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- 1} Farmer Tice was deeply _____ when he found out that the lotter he had won was a draft lottery that landed him in the army.
- 2} When Farmer Tice went to England with his Gorilla Kung Fu, he had trouble understanding their _____ way of talking.
- 3} After having a short _____ with the prosecutor & defense attorney, Judge Krudd decided it was best to give Farmer Tice a sentence of 60 days on his own farm with Honeybunch as his warden.
- 4} The Reverend Muler _____ Farmer Tice for falling asleep during the sermon.
- 5} Judge Krudd sentenced Farmer Tice to 60 days of incarceration on his own farm, because he was fed-up his _____.
- 6} Farmer Tune gyped Farmer Tice by adding a counterfeit _____ so that Farmer Tice thought he was buying a rare book.
- 7} Jesus' crucifixion was the _____ event that created Christianity.
- 8} The Reverend Muler went to Jerusalem to pray inside of the _____.
- 9} Honeybunch learned to be very _____ whenever Farmer Tice made her promises, gave her gifts, or did her any favors.
- 10} One of the Reverend Muler's many _____ was falling asleep in church.
- 11} When Honeybunch ordered Farmer Tice to build a new chicken coop, he purposely ordered the wrong _____ so that he could delay the project.
- 12} When Farmer Tice griped about their tiny bedroom, Honeybunch obliged him by making him sleep in the _____ barn.

Farmer Tice's Vocabulary Puzzle

College Level Words #11

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1. **castigate** (v): to criticize or reprimand someone severely. *The manager decided to castigate the employee in private for the costly mistake. Honeybunch castigated Farmer Tice for pilfering her cookie jar and demanded that he take the fishing pole back to the store for a refund, & to give the money back.*
2. **cataclysm** (n): a large-scale and violent event in the natural world. *The ancient civilization completely vanished after a sudden volcanic cataclysm. When the president announced that the country would be going to war, a cataclysm of sell-offs resulted in the stock market.*
cataclysmic (adj) Historians point to the assassination of Archduke Ferdinand as the cataclysmic spark that ignited a war in Europe that quickly turned into World War I.
3. **cavil** (v): to make petty or unnecessary objections. *He chose to cavil about the minor formatting details instead of reviewing the actual data.* **caviling** (adj) *Her caviling remarks were annoying.* **cavil(s)** (n): a petty, trivial, or unnecessary objection or criticism.
4. **cenacle** (n): a group of people gathered together, particularly a literary circle or a group meeting in an upper room. *The local cenacle of poets met every Thursday night to share their new verses.* 2} **Cenacle**: The Cenacle is site of The Last Supper, where Jesus shared his final Passover meal with his apostles before his crucifixion.
5. **chagrin(ed)** (n): distress or embarrassment caused by humiliation or disappointment. *Much to his chagrin, he realized his mistake only after sending the email to the entire company. The chef watched with deep chagrin as the guest poured ketchup all over the expensive steak. He was deeply chagrined to discover an "F" on his report card.*
6. **circumspect** (adj): wary and unwilling to take risks. *The officials took a circumspect approach to the new regulations until they saw the final numbers.*
circumspectly (adv): in a cautious and watchful manner that considers all risks. *She walked circumspectly through the icy parking lot to avoid slipping.*
circumspection (n): *The deed was approved after careful circumspection.*
7. **cockney** (n): a native of East London, traditionally one born within hearing distance of Bow Bells, or their dialect. *The actor spent weeks practicing with a native speaker to perfect his cockney accent for the play.*
8. **collet** (n): a band, collar, or sleeve used to hold a tool or workpiece securely in a machine. *He tightened the metal collet to keep the small drill bit from wobbling.*
9. **colloquy** (n): a formal conversation or high-level discussion. *The legal experts engaged in a brief colloquy before delivering their final proposal.*
10. **colophon** (n): a publisher's distinctive emblem, or an inscription at the end of a book showing publication details. *The collector checked the colophon on the final page to verify the printing date.*
11. **commodious** (adj): roomy and comfortable. *The family chose the house because it featured a commodious living room perfect for hosting parties.*
12. **complacent** (adj): showing smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements. *The champion team became complacent and stopped practicing hard, leading to a surprise defeat.*
complacency (n): a feeling of smug or uncritical satisfaction with oneself or one's achievements, often accompanied by an unawareness of actual dangers or deficiencies. *The company's early success led to a dangerous complacency, allowing newer competitors to take over the market.*

ANSWERS TO FARMER TICE COLLEGE WORDS #11

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2. cockney
3. colloquy
4. castigated
5. complacency
6. colophon
7. cataclysmic
8. Cenacle
9. circumspect
10. cavils
11. collet
12. commodious