



Words Connoting Love & Hate

Avocabo Word List 75

ACRIMONIOUS, AMITY, ANATHEMA, ANIMOSITY,
 ARDOR, COSSET, DISPARAGE, ENMITY, ENSORCELL,
 INAMORATA, INIMICAL, JILT, MISANTHROPE, ODIUM,
 PARAMOUR, TRUCULENT, TRYST, UMBRAGE,
 VENERATE, WLATSOME

*My only love sprung from my only hate!
 Too early seen unknown, and known too late!
 Prodigious birth of love it is to me
 That I must love a loathèd enemy.*

- Romeo And Juliet Act 1, scene 5, 138–141

*“You know that when I hate you, it is because I love you
 to a point of passion that unhinges my soul.”*

- Julie de Lespinasse

Exercise 75-1: Place each word in the appropriate column as to whether it connotes love or hatred (20 marks)

LOVE WORDS

HATE WORDS

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Exercise 75-2: Fill-in-the-Blanks: Complete each sentence with the best list word. (20 marks)

1. There are only a few political affair storylines. Usually when the _____ comes forward, unless they have a lot of skeletons, that's pretty much it. The politician has to either come clean and resign or more often admit causing the proverbial "pain" in his marriage and then go back to fundraising and dating. (noun) a lover

2. Despite its frivolity, its easy way with an insult, its insouciance, Twitter is incredibly useful. It allows us to keep a finger on the global pulse - whether that might be a rally in Tehran or an earthquake in Haiti, or an election in the UK. It connects us directly to events as they happen, without any filters or spinmeisters or PR. Maybe that's what's so shocking: we've been anesthetized by our modern, shiny, carefully managed culture, so _____ (ed) we've forgotten that the real world beyond our noses is noisy, smelly, and often (to steal Tony Abbott's favourite phrase) 'very confronting'. (verb) to bewitch

3. David weaves his way through life struggling constantly with social convention, and inadvertently, or often advertently, offending friends and strangers alike, provoking the most splendid _____ in almost everybody he comes in contact with. (adj.) intense hatred or dislike

4. The experience of the tripartite talks in Tehran indicates that if cooperation is based on _____ and respect, problems will not arise between nations and countries. (adj.) mutual understanding and a peaceful relationship

5. With no drama to speak of in more than a generation, the closest thing we have to _____ was the time two Belarusian dudes got mad at each other. So let's stop calling the history between the Habs and Leafs a rivalry and hop on the Canadiens bandwagon, because it's possible that Jerry Seinfeld had it right — when it comes right down to it, we're really just rooting for the clothes. (noun) a feeling of strong dislike, ill will, or enmity that tends to display itself in action

6. Sales of video games plunged 26% in April, the fourth-largest percentage drop ever, as players had fewer new games to choose from and _____ cooled for Nintendo Co.'s new handheld DS game console. (noun) great warmth of feeling; fervor; passion; intense devotion

7. According to a new survey, one sure-fire way for a man to charm his _____ is to read to her in bed. We are told that an astonishing seven out of 10 men in Britain regularly perform this service. We knew that Harold Pinter intoned his verse to Lady Antonia, but did we know Joe Public wooed women with the talking-book version of their favourite cookery guides? (noun) a woman who loves or is loved; female sweetheart or lover

8. Ponijao, in particular, spends much of her infancy sprawled happily in the dirt, within reach of her mother or another watchful family member. The other parents swaddle and _____ their children in as much protection as possible. The first time we

see San Francisco (apart from the requisite Golden Gate establishing shot) the camera pans down an elaborate piece of monitoring equipment in a maternity ward. At one point, Hattie's dad vacuums the floor next to her, then spruces her up with a lint brush. (verb) to treat as a pet; pamper; coddle

9. In a world where some powerful and influential voices in academia and media dismiss or _____ belief in God, Jehovah's Witnesses are proclaiming the importance of such belief, actually promoting the strengthening of one's personal attachment to God. (verb) to speak of or treat slightly; depreciate; belittle; lower the estimation of

10. The dog has one other unpleasant trait: If he thinks we've wronged him in some way, he can be _____. He does not dig up flowers. He does not steal food from countertops. He does not chew couch cushions. But if he thinks he's been ignored, he will destroy the one thing in our house that he knows we love more than any other: paper. (adj.) fierce; cruel; savagely brutal

11. A Delhi court on Saturday ordered charges to be framed against Congress leader Sajjan Kumar in a 1984 anti-Sikh riot. He will be charged with murder and spreading _____ between communities. (noun) a feeling or condition of hostility; hatred; ill will; animosity; antagonism

12. Tiger Woods' wife Elin has hired a top London lawyer to investigate her husband's finances as she fights for a £240million divorce deal. As her battle with the cheating golfer becomes increasingly _____, Elin, 30, has turned to Walter Jnr, an expert at tracking down hidden assets. (adj.) caustic, stinging, or bitter in nature, speech, behavior; etc

13. As Facebook has exploded into a global behemoth of nearly 500 million users, a boisterous segment of them have taken _____ at new features that make their personal information widely available on the Internet. Many were also frustrated with a dizzying array of more than 100 privacy-setting options, which Facebook has acknowledged can be overwhelming. (noun) offense, annoyance, displeasure

14. Whatever purpose a "national bird" should serve, it should be a species that is widely known in the country it represents and whose habits are not _____ to human interests. If it is also a boldly handsome species and one that is not found in other parts of the world, so much the better. (adj.) unfavorable; harmful

15. A love affair turned tragic when a 25-year-old carpenter set himself ablaze and, in the process, burnt 150 shanties. The man had been living with his lover for months and when the woman decided to end the relationship, he decided to commit suicide. He went back to his one-room timber structure, where he doused himself in paraffin and struck a match. The _____ (ed) lover was from Kimilili in Western Province and had lived in Naivasha since 2003. (verb) reject or cast aside

16. Lance Armstrong, the cancer survivor, is innocent 'til proven guilty — although an insensitive _____ might

dare suggest that he is also a guilt survivor. (*noun*) *one who hates humankind*

17. "Murder is so _____ and abominable" ~ Geoffrey Chaucer - Canterbury Tales (The Nun's Priest's Tale) (*adj.*) *loathsome; disgusting; hateful*

18. In America, Robin Hood tends to be portrayed as a populist warrior, and one who has a way of showing up during recessions. In the era of the New Deal and the Great Depression, that vision of a hero afforded for a bit more socialism, but in the era of the tea party it may have swung to the right with just as much ire. To the Guardian's David Cox, the American desire to infuse a British hero with political thinking is _____ no matter what doctrine he espouses. For him, the biggest problem with Scott's film is that Robin Hood, as played by Russell Crowe, is having no fun -- something that runs counter to the spirit of the "prince of thieves," Cox says. (*noun*) *a person or thing detested, loathed, or assigned to damnation or destruction*

19. All religions _____ the earth as life-giver - "dust to dust." But also from a purely scientific point of view, as several biologists point out, humans are made from the same molecules as dirt. Not the same kind of molecules - the exact same molecules, which have been cycling since the formation of the planet. (*verb*) *to regard or treat with reverence; revere*

20. Manasi's _____ with music began when she was five, learning nuances from her mother. Her strong academic background coupled with her music won her scholarships and opportunities — a stint in Singapore, cultural ambassador at Chile, South America among others. (*noun*) *an appointment to meet at a certain time and place, esp. one made somewhat secretly by lovers.*

Exercise 75-2: Synonyms: *Select the word closest in meaning to the list word (in bold) (20 marks)*

- she spoke persuasively and with **ardor**
a) verve b) coolness c) fireplace
- the quiet country house will relax and **ensorcell** you
a) charm b) slam c) flirt
- using the term 'gay' to **disparage**
a) make love b) belittle c) impress
- obvious **amity** between friends
a) adoration b) dislike c) cordiality
- the **odium** of prison
a) comforts b) loathing c) mild dislike
- even the most vile ignoramus can **venerate** such art
a) detect b) convict c) deify
- the subject of grades is **anathema** to him
a) bugbear b) burden c) anarchy
- take **umbrage** with his decision
a) belief b) incredulity c) offense

9. Alito's **paramour** is heavy with child
a) mother b) swain c) mistress

10. child abuse is **wlatsome**
a) encouraged b) repugnant c) respectful

11. a **jilted** lover takes revenge
a) discarded b) annoyed c) wealthy

12. **acrimonious** presidential debates
a) salty b) acerbic c) bittersweet

13. his **truculent** attitude towards his girlfriend caused their breakup
a) combative b) demeaning c) overly attentive

14. the mistrusting neighbour was labeled a **misanthrope**
a) pessimist b) humanitarian c) recluse

15. **enmity** between two countries
a) affinity b) dislocation c) rancor

16. the **inimical** landscape of Venus
a) pernicious b) propitious c) auspicious

17. to **cosset** a lamb
a) steam b) ignore c) coddle

18. Rex has a certain **animosity** for cats
a) bad blood b) diplomacy c) affection

19. a politician caught on a **tryst** with his mistress
a) interview b) attempt c) rendezvous

20. an **inamorata** struggled to leave the abusive relationship
a) compromise b) mistress c) boyfriend

Exercise 75-4: Anagrams. *Solve each anagram to find the list word (8 marks)*

- Crone Sell _____
- Nay I Omits _____
- Clutter Nu _____
- Idea Grasp _____
- Atheism Porn _____
- Amours Ionic _____
- Grab Emu _____
- Ear Event _____

Exercise 75-5: Parts of Speech Write the correct variant of the list word in the form specified. Be careful! Not all words can take the specified part of speech. If you feel you are being duped, write 'X'.

1. Acrimonious (noun) _____
2. Ensorcell (adj.) _____
3. Paramour (v) _____
4. Inimical (noun) _____
5. Cosset (noun) _____
6. Misanthrope (adj) _____
7. Umbrage (adj) _____
8. Jilt (adj) _____
9. Tryst (v) _____
10. Truculent (noun) _____
11. Ardor (adj) _____
12. Disparage (noun) _____

Section 75-6: Etymology Fill in the blank with the correct list word

- _____ 1. From Latin *umbraticum*, “of or pertaining to shade”
- _____ 2. Shortened form of woman’s name ‘*Gillian*’
- _____ 3. From *par amour*, “by or through love”
- _____ 4. From Latin *inimicus*, “unfriendly; an enemy”
- _____ 5. From Greek *anthropo*, meaning “human”, and *mis-*, meaning “ill, mistaken, wrong”
- _____ 6. From Greek *ana-*, meaning “up”, and *tithenai*, “to place”
- _____ 7. From Old French *triste*, “appointed station in hunting
- _____ 8. From Latin *trux*, meaning “fierce, wild”
- _____ 9. From Latin *ardorem*, meaning “a flame; a fire”
- _____ 10. From Latin *venerai*, meaning “to reverence, to worship”

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