

11th Grade SAT Vocabulary List Nine

- 1. Irascible adj.** easily angered; testy, touchy
His irascible disposition so angered the judge that he held him in contempt of court.
- 2. Venerate v.** to revere, respect
No matter how he acted, King Henry VIII of Britain expected his subjects to venerate him.
- 3. Satisfy v.** to satisfy appetite fully
I told Mom to make plenty of turkey for Thanksgiving, because only three helpings will satisfy me.
- 4. Repudiate v.** to deny; to reject or disown utterly
My parents threatened to repudiate me if I went out with the guy with pierced nipples and tattoos.
- 5. Prodigious adj.** awe inspiring; enormous in size or capacity
Dinosaurs were creatures of prodigious size and exotic appearance, which makes them so fascinating to us.
- 6. Magnate n.** someone of power, rank or influence
The rich and powerful oil magnate controlled over thirty-percent of the world's oil supply.
- 7. Redundant adj.** extra and unnecessary; superfluous; unneeded
Terms like "young kitten" and "young fowl" are redundant expressions because the words kitten and fowl only refer to animals that are young.
- 8. Magnanimous adj.** generously forgiving; big spirited
Our boss' magnanimous nature made us admire him all the more.
- 9. Irony n.** the opposite of what would be normal or expected
The irony of the situation was that she loved him despite his cheating ways.
- 10. Apocryphal adj.** of doubtful authorship; fictitious
Most what the National Enquirer prints in apocryphal in nature, much to the chagrin of stars.
- 11. Predilection n.** natural preference; positive feelings for
My brother has always had a predilection for rap music, while I prefer country and pop.
- 12. Negligible adj.** of only minor importance, if any
The fact that the actors were not well known was negligible to the film's success, as it was a masterpiece.
- 13. Vitriolic adj.** caustic, burning or corrosive like acid
John's vitriolic sense of humor offended some, but he never meant any harm by his biting jokes.
- 14. Dubious adj.** doubtful; of questionable truth or quality; suspicious
Her alibi was dubious and led police to further question her whereabouts on the night in question.
- 15. Pervade v.** to go throughout; permeate
The rank odor of the dead skunk in the attic pervaded the entire household.