

Unit 1 Vocabulary

Exercise 1. Write each word and its definition.

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Exercise 2: Fill in the blank with the correct vocabulary word.

Word Bank	agile	agitated
alleged	elucidate	enacted
energetic	ergonomic	invidious
invigorating	lucid	prodigal
providential	reactionary	surgically
vigorous		

- 1) Dawn can be quite _____ at times; she has started several nasty rumors.
- 2) Nick can discuss and analyze history in a clear and _____ manner.
- 3) While trying to _____ the book's theme, I made some interesting discoveries.
- 4) The one _____ occurrence in Ralph's life was his discovery of the ancient tomb.
- 5) On nights when the-talk show host was not _____, the viewers responded with little enthusiasm.
- 6) Rather than _____ my dinner guests, the tea I gave them seemed to sap their remaining strength.
- 7) When the architect described the "Home of the Future," he emphasized _____ details like the sink that made washing dishes easier and faster.
- 8) When Cynthia _____ for a bigger room, her parents warned that she was stretching their patience.
- 9) When the new president entered office, she repealed man of the regulations _____ by the old one.

- 10) Evan a(n) _____ shaking was not enough to wake Allen in the morning.
- 11) Tammy's _____ statements often made the other members of the debate team frustrated.
- 12) The bomber pilot knew that unless his aim was _____ accurate, his whole mission would be ruined.
- 13) Because it is naturally _____, the cheetah his able to bend and twist its body in mid-stride.
- 14) When he discovered that certain students in his class always received higher grades, Marlon _____ that his teacher was showing favoritism.
- 15) We could tell that Brandon was back to his old _____ ways when he spent two hundred dollars on wine at dinner.

Exercise 3: Circle/write the letter of the word or set of words which best completes the sentence.

- 1) The _____ discovery of a new organism helped researchers, who were doing work on light and biology, make a long-desired breakthrough.
- a) agile
 - b) invidious
 - c) providential
 - d) lucid
- 2) Even though the new classroom was supposed to be far more _____ than the old one, teachers still found it impossible to _____ students and inspire them to work.
- a) agile ; allege
 - b) ergonomic ; invigorate
 - c) prodigal ; enact
 - d) reactionary ; enact
- 3) Wren _____ his reasons for wanting to hold a school dance, the city council refused to _____ legislation repealing the laws against dancing.
- a) invigorate; lucid
 - b) elucidated; enact
 - c) alleged; lucid
 - d) reactionary; agitate
- 4) Daria was upset that the ghost hunters could not provide a(n) _____ explanation of her encounter with the _____ force in the old mansion that left her with bruises and scratches.
- a) providential; invidious
 - b) prodigal; allege
 - c) lucid; invidious
 - d) agile; providential

- 5) Albert's _____, skilled fingers, nimble from years of piano practice, could also handle a video-game console with _____ precision.
- vigorous; prodigal
 - agile; surgical
 - energetic ; reactionary
 - surgical ; prodigal
- 6) Lisa's _____ efforts to have tougher child-safety laws passed inspired others to _____ for the same reforms.
- vigorous ; agitate
 - ergonomic ; allege
 - vigorous ; enact
 - energetic ; invigorate
- 7) "Although my opponent _____ that I wish to turn the U.S. government upside down," said the candidate, "you must remember that he is _____ and condemns change in any form."
- enacts ; prodigal
 - invigorates ; ergonomic
 - agitates ; vigorous
 - alleges ; reactionary
- 8) Mother promised to _____ new rules about spending if her children's _____ ways did not change.
- enact ; prodigal
 - invigorate ; reactionary
 - allege ; ergonomic
 - enact ; vigorous

Exercise 4: Match the root to its definition.

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| 1) _____ Ergon | a) to be lively, energetic |
| 2) _____ vigere | b) light |
| 3) _____ agere, actum | c) do, drive, act |
| 4) _____ lux, lucis | d) to see, to look |
| 5) _____ videre, | e) to work |