

# Lesson 32

## Definitions



1.	<b>amenity</b>	uh MEN uh tee	agreeable ways or manners; the quality of being agreeable or pleasant
	Synonyms >>	courtesies, civilities	Antonym >> unpleasant feature
	The woman was adored for her social amenities.		
	Derivatives >>	amenities	
2.	<b>anathema</b>	uh NATH uh muh	a vigorous denunciation; one who is intensely disliked
	Synonyms >>	imprecation, curse	Antonym >>
	The rebellious boy continued in his wayward actions despite the anathema pronounced by his father.		
	Derivatives >>	anathemas, anathematic, anathematical, anathematically, anathemation, anathematize, anathemize	
3.	<b>atypical</b>	a TIP uh kul	unusual or abnormal; odd
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> usual
	Screaming at the referee is atypical for that normally calm coach.		
	Derivatives >>	atypic, atypically	
4.	<b>balky</b>	BALL kee	refusing to proceed in an expected direction
	Synonyms >>	contrary, perverse, restive, wayward	Antonym >> easily led
	When he refused to move he acted just like a balky mule.		
	Derivatives >>	balkily, balkiness, balkingly	
5.	<b>bourgeois</b>	BOOR zhwah	a person with the traits or viewpoints of the bourgeoisie
	Synonyms >>	middle class, mediocre	Antonym >>
	Your outdated ideas are so bourgeois.		
	Derivatives >>	bourgeoisie	
6.	<b>concert</b>	KON surt	agreement in purpose or feeling, consensus
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> discord
	My wife and children were in concert together to destroy me.		
	Derivatives >>	concerted, concertedly	
7.	<b>confluence</b>	KON floo uns	a coming together
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> divergence
	What is the name of the town that sits at the confluence of the Missouri and Mississippi rivers?		
	Derivatives >>	confluent	
8.	<b>corpulence</b>	KOR pyuh luns	state of being very fat
	Synonyms >>	obesity	Antonym >> emaciation
	Overeating will lead to corpulence.		
	Derivatives >>	corpulent, corpulently	
9.	<b>dirge</b>	DURJ	funeral hymn, lament
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dance
	The music was so morose and solemn that it sounded like a dirge.		
	Derivatives >>	dirgeful, dirges	
10.	<b>disconcerting</b>	dis kun SUR ting	upsetting, frustrating
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> refreshing; calming
	That he has not responded to the medicine is disconcerting.		
	Derivatives >>	disconcert, disconcerted, disconcertedness, disconcerting, disconcertingly, disconcertingness, disconcertment	
11.	<b>endemic</b>	en DEM ik	peculiar to or a trait of a group or area
	Synonyms >>	aboriginal, indigenous, native	Antonym >> alien
	Great height is endemic to members of that African tribe.		
	Derivatives >>	endemic, endemically, endemicity, endemism	

12.	<b>focus</b>	FOE kus	to concentrate		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to scatter
	We need to focus our attention on today's topic and not on extraneous matters.				
	Derivatives >>	focused, focusing, focuses, focusable, focuser, focusless			
13.	<b>hilarity</b>	heh LAR eh tee	boisterous merriment, mirth		
	Synonyms >>	glee, jollity		Antonym >>	gloominess
	The party was marked by great hilarity.				
	Derivatives >>	hilarious, hilariously, hilariousness			
14.	<b>indict</b>	in DITE	to charge or to accuse		
	Synonyms >>	incriminate, blame, impeach		Antonym >>	to absolve, to exonerate, to acquit
	If the Grand Jury indicts the man, he will be tried for murder.				
	Derivatives >>	indicter, indictor, indictable, indictably, indictment			
15.	<b>latent</b>	LATE unt	not visible, dormant		
	Synonyms >>	abeyant, quiescent		Antonym >>	obvious
	Sometimes a teacher can cause latent talents to emerge.				
	Derivatives >>	latency			
16.	<b>monumental</b>	mon yuh MEN tul	massive, very great, very important		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	trivial
	Sending man to the moon was a monumental achievement.				
	Derivatives >>	monumentalism, monumentality, monumentally			
17.	<b>myriad</b>	MIR ee id	a very large and indefinite number		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	small number
	The myriad of races and cultures that make up America is said to resemble a mosaic.				
	Derivatives >>	myriadfold, myriadly			
18.	<b>oscillating</b>	OS uh lay ting	moving back and forth, swinging, varying		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	remaining steady
	The oscillating pendulum was beginning to unnerve me.				
	Derivatives >>	oscillate, oscillates, oscillated, oscillation, oscillator, oscillatory			
19.	<b>pithy</b>	PITH ee	concise and meaningful		
	Synonyms >>	compendious, laconic, succinct, summary, terse		Antonym >>	long and drawn out
	Due to great demands on his time, the President needs memos that he must read to be pithy.				
	Derivatives >>	pithier, pithiest, pith			
20.	<b>premeditated</b>	pree MED eh tay ted	thought out beforehand		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	spontaneous
	Premeditated murder is punishable by the death penalty in Texas.				
	Derivatives >>	premeditate, premeditatedly, premeditatedness, premeditatingly, premeditation, premeditative			
21.	<b>presage</b>	PRES ij	something that foreshadows a future event; foreknowledge of the future		
	Synonyms >>	omen, foreboding, presentiment, prediction		Antonym >>	
	Many view a rainbow as a presage of good fortune.				
	Derivatives >>	presageful, presagement, presager, presaging, presagingly, presagious			
22.	<b>quixotic</b>	kwik SOT ik	idealistic but impractical		
	Synonyms >>	chimera, fanciful, fantastic, visionary		Antonym >>	practical
	It is usually quixotic for a commoner to pursue a relationship with a member of the royal family.				
	Derivatives >>	quixote, quixotical, quixotically, quixotism, quixotize, quixotry			
23.	<b>reserve</b>	reh ZURV	self-restraint		
	Synonyms >>	reticence		Antonym >>	lack of restraint
	He showed a lot of reserve in dealing with the harsh critics at the meeting.				
	Derivatives >>	reserved, reservedly, reserveless			
24.	<b>stasis</b>	STAY sis	motionlessness, stagnation		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	flux
	At a particular point of stasis, one cannot advance in growth or understanding.				
	Derivatives >>	stases			
25.	<b>warranted</b>	WOR un ted	justified		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	unjustified
	The jury felt that the death penalty was warranted because of the heinous nature of the crime.				
	Derivatives >>	warrant, warrantable, warrantableness, warrantably			

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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.  | amenity       | a. | native; indigenous                        |
| _____ | 2.  | anathema      | b. | state of being very fat                   |
| _____ | 3.  | atypical      | c. | agreement in purpose or feeling           |
| _____ | 4.  | balky         | d. | middle class; mediocre                    |
| _____ | 5.  | bourgeois     | e. | not usual or normal                       |
| _____ | 6.  | concert       | f. | funeral hymn; lament                      |
| _____ | 7.  | confluence    | g. | vigorous denunciation                     |
| _____ | 8.  | corpulence    | h. | to concentrate                            |
| _____ | 9.  | dirge         | i. | an agreeable manner; a courtesy           |
| _____ | 10. | disconcerting | j. | a coming together                         |
| _____ | 11. | endemic       | k. | upsetting; frustrating                    |
| _____ | 12. | focus         | l. | refusing to proceed in an expected manner |

### Exercise B

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|-------|-----|--------------|----|------------------------------|
| _____ | 1.  | hilarity     | a. | foreknowledge of the future  |
| _____ | 2.  | indict       | b. | concise and meaningful       |
| _____ | 3.  | latent       | c. | very large indefinite number |
| _____ | 4.  | monumental   | d. | self-restraint               |
| _____ | 5.  | myriad       | e. | not visible; dormant         |
| _____ | 6.  | oscillating  | f. | justified                    |
| _____ | 7.  | pithy        | g. | boisterous merriment         |
| _____ | 8.  | premeditated | h. | to charge or to accuse       |
| _____ | 9.  | presage      | i. | motionlessness; stagnation   |
| _____ | 10. | quixotic     | j. | very great; very important   |
| _____ | 11. | reserve      | k. | idealistic but impractical   |
| _____ | 12. | stasis       | l. | moving back and forth        |
| _____ | 13. | warranted    | m. | thought out beforehand       |

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### Sentence Completion



amenity	anathema	atypical	balky
bourgeois	concert	confluence	corpulence
dirge	disconcerting	endemic	focused

1. The traitor's name became an \_\_\_\_\_ to his countrymen; he was vigorously denounced by all.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ man refused to go shopping with his wife, and nothing she said could make him change his mind.
3. Once, fat men regarded their \_\_\_\_\_ as a sign of success; today, they worry that being overweight will lead to a heart attack
4. The secret documents proved that an agreement had been reached for the two countries to work in \_\_\_\_\_ with each other.
5. It was \_\_\_\_\_ for me to listen to the \_\_\_\_\_; the funeral song upset me considerably.
6. John is \_\_\_\_\_ because, unlike most people, he writes with his left hand.
7. I was not impressed with his \_\_\_\_\_ behavior; his manners quickly labeled him as a common, middle-class citizen.
8. The teacher handed out the lenses to the class, giving the students a means to study the effects of concentrated light \_\_\_\_\_ on paper.
9. Throughout the region the \_\_\_\_\_ condition of poverty existed everywhere.
10. Three major rivers meet at the same point; their \_\_\_\_\_ makes the resulting river one of the world's largest.
11. Having the table decorated according to her color scheme is an \_\_\_\_\_ we didn't expect; but she always does things in a most agreeable way.

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hilarity	indict	latent	monumental	myriad
oscillating	pithy	premeditated	presage	quixotic
reserve	stasis	warranted		

12. It is usually \_\_\_\_\_ for a commoner to pursue a relationship with a member of the royalty; it is impractical and not likely to happen.
13. The \_\_\_\_\_ of the clown's skit caused us to laugh so hard we fell over.
14. This battle will go down in history as one of \_\_\_\_\_ importance, for it was the turning point of the war.
15. The fan's \_\_\_\_\_ blades moved back and forth, blowing the cool air first to the left and then to the right.
16. Your comments about the book are quite \_\_\_\_\_; you say things in a very concise and direct manner.
17. Since he had carefully planned his crime for eight months, the suspect was found guilty of \_\_\_\_\_ murder.
18. The mother of the juvenile urged the judge not to \_\_\_\_\_ her son, but he still charged the boy with assault.
19. Claiming a knowledge of future events, the gypsy sought to \_\_\_\_\_ things to come.
20. Jane's extensive travels have helped her become acquainted with \_\_\_\_\_ foreign countries and customs.
21. His success, which did not come until later in life, was attributed to his \_\_\_\_\_ talents.
22. Ted is a man of great \_\_\_\_\_, but his self-restraint was really tested by the lawsuit filed against him.
23. Your excessive anger is neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor justified.
24. Suspended animation is a form of \_\_\_\_\_ in which people lie motionless for hundreds or even thousands of years.