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Unit 13 Vocabulary and Spelling Homework Packet (8<sup>th</sup> Grade)

Homework and test will be due Friday 1/24/20

acme	excise
exotic	junction
convey	belittle
jaunty	haggard
attribute	doctrine

**Part A (Definitions)**

**Excise:** (v) to remove by cutting; (n) an indirect tax on the manufacture, sale, or distribution of a commodity or service

**Juncture:** a joining together; the point at which two things are joined; any important point in time

**Doctrine:** a belief, principle, or teaching; a system of such beliefs or principles; a formulation of such beliefs or principles

**Jaunty:** lively, easy, and carefree in manner; smart or trim in appearance

**Convey:** to transport; to transmit; to communicate, make known; to transfer ownership or title to

**Haggard:** thin, pale, and careworn as a result of worry or suffering; wild looking

**Exotic:** foreign; charmingly unfamiliar or strikingly unusual

**Belittle:** to make something appear smaller than it is; to refer to in a way that suggests lack of importance or value

**Attribute:** (n) a quality or characteristic belonging to or associated with someone or something; (v) to assign to, credit with; to regard as caused by or resulting from

**Acme:** the highest point

**Part B (Sentence Completion):** Choose the proper word from above and complete each sentence.

1. Please \_\_\_\_\_ our best wishes to your parents on their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary.
2. If you \_\_\_\_\_ that irrelevant remark, you will improve your essay.
3. No two religions see eye to eye on every fine detail of \_\_\_\_\_.
4. A perfect game is the \_\_\_\_\_ of any pitcher's career in baseball.
5. The \_\_\_\_\_ I most admire in you is your willingness to give everyone's opinions a fair hearing.
6. Candidates for public may resort to negative ads that \_\_\_\_\_ their opponents' records.
7. I bought a \_\_\_\_\_ straw hat.
8. Our property ends at the \_\_\_\_\_ of the two stone walls.
9. The \_\_\_\_\_ refugees were given food, clothing, and temporary shelter.
10. A recipe may call for \_\_\_\_\_ herbs and spices that are difficult to obtain.

### Part C: Synonyms

**Directions:** Choose the word from this unit that is the same or most nearly the same as the **boldface** word or expression in the given phrase. Write the word from this unit on the line provided.

11. **Moved** supplies to the front lines \_\_\_\_\_

12. Struck a **silly** pose in the selfie \_\_\_\_\_

13. Strong **beliefs** in the truth \_\_\_\_\_

14. Have many **characteristics** in common \_\_\_\_\_

15. A critical **crossroad** in the person's life \_\_\_\_\_

16. **Minimized** the importance of the polls \_\_\_\_\_

17. Reached the **summit** of his career \_\_\_\_\_

18. A very **bizarre** food \_\_\_\_\_