# NEMESIS

(NEM eh sis) *n.* 

an opponent that cannot be beaten or overcome

## Link: MY SIS



"My NEMESIS is MY SIS."

- □ Lex Luther considers Superman his **NEMESIS**.
- Tom is my NEMESIS because I can beat every-one who beats him in tennis, but I can't beat him.
- Potato chips are Paul's **NEMESIS**; if he takes one bite he can't stop eating them.

### Link: SETTLE

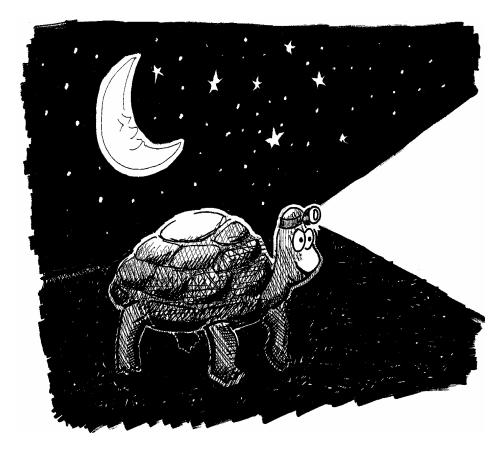


"Mosquitoes NETTLE when they SETTLE."

- □ My little brother always seems to **NETTLE** me.
- □ Hip Hop music **NETTLES** my parents.
- □ The noise **NETTLED** its way from the room next door.

### **NOCTURNAL** (nawk TUR nul) *adj.* of or occurring at night

## Link: NIGHT TURTLE



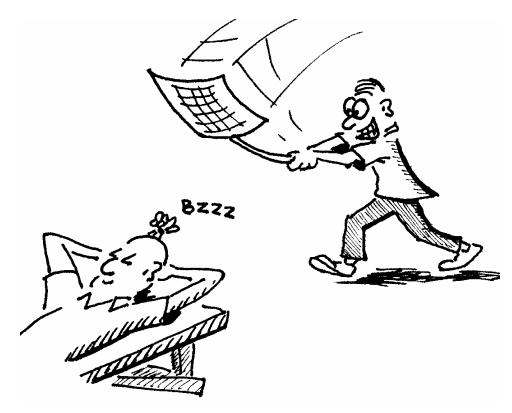
"A NOCTURNAL TURTLE"

- NOCTURNAL animals sleep during the day and are active at night.
- A NOCTURNAL person is one who stays up late at night.
- DIURNAL, which means of or occurring during the day, is the opposite of NOCTURNAL.

## NULLIFY

(NUL ih fy) *v.* to make useless; cancel; undo

## Link: FLY



"How to NULLIFY a FLY."

- Christopher said his agreement to play for the Cowboys had been NULLIFIED due to his injury.
- The purchase contract could be NULLIFIED because it had never been signed by the buyer.
- Jane wanted her marriage ANNULLED because her husband was trying to NULLIFY their prenuptial agreement.

## NURTURE

(NUR chur) *v.* to nourish, to feed; to educate; to train; to foster

## Link: NURSE

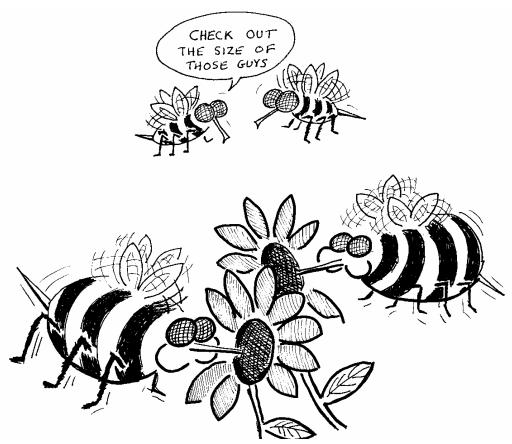


"NURSES NURTURE the sick and ailing."

- □ Mother birds **NURTURE** their young.
- Laura NURTURED the abandoned puppy and kept him as her own.
- During her first year of college, Elizabeth often called her mother for some NURTURING words.

### **OBESE** (oh BEECE) *adj.* extremely fat; grossly overweight

## Link: **BEES**



"OBESE BEES"

- Frederick was so **OBESE** he could not fit through the door.
- OBESITY is a problem caused by lack of exercise, poor diet control, and metabolism.
- **OBESE** people are frequently on diets all their lives.

# OBTRUDE

(aub TROOD) *v.* to impose oneself or one's ideas on others; to stick out

## Link: NUDE

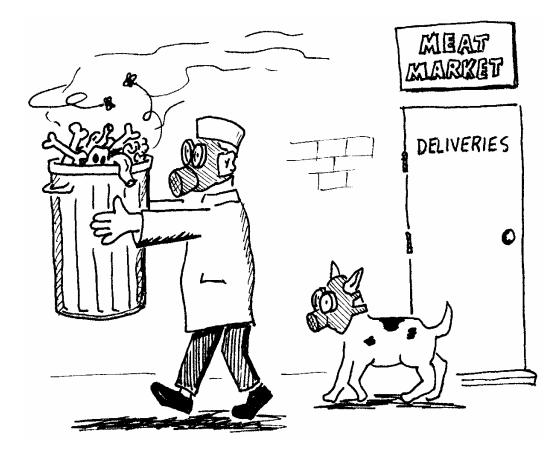


"Ernie hated to **OBTRUDE** in the **NUDE**, but this was an emergency."

- Ross's **OBTRUSIVE** parents forced him to attend the same college as they had.
- Tanya hoped her parents wouldn't OBTRUDE upon her wedding plans.
- Tina's OBTRUSIVE personality made it hard for her to make friends.

### **OFFAL** (AW full) *n.* waste parts, especially of a butchered animal; rubbish

## Link: AWFUL



"The OFFAL smelled AWFUL."

- □ The dog rooted through the **OFFAL** for scraps of food.
- The young cheetah left the OFFAL of his prey to the buzzards.
- The butcher saved the **OFFAL** for his dogs.

# OFFICIOUS

(uh FISH us) *adj.* interfering; intrusive; eager in offering unwanted services or advice

## Link: **OFFICE**



"An OFFICIOUS OFFICE helper"

- Uncle Dan was so OFFICIOUS that he wanted to help me work on my antique cars even though he knew nothing about engines.
- □ The **OFFICIOUS** waitress would not go away even when Jennifer told her that she wanted only coffee.
- Ralph's OFFICIOUSNESS was an attempt to make friends which usually backfired on him.

# ONEROUS

(AHN ur us) *adj.* troublesome or oppressive; burdensome

## Link: OWNER



"A pet shop **OWNER'S** life can become **ONEROUS**."

- Our platoon was given the **ONEROUS** duty of charging up a well-defended hill.
- After our truck ran out of gas, we had the **ONEROUS** task of pushing it two miles to the nearest gas station.
- The teacher was given a classroom aide because her class was so **ONEROUS**.

### **VOCABULARY CARTOONS II:** Review #19.1

#### Match the word with its definition.

- 1. nemesis
- \_\_\_\_ 2. nettle
- 3. nocturnal
- 4. nullify
- \_\_\_\_ 5. **nurture**
- 6. **obese**
- \_\_\_\_ 7. obtrude
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. **offal**
- 9. officious
- 10. onerous

- a. to make useless; cancel; undo
- b. extremely fat
- c. an opponent difficult to beat
- d. troublesome or oppressive
- e. waste parts
- f. of or occurring at night
- to nourish, to feed; to train: to foster g.
- h. to irritate; vex
- eager in offering unwanted advice i.
- j. to stick out

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

- 1. Frederick was so he could not fit through the door.
- 2. Mother birds \_\_\_\_\_ their young.
- 3. Tanya hoped her parents wouldn't upon her wedding plans.
- 4. animals sleep during the day and are active at night.
- 5. Our platoon was given the \_\_\_\_\_ duty of charging up a welldefended hill.
- 6. Hip Hop music my parents.
- 7. Lex Luther considers Superman his \_\_\_\_\_.
- 8. The purchase contract could be because it had never been signed by the buyer.
- 9. The waitress would not go away even when Jennifer told her that she wanted only coffee.
- 10. The dog rooted through the \_\_\_\_\_\_ for scraps of food.

### **VOCABULARY CARTOONS II:** Review #19.2

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

- 1. extremely fat; grossly overweight
  - a.) onerous
  - b.) offal
  - c.) obtrude
  - d.) obese
- 2. troublesome or oppressive; burdensome
  - a.) onerous
  - b.) offal
  - c.) obtrude
  - d.) obese
- 3. a very rich or powerful person
  - a.) onerous
  - b.) mogul
  - c.) nemesis
  - d.) malodor
- 4. an opponent that cannot be beaten
  - a.) nettle
  - b.) mogul
  - c.) nemesis
  - d.) malodor
- 5. to make useless; cancel; undo
  - a.) nettle
  - b.) nurture
  - c.) nullify
  - d.) officious
- 6. to irritate; vex
  - a.) nettle
  - b.) nemesis
  - c.) obtrude
  - d.) onerous
- 7. a bad odor
  - a.) onerous
  - b.) offal
  - c.) officious
  - d.) malodor
- 8. waste parts, especially of an animal
  - a.) obese
  - b.) offal
  - c.) officious
  - d.) malodor

- 9. interfering; intrusive; eager in offering unwanted services or advice
  - a.) nemesis
  - b.) obtrude
  - c.) officious
  - d.) onerous
- 10. excessively and objectionably sentimental
  - a.) morass
  - b.) mawkish
  - c.) officious
  - d.) nurture
- 11. to impose oneself or one's ideas on others; to stick out
  - a.) morass
  - b.) obtrude
  - c.) manifest
  - d.) onerous
- 12. to nourish, feed, educate, train or foster
  - a.) nettle
  - b.) nocturnal
  - c.) manifest
  - d.) nurture
- 13. to clear or evident to the eye; obvious
  - a.) obtrude
  - b.) nocturnal
  - c.) manifest
  - d.) mete
- 14. of or occurring at night
  - a.) obtrude
  - b.) nocturnal
  - c.) manifest
  - d.) onerous
- 15. to distribute by or as if by measure; to allot
  - a.) nurture
  - b.) nettle
  - c.) manifest
  - d.) mete

### VOCABULARY CARTOONS II, SAT Word Power

#### **Review Answers**

#### **Review #19.1**

#### **Review #19.2**

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