

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● acolyte   ● bibulous   ● coalesced   ● covert   ● declaimed   ● delineated   ● demagogue  
 ● encomiums   ● obdurate   ● prescience   ● protagonist   ● sedulous   ● trenchant   ● utopia  
 ● valedictory

1. This keenly perceptive remark, both sharp and full of truth, is just one example of the writer's \_\_\_\_\_ wit.
2. In her article, she \_\_\_\_\_ the plight of the homeless.
3. The speakers \_\_\_\_\_ on a variety of issues.
4. The government has been carrying out \_\_\_\_\_ operations in the region for several years.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ leaders refused to negotiate and war became inevitable.
6. The bubbles \_\_\_\_\_, making one large bubble.
7. The bank president enjoys delivering long \_\_\_\_\_ at retirement parties.
8. Witnessing the beating of the old man filled her with a dreadful \_\_\_\_\_ of monstrous events to come.
9. At the next table, two \_\_\_\_\_ old men made loud, salacious comments about the waitresses.
10. A \_\_\_\_\_ address was given by the college president upon the graduation class of 2017.
11. At this point in the play, the \_\_\_\_\_ realizes what he must do to overcome his foe.
12. It was the young \_\_\_\_\_ lit the candles for the service, and his hands were slightly shaky.
13. The task was daunting, but the \_\_\_\_\_ researchers eventually found what they were looking for.
14. In his vision of \_\_\_\_\_, there would be no inequality or poverty.
15. She is a \_\_\_\_\_ who has gained popularity by demonizing people on welfare.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● absolved    ● adumbrate    ● apothegm    ● aspersions    ● coadjutor    ● congenital    ● elan  
 ● germane    ● hiatus    ● immured    ● ineluctable    ● internecine    ● invoked    ● prototype  
 ● quadrennial

1. The cheerleaders performed their routines with their usual \_\_\_\_\_.
2. They plan to go skiing during the winter \_\_\_\_\_.
3. He cast \_\_\_\_\_ on her intelligence.
4. The company made several improvements to its \_\_\_\_\_ before launching their new model car.
5. "Don't cry over spilled milk" is an \_\_\_\_\_ which has become worn from overuse, but which will forever remain true and relevant.
6. John's body was \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday in the mausoleum.
7. There is no use in fighting the \_\_\_\_\_ effects of time on the physical body.
8. The child has a \_\_\_\_\_ heart defect.
9. The ancient Spartans \_\_\_\_\_ the god of war before going into battle.
10. He became a successful bishop of Bremen after being the \_\_\_\_\_ to the bishop of Verden for 10 years.
11. Although the court had \_\_\_\_\_ him of the crime, society still held him responsible.
12. The \_\_\_\_\_ election of the U.S. President had the people excited to see who would win this time around.
13. That's an interesting comment, but it's not \_\_\_\_\_ to the present discussion.
14. Competition for the nation's mineral resources has led to \_\_\_\_\_ war between tribal groups.
15. Elements of these ancient writings are claimed to \_\_\_\_\_ Christianity.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 3

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● amalgam   ● antediluvian   ● apothecary   ● ascetics   ● beneficent   ● charlatans   ● denizen  
● doyen   ● flora   ● imbibed   ● nostrum   ● obviate   ● perennial   ● putative   ● savants

1. When she realized that she was sick, the young woman sought the assistance of the local \_\_\_\_\_ .
2. The scientists took note of the various types of \_\_\_\_\_ but were particularly interested in the lichen and moss.
3. Compared to others who only have to deal with the occasional cold, Sophia experiences almost continuous bouts of sneezing and nose-blowing because of her \_\_\_\_\_ allergies.
4. He had come to see no value in material things and joined a group of \_\_\_\_\_ .
5. The group was an \_\_\_\_\_ of experienced politicians and students.
6. The work of translation was carried out by \_\_\_\_\_ in the seventeenth century.
7. His \_\_\_\_\_ aunt had not only taken him in but raised him lovingly as her own son.
8. This \_\_\_\_\_ cure for the disease was found to be ineffective after later study.
9. The fire department cannot continue to operate with this \_\_\_\_\_ equipment.
10. This new law will \_\_\_\_\_ the need to amend the constitution.
11. His aunt never \_\_\_\_\_ alcohol except on very special occasions.
12. For his birthday, we took our son to meet his idol, the \_\_\_\_\_ of ballet.
13. The jackal is a \_\_\_\_\_ of the desert.
14. Many who claimed to be able to communicate with the dead were shown to be \_\_\_\_\_ .
15. William Radam's "Microbe Killer," a \_\_\_\_\_ sold in the 1890s, made the claim, "Cures all Diseases."

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 4

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- approbation    ● benighted    ● Bourgeois    ● credo    ● empirical    ● eschews    ● expatiate
- iconoclast    ● Indigence    ● laudable    ● mandate    ● ostensible    ● recalcitrant    ● regurgitated
- risible

1. A dieter usually \_\_\_\_\_ fattening foods.
2. The sick child \_\_\_\_\_ the cough syrup.
3. He'd gone to medical school hoping to win his father's \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Her \_\_\_\_\_ interest is friendly concern, but her real aim is gathering gossip.
5. Claims for the effectiveness of the drug are based on \_\_\_\_\_ evidence.
6. He'd been punished numerous times for this offense but he was still \_\_\_\_\_.
7. Plantation owners viewed slaves as \_\_\_\_\_ animals who had to be told what to do at every moment.
8. Many of the nobles refused to obey the king's \_\_\_\_\_.
9. The church congregation recites its \_\_\_\_\_ in unison at the end of every service.
10. As a priest, he is an \_\_\_\_\_ who believes in the ordaining of women and the acceptance of gay marriage.
11. He has made some \_\_\_\_\_ attempts at carpentry, including this rickety set of shelves.
12. With a little prompting, he began to \_\_\_\_\_ upon the many benefits of living abroad.
13. The students' \_\_\_\_\_ fund-raising efforts brought in enough money to buy all new band uniforms.
14. \_\_\_\_\_ women began to emulate the manners of the upper class.
15. \_\_\_\_\_ causes many of the city's people to live in shacks or on the streets.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 5

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- archaic    ● carousing    ● chicanery    ● contentious    ● dissemble    ● egregious    ● execrate
- fealty    ● microcosm    ● paroxysm    ● pecuniary    ● rectitude    ● stratagem    ● stultify
- vendetta

1. He was a man of honor and conducted himself with \_\_\_\_\_ at all times.
2. The members of the Animal Society \_\_\_\_\_ people who abuse cats and dogs.
3. In Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet", both families had a \_\_\_\_\_ towards each other.
4. Since Jason is normally quiet, he shocked everyone when he made a loud \_\_\_\_\_ in response to being fired.
5. He never discussed \_\_\_\_\_ matters with his wife, and it was only upon his death that she learned how large his debts were.
6. While it may be easier to \_\_\_\_\_ your true feelings from others, it is always best to be honest with those you love.
7. Her business \_\_\_\_\_ allowed her to quickly rise to the top as a great success.
8. She had never been one to argue with her mother, but she was becoming more \_\_\_\_\_ now that she was in high school.
9. Marriage vows include a pledge of \_\_\_\_\_.
10. They'd been \_\_\_\_\_ in the bar and were now staggering home, still singing and shouting.
11. The elderly couple were taken in by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the underhanded salesman.
12. The town is still partially surrounded by \_\_\_\_\_ ruins.
13. The senator's misuse of this money was an \_\_\_\_\_ violation of public trust.
14. My father has filled his aquarium with a wide variety of fish in order to turn it into a \_\_\_\_\_ of the ocean.
15. A beautiful woman often holds the power to \_\_\_\_\_ even the most powerful man.

**12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 6**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- actuates    ● brackish    ● cognitive    ● dissertation    ● dolorous    ● endemic    ● fecund
- genealogy    ● inebriated    ● insidious    ● interloper    ● precursor    ● presentiment    ● ramifications
- torpor

1. This switch \_\_\_\_\_ that machine.
2. These \_\_\_\_\_ bushes produced a good crop of blueberries.
3. Since the water on the island tasted \_\_\_\_\_, I decided not to drink it.
4. His possessive and overprotective sister always accompanied us on our walks, and I considered her nothing less than an \_\_\_\_\_.
5. She took her time choosing a topic for her \_\_\_\_\_.
6. When I saw the \_\_\_\_\_ look on my mother's face, I knew my father had not survived his emergency surgery.
7. An \_\_\_\_\_ individual had to walk the chalk line after he was pulled over by the police.
8. Thinking and memorizing are \_\_\_\_\_ tasks.
9. In studying his \_\_\_\_\_, he discovered that his great grandparents had had seven children.
10. The \_\_\_\_\_ message in the speaker's rhetoric planted seeds of hatred and violence.
11. She suddenly went to the door as if she'd had a \_\_\_\_\_ that someone would be there.
12. The first frost is a \_\_\_\_\_ of winter.
13. The choices and decisions he made before entering politics had \_\_\_\_\_ that he never could have predicted.
14. These plants are \_\_\_\_\_ to this region.
15. Even seeing his new grandchild could not bring him out of the \_\_\_\_\_ he'd fallen into since moving into the nursing home.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 7

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- abjure    ● amorphous    ● animus    ● dichotomy    ● exemplar    ● Herculean    ● inchoate
- invidious    ● melange    ● nefarious    ● nihilism    ● ratify    ● subsumed    ● variegated
- vitiate

1. Because our company just recently opened its doors, we are \_\_\_\_\_ and are not offering all of our services yet.
2. The pirate was hanged for his \_\_\_\_\_ deeds.
3. The walls are paneled with \_\_\_\_\_ marble.
4. The decor was a \_\_\_\_\_ of styles, including Victorian and ultramodern elements.
5. He realized that the \_\_\_\_\_ mass in the boat was a dead jellyfish.
6. She was forced to \_\_\_\_\_ her Catholic beliefs and accept Protestantism.
7. The \_\_\_\_\_ between the two lead actors interfered with the filming.
8. Although the task will require \_\_\_\_\_ strength, I am sure my husband and I can get the large couch inside of our home.
9. While some public servants are found to be corrupt, it is impossible to \_\_\_\_\_ the integrity of the majority of law enforcement officers by offering them a bribe.
10. Whereas earlier rock musicians had proclaimed that love could make the world a better place, punk rockers embraced \_\_\_\_\_ and voiced an extreme cynicism.
11. His \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven and hell became an excellent essay on the contrast between paradise and eternal suffering.
12. The legislature must \_\_\_\_\_ the treaty before it goes into effect.
13. Nathan's \_\_\_\_\_ behavior disturbed others and got him kicked out of the movie theater.
14. The teacher praised her careful drawing and held it up as an \_\_\_\_\_ for the other students.
15. In the budget, car expenditures are \_\_\_\_\_ under the category of household expenses.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 8

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- aborigine      ● abrogated      ● appurtenances      ● bivouac      ● cetaceans      ● decried      ● desuetude
- leviathan      ● mawkish      ● misapprehended      ● parochial      ● purveyed      ● recourse      ● replete
- waive

1. Our company has \_\_\_\_\_ fresh fish since 1885.
2. Returning home from university, she found that she no longer shared her parents' \_\_\_\_\_ views of what it meant to lead a good life.
3. In the ocean, the whale is considered a \_\_\_\_\_ because of its tremendous size.
4. The dusty typewriter has been in \_\_\_\_\_ for over four decades.
5. To contemporary viewers of this love story, the dialogue seems \_\_\_\_\_.
6. In the southern and western islands the fauna is restricted mainly to foxes, bats, rats, mice, the sea otter, the penguin and other aquatic birds, and various \_\_\_\_\_ in the surrounding waters.
7. For matters such as this, the people have \_\_\_\_\_ to the legal system.
8. She \_\_\_\_\_ the low morals of her society.
9. Their new coffee maker has all the \_\_\_\_\_ needed to make espresso and cappuccino.
10. In the documentary, we will learn about some of the tribal customs of the island's aboriginal people.
11. In 1877, Congress \_\_\_\_\_ the Treaty of Fort Laramie.
12. The holiday brochure was \_\_\_\_\_ with photographs.
13. The men brought their boat ashore in the driving rain and made their \_\_\_\_\_ for the night.
14. Unfortunately, the message that the artist was trying to convey has been \_\_\_\_\_ by many museum patrons.
15. He would not \_\_\_\_\_ his right to a trial.



## 12th grade Vocab Quiz 10

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- acumen    ● apotheosis    ● askew    ● chastened    ● demarcation    ● dictum    ● erstwhile
- forte    ● habitue    ● nonplussed    ● peripatetic    ● prodigal    ● sycophant    ● vacuous
- wraith

1. I could almost see the \_\_\_\_\_ of our dear mother hovering over them.
2. His reckless driving had nearly caused a child's death, and the experience \_\_\_\_\_ him.
3. Before she began using a pseudonym, the author was \_\_\_\_\_ known by another name.
4. Each year the school principal addresses the incoming students and puts forth his \_\_\_\_\_ that all students can achieve if they are willing to work.
5. He idealized his wife in her new role and saw her as the \_\_\_\_\_ of motherhood.
6. Jane was a \_\_\_\_\_ at the Chinese restaurant on Friday nights.
7. He was \_\_\_\_\_ by the sudden and extreme change in her mood.
8. Witty dialogue is her \_\_\_\_\_.
9. If you want to save money for college, you should stop your \_\_\_\_\_ spending sprees.
10. Because she always kisses up to the teacher, Janice is considered the \_\_\_\_\_ in first period.
11. He came from a \_\_\_\_\_ family and consequently attended many different schools as a child.
12. From the \_\_\_\_\_ expression on his face, it was impossible to tell whether he understood the seriousness of what was happening.
13. The neighbors feuded for years over the \_\_\_\_\_ of their properties.
14. Her business \_\_\_\_\_ made her the ideal choice to head the company.
15. Her hat was \_\_\_\_\_ and her clothes rumpled.

**12th grade Vocab Quiz 11**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● cacophony   ● confrere   ● convoke   ● filial   ● fractious   ● fulminate   ● jocular   ● nugatory  
 ● obloquy   ● palpable   ● parity   ● perusing   ● polemic   ● supplicate   ● temporize

1. Your father was in a surprisingly \_\_\_\_\_ mood last night!
2. The women did the same job as the men, but there was no \_\_\_\_\_ with respect to pay.
3. He knew he should have felt more \_\_\_\_\_ gratitude, but his anger toward his father prevented it.
4. The homeless man was not too prideful to \_\_\_\_\_ for change to buy food.
5. The newspaper editor used his column to present a \_\_\_\_\_ that was a scathing attack against the city's dishonest mayor.
6. In hopes of moving their test to next week, the students will \_\_\_\_\_ at the beginning of class.
7. Closing the window did little to mute the \_\_\_\_\_ produced by the drilling of a jackhammer and the honking of horns in the street.
8. He spoke with his \_\_\_\_\_ from work about his idea for the Christmas party.
9. Jim's \_\_\_\_\_ comments contributed nothing to the class discussion.
10. The kids were getting very \_\_\_\_\_ after hours in the car.
11. The council will \_\_\_\_\_ in order to bring the question to an immediate vote.
12. The senator's admission of adultery brought much \_\_\_\_\_ and ended his political career.
13. He spends hours every Sunday \_\_\_\_\_ the newspaper.
14. The disgruntled customer continued to \_\_\_\_\_ over a price difference.
15. The applicant's nervousness was \_\_\_\_\_ although she attempted to appear calm.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz 12

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● apprise   ● beatific   ● cogent   ● colloquy   ● depraved   ● discrete   ● efface   ● elucidate  
● inferno   ● lachrymose   ● morbid   ● omniscient   ● palliative   ● preternatural   ● salutary

1. Her \_\_\_\_\_ rebuttal was the key to their team winning the debate.
2. The police arrived before he could \_\_\_\_\_ the evidence.
3. I still don't understand, so could you please \_\_\_\_\_ ?
4. They believe in an \_\_\_\_\_ god.
5. Can you believe a lit cigarette started the \_\_\_\_\_ that consumed the public library?
6. The story of those years of war is a \_\_\_\_\_ one.
7. Please \_\_\_\_\_ me of new developments as they occur.
8. After surgery, Greg received large doses of medications to palliate his suffering.
9. The bride looked angelic and wore a \_\_\_\_\_ expression as she walked down the aisle.
10. Sir Gawain was a \_\_\_\_\_ being.
11. Swimming is \_\_\_\_\_ exercise.
12. Sand is made up of \_\_\_\_\_ particles.
13. From my bedroom, I could hear portions of my parents' \_\_\_\_\_ about my poor grades.
14. The defense attorney claimed that parental abuse had \_\_\_\_\_ his young client.
15. The boy's \_\_\_\_\_ fascination with death led him to collect dead animals.

**12th grade Vocab Quiz 14**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● acerbic   ● canard   ● debonair   ● deign   ● dotage   ● foist   ● insipid   ● misconstrue  
 ● narcissistic   ● overweening   ● paeans   ● repartee   ● repine   ● sartorial   ● svelte

1. The taste of lemons is \_\_\_\_\_.
2. As my grandmother got into her \_\_\_\_\_, she started to forget small things like her dog's name and her address.
3. He was stunned at her clever \_\_\_\_\_ and was momentarily at a loss for words.
4. The government has decided to \_\_\_\_\_ yet another tax increase on the public.
5. The triumphant soldiers were greeted with \_\_\_\_\_ as they marched into the city.
6. The \_\_\_\_\_ teenager cannot walk more than fifty feet without checking her appearance in her pocket mirror.
7. His \_\_\_\_\_ manner charmed the ladies.
8. Those with a developed \_\_\_\_\_ sense can tell a cheap suit from an expensive one.
9. Models seem very \_\_\_\_\_ on the cover of magazines.
10. While in prison, the man did nothing but \_\_\_\_\_ for his freedom.
11. He still repeats that old \_\_\_\_\_ that the mayor was responsible for his wife's death.
12. Please don't \_\_\_\_\_ my intentions; I'm only trying to help you.
13. It's an exciting play, but the cast gave an \_\_\_\_\_ performance.
14. She did not \_\_\_\_\_ to respond to the impolite questions.
15. These Hollywood parties tend to be attended by a lot of \_\_\_\_\_ narcissists.

**12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 15**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- anachronism    ● apiary    ● archetype    ● carcinogen    ● checkered    ● cornucopia    ● devolved
- equitable    ● exigency    ● fatalism    ● gustatory    ● minutia    ● motley    ● prospectus
- vernal

1. In the world of psychology, there is no such thing as \_\_\_\_\_ because every detail of a person's life matters.
2. Nicotine is regarded as a \_\_\_\_\_, which is a very good reason for staying away from cigarettes.
3. The young boy glowed with \_\_\_\_\_ energy as he darted through the field, searching for Easter eggs.
4. The doctor would have been called in if there had been any \_\_\_\_\_.
5. His \_\_\_\_\_ made him accept bad situations that he might have been able to change.
6. The archeological dig yielded a breathtaking \_\_\_\_\_ of ancient artifacts.
7. He dealt with his children in an \_\_\_\_\_ manner in his will.
8. The bank was impressed with their \_\_\_\_\_ and gave them a considerable loan to start their business.
9. The American writer Edgar Allan Poe is said to have created the \_\_\_\_\_ of the detective story, inspiring an entire genre of literature.
10. The woman's \_\_\_\_\_ appetizers included shrimp cocktail.
11. People in industrial countries tend to think of travel by horse as an \_\_\_\_\_.
12. When their parents passed away, the care of the children \_\_\_\_\_ to their aunt.
13. This corporation's financial history is quite \_\_\_\_\_.
14. There are several colonies of bees in the \_\_\_\_\_.
15. Fans of the movie star were a \_\_\_\_\_ group with little in common but their affection for this woman.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 16

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

- apocalypse    ● concatenation    ● convulsed    ● decree    ● expatriates    ● fetid    ● holocaust
- infraction    ● insouciance    ● minion    ● sanguinary    ● staccato    ● sybaritic    ● thespian
- verisimilitude

1. Though most of her family thought she was overly \_\_\_\_\_, the luxury-loving heiress saw nothing wrong with living the high life.
2. I refuse to use the \_\_\_\_\_ public bathroom that looks and smells as though it has not been cleaned in months.
3. The king's \_\_\_\_\_ is not allowed to speak without permission.
4. "The Walking Dead" is a show about what happens after the \_\_\_\_\_.
5. The audience was \_\_\_\_\_ with laughter in almost every scene.
6. He and all of his followers were banished by the king's \_\_\_\_\_.
7. In the first half of the twentieth century, numerous American artists and musicians were living in Paris as \_\_\_\_\_.
8. The dropping of the atomic bomb triggered a nuclear \_\_\_\_\_ in Hiroshima, Japan.
9. He replied with characteristic \_\_\_\_\_; "So what?".
10. I get queasy at the sight of blood so I cover my eyes during \_\_\_\_\_ films.
11. They felt he was punished too severely for committing a minor \_\_\_\_\_.
12. In his musical, the composer used \_\_\_\_\_ rhythms to show hostility and tension.
13. Making his \_\_\_\_\_ debut, the newbie took the stage and gave the theatrical performance of a lifetime.
14. The author did a great deal of research in order to bring historical \_\_\_\_\_ to the novel.
15. The student's \_\_\_\_\_ of the words 'air' and 'plane' formed the word airplane.

## 12th grade Vocab Quiz Week 17

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Complete these sentences using the words on this list.

● abnegated   ● ancillary   ● badinage   ● bedizened   ● celerity   ● cynosure   ● itinerary  
● lissom   ● milieu   ● obstreperous   ● paragon   ● perquisites   ● staid   ● symbiotic   ● tyro

1. Having always believed their father to be a \_\_\_\_\_ of virtue, they were shocked at these terrible revelations.
2. She refused to baby-sit for these \_\_\_\_\_ boys ever again.
3. She had the \_\_\_\_\_ body of a dancer.
4. There is a species of fish that shares a \_\_\_\_\_ relationship with sharks because they keep the shark clean and the shark scares away predators.
5. I'll send you a copy of my \_\_\_\_\_ as soon as all the reservations are final.
6. Being a \_\_\_\_\_, he made some poor business decisions in his first year.
7. The humorous \_\_\_\_\_ between the coworkers made the long workday go faster.
8. To perform the surgery successfully, the surgeon must work with both care and \_\_\_\_\_.
9. Because my father grew up in a military \_\_\_\_\_, he knew he wanted to join the armed forces when he graduated from high school.
10. She was a cheerful, breezy sort of person and her \_\_\_\_\_ in-laws made her somewhat uncomfortable.
11. Even the walls of the bathroom were \_\_\_\_\_ with red velvet, faux fur, and rhinestones.
12. At the party, the esteemed author was the \_\_\_\_\_ of all eyes.
13. Since he's renounced his citizenship, he has also \_\_\_\_\_ his right to vote.
14. The company has provided her with a car as one of her \_\_\_\_\_.
15. My needs are \_\_\_\_\_ to those of my family.