

TOP 100 SAT VOCABULARY WORDS
Weekly Test on 20 Words (flashcard +10 points)

- 1.abbreviate -- (v) to shorten, abridge
- 2.abstinence -- (n) the act of refraining from pleasurable activity, e.g., eating, drinking
- 3.adulation -- (n) high praise
- 4.adversity -- (n) misfortune, an unfavorable turn of events
- 5.aesthetic -- (adj) pertaining to beauty or the arts
- 6.amicable -- (adj) friendly, agreeable
- 7.anachronistic -- (adj) out-of-date, not attributed to the correct historical period
- 8.anecdote -- (n) short, usually funny account of an event
- 9.anonymous -- (adj) nameless, without a disclosed identity
- 10.antagonist -- (n) foe, opponent, adversary
- 11.arid -- (adj) extremely dry or deathly boring
- 12.assiduous -- (adj) persistent, hard-working
- 13.asylum -- (n) sanctuary, shelter, place of refuge
- 14.benevolent -- (adj) friendly and helpful
- 15.camaraderie -- (n) trust, sociability amongst friends
- 16.censure -- (v) to criticize harshly
- 17.circuitous -- (adj) indirect, taking the longest route
- 18.clairvoyant -- (adj) exceptionally insightful, able to foresee the future
- 19.collaborate -- (v) to cooperate, work together
- 20.compassion -- (n) sympathy, helpfulness or mercy

- 21.compromise -- (v) to settle a dispute by terms agreeable to both sides
- 22.condescending -- (adj) possessing an attitude of superiority, patronizing
- 23.conditional -- (adj) depending on a condition, e.g., in a contract
- 24.conformist -- (n) person who complies with accepted rules and customs
- 25.congregation -- (n) a crowd of people, an assembly
- 26.convergence -- (n) the state of separate elements joining or coming together
- 27.deleterious -- (adj) harmful, destructive, detrimental
- 28.demagogue -- (n) leader, rabble-rouser, usually appealing to emotion or prejudice
- 29.digression -- (n) the act of turning aside, straying from the main point
- 30.diligent -- (adj) careful and hard-working
- 31.discredit -- (v) to harm the reputation of, dishonor or disgrace
- 32.disdain -- (v) to regard with scorn or contempt
- 33.divergent -- (adj) separating, moving in different directions from a particular point
- 34.empathy -- (n) identification with the feelings of others
- 35.emulate -- (v) to imitate, follow an example
- 36.enervating -- (adj) weakening, tiring
- 37.enhance -- (v) to improve, bring to a greater level of intensity
- 38.ephemeral -- (adj) momentary, transient, fleeting
- 39.evanescent -- (adj) quickly fading, short-lived, esp. an image
- 40.exasperation -- (n) irritation, frustration
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- 41.exemplary -- (adj) outstanding, an example to others
- 42.extenuating -- (adj) excusing, lessening the seriousness of guilt or crime, e.g., of mitigating factors

- 43.florid -- (adj) red-colored, flushed; gaudy, ornate
- 44.fortuitous -- (adj) happening by luck, fortunate
- 45.frugal -- (adj) thrifty, cheap
- 46.hackneyed -- (adj) cliched, worn out by overuse
- 47.haughty -- (adj) arrogant and condescending
- 48.hedonist -- (n) person who pursues pleasure as a goal
- 49.hypothesis -- (n) assumption, theory requiring proof
- 50.impetuous -- (adj) rash, impulsive, acting without thinking
- 51.impute -- (v) to attribute an action to particular person or group
- 52.incompatible -- (adj) opposed in nature, not able to live or work together
- 53.inconsequential -- (adj) unimportant, trivial
- 54.inevitable -- (adj) certain, unavoidable
- 55.integrity -- (n) decency, honesty, wholeness
- 56.intrepid -- (adj) fearless, adventurous
- 57.intuitive -- (adj) instinctive, untaught
- 58.jubilation -- (n) joy, celebration, exultation
- 59.lobbyist -- (n) person who seeks to influence political events
- 60.longevity -- (n) long life
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- 61.mundane -- (adj) ordinary, commonplace
- 62.nonchalant -- (adj) calm, casual, seeming unexcited
- 63.novice -- (n) apprentice, beginner
- 64.opulent -- (adj) wealthy

- 65.orator -- (n) lecturer, speaker
- 66.ostentatious -- (adj) showy, displaying wealth
- 67.parched -- (adj) dried up, shriveled
- 68.perfidious -- (adj) faithless, disloyal, untrustworthy
- 69.precocious -- (adj) unusually advanced or talented at an early age
- 70.pretentious -- (adj) pretending to be important, intelligent or cultured
- 71.procrastinate -- (v) to unnecessarily delay, postpone, put off
- 72.prosaic -- (adj) relating to prose; dull, commonplace
- 73.prosperity -- (n) wealth or success
- 74.provocative -- (adj) tending to provoke a response, e.g., anger or disagreement
- 75.prudent -- (adj) careful, cautious
- 76.querulous -- (adj) complaining, irritable
- 77.rancorous -- (adj) bitter, hateful
- 78.reclusive -- (adj) preferring to live in isolation
- 79.reconciliation -- (n) the act of agreement after a quarrel, the resolution of a dispute
- 80.renovation -- (n) repair, making something new again

- 81.resilient -- (adj) quick to recover, bounce back
- 82.restrained -- (adj) controlled, repressed, restricted
- 83.reverence -- (n) worship, profound respect
- 84.sagacity -- (n) wisdom
- 85.scrutinize -- (v) to observe carefully
- 86.spontaneity -- (n) impulsive action, unplanned events

- 87.spurious -- (adj) lacking authenticity, false
- 88.submissive -- (adj) tending to meekness, to submit to the will of others
- 89.substantiate -- (v) to verify, confirm, provide supporting evidence
- 90.subtle -- (adj) hard to detect or describe; perceptive
- 91.superficial -- (adj) shallow, lacking in depth
- 92.superfluous -- (adj) extra, more than enough, redundant
- 93.suppress -- (v) to end an activity, e.g., to prevent the dissemination of information
- 94.surreptitious -- (adj) secret, stealthy
- 95.tactful -- (adj) considerate, skillful in acting to avoid offense to others
- 96.tenacious -- (adj) determined, keeping a firm grip on
- 97.transient -- (adj) temporary, short-lived, fleeting
- 98.venerable -- (adj) respected because of age
- 99.vindicate -- (v) to clear from blame or suspicion
- 100.wary -- (adj) careful, cautious