

Lesson 19

Definitions

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1.	aggregate	AG ruh git	sum total, whole amount
	Synonyms >>		
	Although difficult to mine, the aggregate of mineral resources in Alaska are immense.		
	Derivatives >>	aggregative, aggregately, aggregation, aggregated, aggregating	
2.	approbation	ap row BAY shun	official approval, praise, commendation
	Synonyms >>		
	We initiated the attack with the approbation of the general.		
	Derivatives >>	approve, approbated, approving, approbative, approbatory, approbateness	
3.	contaminant	kun TAM uh nunt	something that causes impurity; something that defiles or pollutes
	Synonyms >>	pollutant	
	The polluted water contained many dangerous contaminants.		
	Derivatives >>	contaminate, contaminated, contaminating, contaminator, contamination	
4.	disputatious	dis pyoo TAY shus	inclined to fight, to argue, or to debate
	Synonyms >>		
	People avoided serious discussions with him because of his disputatious manner.		
	Derivatives >>	dispute, disputability, disputation, disputatiously, disputatiousness, disputative, disputatively, disputativeness	
5.	giddy	GID ee	dizzy
	Synonyms >>		
	I became giddy after drinking the champagne at the reception.		
	Derivatives >>	giddify, giddily, giddiness	
6.	indomitable	in DOM eh tuh bul	incapable of being conquered
	Synonyms >>		
	He was from a tribe that was thought to be indomitable but finally was forced to live on the reservation.		
	Derivatives >>	indomitability, indomitableness, indomitably	
7.	irresolute	eh REZ uh loot	indecisive, unsure of how to proceed
	Synonyms >>		
	The confused child stood irresolute, waiting for some instruction.		
	Derivatives >>	irresolutely, irresoluteness, irresolution	
8.	metaphorically	met uh FOR ik lee	compared nonliterally
	Synonyms >>		
	Metaphorically speaking, he is drowning in oil.		
	Derivatives >>	metaphor, metaphorical, metaphoricalness, metaphorist, metaphorize	
9.	panacea	pan uh SEE uh	cure-all, remedy for all ills
	Synonyms >>		
	Love, not money, is the panacea for your problems.		
	Derivatives >>	panacean, panace	
10.	partisan	PAR ti zen	one who exhibits extreme or blind allegiance to a group or cause
	Synonyms >>	adherent, disciple, follower	
	The cause was supported by a small group of partisans.		
	Derivatives >>	partisanism, partisanry, partisanship	

11.	protrusion	pro TROO zhun	something sticking out
	Synonyms >>		
	A large protrusion on his head was the result of being hit by the bat.		
	Derivatives >>	protusive, protusively, protusiveness	
12.	quack	KWAK	an unqualified or fake doctor, charlatan
	Synonyms >>		
	Fortunately the girl was saved from the scalpel of the quack who called himself a doctor.		
	Derivatives >>	quackery, quackish, quackishly, quackishness, quackism	
13.	querulous	KWER uh lus	constantly complaining, whining
	Synonyms >>		
	Amy irritates me when she constantly speaks in her querulous voice.		
	Derivatives >>	querulously, querulousness, querulist, querulent	
14.	rustic	RUS tik	relating to the country
	Synonyms >>	rural, coarse	
	The rustic cabin in the mountains was small but comfortable.		
	Derivatives >>	rustical, rustically, rusticate, rustication, rusticator	
15.	sovereign	SOV rin	possessed of controlling power
	Synonyms >>	predominant, paramount, preponderant	
	The king is sovereign within his country.		
	Derivatives >>	sovereignly, sovereignty, sovranity	
16.	succulent	SUK yuh lunt	very juicy
	Synonyms >>		
	An orange is an example of a succulent fruit.		
	Derivatives >>	succulency, succulence	
17.	temperance	TEM pur uns	moderation or self-restraint in action or statement
	Synonyms >>		
	The woman exercised temperance in filling her plate with small portions of food.		
	Derivatives >>	temperate, temperately, temperateness	
18.	truncate	TRUNG kate	to shorten by cutting
	Synonyms >>		
	If you truncate the board, it will fit into the space you desire.		
	Derivatives >>	truncated, truncately, truncation, truncature	
19.	undulant	UN juh lunt	moving with or resembling a wavelike motion
	Synonyms >>		
	Playing golf on an undulant terrain is usually difficult.		
	Derivatives >>	undulance, undulate, undulated, undulating, undulation, undulatory	
20.	viscosity	vis KOS eh tee	property of having a high resistance to flow
	Synonyms >>		
	Heinz ketchup has a high viscosity.		
	Derivatives >>	viscous	



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. | aggregate | a. | one who exhibits extreme or possibly blind allegiance |
| _____ 2. | approbation | b. | inclined to fight, to argue, or to debate |
| _____ 3. | contaminant | c. | official approval, praise, commendation |
| _____ 4. | disputatious | d. | something that causes impurity or pollution |
| _____ 5. | giddy | e. | dizzy |
| _____ 6. | indomitable | f. | compared nonliterally |
| _____ 7. | irresolute | g. | sum total, whole amount |
| _____ 8. | metaphorically | h. | indecisive, unsure of how to proceed |
| _____ 9. | panacea | i. | incapable of being conquered |
| _____ 10. | partisan | j. | cure-all, remedy for all ills |

Exercise B

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|-----------|------------|----|---|
| _____ 1. | protrusion | a. | very juicy |
| _____ 2. | quack | b. | something sticking out |
| _____ 3. | querulous | c. | moving with or resembling a wavelike motion |
| _____ 4. | rustic | d. | an unqualified or fake doctor, charlatan |
| _____ 5. | sovereign | e. | to shorten by cutting |
| _____ 6. | succulent | f. | constantly complaining, whining |
| _____ 7. | temperance | g. | relating to the country |
| _____ 8. | truncate | h. | possessed of controlling power |
| _____ 9. | undulant | i. | moderation or self-restraint in action or statement |
| _____ 10. | viscosity | j. | property of having a high resistance to flow |

Sentence Completion Test

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disputatious	giddy	indomitable	irresolute	metaphorically
panacea	quack	querulous	temperance	undulant

1. The ill man had been treated by the _____ for several months, but, of course, he did not get well since the so-called “doctor” had no real training or expertise.
2. Rarely speaking literally, he almost always said things that were to be interpreted _____.
3. That is the most _____ child I have ever seen; all she ever does is whine and complain.
4. The charlatan tried to persuade the gullible crowd that his medicinal potion was the _____ for all aches and pains.
5. I, too, became _____ after having been in such silly company for so long.
6. The knight was considered to be _____, but he, too, was finally defeated.
7. While the classroom is no place for _____ students, teachers may sometimes find themselves confronted with a student who enjoys arguing and creating conflict.
8. I stood _____ until I received instructions; I was so confused that I did not know where to begin.
9. We encouraged the man to use _____ in his drinking; if he could practice moderation, he would not get drunk so often.
10. The field was _____ with green corn stalks that waved like the ocean as the breeze blew across them.

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aggregate	approbation	contaminants	partisans	protrusion
rustic	sovereign	succulent	truncated	viscosity

- Without my parents' _____ to go to the movies, I was forced to stay home; they would not give their approval on week nights.
- The revolution was instigated by a small group of _____ who exhibited extreme and blind allegiance to the cause.
- The President possesses _____ and complete power over the executive branch of our government.
- The _____ of honey is similar to that of molasses: both flow slowly.
- Because I wanted to try country life, I moved to a _____ country shack with no electricity or indoor plumbing.
- Formally speaking, the _____ of lumber was _____ by the carpenter; simply stated, he cut off the long boards that were sticking out.
- The poisonous water had many _____ in it because the factories dumped their waste products into the river.
- We thought that if we pooled our _____ resources, we might have enough material for the project.
- Of all the juicy fruits that we have, watermelon is one of the most _____.