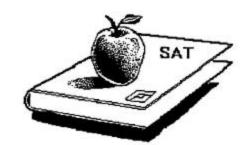
## Lesson 7 Definitions

9<sup>th</sup> Grade



1.	blasphemous	BLAS fuh mus	irreverent, profane				
	Synonyms >>						
	Telling that sacrilegious joke is blasphemous.						
	<b>Derivatives</b> >>		blaspheming, blasphemer, blasphemousness, blasphemously, blasphemy				
2.	disdain	dis DANE	intense dislike; to treat with scorn or contempt, to reject as unworth				
	Synonyms >>	(to be) arrogant, haughty,	, high-handed, insolent, lordly, supercilious				
	Never having had to do manual labor, he disdained the idea of becoming a cotton picker.						
	Derivatives >>	disdained, disdaining, dis	sdainer, disdainful, disdainfully, disdainfulness				
3.	insolence	IN suh luns	insulting or contemptuous behavior				
	Synonyms >>	arrogance, haughtiness, hi	igh-handedness, impertinence				
	His insolence and lack of respect for his mother are shocking.						
	Derivatives >>	insolent, insolently, insol	lency, insolentness				
4.	modicum	MOD eh kum	limited quantity				
	Synonyms >>						
	I insist on at least	st a modicum of decorum	n.				
	Derivatives >>	modicums					
5.	plaintive	PLANE tiv	mournful and expressing sorrow				
	Synonyms >>						
	The dog moane	og moaned in a plaintive manner when her puppies were taken.					
	Derivatives >>	plaintively, plaintiveness					
6.	prattle	PRAT ul	meaningless sounds, babble				
	Synonyms >>						
	I have difficulty understanding the prattle of young children.						
	Derivatives >>	prattled, prattling, prattle	ement, prattler, prattingly				
7.	provincial	pruh VEN shul	lacking sophistication, narrow-minded				
	Synonyms >>						
	Her parents are so provincial that they believe they should arrange her marriage.						
	Derivatives >>						
8.	slothful	SLOTH ful	lazy, indolent				
	Synonyms >>	bovine					
	That student is so slothful that he has never done any of his homework assignments.						
	<b>Derivatives</b> >>	slothfully, slothfulness, s					
9.	slovenly	SLUV un lee	messy, untidy, careless				
	Synonyms >>						
	A person with slovenly work habits will likely lose his job.						
	Derivatives >>	slovenry, slovenness, slovenliness					
10.	unfathomable	un FATH um uh bul	not capable of being understood				
	Synonyms >>						
	The solution to the mystery was unfathomable in the beginning.						
	Derivatives >>	unfathomableness, unfath	homably, unfathomed				

# Matching Test Lesson 7 9<sup>th</sup> 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. blasphemous
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 2. disdain
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 3. insolence
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 4. modicum
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. plaintive
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. prattle
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 7. provincial
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. slothful
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 9. slovenly
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 10. unfathomable

- a. limited quantity
- b. meaningless sounds, babble
- c. messy, untidy, careless
- d. intense dislike; to treat with scorn or contempt
- e. lazy, indolent
- f. mournful and expressing sorrow
- g. irreverent, profane
- h. lacking sophistication, narrow-minded
- i. not capable of being understood
- j. insulting or contemptuous behavior

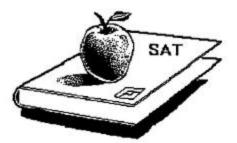
#### **Exercise B**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. affable
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. ardent
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 3. demented
  - \_\_\_\_\_ 4. despondency
    - \_\_\_\_\_ 5. expeditious
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. florid
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. implacable
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. incorrigible
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. infamous
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. levity

- a. friendly, courteous, amiable
- b. having a reputation of the worst kind; vicious
- c. insane
- d. incapable of being appeased
- e. incapable of being reformed or improved
- f. flowery, flushed with color
- g. excessive frivolity, flippancy
- h. expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous
- i. depression, dejection
- j. done with speed and efficiency

## Sentence Completion Test Lesson 7

9<sup>th</sup> Grade



blasphemous	disdain	insolence	modicum	plaintive	
prattle	provincial	affable	slovenly	unfathomable	

- 1. The teacher found the boy's \_\_\_\_\_\_ to be both insulting and contemptible.
- 2. I met his remarks with \_\_\_\_\_; I didn't appreciate his trying to hide his feelings. He should have been forthright, open and honest.
- 3. The book was unjustly censured for containing what some people thought to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ remarks about the church.
- 4. The father's \_\_\_\_\_\_ attitude about his daughter's dating caused her to leave home prematurely, looking for the freedom she had never known.
- 5. It took the \_\_\_\_\_\_ girl three hours to clean her room; she had left it cluttered for so long that it was a wonder she finished in only three hours.
- 7. When you begin to \_\_\_\_\_\_ like that, I can't understand a word you say; you babble just like a child.
- 8. The girl's \_\_\_\_\_\_ personality resulted in her being voted friendliest in her class.
- 9. The widow's \_\_\_\_\_\_ cries revealed her sorrow at her husband's death.
- 10. The fact that in some countries the AIDS virus infects more than 50% of the population is practically \_\_\_\_\_\_, but as hard as it is to believe, the fact is true.

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slothful	auspicious	execrable	expeditious	infamous
magnanimity	obscure	peevish	trepidation	vehement

- 11. Certain passages of the book were so \_\_\_\_\_\_ that it was difficult to get a clear understanding of exactly what the author had intended to say.
- 12. The \_\_\_\_\_\_ man was dressed in rags and covered with dirt and filth.
- 13. The senator's \_\_\_\_\_\_ objection to the bill may stop it in committee and block its passage into law; while others were emotional, he was the most forceful in his expression of conviction.
- 14. Seeing her ex-boyfriend wasn't an \_\_\_\_\_\_ event; instead, it was an unlucky occasion for her.
- 15. 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.
- 16. Joe's manners are so \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that we hate to have him over for dinner; he behaves so badly that he is embarrassing to us.
- 17. He is considered an \_\_\_\_\_\_ traitor due to his disgraceful acts.
- 18. Mother Theresa is known for her love and \_\_\_\_\_\_ toward the poor.
- 19. The obstinate child was \_\_\_\_\_\_ and fretful.
- 20. The government expects the people to be \_\_\_\_\_ about filing their income tax returns: there is a fine for those who don't file them on time.