

a midsummer night's dream

VOCABULARY 3

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1. **amiable**

adjective

1 : PLEASING, ADMIRABLE

2 a : generally agreeable

b : being friendly, sociable, and congenial

synonyms AMIALE, GOOD-NATURED, OBLIGING, COMPLAISANT

2. **amity**

noun

FRIENDSHIP; especially : friendly relations between nations

3. **apparel**

verb

1 : to put clothes on : DRESS

2 : ADORN, EMBELLISH

4. **audacious**

adjective

1 a : intrepidly daring : ADVENTUROUS

b : recklessly bold : RASH

2 : contemptuous of law, religion, or decorum : INSOLENT

3 : marked by originality and verve

5. **celestial**

adjective

1 : of, relating to, or suggesting heaven or divinity

2 : of or relating to the sky or visible heavens

3 a : ETHEREAL, OTHERWORLDLY

b : OLYMPIAN, SUPREME

6. **chide**

verb

1 : to speak out in angry or displeased rebuke

2 : to voice disapproval to : reproach in a usually mild and constructive manner : SCOLD

synonym see REPROVE

7. **congealed**

verb

1 : to change from a fluid to a solid state by or as if by cold

2 : to make viscid or curdled : COAGULATE

3 : to make rigid, fixed, or immobile

4 : to become congealed : SOLIDIFY

8. **constancy**

noun

1 a : steadfastness of mind under duress : FORTITUDE

b : FIDELITY, LOYALTY

2 : a state of being constant or unchanging

13. **detest**

verb

1 : to feel intense and often violent antipathy toward : LOATHE

2 : CURSE, DENOUNCE

synonym see HATE

14. **devise**

verb

1 a : to form in the mind by new combinations or applications of ideas or principles : INVENT

b : CONCEIVE, IMAGINE

c : to plan to obtain or bring about : PLOT

2 : to give (real estate) by will – compare BEQUEATH

15. **disparage**

verb

1 : to lower in rank or reputation : DEGRADE

2 : to depreciate by indirect means (as invidious comparison) : speak slightingly about

synonym see DECRY

16. **ditty**

noun

an especially simple and unaffected song

17. **enamored**

verb

1 : to inflame with love – usually used in the passive with of

2 : FASCINATE – usually used in the passive with of or with

18. **enforce**

verb

1 : to give force to : STRENGTHEN

2 : to urge with energy

3 : CONSTRAIN, COMPEL

4 : to effect or gain by force

5 : to carry out effectively

19. **ensue**

verb

1 : to strive to attain : PURSUE

2 : to take place afterward or as a result

synonym see FOLLOW

20. **exploit**

noun

DEED, ACT; especially : a notable or heroic act

synonym see FEAT

21. **extort**

verb

to obtain from a person by force, intimidation, or undue or illegal power : WRING; also : to gain especially by ingenuity or compelling argument

synonym see EDUCE

22. extremity

noun

- 1 a : the farthest or most remote part, section, or point
- b : a limb of the body; especially : a human hand or foot
- 2 a : extreme danger or critical need
- b : a moment marked by imminent destruction or death
- 3 a : an intense degree
- b : the utmost degree (as of emotion or pain)
- 4 : a drastic or desperate act or measure <driven to extremities>

23. fray

verb

SCARE; also : to frighten away

24. knavish

adjective

of, relating to, or characteristic of a knave; especially : DISHONEST

25. lament

verb

- 1 : to mourn aloud : WAIL
 - 2 : to express sorrow, mourning, or regret for often demonstratively : MOURN
 - 3 : to regret strongly
- synonym see DEPLORE

26. negligence

noun

- 1 a : the quality or state of being negligent
- b : failure to exercise the care that a prudent person usually exercises
- 2 : an act or instance of being negligent

27. purge

verb

- 1 a : to clear of guilt
- b : to free from moral or ceremonial defilement
- 2 a : to cause evacuation from (as the bowels)
- b (1) : to make free of something unwanted
- (2) : to free (as a boiler) of sediment or relieve (as a steam pipe) of trapped air by bleeding
- c (1) : to rid (as a nation or party) by a purge
- (2) : to get rid of
- 3 : to become purged
- 4 : to have or produce frequent evacuations
- 5 : to cause purgation

28. recompense

verb

- 1 a : to give something to by way of compensation (as for a service rendered or damage incurred)
 - b : to pay for
 - 2 : to return in kind : REQUITE
- synonym see PAY

29. recreant

adjective

- 1 : crying for mercy : COWARDLY
- 2 : unfaithful to duty or allegiance

30. **sever**

verb

1 : to put or keep apart : DIVIDE; especially : to remove (as a part) by or as if by cutting

2 : to become separated

synonym see SEPARATE

31. **tedious**

adjective

tiresome because of length or dullness : BORING

32. **tender**

adjective

1 a : having a soft or yielding texture : easily broken, cut, or damaged : DELICATE, FRAGILE

b : easily chewed : SUCCULENT

2 a : physically weak : not able to endure hardship

b : IMMATURE, YOUNG

c : incapable of resisting cold : not hardy

3 : marked by, responding to, or expressing the softer emotions : FOND, LOVING

4 a : showing care : CONSIDERATE, SOLICITOUS

b : highly susceptible to impressions or emotions : IMPRESSIONABLE

5 a : appropriate or conducive to a delicate or sensitive constitution or character : GENTLE, MILD

b : delicate or soft in quality or tone

6 : DEAR, PRECIOUS

7 a : sensitive to touch or palpation <the bruise was still tender>

b : sensitive to injury or insult : TOUCHY <tender pride>

c : demanding careful and sensitive handling : TICKLISH <a tender situation>

d : crank of a ship

33. **toil**

verb

1 : to work hard and long

2 : to proceed with laborious effort : PLOD

3 : OVERWORK

4 : to get or accomplish with great effort

34. **vixen**

noun

1 : a shrewish ill-tempered woman

2 : a female fox