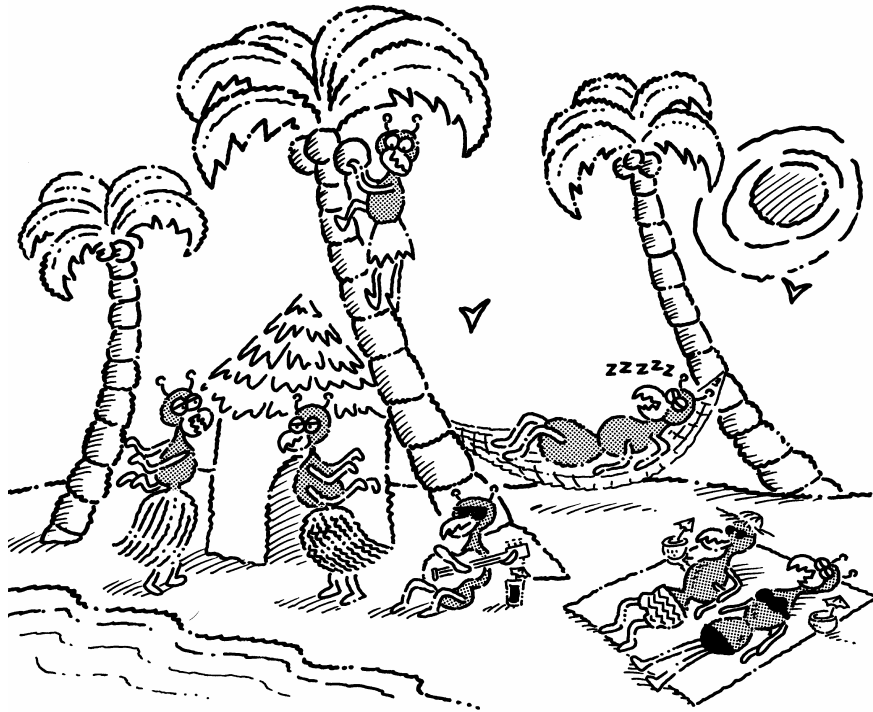


# INSOUCIANT

(in SOO see unt) *adj.*  
calm and carefree; lighthearted

Link: **SOUTH SEA ANT**



**“SOUTH SEA ANTS** are the most **INSOUCIANT** ants of all.”

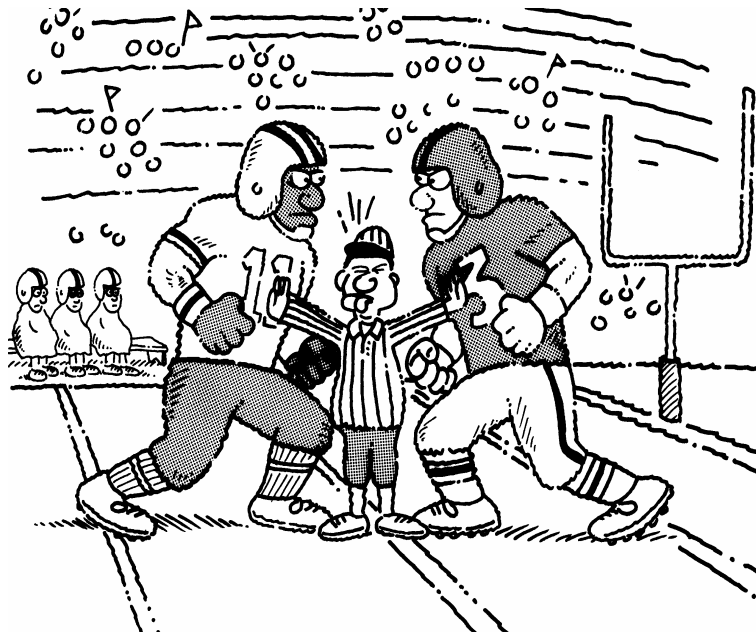
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- ❑ Children play **INSOUCIANTLY**, as if they did not have a care in the world. (*adv.*)
  - ❑ Jake’s **INSOUCIANT** behavior was inappropriate at his grandfather’s funeral. It lacked respect for his memory.
  - ❑ Bob’s **INSOUCIANT** demeanor in the locker room before the big game meant he was extremely confident that we would win.

# INTERVENE

(in tur VEEN) v.

to come between; to mediate,  
to occur between times

Link: **BETWEEN**



*“Referees **INTERVENE**  
**BETWEEN** player disputes.”*

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- ❑ Harold and his twin brother might have argued all day if their father hadn't **INTERVENED** and said that if they couldn't decide who would ride in the front seat, they would both ride in the back.
  - ❑ Our teenage daughter doesn't like it when her mother and I **INTERVENE** in her social life.
  - ❑ So much had happened to the family in the **INTERVENING** years since Brett had gone off to college.

# INVEIGLE

(in VAY gul) v.

to tempt or persuade by using deception or flattery

Link: **BAGEL**



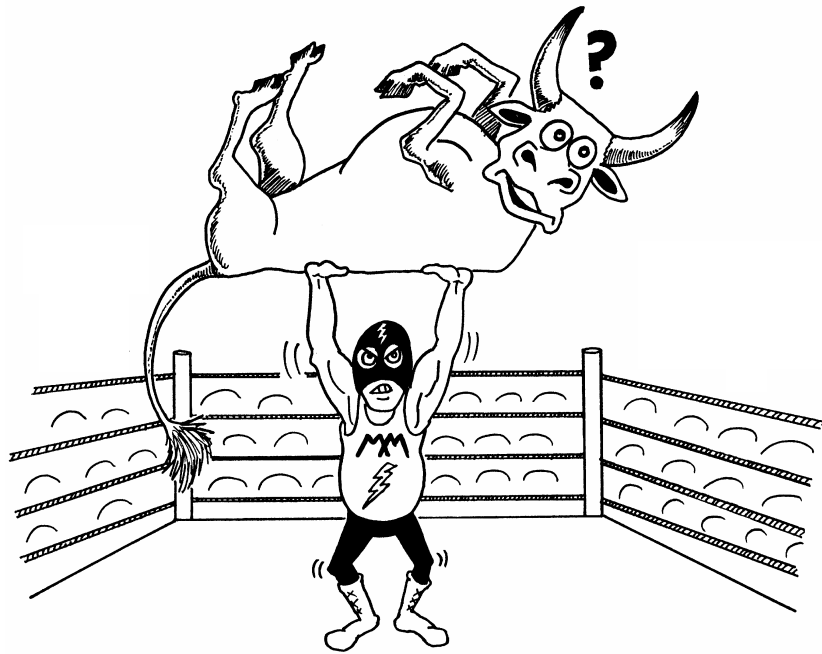
*“The animal trainer **INVEIGLED** the lion to perform by tempting him with a **BAGEL**.”*

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- ❑ My brother, Ryan, **INVEIGLED** me into doing his chemistry homework by promising to take my turn washing dishes for the next week.
  - ❑ New York City street vendors **INVEIGLE** people into purchasing counterfeit Rolex watches for many times what they are worth.
  - ❑ Laura **INVEIGLED** her history teacher into allowing her to retake the mid-term exam she missed because she overslept.

# IRASCIBLE

(ih RAS uh bul) *adj.*  
easily angered, irritable

Link: **WRESTLE BULLS**



*“When he became **IRASCIBLE**, the Masked Marvel would **WRESTLE BULLS**.”*

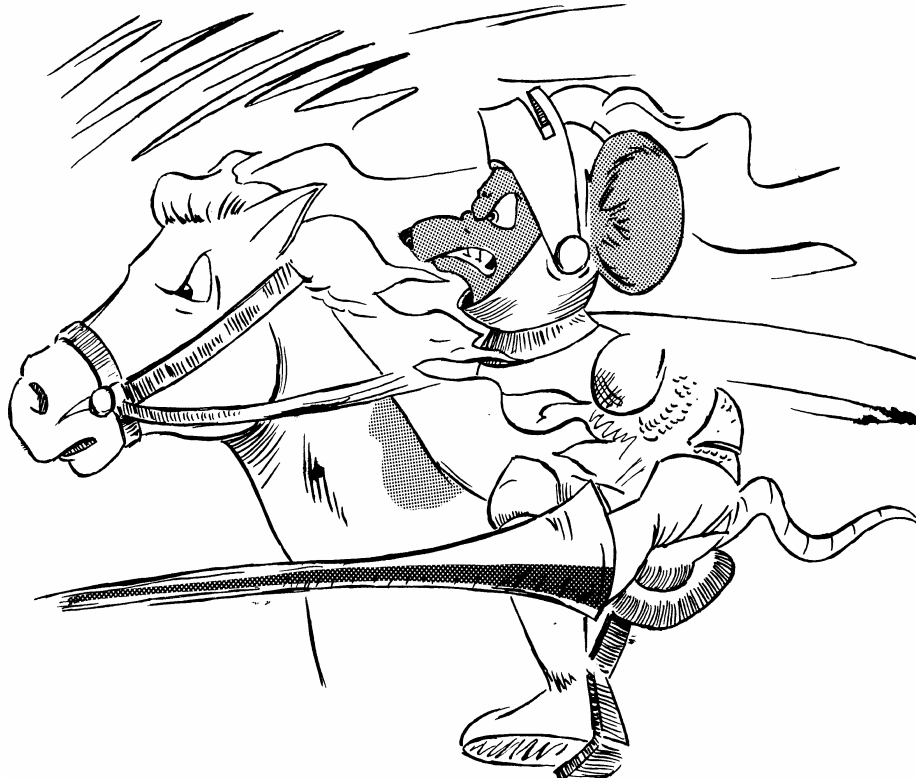
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- ❑ Normally, Rose was a pleasant wife and mother but if a member of her family prevented her from watching her favorite “soaps,” she could become quite **IRASCIBLE**.
  - ❑ Uncle Tim was a real grouch, even on his birthday he would find a way to become as **IRASCIBLE** as a spoiled child.
  - ❑ The school principal became so **IRASCIBLE** even his teachers avoided speaking to him.

# JOUST

(joust) v./n.

to engage in combat or competition;  
any combat suggestive of a joust

Link: **MOUSE**



**“A JOUSTING MOUSE”**

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- ▣ Running and enjoying the competition, Bill and Harry **JOUSTED** each other playfully. (v.)
  - ▣ It was a **JOUST** to the death between Sir Lancelot and the Black Knight. (n.)
  - ▣ Her toes all bruised, Elizabeth declared it wasn't a dance, but a **JOUSTING** match. (v.)
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# KARMA

(KAHR muh) *n.*

fate, destiny; the force generated by a person's good or bad actions

Link: **HARM-A**



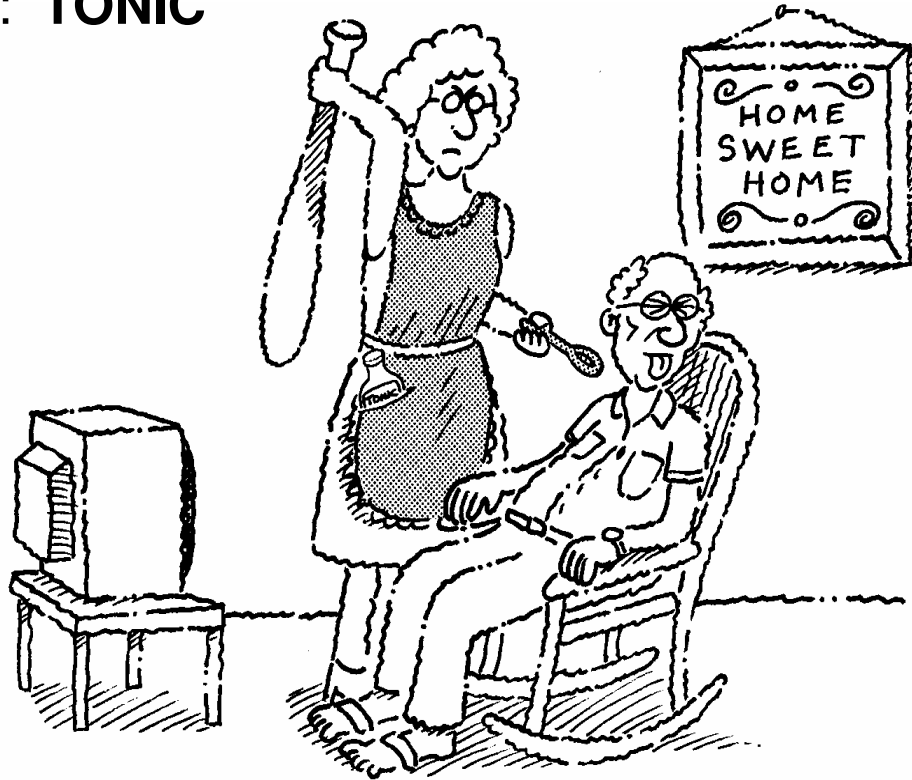
*“No **HARM-A** will come if you have good **KARMA**.”*

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- ❑ All his life he possessed a protective **KARMA** that kept him out of harm's way.
  - ❑ Louise often told her friends it was her **KARMA** to die young and beautiful.
  - ❑ Genghis Khan likely got a lot of bad **KARMA** for all the death and destruction he caused.

# LACONIC

(luh KAHN ik) *adj.*  
brief, using few words

Link: **TONIC**



*“Grandma was **LACONIC** when it came time for Grandpa’s **TONIC**.”*

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- ❑ Benjamin’s **LACONIC** speech habits gave him a reputation for thoughtfulness and intelligence.
  - ❑ The president’s **LACONIC** speech only lasted ten minutes, when it usually takes an hour.
  - ❑ The fictional heroes of the old west were usually cowboys who spoke **LACONICALLY**, when at all. (*adv.*)

# LAMENT

(luh MENT) v.

to express sorrow or regret; to mourn

Link: **CEMENT**



*"We **LAMENT** that Joe got buried in **CEMENT**."*

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- ❑ There must have been thousands of people at the funeral to **LAMENT** the death of Princess Diane.
  - ❑ The nation **LAMENTS** the passing of the President while at the same time celebrating his achievements while in office.
  - ❑ It is **LAMENTABLE** that Roscoe quit college in his sophomore year; his professors considered him the brightest engineering student in his class. (*adj.*)

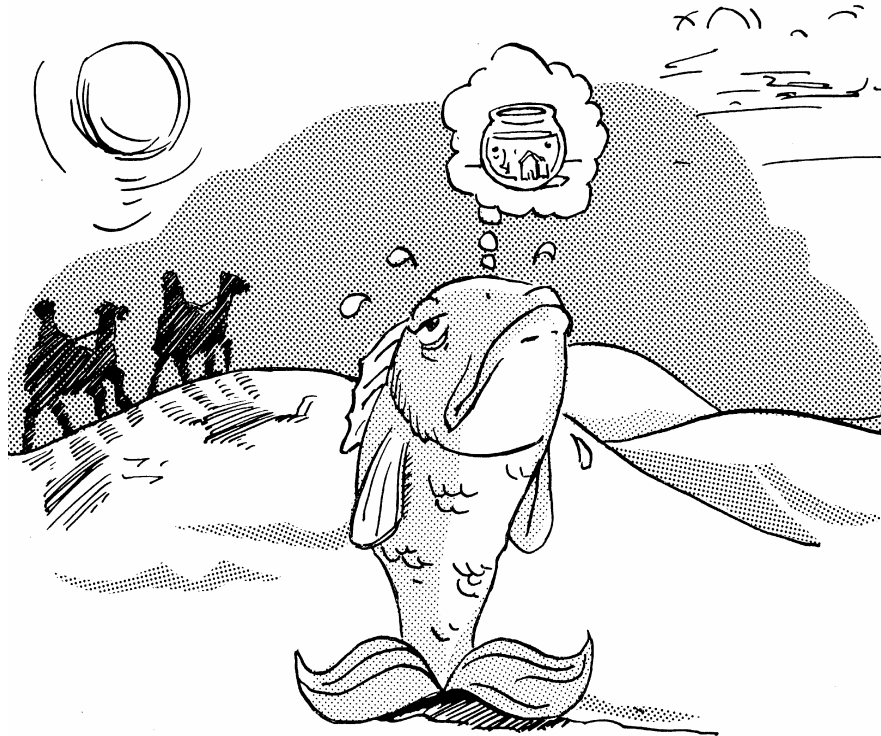


# LANGUISH

(LANG gwish) v.

to become weak or feeble; sag with loss of strength

Link: **LAND FISH**



*“A **FISH** on **LAND** will quickly **LANGUISH**.”*

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- ❑ An outdoorsman all his life, Mr. Franklin quickly **LANGUISHED** in his job as a night watchman.
  - ❑ It was so hot in the theater, Charlotte soon began to **LANGUISH**.
  - ❑ Running in his first marathon, Kevin began to **LANGUISH** with only a mile to go.

# LASSITUDE

(LAS uh tood) *n.*

a condition of weariness; fatigue

Link: **LAZY DUDE**



*“A LAZY DUDE with LASSITUDE”*

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- ❑ After eating three servings of Thanksgiving dinner, George succumbed to a feeling of **LASSITUDE** and fell asleep on the couch.
  - ❑ The troops overcame their **LASSITUDE** and marched another five miles.
  - ❑ **LASSITUDE** finally overcame the weary travelers after a full day of traveling.

## VOCABULARY CARTOONS: Review #19.1

### Match the word with its definition.

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|--------------------------|--|
| ___ 1. <b>insouciant</b> | a. easily angered, irritable                           |
| ___ 2. <b>intervene</b>  | b. a condition of weariness                            |
| ___ 3. <b>inveigle</b>   | c. brief, using few words                              |
| ___ 4. <b>irascible</b>  | d. to become weak or feeble                            |
| ___ 5. <b>joust</b>      | e. fate, destiny                                       |
| ___ 6. <b>karma</b>      | f. to tempt by using deception                         |
| ___ 7. <b>laconic</b>    | g. to express sorrow or regret; to mourn               |
| ___ 8. <b>lament</b>     | h. to engage in combat or competition                  |
| ___ 9. <b>languish</b>   | i. calm and carefree; lighthearted                     |
| ___ 10. <b>lassitude</b> | j. to come between; to mediate, to occur between times |

### Fill in the blanks with the appropriate word.

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1. It was a \_\_\_\_\_ to the death between Sir Lancelot and the Black Knight.
2. The school principal became so \_\_\_\_\_ even his teachers avoided speaking to him.
3. There must have been thousands of people at the funeral to \_\_\_\_\_ the death of Princess Diane.
4. Our teenage daughter doesn't like it when her mother and I \_\_\_\_\_ in her social life.
5. The president's \_\_\_\_\_ speech only lasted ten minutes, when it usually takes an hour.
6. Bob's \_\_\_\_\_ demeanor in the locker room before the big game meant he was extremely confident that we would win.
7. Laura \_\_\_\_\_ her history teacher into allowing her to retake the mid-term exam she missed because she overslept.
8. Running in his first marathon, Kevin began to \_\_\_\_\_ with only a mile to go.
9. Weakened by a full day of traveling, \_\_\_\_\_ finally overcame the weary travelers.
10. Louise often told her friends it was her \_\_\_\_\_ to die young and beautiful.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## VOCABULARY CARTOONS: Review #19.2

**Multiple Choice: Circle the appropriate word for the provided definition.**

1. calm and carefree; lighthearted
  - a.) irascible
  - b.) lassitude
  - c.) laconic
  - d.) insouciant
2. easily angered, irritable
  - a.) irascible
  - b.) lassitude
  - c.) laconic
  - d.) insouciant
3. to engage in combat or competition
  - a.) irascible
  - b.) joust
  - c.) inveigle
  - d.) intervene
4. an evil reputation; extreme disgrace
  - a.) irascible
  - b.) histrionic
  - c.) infamy
  - d.) laconic
5. brief, using few words
  - a.) histrionic
  - b.) laconic
  - c.) insouciant
  - d.) incongruous
6. to become weak or feeble
  - a.) lament
  - b.) languish
  - c.) inveigle
  - d.) impede
7. overly dramatic, theatrical
  - a.) laconic
  - b.) irascible
  - c.) histrionic
  - d.) insouciant
8. a condition of weariness; fatigue
  - a.) lassitude
  - b.) laconic
  - c.) insouciant
  - d.) lament
9. to obstruct or interfere with; to delay
  - a.) joust
  - b.) impede
  - c.) inveigle
  - d.) gird
10. to express sorrow or regret; to mourn
  - a.) languish
  - b.) lassitude
  - c.) laconic
  - d.) lament
11. to come between; to mediate, to occur between times
  - a.) irascible
  - b.) joust
  - c.) inveigle
  - d.) intervene
12. to arouse to action
  - a.) incite
  - b.) joust
  - c.) harangue
  - d.) irascible
13. fate, destiny; the force generated by a person's good or bad actions
  - a.) infamy
  - b.) lassitude
  - c.) insouciant
  - d.) karma
14. not appropriate, unsuited to the surroundings; not fitting in
  - a.) laconic
  - b.) karma
  - c.) incongruous
  - d.) histrionic
15. to tempt or persuade by using deception or flattery
  - a.) lament
  - b.) joust
  - c.) inveigle
  - d.) intervene

**VOCABULARY CARTOONS SAT Word Power**  
Review Answers

**Review #19.1**

**Matching:**

1. i
2. j
3. f
4. a
5. h
6. e
7. c
8. g
9. d
10. b

**Fill in the Blank:**

1. joust
2. irascible
3. lament
4. intervene
5. laconic
6. insouciant
7. inveigled
8. languish
9. lassitude
10. karma

**Review #19.2**

**Multiple Choice:**

1. d.) insouciant
2. a.) irascible
3. b.) joust
4. c.) infamy
5. b.) laconic
6. b.) languish
7. c.) histrionic
8. a.) lassitude
9. b.) impede
10. d.) lament
11. d.) intervene
12. a.) incite
13. d.) karma
14. c.) incongruous
15. c.) inveigle