

Unit Three



Homer Approach



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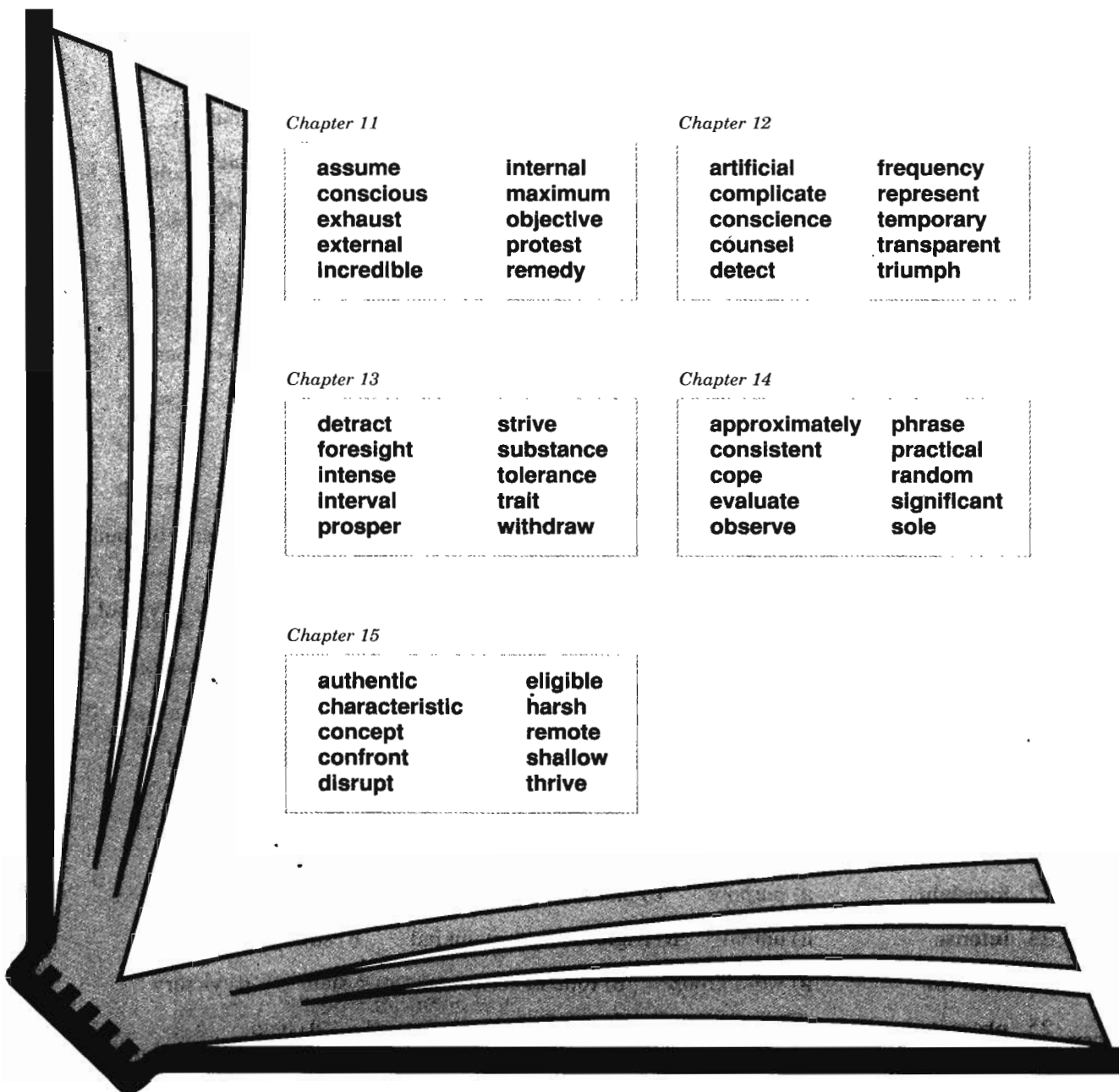
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Unit Three: *Pretest*

In the space provided, write the letter of the choice that is closest in meaning to the **boldfaced** word.

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| ___ 1. assume | a) suppose to be true b) prove to be false
c) hold no opinion about (something) d) argue hotly |
| ___ 2. conscious | a) drowsy b) awake c) depressed d) purposeful |
| ___ 3. exhaust | a) refill b) remove from sight c) use up d) fall |
| ___ 4. external | a) buried deeply b) outer c) unimportant d) common |
| ___ 5. incredible | a) unbelievable b) showy c) humble d) wasteful |
| ___ 6. internal | a) inner b) uncommon c) easy d) understood by few |
| ___ 7. maximum | a) not popular b) greatest in amount c) worst d) comfortable |
| ___ 8. objective | a) bad influence b) reason to believe c) insult d) goal |
| ___ 9. protest | a) speak out against b) encourage c) prove d) debate |
| ___ 10. remedy | a) source of amusement b) usual manner of doing something
c) collection of writings d) cure |
| ___ 11. artificial | a) natural b) impressive c) not natural d) worn out |
| ___ 12. complicate | a) smooth over b) adjust c) make difficult d) divide |
| ___ 13. conscience | a) sense of being awake b) inability to decide
c) sense of right and wrong d) skill with numbers |
| ___ 14. counsel | a) improve b) approve c) give advice d) revise |
| ___ 15. detect | a) obtain b) complain c) remark d) notice |
| ___ 16. frequency | a) how often something happens b) rate of speed c) volume of sound
d) source of sound |
| ___ 17. represent | a) avoid talking about b) prefer over another choice c) be a symbol for
d) allow to happen |
| ___ 18. temporary | a) expected to last forever b) impossible to achieve
c) serving for a limited time d) clearly seen |
| ___ 19. transparent | a) solid b) dark in color c) seen through easily d) unusual |
| ___ 20. triumph | a) victory b) defeat c) compromise d) battle |
| ___ 21. detract | a) take away b) grow c) speed up d) pass by |
| ___ 22. foresight | a) purpose b) understanding c) cure d) careful planning |
| ___ 23. intense | a) unreal b) frightened c) unkind d) strong |
| ___ 24. interval | a) word group b) time in between c) system d) victory |
| ___ 25. prosper | a) do poorly b) become old c) succeed d) help |

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- ____ 26. **strive** a) do well b) take away c) feel good d) try hard
 ____ 27. **substance** a) care b) knowledge c) material d) hard work
 ____ 28. **tolerance** a) acceptance b) avoidance c) experience d) confusion
 ____ 29. **trait** a) story b) feature c) unexpected gift d) journey
 ____ 30. **withdraw** a) write down b) take back c) make shorter d) make happy
 ____ 31. **approximately** a) never b) under c) almost d) more than
 ____ 32. **consistent** a) made up of b) regular c) useful d) important
 ____ 33. **cope** a) measure b) look at c) deal with d) give up
 ____ 34. **evaluate** a) ignore b) use up c) judge d) take away
 ____ 35. **observe** a) watch closely b) disturb c) bring together d) control
 ____ 36. **phrase** a) period of time b) group of words c) highest point d) outer layer
 ____ 37. **practical** a) useful b) expensive c) silly d) unplanned
 ____ 38. **random** a) rare b) common c) expensive d) unplanned
 ____ 39. **significant** a) lucky b) available c) important d) busy
 ____ 40. **sole** a) delayed b) deep c) early d) only
 ____ 41. **authentic** a) real b) old c) expensive d) useful
 ____ 42. **characteristic** a) unexpected b) usual c) modern d) weird
 ____ 43. **concept** a) period of time b) goal c) memory d) idea
 ____ 44. **confront** a) succeed b) interrupt c) face d) ignore
 ____ 45. **disrupt** a) watch closely b) describe c) upset d) complain
 ____ 46. **eligible** a) qualified b) far away c) able to be read d) worthless
 ____ 47. **harsh** a) new b) loud c) fair d) cruel
 ____ 48. **remote** a) low b) far away c) unusual d) able to be moved
 ____ 49. **shallow** a) friendly b) solid c) not deep d) not strong
 ____ 50. **thrive** a) raise up b) do well c) grow weak d) need extra care

SCORE: (Number correct) _____ $\times 2 =$ _____ %

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Ten Words in Context

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1 **assume**

/ə'sju:m/

— verb

___ *Assume* means

- I **assumed** he was telling the truth, but he wasn't.
 - We **assumed** the sun would shine during the outdoor wedding — what a mistake! When it comes to weather, one must not take anything for granted.
- a. to fear. b. to forget. c. to believe.

2 **conscious**

/ˈkɒnʃəs/

— adjective

___ *Conscious* means

- I don't think Jim is **conscious** that he sometimes seems very rude. Otherwise, he wouldn't be so ill-mannered.
 - As Arlene gave her speech to the class, she was **conscious** that people were whispering in the back of the room.
- a. pleased. b. aware. c. relieved.

3 **exhaust**

/ɪɡ'zɔ:st/

— verb

___ *Exhaust* means

- The twelve-hour drive **exhausted** me so much that I couldn't even eat dinner before I went to bed.
 - Chopping firewood all afternoon **exhausted** Ken. In fact, afterward, he collapsed on the sofa and fell asleep.
- a. to delay. b. to teach. c. to tire.

4 **external**

/ɪk'stɜ:nəl/

— adjective

___ *External* means

- The **external** appearances of the two houses were similar, but on the inside, the homes differed quite a bit.
 - When my grandmother first came to America, she was given her very first orange. Since no one had told her to remove its **external** layer, she began to eat the peel.
- a. final. b. new. c. outer.

5 **incredible**

/ɪn'kredəbl/

— adjective

___ *Incredible* means

- The moon landing of 1969 was an **incredible** achievement.
 - It's **incredible** that a cat could survive forty-three days locked in a crate without food and water, and yet it has happened.
- a. expected. b. hard to believe. c. correct.

6 **internal**

/ɪn'tɜ:nəl/

— adjective

___ *Internal* means

- The sofa's covering is torn, but its **internal** condition is fine.
 - The car looks terrific, so you'd never guess that some of its **internal** parts — the motor, brakes, and heater — need major repair.
- a. inside. b. hard. c. light in weight.

7 **maximum**
/mæksɪmə/

– *adjective*

- The sign told the **maximum** weight the elevator could safely carry.
- Three hundred miles per hour is the **maximum** speed for this airplane; it can go no faster.

___ *Maximum* means

- a. greatest. b. worst. c. longest.

8 **objective**
/əb'dʒektɪv/

– *noun*

- The **objective** of the workshop on time management is to teach people to get the most done in the least amount of time.
- Chris and Tomas realized they could not be business partners. Chris's **objective** was to make a lot of money, while Tomas's was to help people in the community.

___ *Objective* means

- a. cost. b. goal. c. excuse.

9 **protest**
/prəʊ'test/

– *verb*

- When a man was discovered beating his dogs, an animal-rights group **protested**.
- "Stop it," Billy's mother **protested**. "You can't pour blue food coloring into the mashed potatoes."

___ *Protest* means

- a. to ask. b. to suggest. c. to complain.

10 **remedy**
/remɪdi/

– *noun*

- Grandma's **remedy** for a cold was to wear garlic around her neck. It never cured her cold, but at least no one came close enough to her to catch it.
- There's no quick **remedy** for a broken heart; only time will heal it.

___ *Remedy* means

- a. memory. b. treatment. b. main cause.

Matching Words with Definitions

Following are definitions of the ten words. **Print** each word next to its definition. If you look closely at each word in context, you will be able to figure out its meaning.

1. _____ A cure; something that heals
2. _____ Unbelievable; amazing; extraordinary
3. _____ Aware (of something); noticing (that something is or was happening or existing)
4. _____ Outer; located outside
5. _____ To complain; express dissatisfaction
6. _____ A purpose; goal
7. _____ To suppose to be true; take for granted
8. _____ To tire greatly
9. _____ Inner; located inside
10. _____ Most; highest; largest possible

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➤ **Sentence Check 1**

Using the answer line, complete each item below with the correct word from the box.

a. assume	b. conscious	c. exhaust	d. external	e. incredible
f. internal	g. maximum	h. objective	i. protest	j. remedy

- _____ 1. The ____ part of a banana is its sweet, creamy flesh.
- _____ 2. The ____ part of a banana is its peel.
- _____ 3. The ____ speed allowed here is sixty-five miles an hour.
- _____ 4. Do you think there will ever be a ____ for the common cold?
- _____ 5. The Grand Canyon is the most ____ sight I've ever seen. It's so huge that it's hard to believe even when you're standing right there looking at it.
- _____ 6. As Shelly tried to study, she became ____ of a loud "drip, drip" from the kitchen faucet.
- _____ 7. My sister's ____ is to be a fashion designer.
- _____ 8. If you don't like a company's policy, why not ____? For example, you could write a strong letter of complaint.
- _____ 9. Rather than ____ it would not rain on our outdoor wedding, we rented a large tent, just in case.
- _____ 10. Mental work can ____ someone as much as physical work.

➤ **Sentence Check 2**

Using the answer lines, complete each item below with **two** words from the box.

- _____ 1-2. "You walk too fast!" Linda ____ed to her long-legged brother. "You'll ____ me before we go two blocks!"
- _____ 3-4. Although the accident victim had only a few ____ bruises, he had serious ____ injuries, including damage to his kidneys.
- _____ 5-6. It's ____ that penicillin, a ____ for various infections, was discovered by accident after some mold grew in a laboratory dish.
- _____ 7-8. I had ____d that my coworkers enjoyed the music in our office, but they said they were not even ____ of it. However, once when the music ceased°, everyone suddenly became very aware of the silence.
- _____ 9-10. Jill's ____ for the summer is to earn the ____ amount of money possible, so she has two jobs. What a contrast° between her and her brother! He's putting in the minimum° number of hours allowed where he works and going to the beach as much as possible.

Related Words

Once you learn a new word, you can more easily understand many related words. Below are ten words related to the core words of this chapter. Use their definitions to help you write in the word that best completes each item.

a. consciousness , <i>noun</i>	The state of being awake
b. Internally , <i>adverb</i>	Beneath the surface; on the inside
c. protester , <i>noun</i>	Someone who speaks out against something
d. remedial , <i>adjective</i>	Meant to improve one's skills or knowledge
e. self-conscious , <i>adjective</i>	Uncomfortably aware of one's behavior or appearance

1. Carlo's grades have gone up in every subject since he took a ____ reading course.
2. I fell down the front steps, knocked my head, and lost ____; when I woke up, I was back in my house.
3. Although Marie managed to act pleasant during the party, ____ she was extremely angry. Her boyfriend had gotten drunk and was quite obnoxious°.
4. A meeting about abortion, sex education in schools, or another topic that lots of people disagree about is sure to attract some ____s. Most people are not neutral° about such widely discussed topics — they have strong feelings one way or the other.
5. When Rodney first moved from Georgia to New York City, he felt ____ about his Southern accent. At times he was even reluctant° to speak.

f. assumption , <i>noun</i>	A belief; something that is considered to be true
g. credible , <i>adjective</i>	Believable
h. creed , <i>noun</i>	A formal statement of religious beliefs
i. exhaustion , <i>noun</i>	A state of being extremely tired
j. maximize , <i>verb</i>	To make as great as possible

6. For many centuries, it was a common ____ that the Earth was flat.
7. Gina ____s the buying power of her dollars by shopping for good bargains.
8. I'm not accustomed° to giving money to people on the street, but sometimes it's hard to turn down a person whose hard-luck story seems ____.
9. When I first went to my friend's church, she explained to me her religion's ____.
10. After he'd battled a blaze for nearly twenty-four hours, the firefighter's ____ was so great that he fell asleep without even taking off his boots.

➤ Word Parts

A. The prefix *self-* often means “oneself.”

Examples: *defense* — protection

conscious — aware

self-defense — protection of oneself

self-conscious — uncomfortably aware of oneself

On each answer line, write the word from the box that means the same as the *italicized* words.

a. **self-centered**

b. **self-conscious**

c. **self-control**

d. **self-critical**

e. **self-educated**

- _____ 1. Corey is so *critical of oneself*. He must have a low opinion of himself.
- _____ 2. It takes *control of oneself* not to eat too many fresh, warm chocolate-chip cookies.
- _____ 3. That writer is so *centered on himself*! After talking about himself for an hour, he said, “But enough about me. What do you think of my writing?”
- _____ 4. Irene felt uncomfortably *conscious of herself* because of her new hair color, so she was relieved when most people didn’t even notice it.
- _____ 5. My grandfather was an *educated-by-oneself* man; although he didn’t even attend high school, he learned a great deal on his own.

B. The suffix *-ness* means “the quality or state of.”

Examples: *wholesome*° — tending to improve the character, mind, or body

wholesomeness — the quality of tending to improve the character, mind, or body

Examples: *conscious* — aware

consciousness — the state of being aware

On each answer line, write the word from the box that best completes the item.

f. **awkwardness**°

g. **consciousness**

h. **eagerness**°

i. **usefulness**

j. **vagueness**°

- _____ 6. With great ____, the family stood in line to enter Disneyland.
- _____ 7. The accident victim lost ____ and did not wake up for several days.
- _____ 8. Because they are growing so rapidly, many teenagers go through a period of ____ when it seems they are forever tripping over their own feet.
- _____ 9. This camping knife is really wonderful for its _____. It provides a screwdriver, toothpick, bottle-opener, magnifying glass, and tweezers.
- _____ 10. The ____ of the instructions for putting this storage box together is driving me crazy. They are so unclear that I don’t even know which side is up.

➤ Final Check

Read the passages carefully. Then fill in each blank with the word that best fits the context.

A. Coming Out of a Coma

a. exhaust
d. internal

b. external
e. remedy

c. incredible

"Hi, Mom," Francis said. The effort of speaking (1)_____ed him, and he closed his eyes again.

To his mother, these were the best words she had ever heard. The idea that her son was speaking again, after ten weeks in a coma, was (2)_____. He had been gone from this world for so long that it seemed he'd never return. Those ten weeks had been difficult to endure°. Whenever Ms. King had visited Francis at the hospital, he had been completely still. There were no (3)_____ signs that he was thinking or feeling anything. He was, as the doctors put it, "a vegetable." But Ms. King maintained° the hope that he still had some (4)_____ life. Could he, perhaps, hear her words? Could he feel her hand squeezing his? She tried to reach him in any way she could during her daily visits.

Now, although Ms. King knew there was no quick (5)_____ for her son's serious injuries, the simple words "Hi, Mom" gave her hope that he could, someday, live a full life again.

B. The Office Doughnut Contest

f. assume
i. objective

g. conscious
j. protest

h. maximum

"Are you telling me there are no doughnuts left? I don't believe it!" Joan said. "How could a huge supply of doughnuts be gone already?"

"I don't know how," Fran responded°. "I just know none are left."

"When I brought three dozen doughnuts in this morning, I (6)_____d I'd get to eat at least one," Joan said. "After all, the (7)_____ number of people who ever work in this place is ten. Today, Sue isn't even here. It's hard to believe that the other eight of you could eat thirty-six doughnuts in less than three hours. I even expected to have surplus° doughnuts for tomorrow."

Then Fran and Joan became (8)_____ of laughing in the office next door. When they looked in, the fate of the missing doughnuts became evident°. Three grown men were tossing doughnuts across the room. Their (9)_____ was to throw the doughnuts onto the pencils held up by three other grown men.

"I don't believe you guys!" Joan (10)_____ed. "Just you wait. Next time it's my turn to bring in the doughnuts, I'll bring in cream- and jelly-filled doughnuts, and we'll see how you play your little game then."

CHAPTER 12

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英语

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- 1 **artificial**
/ɑːtɪˈfɪʃəl/
– adjective
___ *Artificial* means
 - My uncle, who lost his left arm in an accident, was recently fitted for an **artificial** arm.
 - **Artificial** flowers made of paper or silk last for years.

a. short-term. b. made by humans. c. heavy.
- 2 **complicate**
/'kɒmplɪkeɪt/
– verb
___ *Complicate* means
 - Cooking for a crowd is difficult enough, so I don't **complicate** the job with fancy dishes. I keep the food simple.
 - Don't **complicate** the game with too many rules.

a. to make difficult. b. to find. c. to remember.
- 3 **conscience**
/'kɒnʃəns/
– noun
___ *Conscience* means
 - After Lena stole the compact disk, her **conscience** bothered her so much that she couldn't enjoy listening to the music.
 - It's strange but true that some criminals don't have a **conscience**. They really don't believe that it is wrong to cheat, steal, or even kill.

a. budget. b. plan of action. c. moral sense.
- 4 **counsel**
/'kaʊnsəl/
– verb
___ *Counsel* means
 - My basketball coach **counseled** me to work at the shoe store fewer hours each week to gain more time to study.
 - I **counseled** Angela to break up with her violent boyfriend.

a. to allow. b. to join. c. to suggest to.
- 5 **detect**
/dɪ'tekt/
– verb
___ *Detect* means
 - If you **detect** a gas leak, leave immediately and call for help.
 - Rachel never actually says that she dislikes Ron, but I **detect** a tone of dislike in her voice.

a. to control. b. to notice. c. to want.
- 6 **frequency**
/'friːkwənsɪ/
– noun
___ *Frequency* means
 - Luis and Adam used to visit each other once or twice a week, but since Adam got married, the **frequency** of their visits has gone down.
 - I don't like to watch movies on TV because the **frequency** of ads is so great. I prefer to rent movies and see them without all the interruptions.

a. rate. b. cost. c. action.

7 represent/ˈreprɪˈzent/
– verb

- Will you speak for yourself in court, or will a lawyer **represent** you?
- Loretta will **represent** her class at the Student Council meetings.

___ *Represent* means

- a. to leave. b. to hire. c. to speak for.

8 temporary/ˈtempərəri/
– adjective

- Mimi used a **temporary** green hair dye just for St. Patrick's Day.
- A **temporary** worker will be hired to fill in for Kwan until she recovers from her injury.

___ *Temporary* means

- a. large. b. short-term. c. false.

9 transparent/trænsˈpærənt/
– adjective

- At first, I thought the glass in the door was **transparent** and that I was seeing someone on the other side. But when I got closer, I realized that it was a mirror and I was looking at myself.
- **Transparent** wrap allows you to see what's inside a container.

___ *Transparent* means

- a. able to be seen through. b. old. c. thick.

10 triumph/ˈtraɪəmf/
– noun

- Our football team's **triumph** over the state's first-place team was the reason for a huge party.
- My brother's good teachers, his understanding parents, and his own hard work all led to his **triumph** over a learning disability.

___ *Triumph* means

- a. loss. b. meeting. c. win.

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1. _____ Allowing light to pass through so that objects on the other side can be seen
2. _____ To give advice or guidance to; advise°
3. _____ How often something happens
4. _____ To notice; discover that something exists or is present
5. _____ An outstanding or very satisfying success; victory
6. _____ A sense of what is right or wrong in one's behavior
7. _____ To act or speak for
8. _____ To make difficult by adding or involving many parts or details; make complex°
9. _____ Lasting or serving for a limited time only; not permanent
10. _____ Made to imitate something natural

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Using the answer line, complete each item below with the correct word from the box.

a. artificial	b. complicate	c. conscience	d. counsel	e. detect
f. frequency	g. represent	h. temporary	i. transparent	j. triumph

- _____ 1. Beating the first-place team was a greater ____ for the players than winning over the last-place team.
- _____ 2. That horror movie must have used gallons of ____ blood.
- _____ 3. How many hours a week would you ____ a student to work?
- _____ 4. The ____ of our company newsletter is about once a month.
- _____ 5. If you ____ a job, you make it harder to do.
- _____ 6. A person who is cruel must not have much of a ____.
- _____ 7. Substitute teachers get ____ assignments, often for only a day or two at a time.
- _____ 8. Elected officials are supposed to ____ the voters.
- _____ 9. In the winter, we put sheets of ____ plastic over our windows to help keep out the cold.
- _____ 10. Although Norah has lived in New York for years, I can still ____ a slight Southern accent in her voice.

➤ Sentence Check 2

Using the answer lines, complete each item below with **two** words from the box.

- _____ 1–2. To reduce the ____ of infections, people should be ____ed to wash their hands often and well. They should also be advised^o to keep counters and cutting boards free of bacteria.
- _____ 3–4. If your ____ won't allow you to wear real fur, choose ____ fur instead. Fake fur looks great and feels good, too!
- _____ 5–6. I lost ten pounds last year. That was a great victory, but my ____ was only _____. I've gained every ounce of it back.
- _____ 7–8. The eyes are sometimes called "the windows of the soul," as if they were ____ and one could ____ a person's soul by looking into them.
- _____ 9–10. The Block Association worked well when it ____ed only the residents of our street, but it has ____d matters by trying to speak for other parts of the neighborhood as well.

➤ Related Words

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a. artificially , <i>adverb</i>	Unnaturally
b. complication , <i>noun</i>	An added detail that causes confusion or difficulty
c. conscientious , <i>adjective</i>	Careful about following one's sense of right and wrong
d. transparency , <i>noun</i>	A picture viewed by shining light through it
e. triumphant , <i>adjective</i>	Winning

- _____ 1. If you ask me, planning a birthday party is difficult enough; trying to make it a surprise party is an unnecessary ____.
- _____ 2. My nephew's favorite watermelon bubble gum is ____ colored and flavored — it looks like a neon sign and tastes like nothing on Earth, least of all watermelon.
- _____ 3. When their team scored the winning touchdown, the ____ players hugged each other and jumped up and down. The other team, feeling miserable°, walked away with their heads down.
- _____ 4. Professor Ives illustrated her lecture by using an overhead ____ of some important charts.
- _____ 5. Raul is a ____ parent — he works hard at being a good father and takes his responsibilities very seriously. He is a good example to his children and never disciplines° them with violence.

f. counselor , <i>noun</i>	A person in the profession of giving advice or guidance
g. detective , <i>noun</i>	Someone whose job is to find the information needed to solve crimes
h. frequent , <i>adjective</i>	Appearing often; regular
i. representative , <i>noun</i>	A person who speaks for someone else
j. temporarily , <i>adverb</i>	For a short time; not permanently

- _____ 6. When their homes were damaged by a flood, many families were housed ____ at a local army base.
- _____ 7. My wife and I are considering divorce, but we've decided to see a marriage ____ and try to find a way to stay together.
- _____ 8. The most famous ____ in the world is Sherlock Holmes. He solves murder cases by noticing small but important details. He is also able to analyze° events and come to brilliant conclusions.
- _____ 9. If you feel strongly about a public issue, don't hesitate° to write to your ____ in Congress; remember that he or she was elected to speak for you.
- _____ 10. Airlines offer special discounts to "____ fliers," people who travel often.

➤ *Synonyms and Antonyms*

Homer Approach

A. Synonyms. Write the letter of the word or phrase that most nearly means the **same** as each boldfaced word.

_____ 1. **conscience**

- | | |
|----------------|------------|
| a. rate | b. talent |
| c. moral sense | d. victory |

_____ 2. **counsel**

- | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|
| a. win | b. make difficult |
| c. give advice to | d. imitate |

_____ 3. **detect**

- | | |
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| a. act for | b. ignore |
| c. disapprove | d. notice |

_____ 4. **frequency**

- | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| a. how often something happens | b. allowing light to pass through |
| c. difficulty | d. short time |

_____ 5. **represent**

- | | |
|--------------|-------------|
| a. imitate | b. discover |
| c. speak for | d. succeed |

B. Antonyms. Write the letter of the word or phrase that most nearly means the **opposite** of each boldfaced word.

_____ 6. **artificial**

- | | |
|------------|---------|
| a. new | b. easy |
| c. natural | d. old |

_____ 7. **complicate**

- | | |
|-----------|---------------------|
| a. lose | b. make easier |
| c. ignore | d. pay attention to |

_____ 8. **temporary**

- | | |
|--------------|--------------------|
| a. easy | b. light-blocking |
| c. important | d. lasting forever |

_____ 9. **transparent**

- | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|
| a. blocking out light | b. natural |
| c. easy | d. long-lasting |

_____ 10. **triumph**

- | | |
|-------------|---------|
| a. darkness | b. loss |
| c. success | d. game |

➤ Final Check

Read the passages carefully. Then fill in each blank with the word that best fits the context.

A. The People's Choice

a. conscience

b. frequency

c. represent

d. temporary

e. triumph

Suppose you are a candidate running for public office — and you win. What a (1)_____! But now consider this: What is the best way to (2)_____ those who voted for you? How do you know what “the people” want? Sometimes the great (3)_____ of letters and phone calls makes you think you know what all the people want. Think again! For most people, interest in what their elected officials are doing is only (4)_____; you will never hear from many of them again. Also, of course, the voters who don’t write or call may feel differently from those who do. All right, then, you say, I’ll just act according to my own (5)_____ and do what I think is right. Not so fast! Remember that you’re supposed to be “the people’s choice.” So what should you do? If you know the answer to that question, I propose° that you call the politicians in Washington immediately. They’ve been looking for the answer for over two hundred years.

B. The Christmas Wars

f. artificial

g. complicate

h. counsel

i. detect

j. transparent

Christmas time is supposed to be peaceful, but in some families it renews old battles. One is the dispute° between those who like a sweet-smelling, natural Christmas tree and those who prefer a shiny (6)_____ tree, with no pine needles to mess up the floor. Another common battle goes on between parents, who seek the best places to hide the gifts until the big day, and children, who search tirelessly to (7)_____ clues about where those hiding places are. No matter what efforts a parent may make to (8)_____ the search by shoving the gifts inside luggage or under three layers of linens, kids soon find them.

Then, of course, because the boxes and packages are not (9)_____, the kids have to resort° to opening a corner of the wrapping. Or they try to determine° what’s inside by shaking, bouncing, and rattling the box. Sooner or later, they make enough noise to catch an adult’s attention. At this point the kids come out from behind the furnace or under the bed, trying very hard to look innocent. The parents get mad, the kids are in tears — Merry Christmas, everyone! It’s hard to know how to (10)_____ parents in this situation. Would the best advice be to ask Grandpa or Grandma to take the kids for a month or so?

CHAPTER 13

原典
英语

detract
foresight
intense
interval
prosper

strive
substance
tolerance
trait
withdraw

Ten Words in Context

In the space provided, write the letter of the meaning closest to that of each **boldfaced** word. Use the context of the sentences to help you figure out each word's meaning.

1 **detract**
/di'trækt/
– verb

___ *Detract* means

- A headache can **detract** from even the most enjoyable experience.
- Eating with someone who slurps can **detract** from the pleasure of a good meal.

a. to grow. b. to pass. c. to take away.

2 **foresight**
/'fɔ:sait/
– noun

___ *Foresight* means

- Jen had the **foresight** to apply to several colleges, knowing that she might not get into the one she wanted most.
- People who are always late show a lack of **foresight**.

a. wise planning. b. courage. c. strength.

3 **intense**
/'ɪntens/
– adjective

___ *Intense* means

- After hours in the blazing sun, the hikers felt **intense** thirst.
- Dad went to the emergency room because of **intense** pain in his lower back.

a. very great. b. unimportant. c. imaginary.

4 **interval**
/'ɪntəvəl/
– noun

___ *Interval* means

- The **interval** between Christmas and New Year's Day is only a week.
- There was an **interval** of several hours between the births of the twins — in fact, they were born on separate days.

a. happiness. b. difference in importance. c. space.

5 **prosper**
/'prɒspə(r)/
– verb

___ *Prosper* means

- The company is so strong that it is expected to **prosper** even though similar companies are going out of business.
- Someone who always jumps from job to job is not likely to **prosper**.

a. to believe. b. to do well. c. to take back.

6 **strive**
/'straɪv/
– verb

___ *Strive* means

- Many people **strive** to become movie stars, but few succeed.
- Every year, many mountain climbers **strive** to reach the top of Mount Qomolangma.

a. to make a mistake. b. to make a discovery. c. to make an effort.

7 **substance**
/ˈsʌbstəns/
– noun

- Snails leave a trail of a shiny **substance** everywhere they crawl.
- Gold is such a soft **substance** that it can be pounded into a very thin sheet.

___ *Substance* means a. material. b. light. c. force.

8 **tolerance**
/ˈtɒlərəns/
– noun

- The **tolerance** of our neighbors is obvious when you see children of different races playing together at their house.
- Because of the Johnsons' **tolerance**, their son-in-law's different religion is not a problem for the family.

___ *Tolerance* means a. planning. b. respect for others. c. financial success.

9 **trait**
/treɪ/
– noun

- My friend's nicest **trait** is her ability to laugh at herself.
- My worst **trait** is always worrying about what people think of me.

___ *Trait* means a. personal quality. b. goal. c. preparation.

10 **withdraw**
/wɪðˈdrɔː/
– verb

- When I realized I was working Thursday, I had to **withdraw** my offer to baby-sit for my sister's kids.
- "Please **withdraw** your fingers from my shoulder," the woman said to her coworker. "And keep your hands to yourself."

___ *Withdraw* means a. give. b. find. c. take back.

Matching Words with Definitions

Following are definitions of the ten words. **Print** each word next to its definition. If you look closely at each word in context, you will be able to figure out its meaning.

- _____ A quality or feature, as of personality, for which a person is known
- _____ Respect for the differing views, practices, and characteristics of others; freedom from prejudice
- _____ To take away something desirable (from); reduce the quality or value of
- _____ To take back (something or a statement); remove
- _____ Extreme in strength or degree; very strong
- _____ Care in planning or preparing for the future
- _____ The period of time between two events
- _____ To try hard
- _____ To succeed, especially financially
- _____ Physical material; matter of a particular type

CAUTION: Do not go any further until you are sure the above answers are correct. Then you can use the definitions to help you in the following practices. Your goal is eventually to know the words well enough so that you don't need to check the definitions at all.

➤ **Sentence Check 1**

Using the answer line, complete each item below with the correct word from the box.

a. detract	b. foresight	c. intense	d. interval	e. prosper
f. strive	g. substance	h. tolerance	i. trait	j. withdraw

- _____ 1. I wished I could _____ my angry words, but it was too late.
- _____ 2. That ugly vacant lot _____s from the beauty of the neighborhood.
- _____ 3. Shelby _____s to do well in all her classes.
- _____ 4. Patience is an important _____ for a preschool teacher.
- _____ 5. Budgeting requires the _____ to think of future expenses.
- _____ 6. Martin Luther King taught that all people should be viewed with _____, no matter what their race or religious beliefs.
- _____ 7. Barbara practices swimming for many hours each day, driven by her _____ desire to compete in the Olympics.
- _____ 8. There's an _____ of an hour between two of my classes today.
- _____ 9. The man was arrested after police saw him sell someone a white _____ in a plastic bag.
- _____ 10. At first, the Savings Mart didn't do well, but after it lowered its prices and increased its advertising, the store began to _____.

➤ **Sentence Check 2**

Using the answer lines, complete each item below with **two** words from the box.

- _____ 1–2. One of Paul's unpleasant _____s is that he has very little _____ for anyone who disagrees with his opinions.
- _____ 3–4. People who _____ tend to be individuals who _____ to do their jobs well, spend less than they earn, and save for the future.
- _____ 5–6. I like to watch a movie without interruption. Even the short _____ of a TV ad _____s from my enjoyment.
- _____ 7–8. After we drove to the beach and ran out into the _____ sunshine of midday, we realized that none of us had had the _____ to bring along sunblock lotion.
- _____ 9–10. The principal made two people _____ from school last term for being addicted to some _____ — for one it was alcohol, and for the other it was cocaine. They were counseled^o to get professional help.

➤ Related Words

Once you learn a new word, you can more easily understand many related words. Below are ten words related to the core words of this chapter. Use their definitions to help you write in the word that best completes each item.

a. detractor , <i>noun</i>	A critic; one who points out the bad points of something
b. Intensify , <i>verb</i>	To make something stronger or more powerful
c. Intent , <i>adjective</i>	Having the mind firmly set on a purpose
d. prosperity , <i>noun</i>	Financial success
e. tolerant , <i>adjective</i>	Willing to bear patiently (something not especially liked)

1. Jane was ____ of her daughter's having many pets until the girl brought home a giant spider. Then Jane finally said no.
2. If you give the dog food at the table, he won't stop begging — in fact, he will linger^o at the table and ____ his begging.
3. Most people in the audience liked the school board's plan, but one ____ kept pointing out things that he thought were wrong with the plan.
4. People who are born into a life of ____ may find it hard to understand the problems of the poor.
5. Since she was in second grade, Lisa had been ____ upon becoming an airline pilot.

f. Insight , <i>noun</i>	Understanding
g. Intensify , <i>noun</i>	Great power
h. prosperous , <i>adjective</i>	Successful; well-off
i. substantial , <i>adjective</i>	Solidly built; not fragile ^o
j. tolerate , <i>verb</i>	To put up with; bear

6. Levi Strauss was a poor tailor until he became ____ by making and selling "Levi's" jeans.
7. Peter is a good counselor because he has so much ____ into why people do the things they do.
8. I'd like to hear my favorite band in concert, but I don't think I could ____ the crowds of people there.
9. The ____ of his hunger made it impossible for Bart to think of anything but food. He was conscious^o of only his growling stomach.
10. In the children's story "The Three Little Pigs," the lazy pigs build houses of sticks and straw that are easy to destroy. But the hard-working pig wants to inhabit^o a strong house, so he builds a ____ house of bricks.

➤ **Word Parts**

A. The suffix *-ous* means “full of” or “having much.”

Examples: *fury* — violent anger

furious — full of violent anger

prosper — to succeed financially

prosperous — having much financial success

On each answer line, write the word from the box that best completes the item.

a. **envious**

b. **famous**

c. **furious**

d. **joyous**

e. **prosperous**

- _____ 1. Elvis Presley is still very well known; in fact, he may be more _____ today than he was when he was alive.
- _____ 2. During her latest fight with her boyfriend, Jill was so _____ that she threw a book at him.
- _____ 3. Not many people “get rich quick” by winning the lottery; most of us have to work long and hard to become _____.
- _____ 4. The wedding of my eighty-year-old grandmother was a _____ occasion for the family.
- _____ 5. It is hard not to feel _____ of Paul, who seems to have everything good in life: a great marriage, a wonderful job, terrific kids, and lots of friends.

B. The suffix *-al* often means “the act of.”

Examples: *deny* — to say that something is not true

denial — the act of saying that something is not true

refuse — to say “no” to doing or giving or accepting something

refusal — the act of saying “no” to something

On each answer line, write the word from the box that best completes the item.

f. **approval**

g. **betrayal**

h. **denial**

i. **survival**

j. **withdrawal**

- _____ 6. The _____ of one thousand dollars from the man’s bank account was unusual. He usually took out only fifty dollars or so.
- _____ 7. Giving secret information to an enemy is a _____ of one’s country.
- _____ 8. My mother strongly believes in the soul’s _____ after death, but my father believes there is nothing after death.
- _____ 9. Mark’s _____ that he had eaten the cookies surprised me because I noticed Oreo crumbs all over his bed.
- _____ 10. We can’t leave work early without our boss’s _____.

Final Check

Read the passages carefully. Then fill in each blank with the word that best fits the context.

A. What's Your Type?

a. **Intense**b. **prosper**c. **strive**d. **tolerance**e. **trait**

If being stuck behind a slow-moving car drives you nuts or if you are often impatient with a friend's progress in completing a task, you may be what researchers classify^o as a Type A personality. A (1)_____ shared by Type A people is the desire to make effective use of time. They (2)_____ to accomplish more in an hour than other people do in a day. A typical example of Type A behavior is the man who built a desk onto the front of his exercise bike. Sitting in front of the TV set, he could exercise, watch football, and pay bills all at the same time. Type A's often have little (3)_____ for the calmer Type B people, who Type A's feel waste a lot of time. Naturally, Type A people often (4)_____ financially, driven as they are to achieve the maximum^o success at whatever they do. However, they also suffer from heart disease more often than the more relaxed Type B's. It seems that the Type A's (5)_____ need for success creates a lot of tension, which causes damage to the body.

B. What a Circus!

f. **detract**g. **foresight**h. **interval**i. **substance**j. **withdraw**

I didn't actually volunteer to go to the circus. I was sort of volunteered. My son Tommy was going with his first-grade class, and he told his teacher to sign me up. When I saw how eager^o he was for me to accompany^o his class, I couldn't (6)_____ the offer.

So there I was, along with a handful of other parents and ninety excited six- and seven-year-olds. I don't really recollect^o a great deal of the circus. What I do remember is the purple (7)_____ that someone spilled on my sneaker, because it never washed off. I remember a lot about the inside of the bathroom, because I took so many children there. I remember washing cotton candy off a lot of faces, since I had the (8)_____ to bring a box of baby wipes along. And I remember the boy who exclaimed^o, "Oh, no!" and hid his face in my lap when an acrobat took a scary walk across a high horizontal^o wire.

But nothing could (9)_____ from the fun those kids had. To them, every act was a wonder. Even when the juggler dropped three of his four bowling pins, the kids thought he was great. Just watching all the activity exhausted^o the children. In the brief (10)_____ between our boarding the bus to go home and Tommy's falling asleep, he told me, "That was the bestest circus ever. You were really lucky to get to come along." Looking back at it all, I think I was, too.

CHAPTER 14

原典
英语

approximately
consistent
cope
evaluate
observe

phrase
practical
random
significant
sole

Ten Words in Context

In the space provided, write the letter of the meaning closest to that of each **boldfaced** word. Use the context of the sentences to help you figure out each word's meaning.

- 1 **approximately**
/ə'prɒksɪmətli/
– *adverb*
___ *Approximately* means a. certainly. b. never. c. about.
 - A month is **approximately** thirty days long.
 - The suspect in the murder case is a dark-haired white woman who is **approximately** forty years old.
- 2 **consistent**
/kən'sɪstənt/
– *adjective*
___ *Consistent* means a. steady. b. early. c. surprising.
 - To be rated number one in tennis, a player must be a **consistent** winner, not a winner now and then.
 - I would rather work for someone with a **consistent** manner than someone full of praise one day and screaming insults the next.
- 3 **cope**
/kəʊp/
– *verb*
___ *Cope with* means a. to value. b. to predict. c. to handle.
 - The death of a beloved pet is hard to **cope** with.
 - I read an interesting article on how to **cope** with difficult people.
- 4 **evaluate**
/ɪ'veljueɪt/
– *verb*
___ *Evaluate* means a. to ignore. b. to judge. c. to remember.
 - I need to **evaluate** both job offers before I decide which to accept.
 - Several long-distance phone companies make the same promises, so it is hard to **evaluate** which is best.
- 5 **observe**
/əb'zɜ:v/
– *verb*
___ *Observe* means a. to see. b. to think about. c. to control.
 - Medical students are allowed to **observe** surgeons at work.
 - The children lay on the ground to **observe** some ants building an anthill.
- 6 **phrase**
/freɪz/
– *noun*
___ *Phrase* means a. puzzle. b. word group. c. answer.
 - The **phrase** “at this point in time” can be reduced to a single word: *now*.
 - The **phrase** “Tom, Dick or Harry” means “any member of the general public.”

7 **practical**
/ˈpræktɪkəl/
– adjective

- Mom puts old socks to **practical** use as dust rags.
- The two single friends realized it would be **practical** to move in together and split the rent.

___ *Practical* means

- a. done for practice. b. expensive. c. sensible.

8 **random**
/ˈrændəm/
– adjective

- We studied two paintings in art class. One was a clearly organized arrangement of black and white dots; the other seemed to be a **random** collection of spots and streaks of brilliant color.
- The movement of clouds may seem to be **random**, but scientists know that there is a pattern to how they move.

___ *Random* means

- a. without order. b. rare. c. useful.

9 **significant**
/sɪɡˈnɪfɪkənt/
– adjective

- My factory job was hard but worthwhile because I earned a **significant** part of my college expenses.
- Doctors have found that a good attitude can play a **significant** role in helping people recover from diseases.

___ *Significant* means

- a. busy. b. large. c. easy.

10 **sole**
/səʊl/
– adjective

- After her husband died, the woman was the **sole** support of a large family.
- The **sole** reason my cousin ever calls me is to ask for money.

___ *Sole* means

- a. only. b. friendly. c. early.

Matching Words with Definitions

Following are definitions of the ten words. **Print** each word next to its definition. If you look closely at each word in context, you will be able to figure out its meaning.

- _____ Quite large in amount or quantity; important in amount
- _____ Almost, but not exactly; more or less
- _____ Not having a plan, purpose, or pattern; chance
- _____ To decide on the value of (something)
- _____ To deal with difficulties; handle
- _____ Only; being the only one
- _____ Useful and sensible
- _____ To watch with attention
- _____ Steady; regular
- _____ A group of words with a meaning; an expression

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➤ Sentence Check 1

Using the answer line, complete each item below with the correct word from the box.

a. approximately	b. consistent	c. cope	d. evaluate	e. observe
f. phrase	g. practical	h. random	i. significant	j. sole

- _____ 1. Rhonda is a ____ student, bringing home B's regularly.
- _____ 2. The Murphys have so many pets that they spend a ____ amount of their grocery money to feed them.
- _____ 3. The course on "Smart Shopping" teaches people how to ____ the worth of products and services.
- _____ 4. To learn to make lasagna, I ____d my mother making it.
- _____ 5. I like to take ____ walks, without any plan in mind.
- _____ 6. My friends helped me ____ with my father's death.
- _____ 7. People just learning English are often puzzled by ____s such as "on the up-and-up" and "You don't say!"
- _____ 8. I barely know my neighbor — the ____ conversation we ever have is saying "Good morning" to each other.
- _____ 9. White furniture is not ____ for a family with little kids who wear dirty shoes and spill Kool-Aid.
- _____ 10. "I'd like you to cut off this much," Eileen told her hairdresser, indicating° ____ two inches.

➤ Sentence Check 2

Using the answer lines, complete each item below with **two** words from the box.

- _____ 1–2. Dave found an inexpensive, ____ way to ____ with his problem of mice in his house — he got a cat.
- _____ 3–4. Pizza is Little Italy's best seller, bringing in ____ 30 percent of the profits, a very ____ part of the restaurant's income.
- _____ 5–6. The best way to ____ a college and decide if it is right for you is to visit it and ____ classes and other activities there.
- _____ 7–8. The ____ "a chance meeting" refers to a ____ meeting — in other words, one that happens accidentally.
- _____ 9–10. The ____ exercise I get is walking — nothing else. But I am ____ about it — I do it every day. I prefer solitary° walks so that I don't have to talk to anyone.

Related Words

Once you learn a new word, you can more easily understand many related words. Below are ten words related to the core words of this chapter. Use their definitions to help you write in the word that best completes each item.

a. evaluation , <i>noun</i>	A judgment of the value or quality of something
b. impractical , <i>adjective</i>	Not sensible; not useful
c. inconsistent , <i>adjective</i>	Not steady; changing; not dependable
d. observant , <i>adjective</i>	Watchful; paying careful attention
e. at random , <i>adverb</i>	Without a plan or purpose

- _____ 1. Waiting to see the dentist, Loni picked up a magazine ____, not even noticing its title.
- _____ 2. We have an ____ supply of hot water — sometimes there is plenty; at other times, there's not enough for even one shower.
- _____ 3. The restaurant closed down abruptly° after a bad ____ by the health department.
- _____ 4. If you were more ____, you would have noticed that we have been driving in a circle for a considerable° amount of time.
- _____ 5. I rarely buy clothing in ____ fabrics that I can't stick in the washing machine or that require ironing. I don't want to complicate° my housework any more than necessary.

f. insignificant , <i>adjective</i>	Small in size or amount
g. observation , <i>noun</i>	The careful watching of someone or something
h. observatory , <i>noun</i>	A building that houses telescopes for the study of the stars
i. rephrase , <i>verb</i>	To say again, but in a different way
j. significance , <i>noun</i>	Importance

- _____ 6. The detectives' ____ of the house led them to believe that there was an illegal gambling operation going on inside.
- _____ 7. Last Saturday, science students went on a field trip to an ____, where they were able to look at the planets and even watch a meteor shower.
- _____ 8. Santiago asked Abby, "Will you marry me?" Then, before she could answer, he said, "Let me ____ that — will you marry me in two years when I get my degree?"
- _____ 9. The invention of the printing press was of great ____ because it made books available to people who could not afford hand-copied ones.
- _____ 10. I was astonished° to see a woman at the supermarket drop a quarter and not pick it up. She must have thought it was an ____ amount of money.

➤ Synonyms and Antonyms

A. Synonyms. Write the letter of the word or phrase that most nearly means the **same** as each boldfaced word.

_____ 1. **cope**

- a. compete with
- c. quarrel

- b. manage
- d. agree

_____ 2. **evaluate**

- a. judge
- c. see

- b. pay for
- d. borrow

_____ 3. **observe**

- a. set a goal
- c. watch

- b. perform
- d. handle

_____ 4. **phrase**

- a. a practice
- c. a plan

- b. something useful
- d. a group of words

_____ 5. **sole**

- a. important
- c. sensible

- b. only
- d. unplanned

B. Antonyms. Write the letter of the word or phrase that most nearly means the **opposite** of each boldfaced word.

_____ 6. **approximately**

- a. well-known
- c. not clear

- b. exactly
- d. often

_____ 7. **consistent**

- a. having a plan
- c. valuable

- b. not close
- d. not regular

_____ 8. **practical**

- a. useless
- c. attractive

- b. valuable
- d. common

_____ 9. **random**

- a. not steady
- c. unknown

- b. interesting
- d. planned

_____ 10. **significant**

- a. wrong
- c. dull

- b. unclear
- d. small in amount

➤ Final Check

Read the passages carefully. Then fill in each blank with the word that best fits the context.

A. Practicing Kindness

a. consistent

b. evaluate

c. observe

d. phrase

e. random

Maybe you've heard the (1) _____ or seen it printed on a bumper sticker. It encourages people to do kind things for no particular reason, with no particular plan. It goes like this: "Practice (2) _____ acts of kindness and senseless beauty." I don't know where it originated° or who said it first. But I have seen people putting the idea into practice. I've (3) _____d people putting quarters into parking meters so that a stranger's car wouldn't be ticketed. I've heard of someone paying a family's bill in a restaurant, then leaving before the family found out. I know a man who is (4) _____ in not letting a day go by without giving someone a sincere compliment.

Why do these people bother? They probably don't stop to (5) _____ their actions or objectives°. But if they did, I assume° they would say something like this: Kindness can be catching, just as cruelty can be. When we do something unexpected and nice for another person, who knows where that act of kindness might end?

B. The Stinking Rose

f. approximately

g. cope

h. practical

i. significant

j. sole

Centuries ago in Rome, it was called "stinking rose." It was then used to flavor food and for such (6) _____ purposes as fighting colds. Today we call it garlic, and we too find this wonderful substance° delicious and useful. In fact, in one recent year, Americans bought enough garlic to provide every man, woman, and child with (7) _____ one and a half pounds of the stuff. It is added to a wide variety° of foods, from appetizers to zucchini — even to chocolate peanut butter cups. The unfortunate thing about garlic is that it produces bad breath. One way to (8) _____ with garlic breath is to chew parsley, an excellent natural breath cleaner. Or eat garlic only with others who are also eating it. Being tasty is not the (9) _____ good thing about garlic — it turns out that the ancient Romans were absolutely right about its having health benefits. A (10) _____ number of studies (about 3,000) have been done of the onionlike plant. They suggest that garlic may strengthen the immune system, fight colds, cause a reduction° in blood pressure, and even help prevent cancer.

eligible
harsh
remote
shallow
thrive

- 7 **harsh**
/hɑːʃ/
– adjective
- ___ *Harsh* means
- The **harsh** ruler decided to punish the entire village for one man's crime.
 - The scolding the children received was too **harsh** — they hadn't done anything all that bad.
- a. fair. b. rough. c. wasteful.
- 8 **remote**
/rɪ'məʊt/
– adjective
- ___ *Remote* means
- Humans have explored even the most **remote** parts of the planet, areas deep in forests and beneath the seas.
 - Some parts of the park are so **remote** that visitors seldom reach them.
- a. large. b. typical. c. distant.
- 9 **shallow**
/'ʃæləʊ/
– adjective
- ___ *Shallow* means
- The lifeguard at the pool insists that young children stay at the **shallow** end.
 - The cake won't rise very high in that **shallow** pan; you'll need a pan with higher sides.
- a. real. b. not deep. c. very wide.
- 10 **thrive**
/θraɪv/
– verb
- ___ *Thrive* means
- The African violets should **thrive** in that sunny window.
 - In the past, many premature babies died, but with modern medical care most of them **thrive** and live normal lives.
- a. to do very well. b. to grow weaker. c. to need too much care.

Matching Words with Definitions

Following are definitions of the ten words. **Print** each word next to its definition. If you look closely at each word in context, you will be able to figure out its meaning.

1. _____ Not deep
2. _____ To face or oppose boldly
3. _____ To grow very well; improve physically
4. _____ To cause disorder or confusion; upset
5. _____ Qualified to be chosen; desirable as a candidate
6. _____ Unkind or cruel; strict; severe
7. _____ Far away; out-of-the-way; hidden away
8. _____ Typical of someone or something
9. _____ A general thought; an idea
10. _____ Real; true; actual

CAUTION: Do not go any further until you are sure the above answers are correct. Then you can use the definitions to help you in the following practices. Your goal is eventually to know the words well enough so that you don't need to check the definitions at all.

➤ *Sentence Check 1*

Using the answer line, complete each item below with the correct word from the box.

a. authentic	b. characteristic	c. concept	d. confront	e. disrupt
f. eligible	g. harsh	h. remote	i. shallow	j. thrive

- _____ 1. The creek was so ____ that the water came up only to my ankles.
- _____ 2. Some imitation pearl necklaces are so beautiful that only a jeweler can tell the pearls are not ____.
- _____ 3. Cindy received ____ treatment from her cruel stepmother.
- _____ 4. The preschool teacher tries to help her little students understand the ____ of sharing.
- _____ 5. The student assembly was ____ed by a fire drill.
- _____ 6. The weak, sickly child began to ____ after doctors corrected her heart problem.
- _____ 7. Professor Lopez studies little-known plants in ____ parts of our state forests.
- _____ 8. After a man dropped a bag of trash on the ground, another man picked it up and ____ed him, saying, "I think this is yours. Find a trash can."
- _____ 9. Students must have at least a B average to be ____ for any of the school sports teams.
- _____ 10. Fat, fleshy leaves are ____ of cactus plants.

➤ *Sentence Check 2*

Using the answer lines, complete each item below with **two** words from the box.

- _____ 1–2. The two rings looked alike to me, but the jeweler said that only one had the colorful sparkle that is ____ of an ____ diamond.
- _____ 3–4. Tomorrow I will ____ our neighbors and protest^o about the way that their unleashed dog ____s the children's backyard games.
- _____ 5–6. A child who does poorly in school with a ____, bad-tempered teacher might ____ with a teacher who is gentle and caring.
- _____ 7–8. Because she is a biologist, Mia is ____ to be part of a research team that will study turtles on a ____ island.
- _____ 9–10. Because babies can drown in very little water, the ____ that they are safe in a ____ pool is false — a reliable^o adult must be watching them every second.

➤ Related Words

Once you learn a new word, you can more easily understand many related words. Below are ten words related to the core words of this chapter. Use their definitions to help you write in the word that best completes each item.

a. character , <i>noun</i>	The moral qualities of a person
b. confrontation , <i>noun</i>	An angry or threatening meeting
c. disruptive , <i>adjective</i>	Causing confusion or disturbance
d. Inauthentic , <i>adjective</i>	Not real; fake
e. Ineligible , <i>adjective</i>	Not qualified for a particular purpose

- _____ 1. The museum directors were shocked to learn that their most famous painting was ____; it was only a very well-done copy.
- _____ 2. Jerry wouldn't cheat on a test — his ____ is very good.
- _____ 3. It can be dangerous to try to break up a ____ between a couple of angry dogs.
- _____ 4. One ____ child can take up more of a teacher's attention than a whole class of well-behaved children.
- _____ 5. People who are related to any of the judges are ____ to enter the talent contest.

f. conceive , <i>verb</i>	To have an idea or opinion
g. disruption , <i>noun</i>	A disturbance or interruption
h. eligibility , <i>noun</i>	Qualifications; fitness
i. harshly , <i>adverb</i>	In a cruel or strict manner
j. harshness , <i>noun</i>	Strictness; cruelty

- _____ 6. There was an interesting ____ in English class today — someone opened a window, and a sparrow flew in.
- _____ 7. Sports are supposed to be wholesome° activities, so it was especially sad when two athletes lost their ____ to compete in the Olympics because they failed drug tests.
- _____ 8. "Everyone down on the floor. You too, lady," the bank robber said ____ to the elderly woman.
- _____ 9. Children ____ of their parents as very wise and powerful. However, when they become teenagers, they revise° that view quite a bit.
- _____ 10. Benita loves playing the piano, but she quit taking piano lessons because of the ____ of her teacher's methods. He once made her play the same few notes approximately° twenty-five times in a row.

➤ Analogies

Each item below starts with a pair of words in CAPITAL LETTERS. For each item, figure out the relationship between these two words. Then decide which of the choices (*a*, *b*, *c*, or *d*) expresses a similar relationship. Write the letter of your choice on the answer line. (All the repeated words in these items are from this unit.)

- ____ 1. AUTHENTIC : REAL ::
a. lost : found
b. expensive : high-priced
c. expected : surprising
d. inner : external
- ____ 2. EXTERNAL° : INTERNAL° ::
a. outside : weather
b. sole° : only
c. intense° : weak
d. red : bright
- ____ 3. HARSH : KIND ::
a. late : tardy
b. helpful : useful
c. permanent : temporary°
d. incredible° : amazing
- ____ 4. ORANGE : FRUIT ::
a. cat : dog
b. triumph° : loss
c. penicillin : remedy°
d. strawberry : cherry
- ____ 5. CONFRONT : AVOID ::
a. strive° : try
b. eligible : qualified
c. tear : rip
d. prosper° : fail
- ____ 6. SHALLOW : DEEP ::
a. brief : short
b. disrupt : upset
c. laughing : frowning
d. random° : unplanned
- ____ 7. WINDOW : TRANSPARENT° ::
a. door : doorknob
b. window : curtain
c. car : highway
d. grass : green
- ____ 8. THRIVE : WEAKEN ::
a. protest° : approve
b. smile : grin
c. protect : guard
d. observe° : watch
- ____ 9. TRAIT° : PATIENCE ::
a. promise : withdraw°
b. substance° : clay
c. banker : money
d. kindness : intelligence
- ____ 10. GIVE : GIFT ::
a. run : walk
b. detect° : clue
c. concept : idea
d. exhaust° : tire

➤ Final Check

Read the passages carefully. Then fill in each blank with the word that best fits the context.

A. A Modern Fairy Tale

a. concept

b. confront

c. disrupt

d. eligible

e. harsh

Many fairy tales are versions° of the same story: A prince has his pick of all the (1)_____ women in the kingdom. But the girl he likes best is in big trouble, so the prince bravely rescues her. The girl doesn't do much of anything. She just looks pretty. The stories all end with more or less the same phrase°: "They lived happily ever after."

But one fairy tale, "The Paper Bag Princess," gets rid of the (2)_____ of the brave prince and the helpless girl. In it, Princess Elizabeth is engaged to Prince Ronald. But a dragon (3)_____s their plans by burning the castle and capturing Ronald. Elizabeth decides to rescue him. Since all her pretty clothes have been burned up, she puts on a paper bag. She bravely (4)_____s the dragon and tricks him into using up all his strength on silly tasks. Then she goes into the dragon's cave and finds Ronald.

Instead of being grateful, however, Ronald gives Elizabeth a (5)_____ scolding for being covered with dirt and smoke and for wearing a bag. He tells her to come back when she looks like "a real princess." Elizabeth tells Ronald that though he looks like a real prince, with his fancy clothes and neat hair, he is, in fact, "a bum." The last picture in the book shows Elizabeth dancing happily off into the sunset, with the final line "They didn't get married after all."

B. Wolf Children

f. authentic

g. characteristic

h. remote

i. shallow

j. thrive

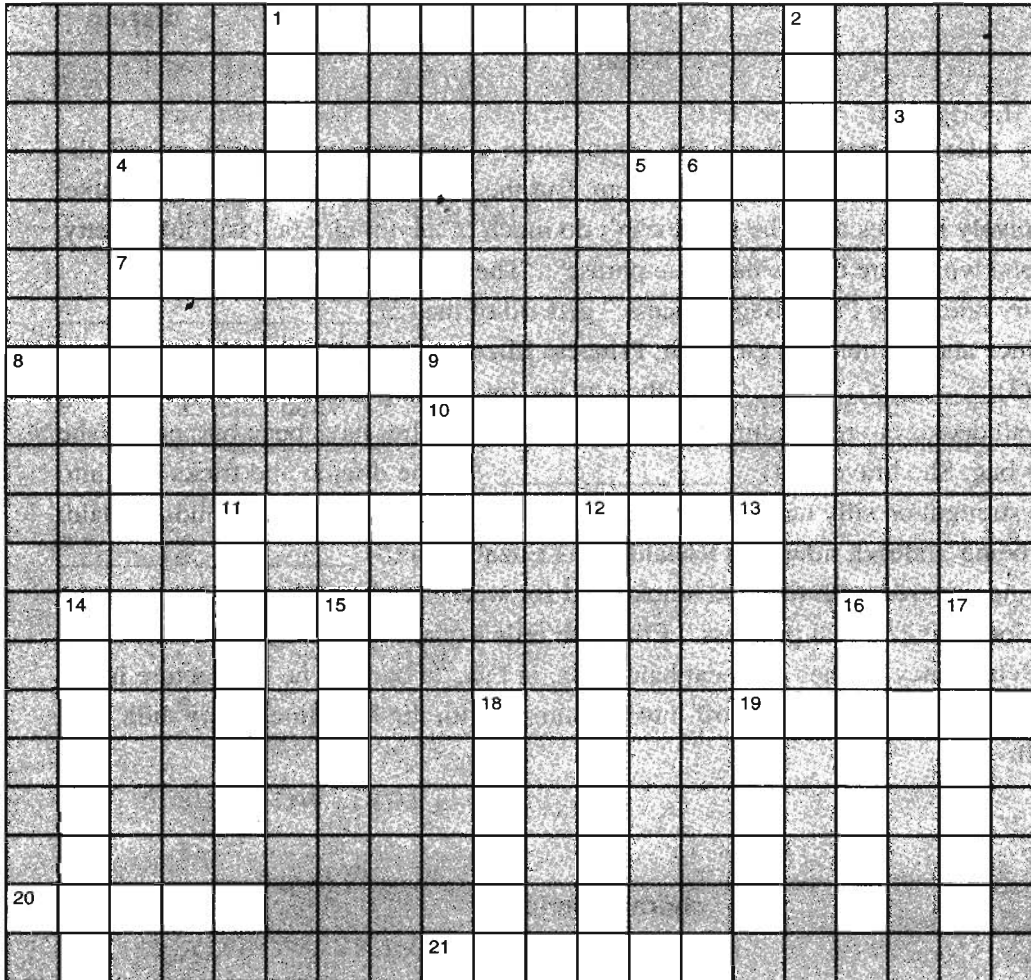
A tale of children being raised by wolves sounds incredible°. However, though hard to believe, one story about wolf children appears to be (6)_____. In Singapore during the early 1920s, Reverend J. A. L. Singh heard stories of "man-beasts" that were frightening the people of a (7)_____ jungle village. Along with a group of other men, Singh went in search of that hidden village and the strange creatures.

When Singh uncovered a (8)_____ hole, he discovered a family of wolves. From within the wolves' den, two pale creatures peeked out. Singh's party killed the adult wolves and dug into the den. There they found two human children curled up with the cubs. The children were captured and brought to the village in bamboo cages.

The children never spoke to other humans; instead, they howled and growled like animals. Their diet was equally wolf-like: they preferred raw meat, mice, and cockroaches. And they had the wolf's (9)_____ desire to be active at night, as well as a dislike of the indoors. Sadly, the children did not (10)_____. Both grew weak and died.

UNIT THREE: Review

The box at the right lists twenty-five words from Unit Three. Using the clues at the bottom of the page, fill in these words to complete the puzzle that follows.



artificial
complicate
concept
cope
counsel
detect
exhaust
external
foresight
harsh
intense
internal
phrase
protest
random
remedy
remote
shallow
significant
sole
strive
thrive
tolerance
trait
triumph

ACROSS

1. To give advice or guidance to
4. Extreme in strength or degree; very strong
5. To try hard
7. An outstanding or very satisfying success; victory
8. Care in planning or preparing for the future
10. Far away; out-of-the-way
11. Quite large in amount or quantity
14. To tire greatly
19. Not having a plan, purpose, or pattern; chance

20. Unkind or cruel; strict;

severe

21. A cure; something that heals

DOWN

1. To deal with difficulties
2. Made to imitate something natural
3. To notice; discover that something exists or is present
4. Inner; located inside
6. To grow very well; improve physically

9. A quality or feature, as of personality, for which a person is known

11. Not deep
12. To make difficult by adding or involving many parts or details; make complex
13. Respect for the differing views, practices, and characteristics of others
14. Outer; located outside
15. Only; being the only one
16. A general thought; an idea
17. To complain
18. A group of words with a meaning; an expression

UNIT THREE: Test 1

Homer Approach

PART A

Choose the word that best completes each item and write it in the space provided.

- _____ 1. Since my math class was very difficult for me, I consider the B I got for the course to be a great ____.
- a. foresight b. triumph c. tolerance d. trait
- _____ 2. When I began exercising I was in such bad shape that walking a mile ____ me, but now I run three miles every day.
- a. observed b. prospered c. exhausted d. protested
- _____ 3. It's hard to believe in a doctor who ____ his patients not to smoke, but who smokes himself.
- a. counsels b. copes with c. withdraws d. exhausts
- _____ 4. The ____ of Luis's ear infections when he was a little boy was great, but he hasn't had one for years now.
- a. phrase b. objective c. frequency d. conscience
- _____ 5. "Remember that you ____ all of the people of our city," one man yelled to the mayor, "not just the rich ones."
- a. represent b. detect c. protest d. thrive
- _____ 6. It turned out that my son's interest in collecting stamps was only ____.
- He forgot about it after a couple of months.
- a. temporary b. intense c. external d. transparent
- _____ 7. If I ____ a hair in my food, then I can't eat another bite of that food, even after I remove the hair.
- a. strive b. evaluate c. assume d. detect
- _____ 8. As much as I would love to call in sick to work and go the baseball game, my ____ won't let me.
- a. substance b. conscience c. phrase d. interval
- _____ 9. Just because Donald is quiet in class, don't ____ that he is stupid.
- a. assume b. protest c. disrupt d. withdraw
- _____ 10. As she read in the living room, Anna became ____ of loud voices coming from her parents' room.
- a. appropriate b. shallow c. authentic d. conscious
- _____ 11. My daughter invited some friends over for dinner and then ____ my planning by telling me that one is allergic to eggs, another is allergic to milk, and the third is a vegetarian.
- a. prospered b. complicated c. thrived d. detected

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- _____ 12. When they visited the coast, the Martins enjoyed a trip in a glass-bottomed boat. They looked through its ____ bottom and saw many fish and other sea creatures.
a. transparent b. random c. remote d. harsh
- _____ 13. The hardware store sells ____ stones made of plastic that you can open and hide a house key in. Then you can hide the key by leaving the “stone” somewhere near your door.
a. eligible b. authentic c. artificial d. objective

PART B

Write **C** if the italicized word is used **correctly**. Write **I** if the word is used **incorrectly**.

- _____ 14. After using the *external* part of onions and potatoes in a meal, I use the peels to make broth.
- _____ 15. As *incredible* as it seems, the Nile River in Africa has frozen over at least twice.
- _____ 16. The house’s *internal* appearance is neat, but inside, it’s a real mess.
- _____ 17. Drivers in our state must not exceed a *maximum* of sixty miles an hour.
- _____ 18. My only *objective* to Mimi is that spending time with her is more boring than watching paint dry.
- _____ 19. The play was so bad that we slipped out of the theater during the *interval* between the first and second acts.
- _____ 20. Joan’s sickness seemed to be getting better, but over the weekend she had a *remedy* and is now seriously ill.
- _____ 21. The lovely bushes and flowering trees certainly *detract* from the beauty of the neighborhood.
- _____ 22. Knowing that his children often bring home friends after a baseball game, Mr. Hendricks had the *foresight* to make extra hamburgers for dinner.
- _____ 23. The chickens *protest* loudly whenever someone takes their eggs out from under them.
- _____ 24. Many people don’t eat much breakfast because their hunger in the morning is *intense*.
- _____ 25. Our boss is so *harsh* that he gives every employee an extra day off on his or her birthday.

Score (Number correct) _____ × 4 = _____%

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UNIT THREE: Test 2

Homer Approach

PART A

Complete each item with a word from the box. Use each word once.

a. approximately	b. authentic	c. consistent	d. cope	e. disrupt
f. eligible	g. phrase	h. prosper	i. remote	j. shallow
k. substance	l. trait	m. withdraw		

- _____ 1. A swarm of bees ____ed the picnic, sending people running and yelling in every direction.
- _____ 2. One way to ____ with winter weather is to stay indoors, turn the heat up, play old Beach Boys records, and watch videotapes of Hawaiian hula dancers.
- _____ 3. When asked what ____ is most important in a boyfriend or girlfriend, many people answer, "A sense of humor."
- _____ 4. In order to have the peace and quiet he needed to finish his book, the writer moved to a ____ cabin where there were no people, no cars, and not even a telephone.
- _____ 5. A lemonade stand would ____ on this corner — hundreds of hot, thirsty people walk by every day.
- _____ 6. The librarian complained that someone had returned a book with a sticky ____ all over its cover.
- _____ 7. If someone tells you he can sell you an ____ diamond bracelet for twenty dollars, don't believe him.
- _____ 8. Do you have to be a high-school graduate to be ____ to join the Army?
- _____ 9. The car sells for ____ fifteen thousand dollars; the exact price depends on what "extras" you order, such as power windows or a CD player.
- _____ 10. I don't think I'd like to live in a place where the weather is so ____ that there is never any change from day to day.
- _____ 11. Don't bury those carrot seeds too deep — just dig a ____ hole for each one and cover it with a small amount of soil.
- _____ 12. I had to ____ my offer to buy my friend's old car when I realized I couldn't afford automobile insurance.
- _____ 13. My grandfather usually spoke English, but he always greeted friends with the Spanish ____ "Qué pasa?" which means "What's happening?"

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PART B

Write **C** if the italicized word is used **correctly**. Write **I** if the word is used **incorrectly**.

- ____ 14. Manuel is a hard-working person who always *strives* to do his best.
- ____ 15. Amanda was the *sole* person at the table who ate meat. Everyone else was a vegetarian.
- ____ 16. After being put in the sun and watered regularly, the once-sickly plant soon *thrived*.
- ____ 17. When I asked the traffic cop directions to the post office, he *evaluated* that it was just down the block.
- ____ 18. Seeing her best friend get off the train, Irene *observed* quickly down the sidewalk to give her a hug.
- ____ 19. My blood pressure is so high that I have scheduled a *random* appointment with my doctor.
- ____ 20. The little girl taught herself the *concept* of “right” and “left” by remembering, “I **write** with my **right** hand.”
- ____ 21. The families decided it would be too *practical* to eat in an expensive restaurant.
- ____ 22. I keep a couple of quarters in my pocket for *significant* purchases, such as a pack of gum.
- ____ 23. The letters “ski” are a *characteristic* part of many Polish names, such as Kwilinski and Paderewski.
- ____ 24. Because Linda is so shy, she usually *confronts* people rather than daring to face them and actually talk to them.
- ____ 25. It’s plain to see from the way Diane quarrels so often with her friends that she has lots of *tolerance* for other people’s opinions.

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UNIT THREE: Test 3

Homer Approach

PART A: Synonyms

In the space provided, write the letter of the choice that is most nearly the **same** in meaning as the **boldfaced** word.

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|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| ___ 1. assume | a) improve | b) tire | c) manage | d) take for granted |
| ___ 2. characteristic | a) typical | b) strong | c) important | d) amazing |
| ___ 3. concept | a) idea | b) goal | c) period | d) knowledge of right and wrong |
| ___ 4. confront | a) interrupt | b) take away from | c) face boldly | d) succeed |
| ___ 5. conscience | a) respect for others | b) sense of right and wrong | c) feature | d) how often something happens |
| ___ 6. cope with | a) judge | b) remove | c) believe | d) manage |
| ___ 7. counsel | a) give advice to | b) bring together | c) send away | d) search for |
| ___ 8. detect | a) take from | b) speak for | c) stop briefly | d) discover |
| ___ 9. disrupt | a) upset | b) watch | c) tire | d) complain |
| ___ 10. eligible | a) important | b) chosen | c) qualified | d) amazing |
| ___ 11. evaluate | a) judge | b) try | c) grow | d) take back |
| ___ 12. foresight | a) purpose | b) care in planning | c) cure | d) attention |
| ___ 13. frequency | a) material | b) goal | c) word group | d) how often something happens |
| ___ 14. interval | a) time in between | b) thought | c) system | d) word group |
| ___ 15. objective | a) goal | b) respect | c) cure | d) matter |
| ___ 16. observe | a) decide | b) succeed | c) give advice | d) watch |
| ___ 17. phrase | a) period of time | b) shape | c) word group | d) amount |
| ___ 18. remote | a) not usual | b) out-of-the-way | c) believable | d) able to be seen through |
| ___ 19. represent | a) speak for | b) feel anger against | c) make smaller | d) send again |
| ___ 20. sole | a) outer | b) best | c) large | d) only |
| ___ 21. substance | a) care | b) general thought | c) material | d) knowledge |
| ___ 22. tolerance | a) win | b) possibility | c) confusion | d) lack of prejudice |
| ___ 23. trait | a) meeting | b) story | c) plan | d) feature |
| ___ 24. transparent | a) fake | b) amazing | c) proud | d) able to be seen through |
| ___ 25. withdraw | a) write down | b) take back | c) shorten | d) watch |

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PART II: Antonyms

In the space provided, write the letter of the choice that is most nearly **opposite** in meaning to the **boldfaced** word.

- ____ 26. **approximately** a) always b) useful c) exactly d) properly
- ____ 27. **artificial** a) perfect b) likeable c) suitable d) natural
- ____ 28. **authentic** a) demanding b) believable c) sharp d) fake
- ____ 29. **complicate** a) make easy b) speed up c) pass over d) take advice
- ____ 30. **conscious** a) unqualified b) unusual c) unexpected d) unaware
- ____ 31. **consistent** a) gentle b) changing c) rude d) weak
- ____ 32. **detract** a) stay the same b) add to c) fail d) rest
- ____ 33. **exhaust** a) give energy to b) explain c) expect d) get worse
- ____ 34. **external** a) useless b) harmful c) inner d) close
- ____ 35. **harsh** a) planned b) nearby c) useful d) kindly
- ____ 36. **incredible** a) regular b) not possible c) easy to believe
d) disagreeable
- ____ 37. **intense** a) accidental b) weak c) long-lasting d) helpless
- ____ 38. **internal** a) real b) deep c) honest d) outer
- ____ 39. **maximum** a) least possible b) legal c) exact d) able
- ____ 40. **practical** a) not sensible b) not inside c) not easy d) not possible
- ____ 41. **prosper** a) make easy b) face c) fail d) help
- ____ 42. **protest** a) put an end to b) approve c) give d) grow stronger
- ____ 43. **random** a) believable b) not wanted c) planned d) pleasant
- ____ 44. **remedy** a) thought b) distance c) purpose d) disease
- ____ 45. **shallow** a) deep b) crowded c) weak d) least
- ____ 46. **significant** a) not real b) done on purpose c) not important
d) not steady
- ____ 47. **strive** a) give advice b) put in c) ask for d) give up
- ____ 48. **temporary** a) long-lasting b) not qualified c) weak d) not typical
- ____ 49. **thrive** a) know b) argue c) change d) grow weak
- ____ 50. **triumph** a) suggestion b) patience c) distance d) loss

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