

Fill in the blanks. This exercise tests your range of vocabulary.

1. The ..... speech went on for over an hour.

grandiose

grant

grandiloquent

Grandiloquent means high sounding or pompous.

2. The paintings show the ..... of the royal palace in 1900.

grandeur

grandiose

glamour

Grandeur means magnificence.

3. The government will ..... land to anyone willing to farm it.

grant

grand

grandiose

To grant is to give. Grand means majestic or impressive.

4. She is not ..... enough to be a good hostess.

graceful

gracious

Either could be used here

Gracious means affable or courteous. Graceful means lissome or supple.

5. Helping the poor gives her tremendous .....

gratitude

gratuitous  
gratification

Gratification means satisfaction. Gratitude means thankful.

6. The wet leaves ..... towards the bottom of the pool.

graft  
gravitate  
grate

Gravitate means fall, sink or descend.

7. I am indebted to you for your ..... help.

gratitude  
gratuitous  
gracious

Gratuitous means voluntary or spontaneous.

8. The candle made only a ..... in the vast room

glimmer  
glitter  
glimpse

A glimmer is a small glow. A glimpse is a brief look.

9. Good winners don't ..... over their victory.

bloat  
gloat  
clot

To gloat over something is to revel in it.

10. This bill contains a ..... error in addition.

blaring

flaring

glaring

Glaring means conspicuous, blatant

11. With some words missing and others misspelled, the message was pure .....

gibe

gibberish

garble

Gibberish means senseless writing or meaningless talk.

12. The driver ..... for the police car to stop.

germinated

gesticulated

Gesticulate means gesture or signal.

PLAY AGAIN !

## Answers

1. The grandiloquent speech went on for over an hour.
2. The paintings show the grandeur of the royal palace in 1900.
3. The government will grant land to anyone willing to farm it.
4. She is not gracious enough to be a good hostess.
5. Helping the poor gives her tremendous gratification.
6. The wet leaves gravitate towards the bottom of the pool.
7. I am indebted to you for your gratuitous help.
8. The candle made only a glimmer in the vast room.
9. Good winners don't gloat over their victory.
10. This bill contains a glaring error in addition.
11. With some words missing and others misspelled, the message was pure gibberish.
12. The driver gesticulated for the police car to stop.

