

# Lesson 28

## Definitions



1.	<b>abeyance</b>	uh BAY uns	suspension of action		
	Synonyms >>	dormancy, latency, quiescence		Antonym >>	activity
		The meeting was held in abeyance until the chairperson arrived.			
	Derivatives >>	abeyant			
2.	<b>burly</b>	BUR lee	great in bodily size, sturdy; brusque		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	slight; refined; mannered
		When we saw the burly man appear in the door, we knew it was no time to pick a fight.			
	Derivatives >>	burlier, burliest, burly, burliness			
3.	<b>cavalier</b>	kav uh LEER	an armed horseman, a knight; treating important matters lightly		
	Synonyms >>	disdainful		Antonym >>	reserved; humble; meek
		His arrogant and cavalier attitude has offended many people.			
	Derivatives >>	cavalierly			
4.	<b>chagrin</b>	shuh GRIN	vexation through humiliation, hurt pride, or disappointment		
	Synonyms >>	trouble, grief		Antonym >>	self-satisfaction
		The chagrin the girl felt as a result of her abject poverty kept her from associating with her school peers.			
	Derivatives >>	chagrined, chagrining, chagrins			
5.	<b>coagulate</b>	ko AG yuh late	to gather together in a mass, to clot; to congeal		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to flow freely
		Because blood coagulates, people do not bleed to death from small cuts.			
	Derivatives >>	coagulable, coagulant, coagulated, coagulating, coagulation, coagulative, coagulator			
6.	<b>compilation</b>	kom puh LAY shun	an accumulation of many things		
	Synonyms >>	accretion		Antonym >>	
		The book was an interesting compilation of many sources.			
	Derivatives >>	compiler, compilatory, compile, compiled, compilement, compiler			
7.	<b>contest</b>	kun TEST	to compete, to attempt to disprove		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to accept without dispute
		I contest your statement about his lack of courage.			
	Derivatives >>	contested, contesting, contests			
8.	<b>defoliate</b>	dee FOE lee ate	to deprive of leaves		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The chemical Agent Orange was used in Vietnam to defoliate the trees so the enemy could be found.			
	Derivatives >>	defoliant, defoliated, defoliating, defoliator			
9.	<b>effigy</b>	EF eh jee	a dummy or image of a person (usually one who is not liked)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The ball team hung the opponent's mascot in effigy at the pep rally before the game.			
	Derivatives >>	effigies			
10.	<b>eon</b>	EE un, EE on	a long period of time		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	short time
		It seems like it will be eons before I am allowed to date.			
	Derivatives >>	aeon, aeonian, eonian, aeonic, aeonial			
11.	<b>fervent</b>	FUR vent	ardent, showing great emotion, impassioned		
	Synonyms >>	fervid, passionate, perfervid		Antonym >>	indifferent
		I have a fervent love for that man.			
	Derivatives >>	fervency, fervently, ferventness, fervid, fervidly, fervidity, fervidness			

12.	<b>ingenuity</b>	in juh NOO eh tee	cleverness, inventiveness, resourcefulness
	Synonyms >>	adroitness, cunning, deftness, dexterity	Antonym >> lack of cleverness
	He showed much ingenuity in his unique way of solving the problem.		
	Derivatives >>	ingenious, ingeniously, ingeniousness	
13.	<b>insidious</b>	in SID ee us	treacherous or dangerous in a secret sort of way
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harmless
	AIDS is insidious because one can have it and transmit it before showing symptoms of the disease.		
	Derivatives >>	insidiously, insidiousness	
14.	<b>myopic</b>	my OP ik	unable to discern, unable to think clearly or objectively; shortsighted
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> perceptive
	She is so myopic that she never sees all of her options.		
	Derivatives >>	myopically	
15.	<b>plethora</b>	PLETH ur uh	superabundance, excessive amount
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> scarcity
	She offered a plethora of excuses for failing French, none of which were acceptable.		
	Derivatives >>	plethoric	
16.	<b>propitious</b>	pruh PISH us	favorably disposed, graciously inclined
	Synonyms >>	helpful, advantageous, benevolent, favorable, auspicious	Antonym >> unfavorable; inauspicious
	America has conditions propitious to democracy.		
	Derivatives >>	propitiously, propitiousness, propitiate, propitiated, propitiatory	
17.	<b>protrusion</b>	pro TROO zhun	something sticking out
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> indentation
	A large protrusion on his head was the result of being hit by the bat.		
	Derivatives >>	protusive, protusively, protusiveness	
18.	<b>quack</b>	KWAK	an unqualified or fake doctor, charlatan
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> qualified physician
	Fortunately the girl was saved from the scalpel of the quack who called himself a doctor.		
	Derivatives >>	quackery, quackish, quackishly, quackishness, quackism	
19.	<b>querulous</b>	KWER uh lus	constantly complaining, whining
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> uncomplaining
	Amy irritates me when she constantly speaks in her querulous voice.		
	Derivatives >>	querulously, querulousness, querulist, querulent	
20.	<b>rustic</b>	RUS tik	relating to the country
	Synonyms >>	rural, coarse	Antonym >> urban; relating to the city
	The rustic cabin in the mountains was small but comfortable.		
	Derivatives >>	rustical, rustically, rusticate, rustication, rusticator	
21.	<b>sovereign</b>	SOV rin	possessed of controlling power
	Synonyms >>	predominant, paramount, preponderant	Antonym >> without power
	The king is sovereign within his country.		
	Derivatives >>	sovereignly, sovereignty, sovranity	
22.	<b>temperance</b>	TEM pur uns	moderation or self-restraint in action or statement
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The woman exercised temperance in filling her plate with small portions of food.		
	Derivatives >>	temperate, temperately, temperateness	
23.	<b>truncate</b>	TRUNG kate	to shorten by cutting
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to lengthen
	If you truncate the board, it will fit into the space you desire.		
	Derivatives >>	truncated, truncately, truncation, truncature	
24.	<b>undulant</b>	UN juh lunt	moving with or resembling a wavelike motion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> motionless
	Playing golf on an undulant terrain is usually difficult.		
	Derivatives >>	undulance, undulate, undulated, undulating, undulation, undulatory	
25.	<b>viscosity</b>	vis KOS eh tee	property of having a high resistance to flow
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Heinz ketchup has a high viscosity.		
	Derivatives >>	viscous	

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### Matching Test



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.  | abeyance    | a. | suspension of action                  |
| _____ | 2.  | burly       | b. | ardent; showing great emotion         |
| _____ | 3.  | cavalier    | c. | to compete; to attempt to disprove    |
| _____ | 4.  | chagrin     | d. | to gather together in a mass; to clot |
| _____ | 5.  | coagulate   | e. | a long period of time                 |
| _____ | 6.  | compilation | f. | to deprive of leaves                  |
| _____ | 7.  | contest     | g. | accumulation of many things           |
| _____ | 8.  | defoliate   | h. | vexation through humiliation          |
| _____ | 9.  | effigy      | i. | great in bodily size; brusque         |
| _____ | 10. | eon         | j. | cleverness; inventiveness             |
| _____ | 11. | fervent     | k. | a dummy image of a person             |
| _____ | 12. | ingenuity   | l. | disdainful; treating matters lightly  |

### Exercise B

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|-------|-----|------------|----|----------------------------------|
| _____ | 1.  | insidious  | a. | relating to the country; rural   |
| _____ | 2.  | myopic     | b. | unqualified doctor; fake         |
| _____ | 3.  | plethora   | c. | having a high resistance to flow |
| _____ | 4.  | propitious | d. | a narrow view of something       |
| _____ | 5.  | protrusion | e. | something sticking out           |
| _____ | 6.  | quack      | f. | moderation or self-restraint     |
| _____ | 7.  | querulous  | g. | moving with a wavelike motion    |
| _____ | 8.  | rustic     | h. | favorable disposed; helpful      |
| _____ | 9.  | sovereign  | i. | possessed of controlling power   |
| _____ | 10. | temperance | j. | constantly whining; complaining  |
| _____ | 11. | truncate   | k. | dangerous in a secretive way     |
| _____ | 12. | undulant   | l. | shorten by cutting               |
| _____ | 13. | viscosity  | m. | superabundance; excessive amount |

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## Sentence Completion



abeyance	burly	cavalier	chagrin
coagulate	compilation	contest	defoliate
effigy	eons	fervent	ingenuity

1. Sara was so completely absorbed in reading the \_\_\_\_\_ of accumulated stories and poems that she was late for work, much to her humiliation and \_\_\_\_\_.
2. I can prove that you are wrong about me, and I have a witness to help me \_\_\_\_\_ your statement.
3. The woman made a \_\_\_\_\_ plea to the government to stop the practice of polluting the country's rivers with toxic waste; her impassioned words impressed the officials.
4. The doctor insisted that the blood not be allowed to \_\_\_\_\_; he did not want a blood clot forming and endangering the man's life.
5. Although the chemical claimed to \_\_\_\_\_ the trees, not all the leaves were completely removed.
6. The man's \_\_\_\_\_ was amazing; he had his car held together by clothes hangers and paperclips. He could solve any problems with those two items.
7. I am sure it will be \_\_\_\_\_ before I can save enough money to buy another car; I'll be dead before that much time passes.
8. The mob was held in \_\_\_\_\_ by the man's pacifying words; the crowd seemed suspended in time as they listened to his every word.
9. His disdainful and uncaring altitude caused him to be described as \_\_\_\_\_.
10. The football pep rally ended when the \_\_\_\_\_ of the opponent was thrown on the fire to burn; fortunately it was only a dummy that they were burning.
11. I was shocked when I found the \_\_\_\_\_ man at my door; his great bodily size and brusque manner alarmed me at first.

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insidious	myopic	plethora	propitious	protrusion
quack	querulous	rustic	sovereign	temperance
truncated	undulant	viscosity		

12. It is because of her \_\_\_\_\_ vision that she cannot get out of her predicament; she can see only one course of action.
13. The mother always had a \_\_\_\_\_ of advice for her daughter, but the child sometimes grew tired of the abundant suggestions.
14. 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.
15. The \_\_\_\_\_ work of a con man often leaves gullible people secretly tricked out of their life savings.
16. The general’s \_\_\_\_\_ reception of the enemy messenger showed his favorable inclination toward a peace treaty.
17. Formally speaking, the \_\_\_\_\_ of lumber was \_\_\_\_\_ by the carpenter; simply stated, he cut off the long boards that were sticking out.
18. Because I wanted to try country life, I moved to a \_\_\_\_\_ country shack with no electricity or indoor plumbing.
19. The President possesses \_\_\_\_\_ and complete power over the executive branch of our government.
20. The \_\_\_\_\_ of honey is similar to that of molasses: both flow slowly.
21. The field was \_\_\_\_\_ with green corn stalks what waved like the ocean as the breeze blew across them.
22. That is the most \_\_\_\_\_ child I have ever seen; all she ever does is whine and complain.
23. We encouraged the man to use \_\_\_\_\_ in his drinking; if he could practice moderation he would not get drunk so much.