, obtrusion, obtrusively, obtrusiveness	
9.	quandary	KWON duh ree	dilemma
	Synonyms >>		
	She was in a quandary because two boys whom she liked wanted to take her to the senior prom.		
	Derivatives >>	quandaries	
10.	repentant	reh PEN tunt	penitent; characterized by showing repentance or contrition for a past sin
	Synonyms >>		
	Her repentant mood touched the jury, and she was absolved of guilt.		
	Derivatives >>	repent, repenter, repenting, repented, repentance, repentantly	

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. | affront | a. | having an offensive smell, malodorous |
| _____ 2. | alcove | b. | not able to be penetrated, unable to be passed through |
| _____ 3. | elegiac | c. | mournful, expressing sorrow |
| _____ 4. | excise | d. | without money, broke |
| _____ 5. | exculpate | e. | to clear from blame or guilt |
| _____ 6. | fetid | f. | to give shelter or refuge |
| _____ 7. | harbor | g. | beginning to come into being, early stage of something |
| _____ 8. | impermeable | h. | an offensive act or word; an offense to one's dignity |
| _____ 9. | incipient | i. | a partially enclosed extension of a room or part of a room |
| _____ 10. | insolvent | j. | to remove by cutting |

Exercise B

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| _____ 1. | interloper | a. | one who interferes with the rights of others |
| _____ 2. | jettison | b. | healthful, favorable to one's well-being |
| _____ 3. | molt | c. | dilemma |
| _____ 4. | obtrude | d. | to discard or to cast off, many times relates to spacecraft |
| _____ 5. | quandary | e. | to thrust out, to thrust forward |
| _____ 6. | quench | f. | to extinguish, to put out; to relieve with liquid |
| _____ 7. | repentant | g. | to shed an outer covering such as feathers or skin |
| _____ 8. | salubrious | h. | penitent; characterized by showing contrition |
| _____ 9. | tenet | i. | a doctrine or principle held as being true |
| _____ 10. | vista | j. | a distant view seen through an opening |

Sentence Completion Test

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excise	fetid	harbored	impermeable	incipient
insolvent	jettison	obtrude	quandary	repentant

1. Because his son's first word happened to be "stethoscope," Bill swore that the boy was an _____ doctor.
2. No matter which choice I made it was going to hurt either my mother or my father; it was a terrible _____ that I tried to resolve.
3. The _____ odor of the body was sickening; having been dead so long, it gave off a very offensive smell.
4. The wall was _____; try as they might, the army could not break through.
5. The child seemed _____ for having said those ugly things; she said she was sorry, and I believed she was, indeed, penitent.
6. Prior to reentering the atmosphere, the Apollo astronauts had to _____ the lunar landing module; it was costly to discard the attachment, but necessary for proper reentry.
7. The young girl _____ resentment when her mother scolded her for not keeping her room clean since her brother, whose room looked like a pig sty, was never chastised.
8. The doctor was exacting in his efforts to _____ the bullet from the patient; he was very careful as he cut into the skin to remove the foreign object.
9. The designer wanted the feathers to _____ from the back of the costume, sticking out in colorful plumes.
10. The federal government took control of two _____ banks in order to guarantee customers their right to funds.

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molt	quench	salubrious	tenets	vista

11. The _____ of the valley below was breathtaking; seen through the opening in the mountain pass, it was a glorious view.
12. Your comments about our doctrine are quite interesting; you have managed to explain the _____ in a meaningful way so that anyone could understand our beliefs.
13. His favorite hiding place was in the _____, a partly enclosed extension to the room.
14. She considered it a personal _____ when he bumped into her; even though it was an accident, she thought he had deliberately tried to make a personal offense.
15. The _____ foods were suggested by the director of the health food store; she believed they had wonderful healing effects on the body.
16. The song writer tends to write _____ songs; they always deal with death or sorrow.
17. The group would have worked very well during the week except for an _____ who slowed them down; he kept trying to interfere with the actions of the others.
18. If this witness will _____ me in the crime, then the charges against me will be dropped, and I will not be blamed.
19. Because it is one of the rules of the park to extinguish all camp fires, we decided to _____ the fire with water.
20. In the spring we sometimes find the feathers of a bird that has begun to _____, but we know that in place of the feathers he has shed, new ones grow.