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bok up the vocabulary word in a dictionary and write its meaning.	
1. jeopardize : endanger	
Dictionary definition	
2. obliterate : destroy	
Dictionary definition	
3. agitate : inflame	
Dictionary definition	
4. anarchy : confusion	
Dictionary definition	
5. capitulate : surrender	
Dictionary definition	
6. ridicule : deride	
Dictionary definition	
7. informant : advisor	
Dictionary definition	
8. rancor : bitterness	
Dictionary definition	
9. vanquish : defeat	
Dictionary definition	

Each boldfaced word is paired with a synonym whose meaning you probably know. Think of other

EXERCISE A Synonyms

Word List

words related to the meaning of the synonym and write your ideas on the line provided. Then, look up the vocabulary word in a dictionary and write its meaning

obliterate ridicule aggression capitulate agitate informant rancor vanquish anarchy jeopardize

Lesson 13 Using Synonyms

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Individuals face personal challenges every day. Many of these issues affect our behavior. For example, we may find ourselves at odds with a close friend about some issue. The vocabulary words in this lesson relate to opposition, whether personal or on a wider scale.

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10. aggression : hostility___

Dictionary definition _____

EXERCISE B Usage

Circle the word in each set of parentheses that best completes the sentence. Then, write your own sentence with that vocabulary word.

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1. The army's plan was to (obliterate, agitate, capitulate) the townspeople to revolt.

2. The occupying forces banned organized meetings, which could (ridicule, vanquish, jeopardize) their control.

- 3. We watched the daily shelling (capitulate, ridicule, obliterate) the elegant historic buildings of our town.
- 4. Finally, our military leaders decided to (jeopardize, obliterate, capitulate) rather than endure further destruction.
- **5.** Frankly, we were caught unaware by the intense and unyielding (anarchy, aggression, agitation) of our enemy.

EXERCISE C Context Clues

Write the vocabulary word that best matches each clue.

- 1. A spy is an example, and a journalist could use one.
- 2. The overthrow of a government could create this condition.
- 3. Which word could name what a bomb does?
- 4. A white flag could show your willingness to do this.
- 5. After you do this to your opponent, you gain control.

EXERCISE D Usage

On a separate sheet of paper, use at least five vocabulary words to write a news brief, a journal account, or a letter set during the Civil War.

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Lesson 14 Suffixes That Form Nouns

Suffixes, word parts added to base words or word roots, sometimes can change a word's part of speech as well as its meaning. The noun suffixes -ity and -ence/-ance, which mean "the quality or state of," form nouns when added to base words or word roots. Study the examples below before completing the lesson.

familiar + -*ity* = familiarity: the state of being familiar with someone or something **annoy +** -ance = **annoyance**: the quality of feeling annoyed

Word List			
civility	depravity	prosperity	subsistence
complexity	felicity	severance	variance
deference	forbearance		

EXERCISE A Context Clues

Write what you think each boldfaced word means in context. Then, complete the vocabulary equation to create and define the word. When necessary, use the clues in parentheses.

1. The infection in Cyril's leg wound led to the **severance** of his leg below the knee.

sever (cut) + -ance =	; definition
2. This war has been marked b	y shocking acts of depravity.
depraved (corrupt) + - <i>ity</i> = $\frac{1}{2}$; definition
3. The complexity of the direc	tions made the swing set difficult to assemble.
complex + <i>-ity</i> =	; definition
4. Once the shooting stopped,	we were generally impressed by the civility of the conquering soldiers toward us.
$\operatorname{civil} + -ity = _$; definition
5. Sam's felicity was obvious a	s he grinned and whistled his way down the street.
felic (happy) + - <i>ity</i> =	; definition
6. The general showed great fo	rbearance when confronted by his subordinate's failure to win the strategic site.
forbear (hold back) + -ance	=; definition;
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. Meanwhile, the army was bare	ely surviving on a subsistence diet of dried beef a	nd a small daily ration of water.
subsist (live) + -ence =	; definition	
. The yearly variance in crops	makes farming an economically challenging bu	siness.
vary + - <i>ance</i> =	; definition	
In deference to the honorable	service of the troops, the president insisted on a re	spectful silence from the crowd.
defer (honor) + <i>-ence</i> =	; definition	
. After the Civil War, the South	struggled for years to regain prosperity .	
prosper + $-ity =$; definition	
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Lesson 15 Prefixes That Show Time and Space: pro-, re-, pre-

Prefixes, word parts added to the beginning of a base word or word root, can modify a word's meaning in many different ways. For example, all the vocabulary words in this lesson contain prefixes showing time or space. The box contains three of these time and space prefixes, their meanings, and an example of each.

Prefix	Meaning	Example
pro-	in front of	project
re-	back	recall
pre-	before	pretest

preponderance	recession	refugee
prostrate	redress	restoration
protrude		
	prostrate	prostrate redress

EXERCISE A Context Clues

Read the paragraph below, paying close attention to the context of the boldfaced words. Then, use your understanding of the prefixes explained above to choose the word that correctly matches the definition.

Last week, our class took a field trip to a Civil War battle site where historians have created a highly realistic **restoration** of the battle scene. As a **prelude** to the tour, we attended a lecture outlining the battle events. The **preponderance** of battle casualties were Confederate troops. As the battle continued, **refugees** fleeing the violence were driven off the road by the urgent **recession** of the Confederate cavalry seeking to avoid capture. Though the civilians left all their possessions behind, they were promised **redress** of their grievances against the Union army. At the gate entering the battle site, historians had posted a copy of the **Preamble** to the U.S. Constitution to remind us of the war's heart-wrenching impact on the nation. I was horrified by the battle imagery. Half-buried guns **protruded** from the ground and wounded soldiers lay **prostrate** as far as the eye could see. Even now, a week after our visit, the terrible images **preoccupy** my thoughts.

 1. stuck out	 6. reconstruction
 2. compensation	 7. people fleeing
 3. engage interest	 8. withdrawing
 4. introductory event	 9. superiority in power
 5. stretched out	 10. introduction to a law

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EXERCISE B Usage

If the boldfaced word is correctly used in the sentence, write *correct* above it. If it is not, draw a line through the word and write the correct vocabulary word above it.

- 1. The **Preamble** to the Constitution summarizes the nation's most important goals.
- 2. Anyone wanting a refund can seek preponderance of their complaints after the session.
- 3. Until security is significantly improved, concern for student safety will redress the entire faculty.
- 4. Full restoration of privileges will occur only after the perpetrators write apologies to the victims.
- 5. Our class chose a Beatles song for the **recession** at our graduation ceremony.
- 6. The organization has a fund for the support of preludes from war-torn countries.
- 7. Overcome by the heat, the victim lay prostrate on the floor.
- 8. There is a **prelude** of evidence to show that the defendant was a spy for the opposing army.
- 9. Poverty left scores of malnourished children with shoulder blades that protrude sharply from their shirts.
- 10. The Battle at Fort Sumter proved to be only the restoration to a long and bitter war.

EXERCISE C Word Association

For each group of words, write the vocabulary word that best fits.

1. compensate, amend, remedy,	5. prone, horizontal, flat,
2. withdrawal, removal, regression,	6. importance, superiority, majority,
3. repair, renewal, renovation,	7. overture, beginning, curtain raiser,
4. bulge, jut, overhang,	8. engage, absorb, engross,

EXERCISE D Multiple-Meaning Words

Many words in English have more than one meaning. Each meaning, however, is based on the meaning of the root word. The word *recession*, for example, is from the Latin root *recessus,* meaning "to go back." On a separate sheet of paper, write the dictionary definition of *recession* as it is used in each sentence.

- 1. The nation suffered a recession after the output of the goods and services declined.
- 2. The bank's recession of the deed was final.
- 3. Recession of hairlines constitutes a problem for many men.
- 4. The president and his aides filed out of the chamber in a dignified recession.





Lesson 16 Using Reference Skills Using a Thesaurus: Synonyms and Antonyms

A thesaurus, which lists both synonyms and antonyms, is a useful reference source. With a thesaurus, you can locate words with similar meanings (synonyms) and often words with opposite meanings (antonyms). You can use these options to ensure that you say exactly what you mean. Below is a sample thesaurus entry.

profuse *adj.* 1. generous, extravagant, lavish, prodigal, openhanded, excessive 2. teeming, abounding, plentiful, abundant, limitless, overflowing, ample
Antonym: 1. stingy, miserly, mean, selfish 2. thin, meager, sparse, scarce, inadequate

EXERCISE A

Replace *profuse* in each sentence below with a synonym. Then, using an antonym from the sample entry above, write a new sentence on the line.

1. The wedding was a gala affair, with **profuse** decorations filling all the rooms.

2. All around me in the clear, blue-green waters were profuse schools of tiny, brilliantly colored fish.

3. She so overwhelmed him with her **profuse** apologies that he began to blush.

EXERCISE B

For each boldfaced word, use a thesaurus to write an antonym and a synonym.

1. ardently	antonym	synonym
2. audaciously	antonym	synonym
3. censure	antonym	synonym
4. imperious	antonym	synonym
5. placid	antonym	synonym
6. uncertain	antonym	synonym
7. fastidious	antonym	synonym
8. docile	antonym	synonym
9. brusque	antonym	synonym

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EXERCISE

Circle the letter of the word or phrase that best completes each sentence.

 An informant is a. a special kind of diet b. someone who provides facts 	c. someone who sings songsd. a state of chaos
2. You would expect to hear a preamblea. at the beginning of a speechb. at the end of a speech	c. in the middle of a speechd. three times during a speech
 3. If I am prostrate, I am a. lying face up b. sitting cross-legged c. lying face up b. sitting cross-legged b. sitting cross-legged c. lying face up b. sitting	ng face down d . standing up
 4. If I treat you with civility, I a. insult you and call you names b. ignore you when you speak 	c. can't remember your named. inquire if you've been well
 5. During a time of prosperity, people a. can often save extra money b. may not have enough to eat 	c. cannot find jobsd. have greater purchasing power
 6. When a building is obliterated, it a. has been rebuilt b. is totally destroyed 	c. has just been completedd. is in the planning stages
 7. If I have vanquished the other player, I have a. achieved total victory b. held my own but lost the game 	 c. played terribly and lost badly d. met my match and struggled to a close victory
8. If I meet refugees on the road, they are most likelya. bringing food supplies to wounded soldiersb. repairing their racing bikes	to be c. fleeing for their lives d. selling lemonade to passersby
 9. If I show forbearance, I a. patiently hide my annoyance b. feel no emotions at all 	c. yell and scream at everyoned. don't understand what's being said to me
 10. When there is anarchy, the government a. strictly controls people's lives b. is faced with a peaceful transition 	c. does not existd. is ruled by a king or queen