

1 **VOCABULARY**

Directions

Find the word or words with the same meaning as the underlined word. Click the circle next to the answer.

It was difficult to measure the pond's depth.

- A color
- B deepness
- C coolness
- D shape

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Lee's dog was the average size.

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- B large
- C common
- D correct

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The swift tides left many shells behind.

- A blast of wind
- B rise and fall of ocean water
- C speeding ships
- D ocean birds

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Thick clouds hid the peak.

- A top of a mountain
- B side of a cliff
- C full moon
- D setting sun

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Life in the desert is hard.

- A place with many forests
- B big city
- C place that is very dry
- D dark cave

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We saw many beautiful waterfalls.

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Bill can outrun Alex.

- A throw farther than
- B yell louder than
- C run faster than
- D jump higher than

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A light appeared in front of Paulie.

Which word has the same sound as the ear in appeared?

- A over
- B hard
- C learn
- D beard

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He is the greatest hockey player in the world!

Which word has the same sound as the or in world?

- A ford
- B feared
- C whole
- D early

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Joe has a guitar lesson every Thursday.

Which word has the same sound as the ur in Thursday?

- A worm
- B four
- C throw
- D wear

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Betsy was dirty after playing in the park.

Which word has the same sound as the ir in dirty?

- A pretty
- B more
- C nerve
- D tire

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Andy got a perfect score in his spelling test.

Which word has the same sound as the er in perfect?

- A earth
- B there
- C partly
- D berry

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Which continent is home to the highest mountain?

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Only one of the Seven Summits is less than 10,000 feet tall. Which one?

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Which mountain is on the continent of Europe?

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- B Everest
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What is the difference in height between Everest and McKinley?

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- B almost 9,000 feet
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Antarctica's Vinson is higher than only one other mountain on the chart. Which one?

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Which fact does NOT support the main idea that climbing the Seven Summits in seven months is amazing?

- A The Seven Summits range in height from 7,310 to 29,035 feet.
- B The Seven Summits are all on different continents.
- C More than one hundred people have climbed the Seven Summits.
- D Everest is the highest mountain in the world.

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In what year did Rob Hall and Gary Ball complete the Seven Summits?

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- B 1985
- C 1990
- D 1996

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How many other climbers have climbed the Seven Summits?

- A more than one hundred
- B less than one hundred
- C exactly one hundred
- D Only Richard Bass, Rob Hall, and Gary Ball have been able to do it.