

# Lesson 1

## 1A Understanding Meanings p. 2

1. C
2. An **imperturbable** person is very difficult to upset.
3. C
4. C
5. A **subterfuge** is a plan intended to deceive.
6. C
7. C
8. A **raconteur** is skilled at telling stories.
9. C
10. C
11. To **mortify** someone is to thoroughly embarrass that person.
12. **Levity** is a lack of seriousness.
13. C
14. C
15. An **apocryphal** event is one of dubious authenticity.

## 1B Using Words p. 3

1. a. exuded  
c. exuded
2. a. mortified  
b. mortified
3. c. vacillated
4. a. raconteur  
c. raconteur
5. c. gesticulated
6. c. apocryphal
7. a. expedient  
b. expedient  
c. expedient
8. b. convened  
c. convened

## 1C Synonyms, Antonyms, Analogies p. 5

1. center — periphery A
2. vacillate — waver S
3. reduction — increment A
4. inconvenient — expedient A
5. summon — convene S
6. c 9. a
7. c 10. c
8. b

## 1D Images of Words p. 6

(\*Students' answers may vary. Any supportable answer is acceptable.)

1. b 7. No sentence suggests **vacillate**.
2. b, c 8. a, c
3. b, c 9. b
4. b 10. b, c
5. a, c
6. a, b, c

\* Applies to all Images of Words exercises.

## 1E Narrative p. 9 (\*Sentences are examples; students' answers may vary.)

1. A storyteller may take too much time away from the auction and from selling the items.
2. Several schools for auctioneers exist. One of the oldest **convenes** four times a year with courses lasting for several days.
3. It would be important for an auctioneer to be calm when the bidders **exude** excitement and/or when the bids are in very large amounts of money.
4. It describes the story as **apocryphal**.
5. Both need to develop good **peripheral** vision.
6. The flower auction is described as very quiet, not as filled with laughter and joking.
7. They **reiterate** the last bid in their chants along with the next price they want to hear.
8. There is a lot more **gesticulating** in a public auction. A private art auction has less overt gesturing by the bidders.
9. One embarrassing experience might be **vacillating** too long to make a bid and losing something one wants. Another might be paying a very large sum for something that turns out to be of little value.
10. In the United States the bidding goes up by **increments**. In the Netherlands it goes down.
11. The few details given suggest that you need to become informed of how things work in order to participate successfully in fine art auction houses.
12. Bidders might make some gesture that they have prearranged with the auctioneer to mean they are stopping their bids on a certain item.

\* Applies to all Narrative exercises.

# Lesson 2

## 2A Understanding Meanings p. 12

1. To **comport** with the facts is to be in agreement.
2. C
3. C
4. C
5. C
6. A **choleric** person is one who is easily provoked or angered.
7. C
8. C
9. **Accoutrements** are pieces of equipment or accessories.
10. To **disconcert** someone is to disturb that person's composure.
11. A **modicum** is a small amount of something.
12. C
13. C
14. An **aggrieved** person is one who feels wronged.
15. A **phlegmatic** person is one who is sluggish.

## 2B Using Words p. 13

1. b. interposed
2. b. modicum  
c. modicum
3. a. utilitarian  
b. utilitarian
4. a. disconcerting  
b. disconcerting
5. a. comports  
c. comports
6. a. aggrieved  
b. aggrieved
7. a. propensity  
b. propensity
8. b. patrician  
c. patrician

## 2C Synonyms, Antonyms, Analogies p. 14

1. accessory — accoutrement S
2. phlegmatic — choleric A
3. placated — aggrieved A
4. therapeutic — harmful A
5. propensity — tendency S
6. d 9. d
7. c 10. c
8. a

## 2D Images of Words p. 15

1. a, c 7. b, c
2. a, c 8. No sentence suggests **disconcert**.
3. b 9. b, c
4. b 10. b
5. a, c
6. a, c

## 2E Narrative p. 18

1. Llamas' success as family pets, pack animals, and caddies for golfers shows that llamas feel attracted to humans.
2. Llamas would probably carry tents, sleeping bags, and food.
3. Llamas will **interpose** themselves between the sheep they are protecting and **marauding** animals.
4. They **comport** themselves well as caddies.
5. Llamas may spit if they are upset.
6. The llama was part of the North American **fauna** over 12,000 years ago.
7. Because of their soft padded feet, llamas cause a **modicum** of damage to the environment.
8. The **utilitarian** tasks llamas were able to accomplish broadened their appeal.
9. The narrative says that **choleric** golfers tend to calm down and that people with mental illnesses are comfortable around llamas.
10. Llamas are widespread as family pets. They are used to perform many routine jobs. They have moved beyond being creatures available only to the very rich.

