

Lesson 13

Definitions



1.	allure	uh LUR	to influence, sway, or entice with some tempting appeal	
	Synonyms >>	attract, fascinate, charm		Antonym >>
	The child tried to allure the stray dog into her yard with a piece of bread.			
	Derivatives >>	allured, alluring, allures, allurement, allurer		
2.	apathy	AP uh thee	a lack of concern or feeling, indifference	
	Synonyms >>	phlegm, stoicism, stolidness		Antonym >>
	The man looked upon the turn of events with apathy.			
	Derivatives >>	apathetic, apathetical, apathetically		
3.	auspicious	aw SPISH us	favorable	
	Synonyms >>	propitious		Antonym >>
	Making an "A" on the first test was an auspicious way to begin the year.			
	Derivatives >>	auspiciously, auspiciousness		
4.	caricature	KARE uh kuh chur	a portrayal where features are distorted, a parody	
	Synonyms >>	burlesque, travesty		Antonym >>
	The caricature of the presidential nominee was hysterical.			
	Derivatives >>	caricatured, caricaturing, caricaturist		
5.	cordial	KOR jul	courteous and gracious; friendly; warm	
	Synonyms >>	affectionate, genial, cheering		Antonym >>
	We received a very cordial reception from the hostess of the party.			
	Derivatives >>	cordially, cordialness, cordiality		
6.	cosmopolitan	koz muh POL uh tun	dealing with the whole world	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	His cosmopolitan views make him a natural delegate to the world convention.			
	Derivatives >>	cosmopolitanism, cosmopolite		
7.	deplore	deh PLORE	to regret deeply or strongly; to feel or to express deep grief for	
	Synonyms >>	bemoan, bewail, lament, mourn		Antonym >>
	The students deplored the death of their teacher.			
	Derivatives >>	deplored, deploring, deploration, deplorer, deplorably		
8.	discrepant	deh SKREP unt	disagreeing, inconsistent	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	The auditor became suspicious when he found the discrepant accounts.			
	Derivatives >>	discrepancy, discrepantly		
9.	ecstasy	EK stuh see	extreme happiness	
	Synonyms >>	rapture, transport		Antonym >>
	The music was so beautiful that it put the crowd into a state of ecstasy.			
	Derivatives >>	ecstatic, ecstatical, ecstatically		
10.	empathy	EM puh the	understanding or identification with another's feelings or situation	
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>
	Having been discriminated against, I have a lot of empathy for those seeking equal pay for equal work.			
	Derivatives >>	empathetic, empathetically, empathize		
11.	equivocal	eh KWIV uh kul	ambiguous (usually intended to mislead)	
	Synonyms >>	abstruse, ambiguous, cryptic, enigmatic, obscure, recondite		Antonym >>
	His speech was difficult to understand because of all his equivocal statements.			
	Derivatives >>	equivocacy, equivocality, equivocally, equivocality, equivocate, equivocation, equivocator, equivocality		

12.	expeditious	ek speh DISH us	done with speed and efficiency		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	sluggish
	You need to be expeditious in solving this matter.				
	Derivatives >>	expedite, expediter, expedition, expeditionary, expeditioner, expeditiously, expeditiousness, expeditive			
13.	galvanize	GAL vuh nize	to stimulate or to excite as if by an electric shock		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to calm; to soothe
	We are hoping that these new discoveries will galvanize the public support of our research.				
	Derivatives >>	galvanization, galvanized, galvanizer, galvanic			
14.	implacable	im PLAK uh bul	incapable of being appeased		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	yielding
	That young man is the enemy of the implacable woman standing in the corner; she will never stop hating him.				
	Derivatives >>	implacability, implacableness, implacably			
15.	inimitable	eh NIM eh tuh bul	not able to be imitated		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	imitable
	He has his own inimitable way of doing things.				
	Derivatives >>	inimitability, inimitableness, inimitably			
16.	mutability	myoo tuh BILL uh tee	the degree to which something is subject and likely to change		
	Synonyms >>	inconsistency		Antonym >>	consistency
	The mutability of his opinions was because of political pressures; these alone caused his changing attitudes.				
	Derivatives >>	mutable, mutably, mutation			
17.	odious	OH dee us	deserving hate or contempt		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	respectable
	Pornography is an odious business.				
	Derivatives >>	odiously, odiousness, odium			
18.	parochial	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			
19.	penchant	PEN chunt	a strong inclination		
	Synonyms >>	leaning, proclivity, propensity		Antonym >>	disinclination
	He has a penchant for chemistry, and he has won many science awards.				
	Derivatives >>	penchants			
20.	ponderous	PON dur us	very heavy, unwieldy from weight		
	Synonyms >>	cumbersome, cumbrous		Antonym >>	lightweight
	The ponderous furniture was hard to move, and thus became a burden.				
	Derivatives >>	ponderosity, ponderously, ponderousness			
21.	protract	pro TRAKT	to prolong		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	to shorten
	The union hopes to protract the strike in order to force management to settle.				
	Derivatives >>	protractedly, protractedness, pretractible, protraction, protractive			
22.	replete	reh PLETE	filled to capacity, abundantly supplied		
	Synonyms >>	plenary		Antonym >>	devoid
	The bar was replete with every possible kind of alcohol.				
	Derivatives >>	repleteness, repletion, repletive			
23.	soporific	sop uh RIF ik	something that tends to cause sleep and to dull awareness or alertness		
	Synonyms >>			Antonym >>	exciting
	Quiet music late at night is soporific.				
	Derivatives >>	soporiferous, soporiferously, soporiferousness, soporifical, soporifically			
24.	strident	STRIDE unt	loud and harsh sounding		
	Synonyms >>	raucous, stentorian, boisterous, clamorous, obstreperous		Antonym >>	soft and pleasant
	The teacher used a strident voice when reprimanding a student.				
	Derivatives >>	stridently			
25.	treachery	TRECH uh ree	violation of faith; betrayal of trust; treason		
	Synonyms >>	disloyalty		Antonym >>	
	The man's ruthless act of treachery was expected.				
	Derivatives >>	treacheries, treacherous, treacherously, treacherousness			