

# The Crucible

by Arthur Miller

## Definitions



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1.	<b>abrogate</b>	AB ruh gayt	to abolish, to do away with
	Synonyms >>	annul, invalidate, negate, nullify	Antonym >> to establish
	The king abrogated the law passed by the parliament.		
	Derivatives >>	abrogable, abrogation, abrogative, abrogator, abrogated, abrogating	
2.	<b>abyss</b>	uh BISS	bottomless hole, a vast expanse or depth
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The man had fallen into the abyss of depravity.		
	Derivatives >>	abysm, abysmal, abysmally, abyssal	
3.	<b>adamant</b>	AD uh munt	inflexible, immovable, obstinate
	Synonyms >>	inexorable, obdurate	Antonym >> pliant
	The man was adamant in his decision to seek a political office.		
	Derivatives >>	adamantine, adamantive, adamancy, adamantly	
4.	<b>ameliorate</b>	uh MEE lee o rate	to make better, to relieve, to improve
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to make worse; to aggravate
	Social workers attempt to ameliorate the conditions of people living in the slum areas.		
	Derivatives >>	ameliorated, ameliorating, ameliorable, ameliorant, ameliorative, ameliorator, amelioration	
5.	<b>augury</b>	AW gyuh ree	an omen or prophecy
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	Several auguries were revealed to Caesar before his death.		
	Derivatives >>	augur, auguries, augured	
6.	<b>autocrat</b>	AW toe krat	a person with unlimited influence and authority (usually a negative word)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	The people wanted to overthrow the despotic autocrat.		
	Derivatives >>	autocracy, autocratic, autocratical, autocratically	
7.	<b>baseness</b>	BASE ness	the quality of lacking higher values
	Synonyms >>	vileness, servility, unworthiness	Antonym >>
	We were shocked at the criminal's baseness.		
	Derivatives >>	base, baser, basest, basely	
8.	<b>begrudge</b>	buh GRUJ	to give reluctantly, to envy a possession or one's enjoyment
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to give willingly
	She did not begrudge the money spent on her child's education.		
	Derivatives >>	begrudged, begrudging, begrudgingly	
9.	<b>beguile</b>	buh GUYL	to deceive, to mislead, to persuade with charm
	Synonyms >>	delude	Antonym >> to enlighten
	We sometimes allow ourselves to be beguiled by flatterers.		
	Derivatives >>	beguiled, beguiling, beguilement, beguiler	
10.	<b>bemuse</b>	buh MUZE	to confuse or to bewilder
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to enlighten
	He did not intend to bemuse the class with his ambiguous remarks.		
	Derivatives >>	bemused	
11.	<b>blasphemous</b>	BLAS fuh mus	irreverent, profane
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sacred; reverent
	Telling that sacrilegious joke is blasphemous.		
	Derivatives >>	blaspheme, blasphemed, blaspheming, blasphemmer, blasphemousness, blasphemously, blasphemy	

12.	<b>calamity</b>	kuh LAM uh tee	a serious event causing distress or misfortune
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	cataclysm, catastrophe	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> good fortune
		The earthquake in Mexico was a calamity.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	calamitous, calamitously, calamitousness	
13.	<b>conciliate</b>	kun SIL ee ate	to reconcile, to pacify, to renew a friendship
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	appease, mollify, placate, propitiate	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> to estrange
		My husband tried to conciliate me with a gift of roses.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	conciliated, conciliating, conciliator, conciliatoriness, conciliatorily	
14.	<b>confound</b>	kon FOUND	to cause one to become confused
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> to distinguish between
		I am confounded by the tax forms of the IRS.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	confounded, confoundedly, confounding, confounds	
15.	<b>contempt</b>	kun TEMPT	scorn, extreme dislike or disdain
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	despicableness, pitiableness, scurviness	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> respect
		The man treated the gossiping woman with contempt; talking about other people was beneath his dignity.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	contemptible, contemptuous	
16.	<b>contentious</b>	kun TEN shus	quarrelsome, stirring controversy
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	bellicose, belligerent, pugnacious	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> congenial; harmonious
		My contentious child will not listen to any form of reason.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	contentiously, contentiousness, contention	
17.	<b>corroboration</b>	kuh rob uh RAY shun	confirmation
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	authentication, substantiation, validation, verification	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> refutation
		Fortunately, I had some corroboration for my whereabouts on the night of the crime.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	corroborate, corroborated, corroborating, corroboratory, corroboratively, corroborator	
18.	<b>credulous</b>	KREJ uh lus	believing on slight evidence, gullible
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> suspicious
		Because the lady's horoscope said that she should stay inside, the credulous woman did not go to work.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	credulously, credulousness, credulity	
19.	<b>defamation</b>	def uh MAY shun	act of harming or ruining another's reputation
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> adulation
		The defamation of another's character is a horrible thing.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	defamatory, defame, defamed, defamer, defamingly	
20.	<b>deference</b>	DEF ur uns	courteous going along with the opinions or wishes of another
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	homage, reverence, respect	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> disrespect
		In deference to your wishes, I will not see him again.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	deferential, deferentially, deferentiality	
21.	<b>dissemble</b>	deh SEM bul	to disguise, to pretend
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> to reveal
		Although he tried to dissemble his motive for seeing me, I knew the real reason.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	dissembled, dissembling, dissembler, dissemblingly	
22.	<b>dogmatic</b>	dog MAT ik	strongly opinionated in an unwarranted manner
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	dictatorial, doctrinaire, magisterial, oracular	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> unopinionated; wishy-washy
		He was so dogmatic that having an intelligent discussion with him was impossible.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	dogmatician, dogmatical, dogmatically, dogmaticalness, dogmaticism, dogmatism, dogmatize, dogmatization	
23.	<b>ecstasy</b>	EK stuh see	extreme happiness
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	rapture, transport	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> wretchedness
		The music was so beautiful that it put the crowd into a state of ecstasy.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	ecstatic, ecstatical, ecstatically	
24.	<b>effrontery</b>	eh FRUN tuh ree	extreme boldness, audacity
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	cheek, chutzpah, gall, hardihood, nerve, temerity	<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> diffidence
		I can't believe you had the effrontery to say such a rude thing to your parents.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	effronteries	
25.	<b>exalt</b>	ig ZALT	to glorify, to praise, to raise in rank
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> to defame; to deprecate
		The woman was exalted for her successes in the field of science.	
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	exalted, exalting, exalts, exaltation, exaltedly, exaltedness, exalter	

26.	<b>formidable</b>	FORE meh duh bul	menacing, causing fear or awe
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> harmless; unimportant
	That retired boxer was a formidable opponent in his time.		
	Derivatives >>	formidability, formidableness, formidably	
27.	<b>gaunt</b>	GAWNT	very thin, emaciated, angular
	Synonyms >>	lank, lean, rawboned, spare	Antonym >> rotund, corpulent
	Prisoners in World War II concentration camps became gaunt from lack of nutrition.		
	Derivatives >>	gauntly, gauntness, gaunty	
28.	<b>heretical</b>	huh RET eh kul	contrary to church doctrine or accepted beliefs or standards
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sacred
	His heretical statements were offensive to many believers.		
	Derivatives >>	heretic, heretically, hereticalness, hereticate, heretication, hereticator	
29.	<b>hypocrite</b>	HIP uh krit	one who is insincere or deceitful
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> sincere person
	Saying one thing and then doing the other is the mark of a hypocrite.		
	Derivatives >>	hypocrites, hypocritical, hypocritically, hypocritical, hypocrisy	
30.	<b>indigenous</b>	in DIJ eh nus	native to a certain area
	Synonyms >>	aboriginal, endemic, native	Antonym >> alien
	Many types of cacti are indigenous to the southwest deserts of the United States.		
	Derivatives >>	indigenously, indigenize, indigenization	
31.	<b>indignation</b>	in dig NAY shun	anger as a result of something unjust
	Synonyms >>	fury, ire, rage, wrath	Antonym >> serenity
	I have much indignation about the light sentence given to the drunk driver who ran over my child .		
	Derivatives >>	indignant, indignantly, indignance, indignify, indignities	
32.	<b>ineptness</b>	in EPT nes	lack of competence or judgment
	Synonyms >>	gauche, maladroït	Antonym >> expertise
	The evidence of his ineptness as a coach is his poor win-loss record.		
	Derivatives >>	inept, ineptly, ineptitude	
33.	<b>inert</b>	in URT	unable to move or to act, sluggish
	Synonyms >>	idle, passive, supine	Antonym >> active
	It takes a long time to get things done when we must depend on inert bureaucrats.		
	Derivatives >>	inertia, inertial, inertion, inertness, inertly	
34.	<b>ingratiate</b>	in GRAY she ate	to make an effort to gain good favor with someone
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to alienate
	He tried to ingratiate himself with the girl's parents by always being polite.		
	Derivatives >>	ingratiating, ingratiatingly, ingratiating, ingratiatory	
35.	<b>innate</b>	eh NATE	existing from birth, inborn
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> learned
	He has innate athletic talents that cannot be taught.		
	Derivatives >>	innated, innately, innateness, innatism, innative	
36.	<b>junta</b>	HOON tuh	a group of people who join in running a government (after a revolution)
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> patriots
	In the early 1980s, Argentina was governed by a military junta composed of generals.		
	Derivatives >>	juntas, junto	
37.	<b>licentious</b>	lie SEN shus	lacking moral or sexual restraint, wanton
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> restrained
	His licentious behavior caused him to lose his honored position in society.		
	Derivatives >>	licentiously, licentiousness	
38.	<b>malevolence</b>	muh LEV uh lens	ill will or evil intentions
	Synonyms >>	malice, malignity, spite, spleen	Antonym >> benevolence
	The old man's malevolence was obvious when he removed the girl from his will.		
	Derivatives >>	malevolent, malevolently	
39.	<b>malign</b>	muh LINE	to utter injuriously misleading reports about
	Synonyms >>	traduce, asperse, vilify, calumniate, defame	Antonym >> to extol
	Several old gossips in the neighborhood had maligned the woman.		
	Derivatives >>	malignance, malignancy, malignant, malignantly	

40.	<b>methodical</b>	muh THOD eh kul	proceeding in a regular or systematic order
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> haphazard
	The surgeon was very methodical in delivering the baby.		
	Derivatives >>	methodically, methodicalness	
41.	<b>orthodox</b>	OR thuh doks	conforming to established standards, conventional
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> unconventional
	The church is founded upon a set of orthodox views.		
	Derivatives >>	orthodoxness, orthodoxical, orthodoxically, orthodoxism, orthodoxly, orthodoxy	
42.	<b>pallor</b>	PAL ur	extreme paleness usually relating to the face
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> ruddy color
	The strange disease left the man with a sickly pallor.		
	Derivatives >>	pallors	
43.	<b>paradoxical</b>	pair uh DOKS uh kul	something that appears false or contradictory but is actually correct
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >>
	It is paradoxical that a man from the South, Lyndon Johnson, led the fight for the passage of a civil rights bill.		
	Derivatives >>	paradoxicality, paradoxicalness, paradoxology, paradoxality	
44.	<b>parochial</b>	puh ROE key ul	limited in range or scope, narrow, provincial
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> broadminded
	Having parochial attitudes, she was not receptive to new ideas.		
	Derivatives >>	parochialism, parochiality, parochialize, parochially	
45.	<b>partisan</b>	PAR ti zen	one who exhibits extreme or possibly blind allegiance to a group or cause
	Synonyms >>	adherent, disciple, follower	Antonym >> antagonist
	The cause was supported by a small group of partisans.		
	Derivatives >>	partisanism, partisanry, partisanship	
46.	<b>placid</b>	PLAS id	peaceful, calm
	Synonyms >>	serene, tranquil	Antonym >> disturbed
	The wilderness is usually a placid place where one can relax.		
	Derivatives >>	placidity, placidly, placidness	
47.	<b>predilection</b>	pred uh LEK shun	preference
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> dislike; disinclination
	He has a predilection for fish when he goes out to eat.		
	Derivatives >>	predilect, predilected	
48.	<b>prodigious</b>	pruh DIJ us	extraordinary in bulk, quantity, or degree, great in size, enormous
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> puny; minuscule
	His prodigious appetite allowed him to eat the entire turkey.		
	Derivatives >>	prodigiously, prodigiousness	
49.	<b>propriety</b>	pruh PRY eh tee	correct conduct
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> indecorum
	Those who attend the club meetings should conduct themselves with propriety.		
	Derivatives >>	proprieties	
50.	<b>prudent</b>	PROOD unt	wise and careful about practical matters
	Synonyms >>	judicious, sage, sane, sapient	Antonym >> indiscreet; incautious
	In the city, it is prudent to have locks on all doors and windows.		
	Derivatives >>	prudence, prudential, prudently	
51.	<b>quake</b>	KWAKE	to shake from shock or instability
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to remain motionless
	I began to quake in my boots when he pulled a gun.		
	Derivatives >>	quaked, quaking	
52.	<b>reproach</b>	reh PROCH	to blame for something; a disgrace
	Synonyms >>	admonish, castigate, chasten, chastise, chide, rebuke,	Antonym >> to praise; accolade
	Her conduct was so good that it was beyond reproach.		
	Derivatives >>	reproachable, reproachful, reproachfully, reproachfulness, reproachingly	
53.	<b>rescind</b>	reh SEND	to cancel
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to restore
	He said that he will have to rescind his offer if he does not hear from us by Tuesday.		
	Derivatives >>	rescindable, rescinder, rescindment	

54.	<b>resurge</b>	reh SURJ	to rise again	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>			<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> to remain quiescent
		Our football team's chances of a title will resurge if the coach drafts a good quarterback.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	resurgence, resurgency, resurgent		
55.	<b>savory</b>	SAY vuh ree	appetizing	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	palatable, toothsome		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> unappetizing
		My mother is known for her savory meals.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	savor, savored, savorer, savorily, savoriness, savoringly, savorous, savorsome		
56.	<b>sectarian</b>	sek TARE ee un	a member of a sect that is a faction with extreme beliefs	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	narrow-minded		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> broad-minded
		His sectarian beliefs marked him as being extremely narrow-minded.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	sectarianism, sectarianize		
57.	<b>sublime</b>	suh BLIME	exalted, noble, uplifting	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>	resplendent, superb		<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b>
		The romantic dinner, which included delicious food, soft music, and a beautiful setting, was simply sublime.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	sublimely, sublimeness, sublimer		
58.	<b>trepidation</b>	trep eh DAY shun	fear, trembling, agitation	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>			<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> fearlessness
		Since I did not have time to study, I have a lot of trepidation about this examination.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	trepidate, trepidant, trepid, trepidly, trepidity		
59.	<b>vindictive</b>	vin DIK tiv	revengeful, spiteful	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>			<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b> loving; forgiving
		You should be more forgiving and less vindictive.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	vindicated, vindication, vindicative, vindicator, vindicatory, vindictive, vindictively, vindictiveness		
60.	<b>wily</b>	WILE ee	cunning, crafty	
	<b>Synonyms &gt;&gt;</b>			<b>Antonym &gt;&gt;</b>
		"Wily as a fox" is an expression that means a person is very crafty at some activity.		
	<b>Derivatives &gt;&gt;</b>	wile, wiled, wiling, wilier, wiliest		

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These words which appear in **The Crucible** have been identified as words that have appeared on past SAT tests. They appear here in alphabetical order.

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|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| 1. abrogation     | 21. dogmatically            | 41. orthodox     |
| 2. abyss          | 22. ecstatic                | 42. pallor       |
| 3. adamant        | 23. effrontery              | 43. paradox      |
| 4. ameliorate     | 24. exaltation              | 44. parochial    |
| 5. augur          | 25. formidable              | 45. partisan     |
| 6. autocratic     | 26. gaunt                   | 46. placidly     |
| 7. base           | 27. heretics                | 47. predilection |
| 8. begrudge       | 28. hypocrisy               | 48. prodigious   |
| 9. beguile        | 29. incredulous (credulous) | 49. propriety    |
| 10. bemused       | 30. indigenously            | 50. prudent      |
| 11. blasphemy     | 31. indignant               | 51. quaking      |
| 12. calamity      | 32. ineptly                 | 52. reproach     |
| 13. conciliatory  | 33. inert                   | 53. rescinded    |
| 14. confounded    | 34. ingratiating            | 54. resurgence   |
| 15. contempt      | 35. innate                  | 55. savor        |
| 16. contentious   | 36. junta                   | 56. sect         |
| 17. corroborating | 37. licentious              | 57. sublime      |
| 18. defamation    | 38. malevolence             | 58. trepidation  |
| 19. deference     | 39. malign                  | 59. vindictive   |
| 20. dissembling   | 40. methodical              | 60. wily         |

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## Introduction

1. savor
2. dogmatically
3. indigenously
4. orthodox
5. heretics

## Act 1

6. inert
7. sect
8. innate
9. parochial
10. predilection
11. ingratiating
12. junta
13. autocratic
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15. dissembling
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30. methodical
31. abrogation
32. resurgence
33. wily
34. malevolence
35. exaltation
36. prudent
37. licentious

## Act Two

38. ecstatic
39. pallor
40. ameliorate

41. indignant
42. begrudge
43. base
44. ineptly
45. calamity
46. blasphemy

## Act 3

47. contentious
48. contempt
49. effrontery
50. reproach
51. confounded
52. placidly
53. sublime
54. augur

## ACT 4

55. gaunt
56. adamant
57. beguile
58. conciliatory
59. incredulously
60. rescinded

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## Vocabulary Test 1

**Directions:** Match the word in the left column with the correct definition in the right column.

### Exercise A

- |           |            |    |  |
|-----------|------------|----|--|
| _____ 1.  | abrogation | a. | to make an omen or prophecy                      |
| _____ 2.  | abyss      | b. | to give reluctantly                              |
| _____ 3.  | adamant    | c. | the abolishing of something, the doing away with |
| _____ 4.  | ameliorate | d. | to deceive, mislead, or persuade with charm      |
| _____ 5.  | augur      | e. | to make better, to relieve, to improve           |
| _____ 6.  | autocratic | f. | having unlimited influence and authority         |
| _____ 7.  | base       | g. | bottomless hole, a vast expanse or depth         |
| _____ 8.  | begrudge   | h. | lacking higher values                            |
| _____ 9.  | beguile    | i. | confused or bewildered                           |
| _____ 10. | bemused    | j. | inflexible, immovable, obstinate                 |

### Exercise B

- |           |               |    |   |
|-----------|---------------|----|---|
| _____ 11. | blasphemy     | k. | quarrelsome, stirring controversy                   |
| _____ 12. | calamity      | l. | irreverence, profanity                              |
| _____ 13. | conciliatory  | m. | courteous going along with the wishes of another    |
| _____ 14. | confounded    | n. | scorn, extreme dislike or disdain                   |
| _____ 15. | contempt      | o. | a serious event causing distress or misfortune      |
| _____ 16. | contentious   | p. | confused  |
| _____ 17. | corroborating | q. | act of harming or ruining another's reputation      |
| _____ 18. | credulous     | r. | tending to reconcile, pacify, or renew a friendship |
| _____ 19. | defamation    | s. | confirming  |
| _____ 20. | deference     | t. | believing on slight evidence, gullible              |

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## Vocabulary Test 2

**Directions:** Choose the letter of the definition that **best** fits the meaning of the word in **bold** type.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. to **dissemble** a motive  
a. present      b. disguise      c. argue      d. defend
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. a **dogmatic** statement  
a. honest      b. religious      c. opinionated      d. argumentative
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. to be in a state of **ecstasy**  
a. happiness      b. unconsciousness      c. drunkenness      d. sorrow
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. to have **effrontery**  
a. great fortune      b. a large lake lot      c. audacity      d. legal counsel
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. to **exalt** someone  
a. depress      b. endanger      c. release from prison      d. praise
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. a **formidable** opponent  
a. famous      b. harmless      c. menacing      d. well built
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. a **gaunt** face  
a. thin      b. brazen      c. stern      d. serene
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. a **heretical** statement  
a. humorous      b. contrary to church doctrine      c. mysterious      d. true
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. to be a **hypocrite**  
a. psychologist      b. insincere person      c. writer      d. overeater
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. to be **indigenous** to an area  
a. native      b. newc. familiar      d. alien
- \_\_\_\_\_ 11. an **indignant** reply  
a. informative      b. quizzical      c. angry      d. unsolicited
- \_\_\_\_\_ 12. an **inept** attempt  
a. praise worthy      b. incompetent      c. humorous      d. serious
- \_\_\_\_\_ 13. **inert** substances  
a. active      b. poisonous      c. harmless      d. sluggish
- \_\_\_\_\_ 14. to **ingratiate** oneself with someone  
a. gain good favor      b. introduce      c. attach      d. engage in an argument
- \_\_\_\_\_ 15. **innate** abilities  
a. magic      b. inborn      c. musical      d. unusual
- \_\_\_\_\_ 16. to be governed by a **junta**  
a. tyrant      b. foreigner      c. people running a government after a revolution
- \_\_\_\_\_ 17. **licentious** behavior  
a. impudent      b. wanton      c. soft-spoken      d. entertaining
- \_\_\_\_\_ 18. a **malevolent** action  
a. revolutionary      b. evil      c. clumsy      d. unannounced
- \_\_\_\_\_ 19. a **malignant** tumor  
a. harmless      b. growing      c. hostile      d. undiscovered
- \_\_\_\_\_ 20. **methodical** actions  
a. systematic      b. unnecessary      c. mysterious      d. varied

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## Vocabulary Test 3

### Exercise A

**Directions:** Select the word that **best** completes the following sentences

orthodox	pallor	paradoxical	partisan	placid
predilection	prodigious	propriety	prudent	quake

1. The man's \_\_\_\_\_ appetite was satisfied only after he had filled his plate three times.
2. The revolutionary group was headed by a single \_\_\_\_\_ who would die for the cause.
3. The sick man had a deathly \_\_\_\_\_ to his face.
4. We enjoyed camping near the \_\_\_\_\_ waters of the quiet mountain lake.
5. A gentleman usually conducts himself with \_\_\_\_\_ at social functions.
6. The church is founded upon a set of \_\_\_\_\_ rules.
7. The boy had a \_\_\_\_\_ for blondes; if a girl's hair was any other color, he wouldn't date her.
8. It seems \_\_\_\_\_ that a man with his convictions would be so involved in this particular cause.
9. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to ask who is on the other side before opening the door.
10. The girl was so frightened of the dog, she began to \_\_\_\_\_ in her shoes.

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### Exercise B

**Directions:** Select the word that **best** completes the following sentences

parochial	reproach	rescind	resurge	savory
sectarian	sublime	trepidation	vindictive	wily

1. After I had suffered such humiliation from the girl's rude comments, I felt somewhat \_\_\_\_\_ and wanted to get back at her by causing her a little pain and embarrassment.
2. The mother began to \_\_\_\_\_ her son for behaving in such a disrespectful manner; she thought he had taken money from her purse without asking.
3. The entire group was impressed by the \_\_\_\_\_ meal that was prepared by the cooks.
4. The evening of the prom with all its glitter and romance was absolutely \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Because of the father's \_\_\_\_\_ attitudes, he would not let his daughter date until she was eighteen years old.
6. His \_\_\_\_\_ beliefs marked him as being extremely narrow-minded.
7. The employer will have to \_\_\_\_\_ his offer if he does not hear from you by Tuesday; at that time he will hire someone else.
8. The woman approached her hostile boss with \_\_\_\_\_; she knew quite well that he was angry about the mistakes she had made.
9. The fisherman finally caught the \_\_\_\_\_ old fish who had escaped the man's hook for ten long years.
10. Our football team's chances of a district title will \_\_\_\_\_ if we can draft a good quarterback for the season.

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## Vocabulary Test 1

1. c    2. g    3. j    4. e    5. a    6. f    7. h  
8. b    9. d    10. i    11. l    12. o    13. r    14. p  
15. n    16. k    17. s    18. t    19. q    20. m

## Vocabulary Test 2

1. b    2. c    3. a    4. c    5. d    6. c    7. a  
8. b    9. b    10. a    11. c    12. b    13. d    14. a  
15. b    16. c    17. b    18. b    19. c    20. a

## Vocabulary Test 3

### Exercise A

1. prodigious
2. partisan
3. pallor
4. placid
5. propriety
6. orthodox
7. predilection
8. paradoxical
9. prudent
10. quake

### Exercise B

1. vindictive
2. reproach
3. savory
4. sublime
5. parochial
6. sectarian
7. rescind
8. trepidation
9. wily
10. resurge