

Emma

by Jane Austen

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: abbey, acquaint, amiable, approach (2), approbation, censure, consequence (2), cordial, forbearance, incline, inclined, inquiry, matrimony, mortified, recollect, resolve (2), scruples



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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1	C
2	C
3	A
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10	B
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20	A

Vocabulary Preview

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Name _____ Date _____ Period _____

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

1. After years of dedicated service to the church, she retired to a quiet **abbey** in the countryside.
 - A. a small, rural parish church
 - B. a large cathedral open to the public
 - C. a building where monks or nuns live
2. 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
3. It was an **amiable** gathering of old friends.
 - A. friendly
 - B. rare
 - C. emotional
4. I grow more nervous as the test **approaches**.
 - A. gets nearer
 - B. is remembered
 - C. continues
5. We need to **approach** this problem in a new way.
 - A. avoid
 - B. think about
 - C. assign
6. Her innovative approach to solving problems earned her the **approbation** of her peers.
 - A. approval
 - B. sympathy
 - C. distrust
7. In spite of the **censure** of her colleagues, she believed she had done the right thing.
 - A. criticism
 - B. anger
 - C. disinterest
8. Her job prospects are hindered as a **consequence** of the conviction.
 - A. result
 - B. unimportant part
 - C. important part
9. It is the most **consequential** tax legislation in decades.
 - A. unethical
 - B. important
 - C. harmful
10. The professor greeted each student **cordially** as they entered.
 - A. in a hurried manner
 - B. in a friendly manner
 - C. in a clumsy manner
11. I appreciate your **forbearance**.
 - A. patience or tolerance
 - B. financial loan
 - C. family concerns
12. I was **inclined** to laugh, but I overcame the urge.
 - A. disinclined
 - B. afraid
 - C. tending

13. The boat ramp has a steep **incline**.
- A. slope
 - B. price
 - C. danger
14. The official **inquiry** has ended, but the press continues to ask questions.
- A. story
 - B. statement
 - C. investigation
15. Their bond of **matrimony** lasted for over fifty years.
- A. marriage
 - B. friendship
 - C. divorce
16. She felt **mortified** after tripping onstage during the awards ceremony.
- A. great relief
 - B. exceedingly embarrassed
 - C. severe pain
17. I don't **recollect** her name, but I'd recognize her.
- A. pronounce properly
 - B. spell properly
 - C. remember
18. I **resolved** to never drink again.
- A. was forced
 - B. was encouraged
 - C. firmly decided
19. She is testing my **resolve** to keep a good attitude.
- A. determination
 - B. ability
 - C. optimism
20. Her **scruples** were not so strong as to withstand her friend's arguments.
- A. principles that discourage certain kinds of action
 - B. known facts
 - C. firmness of purpose

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 Mr. Knightley had a cheerful manner, which always did him good; and his many **inquiries** after "poor Isabella" and her children were answered most satisfactorily.
 - A. social events or ceremonies
 - B. reasons for doing something
 - C. questions or investigations
- 2 "To be sure," said Harriet, in a **mortified** voice, "he is not so genteel as real gentlemen."
 - A. hid something by making it blend in with its surroundings; or hid the truth
 - B. extremely embarrassed and ashamed—so humiliated that pride feels wounded.
 - C. not having been assigned a value, or not having been considered as to worth
- 3 I do not recommend **matrimony** at present to Emma, though I mean no slight to the state, I assure you.
 - A. marriage
 - B. reporter
 - C. disorder
- 4 She had no **scruple** with regard to him.
 - A. an ethical or moral principle that discourages certain kinds of action
 - B. to stick out, attract more attention than desired, or impose on others
 - C. speak in a manner that does not clearly express an opinion or decision
- 5 "I do not think he is conceited either, in general," said Harriet, her conscience opposing such **censure**;
 - A. criticism
 - B. find, search, or research
 - C. being a boundary or limit
- 6 He walked off in more complete self-**approbation** than he left for her.
 - A. approval
 - B. not real
 - C. allowing
- 7 Kitty, a fair but frozen maid, Kindled a flame I yet deplore, The hood-wink'd boy I called to aid, Though of his near **approach** afraid, So fatal to my suit before.
 - A. coming
 - B. create dramatic change
 - C. mirror back (an image)
- 8 We have never been there above once since the new **approach** was made; but still I have no doubt that James will take you very safely.
 - A. change the direction of something or the purpose for which it is used
 - B. route (way to get somewhere)
 - C. to stick out, attract more attention than desired, or impose on others
- 9 I hope he will be here to-morrow, for I have a question or two to ask him about myself of some **consequence**.
 - A. translates
 - B. importance
 - C. sticks out
- 10 there is no end of the sad **consequences** of your going to South End.
 - A. results (things that will happen because)
 - B. battles
 - C. desires
- 11 That sweet, **amiable** Jane Fairfax!
 - A. friendly, agreeable, and likable
 - B. important, serious, or dangerous
 - C. not clear or easily identifiable

- 12 *She was quite concerned and ashamed, and **resolved** to do such things no more.*
A. determined (having firm purpose or having firmly decided)
B. the state of not being aware or concerned about something
C. a state similar to sleep where one is unaware of anything
- 13 *In the meanwhile, she **resolved** against seeing Harriet.*
A. changed
B. adapted
C. definitely decided
- 14 *and there, in the very moderate-sized apartment, which was every thing to them, the visitors were most **cordially** and even gratefully welcomed;*
A. in a pleasing way
B. in a friendly way
C. in a skillful way
- 15 *True, true, you are **acquainted** with Miss Fairfax; I remember you knew her at Weymouth,*
A. not having taken power or responsibility
B. compensated for a loss; or paid a reward
C. familiar (or a friend or associate)
- 16 *I am very much **inclined** to think that*
A. not capable of being suffered through (or put up with)
B. the degree to which something can be solved or settled
C. with a tendency
- 17 *(**inclining** his head, and whispering seriously)*
A. bending (or tilting)
B. giving an opinion of what is wrong with something
C. intentionally angering, challenging, or upsetting
- 18 *—To have her haunting the **Abbey**, and thanking him all day long for his great kindness in marrying Jane?*
A. a small, rural parish church
B. a large cathedral open to the public
C. a building where monks or nuns live or lived; or a church associated with such a building
- 19 *Her sensibilities, I suspect, are strong--and her temper excellent in its power of **forbearance**, patience, self-control; but it wants openness.*
A. patience, tolerance, or self-control
B. a right that is naturally due because of human nature and the natural condition
C. something suggested indirectly; or something that can be concluded; or a result
- 20 *but when I **recollect** all the uneasiness I occasioned her, and how little I deserve to be forgiven, I am mad with anger.*
A. disagree
B. subtract
C. remember

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	C	inquiry	High-utility academic word; used 22 times in this book.
2	B	mortified (<i>as in: felt mortified</i>)	Used 26 times in this book.
3	A	matrimony	Used 10 times in this book.
4	A	scruples	Used 21 times in this book.
5	A	censure	High-utility academic word; used 6 times in this book.
6	A	approbation	Used 24 times in this book.
7	A	approach (<i>as in: approached the city</i>)	Used 18 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
8	B	approach (<i>as in: use the best approach</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
9	B	consequence (<i>as in: of little consequence</i>)	Used 16 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
10	A	consequence (<i>as in: a direct consequence of</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
11	A	amiable	Used 36 times in this book.
12	A	resolve (<i>as in: Her resolve weakened.</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
13	C	resolve (<i>as in: I resolved to stop drinking.</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
14	B	cordial (<i>as in: a cordial reception</i>)	Used 11 times in this book.
15	C	acquaint	Used 33 times in this book.
16	C	inclined (<i>as in: I'm inclined to</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
17	A	incline (<i>as in: on an incline or incline his head</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
18	C	abbey	Used 31 times in this book.
19	A	forbearance	Used 8 times in this book.
20	C	recollect	High-utility academic word; used 40 times in this book.