

Vocabulary Builder 20

Listed below are the keywords included in this episode.

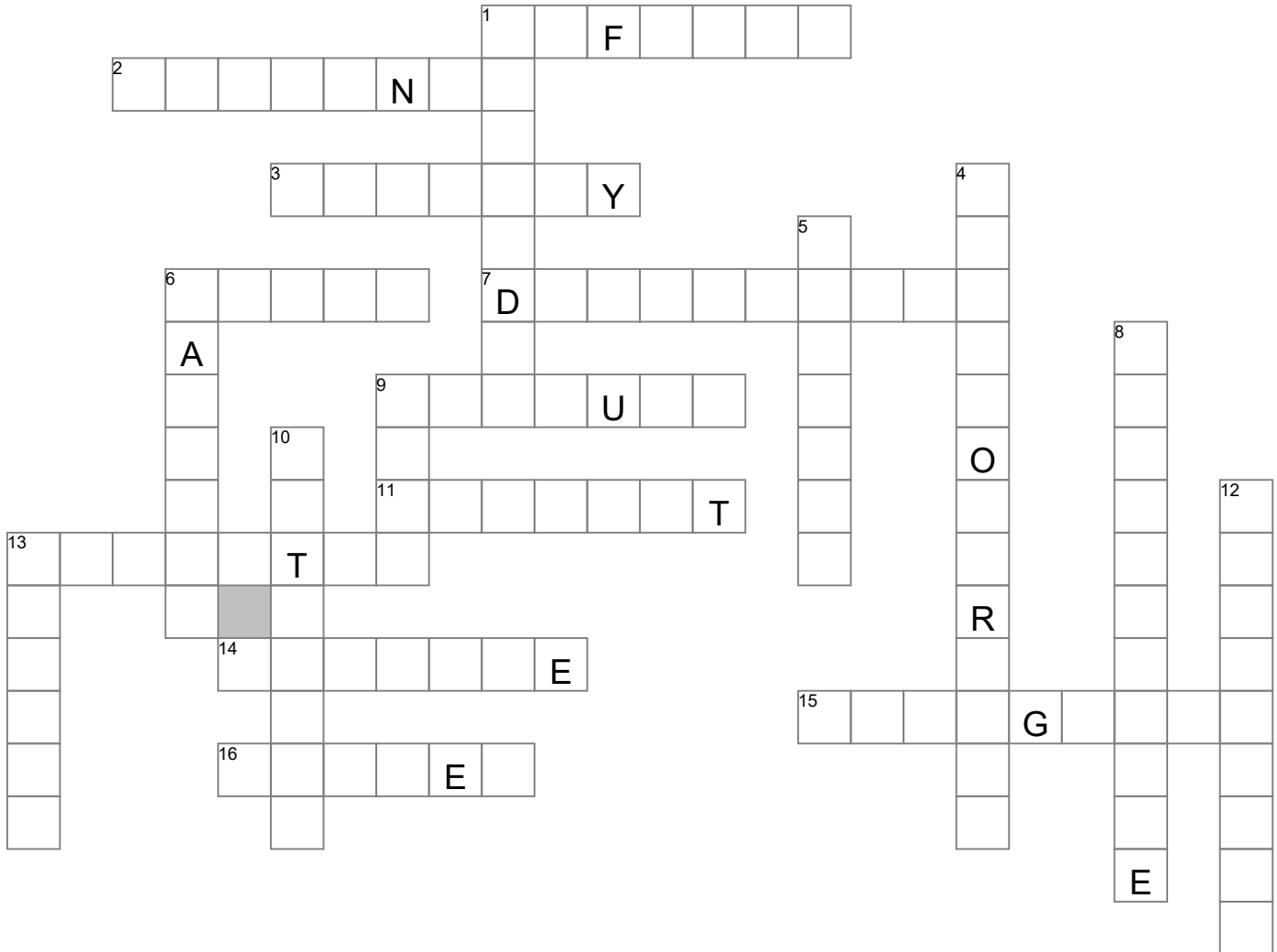
1. **buffoon** (n.) a clown; a coarse, stupid person
2. **malignant** (adj.) deadly, extremely harmful, evil; spiteful, malicious
3. **wayward** (adj.) disobedient, willful; unpredictable, capricious
4. **hostile** (adj.) unfriendly; unfavorable; warlike, aggressive
5. **spirited** (adj.) full of life and vigor; courageous
6. **inflict** (v.) to give or cause something unpleasant, impose
7. **bewilder** (v.) to puzzle completely, confuse
8. **alliance** (n.) a joining together for some common purpose
9. **mortify** (v.) to hurt someone's feelings deeply; to cause embarrassment or humiliation; to subdue or discipline by self-denial or suffering
10. **orthodox** (adj.) in agreement with established or generally accepted beliefs or ways of doing things
11. **void** (adj.) completely empty; having no legal force or effect; (n.) empty or unfilled space; (v.) to cancel or nullify
12. **procure** (v.) to obtain through special effort; to bring about
13. **virtual** (adj.) having a certain force or effect in fact but not in name; so close as to be equivalent to the real thing
14. **dishearten** (v.) to discourage; cause to lose courage or hope
15. **inflammable** (adj.) easily set on fire; easily angered or aroused
16. **wince** (v.) to draw back suddenly, as though in pain or fear; (n.) the act of drawing back in this way
17. **scurry** (v.) to run quickly, scamper, hurry
18. **sodden** (adj.) soaked with liquid or moisture; expressionless, dull; spiritless, listless
19. **fruitless** (adj.) not producing the desired results, unsuccessful
20. **controversial** (adj.) arousing argument, dispute, or disagreement

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. ___ a. DISHEARTN b. DISHEARTAN c. DISHEARTEN d. DICHEARTEN
(v.) to discourage; cause to lose courage or hope
22. ___ a. WAYWARD b. WAeward c. WHAYWHARD d. WAYGARD
(adj.) disobedient, willful; unpredictable, capricious
23. ___ a. MORTIFEE b. MORTIFI c. MORTIFY d. MERTIFY
(v.) to hurt someone's feelings deeply; to cause embarrassment or humiliation; to subdue or discipline by self-denial or suffering
24. ___ a. VOID b. VOED c. VOIY d. VUID
(adj.) completely empty; having no legal force or effect; (n.) empty or unfilled space; (v.) to cancel or nullify
25. ___ a. VIRTAUL b. VIRTUEL c. VIRTULE d. VIRTUAL
(adj.) having a certain force or effect in fact but not in name; so close as to be equivalent to the real thing
26. ___ a. ALLIANNCE b. ALLIANCE c. ALLIANCCE d. ALLIENCE
(n.) a joining together for some common purpose
27. ___ a. SODDIN b. SODDEN c. SODEN d. SODDEZ
(adj.) soaked with liquid or moisture; expressionless, dull; spiritless, listless
28. ___ a. BUFOON b. BUFFOON c. BUFFOWN d. BUFFOEN
(n.) a clown; a coarse, stupid person
29. ___ a. MALIGNANTE b. MELIGNANT c. MALIGNANT d. MALINANT
(adj.) deadly, extremely harmful, evil; spiteful, malicious
30. ___ a. CONTROVERSIAL b. CONTROVERSIALE c. CONTROVERSILE
d. KONTROVERSIAL
(adj.) arousing argument, dispute, or disagreement
31. ___ a. SPIRITEDE b. SPIRITD c. SPERITED d. SPIRITED
(adj.) full of life and vigor; courageous
32. ___ a. HOSTIL b. HOSNILE c. HOSTIEL d. HOSTILE
(adj.) unfriendly; unfavorable; warlike, aggressive
33. ___ a. SCURNY b. SCURRY c. SCURY d. SURRY
(v.) to run quickly, scamper, hurry
34. ___ a. PRUCURE b. PROCURE c. PROCUR d. PROCEUR
(v.) to obtain through special effort; to bring about

35. ___ a. INFLIKT b. INFLICT c. INLLICT d. ENFLICT
(v.) to give or cause something unpleasant, impose
36. ___ a. ONTHODOX b. ORTHODOX c. ERTHODOX d. ARTHADAX
(adj.) in agreement with established or generally accepted beliefs or ways of doing things
37. ___ a. INFLAMMABLE b. INFLAMMABLEE c. INFLAMABLE d. INFLLAMMABLE
(adj.) easily set on fire; easily angered or aroused
38. ___ a. WINCE b. WINSE c. WANCE d. WHINCE
(v.) to draw back suddenly, as though in pain or fear; (n.) the act of drawing back in this way
39. ___ a. BEWILDERE b. BEWILDIR c. BEWILDER d. BEWIDER
(v.) to puzzle completely, confuse
40. ___ a. FRUITLESSS b. FRUITLES c. FRUITLESSE d. FRUITLESS
(adj.) not producing the desired results, unsuccessful

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



ACROSS

1. The court of many a medieval king or prince was enlivened by the pranks and antics of jesters and other _____s.
2. In 1949, the United States formed an _____ with eleven other nations, organized into the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.
3. I was thoroughly _____(ed) when I suddenly stumbled and spilled punch all over the host's tuxedo.
6. Even though I'm an adult, I still _____ in discomfort at the thought of a trip to the dentist.
7. Refusing to be _____ed by her early failures to find a summer job, Lucy made up her mind to try again.
9. Despite the fact that she has no official title of any kind, she has become the _____ director of the company.

DOWN

1. The directions he gave us for driving to the beach were so complicated that I was completely _____ed by them.
4. Some parts of the President's proposal were agreeable to everyone; others proved highly _____.
5. Before we set out on the camping trip, I was given sole responsibility for _____(ing) all the necessary equipment and supplies.
6. Their behavior is so _____ and unpredictable that I never know what they are going to do next.
8. Since the gas did not burn when we brought a flame to it, the experiment showed that carbon dioxide is not _____.
9. When the Supreme Court finds a law unconstitutional, that law is said to be null and _____.

11. We _____ed such heavy casualties on the enemy that they were forced to break off the engagement and retreat.
 13. Though the gallant defenders of the fort were hopelessly outnumbered, they put up a truly _____ fight.
 14. The frozen wastes of the Arctic may seem _____ to human life, but in fact thousands of people are able to survive there.
 15. If it is allowed to spread unchecked, the poison of racial prejudice will have a decidedly _____ effect on our community.
 16. After four days of steady rainfall, the _____ ground actually gurgled as we trudged wearily over it.
10. Even though you like to do things in your own way, I suggest that you first learn the _____ method of batting.
 12. Would it be a bad pun if I were to say that our attempts to set up an apple orchard have proved to be _____?
 13. When the naughty children heard their mother's footsteps approaching, they quickly _____(ed) back to bed.

Choose the best option the completes the sentences below:

42. ___ _____ gossip has unjustly damaged their reputation.
a. inflict b. fruitless c. hostile d. orthodox e. malignant
43. ___ Being scolded for my shortcomings in front of the entire basketball squad was a truly _____ing experience for me.
a. procure b. virtual c. mortify d. dishearten e. buffoon
44. ___ Instead of being so _____, why don't you try to show some friendliness to those newcomers?
a. sodden b. scurry c. alliance d. spirited e. hostile
45. ___ A severe cold spell in December _____ed heavy losses on the Florida citrus crop.
a. mortify b. inflict c. controversial d. wince e. wayward
46. ___ Our supervisor gives the impression of being an easygoing man, but we have learned that he has a very _____ temper.
a. void b. procure c. bewilder d. malignant e. inflammable
47. ___ The scrappy coach's _____ pep talk lifted the team out of its "losing-season blues" almost overnight.
a. void b. inflammable c. hostile d. mortify e. spirited
48. ___ Though her views about the role of women in society are far from _____, even conservatives and traditionalists listen to them.
a. fruitless b. spirited c. inflict d. orthodox e. malignant
49. ___ We are going to form a broad _____ among all the groups that are working to improve life in our community.
a. buffoon b. scurry c. alliance d. orthodox e. virtual
50. ___ I still _____ when I think of the two bad errors that cost us the championship game.
a. sodden b. controversial c. wayward d. wince e. dishearten
51. ___ When his army seemed _____ly defeated by the British, George Washington crossed the Delaware and won a major victory.
a. virtual b. mortify c. procure d. bewilder e. inflammable
52. ___ In high school, students _____ training in basic skills that they will need to qualify for good jobs in later life.
a. sodden b. fruitless c. controversial d. procure e. virtual
53. ___ "It's hard not to be a little _____ed when your favorite team is in the cellar two weeks before the playoffs," I replied.
a. alliance b. spirited c. wince d. inflict e. dishearten
54. ___ "Whenever you find _____ children," the speaker said, "you also find ineffective parents."
a. void b. buffoon c. bewilder d. wayward e. malignant
55. ___ All our efforts to control pollution will be _____ unless we work out a careful, detailed plan in advance.
a. wayward b. orthodox c. fruitless d. hostile e. scurry

56. ___ I could see from the _____ed expression on the child's face that he was quite lost.
a. sodden b. controversial c. bewilder d. mortify e. spirited
57. ___ On the hottest night of the entire summer, the sheets on my bed became so _____ with perspiration that I had to change them.
a. dishearten b. sodden c. orthodox d. inflammable e. procure
58. ___ Walking through the meadow at night, we could hear mice and other small animals _____ing about in the grass.
a. scurry b. alliance c. wince d. hostile e. malignant
59. ___ _____ political figures are likely to have as many critics as they have supporters.
a. fruitless b. scurry c. inflict d. controversial e. virtual
60. ___ I can understand that you want to be witty and amusing but take care not to give everyone the impression that you're a mere _____.
a. wayward b. buffoon c. alliance d. void e. malignant
61. ___ Because I no longer go to high school, my student bus pass has been _____ed.
a. scurry b. inflict c. void d. controversial e. wayward

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

I	N	S	O	D	R	P	Z	R	Z	K	E	S	L	M	O	D	B	G	C
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U	F	R	Y	W	N	S	O	I	K	I	W	N	T	C	Q	E	V	S	D
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L	I	G	J	F	D	F	I	N	X	C	T	I	Q	G	R	S	U	P	V
L	Q	O	P	L	L	F	L	O	V	I	R	T	U	A	L	E	L	J	G
A	Q	M	F	Y	E	V	E	C	G	Q	T	N	H	T	K	L	S	C	O

buffoon
sodden
alliance
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wince
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