

All's Well That Ends Well

by William Shakespeare

Pre-Reading Vocabulary Practice

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About the Pre-Reading Activity

Open-dictionary; ungraded or completion grade. Students preview 20 words from the upcoming reading, each in a sentence that supports understanding. They choose the best meaning from 3 choices.

About the Optional Post-Reading Quiz

Use after reading, or skip. The same words appear in excerpts from the text.

Practice words: acquaint, adieu, amorous, ballad, beguile, bequeath, beseech, bestow, constraint, derive, disdain, entreat, flourish (2), melancholy, repent, scorn, shrewd, succession (2)



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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1	C
2	A
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6	B
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10	B
11	A
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15	B
16	B
17	A
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20	C

Vocabulary Preview

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Name _____ Date _____ Period _____

Read each prompt. Then choose the best meaning for the bold word.

1. One of the objectives in my literature class is to **acquaint** my students with different cultures.
 - A. make surprised
 - B. make a list for
 - C. make familiar
2. We waved **adieu** to our friends at the train station.
 - A. goodbye
 - B. hello
 - C. greetings
3. She doesn't think of him in an **amorous** way.
 - A. logical or analytical
 - B. light-hearted
 - C. romantic or sexual
4. The old **ballad** told the tragic tale of two lovers separated by war.
 - A. traditional short story
 - B. dramatic performance on stage
 - C. song that tells a story
5. She was **wined**, **dined**, and **beguiled** into signing the contract.
 - A. forced
 - B. tricked
 - C. encouraged
6. My aunt **bequeathed** me her pearl necklace.
 - A. loaned
 - B. gave
 - C. took
7. She closed the prayer by **beseeking** God to grant them wisdom and patience.
 - A. asking
 - B. demanding
 - C. instructing
8. Our organization **bestows** honors, awards, and sometimes cash prizes to promising writers.
 - A. shows
 - B. recommends
 - C. gives
9. We want **constraints** on her power to spend taxpayer funds.
 - A. flexibility
 - B. limitations
 - C. increases
10. I **derive** pleasure from my work.
 - A. refuse
 - B. obtain
 - C. ignore
11. She has nothing but **disdain** for the notion that common people can regulate their own lives better than she can.
 - A. lack of respect
 - B. humility
 - C. intense anger

12. The students **entreated** the Chinese troops not to use force against peaceful demonstrations.
- A. bribed (with gifts)
 - B. asked earnestly
 - C. threatened
13. The business **flourished** from day one.
- A. grew or developed well
 - B. struggled to make a profit
 - C. was a dangerous place
14. He bowed with a **flourish**.
- A. showy gesture
 - B. twitch from pain
 - C. smile
15. This weather makes me **melancholy**. I can't wait for spring,
- A. happy
 - B. sad
 - C. feel like singing
16. She said the U.S. should **repent** for the sins of fossil fuels.
- A. reimburse
 - B. apologize
 - C. suffer
17. That coach **scorns** students who don't have natural ability.
- A. disrespects
 - B. encourages
 - C. trains
18. She watched him with a **shrewd** eye.
- A. nearby
 - B. outside
 - C. smart
19. The team won five games in **succession**, ending their losing streak.
- A. secret
 - B. panic
 - C. sequence
20. The Speaker of the House is **second** in the line of the U.S. presidential line of **succession**.
- A. formula (a mathematical expression that describe a relationship between variables)
 - B. officially telling someone about something; or something that contains the message
 - C. replacement

Vocabulary in Context

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Name _____ Date _____ Period _____ Score _____ / 20

Read each prompt. Then choose the best meaning for the bold word.

- 1 Exeunt. **flourish**.
 - A. a showy gesture
 - B. tell someone about something
 - C. something repeated regularly
- 2 *otherwise a seducer flourishes, and a poor maid is undone.*
 - A. thrives (does well)
 - B. subtle characteristics
 - C. basic rules or beliefs
- 3 *I have been, madam, a wicked creature, as you and all flesh and blood are; and, indeed, I do marry that I may **repent**.*
 - A. mark important text; or the text that is marked
 - B. to express or feel regret for having done wrong
 - C. give an opinion of what is wrong with something
- 4 *A prophet I, madam; and I speak the truth the next way: For I the **ballad** will repeat, Which men full true shall find; Your marriage comes by destiny, Your cuckoo sings by kind.*
 - A. related to the branch of physics concerned with the conversion of different forms of energy
 - B. of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints which was founded by Joseph Smith in 1830
 - C. a song (or poem) that tells a story or expresses strong feelings -- typically slow in tempo
- 5 *This she delivered in the most bitter touch of sorrow that e'er I heard virgin exclaim in; which I held my duty speedily to **acquaint** you withal; sithence, in the loss that may happen, it concerns you something to know it.*
 - A. to come near or nearer
 - B. create dramatic change
 - C. inform (cause to know)
- 6 *'Tis only title thou **disdain**'st in her, the which I can build up.*
 - A. don't respect
 - B. differ; or change
 - C. influence opinion
- 7 *this drives me to **entreat** you:*
 - A. stop fighting
 - B. ask earnestly
 - C. make possible
- 8 *By my troth, I take my young lord to be a very **melancholy** man.*
 - A. relating to the outside
 - B. a sad feeling or manner
 - C. about (but not exactly)
- 9 *My son corrupts a well-**derived** nature With his inducement.*
 - A. hid
 - B. got
 - C. cut
- 10 *—Beware of them, Diana; their promises, enticements, oaths, tokens, and all these engines of lust, are not the things they go under; many a maid hath been seduced by them; and the misery is, example, that so terrible shows in the wreck of maidenhood, cannot for all that dissuade **succession**, but that they are limed with the twigs that threaten them.*
 - A. formula (a mathematical expression that describe a relationship between variables)
 - B. officially telling someone about something; or something that contains the message
 - C. replacement (other women replacing those who had previously seduced)

- 11 *Sir, for a quart d'ecu he will sell the fee-simple of his salvation, the inheritance of it; and cut the entail from all remainders and a perpetual **succession** for it perpetually.*
- A. thing that affects a result or outcome
 - B. job, reservation, booking, or activity
 - C. repetition for a line of descendants (one after another)
- 12 *May be, the **amorous** count solicits her In the unlawful purpose.*
- A. logical or analytical
 - B. comprehensive
 - C. romantic or sexual
- 13 *He's **shrewdly** vex'd at something.*
- A. in a pleasing way
 - B. in a skillful way
 - C. in a smart manner
- 14 *First give me trust, the count he is my husband, And what to your sworn counsel I have spoken Is so from word to word; and then you cannot, By the good aid that I of you shall borrow, Err in **bestowing** it.*
- A. ruling
 - B. paying
 - C. giving
- 15 *here he comes; to **beguile** two hours in a sleep, and then to return and swear the lies he forges.*
- A. to think of something as true or likely, even though it is not known with certainty
 - B. to charm, enchant, or entertain someone; or to deceive -- especially through charm
 - C. give authority, power, knowledge, or confidence to someone so they can do something
- 16 *I pr'ythee, do not strive against my vows: I was compell'd to her; but I love thee By love's own sweet **constraint**, and will for ever Do thee all rights of service.*
- A. lacking experience or sophistication
 - B. something that limits something else
 - C. a Muslim religious teacher or leader
- 17 *Bequeathed down from many ancestors*
- A. guided or managed
 - B. left to or given to another after death
 - C. helped make clear
- 18 *Adieu till then; then fail not.*
- A. goodbye
 - B. hello
 - C. greetings
- 19 *I beseech you, let me answer to the particular of the inter'gatories: demand them singly.*
- A. to ask strongly or beg for something
 - B. move into position to work; or start
 - C. to spread to other parts of the body
- 20 *Contempt his **scornful** perspective did lend me*
- A. mocking or highly disrespectful
 - B. able to accept as true (without proof)
 - C. able to be protected or kept unchanged

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	A	flourish (<i>as in: dismissed them with a flourish</i>)	2 meanings in this play.
2	A	flourish (<i>as in: the business is flourishing</i>)	Used 9 times in this play; 2 meanings in this play.
3	B	repent	Used 5 times in this play.
4	C	ballad	Used 2 times in this play.
5	C	acquaint	Used 6 times in this play.
6	A	disdain	High-utility academic word; used 4 times in this play.
7	B	entreat	Used 5 times in this play.
8	B	melancholy	Used 4 times in this play.
9	B	derive	High-utility academic word; used 5 times in this play.
10	C	succession (<i>as in: presidential line of succession</i>)	2 meanings in this play.
11	C	succession (<i>as in: a succession of events</i>)	2 meanings in this play.
12	C	amorous	Used 2 times in this play.
13	C	shrewd	Used 4 times in this play.
14	C	bestow	Used 5 times in this play.
15	B	beguile	Used 3 times in this play.
16	B	constraint	Used 3 times in this play.
17	B	bequeath	Used 4 times in this play.
18	A	adieu	Used 3 times in this play.
19	A	beseech	Used 9 times in this play.
20	A	scorn	High-utility academic word; used 6 times in this play.