

Lesson 18

Definitions

12th Grade



1.	adherent	ad HEER unt	a follower of something such as a leader, party, or philosophy
	Synonyms >>	disciple, follower, partisan	
	He is an adherent of the Democratic party.		
	Derivatives >>	adhere, adherer, adherence, adherently	
2.	advent	AD vent	a coming or arrival
	Synonyms >>		
	The children anxiously awaited the advent of summer.		
	Derivatives >>	advential, adventism, adventist	
3.	cache	KASH	a hole or hiding place used to store supplies
	Synonyms >>		
	The child hid his treasured toy in a cache in the corner.		
	Derivatives >>	cached, caching	
4.	celestial	seh LES chul	pertaining to the sky or heavens
	Synonyms >>		
	Stars are celestial bodies.		
	Derivatives >>	celestially	
5.	certitudes	SIR tuh toods	things that are inevitable or certain, certainties
	Synonyms >>		
	He was able to take his vows with absolute certitude.		
	Derivatives >>	certitude	
6.	chide	CHIDE	to voice disapproval, to scold
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chasten, chastise, rebuke, reprove	
	I was chided by my teacher for not completing my assignment.		
	Derivatives >>	chided, chid, chidden, chiding, chider, chidingly	
7.	converge	kun VERJ	to move together
	Synonyms >>		
	The cars converged at the intersection at the same time and crashed.		
	Derivatives >>	converged, converging, convergence, convergency, convergent	
8.	dictum	DIK tum	an authoritative statement, decree
	Synonyms >>	saying, maxim	
	The dictum from the Pope allows this activity.		
	Derivatives >>	dicta	
9.	effusion	eh FYOO zhun	a pouring forth (usually overdone in writing or speech)
	Synonyms >>		
	The effusion of profane language in his speech offended many.		
	Derivatives >>	effuse, effusive, effusiveness, effusively	
10.	exacting	ig ZAK ting	demanding, requiring great care
	Synonyms >>	burdensome, onerous, oppressive	
	Concerning the form of the outline, the teacher was very exacting.		
	Derivatives >>	exact, exactable, exactingly, exactingness	

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. | adherent | a. | a coming or arrival |
| _____ 2. | advent | b. | a follower of something such as a leader or party |
| _____ 3. | cache | c. | things that are inevitable or certain, certainties |
| _____ 4. | celestial | d. | pertaining to the sky or heavens |
| _____ 5. | certitudes | e. | demanding, requiring great care |
| _____ 6. | chide | f. | a pouring forth (usually overdone in writing or speech) |
| _____ 7. | converge | g. | to voice disapproval, to scold |
| _____ 8. | dictum | h. | to move together |
| _____ 9. | effusion | i. | a hole or hiding place used to store supplies |
| _____ 10. | exacting | j. | an authoritative statement, decree |

Exercise B

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| _____ 1. | elegiac | a. | having an offensive smell, malodorous |
| _____ 2. | exculpate | b. | one who interferes in the affairs of others |
| _____ 3. | fetid | c. | urging, provocation; initiation |
| _____ 4. | impermeable | d. | mournful, expressing sorrow |
| _____ 5. | incipient | e. | very perceptive, clear and to the point |
| _____ 6. | incisive | f. | not able to be penetrated, unable to be passed through |
| _____ 7. | instigation | g. | dilemma |
| _____ 8. | interloper | h. | to clear from blame or guilt |
| _____ 9. | quandary | i. | beginning to come into being |
| _____ 10. | repentant | j. | penitent; characterized by showing repentance |

Sentence Completion Test

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adherent	advent	cache	celestial	certitudes
chided	converged	dictum	effusion	exacting

1. The _____ of the computer age marked the arrival of a new way of life.
2. He is an _____ of the philosophy “live and let live”; he follows the guidelines of this precept in all his affairs.
3. As the extravagant fool wasted his funds, the _____ where he had been hiding his money began to appear emptier and emptier.
4. He was not impressed with the woman’s _____; she talked so much he became tired of hearing her voice.
5. The _____ from the court was a statement allowing the demonstration; without this authoritative permission, the crowds would have to disperse.
6. The doctor was _____ in his efforts to excise the bullet from the patient; he was very careful as he cut into the skin to remove the foreign object.
7. The _____ bodies peered from the heavens and winked “Goodnight” to the lovers below.
8. Many things are inevitable in life; one of these _____ is death.
9. As they _____ at the doorway, the two men, having run into each other, realized that only one of them could enter at a time.
10. The young girl was resentful when her mother _____ her for not keeping her room clean. She did not like to be chastised.

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champion	compress	fetid	impermeable	incipient
incisive	instigation	quandary	repentant	validate

11. Because his son's first word happened to be "stethoscope," Bill swore that the boy was an _____ doctor.
12. 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.
13. The _____ odor of the body was sickening; having been dead so long, it gave off a very offensive smell.
14. The wall was _____; try as they might, the army could not break through.
15. The child seemed _____ for having said those ugly things; she said she was sorry, and I believed she was, indeed, penitent.
16. It is simplistic to think we can _____ into one sentence a problem so complicated that the original statement required three pages of text; nothing can be reduced that much.
17. We expect our heroes to _____ the weak and defenseless by coming to their aid and defending them.
18. My university i.d. card will not be made official until you _____ it.
19. I look forward to your _____ of this new project; it takes special people to "get the ball rolling" and start things moving.
20. With his _____ intelligence, he is never at a loss for words; he is always clear and to the point.