

# Vocabulary Builder 17 Workseet

## Chapter Wordlist Study Sheet

1. **adjacent** (adj.) near, next to, adjoining
2. **alight** (v.) to get down from, step down from; to come down from the air, land; (adj.) lighted up
3. **barren** (adj.) not productive, bare
4. **disrupt** (v.) to break up, disturb.
5. **dynasty** (n.) a powerful family or group of rulers that maintains its position or power for some time
6. **foretaste** (n.) an advance indication, sample, or warning
7. **germinate** (v.) to begin to grow, come into being
8. **humdrum** (adj.) ordinary, dull, routine, without variation
9. **hurtle** (v.) to rush violently, dash headlong; to fling or hurl forcefully
10. **insinuate** (v.) to suggest or hint slyly; to edge into something indirectly
11. **interminable** (adj.) endless, so long as to seem endless
12. **interrogate** (v.) to ask questions, examine by questioning
13. **recompense** (v) to pay back; to give a reward; (n) a payment for loss, service, or injury.
14. **renovate** (v.) to repair, restore to good condition, make new again
15. **resume** (n.) a brief summary; a short written account of one's education, working experience, or qualifications for a job
16. **sullen** (adj) silent or brooding because of ill humor, anger, or resentment; slow moving, sluggish
17. **trickle** (v.) to flow or fall by drops or in a small stream; (n.) a small, irregular quantity of anything
18. **trivial** (adj.) not important, minor; ordinary, commonplace
19. **truce** (n.) a pause in fighting, temporary peace
20. **vicious** (adj.) evil, bad; spiteful; having bad habits or an ugly disposition; painfully severe or extreme

**For each question below a number of similar words appear, but only one is spelled correctly and matches the clue that is provided. Write the letter of the correctly spelled word in the space by the question number.**

21. b a. SULLLEN b. SULLEN c. SULLAN d. SULEN  
(adj) silent or brooding because of ill humor, anger, or resentment; slow moving, sluggish
22. a a. FORETASTE b. FOREJASTE c. FORTAST d. FERETASTE  
(n.) an advance indication, sample, or warning
23. a a. GERMINATE b. GERMINEAT c. GERMIFATE d. GIRMINATE  
(v.) to begin to grow, come into being
24. b a. VICIOWS b. VICIOUS c. VISIOUS d. VICIOS  
(adj.) evil, bad; spiteful; having bad habits or an ugly disposition; painfully severe or extreme
25. a a. INTERROGATE b. INTRROGAT c. ENTERROGATE d. INTIRROGATE  
(v.) to ask questions, examine by questioning
26. b a. TRICKLEE b. TRICKLE c. TRIKKLE d. TRICKL  
(v.) to flow or fall by drops or in a small stream; (n.) a small, irregular quantity of anything
27. b a. ADJJACENT b. ADJACENT c. ADJACCENT d. ADJACENNT  
(adj.) near, next to, adjoining
28. d a. RENOVATI b. RANOVATE c. RNOVAT d. RENOVATE  
(v.) to repair, restore to good condition, make new again
29. c a. TRIVIEL b. TRIVILE c. TRIVIAL d. TRIWIAL  
(adj.) not important, minor; ordinary, commonplace
30. c a. INTERMINABEL b. INTERMINABLY c. INTERMINABLE d. INTERMINABL  
(adj.) endless, so long as to seem endless
31. a a. INSINUATE b. INSINAUTE c. INSINUATY d. ENSENUATE  
(v.) to suggest or hint slyly; to edge into something indirectly
32. b a. DYNASPY b. DYNASTY c. DENASTE d. DINASTI  
(n.) a powerful family or group of rulers that maintains its position or power for some time
33. b a. HURTL b. HURTLE c. HURRTLE d. HURTEL  
(v.) to rush violently, dash headlong; to fling or hurl forcefully
34. a a. RESUME b. RASUME c. RESUDE d. RSUM  
(n.) a brief summary; a short written account of one's education, working experience, or qualifications for a job
35. b a. RCOMPNS b. RECOMPENSE c. RECOMPUNSE d. RECOMPENSEE  
(v) to pay back; to give a reward; (n) a payment for loss, service, or injury.

36. b a. HUMDRUME b. HUMDRUM c. HUMDDRUM d. HEMDRUM  
(adj.) ordinary, dull, routine, without variation
37. b a. DISROPT b. DISRUPT c. DESRUPT d. DISRUPTTE  
(v.) to break up, disturb.
38. a a. TRUCE b. TRUCCE c. TRUC d. TRUSE  
(n.) a pause in fighting, temporary peace
39. b a. ALIGT b. ALIGHT c. ALIGHTE d. ALUGHT  
(v.) to get down from, step down from; to come down from the air, land; (adj.) lighted up
40. b a. BAREN b. BARREN c. BARRENE d. BURREN  
(adj.) not productive, bare

41. **Using the Across and Down clues, write the correct words in the numbered grid below.**

**ACROSS**

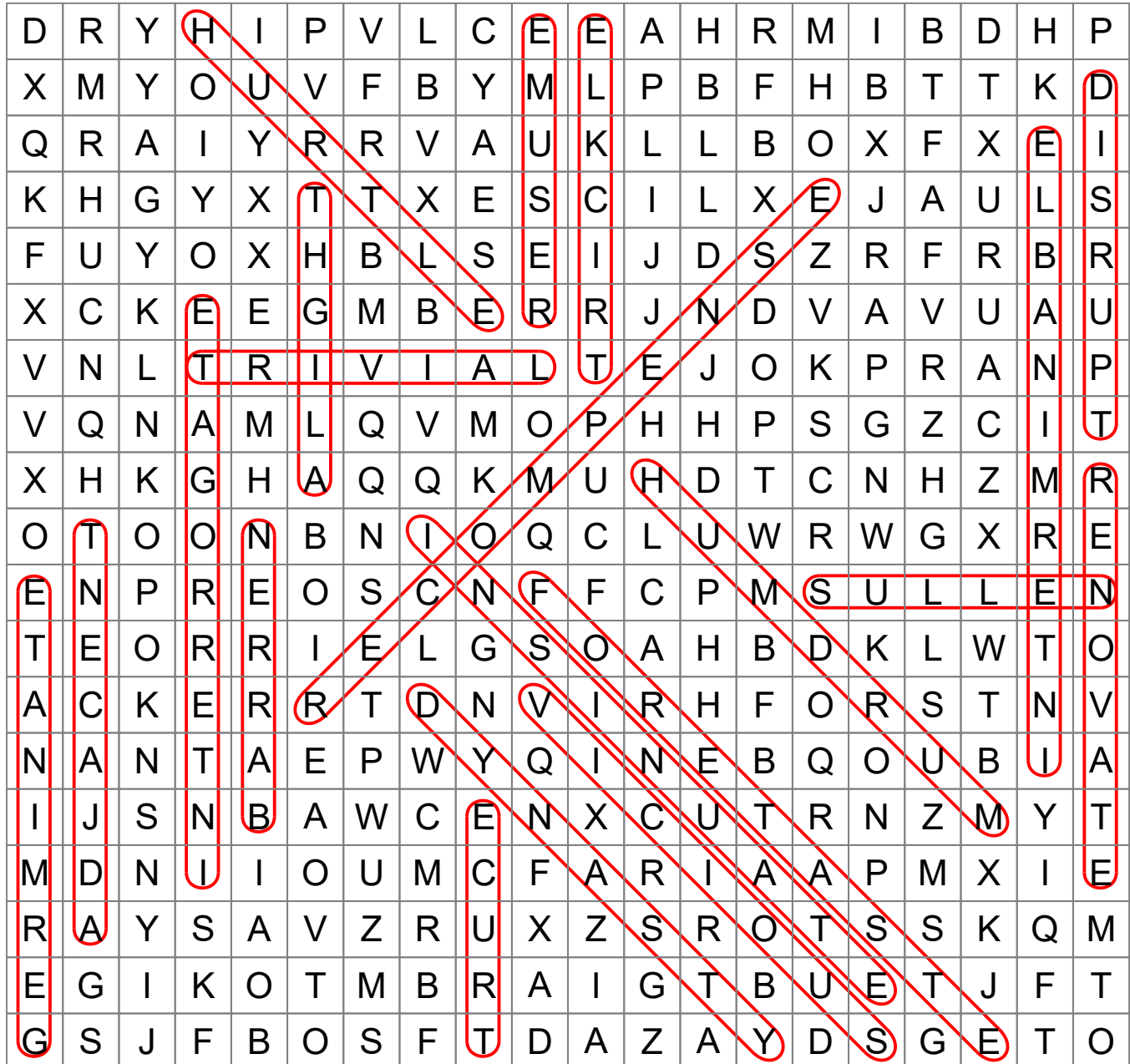
1. The judge said to the lawyer, “you have a right to \_\_\_\_\_ the witness, but there is no need to bully her.”
4. Though my dog rover if huge and fierce-looking, children are fond of him because he doesn’t have a \_\_\_\_\_ disposition.
5. As we sat at the side of the lake, we enjoyed watching the wild geese swoop down and \_\_\_\_\_ on the surface of the water.
8. The “coming attractions” shown before the main feature gave us a distinct \_\_\_\_\_ of what the next film would be like.
9. In the 11th century, a foreign warlord invaded the country and set up a \_\_\_\_\_ that ruled for more than 250 years.
10. As the drought continued without a letup, the once fertile farmlands of the region slowly became \_\_\_\_\_ “dust bowls.”
11. Although the building is old and needs repair, we are convinced that we can \_\_\_\_\_ it without spending a lot of money.

**DOWN**

2. We need large sums of money to keep our school system going, but we are getting only a \_\_\_\_\_ of funds from the state.
3. Our carefully laid plans were completely \_\_\_\_\_ed by a sudden and totally unexpected turn of events.
6. Though they didn’t say so in so many words, they did \_\_\_\_\_ that I was responsible for the accident.
7. In only a few days, the seeds that I had planted in the fertile soil of the garden began to \_\_\_\_\_ and take root.
11. She was so happy and grateful that I felt more than \_\_\_\_\_d for all that I had tried to do to help her.
12. When I applied for the job, I left a \_\_\_\_\_ of my previous work experience with the personnel office.
14. I never would have thought that so bitter and long-lasting a quarrel could result from such a \_\_\_\_\_ and unimportant cause.

13. Although they lived in a house \_\_\_\_\_ to ours, we never really got to know them well.
15. During the exciting chase, the police cars \_\_\_\_\_ through the town.
16. Many people who lead rather \_\_\_\_\_ lives get a great thrill from watching the exciting adventures on TV and movie superheroes.
17. After the big party, cleaning up, which was supposed to take "just a few minutes," proved to be an almost \_\_\_\_\_ job.
18. The suspect's only reaction to the detective's question was a wry smile and \_\_\_\_\_ silence.
19. After the nations had agreed to a \_\_\_\_\_, they faced the far more difficult task of working out a real peace.

42. **Find the hidden words. The words have been placed horizontally, vertically, or diagonally. When you locate a word, draw a circle around it.**



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disrupt  
sullen

insinuate  
trickle  
hurtle  
resume

interrogate  
renovate  
truce  
adjacent

**Choose the best option the completes the sentences below:**

43. b Even the most \_\_\_\_\_ work can be interesting if you regard it as a challenge to do the very best you can.  
a. barren b. humdrum c. sullen d. trickle e. trivial
44. d If the sights we've seen today are a true \_\_\_\_\_ of what lied ahead, we're in for some real treats.  
a. adjacent b. recompense c. resume d. foretaste e. alight
45. e As he grew old, the torrent of beautiful music that he had produced for so many years was reduced to a mere \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. disrupt b. interminable c. foretaste d. renovate e. trickle
46. c When I saw a big "A" on my term paper in English, I felt that I had been fully \_\_\_\_\_d for all my hours of hard work.  
a. dynasty b. vicious c. recompense d. insinuate e. interrogate
47. e Are we going to allow minor disagreements to \_\_\_\_\_ the club that we have worked so hard to organize?  
a. trickle b. truce c. hurtle d. germinate e. disrupt
48. e I am angry not because she criticized me but because she made remarks that were untrue and \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. truce b. dynasty c. disrupt d. adjacent e. vicious
49. b The flight attendance asked the passengers to make sure that they had all their personal belongings before \_\_\_\_\_ing from the aircraft.  
a. sullen b. alight c. humdrum d. barren e. insinuate
50. e He said that he was going to ask only "a few casual questions," but I soon saw that he wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ me thoroughly.  
a. renovate b. interminable c. resume d. hurtle e. interrogate
51. a Regardless of who started this silly quarrel, isn't it time for us to declare a \_\_\_\_\_ and work together for the best interest of the school?  
a. truce b. vicious c. germinate d. alight e. recompense
52. d For three generations their family has formed the leading automotive \_\_\_\_\_ of this country.  
a. barren b. interrogate c. foretaste d. dynasty e. trivial
53. d Our team spirit is so high that there is never a \_\_\_\_\_ reaction from players who aren't chosen to start a game.  
a. hurtle b. alight c. disrupt d. sullen e. renovate
54. e The administration had no major scandals, but it was also \_\_\_\_\_ of outstanding accomplishments.  
a. sullen b. resume c. insinuate d. dynasty e. barren

55. d The way to be successful at a job is to carry out all instructions carefully, even though you think some of them are \_\_\_\_\_ or silly.  
a. trickle b. recompense c. truce d. trivial e. vicious
56. b The principal asked the students not to hang around in front of the houses and other buildings \_\_\_\_\_ to the school.  
a. germinate b. adjacent c. humdrum d. interrogate e. trivial
57. e Planted in the fertile soil of her imagination, the seed of a great idea soon \_\_\_\_\_d into a workable proposal.  
a. vicious b. interminable c. foretaste d. interminable e. germinate
58. a What we want to do is \_\_\_\_\_ the old house without harming its charm and beauty.  
a. renovate b. humdrum c. interrogate d. recompense e. sullen
59. e When we are having fun, time rushes by, but even five minutes in the dentist's waiting room may seem \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. truce b. trivial c. resume d. dynasty e. interminable
60. a "The program the usher handed you contains a brief \_\_\_\_\_ of the action of the opera you are about to see," I replied.  
a. resume b. hurtle c. adjacent d. foretaste e. disrupt
61. b Only twenty yards from the finish line, the horse stumbled and \_\_\_\_\_d its rider to the ground.  
a. alight b. hurtle c. trickle d. germinate e. barren
62. a With flattery and clever half-truths, the newcomers \_\_\_\_\_d themselves into the inner circle of the organization.  
a. insinuate b. trickle c. interminable d. alight e. germinate