

# Vocabulary Builder 18

*Listed below are the keywords included in this episode.*

1. **regime** (n.) a government in power; a form or system of rule or management; a period of rule
2. **dissuade** (v.) to persuade not to do something
3. **indispensable** (adj.) absolutely necessary, not to be neglected
4. **pelt** (v.) to throw a stream of things; to strike successively; to hurry
5. **poised** (adj., part.) balanced, suspended; calm, controlled; ready for action
6. **entrepreneur** (n.) A person who starts up and takes on the risk of a business
7. **unscathed** (adj.) wholly unharmed, not injured
8. **firebrand** (n.) a piece of burning wood; a troublemaker; an extremely energetic or emotional person
9. **lubricate** (v.) to apply oil or grease; to make smooth, slippery, or easier to use
10. **homicide** (n.) the killing of one person by another
11. **available** (adj.) ready for use, at hand
12. **hazard** (n.) risk, peril; (v.) to expose to danger or harm; to gamble
13. **customary** (adj.) usual, expected, routine
14. **cater** (v.) to satisfy the needs of, try to make things easy and pleasant; to supply food and service
15. **mutual** (adj.) shared, felt, or shown equally by two or more
16. **retard** (v.) to make slow, delay, hold back
17. **plague** (n.) an easily spread disease causing a large number of deaths; a widespread evil; (v.) to annoy or bother
18. **indignant** (adj.) filled with resentment or anger over something unjust, unworthy, or mean
19. **transparent** (adj.) allowing light to pass through; easily recognized or understood; easily seen through or detected
20. **indifference** (n.) a lack of interest or concern

**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. c a. ENTREPRENEURE b. ENTREPRENUER c. ENTREPRENEUR  
d. ENTREPRENOUR  
(n.) A person who starts up and takes on the risk of a business
22. b a. POISSED b. POISED c. POISD d. POIZED  
(adj., part.) balanced, suspended; calm, controlled; ready for action
23. c a. PELTE b. PALT c. PELT d. PEJT  
(v.) to throw a stream of things; to strike successively; to hurry
24. c a. UNSATHED b. UNSCATHEP c. UNSCATHED d. UNNSCATHED  
(adj.) wholly unharmed, not injured
25. c a. FIREBRANDE b. FIRABRAND c. FIREBRAND d. FIREBRRAND  
(n.) a piece of burning wood; a troublemaker; an extremely energetic or emotional person
26. a a. TRANSPARENT b. TRANSPARANT c. TRANSPARENTE d. TRANSPARUNT  
(adj.) allowing light to pass through; easily recognized or understood; easily seen through or detected
27. b a. KATER b. CATER c. CATAR d. CATIR  
(v.) to satisfy the needs of, try to make things easy and pleasant; to supply food and service
28. d a. INDIFFERENSE b. INDIFFERENCO c. INDIFERENCE d. INDIFFERENCE  
(n.) a lack of interest or concern
29. d a. ENDISPENSABLE b. INDISPENSABEL c. INDISPENSABL d. INDISPENSABLE  
(adj.) absolutely necessary, not to be neglected
30. a a. DISSUADE b. DISSUADEE c. DISUADE d. DESSUADE  
(v.) to persuade not to do something
31. d a. AVAILABLEE b. AVALABLE c. AVAELABLE d. AVAILABLE  
(adj.) ready for use, at hand
32. a a. HAZARD b. HAZARN c. HEZARD d. HAZARDE  
(n.) risk, peril; (v.) to expose to danger or harm; to gamble
33. a a. CUSTOMARY b. CUSTUMARY c. CUSTOMERY d. KUSTOMARY  
(adj.) usual, expected, routine
34. a a. REGIME b. REGYME c. REGIM d. RAGIME  
(n.) a government in power; a form or system of rule or management; a period of rule
35. d a. INDIGNANTE b. INDIGNENT c. INDIGNANNT d. INDIGNANT  
(adj.) filled with resentment or anger over something unjust, unworthy, or mean

36. b a. LUBRIKATE b. LUBRICATE c. LUBRICEAT d. LUBRICAT  
(v.) to apply oil or grease; to make smooth, slippery, or easier to use
37. a a. MUTUAL b. MUTTUAL c. MUTAUL d. MUTUEL  
(adj.) shared, felt, or shown equally by two or more
38. d a. HOMICID b. HOMISIDE c. HOMMICIDE d. HOMICIDE  
(n.) the killing of one person by another
39. a a. PLAGUE b. PLAGOO c. PLAGU d. PLAGUI  
(n.) an easily spread disease causing a large number of deaths; a widespread evil; (v.) to annoy or bother
40. d a. RETARDE b. RETARQ c. RATARD d. RETARD  
(v.) to make slow, delay, hold back

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

**ACROSS**

- 4. The public's \_\_\_\_\_ to government may be measured in the number of citizens who do not bother to vote.
- 5. (v.) to persuade not to do something
- 7. Having spent many years as political opponents, the two senators have developed a \_\_\_\_\_ respect for each other.
- 8. No one has ever been able to explain to my satisfaction how Indian holy men can walk \_\_\_\_\_ across beds of hot coals.
- 13. Mother prepares wholesome, tasty meals, but she says she is not going to \_\_\_\_\_ to the special tastes of six different children.
- 14. When the salesclerk replied rudely to my polite inquiry about the price of the garment, I became a bit \_\_\_\_\_.
- 15. (n.) A person who starts up and takes on the risk of a business
- 17. When we \_\_\_\_\_d the engine of a car, we try to cut down the friction at every point.

**DOWN**

- 1. (adj.) ready for use, at hand
- 2. Since the seat covers in the car were \_\_\_\_\_, we could see the attractive pattern of the upholstery underneath.
- 3. Most of the homeowners in this area have tried in vain to overcome the \_\_\_\_\_ of crabgrass that threatens to overrun their lawns.
- 4. On our long camping trip, we learned that we could get along without many things that we had considered \_\_\_\_\_.
- 6. Through the habit of taking a siesta in the afternoon may seem strange to a foreigner, it is quite \_\_\_\_\_ in this part of the world.
- 9. (n.) risk, peril; (v.) to expose to danger or harm; to gamble
- 10. It seems that only last year she was an awkward child, but now she is a charming and \_\_\_\_\_ young woman.
- 11. When the wounded shopkeeper died, the charges against the person who had been arrested were raised from robbery to \_\_\_\_\_.

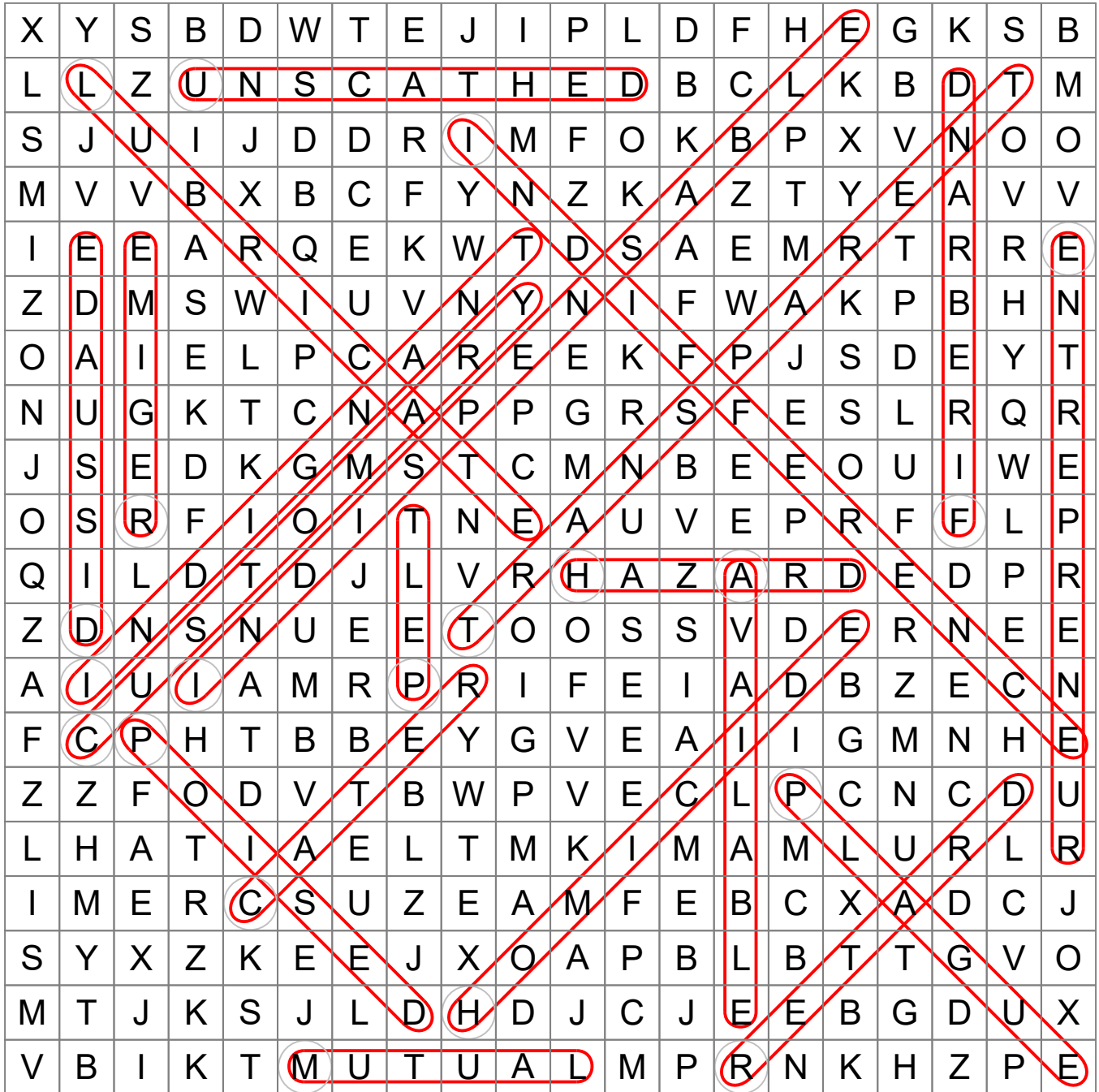
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18. When the new \_\_\_\_\_ took power, it canceled or reversed most of the policies of its predecessor.
  19. Southern \_\_\_\_\_s agitating for a complete break with the Union helped speed the coming of the Civil War.
  12. In Shakespeare's day, an actor who displeased the audience might find himself \_\_\_\_\_ed with a barrage of rotten vegetables.
  16. Modern medicine has found that antibiotics are a very effective means of \_\_\_\_\_ing or arresting the spread of some diseases.

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

42. d The aid that we have \_\_\_\_\_ly given each other during the years has enabled both of us to overcome many problems.  
a. homicide b. transparent c. firebrand d. mutual e. hazard
43. a No one has ever been able to explain to my satisfaction how Indian holy men can walk \_\_\_\_\_ across beds of hot coals.  
a. unscathed b. mutual c. cater d. entrepreneur e. lubricate
44. e (n.) A person who starts up and takes on the risk of a business  
a. poised b. indignant c. unscathed d. indifference e. entrepreneur
45. e (n.) a government in power; a form or system of rule or management; a period of rule  
a. customary b. available c. dissuade d. plague e. regime
46. b Although we arrived at the stadium only a few minutes before the game, we found that many good seats were still \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. retard b. available c. pelt d. regime e. indispensable
47. d Angry at the call, the crowd began to \_\_\_\_\_ the referee with all kinds of refuse.  
a. indignant b. plague c. dissuade d. pelt e. poised
48. d When the wounded shopkeeper died, the charges against the person who had been arrested were raised from robbery to \_\_\_\_\_.  
a. mutual b. firebrand c. entrepreneur d. homicide e. regime
49. b Only a really hard-hearted person could show such \_\_\_\_\_ to the plight of the homeless who wander our streets.  
a. unscathed b. indifference c. homicide d. retard e. customary
50. d A sense of humor is \_\_\_\_\_ if you are to cope with all the strains and difficulties of everyday life.  
a. lubricate b. hazard c. transparent d. indispensable e. cater
51. b (n.) an easily spread disease causing a large number of deaths; a widespread evil; (v.) to annoy or bother  
a. retard b. plague c. customary d. indifference e. available
52. c (v.) to apply oil or grease; to make smooth, slippery, or easier to use  
a. indifference b. cater c. lubricate d. unscathed e. dissuade
53. b Do you agree with the criticism that many television programs shamelessly \_\_\_\_\_ to the lowest tastes?  
a. plague b. cater c. poised d. transparent e. pelt
54. a At the front desk an \_\_\_\_\_ guest was angrily complaining about the shabby treatment he had received from the staff of the hotel.  
a. indignant b. mutual c. lubricate d. entrepreneur e. indispensable
55. a Southern \_\_\_\_\_s agitating for a complete break with the Union helped speed the coming of the Civil War.  
a. firebrand b. homicide c. regime d. available e. hazard

56. c Though I have no means of knowing for sure where they happen to be, may I \_\_\_\_\_ the guess that they're in the gym?  
a. customary b. homicide c. hazard d. indignant e. entrepreneur
57. d Your excuse for missing practice was so \_\_\_\_\_ that even a child would have seen right through it.  
a. retard b. pelt c. poised d. transparent e. dissuade
58. b It seems that only last year she was an awkward child, but now she is a charming and \_\_\_\_\_ young woman.  
a. available b. poised c. indignant d. mutual e. firebrand
59. c (v.) to persuade not to do something  
a. indispensable b. cater c. dissuade d. plague e. hazard
60. b (adj.) usual, expected, routine  
a. unscathed b. customary c. transparent d. regime e. indifference
61. c Though they have done nothing to hasten passage of the bill, they haven't tried to \_\_\_\_\_ the process either.  
a. indispensable b. indignant c. retard d. lubricate e. regime

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



lubricate  
dissuade  
hazard  
available

firebrand  
cater  
indifference  
poised

entrepreneur  
homicide  
regime  
indignant

unscathed  
mutual  
plague  
transparent

customary  
indispensable  
retard  
pelt