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**Lesson SEVEN Vocabulary**

***All the words in this lesson contain the Latin prefixes di- or dis-, which mean “the opposite or absence of”.***

**Digressive:** ADJ. straying from the main topic; rambling *(People could not understand the speech because of its digressive remarks.)*

**Disagreement:** N. a difference of opinion *(The disagreement turned into an argument.)*

**Disapprove:** V. to object to; to have a low or unfavorable opinion of *(Vince knew his father would disapprove of his new haircut.)*

**Disavowal:** N. denial; disclaiming responsibility for *(The client’s sudden disavowal of the crime came as a shock to the lawyer.)*

**Disbelief:** N. reluctance or refusal to accept *(The coach knew his team had lost, but he stared at the scoreboard in disbelief.)*

**Disclaim:** V. to deny or renounce any connection with *(The company will disclaim any knowledge of the side effects of the product.)*

**Disconnect:** V. to detach; to shut off *(Before you move, make sure to disconnect the telephones.)*

**Discontent:** N. dissatisfaction; unhappiness *(I can sense your discontent with this class.)*

**Discontinue:** V. to stop; to put an end to *(If sales do not increase, we will have to discontinue this product.)*

**Disenchantment:** N. a loss of one’s illusions about something *(When the girl realized her idol was imperfect, she felt a real disenchantment.)*

**Disinterest:** N. impartiality *(The student made a good referee because he showed disinterest in the outcome of the game.)*

**Dislodge:** V. to remove or force from a position previously occupied *(This maneuver will dislodge food from a person’s windpipe.)*

**Disorganized:** ADJ. out of order; confused arrangement *(Our files are disorganized, so it is hard to find information.)*

**Displace:** V. to change the position of *(If we renovate the building in sections, we will not have to displace any of the tenants.)*

**Disqualify:** V. to declare ineligible or unfit (The judges will disqualify an athlete who breaks the rules.)

**Disregard:** V. to pay no attention to; to ignore (Please disregard this notice if you are a city resident.)

**Disrespect:** N. lack of consideration or courtesy; rudeness (The parents would not permit disrespect from their children.)

**Dissemble:** V. to conceal; to disguise (Anita was trying to dissemble and not to reveal her true feelings.)

**Disseminate:** V. to distribute; to scatter (Both environmental organizations disseminate a monthly newsletter.)

**Dissent:** N. difference of opinion; disagreement (There was dissent among the conservative and liberal members of the committee.)

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

1. The teacher’s \_\_\_\_\_ made her an ideal judge at the tryouts.
   1. Disinterest b. dissent c. disavowal d. disagreement
2. The newspaper is a good way to \_\_\_\_\_ information.
   1. Disseminate b. dislodge c. dissemble d. displace
3. Kay thought there would be a \_\_\_\_\_, but everyone liked the idea.
   1. Disbelief b. disrespect c. disavowal d. disagreement
4. \_\_\_\_\_ what you are doing and begin work on this project.
   1. Disapprove b. disclaim c. dissemble d. discontinue
5. My \_\_\_\_\_ with the class was due to the poor grade I received.
   1. Disrespect b. disavowal c. discontent d. disbelief
6. It is impolite to show \_\_\_\_\_ towards a guest.
   1. Disagreement b. disavowal c. disrespect d. disbelief
7. We listened in \_\_\_\_\_ as the announcer described the disaster.
   1. Dissent b. disbelief c. disinterest d. disrespect
8. We will have to \_\_\_\_\_ the boxer if he has gained too much weight.
   1. Dislodge b. disqualify c. disinterest d. disconnect
9. In order to repair the motor, you must \_\_\_\_\_ the wires.
   1. Disconnect b. disapprove c. disclaim d. disqualify
10. I sense your \_\_\_\_\_ with this project, but things will improve in the next few weeks.
    1. Disenchantment b. disavowal c. disrespect d. disbelief

**DIRECTIONS: Choose the letter of the word that most nearly has the OPPOSITE meaning as that in capital letters.**

1. DISSENT 16. DISREGARD
   1. Control c. approval a. ignore c. snub
   2. Attack d. blame b. glare d. heed
2. DISLODGE 17. DISPLACE
   1. Agree c. eject a. blink c. install
   2. Attach d. produce b. exercise d. taste
3. DIGRESSIVE 18. DISCLAIM
   1. Massive c. stingy a. refund c. frighten
   2. Direct d. reluctance b. enlarge d. acknowledge
4. DISSEMBLE 19. DISAPPROVE
   1. Reveal c. replace a. dislike c. curse
   2. Hide d. scare b. distribute d. accept
5. DISAVOWAL 20. DISORGANIZED
   1. Removal c. tendency a. confused c. structured
   2. Affirmation d. refusal b. torn d. reformed