

Long Walk to Freedom

by Nelson Mandela

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: apartheid, brief (2), communism, correspond, correspondence, eminent, enumerate, exile, grievance, magistrate, materialistic, mediate, parliament, prejudice, regent, sanction (2), subsequent, treason



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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1	C
2	B
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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. Nelson Mandela fought against **apartheid** and became a symbol of justice and equality.
 - A. a legal system that give equal rights to all citizens
 - B. a tradition that celebrates cultural differences
 - C. a system that unfairly treats people of a different race
2. The captain **briefed** the crew on safety procedures before takeoff.
 - A. argued loudly with
 - B. gave a summary to
 - C. took a photo of
3. Her **brief** stresses that a guilty verdict would be incompatible with the First Amendment's guarantee of freedom of speech.
 - A. a strongly opinionated argument -- especially over a belief or dogma
 - B. summary of important facts and opinion for a legal case
 - C. any diversion intended to distract attention from the main issue
4. Marx's writings on **communism** inspired revolutions across many countries in the 1900s.
 - A. free market trade
 - B. collective ownership
 - C. religious reform
5. Do either of you have copies of your **correspondence**?
 - A. instructions
 - B. letters or emails
 - C. pictures or drawings
6. I don't live in Los Angeles yet, but I joined the organization as a **corresponding** member.
 - A. visiting
 - B. founding
 - C. done from afar
7. Despite her **eminent** status in the art world, she remained humble and approachable.
 - A. respected and well-known
 - B. newly acquired
 - C. barely noticed
8. There is not enough time to **enumerate** all of her accomplishments.
 - A. study
 - B. follow
 - C. list
9. Napoleon was forced into exile on the island of Elba.
 - A. apologizing
 - B. living elsewhere
 - C. hard labor
10. It is a long-standing **grievance**.
 - A. complaint
 - B. connection
 - C. agreement
11. The **magistrate** set bail at \$10,000.
 - A. attorney
 - B. queen or king
 - C. judge

12. I wouldn't describe myself as **materialistic**, but I would like some financial security.
- A. too concerned with wealth and possessions
 - B. too afraid of risk and uncertainty
 - C. unwilling to spend any money
13. She asked the Prime Minister of India to help **mediate** an agreement.
- A. document
 - B. publicize
 - C. settle
14. The Sheik of Kuwait was admired for voluntarily creating a **parliament** to share power with him.
- A. religious gathering
 - B. legislative assembly
 - C. private fortress
15. Seeing the defendant wear prison clothes may **prejudice** the jury against the defendant.
- A. create a sympathetic belief in
 - B. create a serious attitude in
 - C. create an unfair belief in
16. While the young king was ill, his uncle served as **regent** to rule the kingdom.
- A. temporary substitute ruler
 - B. elected prime minister
 - C. royal court advisor
17. The committee refused to **sanction** the new policy without further review.
- A. publicly criticize
 - B. formally approve
 - C. quietly ignore
18. They are calling for a global campaign of boycotts and **sanctions** against Israel.
- A. makes possible
 - B. leaps or jumps
 - C. penalties
19. The results of the initial investigation were unclear, but a **subsequent** investigation concluded that she used good judgment.
- A. thorough
 - B. official
 - C. following
20. Benedict Arnold was not captured after he committed **treason**.
- A. committing acts of sabotage
 - B. war crimes against civilians
 - C. betrayal of one's own country

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 One did not defy **magistrates** in those days.
 - A. acts of interacting or getting interested again
 - B. general feelings of not being as good as others
 - C. judges or civil authorities who conduct a court
- 2 My father did not subscribe to local **prejudice** toward amaMfengu and befriended two amaMfengu brothers, George and Ben Mbekela.
 - A. fear, or anticipate with worry (commonly only seen in the forms "apprehensive" and "apprehension," but seen in this form in classic literature)
 - B. to expression feelings or thoughts enthusiastically OR to squirt or give off (typically under pressure such as blood or leaking gas)
 - C. bias that prevents objective consideration -- especially an unreasonable belief that is unfair to members of a race, religion, or other group
- 3 This was the **regent** who was to become my guardian and benefactor for the next decade.
 - A. someone appointed to a position of temporary or delegated authority -- such as a temporarily while the king or queen is too young, too sick, or away; or a member of a governing board
 - B. relating to an artistic movement pioneered by Pablo Picasso and Georges Braque that featured surfaces of geometrical planes to depict three-dimensional organic forms
 - C. someone who walks slowly without definite direction OR someone who writes or talks without definite direction (changing subjects or rambling rather than in a purposeful direct way)
- 4 On these occasions, the regent was surrounded by his amaphakathi, a group of councilors of high rank who functioned as the regent's **parliament** and judiciary.
 - A. a place where conditions are kept as they were to protect wildlife
 - B. legislative assembly that passes laws (existing in some countries)
 - C. someone who believes that all knowledge is derived from experience
- 5 Shortly before the election, a meeting of all students was held to discuss problems and voice our **grievances**.
 - A. complaints
 - B. sympathies
 - C. main roads
- 6 Malan's platform was known as **apartheid**.
 - A. a legal system that give equal rights to all citizens
 - B. a tradition that celebrates cultural differences
 - C. a system that unfairly treats people of a different race
- 7 The spirit of mass action surged, but I remained skeptical of any action undertaken with the **Communists** and Indians.
 - A. subatomic particles with negative charge that are found in all atoms and that act as the primary carrier of electricity
 - B. people who support an economic system that abolishes private ownership of property with the goal of a classless society
 - C. people who suffer from psychosis (any severe mental disorder in which contact with reality is lost or highly distorted)
- 8 Its **materialistic** analysis of economics rang true to me.
 - A. too concerned with wealth and possessions
 - B. without purpose, job, or natural activity
 - C. unable or difficult to meet and talk with
- 9 All were charged with the crime of **treason**, a crime punishable by death.
 - A. easily set on fire
 - B. untied or released
 - C. an act of betrayal

- 10 *Having anticipated a crackdown on the organization, the ANC had ordered Oliver Tambo to leave South Africa so that he could continue to run the organization in **exile**.*
 A. (noun) something that is lighter and draws attention -- such as an area of a painting OR (verb) making something lighter -- such as an area of a painting
 B. to force someone to live outside of their homeland; or living in such a condition
- or more rarely: voluntary absence from a place someone would rather be
 C. recommend or require what should be done OR (of a medical doctor) give medical instructions -- such as writing that a patient should take antibiotics
- 11 *I had begun **correspondence** studies for my LL.B., a bachelor of laws degree allowing one to practice as an advocate.*
 A. small kitchens
 B. leaps or jumps
 C. done from afar via written communication
- 12 *I had tried to write him in prison, but regulations forbade prisoners from **corresponding** with each other.*
 A. considering (the affect on a result or outcome)
 B. exchanging written letters
 C. controlling, preventing, or making less intense
- 13 *... we were praising the fact that the day before, the General Assembly of the U.N. had voted in favor of **sanctions** against South Africa for the first time.*
 A. makes possible
 B. leaps or jumps
 C. penalties
- 14 *He **campaigned** against international **sanctions**.*
 A. tells (a story)
 B. penalties
 C. starts fighting
- 15 *I **enumerated** the many times that we had brought our grievances before the government and the equal number of times that we were ignored or shunted aside.*
 A. was overly unhappy and unsociable
 B. not limited or without boundaries
 C. to name or list things one-by-one
- 16 *He turned away, and met all my **subsequent** overtures with silence.*
 A. able to take on or adopt
 B. the state of being awake
 C. following something else
- 17 *Though this process seemed to me **eminently** fair—and also humorous—Tefu was still unhappy.*
 A. with high standing
 B. with strong desire
 C. in a sloped manner
- 18 *I was not opposing the authorities but **mediating** between my own people and the men I had so long fought against.*
 A. differing notably in brightness or tone
 B. making different; or showing difference
 C. helping others to settle a disagreement
- 19 *I could now spend the day reading, writing letters, discussing issues with my comrades, or formulating legal **briefs**.*
 A. acts of move something out of an interacting position; or acts of stopping
 B. summary of important facts for a legal case
 C. things that disagree with themselves; or (more rarely) acts of disagreeing
- 20 *I knew that I had to be more inclusive, **brief** more people as to our progress, and I proceeded with that in mind.*
 A. not answer questions; or block progress
 B. give a summary of important information to
 C. move from more general to more specific

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	C	magistrate	Used 45 times in this book.
2	C	prejudice	Used 14 times in this book.
3	A	regent	Used 55 times in this book.
4	B	parliament (<i>with a lowercase "p"</i>)	Used 34 times in this book.
5	A	grievance	Used 16 times in this book.
6	C	apartheid	Used 71 times in this book.
7	B	communism	Used 87 times in this book.
8	A	materialistic	High-utility academic word; used 5 times in this book.
9	C	treason	Used 24 times in this book.
10	B	exile	Used 19 times in this book.
11	C	correspondence (<i>as in: a correspondence course</i>)	2 meanings in this book.
12	B	correspond (<i>as in: corresponding by email</i>)	Used 3 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
13	C	sanction (<i>as in: sanctions against them</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
14	B	sanction (<i>as in: cannot sanction such behavior</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
15	C	enumerate	Used 5 times in this book.
16	C	subsequent	High-utility academic word; used 11 times in this book.
17	A	eminent	High-utility academic word; used 10 times in this book.
18	C	mediate (<i>as in: asked her to mediate the talks</i>)	High-utility academic word; used 5 times in this book.
19	B	brief (<i>as in: legal brief</i>)	3 meanings in this book.
20	B	brief (<i>as in: briefed her</i>)	Used 10 times in this book; 3 meanings in this book.