

Old Testament

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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: abominable, afflict, congregation, forsake, heathen, inhabitant, iniquity, interpret (2), moreover, ordinance, perish, pestilence, precept, recompense, reproach, reprove, transgress, wrath, yield



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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1	C
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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. That was before she was trained, when her work was **abominable**.
 - A. showing early promise
 - B. incomplete
 - C. exceptionally bad
2. She has been **afflicted** with migraines since childhood.
 - A. worried about
 - B. surprised by
 - C. made to suffer
3. The **congregation** voted to approve appointment of the new minister.
 - A. people who agree
 - B. people who worship together
 - C. people who meet periodically
4. In the third year of their brutal civil war, moderates feel **forsaken** by the west.
 - A. abandoned
 - B. respected
 - C. defeated
5. The Spanish colony prohibited **heathen** worship.
 - A. religious
 - B. organized
 - C. non-Christian
6. The **inhabitants** of the village were very friendly.
 - A. tourists
 - B. residents
 - C. visitors
7. She fought against the **iniquity** of slavery.
 - A. immorality
 - B. practice
 - C. supporters
8. She will stand to his left and **interpret** his speech into sign language.
 - A. refute (prove false)
 - B. elaborate upon
 - C. translate
9. How will a court **interpret** the word *careless* if there is a lawsuit?
 - A. understand
 - B. insist on
 - C. ignore
10. Many graduates have high college debt. **Moreover**, too many of them haven't found good-paying jobs.
 - A. in contrast to that
 - B. in addition to that
 - C. as a result of that
11. The Chicago **ordinance** required that new streets be laid out with eight streets per mile in one direction and sixteen in the other direction.
 - A. custom
 - B. suggestion
 - C. law

12. We can work together or **perish** separately.
- A. work
 - B. die
 - C. fail
13. The plague was a terrible **pestilence** that killed millions of people.
- A. widespread disease
 - B. antibiotic-resistant bacteria
 - C. famine-causing drought
14. It became a **precept** of U.S. foreign policy.
- A. sign
 - B. rule
 - C. problem
15. The criminal was ordered to pay **recompense** to his victims as part of his sentence.
- A. compensation for loss
 - B. a penalty fine
 - C. an apology
16. Don't **reproach** yourself for things beyond your control.
- A. congratulate
 - B. criticize
 - C. accept honor for
17. I don't want to spoil her, but I don't have the heart to **reprove** her.
- A. criticize
 - B. compliment
 - C. instruct
18. The use of innocents as human shields **transgresses** "the laws of war."
- A. is within
 - B. violates
 - C. expands
19. She fears the **wrath** of God.
- A. angry punishment
 - B. power
 - C. unpredictable moods
20. The experiment **yielded** data that raised a new set of questions.
- A. produced
 - B. destroyed
 - C. slowed down

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 15:16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the **iniquity** of the Amorites is not yet full.
A. immorality; or an immoral act
B. long-accepted behavior
C. set of laws
- 2 21:25 And Abraham **reproved** Abimelech because of a well of water, which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away.
A. criticized
B. translated
C. subtracted
- 3 24:25 She said **moreover** unto him, We have both straw and provender enough, and room to lodge in.
A. despite that (used to connect contrasting ideas)
B. in addition to what has just been said
C. even though -- used to connect contrasting ideas
- 4 30:23 And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my **reproach**: 30:24 And she called his name Joseph; and said, The LORD shall add to me another son.
A. move into position to work; or start
B. a criticism; or to express criticism
C. to spread to other parts of the body
- 5 49:7 Cursed be their anger, for it was fierce; and their **wrath**, for it was cruel: I will divide them in Jacob, and scatter them in Israel.
A. extreme anger
B. determination
C. use of reason
- 6 1:12 But the more they **afflicted** them, the more they multiplied and grew.
A. not judged in a negative way
B. told someone about something
C. suffering; or made to suffer
- 7 9:15 For now I will stretch out my hand, that I may smite thee and thy people with **pestilence**; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.
A. widespread disease (usually severe); or any severely harmful or evil influence that is hard to get rid of
B. a South African whose first language is Afrikaans -- typically descendants of 17th century Dutch settlers
C. something that is not obvious, but noticeable by someone with adequate sensitivity and relevant knowledge
- 8 15:14 The people shall hear, and be afraid: sorrow shall take hold on the **inhabitants** of Palestina.
A. things accepted as true (without proof)
B. people (who live in a particular place)
C. things designed to stop something else
- 9 23:21 Beware of him, and obey his voice, provoke him not; for he will not pardon your **transgressions**: for my name is in him.
A. light seen after bouncing off a surface to another
B. acts that violate rules, promises, or social norms
C. inexperience, innocence, or lack of sophistication
- 10 18:4 Ye shall do my judgments, and keep mine **ordinances**, to walk therein: I am the LORD your God.
A. acts or processes of stopping something from happening
B. bands of inelastic tissue connecting a muscle to bone
C. a rule or law -- typically enacted by city government

- 11 18:29 For whosoever shall commit any of these **abominations**, even the souls that commit them shall be cut off from among their people.
- A. acts of interacting or getting interested again
 - B. general feelings of not being as good as others
 - C. things that are exceptionally bad or detestable
- 12 25:44 Both thy bondmen, and thy bondmaids, which thou shalt have, shall be of the **heathen** that are round about you; of them shall ye buy bondmen and bondmaids.
- 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
- 13 16:33 They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they **perished** from among the congregation.
- A. examined in detail to better understand
 - B. died, was destroyed, or ceased to exist
 - C. moved into position to work; or started
- 14 12:19 Take heed to thyself that thou **forsake** not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth.
- A. abandon or give up on
 - B. not easily identified
 - C. able to be translated
- 15 2:12 The LORD **recompense** thy work, and a full reward be given thee of the LORD God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.
- A. compensate for a loss; or pay a reward
 - B. examine in detail to better understand
 - C. appropriate in size, amount, or degree
- 16 33:23 If there be a messenger with him, an **interpreter**, one among a thousand, to shew unto man his uprightness: 33:24 Then he is gracious unto him, and saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit: I have found a ransom.
- A. people who criticize or condemn
 - B. someone who extensively damages
 - C. someone who translates language
- 17 4:6 Therefore made I a decree to bring in all the wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the **interpretation** of the dream.
- A. understanding or explanation of meaning
 - B. the time during which something continues
 - C. meticulousness (care about small details)
- 18 26:12 My foot standeth in an even place: in the **congregations** will I bless the LORD.
- A. images (seen on a mirror or other shiny surface)
 - B. people who worship together in the same building
 - C. electronic components that act as one-way valves
- 19 119:4 Thou hast commanded us to keep thy **precepts** diligently.
- A. unties or releases
 - B. rules for behavior
 - C. sharp hooked claws
- 20 3:17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall **yield** no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: 3:18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.
- A. give
 - B. stop (something from happening)
 - C. think deeply or carefully about

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	A	iniquity	Used 313 times in this book.
2	A	reprove	Used 45 times in this book.
3	B	moreover	High-utility academic word; used 153 times in this book.
4	B	reproach	Used 104 times in this book.
5	A	wrath	Used 153 times in this book.
6	C	afflict	Used 148 times in this book.
7	A	pestilence	Used 47 times in this book.
8	B	inhabitant	Used 234 times in this book.
9	B	transgress	Used 160 times in this book.
10	C	ordinance (<i>as in: passed the ordinance</i>)	Used 48 times in this book.
11	C	abominable	Used 167 times in this book.
12	C	heathen	Used 143 times in this book.
13	B	perish	High-utility academic word; used 116 times in this book.
14	A	forsake	Used 151 times in this book.
15	A	recompense	Used 47 times in this book.
16	C	interpret (<i>as in: interpret Spanish to English</i>)	Used 13 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
17	A	interpret (<i>as in: her interpretation of the data</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
18	B	congregation (<i>as in: the congregation voted</i>)	High-utility academic word; used 366 times in this book.
19	B	precept	Used 33 times in this book.
20	A	yield (<i>as in: will yield valuable data</i>)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.