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**Lesson EIGHT Vocabulary**

***All the words in this lesson may be associated with the process of thinking.***

**Allude:** V. to refer to indirectly *(The article alludes to the fact that the Senator is very wealthy.)*

**Apprehend:** V. to understand; to perceive *(The police officer listened carefully to the suspect in order to apprehend the motive.)*

**Cogitate:** V. to think over carefully *(You will have to wait until tomorrow for my decision because I need to cogitate about this proposal.)*

**Confirm:** V. to assure the validity of; to verify *(This letter will confirm that your reservation was received.)*

**Contend:** V. to assert or maintain *(The professor will contend that her theory is valid.)*

**Discriminate:** V. to differentiate; to distinguish *(The article is so well written that it is hard to discriminate between reality and fantasy.)*

**Educate:** V. to teach; to provide knowledge or training *(A teacher’s main objective is to educate students.)*

**Elucidate:** V. to make clear; to explain *(In order to elucidate his point, the speaker referred to the charts and graphs.)*

**Enhance:** V. to improve; to augment *(Read those books to enhance your knowledge of the subject.)*

**Evaluate:** V. to determine the value or worth of something *(Once a year, the manager will evaluate job performance.)*

**Evoke:** V. to call forth *(An old picture or a souvenir may evoke memories of childhood.)*

**Generate:** V. to produce; to bring into existence *(The candidate’s beliefs are sure to generate much enthusiasm for the campaign.)*

**Illuminate:** V. to clarify; to make understandable *(This book will illuminate the concept I was trying to explain.)*

**Imply:** V. to suggest or express indirectly *(She tried to imply that the designer was the cause of the project’s failure.)*

**Include:** V. to have as a part; to contain *(The writer wanted to include your idea in the article.)*

**Predict:** V. to tell about or make known in advance; to foretell *(Harry always tries to predict which team will win the World Series, but he is always wrong.)*

**Query:** V. to question *(If you do not understand the professor, query him!)*

**Scrutinize:** V. to examine closely *(The committee planned to scrutinize each applicant’s references.)*

**Transform:** V. to change *(The artist could transform the clay into a work of art.)*

**Vindicate:** V. to clear of blame or doubt (The jury voted to vindicate the defendant.)

**Directions:** Choose the letter of the word that best completes the sentence.

1. Sarcastic comments by a teacher may \_\_\_\_\_ anger from the students.
   1. Transform b. evoke `c. cogitate d. illuminate
2. The teacher will \_\_\_\_\_ each student’s performance weekly.
   1. Apprehend b. generate c. evaluate d. enhance
3. Education will help you \_\_\_\_\_ between sound reasoning and poor logic.
   1. Allude b. predict c. educate d. discriminate
4. The classroom discussion helped to \_\_\_\_\_ an interesting debate.
   1. Generate b. elucidate c. imply d. vindicate
5. These passages \_\_\_\_\_ to the impact of the Trojan War.
   1. Evoke b. allude c. include d. query
6. Experts use trends to \_\_\_\_\_ the economic future.
   1. Predict b. contend c. generate d. educate
7. The book does not \_\_\_\_\_ a list of related works.
   1. Confirm b. enhance c. transform d. include
8. The editor will \_\_\_\_\_ every detail before this is published.
   1. Imply b. discriminate c. vindicate d. scrutinize
9. In order to \_\_\_\_\_ her point, the engineer drew a rough sketch.
   1. Allude b. predict c. illuminate d. imply
10. The purpose of this seminar is to \_\_\_\_\_ the participants.
    1. Cogitate b. educate c. contend d. generate

**Directions: Choose the letter of the word that most nearly has the SAME MEANING as that in capital letters.**

1. QUERY 16. CONFIRM
   1. Ask c. build a. read c. validate
   2. State d. cough b. swallow d. deny
2. APPREHEND 17. IMPLY
   1. Doubt c. know a. dress c. force
   2. Drive d. imitate b. hint d. mimic
3. TRANSFORM 18. ELUCIDATE
   1. Climb c. examine a. conform c. enjoy
   2. Remain d. modify b. clarify d. learn
4. COGITATE 19. CONTEND
   1. Cure c. consume a. insist c. examine
   2. Consider d. cut b. laugh d. solve
5. ENHANCE 20. VINDICATE
   1. Follow c. stop a. isolate c. acquit
   2. Ignite d. strengthen b. augment d. destroy