

# Burned

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## 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:** attain, chronological, coax, confide, contradict, dilemma, doctrine, ebb, evaluate, foreboding, immune, impending, integral, nucleus, pariah, protagonist, recoil, seminary, testimony, wily



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# ANSWER KEY

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#	KEY
1	C
2	C
3	B
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5	A
6	A
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8	C
9	A
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18	B
19	B
20	B

# Vocabulary Preview

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Period \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. They hope to **attain** effective law and order in the region before withdrawing troops.
  - A. openly oppose
  - B. carefully describe
  - C. successfully gain
2. The art works are displayed to show technique in a way that ordinary regional or chronological display wouldn't permit.
  - A. by region
  - B. by artist
  - C. by date
3. Let's see if we can **coax** her into coming with us.
  - A. trick
  - B. gently persuade
  - C. drag forcefully
4. She **confided** in her parents.
  - A. trusted
  - B. didn't trust
  - C. was proud
5. Does the sentence **contradict** what is said in the previous paragraph?
  - A. disagree with
  - B. reinforce
  - C. expand upon
6. Maya faced a **dilemma**: tell the truth and hurt her friend, or stay silent.
  - A. hard choice
  - B. simple task
  - C. lucky break
7. She challenges accepted **doctrine**.
  - A. champions
  - B. authority
  - C. beliefs
8. After the incident, support for the policy **ebbed**.
  - A. increased
  - B. disappeared
  - C. declined
9. I'm **evaluating** job options.
  - A. considering
  - B. creating
  - C. avoiding
10. She felt a sense of **foreboding** as she approached the abandoned house.
  - A. memory of past joy
  - B. dread of what's coming
  - C. wave of sudden relief
11. She is **immune** to chickenpox because she has been vaccinated.
  - A. at risk
  - B. resistant
  - C. open

12. She couldn't sleep as she worried about her impending doom.
- A. scary
  - B. seen in a dream
  - C. about to happen
13. The National Guard is an integral part of U.S. armed services.
- A. essential
  - B. unimportant
  - C. additional
14. The small reading group became the nucleus of a schoolwide book club.
- A. ending
  - B. critics
  - C. center
15. After betraying the team, she became a pariah in the locker room.
- A. social outcast
  - B. trusted leader
  - C. new visitor
16. We are all protagonists of our own story.
- A. the main characters
  - B. the strongest adversaries
  - C. the most concerned
17. She reached out to take his hand. He recoiled from her touch.
- A. suddenly was angry
  - B. suddenly pulled back
  - C. suddenly was comforted
18. She plans to attend Fuller Theological Seminary.
- A. a school for training musicians, painters, and other artists
  - B. a school for training ministers, priests, or rabbis
  - C. a school for training teachers and school administrators
19. Before your testimony, they will have you solemnly swear to tell *the truth, the whole truth and nothing but the truth*.
- A. job interview
  - B. statements at a trial
  - C. confession
20. Don't underestimate that wily old attorney.
- A. well-connected
  - B. clever
  - C. experienced

# 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 *Some brilliant manifesto about how God whispered sweet insights into my ear, higher truths that I would hold on to forever, once I'd shared them through **testimony**?*
  - A. an atom that has acquired an electrical charge by the loss or gain of an electron
  - B. something that serves as evidence -- especially a statement at a trial or hearing
  - C. an organ attached to the wall of the uterus to nourish the fetus during pregnancy
- 2 *We shared siblings, cohabited a double bed, **confided** concerns, *divvied* responsibilities.*
  - A. placed trust (in someone) by talking about private things
  - B. viewed in a certain way so as to form a belief or opinion
  - C. made a decision or voiced an opinion by formal group vote
- 3 *So I decided to pose the question in **seminary**.*
  - A. the reason for doing something; or the level of desire to do something
  - B. a school for training clerics -- usually ministers, priests, or rabbis
  - C. a drug that calms or puts to sleep; or describing something as calming
- 4 *Killing bunnies was not the point, drawing blood, watching life **ebb**, pulse by pulse.*
  - A. a large structure separate from a main structure or temporary
  - B. make something more attractive or interesting by adding to it
  - C. decline -- typically gradually as with the height of the tide
- 5 *True, but Jesus had little to do with LDS **doctrine**.*
  - A. a substance that stimulates the production of antibodies to protect against a disease
  - B. an economic system where most decisions are made through voluntary buying and selling
  - C. a belief (or system of beliefs or principles) accepted as authoritative by some group
- 6 *Derek took me home, and as we kissed a very long good-bye, I hoped everyone was asleep so I'd be **immune** to questions.*
  - A. the state or character of having found a condition or substance to be present
  - B. not in danger of suffering from something OR relating to disease resistance
  - C. a health indicator measured by the force of circulating blood on the arteries
- 7 *Associate with a **pariah**, you become an outcast too.*
  - A. a social outcast
  - B. friendly and fun
  - C. someone who shows
- 8 *Incredulous, Aunt J **contradicted**, Best let water passed under the bridge keep on trickling downstream.*
  - A. disagreed
  - B. separated
  - C. satisfied
- 9 *We spent the better part of the day **coaxing** the dogs, chasing strays, and otherwise moving the herd up-mountain.*
  - A. strongly criticizing or accusing publicly OR (more rarely) informing against someone
  - B. trying to obtain a result through gentle and careful effort -- often gently persuading
  - C. giving authority, power, knowledge, or confidence to someone so they can do something
- 10 **Evaluation.**
  - A. the process of thinking carefully and making a judgment about something
  - B. the act of finding fault and telling others; or a description of faults
  - C. an international boundary or a wilderness at the edge of a settled area
- 11 *Which led us to the reason for our own **dilemma**.*
  - A. a situation in which a difficult choice must be made between imperfect alternatives
  - B. connected by blood or marriage; or a plant or animal related by origin or grouping
  - C. relating to the south Asian Muslim republic that is the fifth most populous country

- 12 *So much happened, it's hard to write it all down, so here are the highlights, in semichronological order: I rode Paprika, first in the paddock, then on the trail.*
- A. inconspicuousness or trustworthiness
  - B. lacking a reason for doing something
  - C. partially arranged according to time
- 13 *I know you shoot for sport, but have you ever hunted an animal wilier than you?*
- A. more chaste
  - B. more clever
  - C. one who lives
- 14 *I figured I could deal with a bit of a recoil.*
- A. being a boundary or limit
  - B. to move backward suddenly
  - C. find, search, or research
- 15 *He had—huge deli sandwiches, carbs and protein to fend off any impending hangovers.*
- A. strongly biased
  - B. material wealth
  - C. about to happen
- 16 *No doubt of this heaven, no worries about which kingdom I'd attained, only the certainty that heaven, indeed, existed, right there in our perfect union.*
- A. examined in detail to better understand
  - B. tension from opposing ideas or feelings
  - C. gained or reached something with effort
- 17 *In Ethan's arms, I knew no fear, in this ultimate act of giving, no foreboding.*
- A. considering (the affect on a result or outcome)
  - B. a feeling that something bad is going to happen
  - C. moving to a worse or less prestigious situation
- 18 *Making love indeed became an integral part of our couplehood.*
- A. an essential part or characteristic
  - B. extra
  - C. unimportant
- 19 *This book is fiction, but much in it is true—in particular, the stories about nuclear issues in Nevada.*
- A. the quality of inappropriateness in size, amount, or degree
  - B. the condition of being exclusive to (someone or some group)
  - C. relating to the central or most important part of something
- 20 *Pattyn, the protagonist in this book, comes to love rural Nevada, where the spirit of the Old West lives on in its people.*
- A. the main character in a work of fiction

or more rarely:

an important supporter or main figure of someone or something

- B. a member of the 1960's counterculture associated with long hair, illegal drugs, casual sex, and opposition to violence.

- C. someone or something that changes to fit a different situation, or that changes something to fit a different situation

# ANSWER KEY

## Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	B	testimony	Used 6 times in this book.
2	A	confide	High-utility academic word; used 6 times in this book.
3	B	seminary	Used 6 times in this book.
4	C	ebb	Used 2 times in this book.
5	C	doctrine	Used 2 times in this book.
6	B	immune	Used 2 times in this book.
7	A	pariah	Used 2 times in this book.
8	A	contradict	High-utility academic word
9	B	coax ( <i>as in: coax her to join us</i> )	Used 3 times in this book.
10	A	evaluate	High-utility academic word
11	A	dilemma	High-utility academic word; used 2 times in this book.
12	C	chronological	Used about once per 10 books in our high school library
13	B	wily	Used 2 times in this book.
14	B	recoil	Used 2 times in this book.
15	C	impending	Used 2 times in this book.
16	C	attain	High-utility academic word; used 2 times in this book.
17	B	foreboding	Used 2 times in this book.
18	A	integral ( <i>as in: integral part</i> )	Used about once per 10 books in our high school library
19	C	nucleus	Used 6 times in this book.
20	A	protagonist	Used about once per 10 books in our high school library

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