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| 1. a. pines      | b. milks     | c. prattles | d. endows     |
| 2. a. sully      | b. deride    | c. quell    | d. falter     |
| 3. a. dally      | b. avert     | c. forage   | d. shun       |
| 4. a. sullied    | b. rued      | c. loped    | d. impugned   |
| 5. a. transcends | b. rekindles | c. endows   | d. taunts     |
| 6. a. gouged     | b. derided   | c. tendered | d. undermined |
| 7. a. milk       | b. prattle   | c. mince    | d. transcend  |
| 8. a. renege     | b. avert     | c. tender   | d. eschew     |
| 9. a. rue        | b. dally     | c. taunt    | d. milk       |
| 10. a. rue       | b. tender    | c. lope     | d. milk       |
| 11. a. savoured  | b. shunned   | c. taunted  | d. undermined |
| 12. a. pine      | b. lope      | c. eschew   | d. dally      |
| 13. a. rekindle  | b. endow     | c. tender   | d. mince      |
| 14. a. quelled   | b. averted   | c. savoured | d. impugned   |
| 15. a. taunted   | b. shunned   | c. loped    | d. faltered   |
| 16. a. endowed   | b. eschewed  | c. tendered | d. rekindled  |
| 17. a. mincing   | b. gouging   | c. loping   | d. eschewing  |
| 18. a. shun      | b. renege    | c. eschew   | d. impugn     |
| 19. a. falter    | b. avert     | c. impugn   | d. prattle    |
| 20. a. endowed   | b. quelled   | c. shunned  | d. averted    |
| 21. a. gouged    | b. loped     | c. rued     | d. milked     |
| 22. a. derided   | b. taunted   | c. faltered | d. reneged    |
| 23. a. dally     | b. rekindle  | c. prattle  | d. savour     |
| 24. a. gorge     | b. renege    | c. milk     | d. shun       |
| 25. a. pining    | b. foraging  | c. gouging  | d. mincing    |

(K) Fill in the gaps using the words from the box below. Use each word once only. Do not change the form.

propensity    predilection    aberration    quibble    penchant    gaffe    throwback    puissance

- My only \_\_\_\_\_ is that the colour isn't very nice, but otherwise I think you have chosen well.
- He is a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ to the days of the neanderthals, so outdated are his views on the place of women in society.
- It was an embarrassing \_\_\_\_\_; I'll grant you that, but it will soon be forgotten and your reputation should remain relatively intact. Choose your words more carefully next time though.
- We will put the full \_\_\_\_\_ of the nation into this campaign and we will emerge victorious.
- She has a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ for men a lot younger than her.
- He has a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ to talk too much when he gets nervous.
- His behaviour in this particular instance was a(n) \_\_\_\_\_, I assure you; he is normally a very dependable guy.
- He has a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ for Italian food, I have noticed.

(L) Fill in the gaps using the words from the box below. Use each word once only. Do not change the form.

pedantic    feckless    quintessential    cumbersome    indecorous    fallible

- Greek salad is the \_\_\_\_\_ starter at a Greek restaurant.
- The \_\_\_\_\_ bureaucracy of our civil service is frustrating, to say the least; nothing gets done quickly.
- He is nothing but a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ drunk; his contribution has shrunk to such a degree as to render him virtually useless.
- We are all \_\_\_\_\_ to varying degrees I'm afraid; to err is simply human.
- His \_\_\_\_\_ behaviour did not win him many new friends at the United Nations; it is as though he was out to insult everyone he spoke to, embarking on some sort of diplomatic suicide mission.
- He is a nice fellow, but a tad too \_\_\_\_\_ for my taste; he needs to unbutton the top collar on his shirt now and then and let himself go, but, alas, that will never happen to such a stickler for the rules.