

UNIT FOURTEEN

MISS

Latin MITTERE, MISSUM, "send"

ADMISSION (ad mi' shən) *n.* 1. Confession
2. Entrance

1. Marilyn's *admission* of guilt in the robbery was a surprise to those who thought she was innocent.
2. Danny was denied *admission* to the university because of his grade point average.

SUBMISSIVE (sub mi' siv) *adj.* Tending to obey or yield

L. sub, "beneath," + missum = *sent beneath*

The court jester was ordered to be *submissive* and not to argue with the queen.

OMISSION (ō mi' shən) *n.* The act of leaving out or neglecting

L. ob, "away," + missum = *sent away*

The only *omission* Sarah made on the application was her birth date, but that was enough for the employer to hire someone else.

ant: inclusion

FER

Latin FERRE, "to carry, to bring"

DIFFERENTIATE (dif ə ren' shē āt) *v.* 1. To set apart
2. To distinguish

L. dis, "apart," + ferre = *to carry apart*

1. The only thing that *differentiated* the two species of bird was the shape of their beaks; one was slightly more rounded than the other.
2. The tornado did not *differentiate* between one neighborhood and the next; it knocked everything down.

syn: distinguish

REFERENCE (ref' ə rens) *v.* To bring up; to mention

L. re, "back," + ferre = *to bring back*

Many history books written in 1954 do not *reference* the new polio vaccine.

TOL

Latin TOLLERE, "bring upwards, lift"

EXTOL (eks tol') *v.* To praise; glorify

L. ex, "out of," + tollere = *to lift out of, lift up*

Most oil companies *extol* the qualities of their gasoline, but, in truth, all gas is basically the same.

TRACT

Latin TRAHERE, TRACTUM, "to drag, to draw"

DETRACT (dē trakt') v. To take away

L. de, "down, away," + tractum = to draw away

Sally's defeat in the grammar competition didn't detract from Professor Nelson's opinion of her abilities in English.

EXTRACT (eks trakt') v. To take out of; withdraw

L. ex, "out of," + tractum = to draw out

There are many ways to extract minerals from the ground; most involve complicated digging machinery.

GEST, GER

Latin GERERE, GESTUM, "carry, bear"

SUGGESTIBLE (sug jest' ə bəl) adj. Easily influenced; susceptible

L. sub, "from below," + gestum = able to be carried along from below

Hypnosis works when a subject relaxes because he or she is then more open and suggestible.

EXAGGERATED (eks zaj' ə r āt əd) adj. Overstated or overdone

The ad made the exaggerated claim that anyone could lose two pounds a day simply by taking the vitamins.

INGEST (in jest') v. To take into the body or mind

L. in, "into," + gestum = to carry into

To get into the world record books, Jerome had to ingest twelve waffles in one minute.

syn: consume



The JESTER INGESTED the goldfish.

III Traction (from tractum) means "power to pull"; the ability of a car's tires to grip the road is an example. It also means "process of pulling"; this meaning is frequently used by doctors, who put patients with broken bones in traction—with the bones pulled in one direction—until they heal.

III The Latin verb aggerere (ad, "towards," + gerere = bring towards) means "to pile up, to gather." Something exaggerated is piled up very much, or very overdone.

Unit 14 Vocabulary

Directions: Fill in the blank with the best word from the word bank.

Word Bank	admission	detracts
differentiate	exaggerated	extol
extract	ingest	omission
references	submissive	suggestible

- 1) Jay, who had once been timid and _____, now stood up for himself when confronted by the bullies.
- 2) A tornado does not _____ between the homes of the rich and poor; it destroys everything in its path.
- 3) The _____ hairstyles of 18th century France were very different from the plain, modest styles favored in Puritan America.
- 4) The files were firmly stuck in the cabinet, and we were unable to _____ them.
- 5) Throat cancer made it impossible for the patient to _____ solid foods.
- 6) The failure of the drug was blamed on the _____ of one important ingredient.
- 7) Bernice was not a very _____ person; her sister, on the other hand, would agree to almost anything.
- 8) Roberta often _____ part of the novel Moby-Dick because it is one of her favorite works of literature.
- 9) Although you _____ the advantages of this new diet, I have no desire to go on it.
- 10) The large, ugly sofa _____ from the overall beauty and harmony of the room.
- 11) The athlete's _____ that he had actually been present at the crime scene shocked everyone.

Directions: Choose the set of words that best completes the sentence.

- 12) When the toddler _____ some dangerous material, doctors had to _____ it from his stomach.
 - a) referenced; ingest
 - b) differentiated; extol
 - c) ingested; extract
 - d) extracted; reference

- 13) Do you think that Nadine's naturally obedient and _____ personality makes her more _____ and open to the influence of others.
- submissive; suggestible
 - exaggerated; submissive
 - suggestible; exaggerated
 - extolled; submissive
- 14) Alan's _____ destruction of our fishing trip _____ from my memory of a lovely, simple vacation.
- suggestible; ingests
 - suggestible; differentiates
 - submissive; extracts
 - exaggerated; detracts
- 15) For five dollars, we gain _____ into an exhibit that explains the characteristics which _____ one asteroid from another.
- admission; differentiate
 - omission; differentiate
 - extraction; ingest
 - detraction; extol
- 16) Luke's _____ about his wild past did not stop us from _____ his virtues on a daily basis.
- admissions; extolling
 - references; detracting
 - omissions; differentiating
 - submission; ingesting

Directions: Match the word to its definition.

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| 17) _____ extract | a) to bring up; to mention |
| 18) _____ submissive | b) to take out of ; withdraw |
| 19) _____ exaggerated | c) the act of leaving out or neglecting |
| 20) _____ extol | d) to take into the body or mind |
| 21) _____ reference | e) tending obey or yield |
| 22) _____ omission | f) to take away |
| 23) _____ detract | g) to praise; glorify |
| 24) _____ suggestible | h) confession or entrance |
| 25) _____ ingest | i) easily influenced; susceptible |
| 26) _____ admission | j) overstated or overdone |
| 27) _____ differentiate | k) to set apart; to distinguish |