

Vocabulary Ex. > Essential Words in English (VII)

Finding synonyms > Choose the best answer.

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| 1. fabricate | (A) observe | (B) invent | (C) agitate | (D) convey |
| 2. coherent | (A) novel | (B) original | (C) logical | (D) robust |
| 3. resistance | (A) opposition | (B) preservation | (C) preconception | (D) allocation |
| 4. evolve | (A) develop | (B) elude | (C) involve | (D) influence |
| 5. varied | (A) diverse | (B) feasible | (C) hazardous | (D) nominal |
| 6. register | (A) emphasize | (B) gain | (C) heighten | (D) include |
| 7. probe | (A) expansion | (B) means | (C) investigation | (D) abuse |
| 8. communicate | (A) inundate | (B) allocate | (C) relate | (D) oppose |
| 9. suspect | (A) select | (B) confide | (C) speculate | (D) bias |
| 10. unbiased | (A) antiquated | (B) postponed | (C) exhausted | (D) objective |
| 11. launch | (A) overcome | (B) initiate | (C) persuade | (D) investigate |
| 12. occasionally | (A) suitably | (B) outlandishly | (C) partially | (D) sometimes |
| 13. submit | (A) approve | (B) propose | (C) omit | (D) develop |
| 14. creative | (A) fallacious | (B) original | (C) innovative | (D) conspicuous |
| 15. finance | (A) fund | (B) develop | (C) fabricate | (D) spend |
| 16. relate | (A) restore | (B) record | (C) narrate | (D) distinguish |
| 17. nevertheless | (A) despite that | (B) albeit | (C) although | (D) presumably |
| 18. disguise | (A) delight | (B) neglect | (C) feign | (D) conceal |
| 19. emphasize | (A) accentuate | (B) conquer | (C) indicate | (D) select |
| 20. portray | (A) refine | (B) depict | (C) pass | (D) paint |
| 21. picturesque | (A) scenic | (B) calm | (C) outlandish | (D) fertile |
| 22. partisan | (A) patterned | (B) bizarre | (C) abundant | (D) biased |
| 23. decline | (A) disguise | (B) deteriorate | (C) omit | (D) halt |
| 24. disappear | (A) vary | (B) vanish | (C) reject | (D) ruin |
| 25. shallow | (A) swift | (B) substantial | (C) placid | (D) superficial |
| 26. gather | (A) broaden | (B) collect | (C) distribute | (D) enhance |
| 27. reaction | (A) allocation | (B) consequence | (C) response | (D) means |
| 28. motion | (A) feeling | (B) argument | (C) reaction | (D) movement |
| 29. protected | (A) plentiful | (B) phenomenal | (C) sheltered | (D) passable |
| 30. rhythm | (A) impulse | (B) pattern | (C) movement | (D) notion |



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Choosing synonyms in context > Choose the word or phrase that is closest in meaning to the word **in bold**.

- The fire salamander is so called because of an **antiquated** belief that it could withstand fire.
(A) a well-developed (B) an old-fashioned (C) a carefully fabricated (D) a widely held
- Because of his **novel** approaches to scientific problem, Edison could patent dozens of inventions.
(A) original (B) varied (C) coherent (D) unbiased
- The classical economic theory explaining consumer behavior is built on the **notion** of marginal utility.
(A) investigation (B) concept (C) effectiveness (D) opposition
- In deep water, tidal waves are so long and slight that ships seldom **notice** their presence.
(A) suspect (B) overlook (C) find (D) observe
- The human adult heart is **normally** the size of a clenched fist and weighs about 300 grams.
(A) basically (B) actually (C) scarcely (D) typically
- President Ford was a frequent opponent of inflationary spending measures **passed** by Congress.
(A) enhance (B) influence (C) include (D) disrupt
- The evolution of life on Earth may be **partially** typical of the evolution of life on other planets.
(A) somewhat (B) simply (C) nevertheless (D) occasionally
- Sword swallows must first **overcome** their fear of projecting the sharp words down their throat.
(A) disguise (B) conquer (C) treat (D) accentuate
- The popular singer Madonna is known for her songs with **outlandish** lyrics.
(A) innovative (B) bizarre (C) controversial (D) melodic
- The film **omitted** details about the breeding, parenting, and fishing behavior of the Pel fishing owl.
(A) portrayed (B) overcame (C) neglected (D) narrated
- Mollusks, crustaceans, and fish are **plentiful** in the Chesapeake Bay.
(A) vanishing (B) abundant (C) gathered (D) declining
- The coast of California is marked by a rugged mountain and **placid** bay.
(A) calm (B) scenic (C) sheltered (D) shallow
- The Carnegie Foundation is one of the major **philanthropic** organizations in the US.
(A) partisan (B) governmental (C) humanitarian (D) international
- From the beginning of the 20th century, dance **phenomena** became prolific and colorful.
(A) rhythm (B) fashion (C) events (D) expression
- Mollusks have a wide range of locomotory **patterns**.
(A) habits (B) reactions (C) controls (D) pulses



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