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## *The Boy From Tomorrow* Vocabulary Builder #1

Directions: Choose a noun from the box to finish each sentence below.

barrage	hors d'oeuvres *	nuisance	pretense
coincidence	inheritance	panache	quirk
disdain	integrity	petulance	revelation
hermit	intrigue	predicament	solace

*\* pronounced "or-DERVS"*

1. On a rough day, there is always a great deal of \_\_\_\_\_ to be found in a hot cup of cocoa, a warm blanket, and a good novel.
2. She kept up the \_\_\_\_\_ of working on the class assignment, but she was actually writing a note to her friend.
3. My parents like to joke that if I keep spending so much of their money on books there'll be nothing left for my \_\_\_\_\_.
4. There were delicious \_\_\_\_\_ at the party last night: miniature samosas, spinach tartlets, and mushrooms stuffed with sage and walnuts.
5. Tommy kept flicking wadded-up pieces of napkin at Alice until she finally stood up and shouted, "You are such a \_\_\_\_\_!"
6. Call me a \_\_\_\_\_, but on the weekends I'd rather stay home than go out.
7. It's the press secretary's job to answer a \_\_\_\_\_ of questions from reporters.
8. I enjoy suspense novels, but I think I'd find mystery and \_\_\_\_\_ scary and stressful in real life.
9. Whenever I'm tempted to fudge the truth, I remember what my mother always says: that a person's \_\_\_\_\_ is the most important part of their character.
10. The basketball playoff is at the same time as the mock trial debate, and I really can't miss either: this is a \_\_\_\_\_!
11. My brother never bothers to hide his \_\_\_\_\_ when we talk about pop music.
12. The watercolor exhibit was a \_\_\_\_\_ to me; I had no idea you could achieve such texture and depth of color in that medium.
13. It was a happy \_\_\_\_\_ that my friend drove by as I was waiting at the bus stop.
14. The woman tried to distract her little boy to keep his \_\_\_\_\_ from escalating into a full-on tantrum.
15. The arrangement of our books in reverse-rainbow order is my sister's \_\_\_\_\_.
16. There's only one person producing this storytelling podcast, but she does all the different characters' voices with real \_\_\_\_\_.