

Crank

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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: cerebral, chaste, contrite, enhance, focus (2), however (2), indulge, infatuated, intuition, negative (2), nucleus, omit, pilfer, resolution, stoke, vary, waver



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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1	C
2	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 suffered a **cerebral** hemorrhage.
 - A. related to the stomach
 - B. related to the chest
 - C. related to the brain
2. Jacob remained **chaste** until he met his future spouse.
 - A. a virgin
 - B. disillusioned
 - C. unfaithful to anyone
3. Even after the jury found her guilty, she showed no sign of **contrition**.
 - A. regret
 - B. understanding
 - C. emotion
4. The stunning victory over the Blue Devils **enhanced** the Bulldogs' image as title contenders.
 - A. damaged
 - B. questioned
 - C. improved
5. This week, I'm **focusing** on finishing my research paper.
 - A. concentrating
 - B. depending
 - C. getting help
6. The discussion brought into focus an important difference of opinion.
 - A. hiding
 - B. conflict
 - C. view
7. I hope to take the ACT just once. **However**, I will take it early, so there is time to study and take it again if my scores aren't high enough.
 - A. but
 - B. also
 - C. and
8. **However** we get there, the main thing is to be absolutely sure we're not late.
 - A. whatever way
 - B. even if in a non-standard manner
 - C. to whatever degree
9. I **indulge** my taste for sweets more than is good for me.
 - A. give in to
 - B. hold back from
 - C. complain about
10. He was **infatuated** with the new singer and talked about her constantly.
 - A. foolishly fascinated
 - B. openly annoyed
 - C. slightly informed
11. **Intuitively**, I knew not to trust her.
 - A. logically
 - B. instinctively
 - C. conclusively

12. Higher gasoline prices **negatively** affected fast food sales.
- A. in a helpful manner
 - B. surprisingly
 - C. in a harmful manner
13. We're getting a lot of **negative** feedback about the proposed changes.
- A. indicating criticism or disagreement
 - B. indicating popular support
 - C. harmful
14. The small reading group became the nucleus of a schoolwide book club.
- A. ending
 - B. critics
 - C. center
15. She **omitted** a few details to place herself in a more favorable light.
- A. made up
 - B. exaggerated
 - C. left out
16. Someone tried to **pilfer** candy from the store display near the register.
- A. sell old things
 - B. repair broken things
 - C. steal small things
17. Are you making any New Year's **resolutions** this year?
- A. decorations
 - B. event plans
 - C. decisions
18. He went outside to **stoke** the campfire before everyone gathered around.
- A. pour water on
 - B. add fuel to
 - C. back away from
19. McDonald's menu options **vary** by location.
- A. are consistent
 - B. are different
 - C. are known
20. We will never **waver** in our commitment to provide the best education possible.
- A. speak forcefully
 - B. grow rapidly
 - C. be unsteady

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 My mom gave a detailed run-down of his **varied** bad habits.
 - A. took on as one's own
 - B. differed; or changed
 - C. began fighting again
- 2 Burned out, adrift on a sea of uncertain synapses, a place where your eyes refuse to **focus** and your brain refuses to function.
 - A. software that stops unwanted software from spreading between computers and causing damage to data and software
 - B. a condition where the body cannot properly regulate blood sugar levels because it produces little or no insulin
 - C. adjust (to see clearly)
- 3 Forgiveness granted, I made some decisions: appreciate family, **focus** on school and hunt for Kristina.
 - A. concentrate
 - B. make one's home in; or live in; or stay (in a place)
 - C. a real estate loan; or pledging something for a loan
- 4 Everything shut down, **cerebral** ghost town.
 - A. exactness or accuracy
 - B. able to be translated
 - C. relating to the brain
- 5 And he accepted my **negative** answer with a smile that meant he didn't believe a word.
 - A. indicating an answer of "no"
 - B. to be most powerful, important, or noticeable
 - C. argument -- typically over unimportant things
- 6 Scared to admit either to those close to me who remained clueless eyes closed to every **negative** thing about me, or dying to know every dirty little tidbit.
 - A. tell (a story)
 - B. begin fighting
 - C. bad
- 7 I told Adam to come on over, I wasn't going anywhere then proceeded to fret, as I did anytime he and Lince popped up together in a single thought, anyway I had only this day to make him remember me, **however** I could.
 - A. in whatever way
 - B. starts fighting
 - C. starts (a fire)
- 8 The \$500, **however**, presented a challenge.
 - A. a word used to connect contrasting ideas as when using *though*, *in spite of that*, *in contrast*, *nevertheless*, etc.
 - B. in keeping with or in agreement with what was just stated
 - C. therefore (for that reason)
- 9 Red and raw like my brain, unable to shut down, thoughts crashing like electrons orbiting a **nucleus** of dueling emotions.
 - A. the act, process, or instance of telling a story
 - B. a general feeling of not being as good as others
 - C. the center (or most important part) of something
- 10 With a lot more prodding, I talked about Adam aka Buddy (**omitting** everything of use to anyone interested in blackmail).
 - A. telling someone about something
 - B. commending or praising publicly
 - C. to exclude or neglect something

- 11 *Still, just in case, I never dared mention sex, interrupted by periods' Lince, interrupted by drugs' or my own infatuation with the monster's spectacular rock and roll.*
- A. deeply but often foolishly in love with or obsessed with someone or something
 - B. a psychologist concerned with the treatment of abnormal thinking and behavior
 - C. a stone shaped like a disk that spins and is used to grind, sharpen or polish
- 12 *He was bright, intuitive.*
- A. the quality of being without boundaries or limits
 - B. knew things instinctively rather than through reasoning
 - C. suitability; or the degree of having been adapted
- 13 *Back in the truck, more kisses and a cigarette of my own (pilfered from his pack, pilfered from his mom).*
- A. copied
 - B. traded
 - C. stolen
- 14 *Brendan Stoked the Fire.*
- A. left a place, job or position previously occupied
 - B. added fuel or stirred a fire to make it burn hotter
 - C. having multiple areas of control or concentration
- 15 *I mean, I never Crank-enhanced goosebumps lifted as he moved his hands gently across my skin.*
- A. recognized difference
 - B. marked important text
 - C. increased or improved
- 16 *I'm not exactly chaste.*
- A. not having sexual intercourse (ever, outside of marriage, or for a long time); or not involving sexual desire
 - B. a citizen of Rome between the founding of the city (753 BC) and the fall of the Western Roman Empire (476 AD)
 - C. able to be portrayed or created in a particular way OR able to be interpreted, translated, or extracted from
- 17 *The other half told me to shut up, told me to smile, told me to find a hint of contrition and agree, "You're right, Mom, some of my choices haven't been the best lately."*
- A. regret for a fault
 - B. something that causes ongoing suffering
 - C. able to generate electricity from light
- 18 *The problem with resolutions is they're only as solid as the person making them.*
- A. reasons for doing something
 - B. social events or ceremonies
 - C. firm decisions to do things
- 19 *Somehow She Didn't Notice the wavering tone of my 'Hi, Mom.'*
- A. thinking carefully and making a judgment about
 - B. returning to an undesirable previous condition
 - C. moving back and forth; or being unsure or weak
- 20 *Whatever choices I made, Jake would indulge in the latest video games.*
- A. enjoy to excess
 - B. work or operate
 - C. think carefully

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	B	vary	High-utility academic word; used 2 times in this book.
2	C	focus (<i>as in: bring into focus; or out of focus</i>)	2 meanings in this book.
3	A	focus (<i>as in: Turn your focus to question #2.</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
4	C	cerebral	Used 2 times in this book.
5	A	negative (<i>as in: negative feedback from customers</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
6	C	negative (<i>as in: had a negative effect</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
7	A	however (<i>as in: However you do it, get it done!</i>)	2 meanings in this book.
8	A	however (<i>as in: However, complications may...</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
9	C	nucleus	Used 3 times in this book.
10	C	omit	High-utility academic word; used 2 times in this book.
11	A	infatuated	Used 2 times in this book.
12	B	intuition	High-utility academic word; used 3 times in this book.
13	C	pilfer	Used 3 times in this book.
14	B	stoke (<i>as in: stoked the fire</i>)	2 meanings in this book.
15	C	enhance	High-utility academic word; used 3 times in this book.
16	A	chaste (<i>as in: remained chaste</i>)	Used 2 times in this book.
17	A	contrite	Used 5 times in this book.
18	C	resolution (<i>as in: a New Year's resolution</i>)	High-utility academic word; used 3 times in this book.
19	C	waver	High-utility academic word; used 3 times in this book.
20	A	indulge	High-utility academic word; used 4 times in this book.