

## Completing the Sentence

From the words for this unit, choose the one that best completes each of the following sentences. Write the word in the space provided.

- By late September the leaves on the trees in my neck of the woods have begun to take on their normal autumn \_\_\_\_\_.
- Our "truth in advertising" laws are designed to discourage manufacturers from \_\_\_\_\_ the virtues of their products.
- Next year, when we have a stronger, more experienced team, we hope to \_\_\_\_\_ the crushing defeat we have just suffered.
- The two groups of hikers, setting out from different points, have planned a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ at four o'clock at Eagle Rock.
- After being defeated in a war that lasted from 1846 to 1848, Mexico was forced to \_\_\_\_\_ vast territories to the United States.
- You may like to live where the sun shines all the time, but I prefer a more \_\_\_\_\_ climate.
- According to the Bible, Noah and his family were the only human beings to survive the great \_\_\_\_\_ that once engulfed the world.
- Even fans sitting high in the stands could hear the \_\_\_\_\_ when the big fullback crashed into the line.
- We believe that the world is now on the \_\_\_\_\_ of new and exciting developments that may dramatically change the way we live.
- Her argument was so \_\_\_\_\_ that she convinced us that her solution to the math problem was the correct one.
- Uncle Eddie, with his \_\_\_\_\_ figure, is often called on to play Santa Claus.
- Every eye was on us as we \_\_\_\_\_ down Main Street in our new outfits.
- As a young and inexperienced employee, you cannot expect to hold more than a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ job in that big company.
- After the heavy meal, we felt so \_\_\_\_\_ that we just sat in the living room and watched whatever was on television.
- The impact of the head-on collision was so severe that the drivers of both vehicles were killed \_\_\_\_\_.
- We can hold down the cost of the new car we want to buy by not ordering \_\_\_\_\_ features.
- When they realized that sweet talk and flattery were getting them nowhere, they tried to \_\_\_\_\_ me into doing what they wanted.

18. Many older residents of Paris can still recall the day in 1944 when Allied troops \_\_\_\_\_ the city from German occupation.
19. Because of the lawyer's long experience in legal matters, we left it to his \_\_\_\_\_ how to proceed with the case.
20. Many people say that they become quite \_\_\_\_\_ when they look down from the top of a tall building.

**Synonyms**

Choose the word from this unit that is **the same or most nearly the same** in meaning as the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. Write the word on the line provided.

1. as **inconstant** as the latest fad \_\_\_\_\_
2. an **assistant** to the vice principal \_\_\_\_\_
3. on the **brink** of a new beginning \_\_\_\_\_
4. made **total** fools of themselves \_\_\_\_\_
5. could **bully** us into giving in \_\_\_\_\_
6. kissed the baby's **chubby** cheek \_\_\_\_\_
7. the jarring sound of the **collision** \_\_\_\_\_
8. as if they made an **appointment** with danger \_\_\_\_\_
9. had to **yield** that point in the debate \_\_\_\_\_
10. decided to **stain** my T-shirt a pastel shade \_\_\_\_\_
11. taught two **elective** classes after school \_\_\_\_\_
12. spent a **lethargic** morning in bed \_\_\_\_\_
13. thought of ways to **retaliate** \_\_\_\_\_
14. her **tact** with difficult customers \_\_\_\_\_
15. not to **distort** the facts of the case \_\_\_\_\_

**Antonyms**

Choose the word from this unit that is **most nearly opposite** in meaning to the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. Write the word on the line provided.

16. gave a **preposterous** explanation \_\_\_\_\_
17. a **trickle** of information \_\_\_\_\_
18. to **shackle** the young falcons \_\_\_\_\_
19. couldn't comprehend the **sober** mood \_\_\_\_\_
20. as they **scurry** through the mall \_\_\_\_\_

**Choose Right**

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## Vocabulary in Context

Read the following passage, in which some of the words you have studied in this unit appear in **boldface** type. Then complete each statement given below the passage by circling the letter of the item that is **the same** or **almost the same** in meaning as the highlighted word.

### Exaggerated Kings

(Line)

For centuries, people have regarded the lion as a noble creature. But have lions been **misrepresented** as the king of beasts? The truth about lions may surprise you.

Without a doubt, lions are handsome, powerful cats. The male lion's rich, thick mane makes it both beautiful and fierce looking. It would be a **logical** conclusion, then, to view the male as a great hunter and protector. But this is (5)



Why is this lion winking? Perhaps it is because he knows the truth!

not the case. Female lions do most of the hunting, often at night and in teams. Male lions rest or sleep up to twenty hours a day. The so-called "king" is actually a **sluggish** monarch much of the time. (10)

Lions generally live in groups known as *prides*, which are like family units. Females of several generations may stay in the same pride for life. Male lions wander away or are forced out by new, stronger males. A pride may have a **variable** number of members, from as few as three to as many as thirty or more, depending on the amount of food in their territory. More food means larger prides. (15)

These meat-eaters often feed on fresh kill that they bring down. However, some lions are **outright** (20) thieves. They steal meat from other predators to save themselves the effort of hunting. That doesn't seem like noble behavior! Nor does the fact that after female lions have made a kill, males chase them away so they can take the finest morsels for themselves. (25)

Lions were once common to many parts of Europe, Asia, India, and Africa. But human hunters and farmers, as well as widespread development in regions where lions once roamed, have all had a serious **impact** on the wild lion population. Today, wild lions are found only in parts of Africa, and in a protected wildlife preserve in India. Neither an endangered nor threatened species, the lion continues to occupy its throne. (30)

- The meaning of **misrepresented** (line 2) is  
a. judged                      c. construed  
b. liberated                    d. falsified
- Logical** (line 4) most nearly means  
a. compulsory                c. senseless  
b. sensible                      d. ridiculous
- Sluggish** (line 9) is best defined as  
a. royal                          c. lazy  
b. energetic                    d. plump
- The meaning of **variable** (line 15) is  
a. changeable                c. constant  
b. superior                      d. large
- Outright** (line 20) most nearly means  
a. devious                      c. total  
b. accidental                  d. partial
- Impact** (line 27) is best defined as  
a. hazard                        c. damage  
b. effect                         d. support