

12th Grade Vocabulary List 1

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Assail	v.	-to attack violently with blows or words
2. Assay	n. v.	-examination and determination as to characteristics -try, attempt; or to judge the worth of
3. Choleric	adj.	-easily moved to often unreasonable or excessive anger
4. Churlishness	n.	-marked by a lack of civility or graciousness; difficult to work with
5. Despondent	adj.	-feeling or showing extreme discouragement or depression
6. Despotism	n.	-a system of government in which the ruler has unlimited power
7. Esoteric	adj.	-requiring or exhibiting knowledge that is restricted to a small group
8. Etymology	n.	-the history of linguistic form
9. Gravity	n.	-characterized by sobriety or seriousness -a physical force of attraction caused by mass
10. Gregarious	adj.	-tending to associate with others of one's kind
11. Intemperate	adj.	-lacking moderation or sobriety
12. Intercession	n.	-prayer or entreaty in favor of another
13. Martinet	n.	-a person who stresses a rigid adherence to the details of forms and methods
14. Masochist	n.	-a person possessing a pathology whereby they derive pleasure from physical pain, often in sexual contexts
15. Paradigm	n.	-an outstandingly clear or typical example or archetype -a philosophical or theoretical framework
16. Paradox	n.	-a statement that is seemingly contradictory or opposed to common sense and yet is perhaps true
17. Prognosticate	v.	-to foretell from signs or symptoms
18. Proletarian	n.	-a member of the laboring class
19. Score (n)	n.	-a group of 20 things -success in acquisition -an indicating mark -the act of making a mark
20. Scotch (v)	v.	-to put an end to; archaic: wound, cut

12th Grade Vocabulary List 2

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Assiduous	adj.	-showing careful, persistent effort
2. Assimilate	v.	-to absorb into the system
3. Circuitous	adj.	-lengthy because very indirect
4. Circumlocution	n.	-the use of an unnecessarily large number of words to express an idea
5. Destitution	n.	-the state of being in such extreme want as threatens life unless relieved
6. Eugenic	adj.	-relating to or fitted for the production of good offspring
7. Eulogy	n.	-a commendatory oration or writing especially in honor of one deceased
8. Gritty	adj.	-having strong qualities of tough uncompromising realism; courageously persistent
9. Grovel	v.	-to abase oneself often with one's face to the ground
10. Interim	n. adj.	-an intervening time -done, made, appointed, or occurring for an intervening time
11. Interlocutor	n.	-one who takes part in dialogue or conversation
12. Matinee	n.	-a performance or public event held in the daytime especially the afternoon
13. Matriarchy	n.	-a system of social organization in which descent and inheritance are traced through the female line
14. Paragon	n. v.	-a model of excellence or perfection -to compare with or put in rivalry
15. Paranoia	n.	-a tendency toward excessive or irrational suspiciousness and distrustfulness of others
16. Proliferate	v.	-to grow by rapid production
17. Prominent	adj.	-readily noticeable or widely known
18. Scrupulous	adj.	-having strict regard for what is right or proper
19. Scrutinize	v.	-to examine closely and minutely
20. Terse	adj.	-using few words

12th Grade Vocabulary List 3

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Assuage	v.	-to lessen the intensity
2. Circumspect	adj.	-careful to consider all circumstances and possible consequences
3. Clamor	n. v.	-a loud continuous noise -to utter or proclaim insistently and noisily
4. Detrude	v.	-to force down or thrust away or out
5. Deviate	v.	-to stray from an established course or norm
6. Euphemism	n.	-the substitution of an inoffensive expression for one that may offend
7. Euphony	n.	-pleasing or sweet sound
8. Guffaw	n.	-a loud or boisterous burst of laughter
9. Guile	n.	-deceitful cunning
10. Interloper	n.	-one that intrudes in a place or sphere of activity
11. Intermittent	adj.	-coming and going at intervals
12. Legerdemain	n.	-a display of skill or adroitness
13. Maudlin	adj.	-weakly and effusively sentimental
14. Maverick	n.	-an independent individual who does not go along with the group
15. Parapet	n.	-a wall, rampart, or elevation of earth or stone; a low wall or railing
16. Propensity	n.	-an often intense natural inclination or preference
17. Proprietary	n.	-one that possesses, owns or holds exclusive rights to something; something that is used or marketed under exclusive legal right of the inventor or maker
18. Scurrilous	adj.	-using or given to coarse language; vulgar and evil
19. Scurvy	adj.	-arousing disgust or scorn
20. Stickler	n.	-one who insists on exactness or completeness; something that baffles or puzzles

12th Grade Vocabulary List 4

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Asylum	n.	-a place of retreat and security
2. Atavism	n.	-recurrence of or reversion to a past style, manner, outlook, approach, or activity
3. Clandestine	adj.	-marked by or conducted with secrecy
4. Clemency	n.	-a disposition to be merciful or to moderate the severity of punishment due
5. Devour	v.	-to eat up greedily or ravenously
6. Evacuate	v.	-to remove the contents of; to remove from a military zone or dangerous area
7. Guise	n.	-a form or style of dress; external appearance
8. Gullibility	n.	-easily duped or cheated
9. Intractability	adj.	-not easily governed, manipulated, relieved, or cured
10. Mawkish	adj.	-having an insipid often unpleasant taste; sickly or puerilely sentimental
11. Meager	adj.	-lacking desirable qualities; deficient in quality or quantity
12. Penurious	adj.	-given to or marked by extreme stinting frugality
13. Prosaic	adj.	-dull, unimaginative; everyday, ordinary
14. Protocol	n.	-an original draft or record of a document or transaction -a code prescribing strict adherence to correct etiquette and precedence
15. Protuberant	adj.	-thrusting out from a surrounding or adjacent surface often as a rounded mass
16. Scandal	n.	-loss of or damage to reputation caused by actual or apparent violation of morality or propriety -indignation, chagrin, or bewilderment brought about by a flagrant violation of morality, propriety, or religious opinion
17. Scuttle	v.	-to deliberately sink or attempt to sink a ship or boat
18. Seance	n.	-a spiritualist meeting to receive spirit communications
19. Testiness	n.	-marked by impatience or ill humor
20. Theogony	n.	-an account of the origin and descent of the gods

12th Grade Vocabulary List 5

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Atonement	n.	-the reconciliation of God and humankind through the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ -reparation for an offense or injury
2. Atrophy	n.	-a wasting away or progressive decline
3. Cliché	n.	-something that has become overly familiar or commonplace
4. Clientele	n.	-a body of clients
5. Dexterity	n.	-skill or quickness in mental or physical activity
6. Diacritical	adj.	-capable of distinguishing
7. Effulge	v.	-to shine forth, to radiate
8. Gumption	n.	-enterprise, initiative
9. Habiliments	n.	-characteristic apparatus or dress of an occupation or occasion
10. Intransigent	adj.	-characterized by refusal to compromise or abandon an extreme position or attitude
11. Intrepid	adj.	-characterized by resolute fearlessness, fortitude, and endurance
12. Meander	n. v.	-a winding path or course -to wander aimlessly or casually without urgent destination
13. Melodrama	n.	-characterized by extravagant action and emotion, overdramatic
14. Parochial	adj.	-confined or restricted as if within the borders of a parish; limited in range or scope
15. Parody	n.	-a feeble or ridiculous imitation
16. Protuberate	v.	-to swell or bulge
17. Sedulity	n.	-activity accomplished with careful perseverance
18. Sedulous	adj.	-diligent in application or pursuit
19. Vacillate	v.	-to waver in mind, will, or feeling
20. Vacuous	adj.	-empty; marked by a lack of ideas or intelligence

12th Grade Vocabulary List 6

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Attenuate	adj.	-reduced in thickness, density, or force
2. Auburn	n.	-a reddish-brown color
3. Audacious	adj.	-recklessly bold
4. Cloistered	adj.	-providing shelter from contact with the outside world
5. Coalescence	n.	-a union of diverse entities into one body, form, or group
6. Diaphanous	adj.	-characterized by extreme delicacy of form
7. Evoke	v.	-to call forth or up
8. Hack	n.	-a writer who produces dull, unoriginal work
9. Halcyon	adj.	-denoting a period of time in the past that was idyllically happy and peaceful
10. Intromit	v.	-to send or put in
11. Mendacious	adj.	-characterized by deception
12. Mercurial	adj.	-characterized by rapid and unpredictable changeableness of mood
13. Parry	v.	-to evade or turn aside something
14. Parsimonious	adj.	-frugal but often to the point of stinginess
15. Provincial	adj.	-limited in outlook; lacking the polish of urban society
16. Seemly	adj.	-suited to the occasion, purpose, or person
17. Sequester	v.	-to set apart
18. Thwart	v.	-to oppose successfully
19. Vagary	n.	-an erratic or extravagant manifestation, action, or notion
20. Wistful	adj.	-full of yearning or desire tinged with melancholy

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WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Acolyte	n.	-one who attends or assists
2. Aura	n.	-a distinctive atmosphere surrounding a given source
3. Coda	n.	-something that serves to round out, conclude, or summarize and usually has its own interest, often concludes a musical section or a literary or dramatic work
4. Commandeer	v.	-to take arbitrary or forcible possession of
5. Dike	n.	-an artificial watercourse; a raised causeway
6. Dilemma	n.	-a usually undesirable or unpleasant choice
7. Exact (v)	v.	-to call for forcibly or urgently and obtain
8. Existentialism	n.	-a form of thought that stresses existence or experience over essence or meaning
9. Hallow	v.	-to make holy or set apart for holy use
10. Hamper	v.	-to interfere with the operation of
11. Inundate	v.	-to cover with a flood; overwhelm
12. Inure	v.	-to accustom to accept something undesirable
13. Meretricious	adj.	-tawdrily and falsely attractive; superficially significant
14. Parsimony	n.	-the quality of being careful with money or resources; stingy
15. Prune	v.	-to remove as superfluous
16. Psychosis	n.	-fundamental derangement of the mind often characterized by disconnection from reality
17. Serendipity	n.	-finding valuable or agreeable things not sought for
18. Serration	n.	-a formation resembling the toothed edge of a saw
19. Vapid	adj.	-lacking liveliness, briskness, or force
20. Vortex	n.	-something that resembles a whirlpool

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WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Adulatory	adj.	-excessive or slavish admiration or flattery
2. Bedlam	n.	-a place, scene, or state of uproar and confusion
3. Bolster	v.	-to support or give a boost to
4. Contusion	n.	-injury to tissue without laceration
5. Debonair	adj.	-suave, urbane; lighthearted, nonchalant
6. Flagrant	adj.	-conspicuously offensive
7. Garrulous	adj.	-given to prosy, rambling, or tedious loquacity; pointlessly or annoyingly talkative
8. Innate	adj.	-belonging to the essential nature of something
9. Pedagogy	n.	-the art, science, or profession of teaching
10. Speckled	adj.	-to be marked with small spots or erratically
11. Stoic	n.	-one apparently or professedly indifferent to pleasure or pain
12. Taciturn	adj.	-temperamentally disinclined to talk
13. Totter	v.	-to become unstable; to move unsteadily
14. Ultimatum	n.	-a final proposition, condition, or demand
15. Undergird	v.	-to form the basis or foundation of
16. Upshot	n.	-the final result; outcome
17. Venturing	v.	-to undertake the risks and dangers of; to offer at the risk of rebuff, rejection, or censure
18. Vilification	n.	-the act of uttering slanderous and abusive standards against
19. Numinous	adj.	-appealing to higher emotions or containing a sense of a mystical divine presence
20. Volubility	n.	-characterized by ready or rapid speech

12th Grade Vocabulary List 9

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Autarchy	n.	-absolute sovereignty
2. Condescend	v.	-to descend to a less formal or dignified level; to assume an air of superiority
3. Detriment	n.	-a cause of injury or damage
4. Emporium	n.	-a place of trade
5. Extrude	v.	-to force, press, or push out
6. Glib	adj.	-informal or lacking depth and substance
7. Gloze	v.	-gloss
8. Hortatory	adj.	-exhortatory
9. Neologism	n.	-a new word, usage, or expression
10. Ontology	n.	-a branch of metaphysics concerned with the nature and relations of being
11. Skirmish	n.	-a minor dispute or contest
12. Suppliant	n.	-one who asks humbly and earnestly
13. Tangible	adj.	-capable of being perceived especially by the sense of touch
14. Triad	n.	-a union or group of three
15. Unprecedented	adj.	-having no earlier occurrence of something similar
16. Vendition	n.	-the act of selling goods for a living
17. Waffle	v.	-to vacillate or waver in mind, will, or feeling
18. Weltanschauung	n.	-a comprehensive conception of the world especially from a specific standpoint
19. Zealot	n.	-a fanatical person
20. Zenith	n.	-the highest point reached

12th Grade Vocabulary List 10

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Accentuate	v.	-accent, emphasize
2. Anarchy	n.	-absence or denial of any authority or established order
3. Blasé	adj.	-apathetic to pleasure or excitement as a result of excessive indulgence
4. Boorish	adj.	-resembling or befitting a boor (as in crude insensitivity)
5. Cede	v.	-to yield or grant typically by treaty
6. Crustaceous	adj.	-of, relating to, having, or forming a crust or shell
7. Doublet	n.	-a man's close-fitting jacket worn especially during the Renaissance
8. Fiancé	n.	-a man or woman engaged to be married
9. Linchpin	n.	-one that serves to hold together parts that function as a unit
10. Livid	adj.	-discolored by bruises; very angry
11. Mendicant	n.	-beggar
12. Parasite	n.	-something in dependence on something else for existence or support without making a useful return
13. Rapacious	adj.	-excessively grasping or covetous
14. Skiff	n.	-any of various small boats
15. Solicit	v.	-to try to obtain by usually urgent requests or pleas
16. Sortie	n.	-a sudden issuing of troops from a defensive position
17. Stanza	n.	-a division of a poem
18. Trepidation	n.	-a nervous feeling of uncertain agitation
19. Visceral	adj.	-dealing with crude or elemental emotions
20. Wry	v.	-to pull out of proper shape

12th Grade Vocabulary List 11

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Bibliophile	n.	-a lover of books
2. Germinal	adj.	-being in the earliest stage of development
3. Impasse	n.	-a predicament affording no obvious escape
4. Implicate	v.	-to involve in something
5. Integrity	n.	-firm adherence to a code of moral or artistic values
6. Miasma	n.	-a vaporous exhalation formerly believed to cause disease
7. Sclerotic	adj.	-being or relating to the outer coat on the eye
8. Smorgasbord	n.	-a luncheon or supper buffet offering a variety of foods
9. Stagnant	adj.	-not flowing, advancing, or developing
10. Stentorian	adj.	-extremely loud
11. Subliminal	adj.	-existing below the threshold of consciousness
12. Suborn	v.	-to induce secretly to do an unlawful thing
13. Surreptitious	adj.	-doing something secretly
14. Tenuous	adj.	-having little substance or strength
15. Trestle	n.	-a braced frame serving as a support
16. Vagrant	n.	-one who has no established residence and wanders idly
17. Vicissitude	n.	-the quality of being changeable
18. Volition	n.	-the power of choosing or determining
19. Vulpine	adj.	-foxy, crafty
20. Zeal	n.	-eagerness and ardent interest in pursuit of something

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WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Conduit n.	n.	-a natural or artificial channel through which something is conveyed
2. Deference	n.	-respect due a superior or elder
3. Discursive	adj.	-moving from topic to topic without order
4. Dissipate	v.	-to break up and drive off; to spend or use wastefully
5. Draconian	adj.	-laws that are especially harsh
6. Dragoon	n.	-European military personnel often heavily armed
7. Engender	v.	-to cause to exist or develop
8. Gossamer	n.	-something light, delicate, or insubstantial
9. Homogeneous	adj.	-of the same or a similar kind
10. Importune	v.	-to press or urge with troublesome persistence
11. Laurel	n.	-may refer to a species of tree but typically refers to a token of achievement
12. Philology	n.	-the study of human speech
13. Quell	v.	-to thoroughly overwhelm and reduce to submission
14. Subtle	adj.	-indirect, elusive, or skillful
15. Succinct	adj.	-marked by compact expression
16. Sui generis	adj.	-constituting a class alone
17. Tactile	adj.	-perceptible by touch
18. Truculent	adj.	-scathingly harsh; aggressively self-assertive
19. Ubiquity	n.	-presence in many places simultaneously
20. Wizedened	adj.	-dry, shrunken, and wrinkled often as a result of age or failing vitality

12th Grade Vocabulary List 13

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Abut	v.	-to border on
2. Amatory	adj.	-of, relating to, or expressing sexual love
3. Bestial	adj.	-relating to beasts; marked by base or inhuman instincts or desires
4. Canard	n.	-a groundless rumor or belief
5. Caprice	n.	-a disposition to do things impulsively
6. Locate	v.	-to determine the place or limits of
7. Marshal	v.	-to place in proper or effective position
8. Propagate	v.	-to cause to spread out and affect a greater number or greater area
9. Radix	n.	-the primary source
10. Sophomoric	adj.	-conceited an overconfident of knowledge but poorly informed and immature
11. Sparse	adj.	-of few and scattered elements
12. Stupefying	v.	-to make groggy or insensible
13. Supposition	n.	-an uncertain belief
14. Tamp	v.	-to drive in or down by a succession of light or medium blows
15. Tedium	n.	-the quality or state of being tiresome
16. Tirade	n.	-a protracted speech usually marked by intemperate, vituperative, or harshly censorious language
17. Veracity	n.	-devotion to truth
18. Viands	n.	-an item of food
19. Vital	adj.	-characteristic of living beings; of the utmost importance
20. Wispy	adj.	-something frail, slight, or fleeting

12th Grade Vocabulary List 14

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Arbitrary	adj.	-existing or coming about seemingly at random or by chance or as a capricious and unreasonable act of will
2. Centrifuge	n.	-an apparatus that rotates at high speed and by centrifugal force separates substances of different densities
3. Ethereal	adj.	-lacking material substance; having unusual delicacy
4. Feral	adj.	-not domesticated or cultivated
5. Furtive	adj.	-done by stealth
6. Listless	adj.	-characterized by lack of interest or energy
7. Pedestrian	adj.	-commonplace; performed on foot
8. Pith	n.	-the essential part or core
9. Profligate	adj.	-wildly extravagant
10. Raconteur	n.	-a person who excels in telling anecdotes
11. Refract	v.	-to alter by viewing or by going through a medium
12. Supine	adj.	-lying on the back or with face upward
13. Surly	adj.	-threatening in appearance; having an irritable or sullen mood
14. Temper	v.	-to dilute or qualify by adding something else
15. Touting	v.	-to make much of
16. Ubiquitous	adj.	-existing everywhere at the same time
17. Understate	v.	-to state or present with restraint for effect
18. Utopian	adj.	-impossibly ideal
19. Veracious	adj.	-truthful, honest
20. Whimsical	adj.	-subject to erratic behavior or unpredictable change

12th Grade Vocabulary List 15

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Preternatural	adj.	-exceeding what is natural or regular; inexplicable by ordinary means
2. Cogitate	v.	-to ponder intently
3. Colleague	n.	-an associate in a profession
4. Feign	v.	-to give a false appearance of or assert as if true
5. Illicit	adj.	-not permitted
6. Incoherence	n.	-something that lacks normal clarity or intelligibility
7. Inimical	adj.	-adverse because of hostility or malevolence
8. Lutarious	adj.	-of, pertaining to, or like mud; living in mud
9. Ordain	v.	-to establish or order by appointment, decree, or law
10. Plight	n.	-an unfortunate or difficult situation
11. Proximate	adj.	-very near
12. Servile	adj.	-having an excessive willingness to serve or please others
13. Shard	n.	-a fragment of a brittle substance; a small piece
14. Strident	adj.	-characterized by harsh or insistent sound
15. Tractable	adj.	-easily handled, managed, or controlled
16. Tranquil	adj.	-free from disturbance or turmoil
17. Tumult	n.	-a turbulent uprising or violent agitation of mind or feelings
18. Variegate	v.	-to diversify in external appearance
19. Veneer	n.	-a thin sheet of material; a superficial or deceptively attractive appearance
20. Waive	v.	-to refrain from pressing or enforcing

12th Grade Vocabulary List 16

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Colloquial	adj.	-using conversational style
2. Commingle	v.	-to blend thoroughly into a harmonious whole
3. Complacent	adj.	-marked by self-satisfaction
4. Consummate	adj.	-extremely skilled; complete in every detail
5. Duplicity	n.	-contradictory doubleness of thought, speech, or action
6. Extraneous	adj.	-not forming an essential part
7. Gibbering	v.	-to speak rapidly, inarticulately, and often foolishly
8. Impious	adj.	-lacking reverence or proper respect
9. Ingrate	n.	-an ungrateful person
10. Maraud	v.	-to roam about and raid in search of plunder
11. Relegate	v.	-to assign to an appropriate place
12. Scabbard	n.	-a sheath for a sword, dagger, or bayonet
13. Sensuous	adj.	-characterized by sense expressions or imagery aimed at the senses
14. Syllogism	n.	-a subtle, specious, or crafty argument
15. Throwback	n.	-a reversion to an earlier type or phase
16. Trammel	v.	-to prevent or impede the free play of
17. Transcendent	adj.	-extending beyond the limits of normal experience; beyond comprehension
18. Unprepossessing	adj.	-not attractive or appealing to the eye
19. Venerable	adj.	-calling forth respect through age, character, and attainments
20. Waif	n.	-something found without an owner and by chance; a stray person or animal

12th Grade Vocabulary List 17

1. Word	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Antic	n.	-an attention-drawing playful or funny action
2. Bulwark	n.	-a strong support or protection
3. Chronicler	n.	-one who puts things in order
4. Cosmogony	n.	-a theory of the origin of the universe
5. Dissident	adj.	-disagreeing especially with an established religious or political system or belief
6. Hospice	n.	-a facility or program designed to provide a caring environment for meeting the physical and emotional needs of the terminally ill
7. Laud	n.	-praise, acclaim
8. Noisome	adj.	-highly obnoxious or objectionable
9. Pastiche	n.	-a musical, literary, or artistic composition made up of selections from different works
10. Picayune	n.	-something trivial or of little value
11. Suppliant	n.	-one who prays or pleads for something
12. Systemic	adj.	-of, relating to, or common to a system; affecting the core of that which is basic to the system
13. Tenacious	adj.	-persistent in maintaining, seeking, or adhering to something valued or desired
14. Therapeutic	adj.	-providing or assisting in a cure
15. Tome	n.	-a volume forming part of a larger work
16. Travesty	n.	-a debased, distorted, or grossly inferior imitation
17. Unify	v.	-to make into a unit or coherent whole
18. Verity	n.	-something true or real
19. Wag (n)	n.	-wit, joker
20. Wane	v.	-to decrease in size, extent, or degree; to fall gradually from power, prosperity, or influence

Grade Vocabulary List 18

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Decode	v.	-to discover the underlying meaning of
2. Demure	adj.	-modest, reserved, or serious
3. Entrails	n.	-the inner workings of something
4. Epistemic	adj.	-of or relating to knowledge or knowing
5. Faun	n.	-a figure in Roman mythology similar to but gentler than the satyr
6. Hedonism	n.	-the doctrine that pleasure or happiness is the sole or chief good in life
7. Laudatory	adj.	-of, relating to, or expressing praise
8. Matriculate	v.	-to enroll as a member of a body and especially of a college or university
9. Nettle	v.	-to arouse to sharp but transitory annoyance or anger
10. Plaudit	n.	-enthusiastic approval
11. Purloin	v.	-to appropriate wrongfully and often by a breach of trust
12. Sentinel	n.	-guard; especially a soldier standing guard at a passageway
13. Talon	n.	-to claw of an animal; a human finger or hand; an object shaped like a heel or claw
14. Tarnish	v.	-to detract from the good quality of
15. Timorous	adj.	-timid or fearful
16. Trite	adj.	-hackneyed or boring from much use
17. Urchin	n.	-a mischievous and often poor and raggedly clothed youngster
18. Viscidity	n.	-something having an adhesive quality or covered with a sticky layer
19. Wax	v.	-to assume a specified characteristic, quality, or state -to move toward full development
20. Wily	adj.	-crafty

Grade Vocabulary List 19

WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Arable	adj.	-fit for or used for the growing of crops
2. Doting	adj.	-to exhibit mental decline; to be excessive in one's attention or affection
3. Excrescence	n.	-a disfiguring, extraneous, or unwanted mark or part
4. Incommiscible	adj.	-not mixable
5. Lavatory	n.	-a room with conveniences for washing and usually with one or more toilets
6. Lecher	n.	-a person given to gluttony or sensuality
7. Mimesis	n.	-imitation, mimicry
8. Mirabile dictu	adj.	-wonderful to relate
9. Plaintiff	n.	-a person who brings a legal action
10. Rarefy	v.	-to make rare, thin, porous, or less dense; to expand without adding matter
11. Remuneration	n.	-something that pays an equivalent for
12. Scale	v.	-to climb up or to reach
13. Scapegoat	n.	-one who is the object of blame or hostility
14. Somatic	adj.	-of, relating to, or affecting the body
15. Soporific	adj.	-marked by sleepiness or lethargy
16. Syncopation	n.	-a temporary displacement of the regular metrical accent in music
17. Truant	n.	-one who shirks duty
18. Underscore	v.	-to make evident; underline
19. Verbiage	n.	-wordiness with usually little or obscure content
20. Wanton	adj.	-unduly lavish; extravagant

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WORD	POS	DEFINITION & NOTES
1. Acumen	n.	-keenness and depth of perception, discernment, or discrimination
2. Capricious	adj.	-governed or characterized by sudden and seemingly unmotivated action
3. Celerity	n.	-rapidity of motion or action
4. Foppish	adj.	-obsolete: foolish, silly -behaving or dressing in a vain manner
5. Ilk	n.	-sort, kind
1. Leaven	n.	-something that modifies or lightens
6. Manifesto	n.	-a written statement declaring publicly one's intentions, motives, or views
7. Perfidy	n.	-an act or instance of disloyalty
8. Prone	adj.	-having a tendency; lying flat or prostrate
9. Rigor	n.	-harsh inflexibility; severe or strict; a condition that makes life difficult
10. Solecism	n.	-something deviating from the normal order
11. Sybarite	n.	--luxury and gratification of sensual appetites
12. Tender	v.	-to present for acceptance; offer
13. Tortuous	adj.	-marked by repeated twists, bends, or turns
14. Translucence	n.	-the quality of permitting the passage of light
15. Trenchant	adj.	-vigorously effective; sharply perceptive
16. Tumultuous	adj.	-marked by violent or overwhelming turbulence or upheaval
17. Urbane	adj.	-notably polite or polished or manner
18. Vale	n.	-valley, dale; world
19. Veritable	adj.	-real; being the thing named and not imaginary or false
20. inveigle	v.	-to acquire by ingenuity or flattery