

11 Words of similar meaning: Verbs

Complete each of the groups of three words with a word that is similar in meaning. Choose from the following:

abhor	coerce	jibe	scurry
abridge	corroborate	pillage	shelve
allure	crow	postulate	snicker
bicker	dupe	procure	thwart
chide	fathom	revere	vex

- 1 abbreviate, shorten, condense ...
- 2 acquire, gain, obtain
- 3 admire, respect, venerate
- 4 annoy, bother, pester
- 5 argue, quarrel, squabble
- 6 assume, suppose, infer
- 7 brag, boast, swagger
- 8 cheat, swindle, hoodwink
- 9 confirm, verify, affirm
- 10 force, compel, oblige
- 11 hate, detest, loathe
- 12 laugh, chuckle, guffaw
- 13 oppose, resist, withstand
- 14 postpone, adjourn, put off
- 15 rebuke, scold, reprimand
- 16 rush, scamper, dash
- 17 sneer, scoff, jeer
- 18 tempt, entice, seduce
- 19 understand, comprehend, grasp
- 20 rob, steal, plunder

12 True or False?

Choose whether you think the following sentences are correct or not by writing the words "True" or "False" in the appropriate column.

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| 1 A person who collects stamps is called a philatelist..... | | |
| 2 You usually buy strawberries in a punnet..... | | |
| 3 Penultimate means last..... | | |
| 4 A trilby is something you wear..... | | |
| 5 A cantankerous person would make very good company..... | | |
| 6 A catkin is a female kitten..... | | |
| 7 Scotch mist is a type of drink..... | | |
| 8 Another word for attic is loft..... | | |
| 9 A ferret is a type of bird..... | | |
| 10 Manure is good for the garden..... | | |
| 11 "You can't see me - I'm invincible!"..... | | |
| 12 A crony is an old, close friend..... | | |
| 13 You would probably feel flattered if someone described you as a pervert..... | | |
| 14 Biennial means "twice a year"..... | | |
| 15 A budgie is a popular pet in Britain..... | | |
| 16 A barge is a type of boat..... | | |
| 17 A female sheep is called a ewe..... | | |
| 18 A dais is something you stand on..... | | |
| 19 If you have halitosis you have trouble with your feet..... | | |
| 20 The nadir is the highest point of something..... | | |
| 21 Spokes are found on a bicycle..... | | |
| 22 A dipstick is used to locate water hidden underground..... | | |
| 23 Most people enjoy having a chinwag with their friends..... | | |
| 24 Brisket is beef cut from the chest of the animal..... | | |
| 25 You can go to a turf accountant if you want advice about your lawn..... | | |