

Vocabulary Exercise 5

Use the context of the following sentences to determine the meanings of the given words. Next to each word, put what you think the meaning might be. For this part of the homework, don't look up the word in the dictionary.

41. **Embed** _____
- News organizations like to **embed** reporters with front-line troops so that they can accurately report on wars.
 - Proteus Digital Health Inc. has developed the technology to **embed** ingestible chips into pills to monitor patients' health.
42. **eminent** _____
- In the late 1700s, Samuel Johnson wrote a series of biographies entitled *Lives of the Most **Eminent** English Poets*.
 - A group of **eminent** Chinese Communist Party elders has issued a bold call to end the country's wide-ranging restrictions on free speech.
43. **encompass** _____
- Australia will protect 3.1 million square kilometers (1.2 million square miles) of ocean. The reserves will **encompass** a third of the island continent's territorial waters, which sustain more than 4,000 species of fish.
 - The court wrote that piracy under international law has evolved for decades to **encompass** other violent conduct.
44. **entice** _____
- Coupons are definitely a ploy to **entice** you to buy something you may not have purchased otherwise.
 - Some [law] schools, anxious that accepting students with lower scores and grades would undercut their rankings, started to **entice** top applicants with generous scholarships, which in turn drove up tuition costs for everyone else.
45. **erode** _____
- An explosion that rocked an oil refinery in Venezuela on Saturday. . . could drive up gasoline prices and further **erode** consumer confidence and derail the economic recovery.
 - Foreclosure sales can **erode** the value of nearby homes.
46. **escalate** _____
- A group of gunmen on motorcycles in the southwestern province of Baluchistan killed seven Shiite Muslims, as violence against the minority sect continues to **escalate**.
 - The southern [Sudan] military forcibly took a disputed oil well in an armed conflict that threatened to **escalate** into full-blown war between the neighbors.
47. **evoke** _____
- Because it may **evoke** thoughts of food and get digestive juices flowing, some people hypothesized that chewing gum could make people hungrier.
 - Warm wooden floors and cabinets **evoke** the feel of a fancy log cabin in the Appalachian mountains.
48. **expedient** _____
- We need the President to . . . force the EPA to rule, one way or the other, on fracking, pipelines and deep-water drilling immediately and stop waiting until it is more politically **expedient** (i.e. after the election).
 - It is our expectation that FIFA will address and resolve this situation in an **expedient** manner, and work toward restoring the trust of fans around the world.
49. **facilitate** _____
- [Finding water on the moon] would **facilitate** the establishment of a permanent, self-sustaining manned base.
 - Any business that continues to irresponsibly support Iran's energy sector or helps **facilitate** [the] nation's efforts to evade U.S. sanctions will face serious consequences.
50. **farce** _____
- Revolutionaries argued that elections supervised by the military would be a **farce** and any constitution would be tainted.
 - The notion that the Department of Justice can be trusted to investigate the White House is a **farce**.

Look up each word in the dictionary. Give the dictionary definition that best fits the way the word is used in the sample sentences on the previous page. Give the word's part of speech. If the word is a verb, label it as transitive (TR Verb) or intransitive (I Verb).

	Dictionary Definition	Part of Speech
embed		
eminent		
encompass		
entice		
erode		
escalate		
evoke		
expedient		
facilitate		
farce		

Write definitive sentences for five of the vocabulary words of your choice.

1. _____

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