

Lesson 5

Definitions

9th Grade



1.	ardent	AR dunt	expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous
	Synonyms >>	fervent, fervid, passionate, perfervid	
	He was ardent in his support of civil rights.		
	Derivatives >>	ardently	
2.	auspicious	aw SPISH us	favorable
	Synonyms >>	propitious	
	Making an "A" on the first test was an auspicious way to begin the year.		
	Derivatives >>	auspiciously, auspiciousness	
3.	docile	DOS ul	easily managed, obedient, passive
	Synonyms >>	amenable, tractable	
	The dog was docile until the doorbell rang.		
	Derivatives >>	docible, docibility, docilely, docility	
4.	evanescent	ev uh NES unt	fleeting; impermanent
	Synonyms >>	ephemeral, fugitive, transient, transitory	
	The evanescent sounds of applause are not what keeps the artist performing.		
	Derivatives >>	evanescence, evanesce, evanescently	
5.	execrable	EK suh kruh bul	extremely bad, deserving of hate
	Synonyms >>		
	The cheerleader told a joke about the drill team that was so execrable that he was suspended for three days.		
	Derivatives >>	execrableness, execrably, execrate, execration, execrative, execratively, execrator	
6.	florid	FLOR id	flowery, flushed with color
	Synonyms >>		
	His face becomes florid when he gets angry.		
	Derivatives >>	floridity, floridly, floridness	
7.	levity	LEV eh tee	excessive frivolity, flippancy
	Synonyms >>		
	It was inappropriate for him to insert some levity into the funeral service.		
	Derivatives >>	levitate, levitation, levitated, levitational, levitative, levitating	
8.	precocious	preh KOE shus	exceptionally early in development or occurrence
	Synonyms >>		
	A child prodigy is a young person who is very precocious.		
	Derivatives >>	precociousness, precosity, precociously	
9.	sublime	suh BLIME	exalted, noble, uplifting
	Synonyms >>	resplendent, superb	
	The romantic dinner, which included delicious food, soft music, and a beautiful setting, was simply sublime.		
	Derivatives >>	sublimely, sublimeness, sublimer	
10.	trepidation	trep eh DAY shun	fear, trembling, agitation
	Synonyms >>		
	Since I did not have time to study, I have a lot of trepidation about this examination.		
	Derivatives >>	trepidate, trepidant, trepid, trepidly, trepidity	

Matching Test Lesson 5

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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. ardent | a. extremely bad, deserving of hate |
| _____ 2. auspicious | b. exceptionally early in development or occurrence |
| _____ 3. docile | c. fear, trembling, agitation |
| _____ 4. evanescent | d. favorable |
| _____ 5. execrable | e. fleeting; impermanent |
| _____ 6. florid | f. flowery, flushed with color |
| _____ 7. levity | g. excessive frivolity, flippancy |
| _____ 8. precocious | h. expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous |
| _____ 9. sublime | i. easily managed, obedient, passive |
| _____ 10. trepidation | j. exalted, noble, uplifting |

Exercise B

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| _____ 1. corroboration | a. difficult to see, vague |
| _____ 2. edifice | b. begging, humbly asking for a favor |
| _____ 3. ingenuity | c. cleverness, inventiveness, resourcefulness |
| _____ 4. juncture | d. confirmation |
| _____ 5. magnate | e. being sullen or gloomy |
| _____ 6. morose | f. a very large building |
| _____ 7. obscure | g. a point of joining |
| _____ 8. prate | h. a person of power and influence |
| _____ 9. quench | i. to talk idly or foolishly at great length |
| _____ 10. supplication | j. to extinguish, to put out; to relieve with liquid |

Sentence Completion Test

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ardent	auspicious	docile	evanescent	execrable
florid	levity	precocious	sublime	trepidation

1. The dog was _____ and easily managed until a cat ran across his path.
2. The romantic dinner, which included delicious food, soft music and a beautiful setting was simply _____.
3. The _____ child began to read before the age of five and was always several years ahead of his peers.
4. We were shocked by the man's apparent _____ concerning the situation, but we later realized how seriously earnest he was in spite of his flippancy.
5. The minister entered his religious service because of an _____ and zealous desire to help to improve other people's lives.
6. Joe's manners are so _____ that we hate to have him over for dinner; he behaves so badly that he is embarrassing to us.
7. Seeing her ex-boyfriend wasn't an _____ event. That was not her lucky day!
8. I experienced great _____ because we were isolated in a cabin during the snowstorm, and we had only a small portion of food; I was afraid we would starve before being rescued.
9. Pete Rose was the epitome of the American baseball player, representing the dreams of many young ball players behind him; yet his fame was fleeting and his fortune _____.
10. After running in the marathon, the runner's face was _____; it was several minutes before the flushed coloring left.

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corroboration	inauspicious	ingenuity	juncture	magnate
morose	stealthy	prate	serene	supplication

11. I depended upon my brother for _____ of my story to prove to my mother that I did not, in fact, break the vase.
12. The man's _____ was amazing; he had his car held together by clothes hangers and paperclips. He could solve many problems with those two items.
13. The business _____ was consumed with gaining more and more power and control.
14. There is a decided difference between the two brothers; one is usually happy while the other is frequently _____.
15. The two railroad tracks joined at St. Louis, which was to be considered the _____ of the East and the West.
16. The small community lifted their humble voices in _____ to beg God to send rain for their crops.
17. His luck had run out on the _____ day of his accident; such unfavorable occurrences are not happy times.
18. We stood before the lake and looked at the placid waters, _____ and calm.
19. In order to survive, a spy must be _____ and sneaky.
20. As soon as the woman reached the lectern, she began to _____, and I knew we were in for an hour-long session of insignificant chatter.