

# Clover

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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:** afflict, apparent, apprentice, bushel, constant, convey, cultivate, entwined, glimpse, IQ, ligament, migrant, monopoly, nucleus, pheromone, principal, revere, signify, tetanus, tinged



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# ANSWER KEY

## Vocabulary Preview

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#	KEY
1	C
2	C
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18	A
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# Vocabulary Preview

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

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

1. She has been **afflicted** with migraines since childhood.
  - A. worried about
  - B. surprised by
  - C. made to suffer
2. **Apparently**, she was upset.
  - A. at that moment
  - B. as a parent
  - C. it appears that
3. Although she was still an **apprentice**, Clara already had a natural talent for woodworking and carved beautiful details into her projects.
  - A. employee with seniority
  - B. learner on the job
  - C. licensed professional
4. We had **bushels** of fun.
  - A. measured in hours
  - B. shared by everyone
  - C. a large amount
5. Her **constant** tapping on the desk made it hard to concentrate during the meeting.
  - A. occasional
  - B. intermittent
  - C. never-ending
6. Please **convey** my gratitude for her hospitality.
  - A. express
  - B. accept
  - C. understand
7. Creativity can be **cultivated**.
  - A. useful
  - B. developed or grown
  - C. risky or dangerous
8. The economies are thoroughly **entwined**.
  - A. connected
  - B. strong
  - C. weak
9. She gave them a **glimpse** of the challenge solving climate change has for people living in poverty.
  - A. partial look
  - B. economic analysis
  - C. deep understanding
10. In this job, people skills are worth more than an extra 15 IQ points.
  - A. intelligence
  - B. strength
  - C. effort
11. She injured a **ligament** in her knee during the soccer game.
  - A. bone-connecting band
  - B. blood-carrying tube
  - C. air-filled space

12. The crops won't be picked without migrant workers.
- A. hard-working
  - B. from elsewhere
  - C. low-wage
13. Critics warned that the tech giant's monopoly over online search could limit innovation and competition.
- A. minor stake
  - B. shared market
  - C. complete control
14. The small reading group became the nucleus of a schoolwide book club.
- A. ending
  - B. critics
  - C. center
15. The perfume claims to have alluring pheromones.
- A. color-shifting dyes
  - B. noise-canceling oils
  - C. scent-based signals
16. The principal reason for the delay was bad weather.
- A. final
  - B. main
  - C. stated
17. She reveres nature and all that is natural.
- A. dislikes and avoids
  - B. deeply respects
  - C. thoroughly enjoys
18. Her silence seemed to signify that she disagreed.
- A. indicate
  - B. delay
  - C. repeat
19. A booster shot is recommended every ten years to protect against tetanus.
- A. bacterial infection from puncture wounds
  - B. a sexually transmitted infection
  - C. viral infection from mosquito bites
20. Her voice was tinged with sadness when she said goodbye.
- A. fully replaced
  - B. slightly marked
  - C. loudly praised

# 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 *What I want to know is, what you **signifying**?*
  - A. to indicate (to show or to mean)
  - B. lacking things most people enjoy
  - C. of the Netherlands or its people
- 2 *All the years I'd gone to Gaten's school, I'd never been in any kind of trouble, much less something bad enough to be sent to the **principal's** office.*
  - A. serving to help explain or demonstrate something
  - B. most important; or person that is most important
  - C. the state or degree of criticism or disagreement
- 3 *When they started this thing of testing in the schools, I sure hate it that I made such a high score on that old IQ test.*
  - A. measure of general intelligence
  - B. a firm decision to do something
  - C. solid shapes made of flat faces
- 4 *Every summer if there's a big peach crop the **migrant** workers flood Round Hill.*
  - A. someone who makes or manufactures things
  - B. one who moves from one place to another
  - C. someone who blocks (prevents) an action
- 5 *I only know that it seems necessary to **convey** to you how deeply I care about you.*
  - A. communicate or express
  - B. create dramatic change
  - C. mirror back (an image)
- 6 *So are her parents/They are **constantly** on the move all the time, moving toward and away from each other, like the checkers move about a checkerboard.*
  - A. in a manner that is crosswise (at a right angle to the long axis)
  - B. with too much concern for formal rules, details, or book learning
  - C. in a manner that is unchanging, continuous, or happens repeatedly
- 7 *How in the Lord's world did you come up with that **affliction**, Ruby Helen?*
  - A. worry or concern about what will happen
  - B. the study of the origin of the universe
  - C. something that causes ongoing suffering
- 8 *He is a physicist down at the **nuclear** plant.*
  - 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
- 9 *She jumps up to give me a big hug, and knocks over a **bushel** of peaches.*
  - A. one who believes that knowledge is acquired primarily by reason rather than by experience
  - B. a hollow muscular organ in the pelvic cavity of females which can hold a developing fetus
  - C. a large amount

or:

a unit of measure used for dry goods (filling an 8 gallon container)
- 10 *Everleen says they think they might get a **glimpse** of that beautiful white woman Gaten married.*
  - A. a quick look or partial understanding
  - B. protect something or keep it as it is
  - C. control (how something will turn out)

- 11 *But I didn't really know why until I read in the newspaper recently that when you squash a yellow jacket they release some kind of chemical, **pheromone** or something, that signals a defense alarm that alerts other yellow jackets and they swarm in and sting anyone that's around.*
- a group formed to discuss or offer insight on a particular topic
  - to constrain in some way -- such as tie up, require, or obligate
  - a chemicals that triggers behaviors in others of the same species
- 12 *Even now, there is a little **tinge** of hurt or sadness when they talk so bad about her.*
- something that is necessary for something else
  - a slight amount; or to contain a slight amount
  - to write or exchange written letters or emails
- 13 *In a way it reminds me of a game of **Monopoly**.*
- in a manner that tries to obtain a result through gentle and careful effort -- often gently persuading
  - in the manner of someone who consumes more than they should -- especially eating and drinking too much
  - complete control over a product, service, or resource -- usually by a single person, company, or group
- 14 *Afterwards I **apprenticed** for awhile, learning textile design, fabric, wallpaper, and such.*
- injured the ligaments of a joint by stretching them too far (ligaments are the tough, fibrous bands that connect bones across joints)
  - person who learns a trade or skill through hands-on experience under a skilled worker; or (as a verb) performance of that kind of work
  - corrupted or seduced from virtue, duty, or allegiance OR excessively drank, engaged in casual sex, and/or drug abuse while partying
- 15 *They are neatly placed beside homemade ones, made from wild broomstraw gathered from open **uncultivated** farm land.*
- made possible
  - not developed
  - got closer to
- 16 *You see, there is a vine that often times grows in peach orchards, **entwined** into peach trees.*
- interconnected (not easily separated) or twisted together
  - viewed in a certain way so as to form a belief or opinion
  - promised, guaranteed, or indicated certainty of something
- 17 *Together, with usually the same **reverence** and respect, they bow to the weather for the outcome of their crops ...*
- interfere (in another's affairs or business); or handle (something that shouldn't be handled)
  - feelings of deep respect and admiration -- sometimes with a mixture of wonder and awe or fear
  - separate two things to prevent passage of something such as heat, cold, noise, or electricity
- 18 *And then, for no **apparent** reason, start to limp.*
- trustworthy with secrets or subtle (not attracting attention)
  - related to the setting or situation in which something occurs
  - clear or obvious; or appearing as such but not necessarily so
- 19 *Your daughter likely tore a **ligament** in the beginning and doubtless kept hurting the same leg over and over.*
- tough fibrous tissue that connects bones
  - dreamlike state of altered consciousness
  - characteristic (of something or someone)
- 20 *At the hospital they took out shotgun pellets from her hand, but missed one in her head, and gave her a **tetanus shot** and sent her back home.*
- a shot doctors give to provide immediate, short-term protection against a bacterial infection typically contracted through a puncture wound with a dirty object
  - a worldview that denies the possibility of empirical or valid universal explanations and emphasizes the existence of different worldviews and concepts of reality
  - groupings of Egyptian rulers sharing a common origin some time between 3150 BC when Upper and Lower Egypt were united, and 31 BC when Rome conquered Egypt

# ANSWER KEY

## Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	A	signify	Used about 3 times per 10 books in our high school library.
2	B	principal	Used 5 times in this book.
3	A	IQ	Used 2 times in this book.
4	B	migrant	Used about 2 times per 10 books in our high school library.
5	A	convey ( <i>as in: convey her thoughts</i> )	High-utility academic word
6	C	constant	High-utility academic word
7	C	afflict	Used about 6 times per 10 books in our high school library.
8	C	nucleus	Used about 9 times per 10 books in our high school library.
9	C	bushel	Used about 2 times per 10 books in our high school library.
10	A	glimpse	Used 2 times in this book.
11	C	pheromone	
12	B	tinged	Used about 7 times per 10 books in our high school library.
13	C	monopoly	High-utility academic word
14	B	apprentice	Used about 5 times per 10 books in our high school library.
15	B	cultivate	High-utility academic word
16	A	entwined	Used about 3 times per 10 books in our high school library.
17	B	revere	High-utility academic word
18	C	apparent	High-utility academic word
19	A	ligament	Used about once per 10 books in our high school library
20	A	tetanus	Used about once per 10 books in our high school library

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