

THEME: ARCHITECTURE VOCABULARY

WORDS TO LEARN

- 1. AMBIENCE** – the atmosphere of a place
Synonym – atmosphere; aura
Antonym- void; emptiness
- 2. ARCADE** – a long arched building or gallery
Synonym – gallery; cloister
Antonym- N.A
- 3. CLASSICAL** – traditional, not modern
Synonym – highbrow; Grecian
Antonym- modern; unconventional
- 4. CORINTHIAN** – related to the ancient city of Corinth
Synonym – cosmopolitan
Antonym- Doric; Ionic
- 5. CRESTING** – decoration at the ridge of a roof
Synonym – acme; apex
Antonym- base; foot
- 6. GARGOYLE** – a decorative stone carving
Synonym – creature; monster
Antonym- Adonis; beauty
- 7. GAZEBO** – a small building in a garden
Synonym – pavilion; belvedere
Antonym- N.A
- 8. NICHE** – a recess in a wall
Synonym – nook; cavity
Antonym- bulge; protrusion
- 9. PELMET** – a frame to conceal curtain fixtures
Synonym – cornice; valance
Antonym- N.A
- 10. TURRET** – a small tower on top of a building
Synonym – minaret; spire
Antonym- N.A

EXERCISES

EXERCISE 1

FIND THE SYNONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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| 1. GAZEBO | a) stage | b) belvedere | c) podium | d) minaret |
| 2. TURRET | a) minaret | b) stonewall | c) dome | d) gate |
| 3. ARCADE | a) maze | b) cloister | c) garden | d) parapet |
| 4. GARGOYLE | a) monster | b) adroit | c) Adonis | d) spire |
| 5. PELMET | a) pellet | b) rock | c) valance | d) Doric |

EXERCISE 2

FIND THE ANTONYMS FOR THE MAIN WORD

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|---------------|----------------|----------|-------------|--------------|
| 1. AMBIENCE | a) void | b) aura | c) soothing | d) calm |
| 2. CLASSICAL | a) traditional | b) trash | c) modern | d) intricate |
| 3. CORINTHIAN | a) acme | b) spire | c) Doric | d) classic |
| 4. CRESTING | a) top | b) high | c) base | d) roof |
| 5. NICHE | a) cranny | b) apex | c) bulge | d) plain |

EXERCISE 3

FILL IN THE BLANKS WITH THE APROPRIATE WORDS FROM THE VOCABULARY LIST

1. She got married that evening at the _____ in the garden, the _____ was pleasant with soothing music.
2. The former courthouse features _____ columns, the interiors were enclosed by a roof with iron _____.
3. The _____ on the edge of the castle was used as a lookout tower, it had a _____ to store swords.
4. The chapel was built in _____ style, the entrance was adorned by two _____ built of cement.
5. The entrance was punctuated with a neat _____ of rounded arches, the _____ were made of cedar.