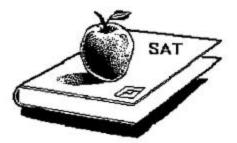
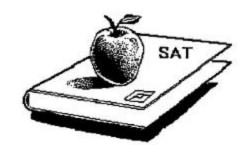
Lesson 16 Definitions 9th Grade



| 1. | abate | uh BAYT | to reduce in intensity or amount | | | | |
|-----|---|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| | Synonyms >> | decrease, diminish, dy | windle, ebb, lessen, reduce, wane | | | | |
| | The flood waters abated after forty days of rain. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | abatable, abater, abatement, abated, abating | | | | | |
| 2. | antecedent | an tuh SEE dunt | preceding a cause | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | | | | | | |
| | The argument between the two men was antecedent to the fight which followed. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | s >> antecedence, antecedency, antecede, antecedently | | | | | |
| 3. | arid | AIR id | very dry | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | | | | | | |
| | The desert is an arid place. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | aridity, aridness, arid | ly | | | | |
| 4. | bane, baneful | BANE ful | a source of harm or destruction; harmful, destructive | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | deleterious, detriment | tal, noxious, pernicious | | | | |
| | Overeating was the bane of her existence. The baneful herbs made the woman extremely ill. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | baneful, banefully, ba | inefulness | | | | |
| 5. | beleaguer | buh LEEG er | to harass | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | | | | | | |
| | The scandal cau | aused the President to be beleaguered by the press. | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | beleaguered, beleaguer | | | | | |
| 6. | profane | pruh FANE | showing contempt toward sacred things | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | | | | | | |
| | Profane languag | ge will not be tolerate | ed on the tennis court. | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | profanation, profanat | tory, profanely, profaneness, profaner, profanity | | | | |
| 7. | respite | RES pit | a rest, a delay, a period of relief | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | | | | | | |
| | I enjoy a quiet lu | joy a quiet lunch that serves a respite from my tense job of being an air traffic controller. | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | | | | | | |
| 8. | sordid | SOR did | filthy, foul | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | abject, ignoble, mean | | | | | |
| | The sordid details of the brutal ax murder sickened the jurors. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | sordidness, sordidly | | | | | |
| 9. | surfeited | SUR feh ted | fed or supplied to excess | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | cloyed, glutted, gorge | ed, palled, sated, satiated | | | | |
| | I was surfeited a | after having eaten so much food at the banquet. | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | surfeit, surfeiter | | | | | |
| 10. | trifling | TRY fling | not significant, frivolous | | | | |
| | Synonyms >> | - | | | | | |
| | Some think that watching MTV is a trifling experience. | | | | | | |
| | Derivatives >> | trifle, trifled, trifling, | • | | | | |
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Matching Test Lesson 16 9th grade



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

- _____ 1. abate
 - _____ 2. antecedent
- _____ 3. arid
 - _____ 4. bane, baneful
 - _____ 5. beleaguer
 - _____ 6. profane
 - _____ 7. respite
- _____ 8. sordid
 - _____ 9. surfeited
 - _____ 10. trifling

- a. filthy, foul
- b. fed or supplied to excess
- c. to reduce in intensity or amount
- d. a source of harm or destruction; harmful, destructive
- e. preceding a cause
- f. very dry
- g. to harass
- h. showing contempt toward sacred things
- i. a rest, a delay, a period of relief
- j. not significant, frivolous

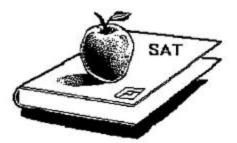
Exercise B

- _____ 1. desultory
 - _____ 2. dissipation
- _____ 3. edifying
 - _____ 4. equivocate
 - _____ 5. espousing
- _____ 6. hedonist
- _____ 7. naive
- _____ 8. parody
 - _____ 9. vivacious
 - _____ 10. voluptuous

- a. wasteful spending, squandering
- b. unsophisticated; inexperienced
- c. to attempt to lie, to mislead, or to hide the truth
- d. full of life, very animated
- e. one who seeks pleasure as the sole aim in life
- f. jumping around, aimless, random
- g. humorous or ridiculous imitation
- h. instructing and improving spiritually or morally
- i. marrying, giving one's loyalty; adopting a cause
- j. pleasurable to the senses, sensuous

Sentence Completion Test Lesson 16

9th Grade



| abate | antecedent | arid | baneful | beleaguered |
|---------|------------|--------|-----------|-------------|
| profane | respite | sordid | surfeited | trifling |

| 1. | A quiet walk in the woods would be a nice fi of city life; we all need a relaxing break once in awhile. | rom the drudgery | | | |
|-----|--|--------------------|--|--|--|
| 2. | The deadly spread of AIDS is a epidemic pla world. | iguing the entire | | | |
| 3. | The starving boys were finally able to eat until they were | | | | |
| 4. | Filth and gossip filled the newspaper that focused on printing the | | | | |
| 5. | Some teachers regard watching videos a was think I should avoid such frivolous pastimes and do more studying. | ste of time; they | | | |
| 6. | The decisions made to the Supreme Court's independent of each other; however, those made afterward were all related | | | | |
| 7. | The young men were raised to believe that anyone who dared to | | | | |
| 8. | Homesteaders in the Old West were cheerful during events like weddings; few happy events in lives by rampaging India by continual drought. | | | | |
| 9. | The intensity of the storm began to; apparen was over. | tly the worst part | | | |
| 10. | Because it is so hot and dry, Death Valley is known as the most | | | | |

region of the United States.

Sentence Completion Test Lesson 16 9th Grade



| avarice | collaborate | espousing | interminable | parody |
|---------|-------------|-----------|--------------|----------|
| portent | prodigious | protract | soporific | vigilant |

11. Although the reading assignment was only ten pages, it seemed ______ to the bored students. 12. My teacher gave us a huge amount of homework, a ______ task by anyone's standards. 13. Always alert, the ______ guard stood in front of the mayor's residence. 14. The comedian's skit was a of the recent inaugural address; although it was intended to be funny, not many people laughed. 15. I fell asleep in her class because her lectures were so . 16. The class was told to ______ on the assignment so that no one would have to do all the work totally alone. 17. The woman is the MADD program because she lost her son in a DWI-related accident; otherwise, she would not adopt the cause so seriously. 18. The large raindrops were a of the thunderous storm about to occur. 19. The numerous stoplights in the city are likely to _____ my journey by many hours; it may take longer traveling this route. 20. The greedy woman's heart was full of ______. All she wanted was to have more and more possessions.