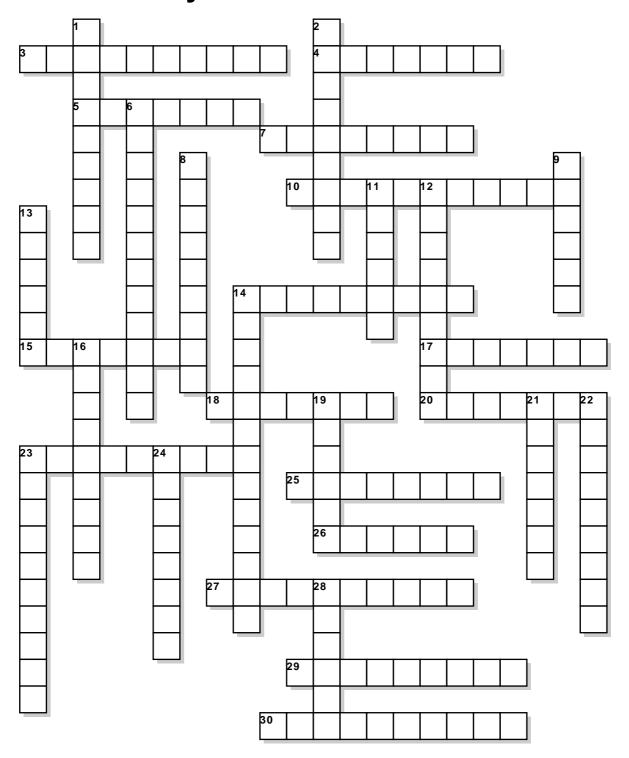
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## **SAT Vocabulary Crossword Puzzle #14**



## **Across**

- 3 conscientious; extremely thorough
- 4 increase; improve
- 5 put away from consideration; reject
- 7 approve; ratify
- 10 preoccupation with physical comforts and things
- 14 nearness
- 15 withdraw; take back
- 17 conciseness
- 18 stingy; mean
- 20 imitate: rival
- 23 belittle
- 25 dilemma
- 26 expression of praise, often on the occasion of someone's death
- 27 judgment that someone is guilty of a crime; strongly held belief
- 29 mocking
- 30 examine closely and critically

## Down

- belief on slight evidence; gullibility; naivete
- 2 superfluous; repetitious; excessively wordy
- 6 establish by evidence; verify; support
- 8 difference; condition of inequality
- 9 hinder; block; delay
- 11 puzzle; mystery
- 12 unchangeable
- 13 bitterness; hatred
- 14 rapid growth; spread; multiplication
- 16 momentary; temporary; staying for a short time
- 19 disprove
- 21 applaud; announce with great approval
- 22 expressiveness; persuasive speech
- 23 depressed; gloomy
- 24 banish to an inferior position; delegate; assign
- 28 injure; hurt

## **Possible Answers:**

acclaim, brevity, conviction, credulity, despondent, dismiss, disparage, disparity, eloquence, emulate, enhance, enigma, eulogy, immutable, impair, impede, materialism, miserly, proliferation, proximity, quandary, rancor, redundant, refute, relegate, retract, sanction, satirical, scrupulous, scrutinize, substantiate, transient