



CHAPTER 13

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| emancipate | jurisdiction |
| idiosyncrasy | precarious |
| imminent | preposterous |

Ten Words in Context

In the space provided, write the letter of the meaning closest to that of each **boldfaced** word. Use the context of the sentences to help you figure out each word's meaning.

- 1 advocate**
(ăd'və-kāt')
-verb
- *Advocate* means
- One author was refused permission to give a speech on campus because he **advocates** violence as a means of social reform.
 - Some gardeners consider chemicals and pesticides harmful; instead, they **advocate** using "organic" methods of growing fruits and vegetables.
- A. to oppose. B. to promote. C. to understand.
- 2 antipathy**
(ăn-tī'pə-thē)
-noun
- *Antipathy* means
- Malik's parents didn't understand why he hated school until they found that the reason for his **antipathy** was poor eyesight: he couldn't see the chalkboard.
 - I can't believe that my sister is going to marry Frank. Just a few months ago, she showed complete **antipathy** toward him.
- A. a strong dislike. B. a lack of concern. C. a preference.
- 3 emancipate**
(ē-măn'sī-pāt')
-verb
- *Emancipate* means
- The salesman promised that his amazing machine—a vacuum cleaner, floor polisher, and carpet shampooer in one—would **emancipate** us from hours of backbreaking housework.
 - When the Allies entered Germany at the end of World War II, they **emancipated** many foreigners and political prisoners who had been used as slave laborers in German industries.
- A. to encourage. B. to administer justice. C. to free.
- 4 idiosyncrasy**
(īd'ē-ō-sīng'krə-sē)
-noun
- *Idiosyncrasy* means
- My uncle asks very personal questions, but please don't be offended—it's just an **idiosyncrasy** of his. He doesn't realize how odd it seems to others.
 - For as long as I've known Cara, she's had the unusual **idiosyncrasy** of dressing only in black.
- A. a personal habit. B. a dangerous habit. C. a selfish habit.
- 5 imminent**
(īm'ə-nənt)
-adjective
- *Imminent* means
- We canceled the picnic because a thunderstorm seemed **imminent**.
 - As word spread that the king's death was **imminent**, the people began to gather at the palace gates. They wanted to be nearby when he died.
- A. over. B. delayed. C. likely to occur soon.
- 6 impede**
(īm-pēd')
-verb
- *Impede* means
- Muddy roads **impeded** the progress of the trucks bringing food to the refugees.
 - The construction work at the mall **impeded** shoppers, who had to step around piles of planks, cables, crates, tools, and sacks of cement.
- A. to oppress. B. to slow down. C. to include.

7 inclusive
(in-klōō'siv)
-adjective

— *Inclusive* means

- The cost of the vacation package was **inclusive**, covering our airfare and all hotels, meals, and tours.
- The newspaper's coverage of the trial was **inclusive**; every day, it printed a word-for-word transcript of the courtroom proceedings.
 - A. complete.
 - B. lacking something.
 - C. about to start.

8 jurisdiction
(jōōr'is-dik'shən)
-noun

— *Jurisdiction* means

- Shakespeare's theater, the Globe, was built across the river from London. Officials had forbidden theaters in London, but the other side of the river was beyond their **jurisdiction**.
- The United States has no **jurisdiction** over foreign embassies on American soil; those embassies are under the authority of their own governments.
 - A. advice.
 - B. beliefs.
 - C. control.

9 precarious
(prē-kâr'ē-əs)
-adjective

— *Precarious* means

- The icy roads made travel **precarious**.
- The old, worn-out electrical wiring in the building puts all the residents in a **precarious** position. At any moment, it could fail, causing a fire.
 - A. unsafe.
 - B. illegal.
 - C. unusual.

10 preposterous
(prē-pōs'tər-əs)
-adjective

— *Preposterous* means

- Louis always comes up with **preposterous** get-rich-quick schemes. Now he wants to open a doughnut shop in Antarctica.
- The discovery of x-rays in 1895 was followed by some **preposterous** ideas and fears. For example, merchants in England sold "x-ray-proof" underwear.
 - A. risky.
 - B. exciting.
 - C. ridiculous.

Matching Words with Definitions

Following are definitions of the ten words. Clearly write or print each word next to its definition. The sentences above and on the previous page will help you decide on the meaning of each word.

1. _____ To delay or slow; get in the way of
2. _____ Including much or everything; broad or complete in coverage
3. _____ To speak or write in favor of; support
4. _____ The authority to administer justice; power; range or extent of authority
5. _____ A strong dislike or distaste; hatred
6. _____ To set free from slavery, captivity, or oppression
7. _____ Contrary to nature or reason and thus laughable; absurd
8. _____ A personal peculiarity; quirk
9. _____ Dangerous; risky; dangerously uncertain
10. _____ About to happen

CAUTION: Do not go any further until you are sure the above answers are correct. Then you can use the definitions to help you in the following practices. Your goal is eventually to know the words well enough so that you don't need to check the definitions at all.

Sentence Check 1

Using the answer line provided, complete each item below with the correct word from the box. Use each word once.

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- _____ 1. For someone allergic to insect bites, beekeeping would be a(n) _____ occupation.
- _____ 2. Nutritionists today _____ a diet low in fats and high in fiber.
- _____ 3. The caterer's services were really _____: food, wine, flowers, decorations, coat check, music, and master of ceremonies.
- _____ 4. When the jury's verdict was _____, the lawyers, reporters, and spectators immediately returned to the courtroom.
- _____ 5. I swore that nothing would keep me from getting to Gloria's wedding on time, but I was _____(e)d by a traffic jam.
- _____ 6. One aim of today's women's groups is to _____ women from job and wage discrimination.
- _____ 7. Since the bank robbery had involved crossing state lines, the federal government had _____ in the case.
- _____ 8. Burt has a(n) _____ for everything that isn't "100 percent American." He thinks it makes him a patriot, but I think a dislike of foreigners or foreign ways shows ignorance.
- _____ 9. When the little boy said there was a frog in his glass of milk, everyone laughed at his _____ idea—until he showed us the frog.
- _____ 10. Tamiko always takes off her shoes before entering the house. Ralph thought this was just a(n) _____ of hers, but he later learned that it's a Japanese custom.

NOTE: Now check your answers to these items by turning to page 178. Going over the answers carefully will help you prepare for the next two practices, for which answers are not given.

Sentence Check 2

Using the answer lines provided, complete each item below with **two** words from the box. Use each word once.

- _____ 1-2. One member of the school board _____s a more _____ high-school curriculum, with courses in subjects such as parenting and preserving the environment as well as the more traditional academic subjects.
- _____ 3-4. Chet refuses to use a cell phone. For most people, this _____ would certainly _____ their attempts to have a social life, but Chet isn't very gregarious^o anyway.
- _____ 5-6. Being outdoors in an electrical storm is a(n) _____ situation. When a storm is _____, the optimum^o strategy is to go indoors and stay there.

7–8. During the Civil War, President Lincoln's administration could not actually _____ the slaves because his government had no _____ in the South.

9–10. Ellen's _____ toward Jack is based on her _____ but tenacious° belief that in a former life, Jack robbed her family of its life's savings.

Final Check: Ann's Love of Animals

Here is a final opportunity for you to strengthen your knowledge of the ten words. First read the following selection carefully. Then fill in each blank with a word from the box at the top of the previous page. (Context clues will help you figure out which word goes in which blank.) Use each word once.

Perhaps more than anyone else I know, Ann cares about animals. Her affection for them is all-(1) _____, extending even to animals others find less appealing, such as rats, which she keeps as pets. Because she loves animals, Ann hates to see them caged. She objects to anything that (2) _____s any creature's movements. This explains a(n) (3) _____ of hers: she lets her pet white rats run freely throughout her apartment.

Ann's view of cages has also led to a strong (4) _____ toward zoos. If Ann had (5) _____ over all the zoos in the world, she would make them illegal and (6) _____ all the animals from their captivity. Many people will argue that zoos protect animals, but Ann scoffs° at this idea, saying it's (7) _____ because animals often die when they are being trapped for zoos or shipped to zoos. She believes that the most (8) _____ life in the wild is preferable to the safest life in captivity. In addition, Ann says, some zoos inadvertently° cause grievous° harm to animals by purchasing them from dealers who have obtained the animals illegally. The zoo officials don't want animals to be harmed, but accepting them from corrupt sources encourages illicit° trapping and killing.

Of course, Ann realizes that her utopia°—a society without cages or zoos, with animals permitted to stay in their native habitats—is far from (9) _____. Nevertheless, her spirit has not been squelched°, and she continues to (10) _____ freeing the animals in the hope that someday zoos will close their gates forever.



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Sentence Check 2 _____%

Final Check _____%

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