



Word Bank:

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| 1. Adjacent | 5. Dynasty | 9. Hurtle | 13. Recompense | 17. Trickle |
| 2. Alight | 6. Foretaste | 10. Insinuate | 14. Renovate | 18. Trivial |
| 3. Barren | 7. Germinate | 11. Interminable | 15. Résumé | 19. Truce |
| 4. Disrupt | 8. Humdrum | 12. Interrogate | 16. Sullen | 20. Vicious |

COMPLETING THE SENTENCE: From the words in this unit, choose the one that best completes each of the following sentences. Write the word in the space provided.

- Many people who lead rather _____ lives get a great thrill from watching the exciting adventures of TV and movie superheroes.
- The “coming attractions” shown before the main feature gave us a distinct _____ of what the next film would be like.
- Although they lived in a house _____ to our, we never really got to know them well.
- The judge said to the lawyer, “You have a right to _____ the witness; but there is no need to bully her.”
- I never would have thought that so bitter and long-lasting a quarrel could result from such a(n) _____ and unimportant cause.
- We need large sums of money to keep our school system going, but we are getting only a (n) _____ of funds from the state.
- When I applied for the job I left a(n) _____ of my previous work experience with the personnel office.
- Though they didn’t say so in so many words, they did _____ that I was responsible for the accident.
- Although the building is old and needs repair, we are convinced that we can _____ it without spending a lot of money.
- After the big party, cleaning up, which was supposed to take “just a few minutes,” proved to be an almost _____ job.
- After the warring nations had agreed to a(n) _____, they faced the far more difficult task of working out a real peace.
- She was so happy and grateful that I felt more than _____ for all that I had tried to do to help her.
- Though my dog Rover is huge and fierce-looking, children are fond of him because he doesn’t have a(n) _____ disposition.
- As the drought continued without a letup, the once fertile farmlands of the region slowly became _____ “dust bowls.”
- The suspect’s only reaction to the detective’s question was a wry smile and _____ silence.
- In only a few days, the seeds that I had planted in the fertile soil of the garden began to _____ and take root.
- During the exciting chase, the police cars _____ through the town.
- In the 11th century, a foreign warlord invaded the country and set up a(n) _____ that ruled for more than 250 years.
- As we sat at the side of the lake, we enjoyed watching the wild geese swoop down and _____ on the surface of the water.
- Our carefully laid plans were completely _____ by a sudden and totally unexpected turn of events.

ANTONYMS: Choose the word from this unit that is **most nearly the opposite** in meaning as the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. Write the word on the line provided.

- Acres of **fertile** soil _____
- Was known as a **cheerful** patient _____
- Had a **lively** existence _____
- Walked to the **remote** building _____
- Would **organize** the meeting _____

SYNONYMS: Choose the word from this unit that is **the same** or **most nearly the same** in meaning as the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. Write the word on the line provided.

- 6. Given the day off as **compensation** _____
- 7. Chased by the **savage** dog _____
- 8. Decided to **fix up** the old theater _____
- 9. **Question** the guilt-looking man _____
- 10. Sit through a seemingly **never-ending** play _____
- 11. Attempt to **touch down** on the ground _____
- 12. **Imply** that it was the teacher's fault _____
- 13. Sent a **job history** to the company _____
- 14. Sign a binding **armistice** to end the fighting _____
- 15. Got a **preview** of what was in store _____
- 16. **Race** through space at an amazing speed _____
- 17. Is a **petty** matter not worth pursuing _____
- 18. Watch water **drip** from the tap _____
- 19. Begun during the time of the old **regime** _____
- 20. Started to **sprout** overnight _____

CHOOSING THE RIGHT WORD: Circle the word within the parentheses that more satisfactorily completes each of the following sentences.

- 1. Which He said that he was going to ask only "a few casual questions, "but I soon saw that he wanted to (recompense, interrogate) me thoroughly.
- 2. When we are having fun, time rushes by, but even five minutes in the dentist's waiting room may seem (adjacent, interminable).
- 3. The administration had no major scandals, but it was also (barren, sullen) of outstanding accomplishments.
- 4. With flattery and clever half-truths, the newcomers (insinuated, renovated) themselves into the inner circle of the organization.
- 5. The principal asked the students not to hang around in front of the houses and other buildings (adjacent to, alighting) the school.
- 6. "The program the usher handed you contains a brief (résumé, dynasty) of the action of the opera you are about to see," I replied.
- 7. As he grew old, the torrent of beautiful music that he had produced for so many years was reduced to a mere (foretaste, trickle).
- 8. Even the most (humdrum, vicious) work can be interesting if you regard it as a challenge to do the very best you can.
- 9. The flight attendant asked the passengers to make sure that they had all their personal belongings before (disrupting, alighting) from the aircraft.
- 10. Regardless of who started this silly quarrel, isn't it time for us to declare a (dynasty, truce) and work together for the best interests of the school?
- 11. Planted in the fertile soil of her imagination, the seed of a great idea soon (germinated, disrupted) into a workable proposal.
- 12. I am angry not because she criticized me but because she made remarks that were untrue and (trivial, vicious).
- 13. What we want to do is (recompense, renovate) the old house without harming its charm and beauty.
- 14. Only twenty yards from the finish line, the horse stumbled and (hurtled, insinuated) its rider to the ground.
- 15. For three generations their family has formed one of the leading automotive (truces, dynasties) of this country.
- 16. When I saw a big "A" on my term paper in English, I felt that I had been fully (germinated, recompensed) for all my hours of hard work.
- 17. Our team spirit is so high that there is never a (sullen, trivial) reaction from players who aren't chosen to start a game.
- 18. Are we going to allow minor disagreements to (disrupt, recompense) the club that we have worked so hard to organize?
- 19. The way to be successful at a job is to carry out all instructions carefully, even though you think some of them are (trivial, sullen) or silly.
- 20. If the sights we've seen today are a true (recompense, foretaste) of what lies ahead, we're in for some real treats.