Improving Vocabulary Skills: Unit 4 Pretest

1. facade  a) false name  b) building front  c) scorn  d) good intention
2. redundant  a) wordy  b) gentle  c) plenty  d) not enough
3. blase  a) excited  b) kind  c) curious  d) bored
4. haughty  a) arrogant  b) alarmed  c) contented  d) thoughtful
5. pseudonym  a) false appearance  b) imaginary creature  c) false name  d) dishonest person
6. comprise  a) reward  b) consist of  c) award  d) repeat
7. condescend  a) avoid  b) become messy  c) do something beneath oneself  d) get bored
8. libel  a) document  b) publishing false information  c) newspaper  d) rumor
9. glib  a) crunchy  b) smooth-talking  c) threatening  d) present but inactive
10. benign  a) rude  b) crazy  c) cruel  d) kindly
11. divulge  a) reveal  b) embarrass  c) hide  d) remove
12. endow  a) name  b) tease  c) give a quality to  d) cancel
13. expulsion  a) promotion  b) dismissal  c) award  d) attack
14. detract  a) provide  b) compete  c) lessen  d) compliment
15. nullify  a) harm  b) allow  c) turn aside  d) cancel
16. elation  a) trade  b) comparison  c) joy  d) majority opinion
17. ominous  a) happy  b) threatening  c) depressed  d) friendly
18. mortify  a) humiliate  b) praise  c) entertain  d) remember
19. disdain  a) discouragement  b) pain  c) scorn  d) approval
20. averse  a) attracted  b) fearful  c) warm  d) opposed
21. cursory  a) believable  b) capable of error  c) done hastily  d) inactive
22. shun  a) take care of  b) avoid  c) approve of  d) hesitate
23. designate  a) appoint  b) discover  c) avoid  d) report
24. interim  a) time  b) noontime  c) mealtime  d) meantime
25. latent  a) plain  b) inactive  c) on the surface  d) confusing
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| 26. improvise | a) prove  
|   | b) do without preparation  
|   | c) reject  
|   | d) reveal |
| 27. secular | a) not related to religion  
|   | b) troublesome  
|   | c) in a city  
|   | d) religious |
| 28. deviate | a) hide  
|   | b) develop  
|   | c) follow  
|   | d) turn aside |
| 29. simulate | a) enjoy  
|   | b) take apart  
|   | c) imitate  
|   | d) build |
| 30. credible | a) believable  
|   | b) fair  
|   | c) affordable  
|   | d) careful |
| 31. menial | a) important  
|   | b) unkind  
|   | c) slowly  
|   | d) odd |
| 32. transcend | a) send  
|   | b) travel  
|   | c) show off  
|   | d) rise above |
| 33. deplete | a) encourage  
|   | b) use up  
|   | c) delay  
|   | d) add to |
| 34. complacent | a) workable  
|   | b) easy  
|   | c) self-satisfied  
|   | d) healthy |
| 35. niche | a) memory  
|   | b) wild outburst  
|   | c) main idea  
|   | d) one’s place |
| 36. diligent | a) careful in work  
|   | b) odd  
|   | c) obvious  
|   | d) gentle |
| 37. empathy | a) feel  
|   | b) encouragement  
|   | c) ability to share someone’s feelings  
|   | d) avoidance |
| 38. consensus | a) majority opinion  
|   | b) counting  
|   | c) study  
|   | d) approval |
| 39. commemorate | a) forget  
|   | b) imitate  
|   | c) add new members  
|   | d) honor the memory of |
| 40. waive | a) sleep  
|   | b) show off  
|   | c) give up  
|   | d) fly |
| 41. gist | a) details  
|   | b) central idea  
|   | c) leftovers  
|   | d) respect |
| 42. bizarre | a) odd  
|   | b) complex  
|   | c) simple  
|   | d) common |
| 43. paradox | a) delicate situation  
|   | b) problem  
|   | c) seemingly contradictory idea  
|   | d) play |
| 44. viable | a) in view  
|   | b) manly  
|   | c) lively  
|   | d) workable |
| 45. flaunt | a) scare  
|   | b) show off  
|   | c) tempt  
|   | d) intrude |
| 46. conducive | a) revealing  
|   | b) announcing  
|   | c) promoting  
|   | d) defeating |
| 47. hamper | a) restrict  
|   | b) celebrate  
|   | c) betray  
|   | d) debate |
| 48. frenzy | a) high regard  
|   | b) main idea  
|   | c) party  
|   | d) wild outburst |
| 49. repertoire | a) sample  
|   | b) collection of skills  
|   | c) demonstration  
|   | d) concert |
| 50. falter | a) frighten  
|   | b) approve  
|   | c) hesitate  
|   | d) jump |