

Definitions and Sentence Completion

Directions: Use <http://www.learnersdictionary.com/> to locate a definition for each word on the list. Write the definition on the lines. Then, complete each sentence with an original idea. You may print this assignment, copy it into Word to complete digitally, or you may complete it on lined paper. If you use lined paper, be sure to write out the sentence starter as well as your ending.

1. **fop** (n.) _____

Some actors or musicians are regarded as **fops** because...

2. **imprecation** (n.) _____

The old hermit put an **imprecation** on the entire family because...

3. **non sequitur** (n.) _____

Superstitions are silly; to have bad luck is a **non sequitur** to...

4. **sanguine** (adj.) _____

The coach maintained a **sanguine** attitude even though...

5. **bowdlerize** (v.) _____

Censors often **bowdlerize** novels because...

6. **impair** (v.) _____

You will probably **impair** your hearing if you...

7. **panegyric** (n.) _____

The crowd screamed **panegyrics** when...

8. **quandary** (n.) _____

Finding a diamond bracelet in the parking lot created a **quandary** for Gary because...

9. **ebullient** (adj.) _____

Dave's **ebullient** interest in math led him to...

10. **deference** (n.) _____

Out of **deference** for the fallen soldier, the honor guard...

11. **carnal** (adj.) _____

The piranhas went into a **carnal** frenzy when...

12. **nebulous** (adj.) _____

When the teacher sees your **nebulous** essay on the test, she will know that...

13. **rakish** (adj.) _____

The rakish young professional stood out among...

14. **elegy** (n.) _____

When Dawn recited the moving **elegy** during the funeral, some of the guests...

15. **pedantic** (adj.) _____

The **pedantic** teacher offered to chaperone the field trip, but the students...