

Lesson 14

Definitions

9th Grade



1.	collaborate	kuh LAB uh rate	to work together
	Synonyms >>		
	Sometimes singers who have never worked together will collaborate to make a new album.		
	Derivatives >>	collaborated, collaborating, collaboration, collaborationism, collaborationist, collaborative, collaborator	
2.	cryptic	KRIP tik	mysterious, secret
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, enigmatic, obscure, recondite	
	I did not understand his cryptic message.		
	Derivatives >>	cryptical, cryptically, cryptogram, cryptography, cryptonym, cryptonymous	
3.	desultory	DES ul tore ee	jumping around, aimless, random
	Synonyms >>		
	The man's desultory attempts at finding employment wasted his time.		
	Derivatives >>	desultorious, desultoriness, desultorily, desultor	
4.	dissipation	dis uh PAY shun	wasteful spending, squandering
	Synonyms >>		
	Even though he inherited a million dollars, I expect quick dissipation of his fortune.		
	Derivatives >>	dissipate, dissipated, dissipatedly, dissipatedness, dissipater, dissipative	
5.	edifying	ED uh fie ing	instructing and improving spiritually or morally
	Synonyms >>		
	Visiting the cathedral was an edifying experience.		
	Derivatives >>	edification, edificatory, edify, edifier, edifyingness	
6.	protract	pro TRAKT	to prolong
	Synonyms >>		
	The union hopes to protract the strike in order to force management to settle.		
	Derivatives >>	protractedly, protractedness, pretractible, protraction, protractive	
7.	replete	reh PLETE	filled to capacity, abundantly supplied
	Synonyms >>	plenary	
	The bar was replete with every possible kind of alcohol.		
	Derivatives >>	repleteness, repletion, repletive	
8.	soporific	sop uh RIF ik	something that tends to cause sleep and to dull awareness or alertness
	Synonyms >>		
	Quiet music late at night is soporific.		
	Derivatives >>	soporiferous, soporiferously, soporiferousness, soporifical, soporifically	
9.	strident	STRIDE unt	loud and harsh sounding
	Synonyms >>	raucous, stentorian, boisterous, clamorous, obstreperous	
	The teacher used a strident voice when reprimanding a student.		
	Derivatives >>	stridently	
10.	treachery	TRECH uh ree	violation of faith; betrayal of trust; treason
	Synonyms >>	disloyalty	
	The man's ruthless act of treachery was expected.		
	Derivatives >>	treacheries, treacherous, treacherously, treacherousness	

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. | collaborate | a. | mysterious, secret |
| _____ | 2. | cryptic | b. | violation of faith; betrayal of trust; treason |
| _____ | 3. | desultory | c. | filled to capacity, abundantly supplied |
| _____ | 4. | dissipation | d. | loud and harsh sounding |
| _____ | 5. | edifying | e. | to work together |
| _____ | 6. | protract | f. | jumping around, aimless, random |
| _____ | 7. | replete | g. | to prolong |
| _____ | 8. | soporific | h. | instructing and improving spiritually or morally |
| _____ | 9. | strident | i. | wasteful spending, squandering |
| _____ | 10. | treachery | j. | something that tends to cause sleep and to dull awareness or alertness |

Exercise B

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|-------|-----|-------------|----|---|
| _____ | 1. | animosity | a. | to honor, to revere |
| _____ | 2. | avarice | b. | to merge, to fuse, to join, or to unite |
| _____ | 3. | coalesce | c. | very irritating |
| _____ | 4. | emaciated | d. | greed for wealth |
| _____ | 5. | emulate | e. | bright, distinct, and clear |
| _____ | 6. | galling | f. | very thin (usually as a result of starvation), wasting away |
| _____ | 7. | proscribe | g. | to try to equal or to be like (usually through imitation) |
| _____ | 8. | remonstrate | h. | harsh feelings, enmity, resentment, hatred |
| _____ | 9. | venerate | i. | to denounce or to condemn, to forbid |
| _____ | 10. | vivid | j. | to protest, to make objections |

Sentence Completion Test

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collaborate	cryptic	desultory	dissipation	edifying
protract	replete	soporific	strident	treachery

1. The field is _____ with insects; it must, therefore, be sprayed if we intend to reduce the numbers of pests.
2. Although the heroine over-acted, she did not stop the morally uplifting play from _____ me.
3. The man made only _____ attempts at finding employment with random visits to companies when he was in the mood.
4. The teacher used a _____ voice when reprimanding the student; because she was loud and harsh, she got the child's attention.
5. The meaning of the _____ note was hidden from everyone who looked at it.
6. I fell asleep in her class because her lectures were so _____.
7. The numerous stoplights in the city are likely to _____ my journey by many hours; it may take longer traveling this route.
8. The class was told to _____ on the assignment so that no one would have to do all the work totally alone.
9. We could not believe the _____ of the man; he had actually committed treason.
10. The woman saw a steady _____ of her funds as she continually spent her money on such frivolous items as jewelry and make-up.

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animosity	apocryphal	capitulate	emaciated	gaunt
remonstrate	scrupulous	vivacious	vivid	voluptuous

11. The _____ prisoner of war was near death as a result of his lack of nourishment.
12. The woman's reputation as a _____ model resulted from the sensuous pictures taken of her.
13. _____ and full of life, the dancer appeared on the stage in glorious attire.
14. We tried to avoid the conversation when we saw the _____ that the woman had about the issue; she was extremely angry and resentful about the matter.
15. The pictures were so _____ and distinct that it was almost like seeing the scene in person.
16. I intend to _____ about the care of the residents in that rest home; if enough of us object to the treatment they are receiving, something may be done.
17. The dictator was a selfish tyrant whose word was law and whose people lived close to starvation with bones showing through the skin of their _____ bodies.
18. The general of the troops decided to _____ when he saw that he was outnumbered; he surrendered immediately.
19. The jury saw through the _____ tears of the witness, knowing they weren't genuine.
20. There was one man _____ enough to trust with the position; he alone had the integrity and the honesty to lead the people.