EN102 Grammar and Composition II

Vocabulary Exercise 3

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. Then do the matching section to match up the words with their definitions.

Name:

13. apprehension

- The unsaved, uncertain of eternal destiny, must be filled with apprehension at the thought of dying.
- Many citizens were elated by the election results, but others were apprehensive about the direction the newly elected president would take the country.

14. begrudge

- The boss begrudgingly allowed his employee to take a vacation during the company's busy season.
- Although he never had the opportunity to go himself, the young man did not begrudge his sister's plans to tour Europe.

15. **cow**

- The bully used threats to cow his victim into handing over her lunch.
- In 1995 and 1996, China tried to cow United States and Taiwanese leaders by carrying on a vigorous missile-testing campaign.

16. despondent

- Having being laid off, he fought off despondency and made himself continue to look for a new job.
- The car accident that took the lives of her husband and son left the young woman despondent.

17. detest

- Most students don't mind doing assignments if they see value in them, but they detest busy work.
- I detest alcohol; I've seen how it can destroy lives!

18. expectancy

- Having prayed and fasted for his congregation for weeks, the pastor was filled with expectancy as the revival meetings drew near.
- The English teacher had a positive, expectant attitude toward her students; she knew they could do well.

19. **furtive**

- The burglar went about his business in a furtive manner, taking measures not to be caught.
- The intelligence officer often held furtive meetings with his spy ring deep in enemy territory; they were just sly and secretive enough not to get caught.

20. grizzled

- The old lady answered, "no" with the shake of her grizzled head, her gray-streaked hair falling in her eyes.
- The dog's coat was completely black except for a grizzled patch of gray and white near his right ear.

21. implore

- I implore you to do your best in this class; I really want you to pass it.
- The convicted felon implored the judge to have mercy during the sentencing portion of the trial.

22. profanation

- In Nazi Germany, Jews were often accused of the profanation, or defiling, of sacred sites.
- To add to or to take away from the Bible would be a profanation of the Holy Book.

23. salutation

- Sandra read the love letter's salutation again, filled with wonder that it was indeed addressed to her.
- The letter started out with a pleasant salutation, but its body contained a scathing rebuke.

24. sedate

- Without the customary lively interference of the children, our evening was guite sedate.
- The agitated animal was given a sedative to calm it down.

25. **solace**

- In the days after 9/11, Mrs. Bush encouraged Americans to take solace in their families and communities.
- The Holy Spirit gives solace to a grieving heart like no Other can.

26. solitude

- Samuel's solitude was interrupted when his brother burst into the room.
- Everyone enjoys solitude rather than crowds from time to time.

27. supplicate

- Early each day, the prayerful mother spent time supplicating God on behalf of her husband and children.
- Before Jacob died, Joseph supplicated a blessing from him for his son Manasseh.

13.	 apprehension	a.	taken, done, or used secretively; sly
14.	 begrudge	b.	to give with reluctance; to unwillingly acknowledge
15.	 cow	c.	hate; intensely dislike
16.	 despondent	d.	something written, said, or done as a greeting
17.	 detest	e.	the state of being alone
18.	 expectancy	f.	to urgently beg
19.	 furtive	g.	an act of desecration or defilement
20.	 grizzled	h.	the act or state of waiting with anticipation
21.	 implore	i.	to give comfort or relief; to console
22.	 profanation	j.	anticipation or suspicion of unfavorable future events
23.	 salutation	k.	to ask for earnestly and humbly
24.	 sedate	l.	sprinkled, mixed, or streaked with gray
25.	 solace	m.	calm, quiet
26.	 solitude	n.	to frighten with threats; to intimidate
27.	 supplicate	0.	extreme discouragement; feeling hopeless