

Words from Jostein Gaarder's *Sophie's World*

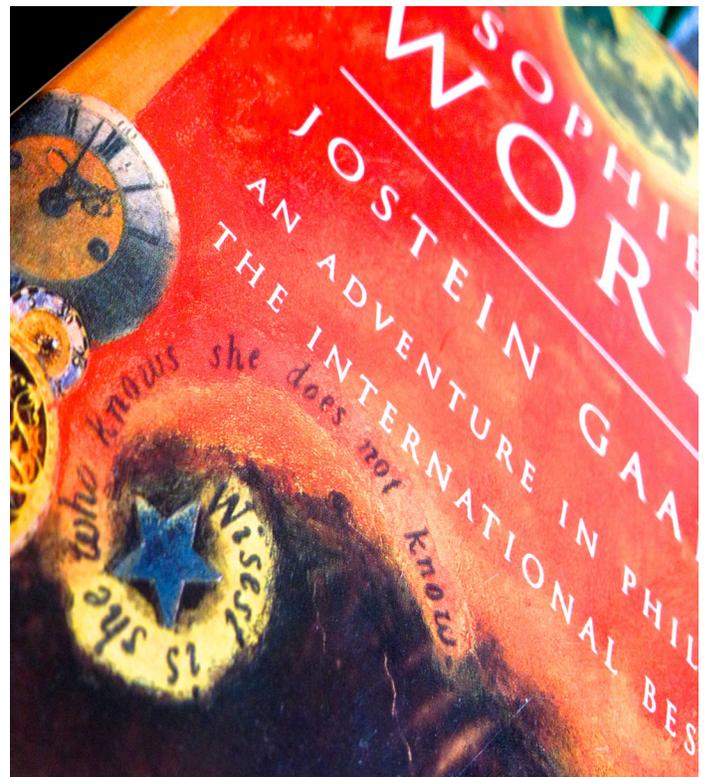
Avocabo Wordlist 98

ACROPOLIS, ANTIQUITY, ARISTOTLE, BAROQUE, CONSCIENCE, CYNICISM, EMPIRICISM, FATALISM, IMBUE, IMMUTABLE, INERTIA, INFINITESIMAL, INTERMINABLE, LOGOS, MALIGN, MENAGERIE, PLATONISM, RAPTUROUS, RATIONALISM, STOIC, TENET

Sophie's world is one of discourse, discovery and a gripping mystery. After receiving an obscure letter from an aloof philosopher, Sophie Amunderson, a typical Norwegian girl, is set on a wayward crash course in philosophy. The two questions: 'Who are you' and 'Where does the world come from' propel Sophie into an eye opening adventure about the answers to those question and many more, including those about her enigmatic counterpart, Hilde. As Sophie is groomed by her faceless professor to be a great philosopher, historian and thinker, she comes closer and closer to uncovering the riddle of her world, all the while struggling to keep her strange new secret.

Exercise 98-1- Definitions: Match the word from *Sophie's World* to the provided definition. (21 Marks)

- _____ 1. n. a personal feeling compelling one's behavior towards the right and moral
- _____ 2. adj. an extremely small quantity
- _____ 3. n. a wild array of animals
- _____ 4. n. a lush, fortified citadel of ancient Greece
- _____ 5. adj. a student of the school of philosophy founded by Zeno of Citium, promoting the endurance of pain or hardship with complaint
- _____ 6. adj. unchanging over time



- _____ 7. n. the philosophical notion that all events are predetermined and therefore inevitable
- _____ 8. n. the ancient past, specifically prior to the Middle Ages
- _____ 9. n. the theory that all knowledge is derived from what is perceived, i.e., sensory information
- _____ 10. n. The impulse to believe that people are motivated purely by self-interest
- _____ 11. n. An Aristotelian term for logical discourse; often studied with Ethos and Pathos
- _____ 12. v. to inspire with a feeling or quality
- _____ 13. adj. endless or incessant (often used hyperbolically)
- _____ 14. adj. expressing an extreme feeling of pleasure or excitement

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- _____ 15. adj. relating to a style of European art and architecture of the 17th and 18th Century; includes works of Bach and Caravaggio
- _____ 16. n. One of the great philosophers of Greece and pupil of Plato's Academy in Athens in 347 BCE
- _____ 17. n. a strong principal or belief; often of a religion or philosophy
- _____ 18. n. the philosophical practice of basing decisions on reason and logic rather than religion, ethics or emotional response
- _____ 19. adj. evil or hostile in nature; malevolent
- _____ 20. n. a innate tendency to do nothing; to remain unchanged
- _____ 21. n. the philosophy of Plato that affirms the existence of abstract objects, which are asserted to "exist" in a third realm distinct both from the sensible external world and from the internal world of consciousness (not to be confused with 'Platonism' with a capital "P")
4. His face, shaded by time and turmoil, yielded nothing but hints of a(n) _____ thought, too dark to dream.
a) malign b) weary c) crazed
5. The atmosphere gave a(n) _____ shudder as the team took to the stadium like horses to the open plain
a) electric b) rapturous c) icy
6. As the sun struck the horizon and my journey took it's final breaths I felt myself _____ with the will of my father before me, to fight and die on this day
a) imbued b) burdened c) struck
7. After twelve years of marriage one can begin to sense themselves declining into a romantic _____; a glacier trapped in its age.
a) tailspin b) climax c) inertia
8. Being a venerable follower of the _____ of communism in the mid-1900s, Gerard Wood underwent years of scrutiny and wariness from his community
a) students b) opponents c) tenets
9. The philosophical understanding that outside of the sensory and the conscious realms exists a reality of perfect forms from which all nature derives is a branch of _____.
a) Platonism b) platonism c) western philosophy

Exercise 98-2: Fill in the blanks: Fill in the blanks with the most appropriate list word. (21 Marks)

1. The city of Toronto is a economic _____ compared to the that of more than several developing countries around the globe
a) Acropolis b) Utopia c) Slum
2. I would be more compelled to drive to the interview today was it not for my _____ towards working for such a small company.
a) doubt b) enthusiasm c) cynicism
3. How _____ we seem, when measured against the gargantuan grandeur of the cosmos.
a) real b) colossal c) infinitesimal
10. Johann Sebastian Bach was a renowned classical German composer of the _____ period and died of an unsuccessful eye operation paired with a stroke and pneumonia.
a) Baroque b) Classical c) Renaissance
11. The ethereal beauty of her being was only matched by her _____ sense of pride and my similar fear of her gaze.
a) juxtaposed b) immutable c) fluxing

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12. Björn, however modest, was a longtime practitioner of _____, in that he live life for the only five reasons we were 'meant' to; our senses.

- a) empiricism b) Buddhism c) pacifism

13. According to Encyclopedia Britannica "_____ was the first genuine scientist in history. ... Every scientist is in his debt."

- a) Albert Einstein b) Democritus c) Aristotle

14. Within every conversation of _____ lies the question: Are we a character in a single narrative written before our time or the unconscious authors of billions.

- a) existentialism b) metaphysics c) fatalism

15. Are we born with innate morals and ideas, or is a(n) _____ something that is nurtured into the psyche by external forces?

- a) conscious b) conscience c) soul

16. Many philosophers once believed that perceivable world was limited to Earth but science has proven that the sensory universe is likely _____.

- a) immense b) vast c) interminable

17. Life is a(n) _____ of experiences; with dogs, deer and dragons scratching against the binds.

- a) cast b) array c) menagerie

18. The Latin term _____ explains the logical discourse in which philosophers come to conclusions

- a) ethos b) logos c) pathos

19. Socrates, Plato and Aristotle were all great philosophers from greater civilizations of _____.

- a) antiquity b) Rome c) oppression

20. Our leaders of state should base their decisions involving the interest of the people first and foremost on _____ rather than ethical queries.

- a) merit b) mathematic c) reason/rationalism

21. My father being a(n) _____ man, showed no hesitation or even emotion throughout the entire hunting trip.

- a) military b) cold c) stoic

Exercise 98-3: Synonyms Select the word closest in meaning to the list word in bold (10 Marks)

1. She had good deal of **cynicism** peeking down from the shaky airplane window.

- a) doubt b) skepticism c) misgivings

2. I cannot, with good **conscience**, allow him to drive home this evening after all he's had to drink.

- a) spirits b) conscious c) morals

3. At 5 o'clock traffic going out of the city reached a relative **inertia**.

- a) standstill b) halt c) crawl

4. Playing in little league growing up **imbued** me with healthy confidence.

- a) instilled b) inspired c) infected

5. From crumbling mountains to the waning moon, nothing in this life is **immutable**.

- a) infrangible b) perishable c) fugitive

6. The applause rose to a **rapturous** wave as the president took to the podium.

- a) hearty b) convulsive c) ecstatic

7. I felt **infinitesimal** gazing through the taxi window at the colossal, bustling city.

- a) miniature b) insignificant c) feckless

8. The character in the play was one of mischief and **malign** intentions.

- a) inimical b) heroic c) somber

9. The **tenets** of Semitic cultures often wane towards a respectful and God-fearing.

- a) aphorisms b) ramifications c) crux

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10. Midday at the Dunder Mifflin office feels **interminable**.

- a) tedious b) expanded c) eternal

Exercise 98-4: Antonyms: Match the word with its corresponding antonyms (10 Marks)

_____ Malign	1. Miniscule
_____ Tenet	2. Skepticism
_____ Imbue	3. Variable
_____ Cynicism	4. Morals
_____ Immutable	5. Melancholy
_____ Conscience	6. Optimism
_____ Infinitesimal	7. Process
_____ Interminable	8. Ephemeral
_____ Inertia	9. Benign
_____ Rapturous	10. Instill

Exercise 98-5: Anagrams: Solve each anagram to find the list word (21 Marks)

_____	1. arc Polios
_____	2. families in tin
_____	3. fail mast
_____	4. nag mil
_____	5. mimic prise
_____	6. supra tour
_____	7. bale it mum
_____	8. conic scene
_____	9. netet
_____	10. cos ti
_____	11. manila torsi
_____	12. nay quit it
_____	13. cynic mis
_____	14. spinal tom
_____	15. go sol
_____	16. ramie gene
_____	17. Aisle tort
_____	18. air nite
_____	19. eternal nimbi
_____	20. be i um
_____	21. qua robe