

Insurgent

by Veronica Roth

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: abnegate, amity, approach (2), aptitude, candid, conflict, daunt, diverge, erudite, faction, focus (2), initiate (3), insurgent, interrogate, simulate, suppress



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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#	KEY
1	A
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10	C
11	C
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17	A
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19	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 **abnegated** those rights when she signed the agreement.
 - A. gave up
 - B. asserted
 - C. assured
2. John Adams was asked to create a "treaty of peace, amity and commerce."
 - A. a state of friendly relations
 - B. a state where everyone profits financially
 - C. a state where those in disagreement are separated
3. I grow more nervous as the test **approaches**.
 - A. gets nearer
 - B. is remembered
 - C. continues
4. We need to **approach** this problem in a new way.
 - A. avoid
 - B. think about
 - C. assign
5. Hyde's study indicates that girls and boys have the same **aptitude** for math.
 - A. natural ability
 - B. background
 - C. level of interest
6. My **candid** opinion is that their team is much better than ours, but an upset isn't impossible.
 - A. honest
 - B. expert
 - C. tactful
7. The Israeli-Palestinian conflict **flared** up again in Jerusalem.
 - A. agreement
 - B. border
 - C. struggle
8. Obstacles don't **daunt** her.
 - A. anger
 - B. distract
 - C. discourage
9. We had a lot in common when we were younger, but then our interests began to **diverge**.
 - A. get weaker or less enthusiastic
 - B. move in opposition to each other
 - C. move apart or become different
10. The **erudite** professor gave a fascinating lecture on ancient philosophy.
 - A. newly hired
 - B. rather forgetful
 - C. deeply learned
11. She's part of the far-right **faction** of the Republican Party.
 - A. sub-group (that is made up of 10% or less of a larger group)
 - B. enthusiastic sub-group
 - C. sub-group
12. This week, I'm **focusing** on finishing my research paper.
 - A. concentrating
 - B. depending
 - C. getting help

13. The **focus** of this class is classic American Literature.
- A. hardest part
 - B. area where attention is concentrated
 - C. prerequisite (understanding required to enroll)
14. We are encouraging local authorities to **initiate** long-term emergency planning.
- A. increase
 - B. extend
 - C. start
15. My mother couldn't attend my Honor Society initiation ceremony.
- A. graduation
 - B. joining
 - C. convention
16. Please fill out the new **initiate** information form.
- A. personal information to be entered into a computer database
 - B. someone who is entering a contest
 - C. someone who has formally started in an organization
17. The **insurgents** fought against the government.
- A. members of an irregular armed force that fight a stronger force by sabotage and harassment
 - B. members of an army fighting outside of their home country
 - C. soldiers who fight for a country that is not their own in order to earn pay
18. Officers will **interrogate** the witnesses separately to compare their accounts.
- A. question closely
 - B. politely greet
 - C. quietly observe
19. Our police are tested in conditions that **simulate** gunfire exchange with criminals in the presence of innocent bystanders.
- A. imitate
 - B. train
 - C. defend against
20. Stalin **suppressed** criticism in the press.
- A. kept from spreading
 - B. caused to spread
 - C. expressed publicly

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 We each had to choose a research **focus** in Erudite initiation, and mine was the aptitude test simulation, so I know a lot about the way it's designed.
 - A. calculating or judging too high
 - B. place where attention is directed
 - C. the ability to take on or adopt
- 2 I **focus** on the path of the broom, keeping my eyes on the dust that collects between glass fragments.
 - 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
- 3 If she was good with computers, it was only as a hobby, and I doubt that a computer hobby would enable someone to fiddle with an Erudite **simulation**.
 - A. computer imitation of reality
 - B. computer puzzle
 - C. artificial intelligence
- 4 I didn't realize until that moment that Dauntless **initiation** had taught me an important lesson: how to keep going.
 - A. mistakes
 - B. training
 - C. school
- 5 I want him to fold me into his arms again, like he did after the last attack, but he doesn't, and I know better than to **initiate** it.
 - A. worry about
 - B. fight about
 - C. begin
- 6 I feel like I am an **initiate** again, storming the stairs of the Hub right after the Choosing Ceremony.
 - A. someone who tends to fight
 - B. someone who is impatient
 - C. someone new to a group
- 7 The truth will come out when you are both **interrogated** under the influence of truth serum.
 - A. asked questions
 - B. altered in an unnatural way
 - C. made unable to move or make a decision
- 8 Is your **allegiance** with your current **faction**, Tobias?
 - A. country of origin
 - B. place of employment
 - C. sub-group of people
- 9 "I think my **conflicted** emotions confused the simulation," he says.
 - A. angry
 - B. strongly felt (despite logical opposition)
 - C. in opposition to each other (feeling different or opposite ways at the same time)
- 10 The **Candor** sing the praises of the truth, but they never tell you how much it costs.
 - A. people who are honest
 - B. people who are fearless
 - C. people who like to help others
- 11 no one in **Abnegation** would be so selfish;
 - A. in this novel, the group of people that practice self-denial
 - B. the group of people that most value bravery
 - C. the group of people that most value honesty and directness

- 12 *My mother said people feared the **Divergent** because we couldn't be controlled.*
A. strong
B. impulsive
C. different
- 13 *My fellow sweepers back up to get out of the way, but I stay where I am, heat rushing through me as Zeke and Tori **approach**.*
A. come near
B. create dramatic change
C. mirror back (an image)
- 14 *How does this change our **approach** to the new simulation serum?*
A. change the direction of something or the purpose for which it is used
B. technique (way of doing something)
C. to stick out, attract more attention than desired, or impose on others
- 15 *Tobias's mouth twitches, as if in a smile, but if that's what it was, he **suppresses** it.*
A. keeps it under control; or prevents it from arising
B. magnifies (makes it look bigger)
C. demonstrates in an unusual manner
- 16 *You can think like the **Erudite**, too.*
A. people who are fearless
B. people who like to help others
C. people who are scholarly
- 17 *I am pleased, of course, because of your **aptitude** test results.*
A. natural ability
B. interest
C. knowledge
- 18 *It is maybe the first time I've seen Peter be truly **Dauntless**.*
A. afraid
B. confused
C. unintimidated
- 19 *The **Amity** aren't supposed to argue.*
A. people who are friendly
B. people who are fearless
C. people who are especially scholarly
- 20 *"Come on, **Insurgent**," he says with a wink.*
A. rebel
B. teacher
C. student

ANSWER KEY

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	B	focus (<i>as in: The focus of our study is...</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
2	A	focus (<i>as in: Turn your focus to question #2.</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
3	A	simulate	High-utility academic word; used 171 times in this book.
4	B	initiate (<i>as in: initiate into the fraternity</i>)	High-utility academic word; 3 meanings in this book.
5	C	initiate (<i>as in: initiate discussions</i>)	High-utility academic word; 3 meanings in this book.
6	C	initiate (<i>as in: She is a new initiate.</i>)	Used 12 times in this book; 3 meanings in this book.
7	A	interrogate	Used 20 times in this book.
8	C	faction	Used 241 times in this book.
9	C	conflict	High-utility academic word; used 18 times in this book.
10	A	candid (<i>as in: your candid opinion</i>)	High-utility academic word; used 117 times in this book.
11	A	abnegate	Used 171 times in this book.
12	C	diverge	High-utility academic word; used 97 times in this book.
13	A	approach (<i>as in: approached the city</i>)	Used 16 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
14	B	approach (<i>as in: use the best approach</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
15	A	suppress	Used 10 times in this book.
16	C	erudite	Used 305 times in this book.
17	A	aptitude	Used 22 times in this book.
18	C	daunt	Used 432 times in this book.
19	A	amity	Used 121 times in this book.
20	A	insurgent	Used 3 times in this book.