## APEX

(AY peks) $n$.
the highest point; peak

## Link: APE X


"The APE planted his $\boldsymbol{X}$ at the APEX."

- Our shadows were shortest when the sun had reached its APEX.
- Christina marked the APEX before she finished the graphing problem.
- When the swing reached its APEX, we feared the little girl might go over the top.


## APPEASE

(ah PEEZ) $v$.
to soothe; to pacify or relieve by giving into

## Link: PEAS


"To APPEASE his parents, Johnny ate his PEAS."

- To APPEASE his mother, Zachary always walked the dog before dinner.
- The sergeant APPEASED his troops by giving them an extra day of rest and relaxation.
- The trainer APPEASES the monkey by giving him extra bananas.


## ARMAMENT

(ARM ah ment) $n$.
military supplies and weapons;
the process of arming for war

## Link: ARM


"The long ARMS of ARMAMENT"

- The United States government believes its nuclear ARMAMENT is a deterrent to the possibility of a third world war.
- We equipped ourselves with a an ARMAMENT no enemy could match.
- Christopher is the ARMAMENTS officer for his division.


## ASCRIBE

(ah SKRIBE) $v$.
to attribute to a specific cause, source, or origin

## Link: TRIBE


"The TRIBE ASCRIBED the nickname 'Long Nose' to the cavalry."

- The physics professor ASCRIBES to the theory that what goes up must come down.
- Samantha ASCRIBED her weight loss to a diet of fruits and vegetables.
- Kurt ASCRIBED his gold medal to hard work and dedication.


## ASININE

(ASS ah nine) adj.
silly; stupid
Link: ASS OF MINE

"This ASS OF MINE is ASININE."

- My sister gave up working in a mental hospital because she could no longer deal with ASININE behavior.
- Adam is usually a nice guy, but sometimes he is so ASININE no one can stand him.
- The phone solicitor asked so many ASININE questions that I finally hung up.


## ASSAIL

(ah SAIL) $v$.
to attack violently

## Link: SAIL


"A ship's SAIL being ASSAILED"

- The debaters ASSAILED each other with facts, each hoping to persuade the judges to see things his way.
- While the defendant claims he did not ASSAIL the claimant, the claimant did have bruises to prove otherwise.
- Music ASSAILED our ears as we walked into the concert hall.


## ATONE

(ah TONE) $v$.
to make amends

## Link: ALONE


"He who does not ATONE, ends up ALONE."

- Rachel ATONED for skipping school by getting straight As on her next report card.
- Nothing the convicted murderer said could ATONE for his crime.
- After ATONING for his past indiscretions, the President quickly won back the support of the nation.


# ATTRITION 

(ah TRISH un) $n$.
a gradual reduction or weakening; a rubbing away

## Link: FISHIN'


"Over-FISHIN' can lead to ATTRITION."

- The war became a battle of ATTRITION, each side wearing down the other.
- Because our school has so many older teachers, the ATTRITION rate is high.
- Washed ashore, the once jagged piece of glass had become a smoothed gem due to the ATTRITION of the sea and sand.


## AUGMENT

(awg MENT) $v$.
to make or become greater

## Link: CEMENT


"How not to AUGMENT a driveway with CEMENT."

- The king attempted to AUGMENT his army by going into villages and drafting men into service.
- Jack's part-time job did little to AUGMENT his family's financial woes.
- The President AUGMENTED his problems by denying his involvement in any wrong doing.


## BALEFUL

(BAYL ful) adj.
threatening; hurtful; malignant; ominous
Link: BAIL FALL


## "A BALEFUL BAIL FALLING"

- The prisoner sat in BALEFUL silence while the judge read his jail sentence.
- Sharon cast a BALEFUL glance at her boyfriend when he said she had gained a lot of weight.
- The sky was BALEFULLY thick with clouds.
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## VOCABULARY CARTOONS II: Review \#3.1

Match the word with its definition.
$\qquad$ 1. apex
a. military supplies and weapons
2. appease
b. silly; stupid
3. armament
c. the highest point; peak
4. ascribe
d. to attribute to a specific cause
5. asinine
e. a gradual reduction
6. assail
f. to make or become greater
7. atone
g. to attack violently
8. attrition
h. threatening; hurtful
9. augment
i. to soothe
10. baleful
j. to make amends

Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word.

1. Music $\qquad$ our ears as we walked into the concert hall.
2. We equipped ourselves with an $\qquad$ no enemy could match.
3. The phone solicitor asked so many $\qquad$ questions that I finally hung up.
4. When the swing reached its $\qquad$ , we feared the little girl might go over the top.
5. To $\qquad$ his mother, Zachary always walked the dog before dinner.
6. Jack's part-time job did little to $\qquad$ his family's financial woes.
7. Sharon cast a $\qquad$ glance at her boyfriend when he said she had gained a lot of weight.
8. The physics professor $\qquad$ to the theory that what goes up must come down.
9. The war became a battle of $\qquad$ , each side wearing down the other.
10. Nothing the convicted murderer said could $\qquad$ for his crime.
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## VOCABULARY CARTOONS II: Review \#3.2

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

1. the highest point; peak
a.) atone
b.) annex
c.) apex
d.) agog
2. to make amends
a.) atone
b.) assail
c.) animosity
d.) augment
3. to make or become greater
a.) apex
b.) armament
c.) attrition
d.) augment
4. skillful; deft
a.) agog
b.) adroit
c.) baleful
d.) adherent
5. having a feeling of ill-will
a.) ambivalence
b.) animosity
c.) baleful
d.) ancillary
6. threatening; hurtful; malignant; ominous
a.) ambivalence
b.) assail
c.) asinine
d.) baleful
7. to soothe; pacify or relieve by giving into
a.) assail
b.) augment
c.) ascribe
d.) appease
8. to attack violently
a.) assail
b.) atone
c.) asinine
d.) ascribe
9. indecision; experiencing contradictory emotions
a.) attrition
b.) ambivalence
c.) baleful
d.) ascribe
10. helping; providing assistance; subordinate
a.) baleful
b.) ambulatory
c.) ancillary
d.) animosity
11. silly; stupid
a.) agog
b.) adroit
c.) asinine
d.) baleful
12. to add or attach
a.) annex
b.) attrition
c.) abate
d.) ascribe
13. military supplies and weapons
a.) annex
b.) armament
c.) acme
d.) augment
14. a gradual reduction
a.) atone
b.) annex
c.) augment
d.) attrition
15. to attribute to a specific cause, source or origin
a.) ascribe
b.) aesthetic
c.) adherent
d.) apex

# VOCABULARY CARTOONS II, SAT Word Power Review Answers 

## Review \#3. 1

## Review \#3.2

Matching: Fill in the Blank:

1. C
2. i
3. a
4. d
5. b
6. g
7. j
8. e
9. f
10. h
11. assailed
12. armament
13. asinine
14. apex
15. appease
16. augment
17. baleful
18. ascribes
19. attrition
20. atone

Multiple Choice:

1. c.) apex 11. c.) asinine
2. a.) atone
3. d.) augment
4. a.) annex
5. b.) adroit
6. b.) animosity
7. b.) armament
8. d.) attrition
9. a.) ascribe
10. d.) baleful
11. d.) appease
12. a.) assail
13. b.) ambivalence
14. c.) ancillary
