

The Invisible Man

by H. G. Wells

Pre-Reading Vocabulary Practice

Optional Post-Reading Quiz Included

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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: antagonist, contrast (2), convey (2), exasperated, forthwith, gesticulate, illustrate (2), incline, inclined, inquiry, obsolete, refract, resolve (2), transparent, tumult (2)



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ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary Preview

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18	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. In the book, *Harry Potter*, Voldemort is Harry's **antagonist**.
 - A. partner
 - B. friend
 - C. enemy
2. **Contrast** typical underlying beliefs of pro-life and pro-choice supporters.
 - A. study
 - B. compare
 - C. describe
3. There was quite a **contrast** between the styles of the two teachers.
 - A. notable similarity
 - B. covering of all styles
 - C. notable difference
4. Please **convey** my gratitude for her hospitality.
 - A. express
 - B. accept
 - C. understand
5. We hired a carriage to **convey** us to the city.
 - A. give service of
 - B. explain
 - C. transport
6. My little brother can be **exasperating**. He's always testing his boundaries.
 - A. very active
 - B. endearing (lovable)
 - C. greatly annoying
7. The resolution calls upon the country to "cease hostilities **forthwith**."
 - A. immediately
 - B. carefully
 - C. publicly
8. I couldn't hear what they were saying or see their faces, but by their **gesticulations**, I'm sure they were angry at each other.
 - A. gestures
 - B. facial expressions
 - C. tones of voice
9. The example **illustrates** the belief.
 - A. disproves
 - B. proves
 - C. makes clear
10. The assembly directions include **illustrations** to identify each part.
 - A. drawings
 - B. coded stickers
 - C. descriptions
11. I was **inclined** to laugh, but I overcame the urge.
 - A. disinclined
 - B. afraid
 - C. tending

12. The boat ramp has a steep **incline**.
A. slope
B. price
C. danger
13. The official **inquiry** has ended, but the press continues to ask questions.
A. story
B. statement
C. investigation
14. That old phone is **obsolete**.
A. outdated
B. classic
C. broken
15. Light passing through water is **refracted**, so when a pole or stick is partially submerged at an angle in clear water, it appears to be bent at the water's surface.
A. increased in brightness
B. changed in velocity
C. changed in color
16. I **resolved** to never drink again.
A. was forced
B. was encouraged
C. firmly decided
17. She is testing my **resolve** to keep a good attitude.
A. determination
B. ability
C. optimism
18. As a safety measure, the school now insists that all backpacks and school bags be **transparent**.
A. searched upon entry
B. weighed
C. easily seen through
19. I couldn't hear her over the **tumult**.
A. loud disorderly noise
B. loud unpleasant music
C. loud machinery
20. I was lucky to survive the **tumultuous** years of my youth.
A. strict
B. innocent
C. turbulent

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 And I'm very naturally anxious to get on with my **inquiries**.
 - A. social events or ceremonies
 - B. reasons for doing something
 - C. questions or investigations
- 2 At Gleeson's corner he saw Hall, who had recently married the stranger's hostess at the "Coach and Horses," and who now drove the Iping **conveyance**, when occasional people required it, to Sidderbridge Junction, coming towards him on his return from that place.
 - A. collision
 - B. translate
 - C. carriage (means of transport)
- 3 Hall tried to **convey** everything by grimaces and dumb show, but Mrs. Hall was obdurate.
 - A. communicate or express
 - B. create dramatic change
 - C. mirror back (an image)
- 4 "You wim' don't know everything," said Mr. Hall, **resolved** to ascertain more about the personality of his guest at the earliest possible opportunity.
 - A. determined (or having decided)
 - B. the state of not being aware or concerned about something
 - C. a state similar to sleep where one is unaware of anything
- 5 I **resolved** to explore the house, and spent some time in doing so as noiselessly as possible.
 - A. changed
 - B. adapted
 - C. decided
- 6 "I wish you wouldn't come in without knocking," he said in the tone of abnormal **exasperation** that seemed so characteristic of him.
 - A. relative amount
 - B. in disagreement
 - C. great annoyance
- 7 Just at that point, to **illustrate** his story, out came his arm.
 - A. work or operate
 - B. think carefully
 - C. help make clear
- 8 "There are no diagrams?" asked Mr. Bunting. "No **illustrations** throwing light—"
 - A. pictures
 - B. positively charged ions
 - C. proposed or actual laws
- 9 For the man who stood there shouting some incoherent explanation, was a solid **gesticulating** figure up to the coat-collar of him, and then--nothingness, no visible thing at all!
 - A. making gestures (hand or body movements) while speaking
 - B. releasing from slavery or servitude; or (metaphorically) from social restraints
 - C. surgically interrupting nerve tracts to and from the frontal lobe of the brain
- 10 On the village green an **inclined** strong ... came in for considerable favour among the adolescent, as also did the swings
 - A. angled
 - B. told (a story)
 - C. lied or misled
- 11 She was **inclined** to think the whole business nonsense
 - 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 (an attitude favoring)

- 12 *...and, coming round the corner to join the **tumult**, was promptly knocked off his feet into...*
- A. deep emotional impact
 - B. support or favor given
 - C. confusion or disorder (often noisy)
- 13 *Then came a ringing and knocking at the front door, that grew at last **tumultuous**,*
- A. loud disorderly noise
 - B. of a guitar or other musical instrument: not using electricity to amplify sound
 - C. relating to the smallest amount of a chemical substance that can exist by itself
- 14 *The unhappy-looking figure in the **obsolete** silk hat passed up the street of the little village with his burdens, and vanished into the gathering darkness beyond the lights of the windows.*
- A. no longer in general use because it was replaced by something better
 - B. surprise -- often so much so that one doesn't know what to say or do
 - C. an appropriate size, amount, or degree in relation to something else
- 15 *He was struck by the **contrast** of Mr. Marvel's appearance with this suggestion of opulence.*
- A. come to terms with
 - B. block or interfere
 - C. difference
- 16 *Outside the day was bright—by **contrast** with the brown shadows of the dismal house in which I found myself, dazzlingly bright.*
- A. beyond the permitted boundary or limit
 - B. in a comparison that shows differences
 - C. injured muscles or tendons in the back
- 17 *I found a general principle of pigments and **refraction**—a formula, a geometrical expression involving four dimensions.*
- A. a melody that, after a short interval, is exactly repeated by a different instrument or voice to create competing melodic lines (a strict counterpoint)
 - B. to change the velocity of a beam of light or other wave-form as it passes from one medium into another (apparently bending it when passing at an angle)
 - C. a figure of speech in which a similarity between two things is highlighted by using a word to refer to something that it does not *literally* mean
- 18 *One could make an animal—a tissue—**transparent**!*
- A. relating to properties of sound or hearing
 - B. mental activity of which one is self-aware
 - C. capable of being clearly seen through
- 19 *I set to work upon my preparations **forthwith**.*
- A. immediately
 - B. a last name
 - C. well suited
- 20 *Then came a mighty effort, and the Invisible Man threw off a couple of his **antagonists** and rose to his knees.*
- A. relating to properties of sound or hearing
 - B. people who trick others for financial gain
 - C. people who offer opposition or are hostile

ANSWER KEY

Vocabulary in Context

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#	KEY	WORD	NOTE
1	C	inquiry	High-utility academic word; used 7 times in this book.
2	C	convey (as in: convey her safely to)	2 meanings in this book.
3	A	convey (as in: convey her thoughts)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
4	A	resolve (as in: Her resolve weakened.)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
5	C	resolve (as in: I resolved to stop drinking.)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
6	C	exasperated	High-utility academic word; used 11 times in this book.
7	C	illustrate (as in: as illustrated by this example)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
8	A	illustrate (as in: an illustrated children's book)	2 meanings in this book.
9	A	gesticulate	Used 5 times in this book.
10	A	incline (as in: on an incline or incline his head)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
11	C	inclined (as in: I'm inclined to)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
12	C	tumult (as in: tumult in financial markets)	Used 4 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
13	A	tumult (as in: couldn't hear over the tumult)	Used 3 times in this book; 2 meanings in this book.
14	A	obsolete	High-utility academic word; used 2 times in this book.
15	C	contrast (as in: there is a contrast)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
16	B	contrast (as in: contrast their writing styles)	High-utility academic word; 2 meanings in this book.
17	B	refract	Used 12 times in this book.
18	C	transparent (as in: transparent shower door)	Used 11 times in this book.
19	A	forthwith	Used 12 times in this book.
20	C	antagonist (as in: the antagonist in the film)	High-utility academic word; used 5 times in this book.