

# Words from James Jones’ *From Here to Eternity*

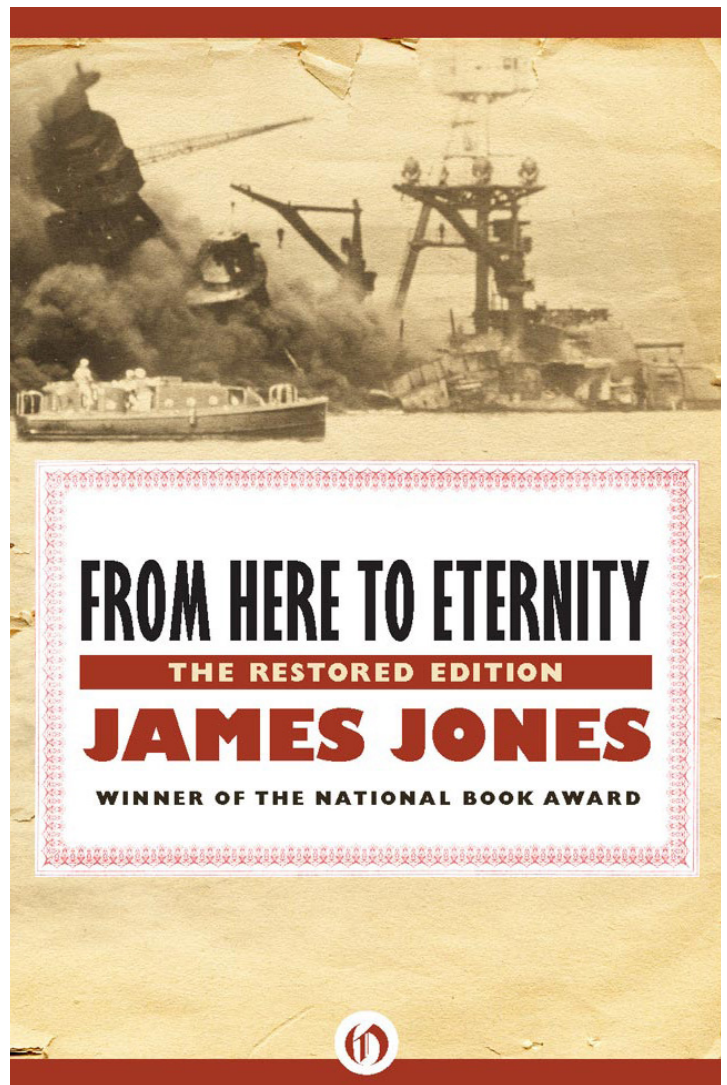
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*Avocabo Wordlist 105*

*From Here to Eternity* takes place in the summer and autumn of 1941 at the Schofield Barracks in Hawaii. Members of the G Company are followed, including Captain Dana “Dynamite” Holmes and First Sergeant Milt Warden. The novel focuses on a struggle between former bugler, Private Robert E. Lee Prewitt and his superiors. After blinding a fellow soldier while boxing, Prewitt will not box for his company’s outfit. Additionally, he resists the “treatment”, a daily hazing where the non-commissioned officers of his company completely run him to the ground.

**Exercise 105-1: Definitions:** Match each list word to its proper definition (20 Marks)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Any musical service, hymn, or dirge for the repose of the dead
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Appropriateness; suitability
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Strong displeasure at something considered unjust
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Points or pointed parts projecting backward
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Became scattered or dispersed
6. \_\_\_\_\_ A passionate expression of grief or sorrow
7. \_\_\_\_\_ A brief poem or other writing in praise of a deceased person
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Friendly; sociably
9. \_\_\_\_\_ In an unduly demonstrative way
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Rough and noisy manner
11. \_\_\_\_\_ Odd or unnatural in shape, appearance, or composure
12. \_\_\_\_\_ Mental or emotional stability or composure, especially under tension or strain



13. \_\_\_\_\_ To be set aside or cause to be set aside as void, useless, or obsolete, usually in favor of something mentioned; make obsolete
14. \_\_\_\_\_ A member of the Russian Communist Party
15. \_\_\_\_\_ Come in a tenderness, compassionate, and sympathetic manner
16. \_\_\_\_\_ Taking the place of another person or thing; acting or serving as a substitute
17. \_\_\_\_\_ Forcing into something; coercing; bullying
18. \_\_\_\_\_ Providing comfort
19. \_\_\_\_\_ Any person in a position of authority who exercises power oppressively or despotically
20. \_\_\_\_\_ The act of treating someone or something poorly and without respect

**Exercise 105-2: Fill in the Blanks:** Complete these sentences from the novel with the best list word. (19 Marks)

1. You're getting yourself a reputation as a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Red slumped back in his chair, the concentrated pouring dispersed and \_\_\_\_\_ against this wall he did not understand.
3. Red watched him toward the door and \_\_\_\_\_ did not contradict him.
4. Your eyes always hunted for them, hiking, with a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ breathlessness that would have shamed you.
5. He learned it as a boy, and with it he learned a lot of blues songs and \_\_\_\_\_.
6. In the boy's mind, already even then \_\_\_\_\_ instinctively against the propaganda of the walls.
7. Its \_\_\_\_\_ picture is of the surviving member freed to follow his lifelong ambition.
8. The army did not have sulfa then, it could not make up its mind to adopt the doubtful stuff until the war, and it was a long and painful process, getting cured, with lots of long-handled \_\_\_\_\_ and cutters.
9. "He's a hardhead," Warden said, \_\_\_\_\_.
10. He changed his tactics now and stop up, \_\_\_\_\_ polite.
11. The big man was silent, his sudden disconcerting \_\_\_\_\_ as suddenly and as disconcertingly gone, and ran his fingers through his wildly rumped hair.
12. After chow they wandered back upstairs by twos and threes, subdued now and with full bellies, the \_\_\_\_\_ caused by the prospect of an hour's recess replaced now by the unpleasant prospect of Fatigue Call and working on full bellies.
13. "Yeah," he said, with \_\_\_\_\_ sympathy.
14. "Oh, sure," Pete managed to stick in, the \_\_\_\_\_ fading.

15. Sloppiness in eating was no longer allowed, and Stark enforced his new rule like a(n) \_\_\_\_\_.
16. Love, it seems to me, is a matter of \_\_\_\_\_.
17. And then the last note of the first phrase rose triumphantly from the slightly broken rhythm, triumphantly high on an untouchable level of pride above the humiliations, the \_\_\_\_\_.
18. They vibrated there, caressingly, filled with an infinite sadness, an endless patience, a pointless pride, the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the common soldier.
19. Men had come from the Day-rooms to the porches to listen in the darkness, feeling the sudden choking kinship bred of fear that \_\_\_\_\_ all personal tastes.

**Exercise 105-3 Anagrams:** Unscramble these mixed up words to produce list words. (10 Marks)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Adoring dates
2. \_\_\_\_\_ True obsessions
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Pities dads
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Bilks hove
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Ovia cur is
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Lounging bed
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Fly sue five
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Aiding ton in
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Quiet may in
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Heap tip

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**Exercise 105-4 Synonyms:** Select the list word that is the best synonym to the given word. (10 Marks)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Brutally
2. \_\_\_\_\_ Monody
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Gracious
4. \_\_\_\_\_ Roistering
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Distorted
6. \_\_\_\_\_ Serenity
7. \_\_\_\_\_ Dictator
8. \_\_\_\_\_ Humiliation
9. \_\_\_\_\_ Rescind
10. \_\_\_\_\_ Reassuring

**Exercise 105-5 Etymologies:** Fill in the blank with the appropriate list word. (13 Marks)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *rest*
2. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *substituting*
3. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Russian word meaning *greater*
4. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *see*
5. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Middle English word meaning *crude*
6. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Middle English word meaning *beard*
7. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Italian word meaning *chamber*
8. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *equal*
9. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Greek word meaning *at a tomb*

10. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning to sit above

11. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *plaint*

12. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *to soothe*

13. \_\_\_\_\_ From the Latin word meaning *to take offense*

**Answer Key**

**Exercise 105-1 Definitions** 1. Requiem, 2. Expediency, 3. Indignation, 4. Barbs, 5. Dissipated, 6. Laments, 7. Epitaph, 8. Amiably, 9. Effusively, 10. Boisterousness, 11. Grotesque, 12. Equanimity, 13. Supersedes, 14. Bolshevik, 15. Humanely, 16. Vicarious, 17. Bludgeoning, 18. Consolatory, 19. Tyrant, 20. Degradations

**Exercise 105-2 Fill in the Blanks:** 1. Bolshevik, 2. Dissipated, 3. Humanely, 4. Vicarious, 5. Laments, 6. Bludgeoning, 7. Consolatory, 8. Barbs, 9. Amiably, 10. Effusively, 11. Indignation, 12. Boisterousness, 13. Grotesque, 14. Equanimity, 15. Tyrant, 16. Expediency, 17. Degradations, 18. Requiem, 19. Epitaph, 20. Supersedes

**Exercise 105-3 Anagrams:** 1. Degradations, 2. Boisterousness, 3. Dissipated, 4. Bolshevik, 5. Vicarious, 6. Bludgeoning, 7. Effusively, 8. Indignation, 9. Equanimity, 10. Epitaph

**Exercise 105-4 Synonyms:** 1. Humanely, 2. Laments, 3. Amiably, 4. Boisterousness, 5. Grotesque, 6. Equanimity, 7. Tyrant, 8. Degradations, 9. Supersedes, 10. Consolatory

**Exercise 105-5 Etymologies:** 1. Requiem, 2. Vicarious, 3. Bolshevik, 4. Dissipated, 5. Boisterousness, 6. Barbs, 7. Grotesque, 8. Equanimity

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