# DISCONCERT

(dis cun SURT) *v.* to disturb the composure of; upset; to frustrate (as a plan) by throwing into disorder

## Link: THIS CONCERT



"THIS CONCERT is DISCONCERTING to my father."

- Some students find it very **DISCONCERTING** to listen to music while studying.
- At times a baby may be unaffected by loud noises while at others it may be **DISCONCERTED** by a quiet sound.
- I don't mean to **DISCONCERT** your plans, but I can't attend your party on Saturday.

# DISHEVEL

(di SHEV ul) *v.* to make untidy; to disarrange the hair or clothing of

## Link: SHOVEL



"Tommy **DISHEVELED** his aunt with his **SHOVEL**."

- Andrea's hair became **DISHEVELED** in the strong breeze.
- After the hurricane, our yard was **DISHEVELED** with broken branches and debris.
- From the looks of Bryan's **DISHEVELED** desk, one would think he is a disorganized person.

# DIURNAL

(dye UR nul) *adj.* occurring every day; occurring during the daytime

### Link: DAY TURTLE

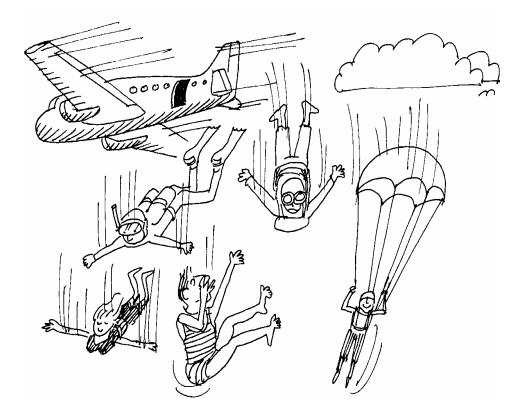


"A DIURNAL TURTLE"

- Brad enjoys his **DIURNAL** cup of coffee while he reads the newspaper.
- □ Sunrise is a **DIURNAL** occurrence.
- DIURNAL is the opposite of nocturnal, which means occurring during the night.

#### **DIVERSE** (di VURS) *adj.* different; varied

## Link: **DIVERS**



"DIVERSE sky DIVERS"

- Humphrey had a **DIVERSE** collection of classic automobiles.
- The California Gold Rush attracted people of **DIVERSE** backgrounds: farmers, bankers and tradesmen made the journey to the gold fields.
- Randy had a **DIVERSE** education with degrees in medicine, law, and business.

# DOFF

(dof) *v.* to take off; to remove; to put aside

Link: **OFF** 



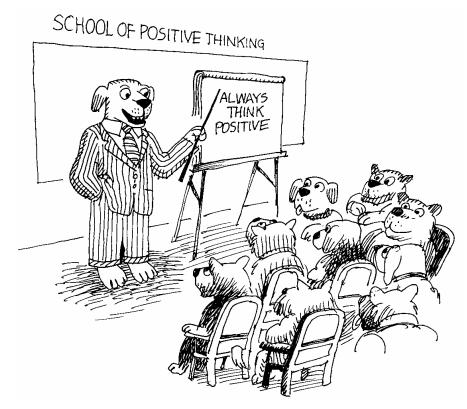
"To DOFF is to take OFF."

- □ A gentleman should always **DOFF** his hat to a lady.
- The football player ran to the sideline, **DOFFED** his helmet and downed a huge cup of water.
- He **DOFFED** the invitation and promptly forgot to respond.

# DOGMATIC

(dawg MAT ik) *adj.* characterized by an authoritative, often arrogant, assertion of opinions or beliefs

## Link: DOG



"A DOGMATIC DOG trainer"

- Grandpa was always **DOGMATIC** about his views on politics.
- The tyrant was a **DOGMATICAL** ruler who would not permit anyone to disagree with him.
- The opinions or ideas DOGMATICALLY asserted by a DOGMATIC person are knows as DOGMA.

#### **DOLEFUL** (DOHL ful) *adj.* sorrowful; melancholy

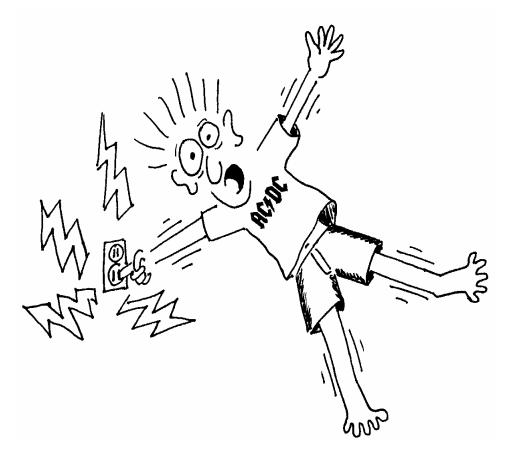
### Link: BOWL FULL



"Billy was **DOLEFUL** because he had to eat a **BOWL FULL** of split pea soup."

- The **DOLEFUL** expression on the dog's face suggested he thought he had been deserted by his owner.
- A DOLEFUL procession of mourners followed the hearse to the cemetery.
- When the doctor arrived to see her ailing husband, Jim's wife **DOLEFULLY** opened the door to let him in.

### Link: VOLT



"A DOLT gets the VOLTS."

- The frustrated teacher said he had a class full of **DOLTS**.
- Only a **DOLT** would put his shoes on backward.
- Jonathan felt **DOLTISH** because he was the only student to fail gym class.

**DON** (don) *v.* to put on

Link: **ON** 

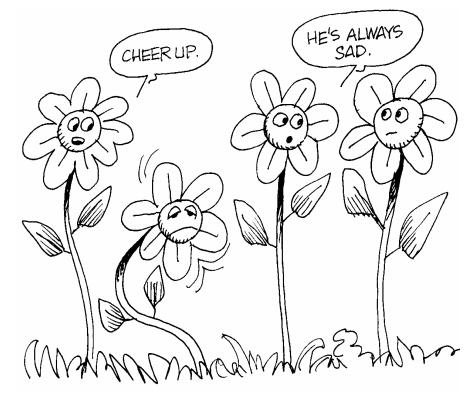


"To DON is to put ON."

- Bryan **DONNED** his scuba gear and rolled of the boat into the cool clear water.
- Ed took a deep breath, **DONNED** his parachute, and jumped out of the airplane.
- As the storm intensified, Bill went below deck to DON his foul weather gear.

#### **DOUR** (dowr) *adj.* severe; gloomy; stern

## Link: FLOWER



"A DOUR FLOWER"

- The garbage collector was a **DOUR** older man who never had a kind word for anyone.
- When the Legionnaire begged the Arab for water, the Arab **DOURLY** replied he barely had enough for his camel.
- The barren **DOURNESS** of the infertile land on their farm made it almost impossible for Tim's family to make a living as farmers.

#### **VOCABULARY CARTOONS II:** Review #10.1

#### Match the word with its definition.

- 1. disconcert
- 2. dishevel
- \_\_\_\_ 3. diurnal
- 4. diverse
- \_\_\_\_ 5. **doff**
- 6. dogmatic
- \_\_\_\_ 7. doleful
- \_\_\_\_ 8. **dolt**
- 9. **don**
- 10. **dour**

- a. sorrowful; melancholy
- b. to disturb the composure of
- c. to remove
- d. an arrogant assertion of opinions
- e. to put on
- f. different; varied
- g. to make untidy
- h. severe; gloomy; stern
- occurring during the daytime i.
- j. a stupid person

#### Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word.

- 1. The frustrated teacher said he had a class full of .
- 2. Brad enjoys his cup of coffee while he reads the newspaper.
- 3. A procession of mourners followed the hearse to the cemetery.
- 4. Andrea's hair became \_\_\_\_\_ in the strong breeze.
- 5. Grandpa was always about his views on politics.
- 6. Some students find it very to listen to music while studying.
- 7. Bryan his scuba gear and rolled of the boat into the cool clear water.
- 8. Humphrey had a collection of classic automobiles.
- 9. The garbage collector was a \_\_\_\_\_\_ older man who never had a kind word for anyone.
- 10. The football player ran to the sideline, \_\_\_\_\_ his helmet and downed a huge cup of water.

#### VOCABULARY CARTOONS II: Review #10.2

#### Multiple Choice: Circle the appropriate word for the provided definition.

- 1. sorrowful; melancholy
  - a.) depravity
  - b.) doleful
  - c.) diffident
  - d.) dogmatic
- 2. different; varied
  - a.) diurnal
  - b.) dishevel
  - c.) diffident
  - d.) diverse
- 3. a bitter verbal attack
  - a.) diatribe
  - b.) despot
  - c.) diminution
  - d.) deprecate
- 4. to take off; to remove; to put aside
  - a.) dishevel
  - b.) devoid
  - c.) doff
  - d.) don
- 5. entirely without; lacking
  - a.) doleful
  - b.) devoid
  - c.) doff
  - d.) don
- 6. to put on
  - a.) dolt
  - b.) dour
  - c.) doff
  - d.) don
- 7. a stupid person
  - a.) dolt
  - b.) despot
  - c.) doff
  - d.) don
- 8. to make untidy; to mess up
  - a.) disconcert
  - b.) deter
  - c.) dishevel
  - d.) devoid

- characterized by an authoritative, often arrogant, assertion of opinions or beliefs
  - a.) dishevel
  - b.) disconcert
  - c.) diurnal
  - d.) dogmatic
- 10. lacking self-confidence; timid
  - a.) doleful
  - b.) devoid
  - c.) diffident
  - d.) diurnal
- 11. occurring every day; occurring during the day time
  - a.) diverse
  - b.) diurnal
  - c.) depravity
  - d.) dire
- 12. extreme wickedness
  - a.) diatribe
  - b.) diffident
  - c.) depravity
  - d.) disconcert
- to disturb the composure of; upset; to frustrate by throwing into disorder
  - a.) dogmatic
  - b.) despot
  - c.) depravity
  - d.) disconcert
- 14. severe; gloomy; stern
  - a.) dogmatic
  - b.) dour
  - c.) diffident
  - d.) disconcert
- 15. to express disapproval of
  - a.) deprecate
  - b.) depravity
  - c.) diffident
  - d.) disconcert

#### VOCABULARY CARTOONS II, SAT Word Power

#### **Review Answers**

#### **Review #10.1**

**Review #10.2** 

<b>Matching:</b> 1. b 2. g 3. i 4. f	Fill in the Blank: 1. dolts 2. diurnal 3. doleful or dour 4. disheveled	Multiple Choice: 1. b.) doleful 2. d.) diverse 3. a.) diatribe 4. c.) doff	<ol> <li>b.) diurnal</li> <li>c.) depravity</li> <li>d.) disconcert</li> <li>b.) dour</li> </ol>
5. c 6. d	<ol> <li>5. dogmatic</li> <li>6. disconcerting</li> </ol>	5. b.) devoid 6. d.) don	15. a.) deprecate
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8. j	8. diverse	8. c.) dishevel	
9. e	9. dour or doleful	9. d.) dogmatic	
10. (a or h)	10. doffed	10. c.) diffident	