

# Lesson 21

## Definitions



1.	<b>aggregate</b>	AG ruh git	sum total, whole amount		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	partial amount
		Although difficult to mine, the aggregate of mineral resources in Alaska are immense.			
	Derivatives >>	aggregative, aggregately, aggregation, aggregated, aggregating			
2.	<b>archipelago</b>	are kuh PEL uh go	a group of islands		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The sailors were excited when they reached the archipelago.			
	Derivatives >>	archipelagic			
3.	<b>boon</b>	BOON	favorable; a blessing, a benefit		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	curse
		Hiring that young man was a boon for our company.			
	Derivatives >>	boons, boonless			
4.	<b>buffoon</b>	buh FOON	a clown, a silly or stupid person		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		Only a buffoon would stand on the table during the Christmas dinner.			
	Derivatives >>	buffoonery, buffoonish			
5.	<b>chicanery</b>	sheh KAY nuh ree	unethical methods, trickery		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	honesty; truthfulness
		The lawyer used chicanery to get the witness off guard in his testimony.			
	Derivatives >>	chicaner, chicane, chicaned, chicaning, chicaneries			
6.	<b>contaminant</b>	kun TAM uh nunt	something that causes impurity; something that defiles or pollutes		
	Synonyms >>	pollutant		Antonym >>	disinfectant
		The polluted water contained many dangerous contaminants.			
	Derivatives >>	contaminate, contaminated, contaminating, contaminator, contamination			
7.	<b>corrugated</b>	KOR uh gay ted	bent into folds		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	smooth
		A corrugated box absorbs shock and helps to protect its contents.			
	Derivatives >>	corrugate, corrugating			
8.	<b>deleterious</b>	del eh TEER ee us	harmful; dangerous; injurious		
	Synonyms >>	baneful, detrimental, noxious, pernicious		Antonym >>	harmless, benign
		Some chemicals have deleterious effects on those who must handle them.			
	Derivatives >>	deleterious, deleteriously, deleteriousness			
9.	<b>disputatious</b>	dis pyoo TAY shus	inclined to fight, to argue, or to debate		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	conciliatory
		People avoided serious discussions with him because of his disputatious manner.			
	Derivatives >>	dispute, disputability, disputation, disputatiously, disputatiousness, disputative, disputatively, disputativeness			
10.	<b>emend</b>	eh MEND	to correct (usually by a critic)		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		The newspaper had to emend the incorrect statement printed in the paper.			
	Derivatives >>	emendable, emendate, emendation, emendator, emendatory, emends, emending, emended			
11.	<b>fetter</b>	FET ur	to restrict by shackling or chaining		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to liberate
		The convict was fettered to prevent his escape.			
	Derivatives >>	fettered, fettering			

12.	<b>giddy</b>	GID ee	dizzy		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	levelheaded
	I became giddy after drinking the champagne at the reception.				
	Derivatives >>	giddify, giddily, giddiness			
13.	<b>heterogeneity</b>	het uh ro je NEE eh tee	state of being dissimilar, composition from unlike elements		
	Synonyms >>	disparateness, dissimilarity		Antonym >>	homogeneity
	Coming from many countries and cultures, students in my class are an example of heterogeneity.				
	Derivatives >>	heterogeneous, heterogenesis, heterogeneously, heterogeneousness			
14.	<b>indomitable</b>	in DOM eh tuh bul	incapable of being conquered		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	weak
	He was from a tribe that was thought to be indomitable but finally was forced to live on the reservation.				
	Derivatives >>	indomitability, indomitableness, indomitably			
15.	<b>irresolute</b>	eh REZ uh loot	indecisive, unsure of how to proceed		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	sure; decisive; certain
	The confused child stood irresolute, waiting for some instruction.				
	Derivatives >>	irresolutely, irresoluteness, irresolution			
16.	<b>metaphorically</b>	met uh FOR ik lee	compared nonliterally		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	literally
	Metaphorically speaking, he is drowning in oil.				
	Derivatives >>	metaphor, metaphorical, metaphoricalness, metaphorist, metaphorize			
17.	<b>panacea</b>	pan uh SEE uh	cure-all, remedy for all ills		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Love, not money, is the panacea for your problems.				
	Derivatives >>	panacean, panace			
18.	<b>peruse</b>	puh ROOZ	to read or to examine		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to skim
	My lawyer says he has not had time to peruse the contract.				
	Derivatives >>	perusal, perusable, perused, perusing			
19.	<b>prodigy</b>	PROD eh jee	one with exceptional talents or powers; an extraordinary accomplishment		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	ordinary occurrence
	Mozart was considered a child prodigy since he had great musical talents at a very early age.				
	Derivatives >>	prodigies			
20.	<b>rebuff</b>	reh BUFF	to snub or to refuse bluntly		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to accept
	The woman was not afraid to rebuff the man's inappropriate advances toward her.				
	Derivatives >>	rebuffed, rebuffing, rebuffs			
21.	<b>resilient</b>	reh ZIL yunt	ability to return to a former state		
	Synonyms >>	supple		Antonym >>	static
	There is a need for more resilient bumpers on cars that can withstand minor accidents.				
	Derivatives >>	resiliency, resiliently			
22.	<b>scapegoat</b>	SKAPE gote	one who takes the blame for others		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
	Since no one wanted to point a finger at the real culprit, the innocent man was made a scapegoat for the crime.				
	Derivatives >>				
23.	<b>spurious</b>	SPYOOR ee us	false or deceitful		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	honest
	Cashing forged checks is a spurious activity.				
	Derivatives >>	spuriously, spuriousness			
24.	<b>tractable</b>	TRAK tuh bul	capable of being easily led, taught, or controlled; obedient		
	Synonyms >>	amenable, docile		Antonym >>	willful; unruly
	It is odd that the students in first period are so unruly, while those in second period are very tractable.				
	Derivatives >>	tractability, tractableness, tractably			
25.	<b>vivacious</b>	vi VAY shus	full of life, very animated		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	sluggish
	Game shows are looking for vivacious contestants who are fun to watch and who will liven up the show.				
	Derivatives >>	vivaciously, vivaciousness, vivacity			