

SAT vocabulesson 22

I. Matching. Match the word on the left with its definition on the right. You will use each letter once.

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| ___ 1. copious | A. _____. subordinate in capacity or role; submissively obedient |
| ___ 2. cursory | B. _____. immoderate, lacking in self-control; inclement |
| ___ 3. dearth | C. _____. mean, low, base |
| ___ 4. ignoble | D. _____. abundant; plentiful; wordy, verbose |
| ___ 5. impugn | E. _____. hatred, contempt; disgrace or infamy resulting from hateful conduct |
| ___ 6. intemperate | F. _____. to call into question; to attack as false |
| ___ 7. odium | G. _____. faithlessness, treachery |
| ___ 8. perfidy | H. _____. to place in a lower position; to assign, refer, turn over; to banish |
| ___ 9. relegate | J. _____. a lack, a scarcity, inadequate supply; a famine |
| ___ 10. subservient | K. _____. hasty, not thorough |

II. Fill in the blank. Choose from the following list of vocab words to complete the sentences. You might need to change the form of the word to make it fit correctly into the sentence. Be careful.

copious	cursory	dearth	ignoble	impugn
intemperate	odium	perfidy	relegate	subservient

21. The _____ and detailed footnotes found in most scholarly books are designed to document the authors' sources.
22. An employer may complain of a/an _____ of qualified applicants for available jobs.
23. The mayor gave a final _____ glance at the text of her speech before approaching the podium.
24. Most people will agree that a noble purpose does not justify _____ means.
25. The officers were taught to be respectful of but not blindly _____ to their superiors' wishes.
26. You can _____ the senator's facts, but you cannot accuse her of concealing her intentions.
27. Experience taught her to control her _____ outbursts of anger.
28. Even if they _____ him to a mere clerical job, he is determined to make his presence felt.
29. Rulers in Shakespeare's plays often find themselves armed against enemies but not against the _____ of their friends.
30. Those eager to heap _____ on the fallen tyrant were distressed to learn that he had escaped in the night.

III. Synonyms -- Choose the word from this unit that is **the same** or **most nearly the same** in meaning as the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. You will use all of these words.

31. _____ the **servile** attitude he reserved for people in authority
32. _____ the **dishonorable** behavior that lost her the award
33. _____ hurt deeply by the **betrayal**

34. _____ because she was **transferred to a less important** region
35. _____ wrote **ample** notes during the lectures
36. _____ when she **challenged** the validity of his answers
37. _____ the **abhorrence** that followed him across the room
38. _____ the **perfunctory** way in which she cleaned the kitchen
39. _____ **excessive** swings from one emotional extreme to the other
40. _____ the year that we experienced a great **paucity** in the supply of oranges

IV. Antonyms. Choose the word from this unit that is **most nearly opposite** in meaning to the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. You will use all of these words.

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| | copious | cursory | dearth | ignoble | impugn |
| | intemperate | odium | perfidy | relegate | subservient |
41. _____ the **thorough** way in which she cleaned the kitchen
42. _____ because they had a **surplus** of unwanted items in the attic
43. _____ the **concise** language of his answer
44. _____ **admirable** attempts to help the elderly woman
45. _____ were able to **verify** the results of the experiment
46. _____ his **admiration** for the mayor
47. _____ a three-year-old's inherently **bossy** nature
48. _____ her tendency to do all things **in moderation**
49. _____ displayed a **loyalty** that was very admirable
50. _____ when she was **promoted** to VP and moved to the NY office

V. Choose the Right Word -- From the pair, choose the word that best fits the meaning of the sentence. Write the correct word in the space provided. You will use only five of the ten unit words in this section.

51. _____ A certain amount of disagreement is healthy in any organization, but in our club, **(subservience, perfidy)** has almost become a way of life.
52. _____ My Spanish friend finds it hard to understand the **(odium, dearth)** attached to bull-fighting in most non-Hispanic countries .
53. _____ Though I was annoyed by the child's behavior, the father's outburst of anger seemed to me deplorably **(intemperate, copious)** and hurtful.
54. _____ Far from being **(ignoble, cursory)** her failure after making a valiant effort may serve as an inspiration to young people.
55. _____ When Mr. Kummer saw my pathetically inept effort to prepare a banana split, I was **(relegated, impugned)** to the ranks of the unemployed.

REACH. (20 points) Now write your SAT question with a new partner. This will be the last time that you work with a partner. Next week, you'll start doing these on your own, so get ready. Write another question in the usage format, like last week. Write a sentence, using two of this week's vocab words. Then create a usage error in your sentence. Turn in both sentences—correct and incorrect—with a list of five plausible choices for the correct answer. Make sure your name and your partner's name are both on the paper and turn them in separately from this worksheet.