Match the words and their definitions.

1. abate  
   a) agreement or consent by silence or without objection; to remain at rest, agree without protest

2. dispensation  
   b) an effort to appear to have a quality no really or fully possessed; the pretense of actual possession

3. affectation  
   c) to reduce in amount, degree, intensity, etc.; lessen; diminish (from Old French meaning to beat down, fell)

4. assay  
   d) to examine or analyze; to try or test; put to trial

5. decorum  
   e) a self-evident truth that requires no proof (late Middle French meaning “that which is thought worth or fit”)

6. acquiescence  
   f) ready or willing to answer, act, agree, or yield

7. benefice  
   g) a loud, confused noise; a continued loud or tumultuous sound; noisy clamor

8. amenable  
   h) watchful and discreet (late Middle English meaning “to look around”)

9. din  
   i) discrimination; acuteness of judgment and understanding

10. circumspect  
    j) something that is distributed or given out (theology meaning: the divine ordering of the affairs of the world. Middle English/Late Latin meaning: order, system, divine grace)

11. discernment  
    k) a position or post granted to an ecclesiastic that guarantees a fixed amount of property or income

12. axiom  
    l) dignified propriety of behavior, speech, dress, etc
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Vocabulary Quiz #3 – Day 30 Answer Key

1. abate: c
2. dispensation: j
3. affectation: b
4. assay: d
5. decorum: l
6. acquiescence: a
7. benefice: k
8. amenable: f
9. din: g
10. circumspect: h
11. discernment: i
12. axiom: e