SPICES OF LIFE

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Great chefs earn their reputations through the creative use of spices in the preparation of
their repasts. Now it’s your opportunity to join the ranks of logological gourmands as you
peruse the offerings that follow. Although these words are seemingly unrelated, they mask
sixteen savory additives that are guaranteed to titillate your tastebuds.

Half of these words require the removal of a single letter from each specimen, after which
appropriate rearrangement will expose the desired condiment. To wit, when “L” is eradicated
from the word METHYL, permutation of the remaining five letters yields THYME. Each
member of the other octet cries out for a supplemental letter, thereby leading to the revelation of
the requisite spice after some symbolic juggling. For example, were one to add an “L” to the
word LID, a bunch of DILL emerges from the quartet of letters that ensue.

Now that your appetite has been suitably whetted, proceed to load up your spice rack as
completely as possible.

1. AFFRONTS
2. AUGMENT
3. BIALYS
4. CLARION
5. CORDWAINER
6. EASING
7. GLACIER
8. GUARANTOR
9. NOTION
10. ORANGE
11. PEARLS
12. RECRUIT
13. REIGN
14. ROAMERS
15. SOLVE
16. VICES