**Vocabulary List #2**  **English II** **Camm**

**Definitions:**

1. **ascertain** (v.) to find out

The sales clerk was asked to **ascertain** what the cost would be.

1. **attainment** (n.) an accomplishment; the act of achieving

Mr. Jones is a man of high literary **attainment**.

1. **cogent** (adj.) forceful, convincing; relevant, to the point

Her attorney presented a **cogent** plea for prison reform.

1. **converge** (v.) to move toward one point, approach nearer together

The game began when the players **converged** in the huddle.

1. **disperse** (v.) to scatter

Chief Warren ordered the police to **disperse** the crowd.

1. **malevolent** (adj.) spiteful, showing ill will

Eric’s sister told a **malevolent** lie to get her brother in trouble.

1. **panacea** (n.) a remedy for all ills, a cure all

Jeremiah offered a **panacea** for all our problems.

1. **scrupulous** (adj.) exact, careful, attending thoroughly to details

The investigator checked the crime scene **scrupulously**.

1. **supercilious** (adj.) proud and condescending; showing scorn because of a feeling of superiority

The master took a **supercilious** attitude toward the servants.

1. **venial** (adj.) easily excused; pardonable

Because it was her first offense, her tardiness was **venial**.

**Complete the Sentence:**

1. We refer to antibiotics as “wonder drugs,” but we must realize that they are not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for all the physical ailments of mankind.
2. Our representative offered one simple but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ argument against the proposal—it would raise the cost of living.
3. Isn’t it remarkable how quickly a throng of sunbathers will pick up their belongings and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when a few drops of rain fall?
4. Is there anyone in the world as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as a senior who attends a mere sophomore class dance?
5. Her election to Congress was the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of a lifelong ambition.
6. As we stood on the railway tracks looking off into the distance, the rails seemed to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and meet at some far-off point.
7. Only by paying \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ attention to innumerable details were we able to piece together the cause of the accident.
8. Before making our final plans, we should \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ exactly how much money we will have for expenses,
9. When I saw the pain he caused others and the pleasure he took in doing so, I realized he was a truly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ person.
10. I knew the dean would accept my apology when she characterized my behavior as thoughtless but\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Synonyms**:

1. snobbish, patronizing overbearing \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. painstaking, meticulous, conscientious \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. wicked, sinister, malignant \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. to meet unite, intersect, merge \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. a universal cure; an easy solution \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. persuasive, compelling \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. excusable, forgivable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. to discover, determine, establish, find out \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
9. an achievement, fulfillment \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
10. to break up, scatter, dispel \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Antonyms**:

1. careless, negligent, remiss; dishonest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. kind, benevolent, compassionate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. a failure, defeat; frustration \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
4. to collect, congregate, assemble \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
5. humble, meek, deferential, servile \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
6. unconvincing, weak, ineffective \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
7. unpardonable, unforgivable, inexcusable \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
8. to diverge, separate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Write your own sentence**

*Write 5 sentences* ***using 2 or more vocabulary words*** *in each sentence. Highlight the words.*

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