

STATE LATIN FORUM - 1985

DERIVATIVES II

I. Select the English word which is derived from the Latin word given.

1. metior  
a. meticulous b. measure c. commerce d. merely e. market
2. minuo  
a. menu b. minimize c. administer d. demeanor e. miniature
3. materia  
a. matrix b. demure c. mature d. matter e. matinee
4. dens  
a. condensation b. adieu c. fence d. overdue e. dandelion
5. posco  
a. doorpost b. poster c. postern d. postwar e. postulate
6. pulvis  
a. pillow b. powdery c. pumice d. poultice e. polecat
7. queror  
a. acquiesce b. coy c. quiet d. quarrel e. squadron
8. tueor  
a. toil b. tubercular c. intuition d. obtuse e. truffle
9. vicus  
a. vicinity b. vicar c. viceroy d. vicissitude e. victim
10. frons (frontis)  
a. frond b. affront c. frugal d. found e. funnel

II. Choose the Latin word from which the English word is derived.

11. exaggerate  
a. ager b. ago c. agger d. gero e. aeger
12. alacrity  
a. alacer b. aliquis c. aliter d. alio e. lac
13. aquiline  
a. aqua b. queo c. aquilo d. aquor e. aquila
14. vagrant  
a. vagitus b. vagor c. ago d. vagina e. ager

15. treaty  
a. tollo b. tingo c. traho d. teneo e. tueor
16. famine  
a. for b. fama c. fero d. famulus e. fames
17. stranger  
a. extra b. sto c. erro d. struo e. eo
18. courtesy  
a. cor b. colo c. cerno d. cohors e. capio
19. asset  
a. argentum b. satis c. salus d. as e. sto
20. sagebrush  
a. salvus b. sacer c. sapio d. salus e. sequor

III. Select the best definition for the underlined words.

21. That one action proved to be a real detriment to his career.  
a. harm b. assistance c. lucky omen d. confusion  
e. bad sign
22. The mercenary received a stipend for his services.  
a. foodstuffs b. weapons c. remuneration d. allotment  
e. honorable discharge
23. The adit of the mine lay in a horizontal position.  
a. shaft b. vein c. lift d. approach e. tunnel
24. The alley between the two buildings frightened the child,  
for it was angustate.  
a. dark b. angular c. a cul-de-sac d. narrowed rapidly  
e. dank
25. Certain flowers are biduous.  
a. last two years b. bloom every two years c. have two  
flowers on each stem d. last for two days e. have two petals
26. We found many of the old buildings in pristine condition.  
a. dilapidated b. dull c. brilliant d. shabby e. original
27. The Russian leader's obsequies were solemnized in Red Square.  
a. declaration of war b. treaty agreements c. funeral rites  
d. swearing-in ceremonies e. marriage rites
28. To traduce a friend will eventually cost more than the  
immediate gain is worth.  
a. help b. forsake c. cheat d. confuse e. malign

29. The lovely oaks in our front yard were senescent.  
 a. blooming b. aging c. dying d. dormant e. tall
30. The president of the company suddenly found he needed a new amanuensis.  
 a. image b. secretary c. errand boy d. junior executive  
 e. public relations person
31. The junk in the attic was thought to be superannuated.  
 a. priceless b. scattered c. broken d. obsolete e. unique
32. A dispassionate witness is likely to be  
 a. calm b. prejudiced c. open to bribes d. hateful  
 e. easily upset
33. His actions disclosed his perfidious nature.  
 a. faithful b. obedient c. obsequious d. servile e. false

IV. Choose the word which best completes the sentence.

34. \_\_\_\_\_ people are able to figure out difficult puzzles and problems.  
 a. loquacious b. perspicacious c. turbid d. circumspect  
 e. magnanimous
35. The lovely evening air was \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. infrangible b. ambivalent c. omniscient d. ambient  
 e. stringent
36. The defeated generals were treated with \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. ambience b. sanguinity c. ignominy d. deportment  
 e. diversion
37. Sally sells seashells by the seashore is an example of \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. ambience b. obliteration c. ambivalence d. amanuensis  
 e. alliteration
38. Our plans for an outdoor party are \_\_\_\_\_ upon a nice day.  
 a. compulsory b. convened c. proliferous d. complacent  
 e. contingent
39. I cannot answer all the questions, since I am not \_\_\_\_\_.  
 a. omniscient b. omniferous c. omnipotent d. omnilegent  
 e. omnipresent
40. She had a very \_\_\_\_\_ memory, for she was able to remember everything.  
 a. untenable b. refractory c. retentive d. admonitory  
 e. omnigenous

41. The word nice has \_\_\_\_\_ from its former meaning of ignorant to its present definition of kind.  
a. degenerated b. changed c. ameliorated d. convened  
e. proceeded

V. Choose the synonym or definition for the given word.

42. concupiscence  
a. delay b. lust c. compliance d. acne e. affability
43. impetration  
a. insolence b. recklessness c. a contagious disease  
d. entreaty e. entrance
44. premise  
a. a chief official b. the basis for an argument c. reward  
d. warning e. first performance
45. cognoscente  
a. skillful b. connoisseur c. relative d. rich e. thinker
46. diffidence  
a. modesty b. sanguinity c. brashness d. strength  
e. trustworthiness

VI. Which of the following words is NOT derived from the same Latin root?

47. a. patter b. patrician c. patent d. patronize e. patrimony
48. a. posterity b. puny c. expostulate d. posthumous  
e. preposterous
49. a. foursquare b. quarry c. squadron d. quarrel e. quart
50. a. spontaneous b. correspond c. spouse d. responsibility  
e. despondence