

Leviathan

by Thomas Hobbes

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, attribute (2), conducive, derive, dissolution, doctrine, endeavor, heathen, idolatry, infer, interpret (2), monarchy, omnipotent, precept, prudent, repugnant, signify, subordinate



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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. They hope to **attain** effective law and order in the region before withdrawing troops.
 - A. openly oppose
 - B. carefully describe
 - C. successfully gain
2. She described his physical **attributes**.
 - A. characteristics
 - B. strengths
 - C. weaknesses
3. She **attributes** her success to hard work.
 - A. gives money for
 - B. gives credit for
 - C. gives help for
4. Her spending habits are not **conducive** to achieving her financial goals.
 - A. helpful
 - B. harmful
 - C. irrelevant
5. I **derive** pleasure from my work.
 - A. refuse
 - B. obtain
 - C. ignore
6. After months without members, the club voted for its **dissolution**.
 - A. new beginning
 - B. formal ending
 - C. public celebration
7. She challenges accepted **doctrine**.
 - A. champions
 - B. authority
 - C. beliefs
8. I will **endeavor** to finish by Friday.
 - A. not be able
 - B. promise
 - C. try
9. The Spanish colony prohibited **heathen** worship.
 - A. religious
 - B. organized
 - C. non-Christian
10. The prophet warned the villagers against **idolatry** and worship of false gods.
 - A. rejection of all beliefs
 - B. worship of physical idols
 - C. doubt about religion
11. The meaning of the word can be **inferred** based on context clues.
 - A. different
 - B. figured out
 - C. converted
12. She will stand to his left and **interpret** his speech into sign language.
 - A. refute (prove false)
 - B. elaborate upon
 - C. translate

13. How will a court interpret the word *careless* if there is a lawsuit?
- A. understand
 - B. insist on
 - C. ignore
14. He was imprisoned for insulting the Thai monarchy.
- A. government rules by the military
 - B. government ruled by foreigners
 - C. government ruled by royalty
15. His book was called *Omnipotent Government*.
- A. knowing everything
 - B. all powerful
 - C. present everywhere
16. It became a precept of U.S. foreign policy.
- A. sign
 - B. rule
 - C. problem
17. Courage is dangerous without prudence.
- A. good sense
 - B. good purpose
 - C. good support
18. His repugnant behavior at the party made everyone want to go home early.
- A. warmly welcomed
 - B. highly amusing
 - C. deeply offensive
19. Her silence seemed to signify that she disagreed.
- A. indicate
 - B. delay
 - C. repeat
20. Every officer under the rank of Captain, shall be subordinate to the Officer of the Watch in regard to the performance of the duties with which he is charged.
- A. subservient
 - B. in charge of
 - C. considerate

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 For this kind of **Doctrine**, admitteth no other Demonstration.
 - 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
- 2 There be beasts, that at a year old observe more, and pursue that which is for their good, more **prudently**, than a child can do at ten.
 - A. with good sense and caution
 - B. in a strongly biased manner
 - C. in a manner that challenges
- 3 For there can be no certainty of the last Conclusion, without a certainty of all those Affirmations and Negations, on which it was grounded, and **inferred**.
 - A. was overly unhappy and unsociable
 - B. concluded or guessed by reasoning
 - C. not limited or without boundaries
- 4 As first, when they one succeed another, they are diversly called from the opinion men have of the likelihood of **attaining** what they desire.
 - A. moving into position to work; or starting
 - B. saying (or making a sound) with the voice
 - C. gaining or reaching something with effort
- 5 Desire of things that **conduce** but a little to our ends; And fear of things that are but of little hindrance, PUSILLANIMITY.
 - A. contribute (to a result)
 - B. include consideration of
 - C. struggle or disagreement
- 6 This kind of Honour, commonly called Gentry, has been **derived** from the Antient Germans.
 - A. hid
 - B. got
 - C. cut
- 7 But when many such Families, joyned together, made a greater **Monarchy**, this duty of the Herealt, to distinguish Scutchions, was made a private Office a part.
 - A. a psychologist concerned with the treatment of abnormal thinking and behavior
 - B. a usually brief state of mental confusion often accompanied by hallucinations
 - C. a government, country, or ruling family of a country ruled by a king or queen
- 8 And the Religion of the later sort is Divine Politiques; and containeth **Precepts** to those that have yeilded themselves subjects in the Kingdome of God.
 - A. unties or releases
 - B. rules for behavior
 - C. sharp hooked claws
- 9 Such was the **Heathen** Forme, "Let Jupiter kill me else, as I kill this Beast."
 - A. the ability and tendency to determine what should be done and to start doing it without instruction; or to start something
 - B. the state of not being relevant (not related to the subject being considered, or not important enough to want to consider)
 - C. someone who is not civilized or not moral OR an offensive term for a person who does not believe in a preferred religion
- 10 When they are **attributed** to Men, they signifie Conformity, or Inconformity of Manners, to Reason.
 - A. not made different; or shown to be different
 - B. credited (pointed to as the cause of something)
 - C. not changed directly from a solid to a vapor

- 11 *That we may know what worship of God is taught us by the light of Nature, I will begin with his **Attributes**.*
 A. characteristics (of something or someone)
 B. dreamlike states of altered consciousness
 C. piles of wood or other burnable materials
- 12 *Whatsoever is done to a man, conformable to his own Will **signified** to the doer, is no Injury to him.*
 A. to indicate (to show or to mean)
 B. lacking things most people enjoy
 C. of the Netherlands or its people
- 13 *First, because they **Covenant**, it is to be understood, they are not obliged by former Covenant to any thing **repugnant** hereunto.*
 A. related to
 B. very large
 C. disgusting
- 14 *And this was it our most wise King, King James, aymed at, in **endeavouring** the Union of his two Realms of England and Scotland.*
 A. working or operating
 B. believing or judging
 C. trying or attempting
- 15 *And did not his will assure the Necessity of mans will, and consequently of all that on mans will dependeth, the Liberty of men would be a contradiction, and impediment to the **omnipotence** and Liberty of God.*
 A. because of a basic rule or belief
 B. the quality of being all powerful
 C. interacts, interests, or attracts
- 16 *Others are **Dependent**; that is to say, **Subordinate** to some Sovereign Power, to which every one, as also their Representative is Subject.*
 A. less important or subservient; or to rank as such
 B. prepare food in a way that keeps it from spoiling
 C. treat as a particular type that is considered bad
- 17 *In like manner, when question is of the Meaning of written Lawes, he is not the **Interpreter** of them, that writeth a Commentary upon them.*
 A. people who criticize or condemn
 B. someone who extensively damages
 C. someone who translates language
- 18 *The abilities required in a good **Interpreter** of the Law, that is to say, in a good Judge, are not the same with those of an Advocate; namely the study of the Lawes.*
 A. someone who explains or understands something in a particular way
 B. someone or something that protects something or keeps it as it is
 C. people who perform detailed examinations to improve understanding
- 19 *When therefore these two Powers oppose one another, the Common-wealth cannot but be in great danger of Civill warre, and **Dissolution**.*
 A. an order issued by a court or judicial officer
 B. breaking something up or bringing it to an end
 C. two successive lines of poetry; usually rhymed
- 20 *Besides the **Idolatrous** Worship of Images, there is also a Scandalous Worship of them; which is also a sin; but not Idolatry.*
 A. submissiveness -- often behavior of someone who is so submissive or eager to serve and please that they seem to lack self-respect
 B. the worship of idols (physical objects representative of gods)

or:

excessive admiration and devotion to something or someone

C. related to a mental illness most commonly associated with undeveloped social abilities, language, and other communication skills

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	C	doctrine	Used 219 times in this book.
2	A	prudent	High-utility academic word; used 35 times in this book.
3	B	infer	High-utility academic word; used 31 times in this book.
4	C	attain	High-utility academic word; used 30 times in this book.
5	A	conducive	High-utility academic word; used 25 times in this book.
6	B	derive	High-utility academic word; used 53 times in this book.
7	C	monarchy	Used 60 times in this book.
8	B	precept	Used 35 times in this book.
9	C	heathen	Used 45 times in this book.
10	B	attribute (<i>as in: I attribute it to...</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
11	A	attribute (<i>as in: It is an attribute of...</i>)	Used 16 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
12	A	signify	Used 55 times in this book.
13	C	repugnant	Used 19 times in this book.
14	C	endeavor	Used 61 times in this book.
15	B	omnipotent	High-utility academic word; used 10 times in this book.
16	A	subordinate	High-utility academic word; used 40 times in this book.
17	C	interpret (<i>as in: interpret Spanish to English</i>)	Used 67 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
18	A	interpret (<i>as in: her interpretation of the data</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
19	B	dissolution	Used 15 times in this book.
20	B	idolatry	Used 42 times in this book.