

Each sentence in the right-hand column contains a capitalized vocabulary word. Read each sentence and match the capitalized vocabulary words to their definitions in the left-hand column.

DEFINITION	SAMPLE SENTENCE
_____ weird and mysterious	A.) It is usually better to understand and forgive someone who hurts you than be VINDICTIVE.
_____ put oil on	B.) Because there are so many new players every year, <i>The Baseball Encyclopedia</i> has become quite a VOLUMINOUS book.
_____ give up one's position, office, or power	C.) He was brought to the emergency room suffering severe TRAUMA caused by the auto accident.
_____ truthfulness	D.) The psychic's ability to make accurate predictions was UNCANNY.
_____ lowly and degrading	E.) Heather LUBRICATED the door to stop it from squeaking.
_____ too hard to cut, break or place	F.) Most would consider picking up garbage at the side of the road to be MENIAL work.
_____ inclined to seek revenge	G.) The MISANTHROPE built himself a cabin deep in the woods, miles from the nearest person.
_____ shock from a serious injury	H.) Without the right tools, he could not cut through the ADAMANTINE rock.
_____ one who hates people	I.) Since the witness was a friend of the accused, the lawyer doubted the VERACITY of his testimony.
_____ very large; big	J.) George was trying to lose weight, so he practiced ABSTINENCE when it came to eating fatty foods.
_____ the act of going without something	K.) The angry citizens forced the king to ABDICATE the throne.

## DEFINITION

- \_\_\_\_\_ motivated purely by money
- \_\_\_\_\_ understood by only a few
- \_\_\_\_\_ word for word
- \_\_\_\_\_ honor or recognition for something well done
- \_\_\_\_\_ extremely hungry; almost impossible to satisfy
- \_\_\_\_\_ sticky; thick
- \_\_\_\_\_ hate; detest
- \_\_\_\_\_ pertaining to barbers or barbering
- \_\_\_\_\_ soothe or relieve
- \_\_\_\_\_ acting to overthrow one's government or ruler, or helping your country's enemy
- \_\_\_\_\_ scold
- \_\_\_\_\_ gruesome; horrible

## SAMPLE SENTENCE

- A.) He amazed the class by learning the Gettysburg Address VERBATIM in one night.
- B.) Motor oil is a VISCOUS fluid.
- C.) Our dog has such a VORACIOUS appetite all the time that you'd think we never feed him.
- D.) In many small towns, the TONSORIAL shop is still a place where men socialize while waiting for their haircuts.
- E.) In the '50s, the Rosenbergs were found guilty of TREASON for selling atom bomb secrets to the Russians.
- F.) Her parents severely UPBRAIDed her for coming home at 2 A.M.
- G.) The *Scream* film series contained many LURID scenes.
- H.) She would not do anything for free; her motives were entirely MERCENARY.
- I.) When she suffered scrapes in a fall, her mom's tender loving care helped to MOLLIFY her discomfort.
- J.) She's so impatient that she ABHORs being behind slow drivers.
- K.) Advanced techniques of computer programming are quite ABSTRUSE.
- L.) The Oscar-winning film won ACCOLADEs from all the critics.

## DEFINITION

- \_\_\_\_\_ false, though appearing to be true
- \_\_\_\_\_ develop gradually
- \_\_\_\_\_ to make worse; aggravate
- \_\_\_\_\_ remove from power
- \_\_\_\_\_ insulting
- \_\_\_\_\_ make serious demands on; put a burden on
- \_\_\_\_\_ oppressively hot
- \_\_\_\_\_ medical rehabilitation process
- \_\_\_\_\_ person with a peculiar personality; screwball; nut
- \_\_\_\_\_ made up of selections from various sources

## SAMPLE SENTENCE

- A.) The unhappy citizens wanted to DEPOSE the queen.
- B.) We endured a string of SULTRY days during the heat wave.
- C.) The old man's ECCENTRIC behavior made him an outcast in his town.
- D.) The lawyer's SPECIOUS argument had the jury fooled until all the evidence was revealed.
- E.) Her CD collection was quite ECLECTIC, as it contained music from hip-hop to Celine Dion.
- F.) Our decision to go to the mountains last weekend EVOLVED from dad's remark that we hadn't been skiing in a while.
- G.) When he kept making DEROGATORY remarks about how she hung the curtains, she finally told him to hang them himself.
- H.) Lying about why she missed the exam only EXACERBATED the situation.
- I.) To get rid of his student's lisp, the school counselor suggested speech THERAPY.
- J.) Her constant complaining began to TAX his patience.

## DEFINITION

- \_\_\_\_\_ arrogant pride
- \_\_\_\_\_ deception; trickery
- \_\_\_\_\_ not thinking about the future;  
short-sighted
- \_\_\_\_\_ peaceful; charmingly simple
- \_\_\_\_\_ intentional exaggeration
- \_\_\_\_\_ add
- \_\_\_\_\_ image, sometimes a sacred one
- \_\_\_\_\_ showing little or no emotion;  
cold
- \_\_\_\_\_ unexpected gain or good  
fortune
- \_\_\_\_\_ occurring regularly over a  
long period

## SAMPLE SENTENCE

- A.) Surprisingly, Joanne seemed  
APATHETIC when told her mother  
was seriously ill.
- B.) “We had to wait an eternity” is an  
example of HYPERBOLE.
- C.) The teacher suspected CHICANERY  
when supplies continued to disappear  
from the classroom.
- D.) Rather than retype the whole contract,  
the lawyer APPENDED the new provi-  
sions on an extra page.
- E.) He enjoyed an IDYLLIC life on the  
small island.
- F.) Because of his HUBRIS, he truly  
expected to be voted the best-looking  
guy in the school.
- G.) She developed CHRONIC sneezing  
during allergy season.
- H.) When oil prices went up sharply due to  
a shortage, oil companies experienced a  
WINDFALL.
- I.) Many ICONS of saints and angels were  
on display in the church.
- J.) Many feel that ignoring global warming  
is MYOPIC.

## DEFINITION

- \_\_\_\_\_ softened; reduced in volume
- \_\_\_\_\_ brave; courageous
- \_\_\_\_\_ cheerful willingness; eagerness
- \_\_\_\_\_ tiny
- \_\_\_\_\_ ever awake and alert
- \_\_\_\_\_ approach or greet aggressively
- \_\_\_\_\_ loud, noisy
- \_\_\_\_\_ authority granted a ruler by an overwhelming vote
- \_\_\_\_\_ free from blame
- \_\_\_\_\_ sin
- \_\_\_\_\_ given to playful humor
- \_\_\_\_\_ long, angry speech
- \_\_\_\_\_ final warning

## SAMPLE SENTENCE

- A.) Night watchmen must learn to be VIGILANT no matter how tired they feel.
- B.) A hush fell over the room when we heard his VOCIFEROUS cry.
- C.) Though her political cartoons were focused on the issues, they were often WHIMSICAL as well.
- D.) Instead of discussing his own ideas, the politician launched into a TIRADE about his opponent's platform.
- E.) She confessed her TRANSGRESSIONs every week in church.
- F.) The coach gave him an ULTIMATUM; if he missed any more practices, he'd be off the team.
- G.) Despite being vastly outnumbered, Davy Crockett and the other soldiers fought a VALIANT battle at the Alamo.
- H.) Many felt that the president's small margin of victory did not give him a MANDATE to raise taxes.
- I.) Since it was cold out, he opened the window a MINUSCULE amount to let in some air.
- J.) Even though their conversation was MUTED, the librarian asked them to stop talking.
- K.) Peter was ABSOLVED of guilt when John testified that the two of them were together on the night of the robbery.
- L.) The instant I walked into the store I was ACCOSTed by a salesman.
- M.) She couldn't afford to buy a ticket, so she accepted the invitation to the concert with ALACRITY.