

Lesson 40

Definitions



1.	append	uh PEND	to add in a supplementary manner
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to detach, to delete
	His long-winded discourse was appended by a final summary of important points.		
	Derivatives >>	appendage, appendant, appendance, appended	
2.	apprise	uh PRIZE	to inform or to give notice
	Synonyms >>	acquaint, notify	Antonym >> to fail to inform
	People who are arrested have to be apprised of their rights.		
	Derivatives >>	apprised, apprising, apprizer	
3.	ardent	AR dunt	expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous
	Synonyms >>	fervent, fervid, passionate, perfervid	Antonym >> unmoved; perfunctory
	He was ardent in his support of civil rights.		
	Derivatives >>	ardently	
4.	cloister	KLOI stur	to seclude or to confine
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to display; to exhibit; to make
	The wealthy magnate led a cloistered life in his retirement.		
	Derivatives >>	cloistered, cloisterlike, cloistering	
5.	constrict	kun STRIKT	to tighten or to make narrow
	Synonyms >>	compress, condense, contract, deflate	Antonym >> to distend
	Strangling constricts the windpipe and keeps air from reaching the lungs.		
	Derivatives >>	constriction, constrictive, constrictor, constricted, constricting	
6.	disentangle	dis en TANG gul	to unravel, extricate
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> to enmesh; to tie up
	The referee tried to disentangle the players to see who had the ball.		
	Derivatives >>	disentanglement, disentangler	
7.	fanaticism	fuh NAT eh siz um	enthusiasm or zeal that is excessively irrational
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> apathy; lack of zeal
	The Nazis engendered fanaticism among their followers.		
	Derivatives >>	fanatical, fanatic, fanatically, fanaticalness	
8.	feint	FAYNT	a false appearance, a fake punch to occupy defenses allowing a real blow.
	Synonyms >>	artifice, ruse, stratagem, trick, wile	Antonym >>
	Fooled by his opponent's feint, the boxer dropped his guard and was knocked down.		
	Derivatives >>	feign, feigned, feigning, feignedly, feigner	
9.	ferment	FUR ment	state of agitation, commotion
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> peace; calm
	During the Civil War, much of the country was in a state of ferment.		
	Derivatives >>	fermentability, fermentable, fermental, fermentation, fermentative, fermenter	
10.	forestalled	fore STAWLD	prevented or delayed beforehand
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> assisted
	The sandbag dam forestalled the advance of the water.		
	Derivatives >>	forestall, forestaller, forestallment	
11.	gnarl	NARL	to twist extensively
	Synonyms >>		Antonym >> smooth and straighten
	After riding the motorcycle all day, her hair was so gnarled by the wind that it was difficult to comb.		
	Derivatives >>	gnarled, gnarly	

12.	hoary	HORE ee	white with age		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	young
		The hoary old man had many wrinkles.			
	Derivatives >>	hoarier, hoariest			
13.	infernal	in FER nul	relating to hell		
	Synonyms >>	hellish, diabolical, fiendish		Antonym >>	heavenly
		It is not nice to wish that someone go to the infernal regions.			
	Derivatives >>	infernally, inferno			
14.	jaunty	JON tee	stylish and lively in manner or appearance		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	depressed
		The woman walked with a jaunty step that gave clear evidence to her sprightly personality.			
	Derivatives >>	jauntily, jauntiness, jauntingly			
15.	malefactor	MAL uh fak tur	a criminal		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	law-abiding citizen
		The candidate for attorney general said that he will see that all malefactors are locked up.			
	Derivatives >>	malefaction, malefactress, maleficence, malefice, maleficent			
16.	matriarchy	MAY tree ar kee	a family or state headed or ruled by a female		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	patriarchy
		The old woman is the matriarch of the family.			
	Derivatives >>	matriarch, matriarchal, matriarchate			
17.	multifarious	mul tuh FARE ee us	great in variety, diverse		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	limited in variety
		He is valuable because of his multifarious talents.			
	Derivatives >>	multifariously, multifariousness			
18.	musty	MUS tee	smelling of damp or decay, malodorous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	fragrant
		The old house was pervaded by an offensive, musty odor.			
	Derivatives >>	mustily, mustiness			
19.	obstreperous	ub STREP ur us	marked by aggressive noisiness; stubbornly defiant		
	Synonyms >>	vociferous, clamorous, strident, boisterous		Antonym >>	quiet and docile
		The obstreperous blaring of the radio was quite annoying.			
	Derivatives >>	obstreperousness, obstreperously			
20.	precipice	PRES uh pis	a very steep cliff or mass of rock, the brink of something dangerous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	cavern
		Some mountain climbers enjoy climbing a steep precipice.			
	Derivatives >>	precipices			
21.	precipitous	preh SIP eh tus	marked by great rapidity, haste, or lack of caution		
	Synonyms >>	hasty, sudden, rash; steep, sheer		Antonym >>	gradual
		Her precipitous behavior led her to make silly mistakes. The precipitous slope rose before us.			
	Derivatives >>	precipitously, precipitousness, precipice			
22.	progeny	PROJ uh nee	children, descendants, offspring		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	
		He was proud of all his progeny, but he loved the oldest child the most.			
	Derivatives >>	progenitor, progenitorial, progenitorship, progeniture			
23.	replicate	REP luh kate	to repeat, to copy, or to duplicate		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to make an original
		I always try to replicate the moves of my tennis pro when I am taking a lesson.			
	Derivatives >>	replication, replica, repliant			
24.	ruminare	ROO muh nate	to consider for a long time at a slow pace, to ponder		
	Synonyms >>	meditate, muse, ponder		Antonym >>	to consider fleetingly
		We will have to go elsewhere if you ruminate about your decision for a long period.			
	Derivatives >>	ruminatingly, ruminator, ruminative, ruminant, ruminantly			
25.	unobtrusive	un ob TRUE siv	not readily noticeable, inconspicuous		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	noticeable; obvious
		He is very unobtrusive sitting over there in the corner.			
	Derivatives >>	unobtrusiveness, unobtrusively			