CLASSROOM Reading Elite for Junior Secondary Schools (S.3)

Vocabulary Enrichment Exercise (Answer Key)

#### **Exercise 1**

- advocate 1.
- 2. eccentric
- 3. exclusive
- 4. headcount
- 5. outcompete
- prevalence 6.
- 7. receptive
- 8. rivalry
- 9. self-contained
- 10. sweeping

### **Exercise 2**

- 1. adversity
- 2. course
- 3. deranged
- hinges on 4.
- 5. in the face of
- 6. notion
- prodigious 7.
- 8. struck a...chord
- 9. work ethic

### **Exercise 3**

- demoralising 1.
- 2. eating away at
- free rein 3.
- 4. Herculean
- 5. huffing and puffing
- 6. nonsensical
- 7. overriding
- 8. regimens
- steal the 9. limelight
- 10. telling
- 11. treadmill

## **Exercise 4**

- Actuated 1.
- 2. amid
- 3. around the corner
- belting out 4.
- 5. engrossed
- 6. staple

## **Exercise 5**

- 1. absorb
- allotted 2.
- 3. centrality
- 4. indisputable
- 5. is part and parcel of
- 6. iargon
- outdo 7.
- Outsiders 8.
- 9. vice versa

## **Exercise 6**

- benign
- 2. clamour

- conceivable 3.
- 4. dance the night away
- 5. deprive of
- 6. impose
- is bursting at 7. the seams
- 8. observe
- 9. without further ado

## **Exercise 7**

- 1. blast
- 2. etiquette
- 3. expulsion
- 4. In the light of
- 5. inflict
- 6. **lesions**
- 7. magnitude
- particles 8.
- 9. premises
- 10. reaffirm

## **Exercise 8**

- 1. breadwinner
- 2. conviction
- 3. entrust
- 4. heed
- 5. singled out
- stiffens 6.
- 7. toil
- trade 8.
- yield 9.

## **Exercise 9**

- 1. bombast
- 2. cross the line
- 3. exorbitant
- 4.
- horrendous 5. instalments
- 6. is nothing
  - short of
- 7. ordeals
- 8. revoked
- 9. staggering
- underhand

#### **Exercise 10**

- 1. a new lease of life
- 2. abated
- 3. backdrop
- 4. death toll
- 5. deploy
- gesturing 6.
- implication 7.
- paralysed 8.
- 9. throbbing

#### **Exercise 11**

- **Amphibians** 1.
- are under 2. the...impressi

- encapsulated 3.
- gruelling 4.
- 5. momentous
- 6. parallels
- 7. subsequent
- take...for granted

## **Exercise 12**

- 1.
- eligible 2. metabolism
- 3. officiate
- 4. pentathlon
- 5. rectify
- 6. reimburse
- screening 7.

## **Exercise 13**

- coming-of-age 1.
- 2. crumbled
- 3. delved into
- 4. page-turners 5.
- perceive 6.
- reconciliation 7. revolves
- around
- 8. solace
- 9. unreserved

## **Exercise 14**

- blister 1.
- Chronic 2.
- 3. creases
- 4. exacerbated
- 5. flake
- inflammatory 6. 7. Keeping...in
- check 8. oozing
- 9. vaporises

- **Exercise 15** absent-1.
- mindedly
- 2. broach 3. crossed...min
  - d
- 4. dumbfounded
- 5. eerie
- 6. heartrending
- irreversible 7.
- 8. procrastinate
- 9. speculate
- 10. trance 11. unflagging

## **Exercise 16**

1. as opposed to

consensus

- 2. bemused
- 4. criticality 5. feast on

3.

- 6. Felling
- 7. life expectancy
- 8. long-standing
- 9. preposterous
- 10. roll out
- 11. unparalleled
- 12. urbanization

## Exercise 17

- came into
- effect 2. deterrents
- 3. eradicating
- 4. exponential
- 5. indispensable 6. levy
- 7. outlawed
- 8. strangled
- 9. stringent
- 10. ubiquitous

- **Exercise 18**
- articulate 2. frantic
- 3. has
- taken...aback 4. hysteria
- 5. perceptible
- 6. poised 7. receded
- 8. scampering
- 9. scurry 10. shivered

# **Exercise 19**

- ailment 2. Are...off...nut
- 3. atrocious
- 4. culprit
- 5. egoist
- 6. get round

havoc

7.

4.

6.

2.

#### 8. understated

- **Exercise 20** beholding 1.
- 2. blatant
- 3. ecstatic

obsolete

rummaging

- 5. occurred to
- upside 7. 8. wondrous

# **Exercise 21**

- 1. advent
- execute expertise 4. open the door
- 5. prospect
- 6. prosthetics
- 7. redefined

- 8. tangible
  - torturous
- 9. 10. utilised
- 11. versatility

## **Exercise 22**

- assumption 1.
- double-edged
- 3. dwindling
- 4. gullible
- 5. ploy
- 6. realm
- 7. susceptible
- the...brunt of 8. well-

# intentioned

- **Exercise 23**
- 1. bygone
- 2. faintly 3. hold back
- 4. holds...dear
- 5. meticulously
- 6. poignant 7. ragged
- 8. shabby 9. sniffling

# 10. unearthed

- **Exercise 24**
- 1. amiss 2. awe
- 3. come off as 4. commonsensi
- cal
- 5. Frequenting 6. infinite

7.

8.

9.

lingering prowess

right-hand

errands

man 10. running

## 11. slack

- **Exercise 25**
- animated 2. clung
- 3. dashing 4. gave...the
- cold shoulder 5. lapsed into
- 8. point of no return

rounded off

- 11. unjustified
- 6. mimic 7. outcast
- 10. sullenness