

English 10 Honors Vocabulary Lesson 13

Part I: Directions: Each of the following sentences correctly uses a vocabulary word. Write the definition of each word under the sentence. **Underline** the words in the sentence that could help you guess what the word means.

1. If the pages aren't **collated** properly, they'll be out of proper sequence when our class magazine is bound.

Definition:

2. I was utterly **nonplussed** when I realized that football practice and the rehearsal for the class show were at the same time.

Definition:

3. He is such a **prolific** writer that his books occupy almost an entire shelf in the school library.

Definition:

4. The big game had a truly **inauspicious** start for us when our star quarterback fumbled and lost the ball on the first play.

Definition:

5. I know you are really disappointed at not getting that job, but don't allow yourself to feel so **disconsolate** that you won't have the energy to look for another.

Definition:

6. The New Year's Eve party started off quietly enough, but it soon became a full-fledged **carousal**.

Definition:

7. One need not be a **connoisseur** of modern dance to recognize that Martha is exceptionally talented in that field.

Definition:

8. Aren't you exaggerating when you suggest that the job of stock clerk calls for someone with **herculean** strength?

Definition:

9. When I first **broached** this topic two years ago, my ideas met with a very indifferent reception.

Definition:

10. Now that you mention it, I don't think that "Sez you" was a particularly effective **rejoinder** to her trenchant and insightful criticisms of your proposal.

Definition:

11. The mangled bodies of the victims told their own **grisly** story of what happened.

Definition:

12. The testimony of three different witnesses, all confirming the same basic facts, made the guilt of the accused **incontrovertible**.

Definition:

13. It would be impossible to **foment** racial discord in a school where students of different backgrounds understand and respect one another.

Definition:

14. I like to read all kinds of fiction, but I must confess that I have a particular **predilection** for historical novels.

Definition:

15. When I saw the worried expression on the face of my employer, I realized that it wasn't an **opportune** time to ask for a raise.

Definition:

16. The speech he delivered was so **magniloquent** in style and tone that it seemed more suitable for a public dedication ceremony than for an informal gathering of old friends.

Definition:

17. Although she remained outwardly **impassive** during the trial, I could sense that emotional turmoil beneath the surface.

Definition:

18. She is so **encumbered** with family obligations that she has rarely a free moment for herself.

Definition:

19. The towering walls of many medieval cathedrals are prevented from falling down by huge “flying” **buttresses** on the outside of the building.

Definition:

20. I don't think you can really accuse the producers of **blatant** favoritism simply because they chose a friend for the title role.

Definition:

Part II: Now that you have a better understanding of the meaning of your vocabulary words, write each word next to its corresponding definition and write the part of speech.

Vocabulary Word	Part of Speech	Definition
		to compare critically in order to note differences, similarities, etc.; to arrange in order for some specific purpose
		to promote trouble or rebellion
		to weigh down or burden (with difficulties, cares, debt, etc.); to fill up, block, hinder
		an expert; one who is well qualified to pass critical judgments, especially in one of the fine arts
		noisy in a coarse, offensive way; obvious or conspicuous, especially in an unfavorable sense
		deeply unhappy or dejected; without hope, beyond consolation
		a supporting structure
		noisy revelry or merrymaking (often with a suggestion of heavy drinking)
		to bring up or begin to talk about (a subject); to announce
		puzzled, not knowing what to do, at a loss
		abundantly productive
		suitable or convenient for a particular purpose; occurring at an appropriate time
		unquestionable, beyond dispute
		frightful, horrible, ghastly
		a reply to a reply, especially from the defendant in a

