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Vocabulary Week 12

Exercise I

Match the correct definition with each vocabulary word.

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| _____ 1. | orthography | A. (n)a restatement of the meaning of a text or speech using other words: (v) to state a meaning in other words |
| _____ 2. | paraphrase | B. pleasing; delightful; delicious |
| _____ 3. | recourse | C. (v) to spoil by poor work; to bungle; (n) a poor piece of work |
| _____ 4. | scruples | D. to hinder; to weigh down; to burden |
| _____ 5. | acumen | E. doubts that hold one back from doing something questionable; moral reservations |
| _____ 6. | botch | F. correct spelling; the art or study of spelling |
| _____ 7. | irksome | G. a turning for help to a person or thing; the person or thing looked to for help |
| _____ 8. | charisma | H. keen insight; sharp and quick observation |
| _____ 9. | delectable | I. annoying; irritating |
| _____ 10. | encumber | J. a special quality of leadership that captures the public imagination and inspires devotion |

Exercise II

Read each sentence below. In each blank space, write a word or phrase that has the same, or almost the same, meaning as the *italicized* word. The first sentence is done for you.

1. The English department is offering a special class in *orthography* spelling.
2. Can you *paraphrase* _____ this passage from *Julius Caesar*?
3. The defendant's only *recourse* _____ is to seek an appeal.
4. My *scruples* _____ would not allow me to accept the overpayment.
5. To succeed as a public official, a person usually needs political *acumen* _____.
6. If you let the drill slip, you will *botch* _____ the job.
7. Washing dishes can be an *irksome* _____ job.
8. Winston Churchill was a wartime leader who had great *charisma* _____.
9. Liver and onions is a *delectable* _____ meal.
10. Why do you *encumber* _____ yourself with ankle weights when you jog?

Exercise III

Find the word from the following list that answers each question below. Write this word on the line provided at the left of each question.

orthography
botch

recourse
delectable

acumen

- _____ 1. What do you do to a piece of work if you mess it up?
_____ 2. What is another word for shrewd insight?
_____ 3. What do you call something you seek help from?
_____ 4. What do you call the study of spelling?
_____ 5. Which word describes something delicious?

paraphrase
charisma

scruples
encumber

irksome

- _____ 6. What will a hindrance or burden do to a person?
_____ 7. What do you call moral objections to doing something wrong?
_____ 8. Which word names a quality of leadership that inspires great devotion?
_____ 9. What do you do when you restate something in different words?
_____ 10. Which word describes something annoying?

Exercise IV

Find the vocabulary word needed to fill in the blank in each of the following sentences.

1. The study of word origins is helpful to a student of _____.
2. The Mayor had _____ about taking large campaign contributions from anyone.
3. The Mayor has such _____ that his re-election is almost certain.
4. If we can't settle this dispute amicably, our only _____ will be the courts.
5. That vegetable salad was surprisingly _____.
6. Let's hope we don't _____ the dress rehearsal of our class play on Thursday night.
7. Completing the 16-page application was a tedious, _____ task.
8. Sharp observers of human behavior are said to have _____.
9. The reporter will try to _____ what the president said during the interview.
10. I try not to _____ myself with unnecessary luggage when I travel.